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Your Life in Christ

Chapter 7 Directed Reading Worksheet

Love for God

Date _____

Directions: Read through the chapter and fill in the missing information. All the questions run sequential to the chapter. If a true/false statement is false, correct it.

Introduction: *Rules for Worshipping and Loving God* (pages 237–238)

1. Jesus summarized the basic _____ for mortality with the _____ Commandment. In addition to love of _____ he added love of neighbor as _____ as the second. _____ fulfills the Law and summarizes the demands of the first _____ commandments. These deal primarily with a person's _____ with God while the last seven deal with relationships between _____.

Section 1: *The Ten Commandments in Context* (pages 239–244)

2. The _____ is another name for the Ten Commandments, God's Revelation of the _____ law which serves as a blueprint for _____ living. The commandments are different from other Old Testament _____ because they are preeminently the Word of God given to the people through _____. They are recorded in both the Book of _____ and Deuteronomy.
3. Write the first three Commandments below.
4. How are the Ten Commandments presented differently in Exodus than in Deuteronomy?
5. True or False? The Ten Commandments explain the way the freed slaves were to respond to God's gift of love, but they also tell us how we should act as well.
6. True or False? The Church views the Ten Commandments as a list of burdensome regulations.
7. The Ten Commandments are a _____, each referring each of the others and to _____ of the commandments collectively. They express our fundamental _____ to love God and as well as the basic _____ of love of neighbor. Loving _____ means we must love our _____, and by loving our neighbor we _____ love for God.
8. True or False? The Ten Commandments are discoverable by natural law.
9. True or False? While it is impossible to keep the commandments on our own, Christ gives us the graces necessary to follow him.

Section 2: The First Commandment (pages 245–251)

10. What are four important aspects of the First Commandment?

11. The _____ virtues help us to carry out the First Commandment, God's command to _____ him. Practicing the theological virtues gives life to the _____ virtues and _____ is one of the moral virtues that allows us to live this commandment. We _____ God when we praise and _____ him, acknowledging him as the loving, powerful, merciful God who is the source of _____.

12. What does prayer allow us to do?

13. True or False? For an outward sacrifice to be genuine the act must come from one's heart and include love of neighbor.

14. True or False? The only perfect sacrifice is Abraham's sacrifice of his son, Isaac.

15. What are typical occasions when we make promises and vows to God?

16. True or False? Marian devotion is an extension of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that occurs at every Mass.

Match the descriptions below with the specific violation against the First Commandment.

17. Tempting God by asking God to prove his almighty power or goodness.

18. A nonbelief in God.

19. The attempt to foretell the future or discover hidden knowledge.

20. The worship of false gods.

21. Giving excessive importance to external actions or the recitation of certain words.

22. A type of magic that tries to influence reality to gain advantage over others using demonic powers.
23. The buying or selling of religious goods.
24. True or False? Common forms of sorcery today include honoring money, power, popularity or pleasure as if they are god.
25. True or False? One can be guilty of superstition even with pious practices if they are approached in a superstitious spirit.
26. True or False? Divination, superstition, and magic, while gravely against religion, cannot open the way to evil spirits and an opposition to God.
27. What are examples of sacrilege against a person? Against a place?
28. Explain the difference between the various forms of modern atheism.

Section 3: The Second Commandment (pages 252–255)

29. The name of God revealed to _____ – YHWH (an abbreviation of “_____”) – was never pronounced by _____ who instead replaced it with Adonai, meaning “_____” rather than to pronounce or write it. _____ too must always respect God’s holy name. For _____, the name “Jesus Christ” is a _____ name that is uttered only with _____, respect, adoration, and humility.
30. True or False? The First Commandment underscores the holiness of your baptismal name when we were baptized “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”
31. What is the meaning of the Sign of the Cross?

32. True or False? The Second also forbids the improper use of the names of the saints, breaking promises made in God's name, taking the Lord's name in vain, and blasphemy.
33. True or False? The use of vulgarities and swearing an oath in God's name is always sinful.

Section 4: *The Third Commandment* (pages 256–259)

34. The _____, the seventh day, is a day of grace for _____. God's example of _____ on this day teaches that humans, too, should stop their daily _____ and spend some time to _____ their minds, bodies, and spirits. For _____, the Lord's Day is Sunday because Sunday commemorates _____. The combination of _____ and playing connects God's creative actions and with his _____.
35. What are sins against the Third Commandment.
36. Sunday _____ is an occasion to praise and _____ the Father for the gift of the Savior, his Son, and to _____ the Blessed Trinity for the many _____ given through the Holy Spirit, especially the gift of _____ and eternal life. In the _____ – from the Greek word for “thanksgiving” – Christ is _____ present and is the preeminent way to meet Jesus and _____ him in Holy Communion.
37. When are Catholics obliged to worship God?
38. True or False? To deliberately fail to fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation is a venial sin.
39. What did St. Pius X say is the shortest and safest way to go to heaven?
40. Briefly respond to each of these excuses for missing Sunday Mass.
- “Mass is boring.”

- “I don’t get anything out of Mass.”

- “I see so many hypocrites at Mass.”

- “I can worship God just as well anywhere, especially in nature.”