

Responsive Prayer for Catechesis

L. Holy God, holy and most gracious Father,
C. have mercy and hear us.

1. The Ten Commandments Preach Repentance

Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord, thy God, in vain.
Thou shalt sanctify the holy-day.
Thou shalt honor thy father and thy mother, that it may be well
with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
Thou shalt not kill.
Thou shalt not commit adultery.
Thou shalt not steal.
Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house.
Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor
his maidservant, nor his cattle, nor anything that is thy
neighbor's.
He says thus: I the Lord, thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the
iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and
fourth generation of them that hate me, and showing mercy
unto thousands of them that love me and keep my
commandments.

2. The Apostles' Creed Preaches the Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended
into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He
ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick
and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection
of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

3. The Lord's Prayer Preaches the Holy Life

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass
against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Psalm 100 - Tone VIII



MAKE A || joyful shout to the Lord, all you | lands! | - *
2 Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His
pre- | sence | with | sing- | ing.
|| 3 Know that the Lord, He is | God; | - *
It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are
His people and the sheep | of | His | pas- | ture.
|| 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiv -ing, (+) and into
His courts with | praise. | - *
Be thankful to Him, | and | bless | His | name.
|| 5 For the Lord is good; His mercy is ever- | last- | ing, *
And His truth endures to all | gen- | er- | a- | tions.
GLO- RY || be to the Father, and to the | Son: | - *
and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;
AS IT || was in the begin -ning, (+) is now, and ever |
shall | be: *
world with- | out | end. | A- | men.

L. The Lord be with you.

C. And with thy spirit.

L. Let us pray.

Various petitions based on the reading just expounded.

--**Confession** of our sins and sinfulness.

--**Requests** for things that we now know we need.

--**Praise and Thanksgiving** for who God is and what He has done.

--**The final petition**

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who dost will that not one of these little ones should perish, and hast sent Thine only Son to seek and to save that which was lost, and through Him hast said, Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God; Most heartily we beseech Thee so to bless and govern the children of Thy Church, by Thy Holy Spirit, that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Thy Word; protect and defend them against all danger and harm, giving Thy holy Angels charge over them; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen. (ASBH, p.176-177, For the Children of the Church.)

L. Bless we the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

L. The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C. Amen.

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Him for lesser things. Everything we ask for is insignificant compared to the fact that the Son of God willed to suffer and die for us. This goodness of God is boundless and infinite. So what can He deny to us? For if that love by which we hold fast to God, no matter how faint it may be, makes us heartily desire to be subject to God's will in all things, how much more then can we assure ourselves of the boundless love and goodness of God! Is not this surety just what God wants? "He will fulfill the desires of those who fear Him" [Psa. 145:19], says the Psalmist, doubtless because God shows those who fear Him the purest and most perfect love. Indeed, perfect love gives itself totally to the one loved and grants what he desires. This goodness of God is omnipotent. Is there anything He can not give to us? For God, who is the highest Power, nothing which He has promised is too hard or difficult, much less impossible, for Him to do. (Pages 8-9. Repristination Press).

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Ottheinrich Bible 1430 (I:36)
Jesus in Boat in Matthew 8

The Daily Exercise of Piety by Johann Gerhard

Whoever is truly a son of God through faith will, with child-like trust, address his heavenly Father every day in his prayers. The one in whose heart the Holy Spirit has made His home will, as a spiritual priest, daily offer to God this incense of prayer. And there are four immovable truths upon which our confidence rests. Because of these we may be certain that our Heavenly Father most mercifully hears our prayers. The truths upon which our certainty rests are: 1. The omnipotent kindness of God; 2. His unfailing truthfulness; 3. The intercession of Christ the Mediator; and 4. The Testimony of the Holy Spirit.

The first truth which makes us certain that God favorably hears our prayers is the omnipotent kindness of God. How much has He given to us without our asking? He has given us body and soul. He has even given us His own Son. What will He give if only we ask Him? Since He has given us such great things, we can have courage and confidence when we ask
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