

**Didache Divine Service**  
**Session 1**  
Thursday, September 14, 2022  
6:30 p.m.

**The Ten Commandments: The First Table of the Law**  
The First, Second, and Third Commandments

1. Invocation and Prayer
2. Hymn: 865 "Lord, Help Us Ever to Retain the Catechism's Doctrine Plain"
3. **The Ten Commandments Preach Repentance:**  
**They show us our sin and how much we need a Savior.**

**You shall have no other gods.**

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

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**Honor your father and your mother.**

**You shall not murder.**

**You shall not commit adultery.**

**You shall not steal.**

**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**

**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant,  
his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

**He says, "I the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments**

**First Commandment:** You shall have no other gods. ("Trust Me, I created and save you!")

*What does this mean?*

*We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.*

**Second Commandment:** You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. ("Pray to Me, I love you!")

*What does this mean?*

*We should fear and love God*

*so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie or deceive by His name  
but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.*

**Third Commandment:** Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ("Hear Me, My Word gives you life!")  
(You shall sanctify the day of rest)

*What does this mean?*

*We should fear and love God*

*so that we do not despise preaching and His Word,  
but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.*

#### 4. Bible Reading: The Rich Man and Lazarus—Luke 16:19-31

“There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and <sup>[b]</sup>lived sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, <sup>21</sup> desiring to be fed with <sup>[i]</sup>the crumbs which fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. <sup>23</sup> And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

<sup>24</sup> “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’

<sup>27</sup> “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup> And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’ ”

Q. What was the faith of the Rich Man?

Q. What was the faith of the beggar Lazarus?

Q. Were they both sinners?

Q. Why did the Rich Man go to hell and the beggar go to heaven (“Abraham’s bosom”)?

Q. Where do the first three commandments appear in the parable?

First— “Trust Me”      You shall have no other gods.

Second— “Pray to Me”      You shall not misuse the name of the Lord Your God.

Third— “Hear Me”      Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy

Hymn: 581 “These Are the Holy Ten Commands” Stanzas 1-4, 11-12