

# FAMILY TIME

## 8<sup>TH</sup> COMMANDMENT – GOD'S GIFT OF A GOOD REPUTATION

Family Time is meant to be an opportunity to get the family talking about spiritual things. Multiple studies show that parents and grandparents are the #1 faith role models in a child's life. We know life is busy, but we want to give you opportunities to grow together. A great time to do this is in the car, while eating a meal, or simply anytime you can enjoy together.

1) Have your parent(s) read the explanation "What does this mean?" of the 8<sup>th</sup> commandment from the Catechism (page 110) while you write in the answers here:

***What does this mean?*** We should fear and love God so that we do not tell \_\_\_\_\_ about our neighbor, \_\_\_\_\_ him, \_\_\_\_\_ him, or hurt his \_\_\_\_\_, but \_\_\_\_\_ him, speak \_\_\_\_\_ of him, and explain everything in the \_\_\_\_\_ way.

2) Ask your parent(s): "Have you ever had any of the examples listed above of false testimony happen to you?" Summarize the event and how they felt about it here:

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3) Why do you think people lie, betray, slander, or hurt others?

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### ***Weekly Memory Verse:***

*[Jesus said,] "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone."*

***Matthew 18:15***

*(continued on back)*

4) Read together Matthew 18:15-17. List the four steps of dealing with someone who has sinned against you:

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5) What do you think the purpose of this process is?

6) Why do you think it's always best to go directly to the person who has sinned against you before getting others involved?

*Student Answer:*

*Parent Answer:*

**For Further Study...** *(an optional section for families that want to go deeper)*

Read John 8. Here is one of Jesus' brilliant discussions with the Jews concerning the matter of truth. All truth is found in Jesus (see John 14:6). In Jesus a person is introduced to what truth really is. This truth makes someone free (verses 34-36). Verses 42-47 give Jesus' judgment upon the lie and upon the people who speak lies.

As you reflect on the world you live in, think of the lies that are seen in advertising, in corruption of cities, in power. Lies are all around us. See how often in this chapter Jesus says, "I tell you the truth." Jesus is indeed The Way, The Truth, and The Life (John 14:6).

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print your name so we can read it)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_