

The Second and Third Commandments – Make Up Sheet

Use the 1991 edition (maroon) of Luther's Small Catechism to complete the following.

Second Commandment

Read the second commandment and explanation from the catechism. Explain in your words.

Read over Red Questions 24-34 (pages 61-67). Fill in the following:

This commandment is all about God's _____ and not misusing it.

Look at the verses in Question 25. Pick three names you find interesting and list them. _____

This commandment tells us not to....

_____ – Mocking God or calling down punishment of God – “Go to hell” or “criss cross my heart, black and blue, if I lie God make me die.”

_____ – Taking an oath in God's name when it is done falsely or thoughtlessly (“Honest to God”, “Swear to God”).

_____ – using God's name to perform spells or cast spirits

_____ – False teaching, false revelation, pretending to be Christian

In this command, God **wants** us to...

Call upon Him in _____, P _____, _____ and give _____.

Check-in – Who is someone you truly respect? _____

Would you want to hurt their name or reputation? Do you want to say bad things about them? Or use their name badly?

How is that like the second commandment? _____

When we misuse God's Name, we make it seem like God is not important to us. That's one reason why we don't want to say things like, "Oh God" or "Oh my God," in a casual way. **A good rule is to only say God's Name when you are actually talking about God in an honoring way.**

God's name is put on us in Baptism! – When you were baptized you were, "baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit". In fact we are even called Christ-ians. How we behave with our words and actions reflect on God. How can you show God's loves through your actions?

Third Commandment

Read the second commandment and explanation from the catechism. Explain in your words.

Read over Red Questions 35-40 (pages 68-72). Fill in the following:

Sabbath means _____. In the Old Testament, God set aside Saturday for rest and worship. Sabbath was a sign pointing to Jesus who is our rest.

Does this commandment mean we have to go to church on Sunday or any other specific day? _____

Why do we typically worship on Sundays? _____

This commandment is all about God's _____.

God tells us to hold His Word sacred, learn it and gladly obey it!

We break this commandment when we _____ God's Word by....

- Don't attend public _____. – Not go at all, be irregular, go but do not listen.
- Don't use God's _____ and Sacraments. – Don't use gifts God gives us. Baptism and communion. Also, when we don't read God's Word on our own or spend time praying to Him.
- Use God's _____ carelessly or in a bad way. – Don't make sure what we are saying is accurate to the Bible or use God's Word to fit what we want.

This commandment isn't about just showing up, it's all about our heart. What do you think? Can we be in church and break this commandment? Can we be outside of the church and keep this commandment? _____

GOD WANTS TO BE YOUR BEST FRIEND! SPEND TIME WITH HIM AND TREAT HIS NAME WITH RESPECT!