



Family Memory Verse

"It is the Lord your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you."

Deuteronomy 6:13-14

Question & Answer

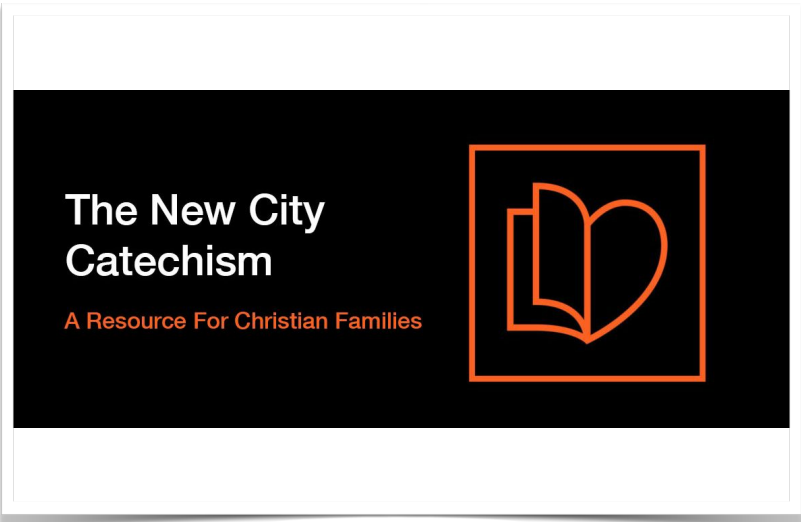
What does God require in the first, second, and third commandments?

"First, that we know God as the only true God. Second, that we avoid all idolatry. Third, that we treat God's name with fear and reverence."

Pray Together

"One and Only God, your name is above all names, and we come before you in reverence and fear. Keep us true to your commandments. Reveal to us any false gods in our lives. Let us worship you alone in spirit and truth."

Amen."



Family Discipleship

1. As a family, read Exodus 20.
2. What does it mean for something to be true? What is "truth"?
3. If something is true, should we (or can we) trust it?
4. In Exodus 20, God's people had experienced God's saving power. They knew he was real and they had every reason to trust him. Yet, in the very first command he gave them, God warns them not to have any other gods.
5. Why would the people want to worship other gods if they had seen the power and truth of the one and only true God?
6. To have another "god" other than the one true God means that we trust and obey something other than him. False gods don't have to be little statues. They can be things in our life that we trust and obey more than God. What are some examples of idols (or, false gods) in our lives today?



As A Group...

1. Spend time praying for one another.
2. Encourage and hold one another accountable in the area of having a personal quiet time.
3. Talk about each member's "one" friend or family member who doesn't know Christ. Pray for them by name and encourage and hold one another accountable to share the gospel or offer an invitation to the "one."
4. As a group, plan an activity that you can invite unchurched neighbors to so that you can get to know the people around your group.
5. As a group, encourage and hold each other accountable in the area of serving. Where is each member serving in the body of Christ and the kingdom?

Discussion Questions

1. As a group, read Mark 7:31-37.
2. What has (or is) been your understanding of the miracles of Jesus?
3. Does God still do miracles today and are they for the same purpose as Jesus's miracles in the New Testament?
4. In healing the deaf and mute man, what is Jesus teaching us about the greatest miracle—salvation?
5. In the message, Pastor Daniel said that the gospel is not a self-help program but that God reaches down into what is dead and makes it (us) alive. How do we understand the gospel as not just something that saves us once and for all but as something we need every day?
6. The people of Decapolis were in awe of Jesus's power and declared that "he does everything well." The Church is the gathering of those who have been healed by Jesus, set free from bondage and raised from death to life to serve and worship Jesus—the one who does all things well.

How does this view of the Church define our worship and our life together in small groups?

