



Family Memory Verse

"For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience."

Ephesians 5:5-6

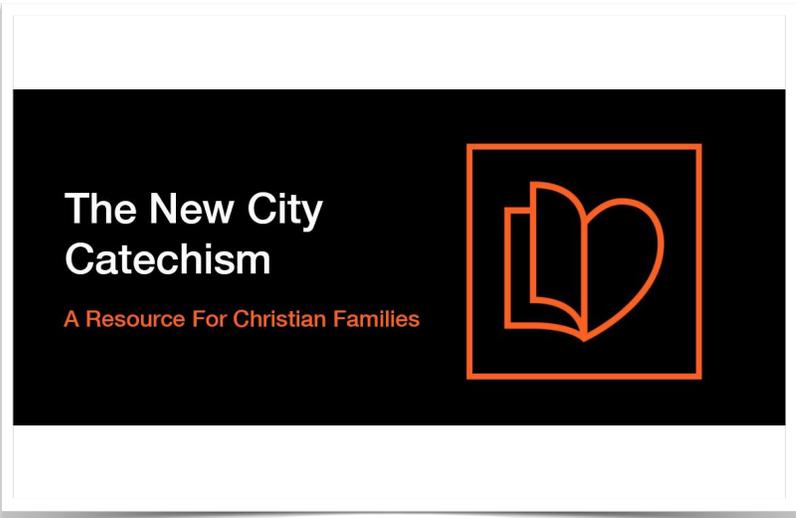
Question & Answer

Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?

"No, God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them both in this life, and in the life to come."

Big Idea

God will judge and punish all those who sin against Him.



Family Discipleship

1. As a family, read Ephesians 5:5-14.
2. God hates sin and idolatry. God is going to punish all sin and idolatry in his world. Sometimes, though, it seems as if God is not doing anything and that he's letting people get away with disobedience and idolatry. Does this mean that He doesn't care or that He doesn't see it?
3. God is "just." That means He is righteous and that He will and must punish sin and idolatry. Why can God alone be the judge of all sin and idolatry?
4. As we look at the world around us, what kind of sin and idolatry do we see? What do we see in our own hearts and lives? How should we respond to this?
5. How has Jesus taken the punishment for us for our sin and idolatry?
6. How will God one day judge sin and idolatry in the world?



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 2 Timothy 3:1-17.
2. A major part of the Protestant Reformation was answering the question, "Who (or what) has ultimate authority—the Scriptures or the papacy (the Church)?" Those in power wanted authority and no accountability. How do we see this (wanting self-authority and autonomy) being lived out today in our society and even in our own lives?
3. How has Satan used this lie of self-authority and autonomy against humanity (think about Adam & Eve) and why is this his most powerful and deceptive scheme? How does it strike at the deepest part of our humanity?
4. If we, as Christians, believe that God's Word is truth and authoritative, what does this say about how we should live our lives?
5. If God's Word is truth and authoritative and if it that demands a response from us would you say that **know** God's Word through reading, memorization, and meditation? Would you say that your relationship with the Word of God enables you to respond to it in a way that is pleasing to God?
6. God's Word is sufficient. How do we try to add or take away from it?
7. What is one thing God revealed to you today and how will you live in in obedience to Him?

