Learning By Heart: Kindergarten

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Table Prayer

Come Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let these gifts to us be blest.

Amen.

The Bible

1 Psa 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet.

The Ten Commandments

First Commandment

You shall have no other gods.

2 Mat 4:10 You shall worship the LORD your God.

Second Commandment

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

5 Psa 50:15 Call upon Me in the day of trouble.

Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

(Explain that "Sabbath" is a Hebrew word that means "rest".)

Fourth Commandment

Honor your father and your mother.

Fifth Commandment

You shall not murder.

9 1 John 3:15 Whoever hates his brother is a murderer.

Sixth Commandment

You shall not commit adultery.

(Explain that "adultery" is when a husband or wife love something more than one another.)

The Seventh Commandment

You shall not steal.

The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

13 James 4:11 Do not speak evil of one another.

The Ninth Commandment

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

The Tenth Commandment

You shall not covet you neighbor's wife or servants.

16 Mat 5:48 Therefore you shall be perfect.

(Explain that God makes us perfect through faith in Jesus.)

The Creed

20 Psa 118:1 Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

The First Article (Creation)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

22 Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

26 Psa 139:14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

The Second Article

[I believe] 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 sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

28 Psa 31:1 In You, O LORD, I put my trust.

30 2 Cor 5:15 He died for all.

Third Article

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

 $34 \quad 1 \text{ Cor } 10:31 \quad \text{Do all to the glory of God.}$

Lord's Prayer

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.

38 1 Th 5:16-18 Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

48 Mat 28:19 [We baptize] in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Learning by Heart: Key Passages

Kindergarten: Psalm 119.105; Psalm 50.15; Matthew 5.48

First Grade: Romans 8.28; Romans 1:16; Romans 1:17

Second Grade: Matthew 6:33; John 8:31; 1 John 1:7

Third Grade: John 3:16; Acts 4:12; Matthew 5:16

Fourth Grade: Romans 13:10; 1 John 3:15; Psalm 51:5

Fifth Grade: John 11:25; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 John 1:8

Sixth Grade: Isaiah 55:11; Acts 2:42; 1 Peter 4:8

Our goal is that each student would have committed to long-term memory each of the successive passages as well as the Catechism as they pass through each grade. For example, by the end of sixth grade a student would be able to recite anyone one of these passages "off the top of their head" even though it was not part of any particular Learning by Heart assignment