CATECHESIS@HOME 2021 #5

"STOP TURNING MY FATHER'S HOUSE INTO A MARKET"
(3rd Sunday of Lent)



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INTRODUCTION

This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting and discussing about the scripture readings of 3rd Sunday of Lent.

HOW TO USE THE MATERIAL

This document contains activities that members of the family may complete individually (just the children), in pairs (with parental assistance), or as an entire family. It would be helpful to print a hard-copy, so that members of your family may carry out different activities at the same time.

WHEN TO USE THE MATERIAL

During the week after the family has celebrated the Mass of 3rd Sunday of Lent.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we have gathered here in the name of Jesus. You call us to repentance as we journey through the Season of Lent. Help us to be obedient to your commandments and to show respect to You at all times. Holy Spirit, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read Exodus 20: 1-3. 7-8. 12-17 and John 2: 13-25. Then, as a family reflect on the points and questions given below and share your responses with one another. If necessary, parents are encouraged to rephrase the information and questions according to their children's level of understanding).

<u>Time of reflection and response:</u>

1. In the reading from the Book of Exodus, we learn that God gives the 10 Commandments to the people of Israel.

Why do you think God gave the commandments to the people? In your own life, would you say that it is easy to keep all the commandments? Which is the most difficult commandment to keep? Why? Which is the easiest? Why?

2. In the Gospel passage, we read that Jesus was angry because the people had turned God's Temple into a market. He made a whip out of cords (ropes) and chased those "doing" business in the Temple compound, as well as, the money changers. It is important to note that although Jesus was angry, he did not hit any of the people with the whip. He used it to drive them all out of the Temple.

Do you think it was right for Jesus to be angry? Why? Is it possible for someone to be angry for the right reason? If yes, how? Give an example of a time when you were angry for the right reason.

3. Jesus was not only angry with those selling animals in the Temple or the money changers, but also with those who were in authority who allowed all business to take place in the Temple compound.

Why was Jesus angry with the people in authority who allowed business to take place in the Temple compound? Often, we see people setting up stalls or selling products in the church compound during special occasions and feast days. What do you think is the correct way of doing "business" in a sacred or holy place?

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

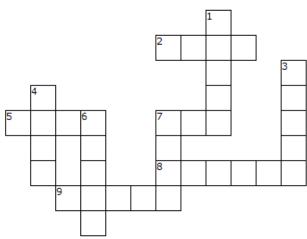
Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the first reading and the Gospel passage. Select the activities you would like to complete with your children, or try to complete them all if you can!

The Ten Commandments

And God spoke all these words: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me." Exodus 20:1-3

Based on Exodus 20:1-17





ACROSS

- You shall not make for yourself an _____. (a false god)
- You shall have no other _____ before me.
- 7. You shall ____ commit adultery.
- 8. You shall not _____. (kill)
- You shall not give _____ testimony against your neighbor. (untrue)

DOWN

- You shall not _____. (to want something that belongs to another)
- your father and your mother.
- Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it ______.
- You shall not _____. (to take what does not belong to you)
- You shall not misuse the _____ of the LORD your God.

FALSE	IDOL	STEAL	HONOR	MURDER
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COVET	WORSHIP	MOTHER	LONG	FATHER
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MISUSE	HONOR	ADULTERY	TESTIMONY	HOLY

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The Ten Commandments

And God spoke all these words... Exodus 20:1

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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NAME	ADULTERY	COVET	FATHER	MOTHER
IDOL	SABBATH	MURDER	STEAL	HONOR

JESUS CLEANSES THE TEMPLE

Matthew 21:12-27; Mark 11:15-19; Luke 19:45-48; John 2:13-16



- 2. People wondered who Jesus was, and what had to do the things he did in the temple.
- 5. Jesus made the _____ and scribes jealous and mad.
- 8. What holiday were the people celebrating?

Down

- 1. Jesus didn't like that people had turned the house of God into a
- 3. Jesus made a ____ to drive the animals out of the temple.
- 4. Jesus flipped over _ _ and benches.
- 6. Jesus was angry, and shouted, "Do not turn my Father's house into a den
- 7. The temple was supposed to be a place to _____ not a place to sell things.



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Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



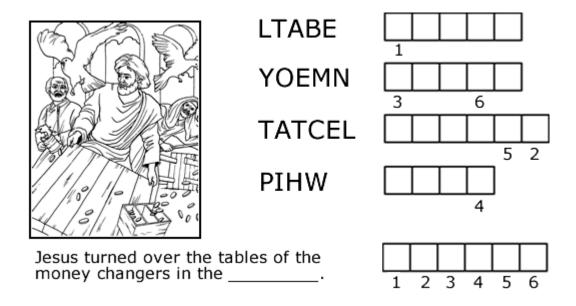
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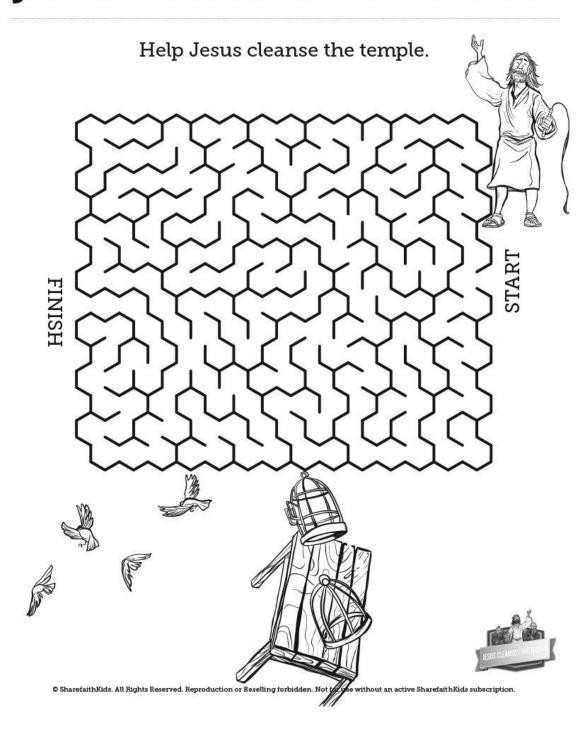
Activity #7: Unscramble the words.



Activity #8: Find the words.

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Activity #10: Colour the picture and tell the story.

