

CONNECTION JOURNAL

LESSON 6: THE FOURTH AND FIFTH COMMANDMENTS

Gather with your household each day for a time to be formed by God's Word. God's Word connects your faith to your life. Here are some simple steps for how to properly receive God's gifts together in the Word. Pick a time to do this each day.

1. Run through the memory work for this week once or twice (if you have some).
2. Make the sign of the cross and remember how God has called you to be His own through your Baptism. Say a prayer for the Holy Spirit to form your faith.
3. Consider saying the Lord's Prayer or using an order of daily devotion from the hymnal.
4. Find the Bible verse for the day in your Bible. Highlight the verse and read it out loud at least twice.
5. Consider the question, and talk through together how God's Word helps you answer the question.
6. Say a prayer, including telling God what you've learned from His Word, but also thanking Him for what you've been given, confessing your sins, and praying for specific needs. Then, go your way in peace.

Day 1—Proverbs 23:22 Why do you think it's so important that we honor our parents throughout our lives?

Day 2—Ephesians 6:1–3 Think about all the hurt in the world that comes when families don't follow God's plan. What are the benefits that come to us when children honor and obey their parents?

Day 3—Romans 12:20–21 How did Jesus show love to His enemies? Think of one way, in your life today, that you can follow His example.

Day 4—Mark 10:45 Who is one person that you can serve in a special way today?

Day 5—Psalm 103:10–12 God doesn't punish us like we deserve. How does believing that help us forgive when we'd rather get revenge?

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

By signing this, you confirm that your household did participate in memory work and family prayers to help form your confirmand in God's Word. If you were unable to do so for whatever reason, please let your leader know.