

Lesson 10

Respect God's Name

Lesson Objectives

- Recognize the importance of respecting God and using his name with reverence.
- Understand that respecting God's name requires a sincere and loving relationship with God as Father.
- Grow in our desire to bless God with all our words, like Saint John Chrysostom.

Lesson Summary

In this lesson, we will come to understand how holy God's name is and why we must always respect it.

Lesson Plan

Introduction (Minutes 1-10)

- Pray the Opening Prayer together.
- Review the introduction.
- Show a video or song.

Review Point 1: Second Commandment (Minutes 10-15)

- Ask the students: Why is it important to respect someone's name?

Review Point 2: Respecting Names (Minutes 15-20)

- Ask the students: Have you ever heard someone use God's name disrespectfully? How did that make you feel?

Review Point 3: The Father “Abba” (Minutes 20-25)

Reflection: Aren't we all lucky to be able to call God our Father?

Activities: Choose 1 or 2.

Activity 1:

Put an X before the people who are using God's name disrespectfully.

Answer key:

X Tom is surprised at his birthday present and exclaims, “Oh, God!”

In court, a witness uses God's name to take an oath to tell the truth.

Meghan always says “God bless you” after someone sneezes.

Julie uses the name of God while telling her little sister about God.

X George lies in court after taking an oath.

X Bob curses the boy who stole his bike.

X Margaret is shocked to see the damage the tornado did and says, “Jesus Christ!”

Activity 2:

Open the Scriptures and find five titles that Jesus calls himself.

Answer key:

- Some possible answers are son of man, bridegroom, light of the world, Lord, the vine.

Prayer and Role Model (Minutes 30-35)

- Pray From the Maronite Tradition (Together)

Complete Recall Section (Minutes 35-40)

Unscramble the words to complete the sentences

Answer key:

1. To **BLASPHEME** is to sin against the second commandment.
2. One way to show **RESPECT** for God is to say his name with love and reverence.

3. Obeying the second commandment requires a sincere and loving relationship with God as **FATHER**.
4. Saint John's nickname was **CHRYSOStOM**.
5. We can imitate Saint John by **BLESSING** God with all our words.
6. **PIETY** is the Gift of the Holy Spirit that helps us obey the second commandment.

Review Weekly Journal (Minutes 40-44)

For Additional Reflection:

How has God responded to you during your prayer this week?

Closing (Minutes 45)

- Pray the Concluding Prayer together.

Optional

- Use the Climbing Mountain Section and Reaching the Summit Section.