The Way of the Family

GRADE 8

CHAPTER 23 Study Guide

Keep these ideas in mind as you study ***Chapter 23****.*

The Fourth Commandment tells us to respect our parents. It also calls us to obey laws and proper authority. Laws are made for the good of everyone.

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Obedience enables you to do what those with rightful authority ask of you. By obeying your parents, you are obeying God. Obedience gives us the freedom to grow, frees us from anger, and helps us live together.

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Our duty toward our parents does not end when we turn 18 or 21 years of age. The Fourth Commandment says we are to provide for our parents in their old age.

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The Fifth Commandment tells us not to kill. We are to respect all life. Hatred, fighting, revenge, cruel words, hurtful criticism, prejudice, and using people all harm life and violate the Fifth Commandment.

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Scandal is leading others to sin by bad example. When you are tempted to do wrong, consider who else's spiritual growth you may be damaging.

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Abortion, the direct taking of the life of an unborn child, is a serious crime. The unborn should be defended and cared for.

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The Church respects and defends the dignity of life. As a member of the Church, you are called to find out about life issues and help others live better.

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