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Catechism Homework 2018-2019

*“****Train*** *children in the way they should go; when they grow old, they won’t depart from it.”*

*– Proverbs 22:6*

“The Four G’s: Gratitude”

Family homework for the First Year of Catechism will take you through something we call **“THE FOUR G’s.”** These four words beginning with the letter “G” sum up the whole story of the Bible and our faith: **Good**, **Guilt**, **Grace**, and **Gratitude**. With your son or daughter complete the ICE-BREAKER QUESTION and then read the Scripture Passage. Complete the True/False Questions and then talk through the short answer topics. Parents can write down the answers for their kids.

**Background for Parents: Gratitude**

Because we have been saved and made “right” with God by GRACE and not by anything we have done, we now get to live good and Godly lives as a way of saying “thank you” for what we have received. As Christians, we live a life of GRATITUDE to God by loving the people around us and helping them in any way we can.

**ICE-BREAKER Question:** **What’s the best present you’ve ever received? Was it for your birthday or Christmas or just “out of the blue?” How did you feel about the person who gave it to you?**

Parent:

Student:

**From the Bible:**

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear, because fear expects punishment. The person who is afraid has not been made perfect in love. We love because God first loved us.”

**1 John 4:18-19**

**After reading the Scripture lesson together answer these TRUE/FALSE questions:**

God waited until we got everything perfect before loving us. TRUE or FALSE.

God loved us even before we had a chance to love God. TRUE or FALSE.

Any good thing we do is just a way of saying ‘thank you’ for what God has already done. TRUE or FALSE.

Being grateful and thankful makes your life happier. TRUE or FALSE.

(Answers: F, T, T, T)

**Often when we receive a gift at Christmas or our Birthday, we say “thank you” and we might even write a thank you note. What are ways we can say “thank you” to God?**

Parent:

Student:

**Having “gratitude” means being thankful for what God has done for us and for all of the good things we receive. What are you thankful for?**

Parent:

Student: