

Unit #5: The Remaining Commandments of the First Table

- “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom” Ps 111:10.
- “We should fear and love God so that . . .”

Outline

The Practice of Faith: Religion and Piety

Our Relationship with God

The Things of God

Sources

From the Catechism

Commandments 2 and 3: “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.”

Explanation to Commandments 2-3: “We should fear and love God so that . . .”

From the Scriptures

Dt 4:5-9; Dt 6:6-7; Ps 26:6-8; Ps 84:1-4; Ps 111:10; Prov 1:7; Prov 9:10; Ps 122:1-4; Ps 119:105; Ne 8:5-6; Nu 20:12-13; Lk 4:16; Lv 26:2; 2 Sam 6:5-11; Acts 5:1-5, 11; 1 Cor 11:27-32.

Unit #6 The Second Commandment: Respect for God's Name (Reputation)

- “You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.” Ex 20:7
- “Hallowed be thy Name.” Mt 6:9; Lk 11:2
- “. . . call upon it [God's Name] in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.”

Outline

Titles and Names

Attributes, Works

How God wishes to be known, His self-revelation

The Use and Misuse of our Relationship to God

Sources

From the Catechism

The Second Commandment: You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

From the Liturgies

The Baptismal Formula: “I baptize you in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

The Invocation: “In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

Opening Versicles, Divine Service 3, 4 and 5: “Our help is in the name of the Lord”

The Gloria in Excelsis: “We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.”

The Offertory: “I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the Name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the Name of the Lord.”

The Magnificat: “The Lord has done great things to me and holy is His Name”.

The Te Deum: “We praise you, O God, we acknowledge you to be the Lord.”

From the Scriptures:

Ex 3:13-15; Jn 8:56-59; Ex 34:4-8; Lv 19:12; Nu 30:2; Mt 5:33-37; Nu 6:22-27 (Mt 28:19); Dt 18:9-14; Ps 50:15; Is 55:6; Ps 32:6; Ps 116:12-13, 17; Mt 6:9; (Lk 11:2); Jn 17:11-12, 14, 17; Jn 17:25-26; Acts 4:10-12; Phil 2:9-11; Nu 20:10-13; Mt 7:21; Mt 6:5, 7; Jer 23:23-32.

Unit #7 The Third Commandment: Respect for God's Word

- “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.”
- “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God”
Mat 4:4.

Outline

The Sabbath Day and the Lord's Day

Respecting the Sacred

Remembering, Observing and Sanctifying

The Holy Things of God

Sources

From the Catechism

The Third Commandment: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

From the Liturgies

The Verse, Divine Service 1 and 2: “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the Words of eternal life.”

The Verse, Divine Service 4: “These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God.”

Response following a reading, all services: “This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.”

Common Responsory for Matins: “Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens. Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it. Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.”

Common Responsory for Vespers: “Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth. Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Unite my heart to fear Your Name, that I may walk in your truth. Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

Responsory in Evening Prayer: “In many and various ways, God spoke to the people of old by the prophets. But now in these last days, He has spoken to us by His Son.”

From the Benedictus: “. . . as He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets, who have been since the world began . . .”

From the Nicene Creed: “I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life . . . Who spoke by the prophets.”

From the Words of Institution: “This is My body. . . . This cup is the New Testament in my Blood.”

Liturgical Ceremony:

The Observance of the Lord's Day: The setting aside of one day in seven for worship, the Word, and the celebration of the Sacrament.

The Observance of Festivals and Fasts, Days and Seasons, such as Christmas, Easter, Ash Wednesday, Lent, etc.

The Appointment of Lectionary Readings

Standing for the Gospel Lesson

Consecrations and Blessings

From the Scriptures:

Ex 20:8-11; Dt 5:12-15; Mk 2:27-28; Rom 14:5-6a; Col 2:16-17; Is 55:10-11; Lv 26:2; Ex 23:14-17; Ex 25:8; Ex 29:42-45; Ex 40:34-35; Ne 8:5-6; Ps 1; Acts 2:42; Heb 10:25; 1 Cor 1:18; 1 Cor 2:1-16; Mat 4:4 (Dt 8:3); Jn 6:26-27, 35, 47-51, 53-58, 66-69; Jn 17:17; Jn 20:30-31; 1 Tim 4:4-5; Heb 4:12-13.