

Monday

25 JULY DEVOTION

Catechism

PART 3: Church and Means of Grace

 **Question 30**

How do we worship Christ?

 **Answer**

We worship Christ through songs, sermons, the ordinances, and prayer.

Catechism Reference

Hebrews 13:15

Read from a child-friendly version. Ask children to read as appropriate, respective to age. Briefly explain the meaning of the verse. If you need help, here is our summary:

In the Old Testament, the Jews had many ways of praising God. They had many animals to sacrifice, offerings to give, and holidays to keep - and most of these were done at the Temple! But now that Jesus had finished those Temple sacrifices, we can worship him all over the globe with "sacrifices of praise to God". And how should we do that? Hebrews says that we give him "the fruit of lips that openly profess his name." And how do we "profess his name"? We believe what the Bible says about Jesus, and we sing those things in praises to Him. God commands us to do these things and loves to see us obeying.

Prayer

Write down your family's prayer requests below.

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Colossians 3:16

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Paul is telling Christians how we should live, since Jesus has saved us from our sin. In other words, how do we worship Christ? We should 1) let the word of Jesus live in us in all its riches! This means we should learn the truth about Jesus from the Bible, and let it fill our hearts. 2) We should teach and admonish one another. This means reminding each other of the Bible's teachings, and encouraging each others to obey them. 3) We can sing with thankfulness. You know something cool, if you are doing Family Worship together, then you are doing ALL of these things! These things are more than tradition - they are how God has revealed he wants us to worship him.

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Sermon Reading

Mark 16:9-13

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Is the Bible trustworthy? Absolutely! Did Mark's Gospel get corrupted? Well, that depends what you mean. It does seem like Mark's ending (vs 9-20) was added later, and isn't really an inspired piece of Scripture written by Mark. But that does not mean we can't trust Mark's Gospel! In fact, because God has preserved His Word so well through History - we can easily tell that the ending to Mark is not original. And even though Mark didn't write it - the message of the verses is true. Jesus was alive! He met with His disciples, and gave them the Great Commission.

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Psalm Reading

Psalm 57

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When David was running away from King Saul, he hid in a cave with all his soldiers. It was dark, scary - and David didn't know if Saul and his army would find him! But when he was scared, bullied and attacked, he wrote this song to God. He trusted God, and called out to Him for mercy and rescue! (vs1-3). David complains about the evil being done against him - he says his attackers are "lions" and "fiery beasts" (vs 4). They are setting a trap for him (vs6). But in vs5, and 7-11, David decides to pray for God to be glorified. David wants to survive so that he can glorify God! He trusts God to do whatever will give him the most glory in the world. Do you trust God in your times of need like this? Hoping he will help you, but accepting that he might have a better plan?

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Sermon Reading

Revelation 2:8-11

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Today's reading is a message from Jesus to the Church on a place called Smyrna which was persecuted a lot for their faith in Jesus. In this message Jesus encourages the saints at this Church to stay strong until the end. This encouragement still stands for us today. No matter how much we get bullied for our faith in Jesus, we must stay strong and trust in God's plan. Indeed, life will get tough at times but we must persevere, knowing that God is with us and will reward or perseverance.

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Weekly Bible Story

JESUS IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS

BEGINNERS GOSPEL STORY BIBLE (0+ yrs)

Story 30: Joseph and Mary Lose Jesus - Luke 2:41-52

THE GOSPEL STORY BIBLE (5+ yrs)

Story 81: Jesus Presented in the Temple - Matthew 2:16-23; Luke 2:22-52

You can read to your children before bed, at breakfast, after dinner or any time that you can commit to that allows you to be consistent.

Extension

ADDITIONAL READING & DISCIPLESHIP

CATECHISM REFERENCE - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The great thing about the Bible, is that it doesn't leave us wondering what to do in Church. God has told us very clearly how we should worship Jesus. We have already seen that we worship Jesus through singing, teaching, and praying - but we also worship Jesus through "ordinances". That's just a fancy word for special, religious acts that God told us to do. One of them is Baptism, and the other is Communion. In Communion, we remember the death and resurrection of Jesus for us, and we see the symbols of his body and blood. Not everyone is allowed to take communion, but only people who understand the Gospel,

**PRAY FOR OUR NEPAL MISSIONARIES -
BLAKE, SILPI, CALEB AND GRACE CANNON.**



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