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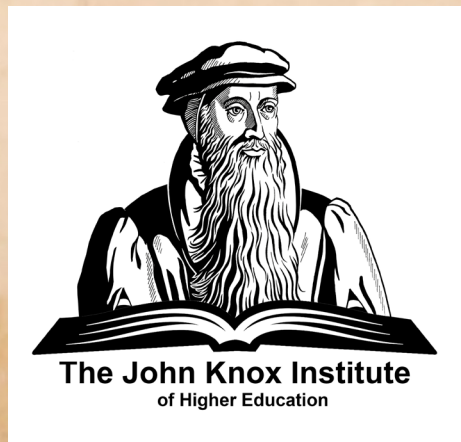
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for Lecture #33

**The Ten Commandments:
Love for God's Worship**
Catechism Questions 49, 50, 51, & 52



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The Ten Commandments:

Love for God's Worship

Memorization

Question 49: *Which is the second commandment?*

Answer: *The second commandment is, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments."*

Question 50: *What is required in the second commandment?*

Answer: *The second commandment requireth the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God hath appointed in his word.*

Question 51: *What is forbidden in the second commandment?*

Answer: *The second commandment forbiddeth the worshipping of God by images, or any other way not appointed in his word.*

Question 52: *What are the reasons annexed to the second commandment?*

Answer: *The reasons annexed to the second commandment are, God's sovereignty over us, his propriety in us, and the zeal he hath to his own worship.*

Lecture Structure

1. Introduction: how to worship God.
2. Pure worship.
3. Corrupt worship.

4. God's worship.

5. Conclusion.

Literal Study

1. Define these terms as they are used in the lecture:

a) Propriety _____

b) Ordinance _____

2. Summarize the main teachings from the answers to Questions 49 through 52.

Lecture Checkup

1. In your own words, what things are forbidden in the second commandment?

2. What should we employ in the worship of God? What is "religious worship and ordinances"?
What is the ultimate authority regarding the worship of God?

3. Why should we only employ in God's worship the things that God has commanded us?

4. Why should we not make any images that represent God? Why should we not use any images of God in the worship?

5. Is it acceptable to make images of the Lord Jesus Christ? Is he God?

6. What is the sin of the golden calf, which is recorded in Exodus chapter 32?

7. What warning are we given from what happened to Nadab and Abihu, as recorded in Leviticus chapter 10? What sin did they commit? Was it serious?

8. Nadab and Abihu did not make an image, so what is the principle behind this part of the command? Does God allow us to add our own inventions to the worship? Please explain.

9. What three reasons are annexed to the second commandment? What Scripture passage proves these reasons to be true?

10. The second commandment teaches us that God is zealous for his worship. What two main truths did Rev. Mattull point out to us about this?

Further Studies

1. How do the requirements in this second commandment differ from the requirements in the first commandment?

2. What are the ordinances which God has appointed in his Word to be the elements of worship, and to be observed by his people everywhere for all time?

3. The Apostle Paul says, "Let all things be done decently and in order" (1 Corinthians 14:40). By virtue of that command, may the church not appoint her own ceremonies in the worship for the sake of "decency and order"?

Practical Application

1. Do you love to worship God? Do you worship him in a church? Do you worship God according to his commands? Have you learned any new things from this lecture?

2. What warnings are there for those who add their own inventions to the worship of God? What great encouragements are there for those who do worship God in the ways he has commanded?

Project Ideas

Study church history and look for various forms of idolatry and superstition invented and promoted by the Roman Catholic Church in the worship of God. How much of it is actually seen in the Protestant churches in our own day? Write about it.
