

The Fifth Commandment

Before the Lesson:

- 1. Read OHF-2, "Lesson 14: The Fifth Commandment"
- 2. Read CCC, paragraphs 2258-2330 (See 2318-2330 for summary)

Lesson Goals:

- 1. To develop knowledge of the commandments
- 2. To encourage students to avoid unjust killing and grow in understanding of the dignity of man

Key Themes:

- 1. The Ten Commandments
- 2. Justice
- 3. Human Dignity

In Class:

- 1. Read the text of the lesson aloud (choose only a section, if time is limited)
- 2. Ask the students questions about the key themes, for example:
 - Ask "How do I respect my own dignity by being temperate?"
 - Ask "How do I respect the dignity of others by being kind?"
 - Ask "How is unjust killing disrespectful of human dignity?"
- 3. Invite the students to ask any questions they may have.
- 4. Ask the students to brainstorm other ideas about what we ought to <u>do</u> to raise awareness about human dignity in our day to day lives.
- 5. Have students stand and drill the "Questions and Answers" aloud, see page 56
- 6. Close with a brief prayer that especially reflects the themes of the week.

Put it into Practice:

1. Encourage the students to seek out ways to show respect to their siblings.