



A Year with the Catechism

(In preparation for next week.)

The Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

Bible Passages

Keep yourself pure. –*[1 Timothy 5:22]*

Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace. –*[2 Timothy 2:22]*

What God has joined together, let man not separate.
[Matthew 19:6]

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. *[Ephesians 4:29]*

Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. *[1 Corinthians 6:18-20]*

Weekly Catechism Reading

Sunday: 2 Samuel 11-12

Monday: p. 93 – Central Thought & Part 65

Tuesday: p. 94-96 – Part 66-68

Wednesday: p. 96-98 – Part 69-70

Thursday: p. 98-100 – Part 71-72

Friday: p. 100-102 – Part 73-76

Saturday: p. 102-104 – Part 77-End



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Devotion

Bible Readings

Genesis 2:18-24

Devotion

Boys and girls...men and women. God made us all different. In the last several decades, people have been trying to tell us that there is no difference between men and women, boys and girls. But that is not the way God made us. God made us different. Even though two pieces of a jigsaw puzzle are different, they fit together perfectly...that's the way they were made. God made man and woman to complement one another, to come together to form a family. That is God's gift to us in making us men and women. But sometimes people don't understand or appreciate that gift. They try to use that gift to please themselves and the way they think it should be used, rather than the way God gave it to be used. That is like plugging a toaster into a water faucet and expecting it to make toast. When we abuse that gift God gave us, when we misuse the differences with which God made us, when we sin in this way, then our families are not what God intended. But when, by God's Holy Spirit, we love and respect and honor each other the way God intended and through the forgiveness Christ has given us, then our families are models of God's love for us in Christ. Let us pray that we properly keep this gift of our differences.

Prayer

Dear God, our heavenly Father, You have made us all different. Help us to understand the blessing that You have given in making us male and female, boy and girl, man and woman. Help us to avoid abusing these differences, that we may see in our lives as family a small portion of the love and care You show us as Your children. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.