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# ROOTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING:

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## FAMILY WORSHIP



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and when you walk by the way, and when you lie  
down, and when you rise.*

- Deuteronomy 6:7 (ESV)

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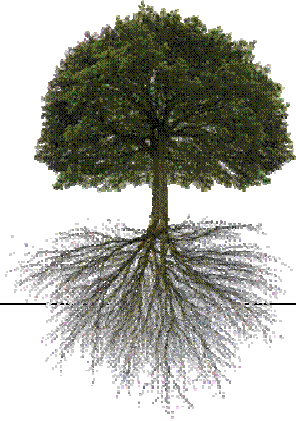
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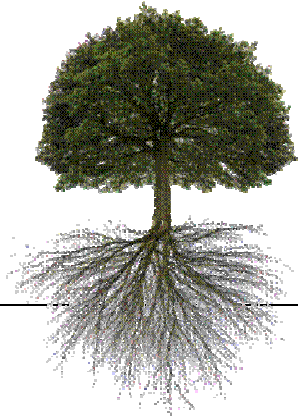


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# WHY FAMILY WORSHIP?

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By: Craig Thompson, Senior Pastor at Malvern Hill Baptist Church in Camden, SC

*Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!  
I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,  
things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us.  
We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation  
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.*

*He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel,  
which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children,  
that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn,  
and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God  
and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.*

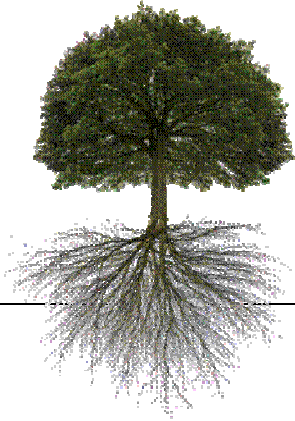
- Psalm 78:1-7

We set about to put together this resource for families not primarily to answer the question of “Why family worship,” but rather of how. However, before we can get to the how, it is important to answer the question of why. Why should you have family worship times regularly in your home and why should you seek to make it a priority?

Family worship should be a priority in your home because the home is the training ground for biblical formation in the lives of your children. It is the responsibility of parents, and primarily of fathers, to provide Christian instruction in the home for the purpose of raising your children to know and fear the Lord. The church is God’s chosen instrument to proclaim his glory to the nations, but churches are made up of families, and the strongest churches are made of families who worship together in their homes as well as at the church.

The final responsibility for the spiritual formation of your children falls into the laps of parents. The church is not tasked with raising your children, but rather with coming alongside you to help you raise your children to know the Lord and serve him. Deuteronomy 6:6-7 says, “And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.” The task and privilege of raising children is given by God to parents.

So, parents, family worship is necessary and should serve a dual role in your home. First, it will help you show to your family that God matters and deserves a place of priority in their lives. We are busy people and it is difficult to add anything else to our already busy schedules, but when worship becomes a priority in your home, you show your family that God is a priority. Secondly, you and your family have the opportunity to grow in your faith as a result of your time spent in the scripture, in prayer, song, memorizing, and in catechizing (a word that will make more sense when you look at the resource section of this manual). You will know God better and be better equipped to follow and serve him when you know more about him and spend more time with him. Family worship gives you that chance. So, for those who have asked how to conduct family worship, continue reading, that part is coming, and for those who were not convinced yet of its need in your life, I hope that this short introduction has served to persuade you of the importance of regularly taking time to worship as a family.



# HOW I PASTOR MY FAMILY—A GUIDE

By: Justin Hyde, Pastor at Christ Church in Brenham, TX

Many people ask me, "What do 'family devotions' look like at your house?" or, "How do you pastor your family?" or even more simply, "Do you pray or read the Bible with your wife and children?" Here is one attempt to answer those questions.

## 1. Routine

Our family works best with a routine. My wife and I, and our children, have a reasonably regular weekly schedule. Our "family devotions" fit into the larger rhythm and routines of our household (e.g. dinner, bedtime, etc.). Additionally, it is important to note that there are **explicit** and **implicit** aspects to our daily spiritual devotion. The bulk of the explicit aspects happen at night between when I get home from work and when I go to bed.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Time</u>
Play Time with Dad (and Mom)	5:30
Dinner	6:00
Clean-up	6:30
Play Time/Get Ready for Bed	6:45
Family Worship	7:30
Bedtime	8:00

## 2. Intentional Evenings

I get home from work between 5:30PM and 5:45PM each night. But I have to prepare myself before 5:30PM so that I can hit the ground running when I walk in the door. Though I am invariably tired from my day's work, I have to remind myself that the most important part of my vocation happens after 5:30PM, not before. I am tempted to mentally "clock out" on my drive home, which would be easy. Yet I have to consciously prepare myself to give more energy, more attention, and more dedicated focus as soon as I walk through the door and am greeted by my 5 year old son, 3 year old daughter, newborn son, and wife than I have all day. This takes prayer, practice, and intentionality. It's easy to fail.

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Husbands/dads, don't clock-out on your way home; be ready to be present and engaged; don't let your kids or wife expect to hear your formulaic: "I'm tired;" turn your phone off (I recently read something like this: "If you touched your wife as much as you touch your iPhone your marriage would be in a much better spot."); cancel your cable TV; repent of your addiction to new projects, hobbies, and distractions.

Wives, be gracious; be forgiving; learn and grow with your husband; make your home inviting and pleasing; manage the stress level (for you and the kids) before dad gets home (i.e. don't let the water boil all day so that it's boiling over the top

right when dad's car pulls up).

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### 3. Time To Play

We eat dinner at 6:00PM. So I walk in the door and devote myself to the kids for 20-30 minutes. Rarely do I take 5 steps into the house before having a 5 year old around my left leg and a 3 year old around my right leg (and now, often, a baby in my arms). Dads, your kids are ready to see you. Ready to punch you. Ready to kiss you. Ready to play. Ready to build. Ready to read. And of course your wife needs this from you too if she's making dinner or just needing a break after her long day. Husbands, remind yourself daily that your wife is likely more exhausted than you are by 5:30PM. Serve her well. This is also a good time to teach the kids about setting the table, helping to pick up the living room, honoring mom, serving a younger sibling, etc. But mainly this is a good time to play.

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### 4. Mealtime

We always eat dinner together around the dinner table. My wife is hospitable, creative, thoughtful, carefree, and eager to worship through a shared meal. Our table is often decorated with candles, and sometimes flowers. We celebrate. We laugh. We joke. We make silly faces. We eat great food. We often, almost without fail, enjoy a dessert. We hold hands to pray. We take our time. Our children are watching and learning and savoring all of this.

### 5. Cleanup

After dinner we usually clean up (sometimes we wait until the kids are asleep). The children help with dishes, help put things away, help clean up. It doesn't take long and the payoff in relaxation and focus is often worth the price of clearing the table and loading the dishwasher. Yet regardless of whether we clean up now or later, our attention is devoted to the children from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. After dinner, we play. We read. We build towers. We go on adventures. We explore. We tickle.

### 6. Bible Time

At 7:15PM we all start winding down and I tell the kids: "15 more minutes of \_\_\_\_\_, and then it's 7:30PM." My kids know exactly what I mean. At 7:30PM it's Bible time. We all gather in the living room (if we're not there already); we get the Bible; and the kids pile on my lap. For the longest time we read the [ESV Illustrated Family Bible](#). This Bible uses the actual [ESV](#) text but the stories are selective and the images are great and colorful.

Recently, we began using [The Early Readers Bible](#) only because Jonas received it as a Christmas gift. This is a great Bible too, but it's not the actual ESV text, which I prefer. It's a Bible written for young readers. Our 5 year old can blast through this easily, and sometimes I'll let him



read during our devotional time, though rarely. At this stage I think it's important for me to lead this time and shepherd them as I read aloud. The great thing about [The Early Readers Bible](#) is the questions after each section. Very helpful.

Dads, it's important for you to call the family together. Don't force mom to keep looking at her watch, to always be waiting for you, to nag you to get started. Call

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the family together. Get the Bible. Know where/what you're reading. Lead your family. Wives, this may be new or unfamiliar for many dads. Go easy on him. Encourage him. Honor his leadership. Don't undermine. Don't criticize. Model respect and love for your children to see. And remember, the kids are watching.

## 7. Questions & Answers

After we read a section of Scripture I ask questions. I ask questions about the story, about the characters, about the doctrines or themes within the story, about applying the text to the real life of 5- and 3-year-olds. In addition to asking questions about the text itself, our children also

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memorize the [Small Children's Catechism](#) by Chris Schlect. I cannot overstate the importance of catechism in the home. Someone has said, "Preaching without catechism is like building a house without pouring a foundation." So true. Other helpful resources are [The Big Book of Questions and Answers](#) (Sinclair Ferguson), [My 1st Book of Questions and Answers](#) (Carine Mackenzie), and [Big Truths for Young Hearts](#) (Bruce Ware).

## 8. Family Prayer

Then we all pray. We take prayer requests (this is important because the kids need to see dad asking mom how he can pray for her). And each of us pray. Sometimes I ask the kids to pray for certain things. Sometimes I ask the older to pray for the younger. Sometimes they want to say the Lord's Prayer (which means you need to help them memorize it when they're two or three). Sometime it's random.

Moms and dads, you need to guard this time so that the children don't grow to despise it. This needs to be an encouraging, graceful, loving, fun, sometimes silly, patient, and fruitful time. Be honest with one another. Teach your kids how to care, how to be sensitive to others' needs, how to articulate what they're feeling. Make disciples.

## 9. Bedtime

Now it's bedtime. Love those kids. Hug and kiss and tickle and snuggle like crazy.

## 10. Explicit vs. Implicit

Most of the above routine is explicit training and devotion. Yet each of those elements fit into the larger mosaic of what it means to be a part of our family. These explicit elements would only go so far (but not far enough) if not paired with the implicit aspects of the daily spiritual development that are more subtle and mundane.

The implicit aspects are the constant opportunities to listen to your kids, to talk to them, to tell them about Jesus, to tell them about something you read in Scripture, something you've wondered about God, to connect the dots between dinner and worship, to live a life of celebration and sacrifice.



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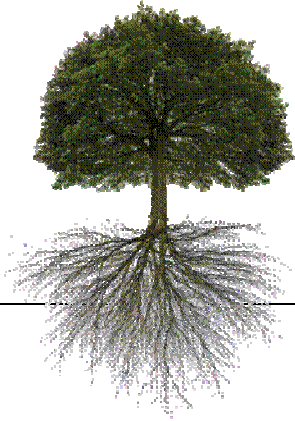
The legitimacy of your "devotion time" is only as solid as the legitimacy of your devotional life. In other words, I reap the rich spiritual benefits at 7:30PM each night because I tilled the soil that morning, during the day, at dinner, and so on. Quality time doesn't replace quantity. In fact, you can only enjoy the quality because you've invested in the quantity. The implicit is the foundation that sustains the rest, only most people don't see the foundation so it's easy to ignore.

Please know, I fail often. I need much grace. God has given me a forgiving wife and patient kids. Husbands/dads, this is the most important work you'll ever do, and it will have more impact than anything you could imagine. Wives/moms, encourage your man to lead; create conditions in which he can succeed. Couples, be patient and forgiving. Don't be short-sighted. Love well. And savor your time together.

May God help us pastor our families well.

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# PRACTICAL IDEAS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

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## 1. Keep it short

I would recommend 15-30 minutes, as a general rule. If things are going well, you can always keep the conversation going, but the goal should be brevity. If you make a discussion too long, it will become tedious and can actually turn your kids away from God. This time should be an overflow of all the Scripture, prayer, and discussion going on in the rest of your lives—not the only place where it happens.

## 2. Read

Most importantly, family worship is a time for Scripture. Make sure to read small chunks, maybe only a verse or two, at a time and then unpack it together. You can go through a book of the Bible, pick a verse that applies to the day's events, or choose something topical. The important thing here is connecting Scripture to life in a way that your kids can understand. For younger kids, the [The Jesus Storybook Bible](#) is pretty hard to beat.

## 3. Pray

Everyone should pray together. Thank God for what he has done and how he has provided. Take requests. Pray for each other. Pray for your city and specific lost people in your lives. Remember that you are building a rhythm, which is just as important as any specific prayer.

## 4. Sing

It doesn't matter if you can play an instrument or your voice curdles milk—we should all sing songs to God. Scripture is full of song, and our families should be as well. Truth be told, you are probably more of the problem with this than your kids. Young kids naturally sing all the time without any self-consciousness. Get over your hang-ups and desire for perfection and just sing together. My girls and I are making family songbooks as a creative project, and they're stoked.

## 5. Keep it regular

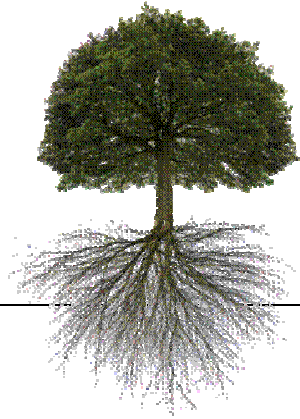
The sum is greater than the parts. You will have off days. You will miss days. You may even question your call to ministry. Whatever happens, just keep at it and God will make you equal to the task.

## 6. Older kids set the example

If your oldest kid is not engaged, your younger ones will follow. Challenge your oldest children to set the example for their siblings. Give them a bit of ownership and a role in how you structure these times, and it will be a huge help.

## 7. Limit TV

I'm not saying kill your television completely, but there is no doubt in my mind that excessive TV rots the attention span. If your kids, or you for that matter, can't pay attention to anything for more than two minutes, then think about what other entertainment might be captivating your senses.



# STEP 1: READING SCRIPTURE

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By: Luke Tolbert, Minister of Youth and Discipleship, Malvern Hill Baptist Church in Camden, SC

Isaiah 55:11 promises us that God's word is not in vain, it will accomplish what he intended it to do:

*...so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.*

We cannot have family worship without using God's Word. The Bible is how we know God—who he is, why he created us, and what he intends for us. It is this book that tells us God's story of creation, fall, redemption, and restoration. It is God's Word that communicates our root problem (sin) and his ultimate solution (Jesus). Therefore, the reading of Scripture must be an essential part of our time of family worship. Whether by going verse-by-verse through a book of the Bible or by using a devotional guide, we must read Scripture and apply it to the lives of our families.

## **Begin with a plan**

Come up with a plan for reading the Bible. Will you follow through a devotional guide? Will you follow a topical or chronological reading plan? Do not just open your Bible and flip to a random verse each day. Know where you are going so that you can read in advance and prepare yourself before family worship.

## **Find the Timeless Truth**

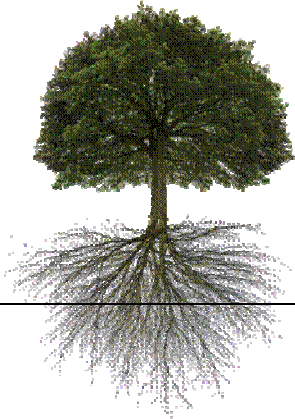
As you approach God's Word, ask yourself two questions:

1. What did the passage say to the original readers?
2. What does the passage mean for all time?

We cannot forget the differences that separate us from the original readers and hearers of God's word. We are not the same people as the Israelites listening to Moses' parting words in Deuteronomy 33. We are not the exact same Christians as those in Corinth who received Paul's instructions, encouragement, and challenges in 1 and 2 Corinthians. We must understand what the original people were going through and facing so that we can understand God's intention in the text. From that, we can find the timeless truth that speaks to God's people in all times and places.

## **Apply the Message**

The last question you need to ask of the passage that you are studying is, how does this passage apply to us today? Ask your family how the timeless truth in the passage applies to our lives and the way that we live in our homes, workplaces, schools, and communities. Have the family come up with practical, concrete ways that the truth will be lived out in their lives.



## STEP 2: PRAYING

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By: Rhonda Adams, Director of Children's Ministry, Malvern Hill Baptist Church in Camden, SC

*"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*  
- Philippians 4:4-7 (NASB)

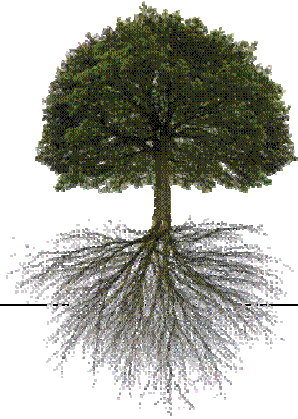
**If someone were to ask you, "What is the number one thing?" what would you say?** Some Christians might say it's Jesus, but I would take it a step further and say it's a growing relationship with Jesus. If you decide that is your "number one thing" also, then the next logical step would be to ask yourself how you can have a growing relationship with Jesus and how you can help your child have one as well. I think every mature Christian would agree that prayer is an essential part.

**In Matthew chapter 6, Jesus taught His disciples to pray.** We can use this prayer as an example of what types of things we should pray about. We should praise God, pray for His work in the world, pray for our daily needs, and pray for help with our daily struggles. We should pray for others in this way as well.

**For those of us whose childhood experience with prayer was mainly prayers in church services that were usually accompanied with thou and thee and long words, just the thought of teaching our children to pray can be intimidating.** The simple definition of prayer is, "human communication with God." The following ideas may help you as you teach your children to pray:

- Make a list with your child of things your child wants to pray about. Divide the lists into categories of praising God for who He is or what He has done, praying for the salvation of others and your own child's if he is not saved, praying for his needs and other people's needs, and praying for help with his daily struggles and other people's daily struggles. This will help your child to not focus just on those who are sick which is a common thing for adults to do as well.
- You may decide to pray with your child using directed prayer. With this type of prayer, you would talk to your child about praying for or about something you have discussed that day or night.
- You may want to do sentence prayers for the child who is having trouble praying out loud. Each member of the family would pray one sentence taking turns.
- During prayer time, I sometimes tell the children to get comfortable. They can be sitting down, on their knees, etc. I then begin a directed prayer by telling them to think about something God has done for them or given them, and then thank Him for this. (They pray silently, but you could let your child pray out loud if there is only one child.) We then follow the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6) model talked about above.

Remember above all else to teach your child that he can talk to God about anything anywhere.



# STEP 3: SINGING PRAISES

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By: Buster Morris, Minister of Worship, Malvern Hill Baptist Church in Camden, SC

*Sing praises to God, our strength. Sing to the God of Jacob.  
Sing! Beat the tambourine. Play the sweet lyre and the harp.*  
- Psalm 81:1-2 (NLT)

**Music is and has always been a beautiful gift to us from God.** We realize like anything it can be used in ways that do not honor, nor glorify our Lord. We know and realize that the glorious songs of the church used in the Christian family can be a wonderful way to enter into the very presence of God.

*Let the words of Christ, in all their richness, live in your hearts and make you wise. Use his words to teach and counsel each other. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.*  
- Colossians 3:16 (NLT)

**Music can help us focus our attention on God.** David instituted music for the temple worship services (1 Chronicles 25). Music and worship go hand in hand. Worship should involve the whole person, and music helps lift a person's thoughts and emotions to God. Through music we can reflect upon our needs and shortcomings as well as celebrate God's greatness.

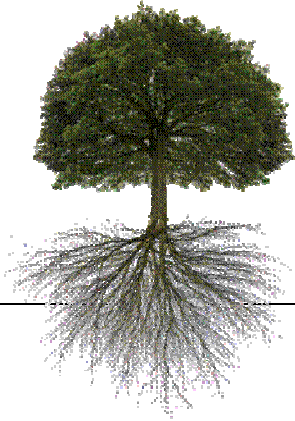
*I will thank you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all the marvelous things you have done.* -  
- Psalm 9:1 (NLT)

**Praise is giving thanks to God for who he is.** Praise is saying thank you for each aspect of his divine nature. Our inward attitude becomes outward expression. When we praise God, we help our self by expanding our awareness of who he is. In each psalm you read, look for an attribute or characteristic of God for which you can thank him.

The songs of the church are rich and powerful full of doctrine, encouragement, and assurance as well as conviction. Please let me encourage you as parents to invest your time in singing with and to your children the songs of the church. I truly believe God will bless your efforts.

**Some Simple Tools.** Here are some helpful tools for you as you lead your family to praise God through music:

1. Sing old or new hymns that you remember from corporate worship
2. Download songs onto your computer and sing along to them
3. Use a radio to tune to a nearby Christian radio station, if there is one in your area.
4. Purchase CD's to sing along to with your family.



# STEP 4: MEMORIZING SCRIPTURE

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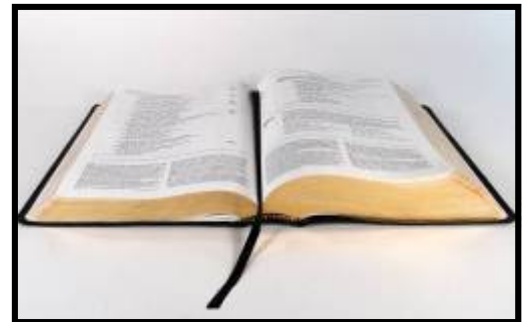
In 2 Timothy 3:12-17 Paul tells Timothy,

*"In fact, all those who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. Evil people and imposters will become worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing those from whom you have learned, and that from childhood you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."* (HCSB)

## **How can the Christian follow the scriptures if he does not know the scriptures?**

Memorizing scripture is like having a Bible with you always. How often something has come up within my own life when a verse of scripture will seemingly pop into my head. The verse will either be a verse of warning, a verse of comfort, or a verse helping me to know the right decision I should make for a certain situation.

**As our children go out into any public arena, we can be sure that there will be people there who will have different views than our own.** Even if those people do not have an agenda to teach or indoctrinate our children to these views or beliefs, we can be assured that the old saying, "more is caught than taught" applies here. Our children are very impressionable and simply being around someone "wears off" on them. Scripture memorization is one of the best ways to combat this, and the childhood years are the best years to memorize.



As I write this, I can hear the groans coming from your older children. Memorizing anything to them seems like more school work. Let me encourage you to make it fun for them, and while you may meet some resistance, they will soon realize that this can be fun. (Don't expect them to admit to that!)

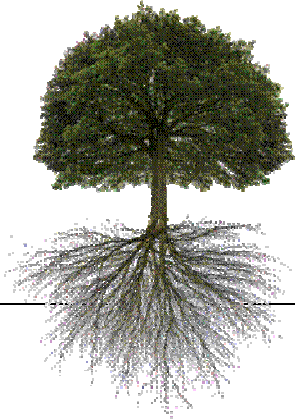
## **Here are some tips to help you begin.**

- Begin by praying with your child asking God to help you and your child remember the verses you are learning.
- Remember to take into account that each person has differing abilities to memorize. It takes more time and effort for some people including children. It is better to learn fewer verses and know them really well than to think you know the verses but forget them quickly.

- Before beginning to learn a new verse, if your child can read, have him look the verse up in the Bible. If your child cannot read, use your Bible to look up the verse and point to it.
- Consider the age of your child. The younger the child the simpler the verse needs to be.
- If your child loves music, set the verses to music. You can use well known children's songs such as "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" to make up your own songs, or you can purchase CD's of Bible verses set to music. This is an especially good way for the younger children to learn.
- Everyone has different learning styles, but all preschoolers are kinesthetic learners. This means they learn by moving. You can make up silly dances as you repeat the verses. Seeing Mommy and Daddy move like that will keep their attention! (If you are doing this at night, realize that you don't want to get them "hyped up" before bedtime.)
- For the older children, consider your child. Does he like music, sports, etc.? Think about what he likes to do and integrate memorizing verses into that. Make up simple games to help him learn. Writing the words of a verse on cards and timing him while he puts them in order may help him; or writing the words on larger pieces of paper, putting them on the floor, and letting him jump on the papers in the correct order may keep his interest. There are many other games you can use.
- It is oftentimes more difficult to get a boy to focus on scripture memorization. You may find that games with balls keep their attention longer. For the younger child, begin by sitting on the floor with your child with some space between you. Roll the ball back and forth. Each time the ball is rolled, a word of the verse is said until the verse is completed. With the older child, the ball can be tossed back and forth with the person catching the ball saying the next word of the verse until the verse is completed.
- For the child who can read, you may wish to use a small blackboard or whiteboard. You can write the verse on the board; then, every time the verse is recited, you can erase a word until all the words have been erased, and the verse is being recited without the use of the board.
- You may find that a little competition among the older children may work for you; however, keep it friendly. Keeping a list of the Bible verses memorized using colorful stickers to mark those memorized will help your child see what he's accomplished.
- Don't forget to recite the scripture reference as well.
- Make sure you discuss the meaning of the verses with your child. He needs to be able to apply those verses to his life. Memorizing scripture can actually change your child's behavior for the better as he internalizes the truth the scriptures hold.

Remember that your attitude has a lot to do with how your child will look at scripture memorization. If you are excited about it, more than likely your child will be, too.

*"I have treasured your Word in my heart so that I may not sin against You."*  
- Psalm 119:11 (HCSB)



# STEP 5: LEARNING A CATECHISM

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*But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed...*

- Romans 6:17

Many people probably do not recognize the term “catechism;” in fact, it might sound rather weird or foreign. The word catechism actually comes from Greek words that basically mean “to instruct.” Catechisms were used very early in the life of the church to teach new believers basic Christian beliefs prior to their baptism. That way the believer would know the important theological truths before they made their public declaration of faith and became an official member of the local church body. While the purpose and format has changed over time, the purpose of catechisms are to teach the truths of God in a way that is memorable to Christians. Most catechisms, including the one in this family worship guide, are comprised of questions and answers. For example:

Question: Who Made You?

Answer: *God made me.*

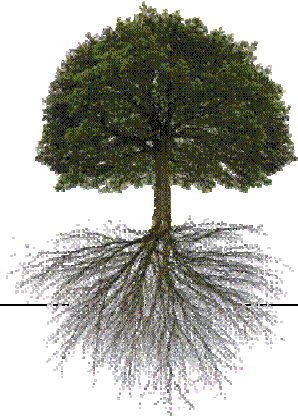
We know that learning the truths about God takes hard work and the purpose of catechisms are to make that learning process a little easier. Here are some helpful tips as you study and teach a catechism to your children:

**Teach yourself.** I know this probably goes without saying, but if you do not learn it, why would your children? If they see that it is not important to you, then they will likewise view it as unimportant. As simple as some of these question and answers might be, they contain truths that are important for all believers to know. You might even learn a thing or two yourself about God’s truth through your study of this catechism.

**Start Early.** It is surprising what even small children can learn, especially when it is repeated again and again. Do not be afraid to start a catechism while they are still young, even before they can put together a complete sentence on their own. After all, what will it hurt? You might even be surprised at what your children can learn.

**Repeat, repeat, repeat.** The reason that catechisms are in question and answer format is that it is easy to repeat individual phrases. Just as you will quickly learn the words to a song that you listen to again and again, you will also learn these questions and answers quickly if you are disciplined to repeat, repeat, repeat.

**Use every opportunity.** Make the most of every opportunity to teach your children. A Catechism can be taught while in the car on the way to school, while waiting in line at the store, at night before bedtime, and a thousand different times throughout the day. Use those “down time” moments to teach your children.



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# SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION GUIDE

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## Scripture Memory for Toddlers (age 2-3):

1. Genesis 1:1(NIV)  
“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”  
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2. Psalm 53:3b (NIV)  
“There is no one who does good, not even one.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
3. Matthew 22:37 (NIV)  
“Jesus replied, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
4. Matthew 22:39b (NIV)  
“Love your neighbor as yourself.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
5. John 17:17b (NIV)  
“Your word is truth.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
6. Acts 16:31a (NIV)  
“Believe in the Lord Jesus.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
7. Ephesians 6:1 (NIV)  
“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
8. 1 John 4:19 (NIV)  
“We love because he first loved us.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

## Scripture Memory for Preschoolers (age 4-5):

9. Genesis 1:31a (NIV)  
“God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

10. Psalm 23 (NLT)

“The LORD is my shepherd, I have all that I need.  
He lets me rest in green meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams.  
He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name.  
Even when I walk through the darkest valley,  
I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me.  
Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.  
You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies.  
You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings.  
Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life,  
and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.”

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

11. Psalm 100:3 (NIV)

“Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.”

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

12. Proverbs 3:5a (NIV)

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart.”

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

13. Isaiah 53:6 (NIV)

“We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”

Explanation: Iniquity is sin, which is saying “no” to God.

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

14. Matthew 3:17 (NIV)

“And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.’”

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

15. Matthew 16:16 (NIV)

“Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’”

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16. Luke 2:11 (NIV)

“Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.”

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17. Luke 2:52 (NIV)

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

18. John 1:1 (NIV)

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.”

Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_

19. John 1:14 (NIV)  
“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
20. John 3:16 (NIV)  
“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
21. John 20:31 (NIV)  
“But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
22. Acts 1:11b (NIV)  
“This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
23. Acts 16:31 (NIV)  
“So they said, ‘Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.’”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
24. Romans 5:8 (NIV)  
“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
25. Revelation 1:18a (NIV)  
[Jesus said,] “I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever!”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Scripture Memory for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders:

26. Numbers 23:19 (NLT)  
“God is not a man, so he does not lie. He is not human, so he does not change his mind. Has he ever spoken and failed to act? Has he ever promised and not carried it through?”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
27. Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (NIV)  
“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one! Love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

28. Psalm 119:9-11(NIV)  
“How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.  
I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands.  
I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
29. Psalm 119:105 (NIV)  
“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
30. Psalm 121 (NIV)  
“I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.  
He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber;  
indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.  
The LORD watches over you—the LORD is your shade at your right hand;  
The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.  
The LORD will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life;  
the LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.”  
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31. Psalm 145:8 (NIV)  
“The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow in anger and rich in love.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
32. Proverbs 1:8-9 (NIV)  
“Listen, my son, to your father’s instruction  
And do not forsake your mother’s teaching.  
They will be a garland to grace your head  
and a chain to adorn your neck.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
33. Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)  
“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen  
you and help; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
34. Matthew 1:21 (NIV)  
“She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save  
his people from their sins.”  
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35. Matthew 4:19 (NIV)  
“‘Come, follow me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will make you fishers of men.’ At once they left their  
nets and followed him.”  
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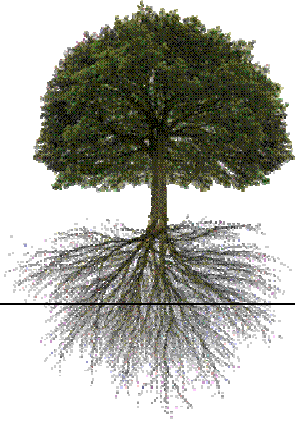
36. Matthew 5:16 (NIV)  
"In the same way, let your light shine before me, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."  
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37. Luke 18:16 (NIV)  
"But Jesus called the children to him and said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.'"  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
38. Luke 19:10 (NIV)  
"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
39. John 3:30 (NIV)  
"He must become greater; I must become less."  
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40. John 4:24 (NIV)  
"God is Spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and truth."  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
41. John 6:68 (NIV)  
"Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'"  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
42. John 11:25-26 (NIV)  
"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'"  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
43. John 14:6 (NIV)  
"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
44. John 14:21 (NIV)  
"Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
45. Romans 3:22-24 (NLT)  
"We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are. For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet God, with undeserved kindness, declares that we are righteous. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sin."  
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46. Romans 5:6 (NLT)  
“When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
47. Romans 6:23 (NIV)  
“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”  
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48. Romans 8:28 (NIV)  
“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
49. Ephesians 2:8-10  
“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”  
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Scripture Memory for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Graders:

50. Numbers 23:19 (NLT)  
“God is not a man, so he does not lie. He is not human, so he does not change his mind. Has he ever spoken and failed to act? Has he ever promised and not carried it through?”  
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51. Psalm 29:2 (NIV)  
“Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.”  
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52. Psalm 100 (NIV)  
“Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.”  
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53. Romans 1:16-17 (NIV)  
“I am not ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: ‘The righteous will live by faith.’”  
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54. Romans 10:9-10 (NIV)  
“That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.”  
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55. Philippians 2:13 (NIV)  
“For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
56. Titus 3:4-5a (NIV)  
“But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy.”  
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57. 1 John 1:8-9 (NIV)  
“If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
58. 1 John 2:1-2 (NIV)  
“My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
59. 1 John 3:18 (NIV)  
“Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
60. 1 John 4:7-10 (NIV)  
“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.”  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
61. 1 John 4:14 (NIV)  
“And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God.”  
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# CATECHISM GUIDE

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## Section 1: Questions about God, Humanity, and Sin

### Questions 1-8 (for Toddlers, Ages 2-3):

1. Who made you? *God made me.*  
(Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7; Ecclesiastes 12:1; Acts 17:24-29)  
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2. What else did God make? *God made all things.*  
(Genesis 1, especially verses 1, 31; Acts 14:15;  
Romans 11:36; Colossians 1:16)  
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3. Why did God make you and all things? *For his own glory.*  
(Psalm 19:1; Jeremiah 9:23, 24; Revelation 4:11,15)  
Explanation: God's glory is his goodness and his greatness  
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4. How can you glorify God? *By loving him and doing what he commands.*  
(Ecclesiastes 12:13; Mark 12:29-31; John 15:8-10; 1 Corinthians 10:31)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Why should you glorify God? *Because he made me and takes care of me.*  
(Daniel 4:39; Romans 11:36; Revelation 4:11)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Are there more gods than one? *No, there is only one true God.*  
(Deuteronomy 6:4; Jeremiah 10:10; Mark 12:29; Acts 17:22-31)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. In how many persons does this one true God exist? *In three persons.*  
(Matthew 3:16-17; John 5:23; 10:30; 14:9-10; 15:26; 16:13-15;  
1 John 5:20, 2 John 9; Revelation 1:4, 5)  
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8. Who are they? *God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.*  
(Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14; 1 Peter 1:2; Jude 20-21)  
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Questions 9-25 (for Preschoolers, Ages 4-5):

9. Who is God? *God is a Spirit, and does not have a body like us.*  
(John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 3:17; 1 Timothy 1:17)  
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10. Where is God? *God is everywhere.*  
(Psalm 139:7-12; Jeremiah 23:23-24; Acts 17:27-28)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
11. Can you see God? *No. I cannot see God, but he always sees me.*  
(Genesis 16:13; Exodus 33:20; John 1:18; 1 Timothy 6:16;  
Psalm 139 especially verses 1-5; Proverbs 5:21; Hebrews 4:12-13).  
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12. Does God know all things? *Yes. Nothing can be hidden from God.*  
(1 Chronicles 28:9; 2 Chronicles 16:9; Luke 12:6-7; Romans 2:16)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
13. Can God do all things? *Yes. God can do all his holy will.*  
(Psalm 147:5; Jeremiah 32:17; Daniel 4:34-35; Ephesians 1:11)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
14. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? *Only in the Bible.*  
(Job 11:7; Psalm 119:104; Isaiah 8:20; Matthew 22:29; 2 Timothy 3:15-17)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
15. Who wrote the Bible? *Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.*  
(1 Peter 1:20-21; Acts 1:16; 2 Timothy 3:16; 1 Peter 1:10-11)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
16. Can we trust the Bible? *Yes. The Bible is all-sufficient and without error.*  
(2 Timothy 3:16-17; Revelation 22:18-19; Psalm 12:6; Numbers 23:19)  
Explanation: "All-sufficient" means that the Bible teaches us all we need to know about  
God, how to obey Him, our sin, and God's way of salvation.)  
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17. Who were our first parents? *Adam and Eve.*  
(Genesis 2:18-25; 3:20; 5:1-2; Acts 17:26; 1 Timothy 2:13)  
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18. Of what were our first parents made? *God made the body of Adam out of the ground, and  
formed Eve from the body of Adam.*  
(Genesis 2:7, 21-23; 3:19; Psalm 103:14)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
19. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? *He gave them souls  
that could never die.*  
(1 Corinthians 15:45; Ecclesiastes 12:7; Zechariah 12:1)  
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20. Have you a soul as well as a body? *Yes. The Bible teaches me that I have a soul that can never die.*  
(Matthew 10:28; Mark 8:34-38; 12:30)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
21. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? *He made them holy and happy.*  
(Genesis 1:26-28; Psalm 8:4-8)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
22. Did Adam and Eve stay holy and happy? *No. They sinned against God.*  
(Genesis 3:1-7; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Hosea 6:7)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
23. What is sin? *Sin is any disobedience or transgression of God's law.*  
(Romans 3:20; James 2:9-10; 1 John 3:4)  
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24. What is disobedience? *Disobedience is not being or doing what God requires.*  
(James 4:17)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
25. What is transgression? *Transgression is doing what God forbids.*  
(1 Samuel 13:8-14; 15:22-23; Hosea 6:7; Romans 1:21-32)  
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Questions 26-47 (for 1<sup>st</sup> Graders):

26. What was the sin of our first parents? *Eating the forbidden fruit.*  
(Genesis 2:16-17; 3:6)  
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27. Why did they eat the forbidden fruit? *Because they did not believe what God had said.*  
(Genesis 3:1-6; Hebrews 11:6)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
28. Who tempted them to this sin? *The devil tempted Eve, and she gave the fruit to Adam.*  
(Genesis 3:1-13; 2 Corinthians 11:3; 1 Timothy 2:13-14; Revelation 12:9)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
29. What happened to our first parents when they sinned? *Instead of being holy and happy, they became sinful and miserable.*  
(Genesis 3:14-24; 4:1-24; James 1:14-15)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
30. What effect did the sin of Adam have on all humanity? *All humanity is born in a state of sin and misery.*  
(Psalm 51:5; Romans 5:12, 18-19; 1 Corinthians 15:21-22; 1 John 5:19)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

31. What do we inherit from Adam as a result of this original sin? *A sinful nature.*  
(1 Kings 8:46; Psalm 14:2-3; 58:3; Ecclesiastes 9:3;  
Matthew 15:18-20; John 2:24-25; Romans 8:7)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
32. What does every sin deserve? *The anger and judgment of God.*  
(Deuteronomy 27:26; Romans 1:18; 2:2; Galatians 3:10; Ephesians 5:6).  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
33. Do we know what God requires of us? *Yes. He has given us his law both in our hearts and in writing.*  
(Romans 2:14-15)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
34. Can anyone go to heaven with a sinful nature?  
*No. Our hearts must be changed before we can be ready for heaven.*  
(Romans 8:7; Jeremiah 31:33-34; Ezekiel 36: 25-27;  
John 1:12-13; 3:1-10; 1 John 5:1, 4, 18)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
35. What is a change of heart called? *Regeneration.*  
(Titus 3:5-6)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_
36. Who can change a sinner's heart? *Only the Holy Spirit.*  
(John 3:3; Romans 8:6-11; 1 Corinthians 2:9-14;  
2 Thessalonians 2:13-14; Titus 3:5-6)  
Date Completed \_\_\_\_\_

## Section 2: Questions about the Ten Commandments

37. How many commandments did God give on Mount Sinai? *Ten Commandments.*  
(Exodus 20:1-17; Deuteronomy 5:1-22)  
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38. What are the Ten Commandments sometimes called? *God's law.*  
(Jeremiah 31:33; Romans 2:14-15; 10:5)  
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39. Why should we obey the Ten Commandments? *Because God is our Creator, Savior, and King.*  
(Exodus 20:1-2, 11; Deuteronomy 5:1-6)  
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40. What do the first four commandments teach? *Our duty to God.*  
(Deuteronomy 6:5-6; 10:12-13)  
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41. What do the last six commandments teach? *Our duty to our neighbor.*  
(Deuteronomy 10:19; Micah 6:8; Galatians 6:10)  
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42. What is the sum of the Ten Commandments? *To love God with all my heart, and my neighbor as myself.*  
(Deuteronomy 6:1-15; 11:1; Matthew 22:35-40; James 2:8).  
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43. Who is your neighbor? *Everyone is my neighbor.*  
(Luke 6:35; 10:25-37)  
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44. Is God pleased with those who love and obey him? *Yes. He says, 'I love them that love me.'*  
(Proverbs 8:17; Exodus 20:6; 1 John 4:7-16)  
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45. Is God pleased with those who do not love and obey him? *No. 'God is angry with the wicked every day.'*  
(Psalm 7:11; Malachi 2:17; Proverbs 6:16-19; 1 Corinthians 16:22)  
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46. What is the first commandment? *The first commandment is, 'You shall have no other gods before me.'*  
(Exodus 20:3; Deuteronomy 5:7).  
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47. What does the first commandment teach us? *To worship only God.*  
(Isaiah 45:5-6; Matthew 4:10; Revelation 22:8-9)  
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- Questions 48-69 (for 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders):
48. What is the second commandment? *The second commandment is, 'You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them and worship them.'*  
(Exodus 20:4-6; Deuteronomy 5:8-10)  
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49. What does the second commandment teach us?  
*To worship God in the right way, and to avoid idolatry.*  
(Isaiah 44:9-20; 46:5-9; John 4:23-24; Acts 17:29)  
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50. What is the third commandment? *The third commandment is, 'You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.'*  
(Exodus 20:7; Deuteronomy 5:11)  
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51. What does the third commandment teach us? *To respect God's name, Word, and works.*  
(Isaiah 8:13; Psalm 29:2; 138:2; Revelation 15:3-4)  
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52. What is the fourth commandment? *Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.*  
(Exodus 20:8-11; 23:12; Deuteronomy 5:12-15)  
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53. What does the fourth commandment teach us? *To rest knowing that God has finished his work and kept his promises in Jesus Christ.*  
(Genesis 2:2-3; 2 Corinthians 1:20; Hebrews 4:1-16)  
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54. How do we rest? *In prayer and praise, in hearing and reading God's Word, in doing good to our neighbor, in repenting from sin, and in trusting the Lord. In this way of life, we begin to enter eternal rest.*  
(Isaiah 58:13-14; 66:23; Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:2;  
Luke 4:16; Matthew 12:10-13)  
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55. What is the fifth commandment?  
*The fifth commandment is, 'Honor your father and mother so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.'*  
(Exodus 20:12; Deuteronomy 5:16)  
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56. What does the fifth commandment teach us? *To love and obey our parents.*  
(Matthew 15:3-6; Ephesians 6:1-3; Colossians 3:20)  
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57. What is the sixth commandment? *The sixth commandment is, 'You shall not murder.'*  
(Exodus 20:13; Deuteronomy 5:17)  
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58. What does the sixth commandment teach us? *To avoid hatred and anger.*  
(Matthew 5:21-24; 1 John 3:15; James 4:1-3)  
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59. What is the seventh commandment? *The seventh commandment is, 'You shall not commit adultery.'*  
(Exodus 20:14; Deuteronomy 5:18)  
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60. What does the seventh commandment teach us? *To be pure in heart, language and conduct.*  
(Matthew 5:27-28; Ephesians 5:3-5; Philippians 4:8-9)  
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61. What is the eighth commandment? *The eighth commandment is, 'You shall not steal.'*  
(Exodus 20:15; Deuteronomy 5:19)  
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62. What does the eighth commandment teach us? *To be honest and not to take things which belong to others.*  
(Exodus 23:4; Proverbs 21:6-7; Ephesians 4:28).  
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63. What is the ninth commandment? *The ninth commandment is, 'You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.'*  
(Exodus 20:16; Deuteronomy 5:20)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
64. What does the ninth commandment teach us? *To tell the truth and not to speak evil about others.*  
(Psalm 15:1-3; Zechariah 8:16; 1 Corinthians 13:6; James 4:11)  
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65. What is the tenth commandment? *The tenth commandment is, 'You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.'*  
(Exodus 20:17; Deuteronomy 5:21; Romans 7:7)  
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66. What does the tenth commandment teach us? *To be content with what we have.*  
(Philippians 4:11; 1 Timothy 6:6-8; Hebrews 13:5)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
67. Can anyone keep these Ten Commandments? *No one since the fall of Adam, except our Lord Jesus, ever did or can keep the Ten Commandments perfectly.*  
(Proverbs 20:9; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Romans 3:19-20;  
James 2:10; 1 John 1:8, 10)  
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68. Of what use are the Ten Commandments to us? *They teach us our duty, make clear our guilt, and show us our need for the Savior.*  
(1 Timothy 1:8-11; Romans 3:20; Galatians 3:24)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
69. Does God condemn all men? *No. Though he could justly have done so he has graciously promised to save many.*  
(Romans 3:19-20, 23-25; John 17:11-12; Isaiah 53:11)  
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### **Section 3: Questions about Salvation**

#### Questions 70-94 (for 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders):

70. What is the Old Covenant? *An agreement between God and the Israelites established at Mount Sinai in the giving of God's laws. The Israelites repeatedly disobeyed God's laws, breaking the covenant and bringing God's wrath on them.*  
(Exodus 20; Deuteronomy 6; Psalm 78;  
Romans 9:4; 3:1; 7:12; Galatians 3:19-29)  
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71. What is the New Covenant? *A covenant that does not depend on man, but solely on God's promise to save his elect people from their sins and the world from its curse.*  
(Genesis 17:1-8; Romans 11:27; Galatians 2:8;  
Hebrews 10:16-17; 13:20-21; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ezekiel 36:25-28)  
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72. What did Christ do to fulfill the New Covenant? *Christ kept the whole law for his people, suffered on the cross the punishment due to their sins, was raised from the dead so that they might share in his life, and has ascended to heaven where he speaks to the Father on their behalf.*  
(Romans 4:25; 8:3-4; Galatians 4:4-5; 1 Timothy 3:16;  
Hebrews 6:17-20; 7:22; 9:14-15; 13:20-21; 1 John 2:1-2)  
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73. What is Christ's fulfillment of the New Covenant called? *The gospel.*  
(Romans 1:9, 15-18; Galatians 2:8-14; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8)  
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74. Did our Lord Jesus Christ ever sin? *No. He was holy and clean and obeyed God perfectly.*  
(Luke 23: 47; Philippians 2:8; Hebrews 4:15; 7:26; 1 Peter 2:22; 1 John 3:5)  
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75. How could the Son of God suffer? *Christ, the Son of God, took flesh and blood and became a human being so that he might be the substitute for sinful humanity.*  
(John 1:14; Romans 8:3; Galatians 4:4; Philippians 2:7-8; Hebrews 2:14-18; 4:15)  
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76. What is the atonement? *Christ satisfied God's justice by his suffering and death as a substitute for sinners.*  
(Mark 10:45; Acts 13:38-39; Romans 3:24-26; 5:8-9;  
2 Corinthians 5:19-21; Galatians 3:13; 1 Peter 3:18)  
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77. What kind of life did Christ live on earth? *Christ lived a life of perfect obedience to God's law.*  
(Matthew 5:17; Romans 10:4; 1 Peter 2:21-22)  
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78. What kind of death did Christ die? *The painful and shameful death of the cross.*  
(Psalm 22; Isaiah 53; Matthew 27:27-56; Mark 15:16-41;  
Luke 23:26-49; John 19:17-30)  
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79. For whom did Christ die? *For the whole world but especially for those whom the Father had given him.*  
(John 3:16; Romans 3:23-24; 1 John 2:1-2; 1 Timothy 4:10;  
Isaiah 53:8, 12; John 10:11, 15-16, 26- 29; 17:9; Hebrews 2:13).  
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80. Who will be saved? *Only those who repent from sin and believe in Christ will be saved.*  
(Mark 1:15; Luke 13:3,5; Acts 2:37-41; 16:30-31; 20:21; 26:20)  
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81. What does it mean to repent? *To be sorry for sin, to hate and reject it because it is displeasing to God, and to turn away from sin to serve Christ.*  
(Luke 19:8-10; Romans 6:1- 2; 2 Corinthians 7:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10)  
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82. What does it mean to believe or have faith in Christ? *To know that your only hope is Christ and trust only in Christ for salvation.*  
(John 14:6; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 2:5; 1 John 5:11-12)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
83. Can you repent and believe in Christ by your own power? *No. Only God by his Spirit gives repentance.*  
(Ephesians 2:1, 4-5; 1 Corinthians 2:13-14; 12:3; Romans 5:5)  
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84. How do you receive the Holy Spirit? *God has told us that we must pray to him for the Holy Spirit.*  
(Luke 11:9-13; John 7:37-39)  
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85. How were godly persons saved before Christ came? *They believed in the Savior to come.*  
(John 8:56; Galatians 3:8-9; 1 Corinthians 10:1-4; Hebrews 9:15; 11:13)  
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86. How did they show their faith? *By offering sacrifices on God's altar.*  
(Exodus 24:3-8; 1 Chronicles 29:20-25; Hebrews 9:19-23; 10:1; 11:28)  
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87. What did these sacrifices represent? *Christ, the Lamb of God, who would die for sinners.*  
(Exodus 12:46; John 19:36; Hebrews 9-10; John 1:29;  
1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:19).  
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88. What three offices does Christ fulfill for his people? *He does the work of a prophet, a priest, and a king.*  
(Hebrews 1:1-3; 5:5-10; Revelation 1:5; Matthew 13:57; John 18:37)  
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89. How is Christ a prophet? *He reveals God to us and teaches us His will.*  
(Deuteronomy 18:15,18; John 1:18; 4:25; 14:23-24; 1 John 5:20)  
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90. Why do you need Christ as a prophet? *Because I am ignorant.*  
(Job 11:7; Matthew 11:25-27; John 6:67-69; 17:25-26;  
1 Corinthians 2:14-16; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6)  
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91. How is Christ a priest? *He died for our sins and prays to God for us.*  
(Psalm 110:4; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; Hebrews 4:14-16; 7:24-25; 1 John 2:1-2)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
92. Why do you need Christ as a priest? *Because I am guilty.*  
(Proverbs 20:9; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Romans 3:19-23;  
Hebrews 10:14, 27-28; 1 John 1:8- 9)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
93. How is Christ a king? *He rules over us and defends us.*  
(Psalm 2:6-9; Matthew 28:18-20; Ephesians 1:19-23;  
Colossians 1:13, 18; Revelation 15:3- 4)  
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94. Why do you need Christ as a king? *Because I am weak and helpless.*  
(John 15:4-5; 2 Corinthians 12:9; Philippians 4:13; Colossians 1:11; Jude 24-25)  
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Questions 95-125 (for 4<sup>th</sup> Graders):

95. What did God the Father do to fulfill the covenants of promise? *God the Father elected, justified, adopted, and sanctified in Christ Jesus those sinners whom he purposed to save.*  
(Exodus 33:18-19; Ephesians 1:3-5; Romans 8:29-33; Galatians 4:4-7; Hebrews 10:9-10; 1 Corinthians 1:8-9; Philippians 1:6; 1 Thessalonians 4:3, 7; 5:23-24).  
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96. What is election? *God's good and gracious choice of certain sinners for salvation.*  
(Ephesians 1:3-4; 1 Thessalonians 1:4; 1 Peter 1:1-2)  
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97. What is justification? *God's regarding sinners as if they had never sinned and giving them righteousness in Christ.*  
(Zechariah 3:1-5; Romans 3:24-26; 4:5; 5:17-19; 8:33; 2 Corinthians 5:21;  
Hebrews 8:12; Philippians 3:9)  
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98. What is righteousness? *It is God's goodness.*  
(Exodus 33:19; 34:6; Psalm 33:5; Hosea 3:5; Romans 11:22)  
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99. Can anyone be saved by his own righteousness? *No. No one is good enough for God.*  
(Proverbs 20:9; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Romans 3:10-23)  
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100. What is adoption? *God's good and gracious reception of sinners into His family as beloved children.*  
(John 1:12; Romans 8:12-17; Ephesians 1:5; Galatians 4:7, 31; 1 John 3:1-3)  
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101. What is sanctification? *God's freeing sinners in Christ Jesus from slavery to sin so that they may live for God by faith with a love for God in heart and life.*  
(John 17:17; Romans 6:1-14; 8:1-4; 1 Corinthians 1:30; Ephesians 2:10; 4:22-24; 1 Thessalonians 5:23)

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102. Will the Christian be totally free from sin in this life? *No. A growing love for God by faith are certain and continual, but freedom from sin is complete only in heaven.*  
(Philippians 3:12-15; 2 Peter 1:3-8; 1 John 3:2)

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103. What keeps the Christian from being totally free from sin in this life? *The remaining sinful nature. The Bible says, "For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit... so you do not do what you want."*  
(Galatians 5:17; see Philippians 3:12-15; 1 John 3:1-3)

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104. What does the Holy Spirit do to fulfill the covenants of promise? *He regenerates, baptizes, and seals sinners in Christ for salvation.*  
(Galatians 3:14; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Ephesians 1:13-14; 2:1-8; 4:30; 2 Corinthians 1:22).

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105. What is regeneration? *A change of heart that leads to true repentance and faith.*  
(Galatians 5:22; Ephesians 2:5-8; 2 Thessalonians 2:13)

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106. How does the Holy Spirit baptize believers? *He puts them into the body of Christ and makes them a living part God's family, the church.*  
(1 Corinthians 12)

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107. How does the Holy Spirit seal believers? *He comes to live within them to guarantee that they will receive the wonders God has promised those who love Him.*  
(Romans 8:9-11; Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; 2 Timothy 1:9; 2 Corinthians 1:22)

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#### **Section 4: Questions about Prayer**

108. What is prayer? *Prayer is talking with God.*  
(Genesis 17:22; 18:33; Nehemiah 1:4-11; 2:4; Matthew 6:6; Romans 8:26-27)

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109. In whose name should we pray? *We should pray in the name of the Lord Jesus.*  
(John 14:13-14; 16:23-24; Hebrews 4:14-16)

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110. What has Christ given to teach us how to pray? *The Lord's Prayer.*  
(Matthew 6:5-15; Luke 11:1-13)

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111. Can you repeat the Lord's Prayer? *Our Father, who is in heaven, make your name holy. Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

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112. How many petitions are there in the Lord's Prayer? Six.

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113. What is the first petition? *Make your name holy.*  
(Matthew 6:9; Luke 11:2)

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114. What do we pray for in the first petition? *That God's name may be honored by us and all people.*  
(Psalm 8:1; 72:17-19; 113:1-3; 145:21; Isaiah 8:13)

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115. What is the second petition? *Your kingdom come.*  
(Matthew 6:10; Luke 11:2)

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116. What do we pray for in the second petition? *That the gospel may be preached in the entire world, and believed and obeyed by all people.*  
(Matthew 28:19-20; John 17:20-21; Acts 8:12; 28:30-31; 2 Thessalonians 3:1)

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117. What is the third petition? *Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*  
(Matthew 6:10; Luke 11:2)

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118. What do we pray for in the third petition? *That people on earth may serve God as the angels do in heaven.*  
(Psalm 67; 103:19-22; John 9:31; Revelation 4:11)

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119. What is the fourth petition? *Give us today our daily bread.*  
(Matthew 6:11; Luke 11:3)

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120. What do we pray for in the fourth petition? *That God will give us everything we need for our bodies.*  
(Psalm 145:15-16; Proverbs 30:8-9; 1 Timothy 4:4-5)

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121. What is the fifth petition? *Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.*  
(Matthew 6:12; Luke 11:4)

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122. What do we pray for in the fifth petition? *That God will forgive our sins, and enable us to forgive those who have sinned against us.*  
(Psalm 51; Matthew 5:23-24; 18:21-35; 1 John 1:9; 4:20-21)  
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123. What is the sixth petition? *And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.*  
(Matthew 6:13; Luke 11:4)  
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124. What do we pray for in the sixth petition? *That God will keep us from sin.*  
(1 Chronicles 4:10; Psalm 119:11; Matthew 26:41)  
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125. What does prayer teach us? *Our complete dependence on God.*  
(Hebrews 4:16; Ephesians 6:18; Philippians 4:6)  
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### **Section 5: Questions about the Word, the Church, and the Ordinances**

#### Questions 126-147 (for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders):

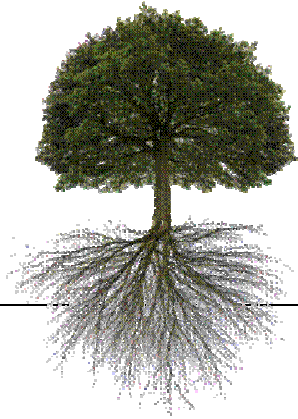
126. How does the Holy Spirit bring us to salvation? *He uses the Bible, which is God's Word.*  
(1 Thessalonians 1:5-6; 2:13; 2 Timothy 3:15-16; James 1:18; 1 Pet 1:22-23)  
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127. How can we know God's Word? *We are commanded to hear, read and study the Scriptures.*  
(1 Peter 2:2; Revelation 3:22; Matthew 21:42; 22:29; 2 Timothy 3:14-17)  
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128. What is a church? *An assembly of baptized believers who meet together under the preaching of God's Word.*  
(Matthew 18:20; Acts 2:42)  
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129. What two ordinances did Christ give to his Church? *Baptism and the Lord's Supper.*  
(Matthew 28:19; 1 Corinthians 11:24-26)  
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130. Why did Christ give these ordinances? *To show that his disciples belong to him, and to remind them of what he has done for them.*  
(Matthew 28:19; 1 Corinthians 11:24-26)  
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131. What is baptism? *The dipping of believers into water, as a sign of their union with Christ in his death, burial, and resurrection.*  
(John 3:23; Acts 2:41; 8:12, 35-38; Colossians 2:12)  
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132. What is the purpose of baptism? *To signify God's cleansing from sin through Jesus Christ.*  
(Acts 22:16; Colossians 2:11-14)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
133. Who should be baptized? *Only those who repent from their sins and believe in Christ for salvation.*  
(Acts 2:37-41; 8:12; 18:8; 19:4-5).  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
134. Should babies be baptized? *No, because the Bible neither commands it, nor gives any example of it.*  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
135. What is the Lord's Supper? *The eating of bread and drinking of wine to remember the sufferings and death of Christ.*  
(Mark 14:22-24; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29)  
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136. What does the bread represent? *The bread represents the body of Christ, broken for our sins.*  
(Matthew 26:26; 1 Corinthians 11:24)  
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137. What does the wine represent? *The wine represents the blood of Christ, poured out for our salvation.*  
(Matthew 26:27-28; 1 Corinthians 11:25)  
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138. Who should partake of the Lord's Supper? *Baptized believers who repent of their sins and love one another.*  
(Matthew 5:21-24; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:18, 20, 27-33;  
1 John 3:24-27; 4:9-11)  
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### **Section 6: Questions about Last Things**

139. Did Christ remain in the tomb after his crucifixion? *No. He rose from the tomb on the third day after his death.*  
(Luke 24:45-47; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
140. Where is Christ now? *Christ is in heaven, seated at the right hand of God the Father.*  
(Romans 8:34; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 1:3; 10:12; 12:2)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
141. Will Christ come again? *Yes. At the last day he will come to judge the world.*  
(Matthew 25:31-43; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; 2 Timothy 4:1)  
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142. What happens to men when they die? *The body returns to dust, and the soul goes to be with God or to a place of suffering and waiting for judgment.*  
(Genesis 3:19; Ecclesiastes 12:7; 2 Corinthians 5:1-6; Hebrews 12:22-23; Philippians 1:23; 2 Peter 2:9; Romans 2:5)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
143. Will the bodies of the dead be raised to life again? *Yes. The Bible says, "There will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked."*  
(Acts 24:15b; see John 5:28-29; Daniel 12:2)  
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144. What will happen to the wicked in the Day of Judgment? *They will be cast into hell.*  
(Psalm 9:16-17; Luke 12:5; Romans 2:8-9,12; 2 Thessalonians 1:8-9; Revelation 20:12-15)  
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145. What is hell? *Hell is a place of dreadful and endless punishment.*  
(Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-31)  
Date Completed\_\_\_\_\_
146. What will happen to the righteous in the Day of Judgment? *They will live with Christ forever in a new heaven and a new earth.*  
(Isaiah 66:22; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; 2 Peter 3:10-13; Revelation 21:1-4)  
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147. In light of these truths, what should you do? *I should strive with all my energy to repent of sin and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.*  
(Luke 13:23-24; John 6:27; Acts 16:31)  
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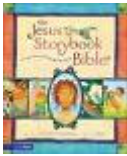
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- *The Seedling Bible*, The DeVillers Family (Toddlers)

## RECOMMENDED CHILDREN'S BOOKS ON THEOLOGY/WORLDVIEW



- *Big Truths for Young Hearts*, Bruce Ware (ages 6-14)



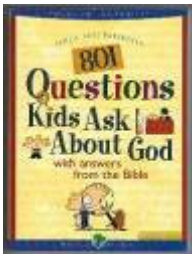
- *Big Thoughts for Little Thinkers*, 4 vols. Joey Allen (Ages 3-6)



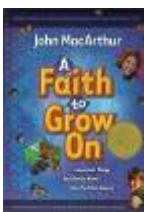
- *The Big Book of Questions and Answers*  
(Other titles are available in this series), Sinclair Ferguson



- *Peek-a-Boo, I Love You*, and other books by the DeVillers Family  
(Babies-Toddlers).

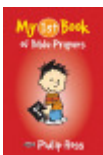


- *801 Questions Kids Ask About God*, Focus on the Family



- *A Faith To Grow On*, John MacArthur (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade).

## RECOMMENDED PRAYER RESOURCES



- *My First Book of Bible Prayers*, Phillip Ross

## **RECOMMENDED MUSIC RESOURCES**



- Seeds Family Worship (Multiple Albums) - Available on CD, iTunes, and Amazon



- The Rizers (One Album) - Available on CD, iTunes, and Amazon

## **RECOMMENDED WEBSITES**

- Sojourn Church (<http://sojournchurch.com>)— This is the website for Sojourn Church whose Scripture memorization guide and catechism are included in this guide. Under the resource section of their website, you can find a link to their “Sojourn Kids Resources.” Under that category you can find a wealth of information including their own worship guide and some parenting resources
- Family Worship Guide (<http://familyworshipguide.net/>) - This website gives a daily worship guide for families complete with a Bible reading plan, discussion questions, prayer suggestions, worship songs, Scripture memorization and catechism questions.
- Radical Experiment (<http://www.radicalexperiment.org/>) - This is a website produced by The Church at Brook Hills . There are a number of helpful resources for Christian living on this site. They also have downloadable worship guides, songs, and their own simple guide to family worship.
- Children Desiring God (<http://childrendesiringgod.org>)—This website is a part of Desiring God ministries. Geared toward the training up of children in the faith, this site offers free mp3 training for parents and teachers as well as a number of low cost resources like songbooks, parenting helps, and Scripture memorization plans and memory cards.



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- Ephesians 6:1-4

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