

Lesson 4: 4th and 5th Commandments

Video preparation

Watch [Pastor Brett Simek](#) discuss the 4th and 5th Commandments with your child BEFORE he or she attends class. Work through the question together.

After you have watched this video together, discuss the target question for this lesson:

2nd table: How does God work through sinners to preserve life?

Discuss these questions with your child AFTER confirmation class.

Your children talked about how parents and other authorities are a good gift from God. **Discuss why this is a good gift.**

After you have discussed why parents and other authorities are a good gift from God, talk about what both you and your child thinks about different authority figures - not specifically, but in general. For example - parents, teachers, bosses, government officials.

In the 5th Commandment, we are required to help our neighbor in EVERY physical need. Discuss with your child what this means. What about if you do not have the means to help or it is unsafe to help in a certain situation?

We are called to help our neighbor in EVERY physical need. When we do not, we are breaking this commandment. If we do not have the means or if it is an unsafe situation to be able to help - keep in mind that we are also called to protect our neighbors that are our children and family. If you are unable to help a neighbor in a certain situation, rest assured in your baptism.

Depending on the age of your child, suicide is a topic that was touched on in this lesson but not discussed in depth. That will come in Year 3 of Confirmation. However, this is a very prevalent subject matter for teenagers today. Open this discussion with your child. Have they ever had thoughts of suicide? Do they have friends who have talked about suicide? What have they done in that situation?

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