

Teaching Resource Items
for
Pillars...Still Standing After Centuries of Change

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Teaching Resource Items

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Sentence Strips

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself any idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them.

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false evidence against your neighbour.

You shall not be covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Item 1, For Lesson One, Discovery Plan— Step 3 Sentence Strips

Group Assignments

Group 1

Using the Study Guide, turn to the section “The Ten Commandments are from God.” Summarize the section and discuss this question: If the law of God is written on our hearts, why do we need the Ten Commandments?

Group 2

Using the Study Guide, turn to the section “The Commandments Reflect God’s Character.” Summarize the section and discuss these questions: Why was the law given? What did we learn about God and man in the giving of the law?

Group 3

Using the Study Guide, turn to the section “The Commandments Are Based on an Exclusive Relationship.” Summarize your section and discuss how the law reveals our need for a Savior. Allow time for groups to share the responses to their assignments.

Item 2, For Lesson One, Discovery Plan— Step 4, Group Assignments

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A Responsive Prayer

I Corinthians 16: 23-29

23 Sing to the LORD, all the earth;
Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.

24 Tell of His glory among the nations,
His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.

25 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
He also is to be feared above all gods.

26 For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
But the LORD made the heavens.

27 Splendor and majesty are before Him,
Strength and joy are in His place.

28 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

29 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
Bring an offering, and come before Him;
Worship the LORD in holy array.

**Item 3, For Lesson Three Discovery Plan—
Step 7, Responsive Prayer**

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Case Studies

- You are at work and a conversation arises over the water cooler about a colleague who is rumored to be having marital problems.

What is your response?

- Your son has just gotten his driver's permit. He is riding with you in the car, and the speed limit is posted at sixty miles-per-hour. You are driving seventy miles-per-hour. Your son points out that you are speeding.

What is your response?

- A new neighbor invites your family over for games and snacks on Friday night. You make an excuse of why your family is not available. Friday night your neighbor sees you on your back deck reading a book.

What is your response?

- You are playing golf with your regular foursome. You have all agreed that one mulligan (a bonus free shot in golf) is allowed during the round. You have already used yours when you drive your ball into an unplayable lie and take a second mulligan. Someone calls your attention to the fact that you have already used your mulligan.

What is your response?

ASK: You may not have taken the Lord's name in vain, but did you profane the name of the Lord? Say, As a Christ-follower, you have been given the name "Christian." How should that name influence how you live?

Item 4, For Lesson Four, Discovery Plan— Step 7, Case Studies

Bible Verses

Jeremiah 33:3

Call to me, and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know.

Psalms 8:1

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

Psalms 29:2

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name.

Psalms 34:3

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

Romans 10:13

Whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

John 16:24

Until now you have asked for nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, so that your joy may be made full.

Item 5, For Lesson Four, Discovery Plan— Step 8 Bible Verses

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Mini-Lecture

The Sabbath violation was used more than any of the other commandments as an excuse to accuse Jesus of heresy. The second chapter of Mark records that, on a Sabbath day, Jesus and his disciples were walking among the grain fields. The disciples began to break off the heads of the stalks, rub out the grain, and eat. The disciples were accused of harvesting and threshing on the Sabbath, activities forbidden by the law. The scribes and Pharisees said to Jesus, “Are you going to let your followers violate the fourth commandment by not keeping the Sabbath day holy?”

Ask, How did Jesus respond in Mark 2:25-28?

And He said to them, “Have you never read what David did when he was in need and he and his companions became hungry; how he entered the house of God in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the consecrated bread, which is not lawful for anyone to eat except the priests, and he also gave it to those who were with him?” Jesus said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. So, the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath”

**Item 6, For Lesson Five, Discovery Plan—
Step 6, Mini-Lecture**

Chart

<u>Temptation</u>	<u>It is Written</u>	<u>Rationalizations</u>
Lust		
Sex Outside of Marriage		
Adultery		
Homosexuality		

**Item 7, For Lesson Eight, Discovery Plan—
Step 3, Chart**

An Unsatisfying Quest

Problems	Part of the Solution
Anticipation	Predetermined agreement about right and wrong
Experimentation	Choice to commit/covenant to each other
Celebrating Homosexuality	Receiving the Spirit's power through the witness of Scripture
Pornography	Rejecting nihilism and pursuing God's purpose for sex

**Item 8, For Lesson Eight, Discussion Plan—
Step 4, An Unsatisfying Quest Chart**

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Case Study

A gay couple starts visiting your church and expresses interest in getting involved in the church. Some church members feel that the couple ought to be asked to leave, and never return. Others feel that the church membership ought to lovingly welcome the couple and include them in the church's life, stopping short of affirming their lifestyle. Still others are of the mind that this couple's relationship is none of the church's business and argue that the church should simply love them and not judge them.

Ask, Which approach accurately reflects Christ?

***Item 9, For Lesson Eight, Discussion Plan—
Step 5, Case Study***

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Reading Script

I Kings 21

NARRATOR: Now it came about after these things that Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard which *was* in Jezreel beside the palace of Ahab king of Samaria. ² Ahab spoke to Naboth, saying,

AHAB: “Give me your vineyard, that I may have it for a vegetable garden because it is close beside my house, and I will give you a better vineyard than it in its place; if you like, I will give you the price of it in money.”

NARRATOR: But Naboth said to Ahab,

NABOTH: “The LORD forbid me that I should give you the inheritance of my fathers.”

NARRATOR: So Ahab came into his house sullen and vexed because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him; for he said, “I will not give you the inheritance of my fathers.” And he lay down on his bed and turned away his face and ate no food. But Jezebel his wife came to him and said to him,

JEZEBEL: “How is it that your spirit is so sullen that you are not eating food?”

NARRATOR: So he said to her,

AHAB: “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 a vineyard in its place.’ But he said, ‘I will not give you my vineyard.’”

NARRATOR: Jezebel his wife said to him,

JEZEBEL: “Do you now reign over Israel? Arise, eat bread, and let your heart be joyful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.”

NARRATOR: So she wrote letters in Ahab’s name and sealed them with his seal, and sent letters to the elders and to the nobles who were living with Naboth in his city. Now she wrote in the letters, saying, “Proclaim a fast and seat Naboth at the head of the people; and seat two worthless men before him, and let them testify against him, saying,

Item 10A, For Lesson 9, Discovery Plan— Step 3, Reading Script

Reading Script (cont.)

I Kings 21

‘You cursed God and the king.’ Then take him out and stone him to death.”

So the men of his city, the elders and the nobles who lived in his city, did as Jezebel had sent *word* to them, just as it was written in the letters which she had sent them. They proclaimed a fast and seated Naboth at the head of the people. Then the two worthless men came in and sat before him; and the worthless men testified against him, even against Naboth, before the people, saying, “Naboth cursed God and the king.” So they took him outside the city and stoned him to death with stones. Then they sent *word* to Jezebel, saying, “Naboth has been stoned and is dead.”

When Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab,

JEZEBEL: “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.”

NARRATOR: When Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab arose to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

THE LORD: “Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, who is in Samaria; behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth where he has gone down to take possession of it. You shall speak to him, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD, “Have you murdered and also taken possession?’” And you shall speak to him, saying, ‘Thus says the LORD, “In the place where the dogs licked up the blood of Naboth the dogs will lick up your blood, even yours.”’”

NARRATOR: Ahab said to Elijah,

AHAB: “Have you found me, O my enemy?”

NARRATOR: And he answered,

ELIJAH: “I have found you, because you have sold yourself to do evil in the sight of the LORD. Behold, I will bring evil upon you, and will utterly sweep you away, and will cut

Item 10b, For Lesson 9, Discovery Plan— Step 3, Reading Script

Reading Script (cont.)

I Kings 21

off from Ahab every male, both bond and free in Israel; and I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, because of the provocation with which you have provoked *Me* to anger, and because you have made Israel sin. Of Jezebel also has the LORD spoken, saying, 'The dogs will eat Jezebel in the district of Jezreel.' The one belonging to Ahab, who dies in the city, the dogs will eat, and the one who dies in the field the birds of heaven will eat."

NARRATOR: Surely there was no one like Ahab who sold himself to do evil in the sight of the LORD, because Jezebel his wife incited him. He acted very abominably in following idols, according to all that the Amorites had done, whom the LORD cast out before the sons of Israel.

It came about when Ahab heard these words, that he tore his clothes and put on sackcloth and fasted, and he lay in sackcloth and went about despondently. Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

THE LORD: "Do you see how Ahab has humbled himself before Me? Because he has humbled himself before Me, I will not bring the evil in his days, *but* I will bring the evil upon his house in his son's days."

**Item 10c, For Lesson 9, Discovery Plan—
Step 3, Reading Script**

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Personal Worksheet

- On a scale of one to ten, with ten being the best, I think I control my tongue at a _____.
- On a scale of one to ten, with ten being the best, I think I use my words to encourage others at a _____.
- On a scale of one to ten, with ten being the best, I think I allow the Holy Spirit to empower me at a _____.
- I could develop more Holy Spirit empowerment by . . . _____
_____.
- What I need most from the Holy Spirit regarding the topic under discussion today is . . . _____
_____.
- This lesson has caused me to realize I am dishonest in subtle ways.
Definitely Somewhat Not at All
- I am most tempted to be dishonest when _____
_____.
- To increase my words of encouragement toward those around me I could

_____.

**Item 11, For Lesson Ten, Discovery Plan—
Step 7, Personal Worksheet**

Outline of the Story of Achan

- God told Joshua that he had given Jericho into the hands of the Israelites.
- The Israelites were instructed to take nothing from the city for themselves.
- Everything in Jericho was to be devoted to the Lord and brought into the treasury.
- Achan defied this command. He took a beautiful robe from Babylon, 200 shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold.
- Achan admitted to Joshua that he “coveted them and took them.”
- Because of Achan’s sin, the Israelites lost their battle against the small city of Ai.
- Achan and his family received the death penalty for their disobedience.

***Item 12, For Lesson Eleven, Discussion Plan—
Step 4, Outline of the Story of Achan***

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