

MISSION KIDS CATECHISM

Catechism Questions

1. Who made you? *God.*
2. What else did God make? *God made all things.*
3. Why did God make you and all things? *For his own glory.*
4. How can you glorify God? *By loving him and doing what he commands.*
5. Why are you to glorify God? *Because he made me and takes care of me.*
6. Is there more than one true God? *No. There is only one true God.*
7. In how many Persons does this one God exist? *In three Persons.*
8. Name these three Persons. *The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*
9. What is God? *God is a Spirit and does not have a body like men.*
10. Where is God? *God is everywhere.*
11. Can you see God? *No. I cannot see God, but he always sees me.*
12. Does God know all things? *Yes. Nothing can be hidden from God.*
13. Can God do all things? *Yes. God can do all his holy will.*
14. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? *In the Bible alone.*
15. Who wrote the Bible? *Chosen men who were inspired by the Holy Spirit.*
16. Who were the first humans? *Adam & Eve.*
17. How did God create Adam? *Out of dirt.*
18. How did God create Eve? *Out of Adam's rib.*
19. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? *He made them holy and happy.*
20. What did God tell Adam and Eve not to do? *God told Adam and Eve not to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.*
21. What did God say would happen if they disobeyed him? *God said they would die.*
22. Did Adam and Eve obey God? *No. They disobeyed God.*
23. What is it called when we disobey God? *Sin. Rebellion against God and his ways is called sin.*
24. What does every sin deserve? *Death and separation from God.*
25. Who tempted Adam and Eve to this sin? *Satan.*
26. How did Adam and Eve change when they sinned? *Instead of being holy and happy, they became sinful and ashamed.*

27. Did Adam act for himself alone when he sinned? *No. He represented the whole human race.*
28. What effect did the sin of Adam have on you and all people? *We are all born guilty and sinful.*
29. Do you sin? *Yes. I disobey God.*
30. What is the sinful nature that we inherit from Adam called? *Original Sin.*
31. Can anyone have a relationship with God with this sinful nature? *No. Our hearts must be changed before we can believe in Jesus and relate to God.*
32. Who can change a sinner's heart? *The Holy Spirit.*
33. Did Jesus ever sin? *No. He lived a sinless life.*
34. Why did Jesus suffer? *Jesus, the Son of God, became a man so that he could obey and suffer in our place.*
35. For whom did Jesus obey and suffer? *Everyone.*
36. What kind of life did Jesus live on earth? *A life of obedience, service and suffering.*
37. What kind of death did Jesus die? *A painful and shameful death on the cross.*
38. Did Jesus stay dead? *No. He was raised to life on the third day, is now alive and is seated at the right hand of God the Father.*
39. What is meant by the atonement? *Christ satisfied God's justice by his suffering and death as a substitute for sinners.*
40. How does God make you right with him? *God forgives all my sins and accepts me as righteous through the work of Jesus.*
41. What must you do to be saved? *You must repent of your sin and believe in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.*
42. How do you repent of your sin? *I must agree with what God says about my sin, that it is rebellion against him.*
43. Why must you repent of your sin? *Because sin displeases God.*
44. Before Jesus came, how did believers show their faith? *By offering the sacrifices God required.*
45. What does it mean to believe in Jesus? *To trust in Jesus alone for my salvation.*
46. Can you repent and believe in Jesus by your own power? *No. I cannot repent and believe unless the Holy Spirit changes my heart.*
47. How can you get the help of the Holy Spirit? *By asking for his help and listening to his voice.*
48. Who is the Holy Spirit? *He is God.*
49. Where is the Holy Spirit? *He lives in my heart because of my belief in Jesus.*
50. What will happen to you when you die if you believe in Jesus? *Our bodies will return to the dust and our souls will go to be with Jesus forever.*

Catechism Verses

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

Isaiah 45:5

"I am the Lord and there is no other; Apart from me there is no God."

Proverbs 15:3

"The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good."

Psalms 119:105

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path."

Genesis 1:27

"So God created man in his own image in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them."

Romans 6:23

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Romans 3:23

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

1 Peter 3:8

"For Christ died for sins, once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body, but made alive by the Spirit."

Acts 2:38

"Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.'"

John 1:12

"Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."

A Note to Parents

What an honor that our Father would entrust our children to us and give us the task of shepherding them to Jesus! But sometimes that responsibility feels overwhelming. Soma is a family of families and we get to help each other teach our kids about God, in each household, in our Missional Communities, in our larger gatherings, etc.

Please use these catechism questions and verses as tools to help teach your kids about our amazing God. They are most useful after kids have a good grasp of the Story. Our Story of God for Kids and the Jesus Storybook Bible are great resources for that. As the Spirit leads you, you might...

- use the catechism in family devotionals,
- help your kids memorize this info during breakfast,
- start discussions around these questions with the kids in your MC,
- etc.

As you teach your kids, consider what role the Father would have you play in discipling the other kids in our family.