

POWERLIFE

DATE: Nov. 6, 2024

SERIES: 10 Commandments

TOPIC: You + God (Holy/Humble)

Big Questions: What is the MOST IMPORTANT thing in your life? There are lots of good answers to that question. (My Family, Friends, Getting Good Grades, Being Healthy, Winning a Big Game, etc.) But did you know the Bible is VERY clear on what our answer should be?

The MOST IMPORTANT part of your life is your relationship with God! Does that mean those other things are not important? Not at all! But if you put GOD FIRST, everything else will fall into place. If you have a GREAT family, nice friends, good grades, and win big games, but DON'T have God... you're going to miss out on the MOST IMPORTANT part of life!

Why should people put God first? How do we actually put God first? What does that look like?

Takeaway: It's one thing to KNOW that God should be most important in your life, but it's another thing altogether to actually MAKE GOD the MOST IMPORTANT part of your life! Your ACTIONS will reveal how important God is to you! Is God waiting for us to love him before he will love us? No! He ALREADY sent his son Jesus to die for your sins! He already created you in his image, and he already loves you THE MOST he could ever love you! Now, it's up to you to realize this truth, and live it out each and every day!

GETTING STARTED

- **TAKE ATTENDANCE!** If you have any students in your group who are not on your roster, please WRITE their names on your sheet! Also, please make note about who is missing.
- **WELCOME** anyone NEW this week! (Be sure they get supplies if REGISTERED)

SMALL GROUP COVENANT!

- Remind students of the RULES/EXPECTATIONS for group discussion!

DISCUSSION STARTERS *(only if needed – skip ahead to discussion questions for more time!)*

- **HIGHS/LOWS** – take time to go around the circle – allow space for students to share HIGHS (what's going well right now) and LOWS (what's NOT going so well right now?)

BUILDING HOPE FOR THE WORLD!

- Who attended Weekend Worship a few days ago? What did Hope Celebrate (30 Years!)
- Remind students ALL parents/leaders are invited to join us for the Fireside Chat next week!
 - Wednesday, November 13 (6:00 – 6:30pm) in the Bridge!

POWERLIFE “SHOUTOUTS!”

- **NOTE:** leave your shoutouts at the Leader Table when you check out!

OPEN YOUR BIBLES!

- Have students look up the following verses (pick a different student for each one!)
 - **IMPORTANT:** These are all great verses to **HIGHLIGHT!**

Exodus 20:1-11 (page 90)

- Who did God give the 10 commandments to? (Moses)
- What are the first three commandments?
 - #1 Re-Read **Exodus 20:3** (*No other gods*)
 - What are some other “gods” that people put before God?
 - #2 Re-Read **Exodus 20:7** (*Don't misuse God's name*)
 - What are some examples of people misusing God's name?
 - ~~OMG // I swear to... // saying the name Jesus Christ inappropriately~~
 - #3 Re-Read **Exodus 20:8** (*Observe the Sabbath day, keep it Holy!*)
 - What is the Sabbath? (day of rest) Why is it important to God?
- Why do you suppose God wants to make sure you know these rules?
- How is a life with GOD FIRST a better way to live?
- What is ONE THING you could change this week to help put your relationship w/ God first?

Romans 6:23 (page 1366)

+ **HIGHLIGHT** this verse! Take time to memorize it! Repeat it over and over SEVEN times in your own mind to practice knowing it by heart!

PRACTICE “SEARCHING” THE BIBLE!

- Take a moment to open to page 1597 and have students browse through all the various topics covered in the Bible. **Pick a subject, find the page, and read together!**

SERVICE PROJECTS!

- If your group would like to help make sandwiches for the homeless shelter, bring supplies for the Laundry Ministry, or donate food/clothing, please let us know!

FOR THE WEEK AHEAD!

- IDEA: Make time to read the Bible for 5 MINUTES each day!

PRAY TO END THE NIGHT!

- Ask if any STUDENT wants to close your time together in prayer? OR as a leader, say a prayer of thanksgiving and blessing over the group! End with the Lord's Prayer!

CHECK OUT AT THE LEADER TABLE!

- Please return your folder (and your roster with attendance) to the leader table. If you have feedback or notes, please leave those with us as well!! **THANK YOU!!**