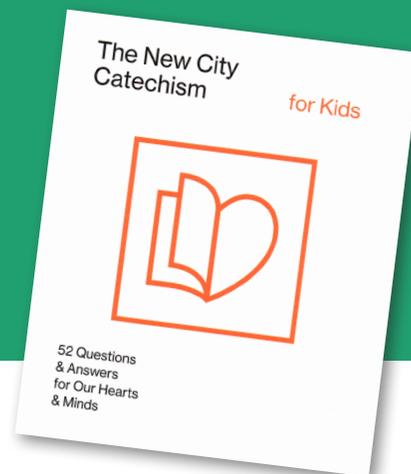




# When it comes to living God's Truth, it's best to know it by heart...



## MEMORIZATION PROJECT | 2020–2021

*"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." ~ Psalm 119:11*

When it comes to living God's Truth, we believe it's best to know it by heart. That's why we're excited to help kids learn core doctrines of our Christian faith through catechism—using a collection of questions and answers designed for memorization and recitation. These biblical truths will be explored through the lessons from our curriculum: *The New City Catechism*.

In the fall we studied most of Part 2 (Questions 21–34) of the catechism, which covered Christ, Redemption, and Grace. This semester we'll finish our study of Part 2 (Questions 35), and move on to Part 3, which covers the Holy Spirit, Restoration, & Growing in Grace.

**NOTE—Curriculum Adjustment:** To stay on track to complete the *New City Catechism* curriculum in what is its third year, we'll be combining and simplifying a few of questions and eliminating Question 43. Then we'll be able to start back at the beginning this coming August. Some questions and answers are not going to correlate with the app or booklet that your family may have. Please pay close attention to the actual question and answer and verse on the handout each week.

**HOW IT WORKS** To encourage the kids to get involved, we're rewarding memorization success and other commendable Christ-like actions with award stickers each week.

Students can earn stickers the following ways:

- Memorizing The New City Catechism Question & Answer
- Memorizing the corresponding Scripture
- Attending and showing self-control each week
- Bringing a friend
- Bonus! Memorizing facts about Hero of the Faith: St. Patrick (Beginning Mar. 17)

### THE GOAL

Over the next 14 weeks, we've challenged the students to work toward memorization goals based on their age (chart below!)—adding to the progress they made in the fall. At the end of the semester, we'll honor diligent students who've reached their goal with an award celebration and treats. All participants will be invited to attend a year-end party.

4s & 5s	Kindergarten	1 & 2 Grade	3 & 4 Grade	5 & 6 Grade
24	26	28	30	32

**FOR NEXT WEEK** Please help your child memorize the following Truths:



### Questions 50 & 51

#### What does Christ's resurrection & ascension mean for us?

**ANSWER:** Jesus won the war with sin and death—rising from the dead to never die again. All who trust in Him will rise from the dead to live forever too. After rising from the dead, Jesus ascended to heaven to prepare a place for us, to advocate for us with his Father, and to send us his Holy Spirit. (2 Points)



#### Romans 8:34 (ESV)

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

**MEMORIZATION CHART** | We're so glad that you're taking the time to memorize God's Word! For those who'd like to track their progress, we're providing this memorization chart, which will be updated on this handout each week as the semester progresses.

SCRIPTURE	BIG IDEA TRUTH	EXTRA ITEMS
<b>WEEK 1</b> JAN. 13, 2021 CHRIST <i>Philippians 2:13 (NIV)</i> For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.	<b>Q #35:</b> Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from? <b>Answer:</b> From the Holy Spirit.	
<b>WEEK 2</b> JAN. 27, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>John 14:16-17 (ESV)</i> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, ... You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.	<b>Q #36 &amp; 37:</b> What do we believe about the Holy Spirit & how does He help us? <b>Answer:</b> The Holy Spirit is God, along with the Father and the Son, and He is given forever to all who believe. He convicts us of sin, comforts us, guides us, and He enables us to pray and to understand God's Word. <b>(2 points)</b>	
<b>WEEK 3</b> FEB. 3, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>Philippians 4:6 (NIV)</i> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.	<b>Q #38 &amp; 39:</b> What is prayer and how should we do it? <b>Answer:</b> Prayer is talking to God. We should pray humbly—trusting God to hear and answer wisely with love.	
<b>WEEK 4</b> FEB. 10, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>The Lord's Prayer   Matthew 6:9-13 (ESV)</i> Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. <b>(2 Points)</b>	<b>Q #40 &amp; 41:</b> What should we pray? <b>Answer:</b> God's Word directs & inspires us in what we should pray, including the prayer Jesus himself taught us.	
<b>WEEK 5</b> FEB. 17, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)</i> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. <b>(2 Points)</b>	<b>Q #42:</b> How is the Word of God to be read and heard? <b>Answer:</b> With diligence, preparation, and prayer; so that we may accept it with faith and practice it in our lives.	
<b>WEEK 6</b> FEB. 24, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>Hebrews 10:22 (Berean Study Bible)</i> Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.	<b>Q #44 &amp; 45:</b> What is baptism? <b>Answer:</b> Baptism is the washing with water as a symbol that represents our adoption into God's family, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and his church. <b>(2 Points)</b>	
<b>WEEK 7</b> MAR. 3, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>1 Corinthians 11:26 (NIV)</i> For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.	<b>Q #46 &amp; 47:</b> What is communion? <b>Answer:</b> Communion is the eating of bread and the drinking of the cup as a symbol that helps us remember Jesus and his death—a sacrifice for our sin. It's a celebration of our new life in God—reminding us that we've been brought close to Him and each other in the family of God. <b>(2 Points)</b>	
<b>WEEK 8</b> MAR. 10, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>2 Thessalonians 2:13 (ESV)</i> But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.	<b>Q #48:</b> What is the church? <b>Answer:</b> The church is a community elected for eternal life and united by faith, who love, follow, learn from, and worship God together.	
<b>WEEK 9</b> MAR. 17, 2021 HERO <i>Hero of the Faith: St. Patrick's Key Verse</i> <i>Genesis 50:20 (NLT)</i> You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.	<i>Hero of the Faith: St. Patrick's Quote (2 Points)</i> Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in the eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me. I arise today through the mighty strength of the Lord of creation.	<i>Hero of the Faith: Lessons from St. Patrick's Life (Choose One to Learn)</i> • Seek God • Love & Forgive Your Enemies • Serve in the Strength of Christ
<b>WEEK 10</b> MAR. 24, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>Ephesians 1:20-21 (ESV)</i> He raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. <b>(2 Points)</b>	<b>Q #49:</b> Where is Christ now? <b>Answer:</b> Christ rose bodily from the grave on the third day after his death and is seated at the right hand of God the Father.	<i>Hero of the Faith: St. Patrick—Key Verse, Quote, &amp; Life Lesson</i>
<b>WEEK 11</b> MAR. 31, 2021 HOLY SPIRIT <i>Romans 8:34 (ESV)</i> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.	<b>Q #50 &amp; 51:</b> What does Christ's resurrection & ascension mean for us? <b>Answer:</b> Jesus won the war with sin and death—rising from the dead to never die again. All who trust in Him will rise from the dead to live forever too. After rising from the dead, Jesus ascended to heaven to prepare a place for us, to advocate for us with his Father, and to send us his Holy Spirit. <b>(2 Points)</b>	<i>Hero of the Faith: St. Patrick—Key Verse, Quote, &amp; Life Lesson</i>

**TOTAL STICKERS POSSIBLE**

First Night	1
Scripture Verses from Lessons	21
Big Idea Truths	18
Attendance & Self Control	26
Extra: Hero of the Faith	7
Bringing Friends	?
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE</b>	<b>73</b>

**GOALS BY GOALS BY APRIL 21:**

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