FAMILY CONFIRMATION Worksheet #17

"The Lord's Prayer: Petitions 5 and 6"

Memory Work: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. What does this mean? We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

- 1. Why do we need to pray for God's forgiveness? See Question 277.
- 2. Why is forgiveness important for my own life in Christ? See Question 278.
- 3. Does our forgiveness depend upon our ability to forgive others? See Question 279.
- 4. Does forgiveness mean that I must "forgive and forget"? See Question 280.

Memory Work: And lead us not into temptation. What does this mean? God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

- 5. What do we ask God to do for us when we pray this petition? See Question 282.
- 6. How does God help us to resist those threats? See Question 283.
- 7. Does God ever tempt us? See Question 284.

Prayer: Almighty and everlasting God, through Your Son You have promised us forgiveness of sins and everlasting life. Govern our hearts by Your Holy Spirit that in our daily need, and especially in all time of temptation, we may seek Your help and, by a true and lively faith in Your Word, obtain all that You have promised; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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