

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Luther's Small Catechism | Lesson 9: Marriage

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Honor God's Gift of Marriage

66. What is marriage?

Genesis 2:22, 24 Proverbs 18:22 Romans 7:2

Marriage:

Engagement:

67. What blessings does God intend to give through marriage?

*Genesis 2:18 Genesis 2:24 1 Corinthians 7:2-4, 9 Song of Solomon 1:15-16, 4:1-7, 5:10-16
Genesis 1:28 Psalm 127:3 1 Samuel 1:1-20*

68. What promises are included in the marriage commitment?

Romans 7:2 Hebrews 13:4 Ephesians 5:21-25, 28

69. As we study how God established marriage, what do we learn about the blessing of the sexual relationship? *Genesis 2:24*

70. In what way, then, do some who are not yet married sin against the Sixth Commandment? *1 Thessalonians 4:3-5 Genesis 39:6-12*

71. When do some who are married sin against the Sixth Commandment?

a. *Colossians 3:19 Proverbs 21:19*

b. *Hebrews 13:4 2 Samuel 11:1-4 Psalm 32:3-4 1 Corinthians 6:9-10*

c. *Matthew 19:9 1 Corinthians 7:15*

72. In what ways can both married and unmarried sin against the Sixth Commandment? *Matthew 5:27-28 Ephesians 5:3-5 Ephesians 5:12*

73. What does God say about homosexuality?
Romans 1:26-27 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 1 Timothy 1:9-10

74. In what way does God help us appreciate the seriousness of sexual sins?
1 Corinthians 6:18-20

75. What should we do when the Sixth Commandment shows us our sins?
Mark 1:15 Matthew 3:8

76. What good news gives us the confidence that our sins against the Sixth Commandment are forgiven and helps us do as God commands? *Hebrews 4:15 Hebrews 7:26 2 Corinthians 5:21*

77. How does God's Word serve as a guide as we want to honor God by keeping the Sixth Commandment? *Colossians 3:5 Ephesians 5:3-4 Ephesians 5:22-25 Ephesians 5:33 Romans 13:13-14 Philippians 4:8 1 Peter 3:1, 3-4, 7*

Acts 18:2-3, 18-19, 24-26; Romans 16:3-4

1. In what ways was the marriage of Aquila and Priscilla a blessing to others?

For further discussion... Ephesians 5:21-25, 28

2. What can we learn about marriage through the picture of Christ and the church?

Recommended memory work: The Sixth Commandment