



Welcome to the

Table of the Lord

Session 4

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Review of Homework and last week's lesson:

1. What is the 4th Commandment? What promise does God give with it?
2. How can you keep the commandments perfectly? What if you can't?

What usually happens when you break a rule or a law? _____

Ecclesiastes 7:20 (ESV) says, "Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins."

So, how do we have any hope to be all right with God? **FORGIVENESS!**

What is Forgiveness?

According to <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/forgive>, forgiveness means:

1. to stop feeling angry toward someone,
2. to stop blaming someone, or
3. to no longer require payment or punishment of someone.

Where does our Forgiveness come from?

Read **Philippians 2:8** (NLT).

"He humbled Himself in _____ to God and died a criminal's death on a cross." Who is this verse talking about? _____

1 Corinthians 11:29 (NLT) says: *"For if you eat the bread or drink the cup without honoring the body of Christ, you are eating and drinking God's judgment upon yourself."*

This verse tells us we are to focus on (give honor to) Whom? _____

What are we remembering about Christ when we receive Holy Communion?

Student - Adult Time

(about 10-15 minutes)

Look up the Four places in the Bible where it explains how Jesus began Holy Communion. **Matthew 26:26-29, Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:14-20, and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

What does Jesus sacrifice for us?

What benefit do we receive?

What do you think "covenant" means?

What are we supposed to remember in Holy Communion?

To understand why Jesus had to die, we must come to an honest fact about ourselves. We sinned. We should have paid for our sins. Jesus stepped in and took our punishment because He loves us. All He asks is that we believe and trust in Him.

According to **John 1:12**, what happens when we believe in Jesus?

According to **John 13:34-35**, what is our instruction from God?

Repent

Read **Acts 3:19-21 (NLT)**

“Now repent of your sins and _____ to God, so that your sins may be wiped away. Then times of refreshment will come from the presence of the Lord, and he will again send you Jesus, your appointed Messiah. For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final _____ of all things, as God promised long ago through his holy prophets.”

According to <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/repent> “to repent” means: **to change your mind, to feel sorry, and to turn from sin and live rightly.**

Only Jesus can **forgive** us and **restore** us to a good relationship with God.

Reconcile

Read **Matthew 5:23-24 (NLT)**

“So if you are presenting a sacrifice at the altar in the Temple and you suddenly remember that someone has something against you, leave your sacrifice there at the altar. Go and be _____ to that person. Then come and offer your sacrifice to God.”

According to <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/reconcile> “to reconcile” means: **to restore to friendship or harmony.**

What is the difference between telling someone you forgive them and telling them “That’s O.K.”?

To say “That’s O.K.” means you are telling them to keep _____.

To say I forgive you means you are telling them to stop _____ and that you are ready to begin to _____ with them.

Jesus’ forgiveness gives us something the world cannot: HOPE and a PROMISE of salvation and a future perfect home as God’s children forever!

HOMEWORK:

Students: Answer the questions on the next page.

Parents: Discuss with your students these questions:

1. What are the two parts of Confession? You can find the answer in the small Catechism on pages 218-220.
2. The Office of the Keys is Christ’s command to his Church to forgive the sins of those who are repentant. You can read about it beginning on page 224 of your Small Catechism. *What makes it hard to forgive someone who has sinned against you?*

Name _____

Table of the Lord Homework - Session 4

Return completed homework next week.

You have nearly completed the Table of the Lord classes. Answer the following questions by remembering what we have talked about in class.

Do you know that you will have eternal life? (Yes No Not Sure)

How do you know? (Read **John 3:16** if you aren't sure.)

Thinking about everything we have talked about this morning and in all of your classes, write down three reasons why you think you should receive Holy Communion.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____
