

# FAMILY TEACHING TOOLS



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### **Questions and Answers for Young Children**

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### **Principles from Proverbs**

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# THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he will come  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic<sup>1</sup> church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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1 That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
 Your kingdom come.  
 Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
 And do not lead us into temptation,  
 But deliver us from the evil one.  
 For yours is the kingdom and the power  
 and the glory forever.  
 Amen.

- Matthew 6:9-13

20. I should choose friends who have the character I want to have (Proverbs 13:20).
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25. If I am wise, I will love knowledge, and I will be careful (Proverbs 8:12).
26. I will avoid alcoholic drinks because they cause bad behavior (Proverbs 20:1).
27. I should not try to take revenge on others but should trust God to bring justice (Proverbs 20:22).
28. I should try to have peace instead of fighting with others (Proverbs 3:30, Proverbs 20:3, Proverbs 10:12).
29. I should never tell lies to get others into trouble (Proverbs 30:10).

9. I need to have the right motives in my heart (Proverbs 4:23, Proverbs 12:5).
10. God knows the real reason that I do what I do. (Proverbs 16:2).
11. I am foolish if I ignore knowledge and correction (Proverbs 1:22, Proverbs 12:1).
12. Following God's will protects me from many disasters (Proverbs 1:33).
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14. I must trust God rather than depending on my understanding and abilities (Proverbs 3:7, Proverbs 11:2, Proverbs 12:15).
15. I cannot hide sins forever (Proverbs 10:9).
16. God's rules protect and help me (Proverbs 6:23-24).
17. I am strong if I can control my desires and emotions (Proverbs 16:32, Proverbs 25:28).
18. If I speak carelessly, I harm myself and others (Proverbs 10:8, Proverbs 10:21).
19. I should stay away from people who try to cause me to do wrong (Proverbs 1:10-15, Proverbs 4:14-15, Proverbs 14:7, 16).

# TO PARENTS: TOOLS 1 & 2

## TEACHING WITH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Asking questions and providing short, simple answers is an effective teaching method that has been used for centuries.

The questions and answers in this book introduce basic Christian beliefs.

**Tool 1** is useful for teaching very young children. It provides a strong foundation for further instruction as they grow.

**Tool 2** is useful for teaching children and new converts. The answers given are short explanations that create opportunities for further discussion and learning. This teaching is like the frame of a house: It is not complete by itself, but it provides a structure on which to build the details of the Christian faith.

## HOW TO USE THESE TOOLS AS A FAMILY

To properly use either of these resources, the answers to each question should be memorized exactly as written. Answers should not be summarized or paraphrased. Instead, the exact words should be recited. Memorizing the exact words helps with long-term memory and helps students learn to be precise.

Set aside 10 minutes every day to review questions and answers from this book. Some families find that mealtimes, when everyone is present, are the best times to study.

Only the person leading the teaching time should have this book in hand. The leader should read the question and then say the answer while the others listen, then say it together.

Repeat the reading of the question and the answer, having the young child follow along. The adult should continue repeating the question. Gradually (over a period of days) the adult should stop saying the answer as the child memorizes the words and can say them without help. The adult asks, the child answers—this is the essence of question-and-answer learning.

## TOOL 3 PRINCIPLES FROM PROVERBS

1. Learning God's wisdom is the most important thing I can do (Proverbs 2:4-5, Proverbs 4:5).
2. I should not believe everything I hear (Proverbs 14:15).
3. I should follow God's will in all my decisions so he can guide me (Proverbs 3:5-6).
4. I should listen to advice and wisdom from my father and mother (Proverbs 1:8).
5. Good advice blesses my life and lets me help others (Proverbs 10:17).
6. If I ignore good teaching, I will experience disaster (Proverbs 13:18).
7. Good instruction helps me develop and improve (Proverbs 9:9).
8. God does not want me to be violent or deceitful (Proverbs 3:31-32).



## CONCEPTS IN PROVERBS

The *fear of God* is an important concept in the book of Proverbs. To properly fear God means to know three things: who he is, that we must obey him, and that we will be judged for disobedience.

*Wisdom* is a central theme in Proverbs. To have *wisdom* is to accept and follow God's perspectives and values. God sees things as they truly are, so we are wise when we believe what God says and follow his directions.

Parents and teachers should commit personally to follow the principles from Proverbs. They should demonstrate the practice of the principles in their lives. They should teach the principles to their children and students and look for ways to apply the principles in life situations.

## Additional Instructions for Tool 2

Add each new question when everyone has nearly memorized the previous answer.

Keep moving down the list, always reviewing, re-viewing, reviewing, slowly adding questions when most of the words of the last question-and-answer have been memorized.

When an entire section of questions can be said together, repeat the whole section once a week to help move the answers from short-term memory to long-term memory.

**Slowly add new items and continue repetition**—these two methods will produce amazing results among students who spend just a little time following the leadership of an interested teacher, friend, or parent. Make the learning session fun and celebrate the student's success.

You could include questions and answers as a part of daily family worship. You might use them in children's church services, with competition between groups of children. You could develop additional explanations and illustrations to help the students understand.

## ONE FAMILY WORSHIP PLAN

There are many ways to have family worship together. This is one possible family worship sequence in which these tools can be used:

1. Sing a hymn.
2. Recite the **Apostles' Creed**.
3. Work on memorizing a section of the **questions and answers**.
4. Read a chapter or section in the Bible. (Start by reading through the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.)
5. Pray together. Before praying, ask family members what they would like to pray about. (You can say, "How can we pray for you?" and "How can we pray for others?")
6. Conclude with the **Lord's Prayer**.

# TO PARENTS: TOOL 3

## PURPOSE OF THIS TOOL

This tool provides principles for life from the book of Proverbs for use in a family or school or other study setting. The material is not designed to be taught at one time as a single lesson. It is best to teach and discuss one or two principles each day.

## TEACHING METHOD

1. Someone should read the verses that go with a principle. If there are several verses, the parent/teacher may choose which to use.
2. The parent/teacher should make sure that the listeners understand the words and statements of the verses.
3. The parent/teacher can then share the principle that is based on the verse.
4. The parent/teacher and others could describe life situations where the principle applies.

## SCRIPTURE PASSAGES FOR MEMORIZATION

- Exodus 19:3-6
- Exodus 20:1-17 - The Ten Commandments
- Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- Psalm 1
- Psalm 23
- Psalm 24
- Psalm 121
- Psalm 139
- Matthew 7:21-27
- Matthew 28:18-20
- John 3:16-21
- 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
- Galatians 5:16-25
- Ephesians 6:10-17
- Philippians 2:5-11
- Hebrews 12:1-3
- 1 Peter 2:9-12
- Revelation 21:4-8

# TOOL 1

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

## FIRST QUESTIONS

1. Who loves you even more than Mommy and Daddy?

Answer: God

2. Why did God make you?

Answer: To be happy

3. How can you be happy?

Answer: By loving God

4. Can anything else make you happy forever?

Answer: No

## GOD

5. How many gods are there?  
Answer: One
6. How many persons are there in God?  
Answer: Three
7. Who is the first person in God?  
Answer: The Father
8. Who is the second person in God?  
Answer: The Son
9. Who is the third person in God?  
Answer: The Holy Spirit

## CREATION

10. Who made all things?  
Answer: God the Father
11. Through whom did God make all things?  
Answer: The Son and Spirit
12. How is God able to make all things?  
Answer: He is Almighty.

## QUESTIONS ON THE LAST THINGS

111. Will Jesus someday return in personal, visible form?  
Answer: Yes
112. Why will Jesus come again?  
Answer: To receive his church to himself
113. When will this happen?  
Answer: We don't know when, so we must always be ready.
114. How can we be prepared?  
Answer: Live in loving relationship with God every moment.
115. What happens after Jesus comes again?  
Answer: All people will be judged, and Satan will be finally defeated.
116. After Satan is defeated what will happen?  
Answer: We will love God and enjoy him forever.

**106.** What is a gift of the Spirit?

Answer: An ability given to us by the Holy Spirit to help fulfill the Great Commission.

**107.** What is the Great Commission?

Answer: Instructions Jesus gave his disciples to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey his teachings

**108.** What is the witness of the Spirit?

Answer: An inner awareness that our faith is pleasing to God

**109.** How can the Holy Spirit help me?

Answer: He can help me love God and his will with a whole heart.

**110.** What does it mean to be a “perfect” Christian?<sup>3</sup>

Answer: To love God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your might

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3 This question was Question 119 in the original manual.

## HUMANITY

**13.** How did God make you?

Answer: In his image

**14.** How does this comfort you?

Answer: I matter to God.

**15.** Since everyone is made in God’s image, how should we treat them?

Answer: With kindness and respect

## SIN

**16.** Who were the first man and woman?

Answer: Adam and Eve

**17.** What did Adam and Eve do?

Answer: They sinned.

**18.** What is sin?

Answer: Disobeying God

**19.** What is the consequence of sin?

Answer: Death

## INCARNATION

20. Whom did God send to save us from sin and death?

Answer: His only Son

21. Who is the Son of God?

Answer: Jesus Christ

22. Who was the mother of Jesus?

Answer: The virgin Mary

23. Who gave baby Jesus to Mary?

Answer: The Holy Spirit

## ATONEMENT

24. How did Jesus die?

Answer: He was crucified.

25. Why did Jesus die?

Answer: For our sins

26. What happened on the third day?

Answer: He rose again.

## QUESTIONS ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

100. Who is the Holy Spirit?

Answer: He is the third person of God the Trinity.

101. When did the Holy Spirit come as Jesus promised?

Answer: At the Jewish festival of Pentecost, 50 days after the resurrection of Jesus

102. What is Pentecost?

Answer: The birthday of the church, when the Holy Spirit filled the believers of Jesus

103. What does the Holy Spirit do today?

Answer: He makes believers holy.

104. How does the Holy Spirit make people holy?

Answer: He convicts and cleanses people of sin, teaches and guides, gives us spiritual power, and gives us spiritual gifts and the fruit of the Spirit.

105. What is the fruit of the Spirit?

Answer: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

94. What is a Savior?

Answer: The only One who saves us from our sin.

95. Is Jesus man or God?

Answer: He is both perfect man and perfect God.

96. What was special about the birth of Jesus?

Answer: He was born of the virgin Mary by the Holy Spirit.

97. What did Jesus do when he lived almost 2,000 years ago?

Answer: He taught his disciples, cared for the poor, and died on the cross to atone for our sins.

98. What does it mean to atone for our sins?

Answer: It means that Jesus took the punishment we deserved by dying on the cross so we could have a relationship with God.

99. What happened after Jesus died?

Answer: After lying in a tomb, he rose again and defeated death.

27. Because Jesus died and rose again, what do we believe?

Answer: He is Lord.

## SALVATION

28. Where did Jesus go?

Answer: To his Father in heaven

29. What is Jesus doing right now?

Answer: Reigning as king

30. Why is Jesus coming again?

Answer: To judge everyone

31. What must you do to be saved?

Answer: Believe in Jesus

32. What should you do if you sin?

Answer: Say sorry to God

## HOLY SPIRIT & CHURCH

33. Whom else did God send to save us?

Answer: The Holy Spirit

34. What does the Holy Spirit do for you?

Answer: He helps me.

35. How does the Holy Spirit help you?

Answer: Through the Church

36. What is the Church?

Answer: The family of God

37. How do you join the Church?

Answer: Through baptism

## COMFORT

38. Do you need to be scared?

Answer: No

39. Why don't you need to be scared?

Answer: God is with me.

40. Can you see God?

Answer: No

41. Can God see you?

Answer: Yes

88. What is salvation?

Answer: Being forgiven of our sins (through faith in Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection for us) and loving God

89. Why do we need salvation?

Answer: We are all sinners.

90. What is necessary for salvation?

Answer: By grace we are saved through faith in Christ Jesus.

91. Is there another way to be saved?

Answer: No, we can only be saved by grace through faith in Christ Jesus.

92. When we are saved from our sin, what happens?

Answer: We love God and our neighbors and grow in our desire to please him.

## QUESTIONS ON JESUS

93. Who is Jesus?

Answer: Jesus is God who became a man, our Savior.



81. Who committed the first sin?

Answer: Adam and Eve

82. What did Adam and Eve do wrong?

Answer: They ate fruit God told them not to eat and broke relationship with him.

83. Who tempted Adam and Eve to sin?

Answer: The Devil

84. How have we been affected by that sin?

Answer: Adam and Eve passed on sin to all humans; we are all born sinners.

85. What do sinners deserve?

Answer: God's punishment and death

86. Can we go to heaven as (willful) sinners?

Answer: No

87. If we don't go to heaven when we die, where will we go?

Answer: To hell

## SANCTIFICATION

42. Whom does God want you to be like?

Answer: Jesus

43. What is God's will for you in the first four commandments?

Answer: To love God

44. What is God's will for you in the last six commandments?

Answer: To love my neighbor

45. Whom does God want you to obey?

Answer: Mommy and Daddy

46. What is prayer?

Answer: Talking with God

47. What did Jesus teach us to pray?

Answer: The Lord's Prayer

48. How does God talk to you?

Answer: Through the Bible

49. What is the Bible?

Answer: God's Word

## LAST THINGS

50. What is God making new?

Answer: All things

51. What will God raise from the dead?

Answer: Our bodies

52. What do we enjoy now and look forward to enjoying forever?

Answer: Eternal life

## QUESTIONS ON HUMANITY, SIN, AND SALVATION

75. What are men and women?

Answer: Persons who can know and love God

76. Who were our first parents?

Answer: Adam and Eve

77. What made Adam and Eve different from all the animals?

Answer: Adam and Eve had souls; animals do not.

78. Do you have a soul?

Answer: Yes, I have a soul that will never die.

79. What is sin?

Answer: It is (primarily) disobedience to a known law of God.

80. What does sin do?

Answer: It harms our loving relationship with God

68. How old is God?

Answer: God is eternal. He always was. He always will be.

69. Where is God?

Answer: God is everywhere he wants to be.

70. What can God do?

Answer: God can do anything he wants to do.

71. What does God know?

Answer: God knows everything he wants to know.

72. Is anything more powerful than God?

Answer: No

73. God is Creator. What did he create?

Answer: Everything

74. Why did God create you?

Answer: So he could love and enjoy me

## THE TEN COMMANDMENTS (SIMPLIFIED)

I am the Lord your God, who saved you.

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make an idol.
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not lie.
10. You shall not covet.

61. What does it mean to be merciful?

Answer: To have compassion for all people

62. What does it mean to have a pure heart?

Answer: To love God with all your heart

63. What does it mean to be a peacemaker?

Answer: To help people be friends with God and each other

64. What does it mean to be persecuted for the sake of righteousness?

Answer: To gladly suffer for the kingdom of God

## QUESTIONS ABOUT GOD

65. How many gods are there?

Answer: There is only one God.

66. How many persons are there in the one God?

Answer: Three—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit

67. What word best describes God?

Answer: God is holy.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

57. What does it mean to be poor in spirit?

Answer: To admit you have sinned and need God's help

58. What does it mean to mourn?

Answer: To be sad about the things that make God sad

59. What does it mean to be meek?

Answer: To give God control of your life

60. What does it mean to hunger and thirst for righteousness?

Answer: To truly desire God's standards for your life

## TOOL 2

# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR CHILDREN

### QUESTIONS ON THE BIBLE

1. Where do we learn how to love and obey God?

Answer: In the Bible

2. What is the Bible?

Answer: 66 God-inspired books that teach us about God and how we can be holy as he is holy

3. Who wrote the Bible?

Answer: More than 40 people who were guided and inspired by God through a period of more than 1,600 years.

4. Name the five books in the Bible that are called the Law.

Answer: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

5. What is the message of the Law?

Answer: God is holy, and he wants us to be like him.

6. Name the Old Testament historical books.

Answer: Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther

7. What is the message of the historical books?

Answer: Good things come when we follow God with a whole heart. Bad things come when we do not.

8. Name the books of poetry in the Old Testament.

Answer: Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon

9. What is the message of the books of poetry?

Answer: We are blessed when we seek God in all circumstances.

52. What does this mean: “For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever”

Answer: God is the All-Powerful King who rules heaven and earth forever.

53. Why is the Lord’s Prayer important?

Answer: It helps us focus on God as our holy Father.

## QUESTIONS ON THE BEATITUDES

54. What are the Beatitudes?

Answer: Jesus’ teaching about holy character

55. Where are the Beatitudes located?

Answer: In Matthew 5:3-10

56. Name the Beatitudes.

Answer:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

- 46.** What does this mean: “Hallowed be your name”  
 Answer: We want to honor and love our holy God.
- 47.** What does this mean: “Your kingdom come”  
 Answer: God is our King. We want everyone in the world to know him as King.
- 48.** What does this mean: “Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven”  
 Answer: We want everything God wants.
- 49.** What does this mean: “Give us this day our daily bread”  
 Answer: We ask God to supply all our needs.
- 50.** What does this mean: “Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors”  
 Answer: We ask God to forgive us like we forgive others.
- 51.** What does this mean: “Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one”  
 Answer: We ask God to protect us from all sin.

- 10.** Name the books of the major prophets in the Old Testament.  
 Answer: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel
- 11.** Name the books of the minor prophets in the Old Testament.  
 Answer: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi
- 12.** Why are these called “minor” prophets?  
 Answer: They are shorter books than the major prophets.
- 13.** What is the message of the prophets?  
 Answer: Return to the law and love of God.
- 14.** Name the Gospels in the New Testament.  
 Answer: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
- 15.** What is the message of the Gospels?  
 Answer: Jesus came, lived, died, and was resurrected for us.
- 16.** Name the book that tells the history of the early church after the resurrection of Jesus.  
 Answer: Acts

17. What is the message of Acts?

Answer: The Holy Spirit came to the church, and God's Word spread.

18. Name the epistles of Paul.

Answer: Romans, 1 and 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon

19. What is the message of Paul's epistles?

Answer: Live in God's grace and his righteousness.

20. Name the General Epistles.

Answer: Hebrews, James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1 and 2 and 3 John, and Jude

21. What is the message of the General Epistles?

Answer: How to live in the world as God's people

22. Name the final book of the Bible.

Answer: Revelation

23. What is the message of Revelation?

Answer: Jesus is the King of kings and is coming soon for his victorious church.

42. Why are all these commandments important to us?

Answer: They describe the life our holy God wants for us.

Extra question: Quote the full text of the Ten Commandments as given in Exodus 20:1-17.

## QUESTIONS ON THE LORD'S PRAYER

43. Who first prayed the Lord's Prayer?

Answer: Jesus, when he taught his twelve disciples how to pray

44. Where in the Bible is the Lord's Prayer located?

Answer: In Matthew 6:9-13

45. What are the words of the Lord's Prayer?

Answer:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.



37. The seventh commandment is “You shall not commit adultery.” What does this commandment mean?

Answer: Sex is for marriage only.

38. The eighth commandment is “You shall not steal.” What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should not take things that do not belong to us.

39. The ninth commandment is “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.” What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should always tell the truth.

40. The tenth commandment is “You shall not covet...” What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We are to be content with the things God has given us.

41. Which did Jesus say were the two greatest commandments?

Answer: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength; and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

24. Name all 66 books of the Bible.

Answer:

### Old Testament

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, 1 and 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi

### New Testament

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 and 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians, 1 and 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 and 2 Peter, 1 and 2 and 3 John, Jude, Revelation

25. What is the message of these 66 God-inspired books?

Answer: They teach us about God and how we can be holy as he is holy; how we can be redeemed and changed to the image of Jesus Christ.<sup>2</sup>

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The phrase, “how we can be redeemed and changed to the image of Jesus Christ” is an addition to the original answer.

## QUESTIONS ON THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

26. What is a commandment of God?

Answer: A picture of who God is and a promise of what we can become

27. Where in the Bible are the Ten Commandments located?

Answer: In Exodus 20:1-17

28. What are the Ten Commandments?

Answer: Commandments given to God's people at Mt. Sinai

29. Who gave the Ten Commandments?

Answer: God

30. Who received the Ten Commandments?

Answer: Moses

31. The first commandment is "You shall have no other gods before me." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should always keep God in first place.

32. The second commandment is "You shall not make for yourself an idol..." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: It is wrong to worship anything but God.

33. The third commandment is "You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God..." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should treat the mention of God with great respect.

34. The fourth commandment is "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy..." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: On Sunday we should worship God and rest.

35. The fifth commandment is "Honor your father and your mother..." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should love and obey our parents.

36. The sixth commandment is "You shall not murder." What does this commandment mean?

Answer: We should not unlawfully kill other people.