

Session 1: The Point of Confirmation

Confirmation helps you:

- Believe in your _____ and _____ with your mouth Jesus Christ as the risen Lord and _____.
- How? Through the _____ which is God's Word to us.
- How? Through regular _____ and _____ .
And using God's gifts of _____ and _____
- So that you can be the _____ that God has called you to be in your _____

Major Point:

Believe it or not there is a point to this thing called "Confirmation", and a good reason for going to all these classes. Confirmation prepares you to confess your faith in Jesus and helps you grow in your relationship with God.

Major Passages:

Romans 10:9-10
2 Timothy 3:16-17
Acts 2:42-47
Matthew 28:18-20

Team Time

1. Read Romans 10:9-10 again which says it is important to not only know what we believe in our hearts but be able to confess it with our words. Why is it important to know what you believe? Can you think of a time when your beliefs were challenged or questioned? Share one experience with the group when this happened to you. Is it scary to you when people challenge what you believe? How can you be sure what you believe is right?
2. What are three things do you believe right now or want to believe that you would like to find out more about this year in confirmation?
3. Read together and discuss John 17:20-26. This is a prayer that Jesus prayed for future believers as he was preparing to go to the cross. How does it make you feel knowing that Jesus was thinking of you even then? Close in prayer thanking God for wanting to have a personal relationship with you.

Family Time

This section is to be completed each week **together** with the confirmation youth and a parent and may also be used as a devotional for the entire family. Many times there will be sections from the Catechism to read together as well as bible stories to read. Normally these can be completed in about 15 minutes.

Y Read together Luther's Small Catechism pages 47 – 53 then discuss the following

1. Why do we use a catechism and the Bible and not just the Bible by itself? Which is more important and why?

2. Why is it important for us as a family to spend time learning God's Word together and using resources like the catechism?

3. What are the 6 Chief Parts of the Catechism?

4. Read Ephesians 2:8-10. What is grace and why is it so important?

5. My Favorite Bible Verse is? Why?
 - a. Parent(s)

 - b. Youth

6. How can our family benefit from doing these family time devotional studies together and how can we make sure that they are a priority for us to do them. Close together in prayer with your requests, thanksgivings and asking him to bless this time that you will spend together as a family in the study of His word.

This is to verify that I completed the *family time devotion* of this week's Confirmation lesson with my student.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____