



SYDOW CATECHISM WORKBOOK

*Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.
Ephesians 6:24*

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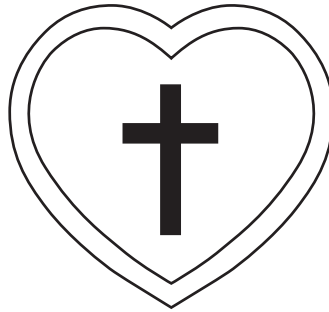
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FOR HE ESTABLISHED A TESTIMONY IN JACOB, AND APPOINTED A LAW IN ISRAEL, WHICH HE COMMANDED OUR FATHERS, THAT THEY SHOULD MAKE THEM KNOWN TO THEIR CHILDREN; THAT THE GENERATION TO COME MIGHT KNOW THEM, THE CHILDREN WHO WOULD BE BORN, THAT THEY MAY ARISE AND DECLARE THEM TO THEIR CHILDREN, THAT THEY MAY SET THEIR HOPE IN GOD, AND NOT FORGET THE WORKS OF GOD, BUT KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS;

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JESUS ANSWERED AND SAID TO HIM,
"IF ANYONE LOVES ME, HE WILL KEEP MY WORD; AND MY FATHER WILL LOVE HIM,
AND WE WILL COME TO HIM AND MAKE OUR HOME WITH HIM."

Be Loyal to the Faith

**HOLD FAST THE PATTERN OF SOUND WORDS
WHICH YOU HAVE HEARD FROM ME,
IN FAITH AND LOVE WHICH ARE IN CHRIST
JESUS. THAT GOOD THING WHICH WAS COMMIT-
TED
TO YOU, KEEP BY THE HOLY SPIRIT WHO
DWELLS IN US.**

2 TIMOTHY 1:13 & 14

Lesson 1. **MARTIN LUTHER**

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Date: _____

Worksheet 1, Series A, Sydow Catechism Pages 21-25

1. In what country did Luther live? _____

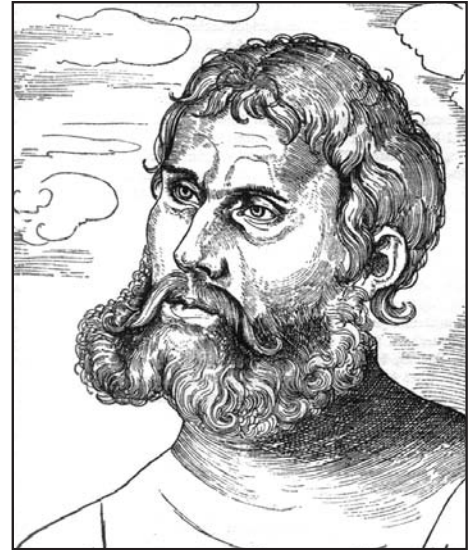
2. When and where was Luther born?

3. List three cities where Luther attended school:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____



4. During all this time, until he was 22 years old, what problem really troubled Luther?

5. What is a monk?

6. Why did Luther become a monk?

7. What special privilege did Luther have while in the monastery?

8. What did Luther discover was the solution to the problem that had been troubling him?

9. After 1508, what city became Luther's headquarters? _____

10. Briefly describe the beginning of the Reformation.

11. What reason did Luther give at the Diet of Worms for not taking back anything he had taught or written?

12. Why was Luther taken to the Wartburg?

13. Name three religious writings that God helped Luther produce.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

14. When and where did Luther die? _____

15. List three reasons the Reformation was important?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 2. THE BIBLE

Worksheet 2, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 1-12

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read 2 Timothy 3:10-17

1. What will happen to all those who desire to live a godly life in Christ?

2. According to the apostle Paul what should people use when they are having such troubles?

3. What purpose do the Scriptures serve?

4. What are four beneficial uses that we can make of the Scriptures?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

5. What will result from these beneficial uses of the Scriptures?

2 TIMOTHY 3

THE MAN OF GOD AND THE WORD OF GOD

10 But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, 11 persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra--what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me.

12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

B. BIBLE FACTS

1. The number of books in the Old Testament _____
2. The number of books in the New Testament _____
3. The original language of the Old Testament _____
4. The original language of the New Testament _____
5. The writers of Old Testament books _____
6. The writers of New Testament books (2) _____

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The books of the Old Testament tell of the life of Christ and His disciples.
- T F 2. The Bible only contains the Word of God; it is not the Word of God from Genesis to Revelation.
- T F 3. Verbal inspiration refers to the way God gave us the Bible, using holy men to write the very thoughts and words He wanted in His book.
- T F 4. There are 66 books in the Bible.
- T F 5. People only have to believe the parts of the Bible that make sense to them.
- T F 6. The main purpose of the Bible is to teach us what good works we have to do in order to earn our own salvation.
- T F 7. The Bible is true when it tells about Jesus, but it makes some mistakes in history, geography, and science.
- T F 8. Our versions of the Bible are translations.
- T F 9. People are able to learn about their Savior from the beautiful world which God created.
- T F 10. Other names for the Bible are Holy Scripture, the Koran, and Holy Writ.

D. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- | | |
|---------------------|--|
| ___ 1. Apostle | a. Book |
| ___ 2. Prophet | b. What is written |
| ___ 3. Evangelist | c. Breathe in |
| ___ 4. Confirmation | d. A person specially sent out — an ambassador |
| ___ 5. Salvation | e. A fortune teller |
| ___ 6. Faith | f. One who speaks for God — a mouthpiece |
| ___ 7. Inspire | g. Trust |
| ___ 8. "Bible" | h. Gospel speaker or writer |
| ___ 9. Catechism | i. Establishing or strengthening |
| | j. Justification |
| | k. Inheriting God's heavenly kingdom |
| | l. Book of instruction |
| | m. Good works |

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

- The divisions of the Old Testament books of the Bible are
___ a. Prophecy, Science, History
___ b. History, Poetry, Prophecy
___ c. History, Geography, Politics
- The divisions of the New Testament books of the Bible are
___ a. Revelation, Last times, History
___ b. Gospels, Epistles, Poetry
___ c. History, Epistles, Prophecy
- The way God gave human beings His book was
___ a. by letting some men write whatever they wanted about God.
___ b. by giving the holy writers the thoughts and the words He wanted in the Bible.
___ c. by gathering the writings of people who lived during different times into one great big book.
- The main purpose of the Bible is to
___ a. tell people about Jesus so they can be saved.
___ b. tell people what they must do for themselves in order to be saved.
___ c. show people what they must do to sacrifice for their own sins.

5. The Bible is

- ___ a. incomplete and needs the input of human beings from the 21st century.
- ___ b. God's Word from beginning to end.
- ___ c. the work of early Christians who invented a Savior so everyone would have someone in whom to believe.

6. The way we know that the Bible is God's Word is

- ___ a. simply because our parents told us it was.
- ___ b. because it makes more sense than the "bibles" of other religions.
- ___ c. because the Holy Spirit of God has convinced us that it is.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What use should people make of the Bible?

2. According to 2 Peter 1:21 which person of God is the Bible's author?

3. Should people bring their Bibles to church? Why or why not?

4. What is dangerous about the phrase, "The Bible contains the Word of God."?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 3. **LAW AND GOSPEL**

Worksheet 3, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 13-25

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Romans 3:19-28

1. Verse 19 mentions "those who are under the law." Who are they?

2. What purpose does the law of God serve?

3. What is the common spiritual problem of mankind?

4. How is sin described in this section of chapter 3?

ROMANS 3:19-28

19 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH FAITH

21 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, 26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

BOASTING EXCLUDED

27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

What do these words mean?

5. Righteousness _____

6. Justify _____

7. Redemption _____

8. Propitiation _____

9. Who has solved the problem of mankind's sin? _____

10. Look up Romans 1:16. How is the Gospel described in this passage?

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| ___ 1. Gospel | a. To declare, "Not guilty" |
| ___ 2. Law | b. To ransom |
| ___ 3. Grace | c. Undeserved kindness |
| ___ 4. Death | d. God's Word which tells human beings how they can save themselves by their own good works |
| ___ 5. Sin | e. God's Word which tells human beings how they should behave and what will happen if they don't |
| | f. Separation |
| | g. Satisfactory payment |
| | h. The Good News about Jesus Christ |
| | i. Breaking God's law |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Both Law and Gospel are words from our God.
- T F 2. The Law is found only in the Old Testament and the Gospel in the New Testament.
- T F 3. The Law tells what human behavior should be.
- T F 4. The Gospel was invented by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.
- T F 5. The Gospel tells about the punishment for sin.
- T F 6. The Law shows us our sin.
- T F 7. The Gospel shows us our sin.

D. IDENTIFY the following passages as either Law (L) or Gospel (G)

L G 1. Mark 16:16a	L G 6. Mark 16:16b
L G 2. Exodus 20:7	L G 7. Matthew 11:28
L G 3. Matthew 22:37	L G 8. Acts 16:31
L G 4. Romans 3:23	L G 9. Romans 3:24
L G 5. John 3:16	L G 10. Romans 6:23a

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The Law of God is found
- ___ a. only in the Old Testament.
- ___ b. only in the New Testament.
- ___ c. throughout the Bible.

2. The Gospel tells

- a. about our duty to God and our neighbor.
- b. what God has done to save human beings from sin.
- c. what human beings have to do to earn their own salvation.

3. God gave human beings the Law

- a. by writing it in their hearts and later by writing it on tables of stone.
- b. by writing it only on human hearts and having them figure the rest out by themselves.
- c. by telling only certain religious leaders and having them tell everybody else.

4. The way human beings learn the Gospel is through

- a. the natural knowledge of God.
- b. the natural law.
- c. the revealed knowledge of God.

5. The main feature of the Gospel is

- a. the example of Jesus which shows human beings how they must live in order to save themselves.
- b. the miracles of Jesus which remind people that God is almighty.
- c. the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, whose death is the perfect atonement for sin.

6. The Bible is

- a. a writing which is God's Word.
- b. a document containing the rules of life so people can do good works and in this way be saved.
- c. the stories made up by prophets, apostles, and evangelists to start a new religion.

7. The purpose of the Law is

- a. to suggest to human beings how they ought to behave.
- b. to reveal to mankind that they are sinful and need a Savior.
- c. to show all people that God likes to punish people who sin.

8. Mark all the words and phrases in this list which mean the same as sin:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Miss the mark | <input type="checkbox"/> f. Evil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Redemption | <input type="checkbox"/> g. Transgression |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. Iniquity | <input type="checkbox"/> h. Offense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d. Trespass | <input type="checkbox"/> i. Justification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> e. Atonement | |

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. • 1 Corinthians 3:11

JESUS CHRIST OUR CORNERSTONE

cornerstone of our faith
cornerstone of our confessional life
cornerstone of our message

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Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 4. 1ST COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 4, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 26-31

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Daniel 3:1-27

1. Who built the golden image?
2. What was the punishment for anyone who did not fall down and worship the golden image?
3. What were the names of the three who chose to disobey the king's decree to worship the golden image?
4. In verses 17 and 18, the three men offer two explanations why they would not worship the golden image. What are they?
 - a. _____

 - b. _____

5. What happened to the three men because they would not worship the golden image?
6. Who was the fourth individual in the fire?

DANIEL 3:1-27

THE IMAGE OF GOLD

DANIEL'S FRIENDS SAVED IN THE FIRE

1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits and its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. 2 And King Nebuchadnezzar sent word to gather together the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. 3 So the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered together for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. 4 Then a herald cried aloud: "To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, 5 that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up;

6 and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace." 7 So at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, harp, and lyre, in symphony with all kinds of music, all the people, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the gold image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

DANIEL'S FRIENDS DISOBEY THE KING

8 Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came forward and accused the Jews. 9 They spoke and said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live forever! 10 You, O king, have made a decree that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, shall fall down and worship the gold image; 11 and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. 12 There are certain Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego; these men, O king, have not paid due regard to you. They do not serve your gods or worship the gold image which you have set up."

[CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE]

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ 1. Idol
- ___ 2. Idolatry
- ___ 3. Fear God
- ___ 4. Love God
- ___ 5. Trust God
- ___ 6. Mammon
- ___ 7. Atheist

- a. To make holy
- b. The undeserved kindness of God
- c. Any person who says there is no God
- d. To rely on, and put one's confidence in, God
- e. An image or statue worshiped as a god
- f. Money when it is a god
- g. To give all glory to God
- h. A disciple of Jesus Christ
- i. The worship of a wrong god
- j. To cherish and treasure the Lord God
- k. Verbal inspiration
- l. Vicarious atonement

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Who is the true and only God?
2. What does the word "triune" mean?
3. Who are the "persons" of the triune God?
4. Where can we find out about this true God?

[CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11]

13 Then Nebuchadnezzar, in rage and fury, gave the command to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. So they brought these men before the king.

14 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up? 15 Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?" 16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. 17 If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. 18 But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

SAVED IN FIERY TRIAL

19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated. 20 And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, and cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. 23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." 25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

NEBUCHADNEZZAR PRAISES GOD

26 Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here." Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego came from the midst of the fire. 27 And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king's counselors gathered together, and they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them.

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. There is only one God.
- T F 2. God has told us that He is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- T F 3. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God.
- T F 4. The Father is the Son, the Son is the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit is the Father.
- T F 5. The Father came first and is the most important person of God.
- T F 6. A person who does not honor and worship Jesus Christ does not have the right God and is therefore an idolater.
- T F 7. To fear God is to be afraid of Him.
- T F 8. God doesn't want anything on this earth to become more important to us than He is.
- T F 9. The sin against the First Commandment is called adultery.
- T F 10. The reason believers obey God's commandments is to earn eternal life.
- T F 11. People can be guilty of idolatry when they put something or someone ahead of God in their hearts.
- T F 12. If we're really careful, we can keep the First Commandment the way God wanted it kept.
- T F 13. It's okay to carry around a rabbit's foot so that you'll have good luck.

E. IDENTIFY the following as either Open Idolatry (O) or Secret Idolatry (S)

- | | | | |
|-----|---|-----|---|
| O S | 1. Trusting in money | O S | 5. Becoming a Buddhist |
| O S | 2. Worshipping Baal | O S | 6. Believing that science will be able to solve all of mankind's problems |
| O S | 3. Saying there is no god | O S | 7. Enjoying personal pleasure most of all |
| O S | 4. Honoring father and mother more than God | | |

F. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. In the First Commandment God expects us to

- ___ a. try the best we can in order to be saved.
- ___ b. consider all the gods in the world as equal.
- ___ c. fear, love, and trust in Him above all things.

2. To fear God means to

- ___ a. give Him all glory, respect, and honor.
- ___ b. be afraid of Him.
- ___ c. give up, since we can't keep the commandments anyway.

3. We fear God above all things when we
 - ___ a. try to hide the sins we have done so He won't find out.
 - ___ b. keep His commandments better so we can have eternal life.
 - ___ c. honor His great name and praise Him through the use of His Word.
4. To love God means to
 - ___ a. have good feelings about God like we have with our friends.
 - ___ b. to regard Him more precious than anything or anyone else.
 - ___ c. consider Him as important as the money we make and the things we own.
5. To trust God means to
 - ___ a. put all confidence in Him and rely upon Him solely.
 - ___ b. consider Him just as important as our parents are to us.
 - ___ c. be sure and check out His promises to see if He's telling the truth or not.
6. Secret idolatry is
 - ___ a. not sharing what you have with those who are in need.
 - ___ b. a sin committed only by unbelievers.
 - ___ c. trusting in someone or something as your god.

G. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. How do you know which God is the right one?

2. If someone told you that Buddha is the real god, what would you tell him to try and convince him he's wrong?

3. Why is it wrong to worship God the Father and not Jesus Christ?

4. Is it okay to trust in your doctor when you are sick or need an operation?

5. Since Jesus kept all the commandments for us, why should we?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 5. 2ND COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 5, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 32-37

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Luke 17:11-19

1. Who met Jesus as He was passing through Galilee and Samaria?
2. What is so terrible about the disease they had?
3. What did they want Jesus to do for them?
4. Why did Jesus tell them to show themselves to the priests? cf. Leviticus 13:1-8
5. What did Jesus do for them as they were going to see the priests?

LUKE 17:11-19

TEN LEPERS CLEANSED

11 Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. 12 Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. 13 And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

14 So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed.

15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, 16 and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan.

17 So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? 18 Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

6. What did one of the men do when he noticed the miracle Jesus had done for him?

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| ___ 1. Swear | a. A description of God |
| ___ 2. Curse | b. To ask, request, praise, thank, confess |
| ___ 3. Blaspheme | c. To take an oath |
| ___ 4. Perjury | d. To declare, "Not guilty" |
| ___ 5. Hypocrisy | e. Pretending to be someone different from what one really is |
| ___ 6. Pray | f. To speak or wish evil |
| | g. Lying in court after swearing to tell the truth |
| | h. A disciple of Jesus Christ |
| | i. Mocking or making fun of God |
| | j. Sanctification |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. What is the name of God?

a. _____

b. _____

2. What are the five ways Luther says people misuse God's name?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

3. Indicate which of these five (question # 2) was involved in each of the following:

____ a. Acts 5:1-11

____ d. 1 Samuel 17:43

____ b. 1 Kings 21:1-16

____ e. Deuteronomy 18:10-12

____ c. Matthew 15:9

____ f. Jeremiah 23:31

4. According to Luther how should we use God's name?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

T F 1. God revealed His name to mankind in order to bless us.

T F 2. God's name is every word which identifies and describes Him.

T F 3. Swearing is always a sin.

T F 4. It's okay to curse people once in a while since they probably deserve it.

T F 5. We can praise the name of our God by telling about Him and His Gospel to those who haven't heard about it yet.

T F 6. When Jesus threw the money-changers out of the temple, He was so angry He mis-used God's name. cf. John 2:14-22

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. God's names are

- a. so holy, we shouldn't use them at all for fear of blaspheming.
- b. His way of telling us who He is and what He has done for our salvation.
- c. unknown to mankind.

2. Swearing is

- a. the same as cursing.
- b. always wrong.
- c. not a sin in some instances, for example in court.

3. When people curse,

- a. they are really asking God to damn someone or something.
- b. they should really think about it first to determine if it is okay or not.
- c. they are lying by God's name.

4. People misuse God's name by practicing witchcraft when they

- a. say God said something He didn't say.
- b. use His name to conjure up spells or predict the future in ways He doesn't allow.
- c. burn Bibles.

5. People lie by God's name when they

- a. say God said something He didn't say.
- b. forget to come to worship services on Sunday morning.
- c. use God's Word to impress people that they are telling the truth.

6. People deceive by God's name when they

- a. say God said something He didn't say.
- b. don't do what their parents say.
- c. pretend to be believers when they aren't.

7. God invites us to use His name

- a. to call upon Him in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.
- b. to impress other people with how much Bible knowledge we have.
- c. to figure out a way to save ourselves by doing good works.

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Lesson 6. 3RD COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 6, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 38-44

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Luke 2:41-52

1. Why did Jesus' parents go to Jerusalem every year?
2. What is the Passover? (cf. Exodus 12:1-28)
3. How old was Jesus at this time?
4. What was Jesus doing when His parents finally found Him in the temple?
5. How did Jesus answer when Mary asked Him why He had stayed behind?

LUKE 2:41-52

THE BOY JESUS AMAZES THE SCHOLARS

41 His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. 42 And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. 43 When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know it; 44 but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances. 45 So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. 46 Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. 47 And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers.

48 So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously." 49 And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" 50 But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to them.

JESUS ADVANCES IN WISDOM AND FAVOR

51 Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in her heart. 52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

6. What characterized Jesus' relationship to His parents when they all returned to Nazareth?

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|-----------------------|---|
| ___ 1. Despise | a. Proclaiming God's Word |
| ___ 2. Sabbath | b. To declare, "Not guilty" |
| ___ 3. "Keep it holy" | c. To act as if you don't like something |
| ___ 4. Worship | d. Sinless |
| ___ 5. Holy | e. Rest |
| ___ 6. Preaching | f. Reading the Bible |
| | g. To set apart for worship of the triune God |
| | h. The Gospel |
| | i. To "bend the knee" before God in honoring and praising Him for sending Jesus |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The Sabbath had its beginning when God rested on the seventh day after six days of creating the universe.
- T F 2. On the Sabbath day the Old Testament people of God were not to work at all.
- T F 3. The Sabbath day is Sunday.
- T F 4. People despise the Word of God when they don't listen to it at all.
- T F 5. Christians have to attend worship otherwise it is a sin.
- T F 6. We can choose whatever day we wish for our worship day.
- T F 7. The order for our worship service is found in the Bible and must be followed closely to be effective.
- T F 8. The Third Commandment shows us we have sinned if we do not gladly hear God's Word and use it faithfully.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. "Sabbath" is a Hebrew word which means

- ___ a. consecrate
- ___ b. worship
- ___ c. rest

2. People despise God's Word when they

- ___ a. do not share worship with others and use His Word to encourage and strengthen one another.
- ___ b. stay home from church because they are sick.
- ___ c. attend worship and eagerly participate in it.

3. People keep a day holy when they

- ___ a. use it for whatever they would like.
- ___ b. set it apart for honoring and praising God.
- ___ c. don't do any work at all.

4. Christians worship

- ___ a. because they have to.
- ___ b. because they want to.
- ___ c. because they don't want to get into trouble with the pastor.

5. The main purpose of worship is to

- ___ a. find out what good works we must do in order to go to heaven.
- ___ b. be there so other people will know we were in church.
- ___ c. respond in praise and thanksgiving to the great salvation our God has prepared for us in Christ.

6. When people miss a worship service which they are able to attend, it is

- ___ a. a sin.
- ___ b. really up to them.
- ___ c. not important at all.

E. On the lines in column **I** ARRANGE the seasons and festivals of the church year in correct order by using the numbers 1-7. On the lines in front of the definition or description of the seasons and festivals in column **II**, put the letter of the season or festival being described.

I	II
___ A. Lent	___ a. The festival celebrating the Father's gift of Jesus Christ
___ B. Christmas	___ b. The season which directs our attention to the sufferings and death of Jesus
___ C. Pentecost (Trinity) Season	___ c. The festival of the Holy Spirit
___ D. Advent	___ d. The Sundays of the non-festival season of the church year
___ E. Easter	___ e. The festival of the resurrection of Christ.
___ F. Epiphany	___ f. The season of "coming" and preparation.
___ G. Pentecost	___ g. The season of Christ's manifestation or appearing.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What are some ways that people despise God's Word?

a. _____

b. _____

2. How would you respond if someone said, "I don't have to go to church."

3. Evaluate this statement: "I can worship better when I'm out in the woods, sitting by a lake, or viewing a beautiful mountain than in church."

4. What should a person do if he or she has to work on Sunday and misses Sunday morning worship?

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Lesson 7. 4TH COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 7, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 45-54

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Genesis 45:1-15

1. What had Joseph's brothers done to him so that he ended up in Egypt?
2. Why didn't Joseph's brothers recognize him right away when they saw him? cf Genesis 41:37-45
3. What was the very first concern Joseph had after he told his brothers who he was?
4. What purpose did God accomplish through Joseph in Egypt? vv.7-10
5. In what way was Joseph able to care for his father? vv. 9-13

GENESIS 45:1-15

JOSEPH REVEALED TO HIS BROTHERS

JOSEPH SENDS FOR JACOB

1 Then Joseph could not restrain himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, "Make everyone go out from me!" So no one stood with him while Joseph made himself known to his brothers. 2 And he wept aloud, and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard it. 3 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph; does my father still live?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed in his presence. 4 And Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come near to me." So they came near. Then he said: "I am Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For these two years the famine has been in the land, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting. 7 And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. 8 So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt. 9 "Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph: "God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not tarry. 10 You shall dwell in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near to me, you and your children, your children's children, your flocks and your herds, and all that you have. 11 There I will provide for you, lest you and your household, and all that you have, come to poverty; for there are still five years of famine." 12 "And behold, your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my mouth that speaks to you. 13 So you shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that you have seen; and you shall hurry and bring my father down here." 14 Then he fell on his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, and Benjamin wept on his neck. 15 Moreover he kissed all his brothers and wept over them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|-------------------|--|
| ___ 1. Despise | a. God's representatives |
| ___ 2. Admonition | b. To keep holy |
| ___ 3. Discipline | c. To respect |
| ___ 4. Honor | d. To dishonor |
| ___ 5. Superiors | e. Rest |
| ___ 6. Neighbors | f. A warning or reproof |
| | g. The triune God |
| | h. To be a disciple of someone |
| | i. Other people |
| | j. To worship |
| | k. A set of rules used regulating behavior |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. In what areas of our lives do we have God's representatives?

- a. _____ b. _____
c. _____ d. _____

2. What are some of the blessings we receive from God's representatives?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Beginning with the fourth commandment God directs our attention to our duty toward our neighbor.
- T F 2. God is not as concerned about good order in the family as He is about good order in the community where we live.
- T F 3. If our parents or superiors tell us to do something wrong, we have to obey them since they are God's representatives.
- T F 4. Children can respect their parents by doing willingly what they're supposed to do without being told.
- T F 5. The reason God expects us to obey and honor our parents is so that we can earn our way to heaven.
- T F 6. On the cross Jesus demonstrated His concern for His mother when He told John to take care of her.
- T F 7. This commandment doesn't apply to children who have moved out of their home and started their own family.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. God expects us to honor our parents and superiors because
 - ___ a. they are His representatives, sent by Him for our good.
 - ___ b. otherwise we will go to hell.
 - ___ c. they are older than we are and are entitled to our obedience.

2. The parents and superiors God has placed over us
 - ___ a. have absolute authority and must be obeyed no matter what.
 - ___ b. deserve our respect only when we like what they tell us to do.
 - ___ c. provide His blessings in many areas of our lives.

3. Our superiors in the church
 - ___ a. are those who bring us the Word of God and provide for orderly worship.
 - ___ b. demand less respect from us because they are not our parents.
 - ___ c. should be worshiped since they are church workers.

4. If our parents or superiors tell us to do something wrong,
 - ___ a. we should do it anyway.
 - ___ b. we should tell everyone what bad people they are.
 - ___ c. we should respectfully decline to do it.

5. Jesus connects a promise to this commandment
 - ___ a. to show us that, when we keep it, we will receive the forgiveness of our sins.
 - ___ b. because He is serious about our respect of parents and superiors.
 - ___ c. in order to give parents an edge when they discipline their children.

6. When we are disobedient or disrespectful
 - ___ a. God's representatives are expected to discipline, punish, and correct us.
 - ___ b. God's representatives should leave us alone and "give us our own space."
 - ___ c. it's not our fault because our parents or superiors are usually wrong or old fashioned.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. What should move us to honor our parents and superiors?
2. Is it a sin to drive 65 miles an hour when the speed limit is 55 mph? Explain.
3. What would you do if the government told you that it was illegal to worship together with fellow Christians? Why?
4. If you had been an American colonist in the 1770's, would you have taken part in the "revolutionary" change made by the leaders of the American colonies? Explain.
5. What should you do if you believe your parents have made a mistake or have told you to do something you shouldn't?
6. How is a person saved?

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Lesson 8. 5TH COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 8, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 55-62

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Luke 10:25-37

1. What question did the lawyer ask Jesus?
2. To which important doctrine did Jesus direct him at this time?
3. Why did the lawyer want to "justify himself?" (v.29)
4. What question was Jesus answering when he told about the good Samaritan?
5. Why might one expect the first two who passed by to stop?

LUKE 10:25-37

THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" 26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" 27 So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and, 'your neighbor as yourself.'"

28 And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." 29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. 32 Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. 33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. 34 So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you." 36 So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" 37 And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|---------------------------|---|
| ___ 1. Murderer | a. God's representatives |
| ___ 2. Time of grace | b. Government execution of a criminal |
| ___ 3. Suicide | c. An individual determining to and taking another life |
| ___ 4. Mercy death | d. To dishonor |
| ___ 5. Abortion | e. Taking the law into one's own hands |
| ___ 6. Lynching | f. Our lifetime on this earth during which God confronts people with the Gospel |
| ___ 7. Capital punishment | g. Killing an unborn child |
| | h. Taking the life of the terminally ill |
| | i. Taking one's own life |
| | j. Killing a person in high public office |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What does God protect in the Fifth Commandment?
2. Why is the time of grace so important?
3. What makes the murder of an unbeliever especially terrible?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

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| T | F | 1. In this commandment God is concerned about the gift of life which He gives to people. |
| T | F | 2. The Fifth Commandment also applies to taking the life of an animal which will be used for food. |
| T | F | 3. Every killing of a human being is prohibited by this commandment. |
| T | F | 4. It is possible to harm our own bodies by not eating properly. |
| T | F | 5. God wants us to take good care of our bodies by getting proper exercise and not taking foolish risks. |
| T | F | 6. Suicide is also a type of murder. |
| T | F | 7. God does not want us to hurt our neighbor's feelings by saying cruel things to him. |

- T F 8. Jesus tells us to love our enemies.
- T F 9. If we hate someone, we are murderers.
- T F 10. God is the one who decides how long our lives will be.
- T F 11. People sin against this commandment when they drive carelessly and kill or hurt someone in a car accident.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. God protects our own and our neighbor's body because
- a. our life is the time we learn to trust and love our Savior Jesus Christ.
 - b. we need time on this earth to be successful.
 - c. everyone is entitled to live until he or she is old.
2. Genesis 9:6 tells us that
- a. we all should love our enemies and treat them well.
 - b. we need to perform good works for our neighbor in order to go to heaven.
 - c. murderers have forfeited their right to life and should be executed.
3. The danger of alcohol and drug abuse is
- a. the harm it does to our minds and bodies, thus threatening our time of grace.
 - b. the possibility of being arrested.
 - c. really overplayed by grownups who don't understand personal freedom.
 - d. all of the above.
4. God expects us
- a. to leave other people completely alone so that we are never in a position to hurt or murder them.
 - b. to keep this commandment so that we can earn eternal life.
 - c. to love Him and love our neighbor, so that we are concerned about his bodily welfare.
5. Sinning against the Fifth Commandment starts
- a. with thoughts of anger and hatred in our own hearts.
 - b. only if we injure or murder another person.
 - c. when we say bad things about our fellowmen or to them.
6. Abortion is
- a. okay, since a woman has a right to privacy over her own body.
 - b. okay, because present laws of the land allow it.
 - c. a sin which also shortens an infant human being's time of grace.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What makes committing suicide such a terrible thing to do?
2. Evaluate: It is okay to end the life of a person who's lived a long, useful life and is going to die fairly soon anyway.
3. Is it a sin against the Fifth Commandment to donate some of your bodily organs to other people? Explain.
4. What sports, if any, are contrary to the spirit of the Fifth Commandment?
5. Is smoking a sin? Explain.
6. How might you handle the temptation of alcohol or drug abuse?
7. Evaluate: Guns should be outlawed so that there would be fewer murders.

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Lesson 9. 6TH COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 9, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 63-73

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Genesis 39:1-23

1. What was Joseph's position in Potiphar's house?
2. What did Potiphar's wife want Joseph to do?
3. Why did Joseph refuse to do what Potiphar's wife wanted?
4. What did Potiphar's wife do when Joseph refused her advances?
5. What happened to Joseph as a result of this incident with Potiphar's wife?

GENESIS 39:1-23

JOSEPH A SLAVE IN EGYPT

JOSEPH'S ADVANCEMENT

1 Now Joseph had been taken down to Egypt. And Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had taken him down there. 2 The LORD was with Joseph, and he was a successful man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. 3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him and that the LORD made all he did to prosper in his hand. 4 So Joseph found favor in his sight, and served him. Then he made him overseer of his house, and all that he had he put under his authority. 5 So it was, from the time that he had made him overseer of his house and all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was on all that he had in the house and in the field. 6 Thus he left all that he had in Joseph's hand, and he did not know what he had except for the bread which he ate. Now Joseph was handsome in form and appearance. 7 And it came to pass after these things that his master's wife cast longing eyes on Joseph, and she said, "Lie with me." 8 But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, my master does not know what is with me in the house, and he has committed all that he has to my hand. 9 There is no one greater in this house than I, nor has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" 10 So it was, as she spoke to Joseph day by day, that he did not heed her, to lie with her or to be with her. 11 But it happened about this time, when Joseph went into the house to do his work, and none of the men of the house was inside, 12 that she caught him by his garment, saying, "Lie with me." But he left his garment in her hand, and fled and ran outside. 13 And so it was, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and fled outside, 14 that she called to the men of her house and spoke to them, saying, "See, he has brought in to us a Hebrew to mock us. He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice. 15 And it happened, when he heard that I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me, and fled and went outside."

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ 1. Marriage
- ___ 2. Engagement
- ___ 3. Fornication
- ___ 4. Adultery
- ___ 5. Rape
- ___ 6. Homosexuality
- ___ 7. Divorce

- a. Sexual sin between members of the same sex
- b. The same as abortion
- c. Violent or forced sex
- d. The union of a man and woman
- e. Sexual sins, especially of the married
- f. The time of grace
- g. A promise to be married at some future date
- h. Sexual sins, especially of the unmarried
- i. Dirty books and dirty movies
- j. The union of any two people
- k. The end of a marriage before death

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16 So she kept his garment with her until his master came home. 17 Then she spoke to him with words like these, saying, "The Hebrew servant whom you brought to us came in to me to mock me; 18 so it happened, as I lifted my voice and cried out, that he left his garment with me and fled outside." 19 So it was, when his master heard the words which his wife spoke to him, saying, "Your servant did to me after this manner," that his anger was aroused. 20 Then Joseph's master took him and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were confined. And he was there in the prison. 21 But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him mercy, and He gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison. 22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners who were in the prison; whatever they did there, it was his doing. 23 The keeper of the prison did not look into anything that was under Joseph's authority, because the LORD was with him; and whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper.

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What does God protect in the Sixth Commandment?

2. Whose idea is marriage and when did it start?

3. List three God-given blessings of marriage?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

4. What are the two scriptural reasons for divorce?

- a. _____
- b. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Marriage is really not that important since there are other ways men and women could get along.
- T F 2. People who are engaged may live together as husband and wife.
- T F 3. Those living together as husband and wife without being married are committing fornication.
- T F 4. God is only concerned about sexual sins so we don't get terrible diseases like AIDS.
- T F 5. One of the blessings God may give to married couples is children.
- T F 6. It is okay to live together as husband and wife without getting married.
- T F 7. Homosexuality is not a sin if the two people agree to that kind of relationship.
- T F 8. Husbands and wives should keep divorce as an option if they aren't getting along too well with each other.
- T F 9. God expects husbands and wives to treat one another with love and respect.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The Sixth Commandment teaches us

- a. that adultery is the second worst sin after murder.
- b. that God is very concerned about marriage and doesn't want anything to disrupt these unions.
- c. that sex is sinful, and we should never talk about it.

2. Marriage is

- a. a suggestion we have received from God about how men and women should have a relationship with one another.
- b. whatever the government decides it is.
- c. a union of a man and woman who live together as husband and wife according to God's direction.

3. The government

- a. should not interfere in the private lives of a man and woman.
- b. has the right to regulate marriage for the benefit of society and the children of marriage unions.
- c. expects that people will get married as soon as possible to avoid sexual sins.

4. When choosing a marriage partner it is important

- a. to find one that shares your faith in Jesus Christ and views marriage according to God's directions in the Bible.
- b. to pick one who has quite a bit of money so that it will be easier to live, especially early in the marriage.
- c. to wait until you are 21 years old before doing anything.
- d. all of the above.

5. Fornication is

- ___ a. not as serious as murder.
- ___ b. okay between two people who really love each other.
- ___ c. a sin, like adultery, and refers especially to sexual sins of the unmarried.

6. People who have sex before they are married

- ___ a. are committing a sin.
- ___ b. shouldn't consider it wrong if they really love each other.
- ___ c. should be concerned about sinning only if their partner is married to someone else.

7. Lust is

- ___ a. a type of disease which is transmitted through sex.
- ___ b. a sinful desire for sex.
- ___ c. dirty pictures and books.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Should a person marry someone who has a different faith? Explain.

2. Is dancing sinful? Explain.

3. Evaluate: How a person dresses has no effect on other people's thoughts and desires.

4. Evaluate: People should be ashamed of sex at all times since it is dirty.

5. How should a husband and wife treat one another?

6. What should you do if you discover that a TV show you are watching or a book you are reading has sins against marriage or sexual immorality in it?

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Lesson 10. 7TH COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 10, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 74-82

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Joshua 7:1-26

1. Where is Ai?
2. Why couldn't the army of Israel defeat the inhabitants of Ai?
3. How did the children of Israel discover who was guilty?
4. Who took the accursed things?
5. What happened to the individual who was guilty of stealing?

JOSHUA 7:1-26

DEFEAT AT AI

THE SIN OF ACHAN

1 But the children of Israel committed a trespass regarding the accursed things, for Achan the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed things; so the anger of the LORD burned against the children of Israel. 2 Now Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Beth Aven, on the east side of Bethel, and spoke to them, saying, "Go up and spy out the country." So the men went up and spied out Ai. 3 And they returned to Joshua and said to him, "Do not let all the people go up, but let about two or three thousand men go up and attack Ai. Do not weary all the people there, for the people of Ai are few." 4 So about three thousand men went up there from the people, but they fled before the men of Ai. 5 And the men of Ai struck down about thirty-six men, for they chased them from before the gate as far as Shebarim, and struck them down on the descent; therefore the hearts of the people melted and became like water. 6 Then Joshua tore his clothes, and fell to the earth on his face before the ark of the LORD until evening, he and the elders of Israel; and they put dust on their heads. 7 And Joshua said, "Alas, Lord GOD, why have You brought this people over the Jordan at all--to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? Oh, that we had been content, and dwelt on the other side of the Jordan! 8 O Lord, what shall I say when Israel turns its back before its enemies? 9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land will hear it, and surround us, and cut off our name from the earth. Then what will You do for Your great name?"

THE SIN OF ACHAN

10 So the LORD said to Joshua: "Get up! Why do you lie thus on your face? 11 Israel has sinned, and they have also transgressed My covenant which I commanded them. For they have even taken some of the accursed things, and have both stolen and deceived; and they have also put it among their own stuff. 12 Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they have become doomed to destruction. Neither will I be with you anymore, unless you destroy the accursed from among you.

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ 1. Property
- ___ 2. Forgery
- ___ 3. Robbery
- ___ 4. Fraud
- ___ 5. Taxes
- ___ 6. Steward
- ___ 7. Identity theft
- ___ 8. Illegal downloading

- a. A special kind of cook
- b. Money paid the government
- c. Our possessions and things
- d. Another word for stealing
- e. Burning or ripping songs you've not purchased
- f. Stealing a person's signature
- g. Making steel by a blacksmith
- h. Pretending you are someone else to steal their money
- i. Caretaker
- j. Steal by cheating or false product
- k. The victim of a crime

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. What does God protect in the Seventh Commandment?
2. From whom do all of our property and possessions come?
3. How does God get all our property and possessions to us?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____

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13 Get up, sanctify the people, and say, "Sanctify yourselves for tomorrow, because thus says the LORD God of Israel: "There is an accursed thing in your midst, O Israel; you cannot stand before your enemies until you take away the accursed thing from among you." 14 In the morning therefore you shall be brought according to your tribes. And it shall be that the tribe which the LORD takes shall come according to families; and the family which the LORD takes shall come by households; and the household which the LORD takes shall come man by man. 15 Then it shall be that he who is taken with the accursed thing shall be burned with fire, he and all that he has, because he has transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he has done a disgraceful thing in Israel." 16 So Joshua rose early in the morning and brought Israel by their tribes, and the tribe of Judah was taken. 17 He brought the clan of Judah, and he took the family of the Zarahites; and he brought the family of the Zarahites man by man, and Zabdi was taken. 18 Then he brought his household man by man, and Achan the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken. 19 Now Joshua said to Achan, "My son, I beg you, give glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make confession to Him, and tell me now what you have done; do not hide it from me." 20 And Achan answered Joshua and said, "Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and this is what I have done: 21 When I saw among the spoils a beautiful Babylonian garment, two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. And there they are, hidden in the earth in the midst of my tent, with the silver under it." 22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran to the tent; and there it was, hidden in his tent, with the silver under it. 23 And they took them from the midst of the tent, brought them to Joshua and to all the children of Israel, and laid them out before the LORD. 24 Then Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, the silver, the garment, the wedge of gold, his sons, his daughters, his oxen, his donkeys, his sheep, his tent, and all that he had, and they brought them to the Valley of Achor. 25 And Joshua said, "Why have you troubled us? The LORD will trouble you this day." So all Israel stoned him with stones; and they burned them with fire after they had stoned them with stones. 26 Then they raised over him a great heap of stones, still there to this day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of His anger. Therefore the name of that place has been called the Valley of Achor to this day.

4. What general uses does God expect us to make of our property and possessions?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Stealing is a sin, but tricking another person out of something he owns is okay.
- T F 2. It is a type of stealing to destroy property for no reason.
- T F 3. The sin against this commandment starts with a sinful thought in the heart.
- T F 4. It's okay to take something from someone else since everyone is supposed to share anyway.
- T F 5. People do not have to pay their taxes if they disagree with one of the laws that the government has made.
- T F 6. Christians will want to take good care of all the property and possessions which God has given them and others.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. All our property and possessions

- ___ a. belong to us totally if we prove that they are ours.
- ___ b. actually belong to the government.
- ___ c. are really God's, and He has given them to us to take care of and use for our own and our neighbor's benefit.

2. Stealing is

- ___ a. taking something which doesn't belong to us.
- ___ b. cheating other people out of something which belongs to them.
- ___ c. not only a sin, it is illegal in our state and country.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. As good stewards of God's gifts to us

- ___ a. we will always seek to get as many of them as possible.
- ___ b. we will take good care of them and use them for the benefit of other people and ourselves.
- ___ c. it is okay to covet more of the gifts of property and possessions.

4. Vandalism

- ___ a. is not so bad since things are going to wear out or break anyway.
- ___ b. is what people are doing when they steal a child for a ransom.
- ___ c. is a sin since someone will have to pay for the damages.
- ___ d. all of the above.

5. We can help our neighbor protect his things and way of making a living
- ___ a. by giving him good advice when it comes to the way he should use the property God has given him.
 - ___ b. by ignoring him so we don't become involved.
 - ___ c. by suing him if he damages something which belongs to us.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Is gambling a sin? Explain.

2. In the Old Testament the LORD required that His people give 10% (a tithe) of what they earned. Do believers in the New Testament era have to give 10%? Should they?

3. Evaluate: People should not spend money for recreation so that they will have more money to give to church.

4. Evaluate: It's okay for people to destroy or abuse public property since it belongs to everyone anyway.

5. Evaluate: It is sinful to waste food.

6. Evaluate: It's okay to work at any speed you want, especially if you are being paid by the hour and can put in more hours.

7. Evaluate: It's okay to steal food if you're starving.

8. What is the greatest treasure of all?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 11. 8TH COMMANDMENT

Worksheet 11, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 83-89

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Luke 7:1-10

1. Where did the incident of this section take place?
2. Why did the centurion send for Jesus?
3. What kind of reputation did the centurion have in the eyes of the people who brought the request to Jesus?
4. What did Jesus notice about the centurion?
5. How did Jesus respond to the centurion's request?

LUKE 7:1-10

JESUS HEALS A CENTURION'S SERVANT

1 Now when He concluded all His sayings in the hearing of the people, He entered Capernaum. 2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear to him, was sick and ready to die. 3 So when he heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to Him, pleading with Him to come and heal his servant. 4 And when they came to Jesus, they begged Him earnestly, saying that the one for whom He should do this was deserving, 5 "for he loves our nation, and has built us a synagogue." 6 Then Jesus went with them. And when He was already not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to Him, saying to Him, "Lord, do not trouble Yourself, for I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof. 7 Therefore I did not even think myself worthy to come to You. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. 8 For I also am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to one, "Go," and he goes; and to another, "Come," and he comes; and to my servant, "Do this," and he does it." 9 When Jesus heard these things, He marveled at him, and turned around and said to the crowd that followed Him, "I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" 10 And those who were sent, returning to the house, found the servant well who had been sick.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|----------------------|---|
| ___ 1. False witness | a. To ruin our neighbor's reputation by lying about him |
| ___ 2. Gossip | b. Perjury |
| ___ 3. Betray | c. All talk which comes from an unloving heart |
| ___ 4. Slander | d. Tell someone's secrets |
| | e. Talk about people behind their back |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What does God protect in the Eighth Commandment?

2. How does Luther summarize what God expects in our concern for our neighbor's good name?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

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| T | F | 1. False witness can only occur when a person tells something that is not true. |
| T | F | 2. It's okay to talk about people behind their backs if what you're saying is true. |
| T | F | 3. God wants us to protect the name and reputation of our fellowmen. |
| T | F | 4. If one of your fellow Christians sins, the first thing you should do is go and tell the pastor. |
| T | F | 5. We have the right to say anything we want any way we want. |
| T | F | 6. The sin against this commandment actually starts in a person's heart. |
| T | F | 7. It is a sin to "bad mouth" your parents and teachers. |
| T | F | 8. We should ignore the sins of other people since talking about them would break the Eighth Commandment. |

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. Our good name and reputation

- ___ a. are not very important at all, especially when compared to our life.
- ___ b. tell other people who we are and what type of people we are.
- ___ c. are only determined by inheritance from our parents.
- ___ d. are easy to regain once they've been lost.

2. False witness

- ___ a. is all talk which comes out of a hateful, non-loving heart.
- ___ b. can only take place when a person lies in court.
- ___ c. is not as serious a sin as stealing.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. Betraying our neighbor

- ___ a. is the best way to get even with him if he has done something bad to us.
- ___ b. does not really belong in this commandment since false witness only applies to what we say in court.
- ___ c. is telling our neighbor's secrets, especially if doing so ruins his good name and reputation.

4. Christians will

- ___ a. speak well of their neighbor and interpret all his words and actions in the best possible way.
- ___ b. never say anything about their neighbor for fear of breaking this commandment.
- ___ c. find this one of the easiest commandments to keep.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. According to James 3:5-10 what can be an unruly evil?

2. Evaluate: It is okay to tell "white lies" or "fibs."

3. How might it be possible to bear false witness by withholding the truth from our neighbor?

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read 1 Kings 21:1-16

1. What did Ahab want from Naboth?
2. Why couldn't Naboth do what King Ahab wanted?
3. What did Ahab do when he learned that he couldn't have what he wanted?
4. How did Jezebel solve her husband's problem?
5. What is coveting?

1 KINGS 21:1-16**NABOTH IS MURDERED FOR HIS VINEYARD**

1 And it came to pass after these things that Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard which was in Jezreel, next to the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. 2 So Ahab spoke to Naboth, saying, "Give me your vineyard, that I may have it for a vegetable garden, because it is near, next to my house; and for it I will give you a vineyard better than it. Or, if it seems good to you, I will give you its worth in money." 3 But Naboth said to Ahab, "The LORD forbid that I should give the inheritance of my fathers to you!" 4 So Ahab went into his house sullen and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him; for he had said, "I will not give you the inheritance of my fathers." And he lay down on his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no food. 5 But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said to him, "Why is your spirit so sullen that you eat no food?" 6 He said to her, "Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite, and said to him, 'Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if it pleases you, I will give you another vineyard for it.' And he answered, 'I will not give you my vineyard.'" 7 Then Jezebel his wife said to him, "You now exercise authority over Israel! Arise, eat food, and let your heart be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite." 8 And she wrote letters in Ahab's name, sealed them with his seal, and sent the letters to the elders and the nobles who were dwelling in the city with Naboth. 9 She wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and seat Naboth with high honor among the people; 10 and seat two men, scoundrels, before him to bear witness against him, saying, You have blasphemed God and the king. Then take him out, and stone him, that he may die. 11 So the men of his city, the elders and nobles who were inhabitants of his city, did as Jezebel had sent to them, as it was written in the letters which she had sent to them. 12 They proclaimed a fast, and seated Naboth with high honor among the people. 13 And two men, scoundrels, came in and sat before him; and the scoundrels witnessed against him, against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, "Naboth has blasphemed God and the king!"

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ 1. Covet
 - ___ 2. Lust
 - ___ 3. Jealousy
 - ___ 4. Worry
 - ___ 5. Greed
- a. Open idolatry
 - b. Coveting sex
 - c. Sinful desire
 - d. Pouting
 - e. Being overly concerned about the way things are
 - f. Coveting money
 - g. Being upset because someone has something you want

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Then they took him outside the city and stoned him with stones, so that he died. 14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, "Naboth has been stoned and is dead." 15 And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, "Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money; for Naboth is not alive, but dead." 16 So it was, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab got up and went down to take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. It is wrong to want something that you don't have.
- T F 2. It's okay to pout if you don't get your own way.
- T F 3. The Lord expects us to be content with what He has given us for this life.
- T F 4. These commandments reveal that we can sin by our thoughts and desires as well as what we say and do.
- T F 5. The Lord wants us to have holy desires.
- T F 6. Coveting is a sinful desire for things which God has given to others.
- T F 7. The Ninth Commandment forbids our coveting our neighbor's things.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. In the Ninth and Tenth Commandments the Lord

- a. forbids us from ever wanting anything.
- b. forbids a sinful desire of our neighbor's living and non-living things.
- c. gives us a guide for earning our way to heaven by our thoughts and desires.

2. Coveting

- a. is always so secret that no one ever knows when you are coveting.
- b. is something Christians never do.
- c. may involve wanting something you can't have or would have to sin to get.
- d. all of the above.

3. The source of the holy desires the Lord wants

- a. is the Lord Himself who gives us this gift through the Holy Spirit.
- b. is through keeping these and the other commandments perfectly.
- c. cannot be known because it has never been told us.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What might be the problem when a young person complains that his allowance is less than his friends?

2. What are some of the ways we can know whether or not we are coveting (symptoms of coveting)?

3. Evaluate: The Ninth and Tenth Commandments are the easiest to keep.

4. Evaluate: "First come, first served."

5. What should you do when you discover or recognize that you are coveting?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 13. **CONCLUSION TO THE COMMANDMENTS; SIN**

Worksheet 13, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 97-108

A. USING GOD'S WORD —

Read Genesis 2:17; 3:1-19

1. What command did the LORD give Adam and Eve to test their obedience to Him?
2. What would be the punishment for disobedience?
3. Who tempted whom at first?
4. What did the serpent promise to Eve if she would disobey the commandment?
5. Explain how Genesis 3:15 is Gospel.

GENESIS 2:17

17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

GENESIS 3:1-19

THE TEMPTATION AND FALL OF MAN

THE FALL OF MAN

1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, "You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; 3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, "You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die." 4 Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings. 8 And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself."

11 And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?" 12 Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." 13 And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING.

Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

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| ___ 1. Death | a. Breaking God's law |
| ___ 2. Eternal death | b. Not doing what your parents say |
| ___ 3. Spiritual death | c. Separation |
| ___ 4. Temporal death | d. Not doing what you're supposed to |
| ___ 5. Sin | e. Separation of soul and body |
| ___ 6. Actual Sin | f. Separation of parents and children |
| ___ 7. Original Sin | g. Doing what you're not supposed to |
| ___ 8. Sin of Omission | h. Inherited corruption of our nature |
| ___ 9. Sin of Commission | i. Separation from God in hell |
| | j. The time of grace |
| | k. Separation of a soul from God |
| | l. Sinless |
| | m. Sins of action — thoughts, words, and deeds |
| | n. Fruits of faith |
| | o. The Anointed One |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is sin?
2. What important teaching of the Bible shows us our sin?
3. What does it mean when God says He is a jealous God?
4. Why does God threaten to punish those who break His commandments?

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14 So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You are cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And your shall bruise His heel. 16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you." 17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, "You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life. 18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field. 19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you are, And to dust you shall return."

5. Why does God promise grace to those who keep His commandments?

6. In spite of God's threats and promises, what must we conclude about ourselves and God's commandments?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Two "types" of sin are original and actual.
T F 2. Babies born into this world are too young to be sinners.
T F 3. The only ways we can commit sin are with our words and actions.
T F 4. The word "flesh" is used in Scripture for our sinful nature.
T F 5. God is serious about His commandments and wants us to keep them.
T F 6. The punishment for sin is death.
T F 7. Sins of action are more serious than sins we commit with words.
T F 8. The only hope we have for eternal life is in Jesus Christ who died for the forgiveness of our sins.

E. IDENTIFY all the words for sin in this list.

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| ___ 1. Iniquity | ___ 2. Justify |
| ___ 3. Disobedience | ___ 4. Gospel |
| ___ 5. Transgression | ___ 6. Sanctify |
| ___ 7. Evil | ___ 8. Wickedness |
| ___ 9. Trespass | ___ 10. Rebellion |

F. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Pick the answer which is most correct.

1. Sin is

- ___ a. missing the mark or standard which God has set.
___ b. breaking God's law.
___ c. inherited from our parents.
___ d. all of the above.

2. A sin of omission

- ___ a. can never happen since doing nothing is always safe.
___ b. can only happen when you are an adult and know better.
___ c. is not doing something God expects of us.
___ d. all of the above.

3. "Visiting the iniquity" means

- a. that God is going to punish those who sin.
- b. that God is going to come and watch us when we sin.
- c. that God doesn't really care what we do as long as we believe.

4. Death

- a. would have happened to all bodies anyway since the laws of nature would have caused people to die.
- b. is the punishment which God demands for breaking His law.
- c. is the end of everything. There is nothing else that will happen.
- d. all of the above.

5. In spite of God's threats and promises regarding His commandments

- a. people do not obey the commandments.
- b. people will be rewarded by God if they try hard and do the best they can.
- c. people are not responsible for their actions since they have original sin and can't help sinning anyway.

G. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is purgatory? Is there such a place? (Check in a dictionary or the encyclopedia to find out what it is.)

2. Evaluate: God would never punish us if we try hard to do what is right.

3. What is God's solution for mankind's sin problem?

4. Evaluate: Hell is all the bad things which happen to people on earth and nothing more.

5. Why doesn't a Christian need to fear temporal death?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 14. 1ST ARTICLE GOD; FAITH

Worksheet 14, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 109-115

A. USING GOD'S WORD —

Read Romans 4:1-8,11

1. Which Old Testament patriarch is featured in this section?

2. How was he (question #1) personally justified?

3. What distinction did he receive from the Lord? v. 11

4. What was not able to save him?

ROMANS 4:1-8,11

THE FAITH OF ABRAHAM

11 What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness, 6 just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works: 7 "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, And whose sins are covered; 8 Blessed is the man to whom the LORD shall not impute sin."

11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while still uncircumcised, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they are uncircumcised, that righteousness might be imputed to them also.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

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| ____ 1. Creed | a. Three in one |
| ____ 2. Attributes | b. Characteristics |
| ____ 3. Faith | c. Almighty |
| ____ 4. Atheist | d. Statement of what one believes |
| ____ 5. Agnostic | e. The spirit who is Creator of all things |
| ____ 6. Deist | f. Trust |
| ____ 7. God | g. Infidel |
| ____ 8. Triune | h. Person who says there is no god |
| | i. Person who worship idols |
| | j. Person who doesn't know if there is a god |
| | k. A person who believes there is a God but does not believe in Jesus Christ |
| | l. The Anointed One |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What do you mean when you say, "I believe in God...?"

2. Which person of God is featured in the 1st Article of the Apostles' Creed?

3. Who wrote the Apostles' Creed?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The true God is three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—in one God.
- T F 2. The God of the Bible is not the only god in the universe.
- T F 3. There can be as many creeds as there are people to make them.
- T F 4. The Father is the most important person of God since He came first and created everything else.
- T F 5. Faith is a good work of man which God rewards.
- T F 6. Since God wants everyone to be saved, everyone is going to go to heaven anyway.
- T F 7. The Apostles' Creed was written about one hundred years ago.
- T F 8. Other creeds used in our church are the Nicene and Athanasian.
- T F 9. Because God is omniscient, He knows our very thoughts.
- T F 10. God's work of salvation was to finish what we started but couldn't.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. Faith is

- ___ a. doing enough good works so God can give you eternal life.
- ___ b. trying your hardest to put God first in your life.
- ___ c. trusting in the Lord God for His forgiveness and life.

2. The triune God

- ___ a. is revealed to us in the Bible.
- ___ b. is the God of our salvation.
- ___ c. is the only God in the entire universe who is real.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. In the Apostles' Creed

- ___ a. we say that God is Father of Jesus and our Father.
- ___ b. we really are only guessing about which god is the right one.
- ___ c. we place the most important person of God first so we don't forget.

4. Indicate all of the following which are attributes of God:

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| ___ a. Eternal | ___ e. Flesh |
| ___ b. Omnipresent | ___ f. Omniscient |
| ___ c. Sinful | ___ g. Gracious |
| ___ d. Merciful | ___ h. Omnipotent |

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. How is a person saved?

2. Evaluate: It doesn't matter what you believe, just so you believe something.

3. Evaluate: A person who disagrees with any part of the Bible is an unbeliever.

4. Evaluate: Our natural knowledge of God is enough for us to know in order to be saved.

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Lesson 15. 1ST ARTICLE CREATION

Worksheet 15, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 116-122

A. USING GOD'S WORD Read Genesis 1:1-26

1. Indicate what God made on each of the following days:

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

4th _____

5th _____

6th _____

2. What was the condition of everything when God created it?

3. How was the creation of man different from the creation of everything else God created?

GENESIS 1:1-26

THE ACCOUNT OF CREATION

1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. 4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

6 Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." 7 Thus God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so. 8 And God called the firmament Heaven.

So the evening and the morning were the second day. 9 Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so. 10 And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

11 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth"; and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 13 So the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; 15 and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. 16 Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. 17 God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, 18 and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the best definition on the line in front of the number.

- | | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ___ 1. Create | a. Can't be seen |
| ___ 2. Angels | b. Atoms and molecules |
| ___ 3. Evolution | c. To make something out of nothing |
| ___ 4. Invisible | d. Statement of what one believes |
| ___ 5. Visible | e. The heavens and the earth |
| ___ 6. Immortal | f. Can be seen |
| | g. A false theory of origins |
| | h. Eternal existence of matter |
| | i. Spirit beings |
| | j. Not dying; live forever |

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19 So the evening and the morning were the fourth day. 20 Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." 21 So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 22 And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." 23 So the evening and the morning were the fifth day. 24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. 25 And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The truth of creation is taught in the first chapter of the Bible.
- T F 2. To create means that God started everything so that it would evolve over millions of years.
- T F 3. Each day in Genesis chapter 1 can be understood as thousands or millions of years.
- T F 4. The firmament was made by God on the 2nd day. Its purpose was to keep the waters in the air separate from the waters on the earth.
- T F 5. What distinguishes human beings from animals is that human beings have less hair (or fur).
- T F 6. The earth is 4.5 million years old.
- T F 7. It is acceptable to believe in creation and the theory of evolution.
- T F 8. All life on earth came into being from a single cell which developed in an ocean.
- T F 9. God made different "kinds" of animals. Each "kind" of animal can change into a different "kind" of animal after many, many years.

D. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Pick the answer which is most correct

1. Creation

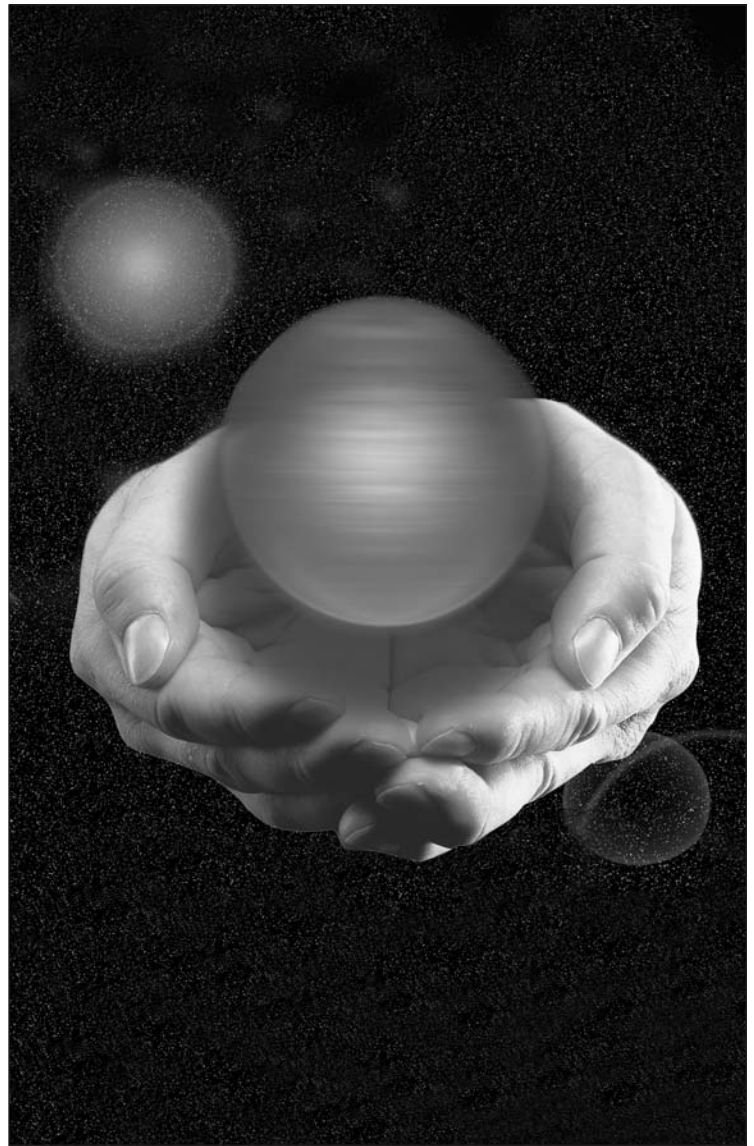
- ___ a. is a fairy tale taught in the first part of the Bible.
- ___ b. is the way God made everything in the universe.
- ___ c. couldn't possibly take place since it's unscientific.

2. The theory of evolution

- ___ a. is just as accurate as the Scripture's teaching of creation.
- ___ b. says that the world is about 6,000 years old.
- ___ c. says that all things came into being by chance happenings over millions of years.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. The creation of man (Genesis 2)

- ___ a. took place on the 6th creation day.
- ___ b. was special because man was made in the image of God.
- ___ c. involved the creation of a man and a woman.
- ___ d. all of the above.



PSALM 139:14

I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Indicate at least three of the scientific reasons why the theory of evolution is wrong:

1st _____

2nd _____

3rd _____

2. Evaluate: Men are animals.

3. Compare: What the Bible says and what the theory of evolution teaches about

	Creation	Evolution
a. The age of the earth	_____	_____
b. The origin of animals	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
c. The origin of man	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
d. How things were made	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
e. Time it took	_____	_____

4. Read Psalm 139:14. What might be our response to the way we have been created?

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Lesson 16. 1ST ARTICLE PRESERVATION

Worksheet 16, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 123-132

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 6:25-34

1. What lesson is Jesus teaching in the examples of the birds and the lilies?
2. What is worrying unable to do? v. 27
3. To what is Solomon compared?
4. What is to be our first concern?
5. Who has promised to supply our needs of food and clothing?

MATTHEW 6:25-34

25 "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? 28 "So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; 29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the best definition on the line in front of the number.

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| ____ 1. Preservation | a. A fallen angel who tempts mankind |
| ____ 2. Miracle | b. To season with salt |
| ____ 3. Natural means | c. To keep or make to last |
| ____ 4. Tribulation | d. Righteousness and true holiness |
| ____ 5. Devil | e. Supernatural act |
| ____ 6. Image of God | f. Trouble, affliction, or distress |
| | g. Preservation through the laws of nature |
| | h. All spirit beings |
| | i. A special kind of magic trick |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. God normally provides for our daily needs through miracles.
- T F 2. An example of natural means is the feeding of the 5,000 by Jesus.
- T F 3. The reason God provides for our needs is His great love and grace.
- T F 4. God provides for our daily needs to keep us alive so that we can do good works to be saved.
- T F 5. Every time something bad happens to us God is punishing us for some sin we have committed.
- T F 6. God kept evil away from Daniel by closing the mouths of the lions.
- T F 7. One of the tasks of the angels is to protect us from evil.
- T F 8. Our heavenly Father may let troubles come to us in a way that serves for our good.
- T F 9. God invites us to show our appreciation for His gifts by thanking Him.
- T F 10. Adam and Eve lost the image of God when they disobeyed God's commandment by making clothes for themselves.
- T F 11. The devil is not really a personal, spirit being but an idea which represents everything evil and sinful that can happen to people.

D. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Pick the answer which is most correct.

1. God preserves His creation

- a. by the word of His power.
- b. so that, if there are any other Gods, He won't be embarrassed because His creatures sinned.
- c. with miracles most of the time.
- d. all of the above.

2. God does not want us to worry about our bodily needs

- a. because He has promised to take care of them.
- b. because He wants us to be concerned about Him and His spiritual blessings.
- c. because worrying about clothing and food doesn't change the situation.
- d. all of the above.

3. An example of God's preservation through natural means

- a. is the way God took care of Elijah at the Brook Cherith.
- b. is the same as miracles.
- c. means that God uses the laws of nature to preserve and protect mankind.
- d. all of the above.

4 The loss of the image of God

- a. meant that people no longer looked like God physically.
- b. happened when Adam and Eve sinned.
- c. was not really that serious since Adam lived over 900 years anyway.

ROMANS 8:28

28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.



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Lesson 17. 2ND ARTICLE THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST

Worksheet 17, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 133-140

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read John 1:1-18

1. Who is the WORD spoken of in this section?
2. Which words tell that the WORD is true God?
3. Which words tell that the WORD is true man?
4. How is human sinfulness depicted in this section?
5. What role did John the Baptizer have in connection with the WORD?

JOHN 1:1-18

CHRIST, THE ETERNAL WORD

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. 8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9 That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: 13 who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. 15 John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" 16 And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. 17 For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the best definition on the line in front of the number.

____ 1. Eternal

____ 2. Omniscient

____ 3. Omnipresent

____ 4. Omnipotent

____ 5. Miracle

____ 6. Conceive

____ 7. Incarnation

____ 8. Redeem

a. Almighty

b. To declare, "Not guilty."

c. To ransom

d. Timeless

e. A supernatural act

f. All-knowing

g. Receiving a body

h. To start a (human) being

i. To make holy

j. Present everywhere

k. Virgin

l. This word means the same as sanctify

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Why did Jesus have to be true man?

2. Why did Jesus have to be true God?

3. Who were Jesus' real father and mother?

4. Give an example of each of the following in connection with our Savior:

a. Having divine names

b. Revealing divine attributes

c. Doing divine works

d. Being given divine honor and glory

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The name Jesus means the Anointed One, the Messiah.
- T F 2. The Second Article of the Creed is a statement of our faith in the Holy Spirit.
- T F 3. The Son of God did not exist until He was conceived by the Holy Spirit in the virgin Mary.
- T F 4. Jesus is one half God and one half man.
- T F 5. The personal union refers to the fact that in the one person of Jesus dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.
- T F 6. The birthplace of Jesus was Nazareth.
- T F 7. Jesus was able to do miracles because He was (and is) also God.
- T F 8. The disciples of Jesus invented the story of the virgin birth because they wished that He was true God.
- T F 9. It was the angel Michael who announced to Mary that she was going to be the mother of the Savior.
- T F 10. Joseph was Jesus' real father.

E. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Pick the answer which is most correct.

1. The Second Article of the Apostles' Creed

- a. was written by the apostles.
- b. is our confession that Jesus Christ is the Savior of the world.
- c. tells about one of many saviors who have come into the world.
- d. all of the above.

2. The incarnation

- a. refers to the fact that Jesus was born in a stable in Bethlehem.
- b. means that Joseph was the real father of Jesus.
- c. is a word we use to describe how Jesus became true man.

3. Jesus

- a. as a true man looked and acted just like other people, except without sin.
- b. really only had a kind of phantom body like a ghost.
- c. never used His divine powers at all while He had His body.

4. Jesus became a man

- a. because there was nothing to do up in heaven.
- b. so that He could be killed as the sacrifice for the sins of mankind.
- c. only after Mary and Joseph had other children.

5. Jesus had to be true God

- a. in order to be a perfect sacrifice for the sins of mankind.
- b. in order to destroy the devil by defeating him in a battle near Jerusalem.
- c. In order to show everyone how to live in order to earn heaven by doing good works.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. In what way(s) is Christ unique?
2. Evaluate: Jesus is only one of many saviors in the world.
3. Why is the doctrine of the virgin birth so important?
4. Evaluate:
It is not necessary to believe that Jesus is true God in order to be saved.
5. Evaluate:
Faith in Jesus means that He will give us the strength we need to do good works so we can go to heaven.

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Lesson 18. 2ND ARTICLE THE OFFICE OF CHRIST

Worksheet 18, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 141-144

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Luke 4:16-30

1. In what village did these events take place?
2. What did Jesus do on the Sabbath day?
3. From which Old Testament book did Jesus read?
4. What was the connection between what Jesus read and Himself?
5. What did the citizens of that town try to do after Jesus spoke?

LUKE 4:16-30

16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

18 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me,
Because He has anointed Me

To preach the gospel to the poor;

He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,

To proclaim liberty to the captives

And recovery of sight to the blind,

To set at liberty those who are oppressed;

19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" 23 He said to them, "You will surely say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country.'" 24 Then He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. 25 But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; 26 but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, 29 and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. 30 Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the best definition on the line in front of the number.

____ 1. Prophet

____ 2. Priest

____ 3. King

____ 4. "Christ"

____ 5. Intercessor

____ 6. Anoint

____ 7. Advocate

____ 8. Propitiation

a. As a lawyer, one who speaks for another

b. Satisfactory payment

c. A go-between

d. Savior

e. One who sacrifices

f. The Anointed One

g. Same as the Holy Spirit

h. One who rules

i. Mouthpiece; one who speaks for another

j. To pour on oil to indicate a special selection

k. Eternal

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING: How did/does Christ function ...

Then

Now

1. ... as a Prophet? _____

2. ... as a Priest? _____

3. ... as a King? _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Jesus was anointed by the Holy Spirit to be our Prophet, Priest, and King.
- T F 2. Christ's public ministry started with His baptism.
- T F 3. Once the crucifixion was over there was no need for Jesus to be our Priest anymore.
- T F 4. Only Christ's office as Priest is foretold in the Old Testament.
- T F 5. There's no way to know what Christ is doing right now, since He's in heaven and not on earth with us.
- T F 6. Christ fulfilled the law perfectly for us.
- T F 7. Christ will give His heavenly kingdom to all those who have done more good works than evil ones.
- T F 8. The baptism of Jesus took place during the last year of His ministry.
- T F 9. Christ was both true God and true Man in order to pay the price for our sins so that we are saved.
- T F 10. Only pastors may preach the Word of God.

E. IDENTIFY the following activities of the office of Christ by writing either (1) Prophet; (2) Priest; or (3) King on the line.

_____ 1. He died on the cross for our sins.

_____ 2. He sends pastors and teachers to preach the Word.

_____ 3. He rules the saints in heaven in glory.

_____ 4. He preached the Gospel during His public ministry.

_____ 5. He fulfilled the law perfectly for us.

_____ 6. He controls the world with His mighty power.

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Lesson 19. **2ND ARTICLE** **REDEMPTION; HUMILIATION**

Worksheet 19, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 145-154

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Philippians 2:1-8

1. What is to characterize our attitude toward other people?
2. Whose example is the model for our attitude toward other people?
3. Which words of this section describe that Jesus is God?
4. Although Jesus was and is God, what did He do so that He did not take advantage of being God?
5. Why did Jesus have to humble Himself in this way?

PHILIPPIANS 2:1-8

UNITY THROUGH HUMILITY

1 Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, 2 fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. 3 Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. 4 Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

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5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--|
| ___ 1. Redeem | a. To declare, "Not guilty." |
| ___ 2. Immortality | b. To make peace; make friends |
| ___ 3. Ransom | c. To get a body |
| ___ 4. State of humiliation | d. Another word for sins |
| ___ 5. Vicarious atonement | e. To buy back |
| ___ 6. Trespasses | f. A satisfactory payment which turns away wrath |
| ___ 7. Propitiation | g. A price paid to set some one free |
| ___ 8. Reconciliation | h. To live forever; not dying |
| | i. The start of a human being |
| | j. The period of time when Jesus did not use His divine powers fully |
| | k. The act of setting things right with God by being our substitute |
| | l. To make holy; to consecrate |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The way Christ redeemed us was by dying on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins.
- T F 2. Jesus redeemed all people for all time.
- T F 3. Jesus came to redeem us just from the sins we actually are aware of doing.
- T F 4. Since Jesus gave His life for the sins of the whole world, everyone will go to heaven.
- T F 5. If a person had enough money, he could use that to pay the penalty for his sins.
- T F 6. Jesus redeemed us from original sin. Now we have to do good works in order to go to heaven.
- T F 7. The "vicarious atonement" refers to the period of Jesus' life from His birth to the start of His ministry.
- T F 8. Christ "redeemed us from death." That means that Christians never have to die.
- T F 9. One of the benefits of Christ's redemption is the victory over the power of the devil.
- T F 10. Christ's state of humiliation lasted from His conception through his suffering under Pontius Pilate.
- T F 11. When Christ chose not to use His divine powers, He never used them until after His resurrection.
- T F 12. The fact that Jesus became man is not a part of the humiliation.
- T F 13. When Jesus died, He had not committed any sin of His own.
- T F 14. When Jesus was buried, His body did not decay.

D. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Choose the answer which is most correct.

1. Jesus had to redeem us because

- a. He didn't have enough power to escape from the Roman government.
- b. we are lost and condemned sinners.
- c. the whole world likes a martyr.

2. Jesus' humiliation involved

- a. emptying Himself of His privileges and powers as God.
- b. living as a fairly rich man while He was on the earth.
- c. trying to trick people into thinking that He was God although He was only a man.

3. Jesus' humiliation lasted from

- a. His birth through His burial.
- b. His conception through His crucifixion.
- c. His conception through His burial.

4. The reason Jesus had to humble Himself in this way was

- a. to impress people by His works, so they could do what He did and go to heaven.
- b. so that He could be sacrificed for the sins of the world.
- c. to impress God, since He had some sins of His own which needed to be punished.

5. When Christ redeemed us from death,

- a. He made it possible for people to do good works in order to be saved.
- b. He arranged so that Christians would not have to die, but would go directly to heaven just like Enoch and Elijah.
- c. He rescued us from eternal death and made temporal death a gateway to the joys of His eternal kingdom.

6. When Christ redeemed us from all sin,

- a. He removed the guilt of sin and the power of sin over us in our lives.
- b. He made it possible for Christians to be completely sinless.
- c. He paid the price for our original sin only.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. Since Christ paid for the sins of the whole world, why isn't everyone going to go to heaven?
2. What would have happened if Christ had not humbled Himself?
3. What is the relationship between Christ's death and your sins?
4. Write a passage that tells us about universal redemption.
5. If Christians believe that their sins are forgiven, why is it that they still sin?
6. Read Luke 23:39-43:

a. Which one of the three died in sin?

b. Which one of the three died to sin?

c. Which one of the three died for sin?

LUKE 23:39-43

39 Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." 40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." 42 Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." 43 And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

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Lesson 20. 2ND ARTICLE CHRIST'S EXALTATION

Worksheet 20, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 155-172

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-20,50-58

1. What theme is featured in this section of the Bible?
2. What was the primary mission of Jesus when He came to earth?
3. What resurrection appearances of Jesus are recorded in 1 Corinthians 15:1-20?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____
 - e. _____
 - f. _____
4. Why is the resurrection of Jesus so important?
vv. 16,17
5. According to 1 Corinthians 15:50-54 what is going to happen to us?

1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-20

THE RISEN CHRIST, FAITH'S REALITY

CHRIST'S RESURRECTION AND OUR RESURRECTION

1 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you--unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, 5 and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. 6 After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. 7 After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. 8 Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. 9 For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. 10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. 11 Therefore, whether it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

THE RISEN CHRIST, OUR HOPE

12 Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. 14 And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. 15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up--if in fact the dead do not rise. 16 For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. 17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! 18 Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

THE LAST ENEMY DESTROYED

20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ___ 1. Resurrection
 - ___ 2. State of Humiliation
 - ___ 3. Ascend
 - ___ 4. State of Exaltation
 - ___ 5. Descent into hell
 - ___ 6. Holiness
 - ___ 7. Redeem
- a. State of sinlessness
 - b. To buy back; ransom
 - c. To get a body
 - d. Period when Jesus uses His divine powers fully
 - e. Period when Jesus didn't use His powers fully
 - f. To declare, "Not guilty."
 - g. To go up
 - h. Living after being dead
 - i. To atone
 - j. Christ proclaiming His victory
 - k.. When Christ suffered for human sins

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is Christ's state of exaltation?

2. What assurances do we have from Christ's resurrection?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____

3. According to Luther what is the purpose of Christ's redemptive work?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

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1 CORINTHIANS 15:50-58

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." 55 "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" 56 The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The exaltation of Jesus began with His burial.
- T F 2. Jesus descended into hell before He died on the cross.
- T F 3. The body Jesus had after His resurrection was a phantom body, not a real one.
- T F 4. Although Christ ascended into heaven, He still has His body.
- T F 5. Christ is sitting at the right hand of God at a very large banquet eating at a place of honor.
- T F 6. Since Christ is in heaven, He can't be here on earth to take care of us.
- T F 7. If we live long enough and do enough good works, we will inherit Christ's heavenly kingdom.
- T F 8. Jesus' ascension took place 40 days after His resurrection.
- T F 9. When Jesus comes at the end of the world to judge everyone, He will separate the believers from the unbelievers.
- T F 10. Christ's state of exaltation ended with His ascension into heaven.
- T F 11. It doesn't really matter whether or not Christ rose from the dead.
- T F 12. In His resurrection Jesus showed us that we too will rise.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. Jesus' exaltation

- ___ a. was a fluke, since He really didn't plan to rise again from the dead.
- ___ b. meant that He was restored to full use of His divine powers.
- ___ c. lasted from the descent into hell until His ascension into heaven.

2. Jesus' exaltation involved

- ___ a. leaving His body behind when He ascended into heaven.
- ___ b. having to suffer again when He descended into hell.
- ___ c. using all His powers as God after His return to life.

3. Jesus descended into Hell

- ___ a. in order to proclaim His victory over His enemies.
- ___ b. to continue the suffering which He had started on the cross.
- ___ c. to wait for the end of the world to come.

4. The resurrection of Jesus

- ___ a. didn't really happen. It was only wishful thinking on the part of the disciples.
- ___ b. can't be proved, since no one saw Him after His resurrection.
- ___ c. occurred on the third day after He died.

5. The ascension of Jesus means that

- ___ a. He can only be in one place at a time.
- ___ b. He only withdrew from us our ability to see Him even though He still has His body.
- ___ c. He gave up His body at the time of His ascension.

6. Christ's sitting at the right hand of God involves

- ___ a. ruling all things for the benefit of His people.
- ___ b. being in the second position right after God the Father.
- ___ c. sitting on a throne somewhere up in heaven.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What would happen if Jesus had not risen from the dead?

2. How do you know Jesus really rose from the dead?

3. Is it okay to say Jesus didn't rise as long as you also say that He lives in one's heart? Explain.

4. What will be the outcome of the judgment at the end of the world?

5. What has to happen in order for both a person's body and soul to enter Heaven?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 21. 3RD ARTICLE SANCTIFICATION

Worksheet 21, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 173-187

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Acts 5:1-11

1. What had Ananias and his wife done?
2. What did they intend to do with the money?
3. Which words in verses 3 and 4 show that the Holy Spirit is God?
4. Why were both Ananias and Sapphira struck dead?
5. What effect did this incident have on the church in Jerusalem?

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LYING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. 2 And he kept back part of the proceeds, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles' feet. 3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? 4 While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God." 5 Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things. 6 And the young men arose and wrapped him up, carried him out, and buried him. 7 Now it was about three hours later when his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. 8 And Peter answered her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much?" She said, "Yes, for so much." 9 Then Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Look, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." 10 Then immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. And the young men came in and found her dead, and carrying her out, buried her by her husband. 11 So great fear came upon all the church and upon all who heard these things.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING — Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

- | | |
|------------------------|--|
| ___ 1. Sanctify | a. To turn from unbeliever to believer |
| ___ 2. Omnipresent | b. To buy back; ransom |
| ___ 3. Omnipotent | c. The Gospel in Word and sacraments |
| ___ 4. Fruits of faith | d. Timeless |
| ___ 5. Means of grace | e. All knowing |
| ___ 6. Eternal | f. Almighty |
| ___ 7. Sacrament | g. A sacred act |
| ___ 8. Enlighten | h. To declare, "Not guilty." |
| ___ 9. Conversion | i. Our life on earth during which God confronts us with the Gospel |
| | j. To cause one to recognize and know |
| | k. Everywhere present |
| | l. To make holy |
| | m. What a believer does because he does have faith |
| | n. Wide sense |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Who is the Holy Spirit?

2. What type of proofs do Scriptures have that the Holy Spirit is God?

- a. _____ b. _____
- c. _____ d. _____

3. What is the work of the Holy Spirit called?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Regeneration means to “turn” from an unbeliever to a believer.
- T F 2. The Holy Spirit must do His work before anyone can believe in Jesus as their Savior.
- T F 3. The Holy Spirit uses the means of grace to do His work.
- T F 4. To sanctify means to declare, “Not guilty.”
- T F 5. Sanctification in the wide sense refers to everything the Holy Spirit does to create and preserve faith.
- T F 6. The Holy Spirit uses the Gospel to “call” us.
- T F 7. We are saved by doing good works so that the Holy Spirit will then sanctify us.
- T F 8. If a person does not believe, it is his own fault.
- T F 9. When a person does believe, God receives all the credit for giving that individual the gift of faith.
- T F 10. Anyone, even unbelievers, can do good works in the sight of God.
- T F 11. Christians do good works in order to be saved.
- T F 12. Part of the work of the Holy Spirit is to keep us believing all our lives.
- T F 13. Once a person is a believer, nothing can happen that would cause him to lose his faith.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The Holy Spirit

- ___ a. is a person of God, but third in importance.
- ___ b. is not a person of God, since He came after the Father and the Son.
- ___ c. is a person of God, equal to the Father and the Son.

2. Sanctification in the wide sense is

- ___ a. everything the Spirit does in us to produce the fruits of faith.
- ___ b. everything the Spirit does to create and preserve faith in us.
- ___ c. everything the Spirit has done to create and preserve the universe.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. Conversion and regeneration

- ___ a. are words in Scripture which tell about the Holy Spirit making a believer out of an unbeliever.
- ___ b. both refer to how people finally receive the gift of the Holy Spirit when they have done enough good works.
- ___ c. can never happen to infants since they are too little to be sinful.

4. Good works in the sight of God

- ___ a. are necessary in order for a person to be saved.
- ___ b. are never possible for anyone since we are all sinners.
- ___ c. are fruits of faith done by a believer out of love for His Savior.

5. The Holy Spirit "calls us by the Gospel" when He

- ___ a. restores us to life after we have been dead so we can inherit the heavenly kingdom.
- ___ b. uses the Gospel to bring us to faith in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins.
- ___ c. opens our hearts just enough so we can do good works in order to be saved.
- ___ d. all of the above.

6. When a person comes to faith and is saved

- ___ a. he can take all the credit because he has made the right decision to believe.
- ___ b. he can take none of the credit since it is the Holy Spirit who has brought him to faith.
- ___ c. he can take some of the credit since he has a spark of good in him.

7. When a person is lost

- ___ a. it is his own fault for resisting the Holy Spirit.
- ___ b. it is not his fault since the Holy Spirit really didn't want everyone to be saved anyway.
- ___ c. it's nobody's fault since everyone is going to go to heaven anyway.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Why does a believer do good works?

2. Evaluate: You can tell a strong believer from a weak one by the number of good works he does.

3. In what way does the Holy Spirit call us by the Gospel in word?

4. What is the relationship between the Holy Spirit and the Father and the Son?

5. What are some of the gifts with which the Holy Spirit enlightens us?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 22. 3RD ARTICLE THE HOLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Worksheet 22, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 188-205

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Ephesians 4:1-16

1. What does the apostle urge us to do in verse one?

2. Verses 4-6 tell of things we share as believers in Jesus. List them:

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

f. _____

3. What kind of gifts did the ascended Lord give to His Church?

4. For what purpose did the Lord give these gifts to His people?

5. What picture does the apostle use to describe the unity of the Church?

EPHESIANS 4:1-16

WALK IN UNITY

ONE CHURCH, MANY PARTS

1 I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,

2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, 3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

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7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore He says:

"When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men." 9 (Now this, "He ascended"-

-what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head-

-Christ-- 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

____ 1. "Church"

____ 2. Holy

____ 3. Orthodox

____ 4. Heterodox

____ 5. Religious Fellowship

____ 6. Invisible

____ 7. Religious Unionism

____ 8. Holy Christian Church

a. The same as justification

b. The group of all believers

c. The "group called out"

d. The pure visible church on earth

e. A church which teaches the Bible correctly

f. Not able to be seen

g. Sharing worship and joint church work

h. A church which teaches false doctrine

i. Joint church work and worship among those who do not agree

j. The means of grace

k. Sinless

l. To make holy

m. Fruits of faith

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is the Holy Christian Church?

2. Since the Holy Christian Church is invisible, how do we know where it is?

3. Why is it there? (in connection with your answer to question 2)

4. With whom does our God want us to share worship and joint church work?

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The word "church" always refers to a building where people worship.
- T F 2. There's no way we can ever know where other believers are since we can't see another person's faith.
- T F 3. The Church is called "holy" because the Holy Spirit has done His work of making its members holy through the Gospel.
- T F 4. The Church is called Christian since everyone who calls himself a Christian is a member of it.
- T F 5. There is only one Holy Christian Church in the world.
- T F 6. We can worship and pray in a God-pleasing way with anyone who simply says that he is a Christian.
- T F 7. It is the Gospel which the Holy Spirit uses to make believers.
- T F 8. People are guilty of religious unionism when they join in worship and church work with people who do not agree in what the Bible teaches.
- T F 9. It's okay to be in fellowship with a church which teaches the gospel correctly but teaches incorrectly on some other doctrines.
- T F 10. All the members of a congregation are members of the Holy Christian Church.
- T F 11. A hypocrite is a person who is pretending to be a believer when he isn't.
- T F 12. A denomination is a group of congregations with a distinct name and a distinct doctrinal confession.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The Holy Spirit

- a. works through the Gospel to create and preserve faith in people.
- b. calls, gathers, enlightens and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth.
- c. is a person of God, equal to the Father and the Son.
- d. all of the above.

2. The Holy Christian Church

- a. can be seen.
- b. is the same as a local congregation.
- c. exists where the gospel is preached and the sacraments are administered according to Christ's command.
- d. all of the above.

3. Some of the characteristics of the Holy Christian Church are (check all the correct answers)

- a. there are many of them.
- b. it is made up of believers.
- c. it is the same as a local congregation.
- d. there is only one Holy Christian Church.
- e. people who believe in anything they want are members of it.
- f. anyone who says he believes is a member.

4. Church fellowship

- ___ a. involves the sharing of worship.
- ___ b. is based on an agreement about what the Bible teaches.
- ___ c. includes our joint kingdom efforts such as mission work.
- ___ d. all of the above.

5. Church fellowship is to end when

- ___ a. people discover that someone is teaching contrary to the doctrine which we have learned.
- ___ b. people's feelings are hurt because someone at church wouldn't talk with them.
- ___ c. people notice that, in spite of their best efforts and warnings, a false teaching church group will no longer listen to what they are saying.

6. A person can know which is the right church

- ___ a. by automatically joining the church where his parents attend.
- ___ b. by comparing what a church teaches with what the Bible says.
- ___ c. by joining any congregation that has the word "Lutheran" in its name.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Evaluate: The Holy Christian Church is all the believers who are members of a Lutheran church.

2. What is a "saint" according to the Bible?

3. What does the phrase "communion of saints" emphasize about the Holy Christian Church?

4. What would you do if you heard your pastor say something in one of his sermons you thought was wrong?

5. Evaluate. We can know who are members of the Holy Christian Church by checking to see if their life is Christian.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 23. 3RD ARTICLE JUSTIFICATION

Worksheet 22, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 206-211

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Romans 5:12-21

1. Which man was responsible for sin coming upon all men?

2. Which Man was responsible for forgiveness coming to all men?

3. Which verse tells us about universal justification?

4. What is the result of mankind's sin?

5. What is the benefit and result of Christ's atoning death?

ROMANS 5:12-21

DEATH IN ADAM, LIFE IN CHRIST

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned-- 13 (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. 16 And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in condemnation, but the free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification. 17 For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, 21 so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| ___ 1. Justify | a. To make holy |
| ___ 2. Universal Justification | b. To declare, "Not guilty " |
| ___ 3. Personal Justification | c. The means of grace |
| ___ 4. Reconcile | d. Believing that God has declared me, "Not guilty" |
| ___ 5. Condemn | e. God pardoned the whole world. |
| ___ 6. Forgive | f. Christ died for believers only. |
| | g. To make friends; to make peace |
| | h. The opposite of justify |
| | i. Another word for hell |
| | j. Take away |
| | k. Jesus' atoning sacrifice |

C. WHICH OF THE TWO STATEMENTS IS CORRECT?

- ___ a. Christ died for the sins of the whole world.
___ b. Christ died for the sins of the believers only.
- ___ a. God justified only those whom He knew would eventually believe.
___ b. God justified all men in the entire world.
- ___ a. God justifies those who do good works and deserve it.
___ b. God justified everyone on the basis of Christ's death.
- ___ a. Those who are justified by God do good works.
___ b. Those who do good works are justified by God.
- ___ a. Personal justification is believing that God has declared me "Not guilty."
___ b. Personal justification is doing good works so that God can declare me, "Not guilty."
- ___ a. God gives His gift of the Spirit to those who have earned it with their good works.
___ b. God gives His gift of the Spirit through the Gospel which is the message of His forgiveness.
- ___ a. We are saved because we believe.
___ b. We are saved because Jesus died for our sins.
- ___ a. We are saved because we believe in Christ.
___ b. We are saved through believing in Christ.
- ___ a. We can be certain that our sins have been forgiven.
___ b. We can never be certain that our sins are really forgiven.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. To justify

- a. is exactly the same word as to condemn.
- b. is a courtroom term which is a judge's verdict of innocence.
- c. doesn't have anything to do with believers.
- d. al of the above

2. Universal justification

- a. never took place because it was too hard for God to meet everyone in the world.
- b. refers to believing in the pardon Christ earned on the cross
- c. is God's verdict, "Not guilty," pronounced over all mankind for the forgiveness of their sins.

3. Personal justification

- a. means that God declared the whole world, "Not guilty."
- b. involves faith, which is God's gift to us to accept His pardon verdict.
- c. is the same as sanctification in the narrow sense.

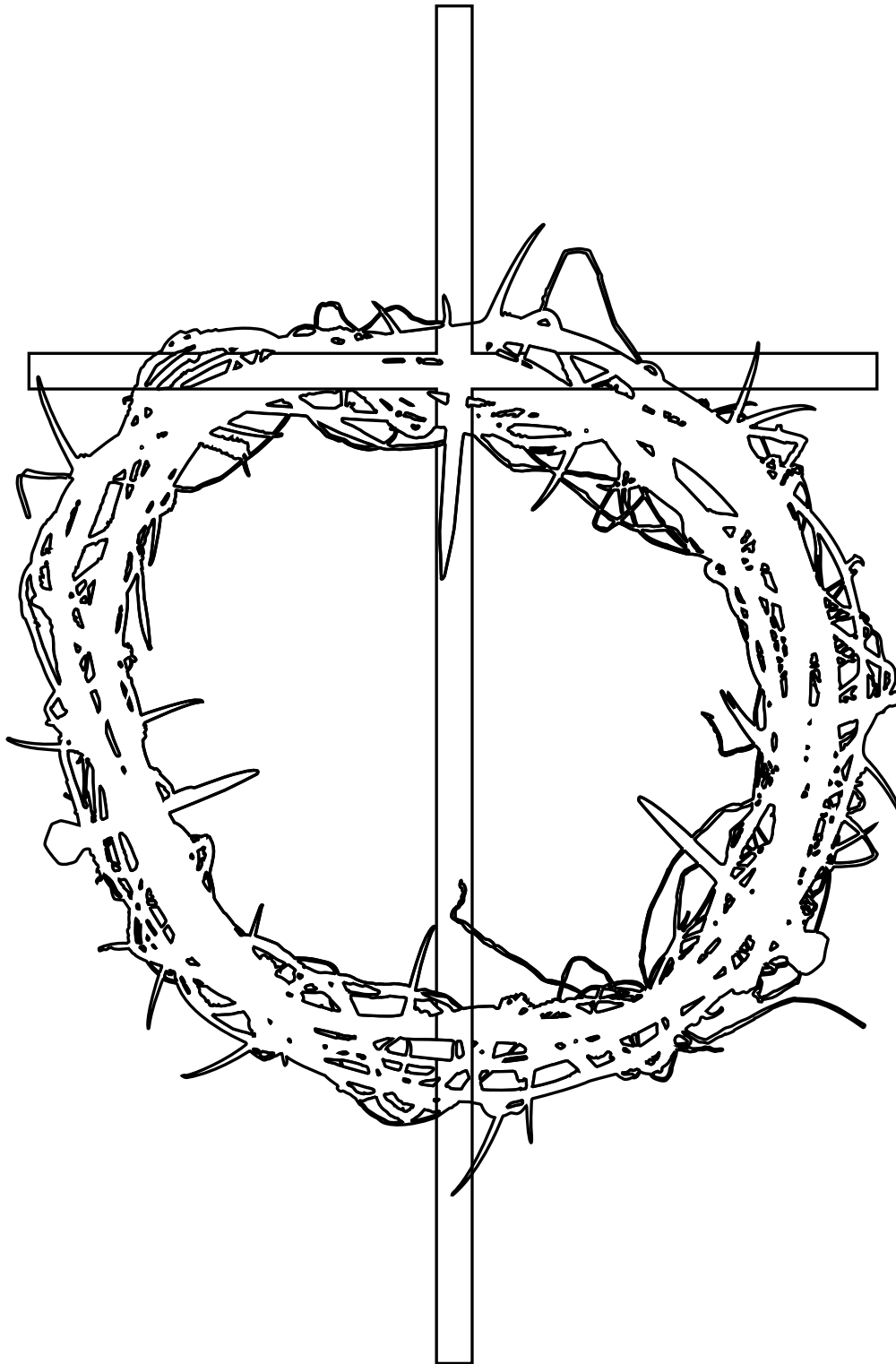
E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Why is the doctrine of justification so important?

2. If God declared the whole world, "Not guilty," on the basis of Christ's death, why are some people eventually condemned to hell?

3. Evaluate: God really only forgave us for original sin. The rest depends on our good works.

4. What price needed to be paid in order for God to justify the world?



SURELY HE HAS BORNE OUR
GRIEFS, AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS:
YET WE ESTEEMED HIM STRICKEN,
SMITTEN BY GOD,
AND AFFLICTED.

Isaiah 53:4

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 24. 3RD ARTICLE LAST THINGS

Worksheet 24, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 212-219

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 25:31-46

1. What is going to happen on the last day? v. 31
2. How is the judgment of God compared to a shepherd? v. 32
3. What will happen to those on the left hand?
4. What will happen to those on the right hand?

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

- _____ 1. Resurrection
- _____ 2. Hell
- _____ 3. Heaven
- _____ 4. Unbeliever
- _____ 5. Believer
- _____ 6. Election of grace

- a. Troubles on this earth
- b. God choosing people to become believers
- c. Become alive after being dead
- d. One who trusts in Jesus

- e. Judgment day
- f. Where God isn't
- g. One who does not rely on God
- h. The eternal inheritance of the believers
- i. Declaring, "Not guilty."

MATTHEW 25:31-46

THE SON OF MAN WILL JUDGE THE NATIONS

31 "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 33 And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will say to those on His right hand, "Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 36 I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me." 37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, "Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? 38 When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? 39 Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?" 40 And the King will answer and say to them, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." 41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, "Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; 43 I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me." 44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, "Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?" 45 Then He will answer them, saying, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me." 46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

C. TRUE AND FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The reason God elected some people to be saved is because He knew ahead of time that they would believe.
- T F 2. If people go to heaven, it is because they have done so many good works that God will reward them.
- T F 3. At the end of the world only the believers will experience the resurrection of the dead.
- T F 4. Hell is not a real place. The Bible is just trying to scare people.
- T F 5. In the resurrection the bodies of the believers will be like Christ's glorified body.
- T F 6. Eternal death is the separation of a person from God forever in hell.
- T F 7. Eternal life will be given to all those who have earned it by their good works.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The last day

- a. will come close to the year 2100.
- b. will come at a time known to the heavenly Father.
- c. will never come since God made the world to last forever.

2. On the last day

- a. the world and everything in it will be destroyed by fire.
- b. Jesus will come with His holy angels.
- c. Jesus will judge all people, distinguishing the believers from the unbelievers.
- d. all of the above.

3. Heaven is

- a. a myth since scientists have never been able to find it.
- b. open to all people no matter what they believe.
- c. the home of God, and holy angels, and the future home of those who believe.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What will hell be like?

2. Evaluate: Cremation is wrong because it makes resurrection impossible.

3. What kind of bodies will we believers have in our Lord's heavenly kingdom?

4. How can a person be prepared for the Savior's coming even though we don't know on what day it will be?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 25. **BAPTISM** **ITS NATURE AND BLESSING**

Worksheet 25, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 220-234

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 3:13-17

1. What event is described in this section of Scripture?
2. To whom did Jesus come?
3. Why didn't John want to do what Jesus asked?

MATTHEW 3

JOHN BAPTIZES JESUS

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. 14 And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" 15 But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him.

16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. 17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

4. In what way were all three persons of God present at this event?

a. Father _____ b. Son _____
c. Holy Spirit _____

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

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| _____ 1. Baptize | a. An act of consecration |
| _____ 2. Sacrament | b. A sacred act |
| _____ 3. Baptism | c. To apply or wash with water |
| _____ 4. Witness | d. The earthly element in baptism |
| | e. The sacrament of water and God's Word |
| | f. Someone who sees something happen |
| | g. The Triune God |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What are the three features of a Sacrament?

a.

b.

c.

2. Which Bible passages have the command of Jesus to baptize?

a. _____

b. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Christ gave the command to baptize all nations at the very start of His ministry.
- T F 2. The word baptize means to use any liquid available to pour, sprinkle, or immerse.
- T F 3. A person must be immersed in order to be baptized properly.
- T F 4. Pastors usually perform baptisms, but in case of an emergency any Christian may and should do so.
- T F 5. A proper baptism includes water applied on a person and the words, "I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."
- T F 6. We would baptize an adult right away if he or she asked.
- T F 7. Baptism also protects a person from getting terrible diseases like cancer.
- T F 8. The blessings of baptism are forgiveness of sins, deliverance from death and the Devil, and eternal salvation.
- T F 9. Everyone who is baptized receives its blessings whether they believe or not.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. Immersion

- a. is the only proper way to baptize in the sacrament.
- b. is never permissible as a way to baptize in the sacrament.
- c. is a permissible way, but not the only way, to baptize in the sacrament.

2. The word baptize

- a. means to wash with water.
- b. always means to immerse something completely under water.
- c. includes any liquid we wish to use.
- d. all of the above.

3. The reason pastors usually perform baptisms is:

- a. they have special powers from God to do them which others don't have.
- b. they have been asked (called) by a congregation to do them.
- c. no one else knows what to do.

4. Sponsors

- a. witness a baptism
- b. encourage their godchild's Christian education and spiritual growth.
- c. pray for the child.
- d. all of the above.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Evaluate: Only baptisms performed in a Lutheran church are proper.

2. Who receives the benefits (blessings) of baptism?

3. Why is marriage not a sacrament?

4. What happens to an unbaptized child when he dies?

5. Evaluate: Children should be baptized when they are older so they know what is going on.

6. Evaluate: There is no need to baptize infants since they have not committed any sins.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 26. **BAPTISM** **ITS POWER AND MEANING**

Worksheet 26, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 235-242

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Acts 9:1-19

1. Why was Saul going to Damascus?
2. What happened to him while he was on the way to Damascus?
3. Which disciple in Damascus was sent to teach Saul?
4. For what special purpose would the Lord use Saul?
5. What did Ananias do for Saul after Saul regained his sight?

ACTS 9:1-19

THE DAMASCUS ROAD: SAUL CONVERTED
SAUL'S CONVERSION AND PREACHING

1 Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest 2 and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

3 As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. 4 Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" 5 And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." 6 So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." 7 And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one. 8 Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus.

9 And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

ANANIAS BAPTIZES SAUL

10 Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." 11 So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. 12 And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." 13 Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. 14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel.

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B. IDENTIFY THE FOLLOWING by writing
(1) sinful nature or
(2) spiritual nature on the line.

1. Flesh _____
2. New creation _____
3. Old Adam _____
4. Old man _____
5. New man _____

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16 For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." 17 And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." 18 Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. 19 So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is the power in baptism?

2. How is the Old Adam killed?

3. What is contrition?

4. Repentance has two features. What are they?

a. _____

b. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. A person must be immersed completely in baptism because that's the only way to really drown the Old Adam.
- T F 2. Baptism has the power to make an unbeliever into a believer.
- T F 3. Children are born without sin. They receive their sinful nature by being around people who sin.
- T F 4. Once a person is baptized, the sinful nature is no longer present.
- T F 5. The way to control and conquer the sinful nature is by doing good works.
- T F 6. The Holy Spirit uses the Gospel to create the new spiritual nature in us.
- T F 7. During our entire lifetimes there will always be a struggle in us between the old Adam and the new man.
- T F 8. Baptism has no meaning for us once we're old enough to study the Bible and understand what it says.
- T F 9. We are buried with Christ by baptism into death.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The power of baptism

- ___ a. is in the special water that we use.
- ___ b. comes into the water when the pastor is present.
- ___ c. is in the Word of God and in faith which trusts that the Word of God is in the water.
- ___ d. none of the above.

2. The meaning of baptism

- ___ a. is the death of sin through the redemption of Christ.
- ___ b. is the effect water itself has on sin.
- ___ c. can only take place if a person is immersed.
- ___ d. all of the above.

3. The struggle between the old Adam and the new man

- ___ a. is won when the old Adam is killed by daily contrition and repentance.
- ___ b. will continue as long as we live on this earth.
- ___ c. both of the above.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Evaluate: A Christian can excuse his or her sin by saying, "The devil made me do it."
2. What evidence do we have of the existence of the sinful nature?
3. Evaluate: Baptism is like play-acting in a theater. It only pictures the death of sin but does not really forgive it.
4. How does baptism affect the way you live?

Name: _____

Date: _____

THE OFFICE OF THE KEYS

Worksheet 27, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 243-255

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read John 20:1-23

1. What event is described in this section of Scripture?
2. Who were gathered that evening?
3. Why had they locked the door?
4. What power did Jesus give to His disciples at this time?

JOHN 20:1-23

THE EMPTY TOMB

THE RISEN CHRIST

1 Now the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. 2 Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." 3 Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. 4 So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. 5 And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying there; yet he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying there, 7 and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. 9 For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. 10 Then the disciples went away again to their own homes.

MARY MAGDALENE SEES THE RISEN LORD

11 But Mary stood outside by the tomb weeping, and as she wept she stooped down and looked into the tomb. 12 And she saw two angels in white sitting, one at the head and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. 13 Then they said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." 14 Now when she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, and did not know that it was Jesus. 15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" She, supposing Him to be the gardener, said to Him, "Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him, "Rabboni!" (which is to say, Teacher).

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B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING. Put the letter of the definition on the line in front of the number.

- ____ 1. Keys
- ____ 2. Penitent
- ____ 3. Impenitent
- ____ 4. Means of grace
- ____ 5. Contrition
- ____ 6. Excommunication

- a. The period of our earthly life
- b. The Gospel in Word and sacrament
- c. Sorry for sins and faith in Jesus for the forgiveness of sins
- d. The Sacrament of water and God's Word
- e. Sorrow for sins
- f. A person with no sorrow and no faith
- g. The power to lock and unlock heaven
- h. To remove someone from the fellowship of all believers and declare him impenitent
- i. Keeping sinners out of the congregation

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. To whom has Christ given the power of the keys?

2. How do you unlock heaven to someone?

3. How do you lock heaven to someone?

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17 Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'" 18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.

THE APOSTLES COMMISSIONED

19 Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

4. Under what circumstances might you retain someone's sins?

5. The "steps" of church discipline are: (cf. Matthew 18:15-17)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The office of the keys is the special power which Christ gave to His people on earth to forgive and retain sins.
- T F 2. We should never preach the Gospel to unbelievers, since they are automatically impenitent.
- T F 3. A congregation ordinarily administers the keys through its pastor(s).
- T F 4. When a congregation calls a pastor, it gives up the keys of the kingdom.
- T F 5. When a pastor administers the keys for a Christian congregation, he does so in the name of God and on behalf of the congregation.
- T F 6. The only people who ever receive divine calls are pastors.
- T F 7. Once a person is excommunicated, he can never again be a member of a Christian congregation.
- T F 8. The main reason a Christian congregation excommunicates someone is to get rid of its bad members.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What Word of God should be preached to the impenitent? Why?
2. Evaluate. In order to use the keys of the kingdom a person needs special training in a bible college of some kind.
3. How can you tell if a person is impenitent if he is a hypocrite?
4. Evaluate. Christians shouldn't use the locking key too often since it upsets people and congregations.
5. How can our actions with the keys of the kingdom be as "valid and certain" as if Christ were dealing with us Himself?
6. Evaluate. Excommunication is an act of love.

B. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What does it mean to confess one's sins?
2. To whom do Christians confess their sins?
3. What Word of God gives people a knowledge of their sins?
4. What is the connection between the Gospel and absolution?

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The only place people can confess their sins is in church.
- T F 2. God wants us to remember every sin we commit when we confess our sins to Him.
- T F 3. When we confess our sins we are not only saying we did them, but we also say we are sorry for doing them.
- T F 4. We are only guilty of sins which we actually know we have committed.
- T F 5. Only pastors are permitted to absolve people since they are trained to do it.
- T F 6. A person must confess before the pastor at least once a year.
- T F 7. The absolution includes the announcement of forgiveness and a duty one must do before sins are really forgiven.

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13 So David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die. 14 However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die." 15 Then Nathan departed to his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and it became ill.

THE DEATH OF DAVID'S SON

16 David therefore pleaded with God for the child, and David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. 17 So the elders of his house arose and went to him, to raise him up from the ground. But he would not, nor did he eat food with them. 18 Then on the seventh day it came to pass that the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead. For they said, "Indeed, while the child was alive, we spoke to him, and he would not heed our voice. How can we tell him that the child is dead? He may do some harm!" 19 When David saw that his servants were whispering, David perceived that the child was dead. Therefore David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead." 20 So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, they set food before him, and he ate. 21 Then his servants said to him, "What is this that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food." 22 And he said, "While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who can tell whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' 23 But now he is dead; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The teaching in our catechism regarding confession

- a. has only one part — saying we have sinned.
- b. has only one part — hearing that our sins are forgiven.
- c. includes two parts — confession and absolution.

2. In order to confess one's sins properly

- a. a person must go to the pastor.
- b. a person should remember every sin he committed.
- c. a person must confess his sins out loud.
- d. none of the above.

3. We know what our sins are

- a. from the law of God.
- b. from the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- c. neither of the above.

4. The following is an example of a correct absolution:

- a. "I will forgive you your sins after you have proven that you deserve it."
- b. "In the name of Jesus Christ I forgive you your sins."
- c. "According to the command of Christ I forgive you your original sin in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Evaluate. Confession before a pastor should be required so that everyone would remember to do it more often.
2. Evaluate. A member confesses to his pastor that he committed a murder. The pastor should tell what he heard in court if necessary.
3. Evaluate. Since God knows everything we do anyway, we really don't need to confess our sins very often.
4. How would you absolve a person who came to you and confessed a sin?
5. Evaluate. A confession of sins and absolution must be a part of every worship service.

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 29. **THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR (I)**

Worksheet 29, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 262-270

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 26:17-30

1. What festival of the Jews was Jesus going to celebrate with his disciples?
2. How did Jesus identify the one who would betray Him? Who was it?
3. What earthly elements did Jesus use when He instituted the sacrament?
4. What is also present with the bread and wine?
5. What blessing does Jesus give in the sacrament?

MATTHEW 26:17-30

JESUS CELEBRATES PASSOVER WITH HIS DISCIPLES

17 Now on the first day of the Feast of the Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?" 18 And He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, "The Teacher says, "My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your house with My disciples."" 19 So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover. 20 When evening had come, He sat down with the twelve. 21 Now as they were eating, He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." 22 And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, "Lord, is it I?" 23 He answered and said, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me. 24 The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born." 25 Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."

JESUS INSTITUTES THE LORD'S SUPPER

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." 27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. 29 But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom." 30 And when they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- | | |
|---------------------------|--|
| ___ 1. Sacrament | a. The customs of the church |
| ___ 2. Real presence | b. The teaching that only the body and blood are present in the sacrament |
| ___ 3. Communion | c. The teaching that only the bread and wine are present in the sacrament |
| ___ 4. Representation | d. The teaching that the bread and wine and body and blood are present in the sacrament when taken |
| ___ 5. Transubstantiation | e. Coming together into one |
| | f. A sacred act |

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What are we to do with the bread and wine?

2. Give an example of something we should not do with the bread and wine.

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The account of Christ's giving His people the Sacrament of the Altar is found in all four of the Gospels.
- T F 2. Passover was a festival celebrating the giving of the law on Mt. Sinai.
- T F 3. Judas Iscariot was the one who betrayed Jesus.
- T F 4. "Remission" means the same as "forgiveness."
- T F 5. Communicants receive the bread and wine in a natural way.
- T F 6. Communicants receive the body and blood of Christ in a supernatural way.
- T F 7. When a communicant eats the bread and drinks the wine, it changes into the body and blood of Christ.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER THAT IS MOST CORRECT.

1. In order for an act to be a sacrament

- a. it has to be instituted by Christ.
- b. it has earthly elements (visible means).
- c. it must give spiritual blessings such as the forgiveness of sins.
- d. two of the above are correct.
- e. three of the above are correct.

2. The phrase "Real Presence"

- a. is used to describe the fact that the bread and wine represent Christ's body and blood in the Sacrament.
- b. is based on the word "is" as used by Jesus when He gave His people the sacrament.
- c. is the same as transubstantiation.
- d. none of the above.

3. Check all of the following which are blessings given through the sacrament:

- a. forgiveness of sins.
- b. spiritual life.
- c. protection from cancer, heart disease, and other serious diseases.
- d. successful business or careers.
- e. eternal life.
- f. strengthening of faith.

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Does a hypocrite receive Christ's body and blood if he receives the sacrament?

What Bible passage would you use to support your answer?

2. Evaluate. The Sacrament of Holy Communion should really be celebrated every Sunday.

3. Evaluate. If the sacrament is being offered in a morning and evening service on the same day, a person should really only go once.

4. On what occasions does our church offer the sacrament during a year?

Name: _____

Date: _____

Lesson 30. **THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR (II)**

Worksheet 30, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 271-279

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

1. What event is described in this section of Scripture?

2. What do we proclaim and remember when we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar?

3. What should people do before they come to the sacrament?

4. What danger is involved if a person receives the sacrament in an unworthy manner?

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-29

INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

EXAMINE YOURSELF

27 Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

- ____ 1. Communion
- ____ 2. Real presence
- ____ 3. Remission
- ____ 4. Sins
- ____ 5. Communicant

- a. Breaking God's law
- b. A fellowship; coming together into one.
- c. This word means the same as justification
- d. The teaching that the bread and wine and body and blood are present in the sacrament
- e. Person receiving communion
- f. Judgment and damnation
- g. Forgiveness

C. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Where does the Sacrament of the Altar get its power to forgive sins?

2. Who is truly worthy and well-prepared to receive the sacrament?

3. Who should not be permitted to come to the sacrament?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____

4. What should we acknowledge and confess when we examine ourselves before coming to the Sacrament of the Altar?

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Fasting is never permitted as a preparation for any act of worship including celebration of the Sacrament of the Altar.
- T F 2. People may choose to dress in some of their best clothes when they worship to show their respect for their Lord.
- T F 3. The power for Holy Communion comes from the eating and drinking of the bread and wine.
- T F 4. One of the important benefits of receiving the sacrament is the protection it gives us from disease.
- T F 5. Luther wrote the "Christian Questions" to help communicants prepare themselves for the Lord's Supper.
- T F 6. An unworthy communicant still receives the body and blood of Jesus if he comes to the sacrament.
- T F 7. "Close communion" means that those who commune together are "close" to one another, sharing the same confession and the blessings of the sacrament.
- T F 8. Catechism instruction helps prepare people to be worthy communicants.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The Sacrament of the Altar receives its power from

- ___ a. the actions of the pastor as he touches the vessels holding the bread and wine.
- ___ b. the action of the communicant when he eats the bread and drinks the wine.
- ___ c. the word of our Savior who gives us the forgiveness of sins in the sacrament.
- ___ d. two of the above are correct.

2. Examining oneself before coming to the sacrament

- ___ a. assures that a communicant is aware of his or her sins, believes in Jesus for forgiveness and recognizes Christ's body and blood in and under the bread and wine when taken.
- ___ b. must be said outloud and include all the questions and answers in the "Christian Questions."
- ___ c. is optional for any communicant.
- ___ d. none of the above.

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Lesson 31.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (I)

Worksheet 31, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 280-287

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 6:5-15

1. When the hypocrites prayed, what did they expect?

2. What is the danger of a prayer that is a "vain repetition?"

3. What prayer is included in this section?

MATTHEW 6:5-15

THE MODEL PRAYER

5 "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. 7 And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

8 "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. 9 In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.

10 Your kingdom come.
Your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.

13 And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.

14 "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

B. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. What is prayer?

2. To whom should we pray?

3. For what do we pray? (Two types of requests)

a. _____

b. _____

4. For whom should we pray?

5. With whom may we pray?

6. How does God answer prayer?

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

d. _____

e. _____

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Anybody can pray as long as he is sincere.
- T F 2. God has given us the privilege of prayer.
- T F 3. A believer must pray absolutely all the time.
- T F 4. The Lord wants us to consider Him as our Father and ask Him as children make requests of their fathers.
- T F 5. The Lord's prayer is recorded in two different places in the New Testament.
- T F 6. There are nine special requests (petitions) in the Lord's prayer.
- T F 7. When we ask for temporal gifts, we ask also if it is God's will.
- T F 8. God doesn't want us to ask for spiritual blessings since He gives them to believers anyway.
- T F 9. Prayer is better if we say the same one many times.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWERS WHICH ARE CORRECT.

Check the following characteristics that are true of a proper prayer:

- ___ a. A person must fold his hands.
- ___ b. It may be addressed to the triune God.
- ___ c. It must be with a group of believers, especially in church.
- ___ d. It is better if the prayer is longer.
- ___ e. People may sit down while they are praying.
- ___ f. It is better to say the same things over and over again.
- ___ g. It is okay for a person to cross his hands in front of him when he prays.
- ___ h. It is better to pray in a closet.
- ___ i. People can pray with any person or any group they want.
- ___ j. The Lord's Prayer must be used in every public worship service.
- ___ k. We may ask for spiritual blessings unconditionally.
- ___ l. Prayer is a means of grace.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (II)

Worksheet 32, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 288-302

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 13:1-9;18-23

1. What is the spiritual effect when the seed (the Word) falls on the
 - a. Wayside
 - b. Stony places
 - c. Thorns
 - d. Good Ground

2. What main point is Jesus making in telling about the sower and the seed?

3. Of the first three petitions of the Lord's prayer, how are two of them directly related to this parable?
 - a.
 - b.

MATTHEW 13:1-9

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

PARABLES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

1 On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. 2 And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore. 3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow. 4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. 5 Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. 6 But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away. 7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. 8 But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

MATTHEW 13:18-23

THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER EXPLAINED

18 "Therefore hear the parable of the sower: 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. 20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. 22 Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. 23 But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| _____ 1. Hallow | a. Distress, trouble |
| _____ 2. Kingdom | b. To wish or speak evil |
| _____ 3. Blaspheme | c. What God desires and seeks |
| _____ 4. God's Will | d. To consecrate |
| _____ 5. Tribulation | e. To mock or curse God |
| | f. Sinful desire |
| | g. God's gracious rule |
| | h. Almighty |
| | i. Empty |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. Believers become children of the heavenly Father when they are born.
- T F 2. God's name is every word which identifies and describes Him.
- T F 3. God's name is hallowed when people misuse it.
- T F 4. God's name is hallowed when God's Word is taught in its truth and purity.
- T F 5. God's kingdom comes when people do good works in order to be saved.
- T F 6. God's will is done when His Word is taught correctly and when the Holy Spirit uses the Gospel to make believers.
- T F 7. The only enemies of God which interfere with our spiritual well-being are the devil and the sinful world.
- T F 8. When a person becomes a believer, nothing bad can happen to him anymore.
- T F 9. God's will is done when He keeps His people safe and steadfast in His Word as long as they live.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The first three petitions of the Lord's prayer

- ___ a. are statements of our thanks for what God has done for us.
- ___ b. include two requests for bodily blessings.
- ___ c. emphasize very important spiritual blessings.

2. God's name is hallowed when

- ___ a. people teach and live according to God's Holy Word.
- ___ b. God gives us everything we need to support this body and life.
- ___ c. only when people use it correctly in worship.

3. God's kingdom comes

- ___ a. only at Christmas time when we celebrate the birthday of the Savior.
- ___ b. when the Holy Spirit gives people faith through the means of grace.
- ___ c. only at the end of the world when the believers go to heaven.

4. God's will

- ___ a. is opposed by the will of the devil, the world, and our flesh.
- ___ b. cannot be known by mankind.
- ___ c. for our behavior should be followed closely so we can earn our way to heaven by what we do.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Why does God want us to address him as "Father?"
2. Evaluate: The best prayers are those which are spoken.
3. Evaluate: The petition regarding God's name is especially important for pastors and teachers in the Church.
4. Evaluate: The petition about God's kingdom could be called "The Mission Prayer."
5. Evaluate: The worst of our spiritual enemies is the devil.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (III)

Worksheet 33, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 303-312

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read Matthew 4:1-11

1. Where was Jesus when the events of these verses occurred?
2. For what purpose did the devil come to Jesus?
3. What would have been the outcome for mankind if Jesus had fallen into temptation?
4. What did Jesus use to successfully withstand the devil's temptations?

MATTHEW 4:1-11

SATAN TEMPTS JESUS

THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. 3 Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." 4 But He answered and said, "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God." 5 Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: "He shall give His angels charge over you," and, "In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone." 7 Jesus said to him, "It is written again, "You shall not tempt the LORD your God." 8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, "You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve." 11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

B. MATCH THE FOLLOWING:

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ____ 1. Temptation | a. God's gracious rule |
| ____ 2. Evil | b. The act of consecration |
| ____ 3. Tribulation | c. What is bad and wicked |
| ____ 4. Kingdom | d. Luring into sin |
| ____ 5. Glory | e. The honor and adoration of God |
| | f. Troubles and suffering |
| | g. Another word for the new man |

C. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The source of all our bodily blessings is God Himself.
- T F 2. God gives us our bodily blessings after we have proved that we deserve them.
- T F 3. The Lord gives daily bread because He is our good and gracious God.
- T F 4. God forgives the sins of those who do more good works than sinful ones.
- T F 5. Those whose sins are forgiven also forgive those who sin against them.
- T F 6. The devil can make believers sin.
- T F 7. The devil tempts people when he encourages, lures, and entices people by making sin look attractive, fun, and acceptable.
- T F 8. Once the devil tempts us, there's nothing we can do about it.
- T F 9. With every temptation God has provided the way of escape so that we are able to bear it.
- T F 10. As long as we are unrepentant of a sin, God will not answer our prayers.

D. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The fourth petition of the Lord's prayer

- ___ a. emphasizes spiritual blessings which we all need.
- ___ b. is limited to the type of bread our family uses.
- ___ c. is a request for temporal, bodily blessings to support our life here on this earth.

2. God gives daily bread

- ___ a. to all people, even to unbelievers.
- ___ b. to believers only, since they will be thanking Him for His gifts.
- ___ c. only when people do sufficient good works and show they deserve God's gifts.

3. The fifth petition

- ___ a. talks about the debts we have accumulated at the bank.
- ___ b. is a request that our God take away our sins.
- ___ c. shows that God forgives us after we have forgiven others.

4. Temptation

- ___ a. is of no concern to a believer; the devil only tempts unbelievers.
- ___ b. is the devil's attempt to lure people to sin and unbelief.
- ___ c. can be overcome most easily by doing good works.

E. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. If God gives daily bread to everyone anyway, why do we pray for it?
2. Evaluate: "The devil made me do it."
3. Evaluate: Occasionally God withholds His blessings because we haven't asked Him for them. (cf. James 4:2)
4. Evaluate: We forgive the sins of others whether they deserve it or not.
5. What is the lesson in Martin Luther's explanation of temptation: "You cannot prevent the birds from flying in the air over your head, but you can certainly prevent them from building a nest in your hair."?

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THE LORD'S PRAYER (IV)

Worksheet 34, Series A, Sydow Catechism Qu. 313-316

A. USING GOD'S WORD — Read 2 Timothy 4:6-8,17,18

1. What did Paul believe was going to happen to him fairly soon?

2. What outcome awaited Paul at the end of his life and ministry?

3. Who will share the same outcome as the apostle Paul?

4. How does Paul express the same thing as we pray in the seventh petition?

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8

PAUL'S VALEDICTORY

6 For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

2 TIMOTHY 4:17-18

THE LORD IS FAITHFUL

17 But the Lord stood with me and strengthened me, so that the message might be preached fully through me, and that all the Gentiles might hear. Also I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion. 18 And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. Amen!

B. WHAT DO THESE WORDS MEAN?

1. Amen

2. Evil

C. INDICATE which Bible passage tells about the truth mentioned in each statement.

A. Romans 8:28

B. Romans 8:38,39

C. John 16:23

D. 2 Timothy 1:12

E. Philippians 1:23,24

F. Revelation 21:4

- ___ 1. In Christ's heavenly kingdom everything which brings pain and sadness will not be there.
- ___ 2. Christ promises the answer of the heavenly Father to those who ask Him in His name.
- ___ 3. Nothing in all the world, even life or death, has the power to separate us from God's love in Christ.
- ___ 4. Paul was convinced that the Lord whom he trusted would fulfill everything He had promised for the last day.
- ___ 5. In spite of events which seem bad to us God is making everything work out for good for His people.
- ___ 6. Paul didn't know if it would be better for him to die and be with the Lord or stay on earth and continue his ministry.

D. TRUE OR FALSE. If the statement is false, correct it or tell why it is false.

- T F 1. The only way for us to overcome temptation and evil is by doing more good works.
- T F 2. We don't have to worry about evil in our lives since God has promised to keep all of it completely away from us.
- T F 3. Christ overcame the temptations of the devil by using the power of the Word of God.
- T F 4. The ending of the Lord's prayer reminds us that God has the power to give us what we ask.
- T F 5. In the petitions of the Lord's prayer, most of the requests we make are for bodily blessings.
- T F 6. The word "Amen" is from the Hebrew and means "The End."
- T F 7. Our heavenly Father claims thankful obedience from His people because of the great and wonderful things He has done for us in Christ.
- T F 8. The "valley of sorrows" describes the sadness and sorrow which exists in this world because of sin.

- T F 9. The most we can hope for at the end of our life is a quick death since there's nothing after that.
- T F 10. Anyone and everyone who believes in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins to the end will inherit His heavenly kingdom.

E. CHOOSE THE ANSWER WHICH IS MOST CORRECT.

1. The seventh petition of the Lord's Prayer

- ___ a. is at the end because it is least important.
- ___ b. is a request of God to rescue us from evil of every kind.
- ___ c. is a request for bodily blessings to make our life on this earth easy.

2. The doxology to the Lord's Prayer

- ___ a. is a reminder that God receives all the credit for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.
- ___ b. means that, when we pray, God will reward us for doing such a good work.
- ___ c. refers only to the future heavenly kingdom of our God.

3. Indicate every meaning which fits AMEN:

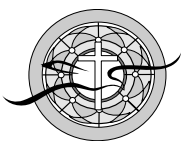
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| ___ a. Yes | ___ b. We can sit down now. |
| ___ c. Finally | ___ d. This is certainly true. |
| ___ e. That's the way it is. | ___ f. It's time to start eating |
| ___ g. Verily, verily. | ___ h. Another word for God. |

F. ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Evaluate: Trials and tribulations have no benefit at all for believers.

2. Evaluate: Every prayer has to end with "Amen."

3. Evaluate: A person who has a lot of trouble and hardships in his life is a better Christian than someone who hasn't.



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