

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Luther's Small Catechism | Lesson 6: Worship

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Hear and Learn God's Word

44. How were the people blessed as they observed the Sabbath Day?
Exodus 20:9-11 Ezekiel 20:12 Psalm 122:1 Isaiah 40:31 Hebrews 4:1-3

45. Why aren't we required to observe the Sabbath Day in the way the Old Testament people were? *Colossians 2:13-14, 16-17 Matthew 11:28-29*

46. What does the Third Commandment then mean for us in the New Testament?
Romans 10:17 Luke 10:16 John 8:47 Colossians 3:16 Acts 17:10-12

47. How does God's Word serve as a mirror, showing us how we sin by despising his Word? *John 8:47 Hebrews 10:24-25 1 Samuel 15:1-23 Luke 8:14 1 John 2:15 James 1:22-24*

48. How did Jesus keep this commandment perfectly as our substitute?
1 John 3:5 Luke 4:16 Matthew 4:1-10

49. How does God's Word guide us to keep the Third Commandment?
Psalm 122:1 Isaiah 66:2 Joshua 1:8 John 20:31 Luke 11:28 Acts 17:11 1 Thessalonians 2:13 Mark 16:15 1 Peter 1:25, 2:2

50. Why is God's Word especially important to us?
Romans 10:17 Deuteronomy 32:47

Luke 10:38-42

1. Mary wanted what was most needed. What was it?
2. What are some distractions and temptations that can keep us from coming to church, reading our Bible, or meeting with other Christians to study?
3. What are some ways we can follow Mary's example to seek the one thing needful?

For further discussion...

4. What is the meaning of the word "sabbath"?
5. Over time, how did this commandment become misunderstood and misused?

Recommended memory work: The Third Commandment

Lutheran Worship

		Season	Time	
The Church Year	The Festival Half	The Time of Christmas <i>(The Cycle of Light)</i>	Advent	Four Sundays before Christmas
			Christmas	December 25 through January 6
			Epiphany	January 6 through the next four to nine Sundays, depending on the date of Easter (Includes Transfiguration Sunday)
		The Time of Easter <i>(The Cycle of Life)</i>	Lent	Six Sundays before Easter (Includes Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday)
			Easter	Easter Sunday (The Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox, March 21, called the Paschal moon) through the next six Sundays
			Ascension	40 days after Easter (Thursday)
	The Non-festival Half	The Time of the Church	Pentecost	50 days after Easter (Sunday)
			Trinity Sunday	The Sunday after Pentecost
			Sundays after Pentecost	Sundays after Trinity Sunday through Reformation
			Reformation	October 31
			End Times	Last three Sundays of the Church Year: Last Judgment Sunday, Saints Triumphant Sunday, and Christ the King Sunday

Terms

Lectionary: Pericope

Liturgy: Propers, Commons

Canticles: Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis, Credo, Sanctus, Agnus Dei, (Te Deum)