



Weekly Family Devotions

Third Week of March, 2018



Psalm 56:4 - In God, whose word I praise—in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?

Proverb 24:7 - Wisdom is too high for fools; in the assembly at the gate they must not open their mouths.



Shorter Catechism:

Question 56: *What is the reason annexed to the third commandment?*

Answer 56: *The reason annexed to the third commandment is, that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape His righteous judgment..*

Malachi 1:9 - “Now plead with God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?”—says the LORD Almighty.



Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqyy5zie_g4 (English)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v45tcbXgCS0> (Korean)

Children’s Song: “Praise Ye the Lord Hallelujah”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WuODF9Kbgw>

Bible Lessons



“Contempt for God’s name” (Malachi 1:6-14)

- How did the Israelites show contempt for God’s name?
- How did they profane his table?

Family Prayer



- Share Prayer topics for Family, Church, Friends, Missionaries, Nation
- Take turns in praying.
- When finished, hug each other.



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Malachi 1:6-14

Breaking Covenant Through Blemished Sacrifices

⁶“A son honors his father, and a slave his master. If I am a father, where is the honor due me? If I am a master, where is the respect due me?” says the LORD Almighty.

“It is you priests who show contempt for my name.

“But you ask, ‘How have we shown contempt for your name?’

⁷“By offering defiled food on my altar. “But you ask, ‘How have we defiled you?’ “By saying that the LORD’s table is contemptible.

⁸When you offer blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice lame or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you?” says the LORD Almighty.

⁹“Now plead with God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?”—says the LORD Almighty.

¹⁰“Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you,” says the LORD Almighty, “and I will accept no offering from your hands.

¹¹My name will be great among the nations, from where the sun rises to where it sets. In every place incense and pure offerings will be brought to me, because my name will be great among the nations,” says the LORD Almighty.

¹²“But you profane it by saying, ‘The Lord’s table is defiled,’ and, ‘Its food is contemptible.’

¹³And you say, ‘What a burden!’ and you sniff at it contemptuously,” says the LORD Almighty. “When you bring injured, lame or diseased animals and offer them as sacrifices, should I accept them from your hands?” says the LORD.

¹⁴“Cursed is the cheat who has an acceptable male in his flock and vows to give it, but then sacrifices a blemished animal to the Lord. For I am a great king,” says the LORD Almighty, “and my name is to be feared among the nations.