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Series: God's Top Ten
Winter Year 1, Lesson 39

Never Commit Adultery

Take Home Point: *Never commit adultery. (This will be the sixth commandment in Augustine numbering and the seventh in Orthodox numbering.)

*Repeat this phrase throughout the lesson.

Bible Event: 1 Thessalonians 1:4-8; 2 Samuel 11

Key Verse: Exodus 20:14, "Never commit adultery."

We will help kids know:

- Sex is a gift of God to be enjoyed in marriage, and only in marriage.
- Sex is a way married people communicate love to each other.
- Sex binds people together in a special way.
- God says sex outside of marriage is a sin and hurts people.

We will help kids feel:

- Excited to review and remember the memory game recalling the Ten Commandments.
- Convicted of the importance of sexual purity.
- Comforted in the gospel of forgiveness through Jesus.

We will help kids do:

- Unwrap a gift box and then try and patch it together, illustrating the consequences of committing adultery.
- Work two colors of clay together and then try to separate them to their original colors.
- As a group, offer a damaged gift box to another group, illustrating the consequences of committing adultery.
- Pray together for God's strength to honor members of the opposite sex and to keep oneself from adultery.
- Pray for God's grace to help keep such a commitment.
- Continue the art project depicting the Ten Commandments.

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THIS LESSON'S ROADMAP

DESTINATION	PAGE #	DISCOVERIES ON YOUR JOURNEY	SUPPLIES NEEDED
Small Group Warm-Up 	3	The gift and contents represent the God-given gift of sex and the harm adultery creates in people's lives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix A or B (<i>p. 13 or 16</i>) • two lumps of different colored clay • place clay in a gift wrapped box with ribbon tied around • transparent tape
Large Group 	4 7	Overview Dramatic Presentation: "Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show" – Hunkel interviews Dr. Canido Heartpatch, world-renown family counselor, as he tells the story of King David and Bathsheba and the consequences of sin in their lives.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • stage set up from prior Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show presentations (<i>see lesson 33</i>) • overhead or powerpoint presentation of "Top Ten Ways ..." Pick whichever option you prefer (<i>p. 19 or 20</i>) • costume for Dr. Heartpatch
Small Group Application 	4	Review of Bible verses results in discussion of God's plan for sexual purity and reinforces the commandment " <i>never commit adultery.</i> "	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • gift box and clay from Warm-Up activity • Appendix A1 or B1 (<i>p. 14 or 17</i>) • scissors, markers, and glue • Ten Commandment stone tablets from lesson 33 • Ten Commandments for each kid (<i>p. 15 or 18</i>)

Small Group Warm-Up: 15 minutes



Purpose: *Get pointed in the right direction!* Build relationships and help guests feel at ease. Do the learning readiness activity that will point your group in the right direction for the lesson.

As kids gather: Listen to memory verses from last week and give coupons for memory verses, for remembering to bring Bibles, and for bringing a guest.

Christianity today has two ways of numbering the Ten Commandments. Your leader or supply coordinator will supply the appendix pages that give you the numbering system your church uses (either Appendix A or B). If you are using the Augustine Numbering (Appendix A), you are covering the sixth commandment today. If you are using the Orthodox Numbering, you are covering the seventh commandment today.

During this Warm-Up time, review the bizarre story that is a memory game. This is printed on the bottom of your appendix page and will help the kids learn a series of images that can help them recall the Ten Commandments. After only a few minutes of review continue with the following.

“Wrapped up” Contest

Supplies: Each group will need a gift-wrapped box decorated with a bow. The box should be taped so securely that the paper must be torn to get to the box. Inside the box should be two lumps of different colored clay.

Your goal in the following activity is to get the students to unwrap the present and mix their lumps of clay together before it is officially time to begin. Then they will be challenged to try to get the clay and the gift box put back into their original state. Say:

We’re going to have a contest to discover what is wrapped up in this box. We are racing other groups to see who can complete this task first. Listen to all the directions before you begin. Are you ready?

1. Quickly unwrap this present.

Pause so that the kids complete this direction, even though, officially, they are to listen to all the directions beforehand. Pause after each of the following directions so that they complete them as you read them.

2. Divide the clay so that each child has a small amount of each color.

3. Mix the pieces together and make a heart composed of the two colors of clay.

4. These hearts remind us of love. Because of God’s love for us, he gives us gifts to make us happy. As you make these hearts, think of gifts that God gives people that bring happiness.

5. Now that you’ve listened to all the directions, you may begin by quickly unwrapping the presents and making the multi-colored clay hearts.

Oops. I see that you have already unwrapped the present and mixed the clay. Remember, at the beginning I asked you to listen to all the directions before starting these tasks? What will we do now? Let me check the directions here:

If you've already opened the present and made your clay hearts, then we must try our best to patch things together the way they were before. Each person must now pull their hearts apart, putting them back into the two original colored lumps. Then put all the clay into two lumps together. Place them back in the box and rewrap the box with the wrapping paper that was originally on it.

Let the kids work on this project until it is time to go to large group. Say:

We'll continue this project after large group where we will learn **never commit adultery.*

Large Group Overview: 20-30 minutes



Purpose: *Help kids observe what the Bible says. Present the Bible event in creative fashion. Help kids begin to interpret what it means.*

Dramatic Presentation: "Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show" – Hunkel interviews Dr. Canido Heartpatch, world-renowned family counselor, as he tells the story of King David and Bathsheba and the consequences of sin in their lives.

Small Group Application: 20-25 minutes



Purpose: *Help kids map out the meaning of the Bible event in their lives. Use the questions to stimulate discussion, but don't feel tied to them. Allow the Holy Spirit to guide you. Include personal examples from your own faith journey. The example of Christ at work in your life will leave lasting impressions of how Christ can work in the children's lives.*

Use your Bibles! Children need to learn how to look up references and follow along when scripture is read aloud. Allow for quality time of prayer at the close of the lesson.

Observation Questions: What happened?

Have kids refer to 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 and have someone read aloud.

Why are believers given further instruction for Christian living?
(1Thessalonians 4:1-2. So that they would be encouraged to excel in living a God-pleasing life.)

Why should we keep away from sexual sin? (1Thessalonians 4:3-5. To show our devotion to God. We are to be different from those who don't know God.)

How do we do this? (Find a husband or wife in an honorable way... not in the lustful way of those who do not know God. And, keep away from sexual sin.)

What happens to those who don't know God or who take advantage of others in this way? (1Thessalonians 4:6-8. God punishes them.)

Some kids may have innocently been exposed to pornography. If any student feels guilty about something he/she has done, assure him/her of God's forgiveness just like he forgave David. Also give them God's promise in Romans 8:28, that God can work all things (even bad things) for good. Maybe they have learned a lesson they can share to keep someone else from becoming hurt.

If you suspect sexual abuse from anything a student shares, talk to the proper authorities.

In verse 7, what does God want us to do? (God does not want us to be sexually immoral but wants us to be holy.)

If we reject these directions, whom do we reject? (1Thessalonians 4:8. We reject God.)

What about Divorce? (Matthew 19:3-8)

These verses explain that it is God's plan that marriage was designed for a couple to stay together. When divorce happens, people are hurt and God cares about their hurt. In some cases, divorce is inevitable, but still it hurts people and shows how God's original design for marriage has been broken.

Interpretation Questions: What does this mean?

Do you think it is harder for people to keep themselves pure for marriage in Jesus' day or today? Why? (Accept any answer.)

Application Questions: What does this mean to me?

Application Activity:

Continue the effort to separate the clay into two lumps and to rewrap your present. Involve as many kids as possible in this task or process. While you are doing this, discuss some of the following questions.

Give me examples where people don't treat sex as the gift God intended. Let's see if we can come up with ten ways. Think of examples on TV and movies that say it's okay to have sex if you aren't married to each other.

Let kids talk about specific shows or movies that are not God pleasing.

What about songs on the radio? Can you think of any songs that send the message, “Have sex before you’re married.”

If possible, cite specific examples.

What about commercials? Do they ever use sex appeal to sell things?

The kids may have a hard time understanding this concept, but you can give an example.

Do you think kids your age can commit adultery? What about telling dirty jokes? What about looking at sexual images in magazines or on the Internet?

Any time we let Satan make God’s wonderful gift of sex seem cheap, we break this commandment.

After you’ve finished discussing the questions and rewrapping the gift box, find another group that has also finished and trade your box with them. See which box is rewrapped well.

How is this box like committing adultery? *(The gift was unwrapped before it was time and therefore became damaged. It could not be put back together like it had been before. Stress that even looking at images we should not see hurts our spirits.)*

Do you want to give your future husband or wife a gift that has been damaged, or do you want to save for them the very best of yourself and present it to them at your wedding?

**Remember God’s warning is for your protection:
*Never commit adultery.**

Continue discussion of this commandment as kids work on their craft project, coloring and cutting out the phrase “Never commit adultery.” Affix this on the right side (Love Others) of the art project.



Closing Prayer:

Thank God for the gift of sex and his protection of it in marriage. Thank God that he wants what is best for us. Pray that all would rely on the Holy Spirit and God’s word when faced with sexual temptation.

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Large Group Presentation: 20-30 minutes

Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show **Interview with family counselor, Dr. Canido Heartpatch** **Dramatic Presentation**

The series, God's Top Ten, will use a spin-off from a television talk show format to present the topic. For our purposes, we are calling it the Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show, but feel free to rename it to better suit your setting (e.g. Sunday Morning Live, Early Morning with Hunkel, etc...). If a lady is the talk show host, it would be the Harriet Doobergood Talk Show.

The set for this may be elaborate or as simple as you desire. It would be helpful to have a title sign, an interview desk and some chairs for guests. We would recommend that you have someone slightly off the set who could hold up the cue cards that say, "laugh", "applause" or "moan." These cue cards will be necessary to enhance the jokes. You may need to warm up the audience by practicing the signs. You might even have someone video record it as if it were a T.V. studio. The video clips could then be shown elsewhere to promote your 5th-6th grade program.

Props needed: wrapped gift box containing two pieces of clay like what was used in Warm Up.

Hunkel opens his talk show with his routine jokes and "Top Ten Ways" series.

Opening Joke:

Choose one of the following.

Number One:

At Sunday school they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Little Johnny responded, "I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."

Number Two:

A second grader came home from school and said to her mother, "Mom, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The mother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said, "How do you make babies?" "It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'."

Top Ten Ways:

Let's look at the top ten ways people in our culture misuse sex OR (top ten reasons to stay sexually pure. (See appendix if you desire to make a transparency.)

Choose one of the following Top Ten for presentation.

Top Ten Ways Our Culture Misuses Sex

10. Showing people on TV acting like they're having sex even when not married.
9. Thinking sex is something you do just when you like someone.
8. When girls use sex to try to get boyfriends.
7. When boys are only interested in girls for sex.
6. When people look at pornography (*dirty pictures*).
5. Thinking sex doesn't mean anything except good feelings, so you can have it with anyone.
4. Living with someone before you marry.
3. Sharing dirty jokes.
2. Having sex with the same sex.
1. Forcing someone to have sex.

Optional:

Top Ten Reasons to Stay Sexually Pure

10. God designed sex to be enjoyed between a husband and wife.
9. People can get terrible **diseases** when they have sex outside of marriage.
8. Sex outside of marriage hurts relationships.
7. Sex before marriage can have bad affects on a future marriage.
6. Because Satan tries to turn something good into something bad.
5. Looking at pornography (*dirty pictures*) makes sex feel "dirty."
4. People can use each other just for sex.
3. Having sex **DOES NOT** make someone love you.
2. Staying pure teaches us to respect ourselves and others.
1. Because God said so.

Introduction of special guest, Dr. Canido Heartpatch:

Hunkel: Our guest today is Dr. Canido Heartpatch, a world famous marriage counselor. Dr. Heartpatch is known for his work with marriage problems involving adultery. Today he wants to share his findings in one of the most famous adultery cases of all times, "King David and

Bathsheba” as recorded in the Bible, 2 Samuel, Chapters 11 and 12. Let’s welcome Dr. Heartpatch. (Applause.)

Dr. Heartpatch, can you give us a run down on this famous case?

Dr. Heartpatch: Oh, absolutely, indeed. It all happened about a thousand years before the birth of Christ, when King David ruled over the land of Israel. David was noted as good king, as one who followed God. But he had a very serious crisis. Because of it he had serious family difficulties. In doing my research, I discovered that your story two weeks ago was about his son, Absalom, who tried to take the throne of his father and take away his kingdom. David’s family problems with Absalom were a consequence of David’s sin when he broke the commandment, “Never commit adultery.”

David peaks over the balcony:

Hunkel: Can you tell us what happened?

Dr. Heartpatch: Oh absolutely, indeed. You see, in those days people took baths on top of their houses; it was the most private place in the city. UNLESS, you lived close to the king’s palace, that was after all, quite tall. So, King David was outside on his palace roof porch taking in the scenery one day when he saw something he shouldn’t have. He noticed a very beautiful lady taking a bath. Now, the polite thing to do would be to say “oops” and cover one’s eyes and back away.

Hunkel: What did he do?

Dr. Heartpatch: Well, if he covered his eyes, he peeked. He looked again. Before long he was staring and saying in his heart, “Whoa! What a babe!” And that was his first mistake. Yes, indeed. You see, most people in our culture today think adultery is just about the body, but it really starts in the mind with desire and lust. That’s why it’s important to watch your heart and not let your mind desire something that is wrong. It leads to problems. In this case, BIG problems.

David’s desires lead to adultery:

Hunkel: So, what happened?

Dr. Heartpatch: Well, David kept saying, “Whoa! What a babe!” in his heart when thinking about this beautiful woman. Then he took action. He found out who she was, and even though she was married to another man, David took advantage of being king and he gave an order. He had her brought to him and he committed adultery.

Explaining sex is a gift from God:

Hunkel: **So, adultery is when you have sex with someone you are not married to.**

Dr. Heartpatch: *Well, that's one way it happens. Let me explain it this way. It is like this beautifully wrapped box.*

God gave us the gift of sex. It is God who invented sex. In Genesis 2, we read that God says, "It is not good for man to be alone." He needs a partner. So God made a woman to be a partner for man. That special partnership is marriage between a man and a woman. When they are together in this way, God gives them this special gift, just like this box. It is the gift of sex. When a husband and wife enjoy sexual union, they show their love to each other. It's a gift they give each other, just like this beautifully wrapped box can be given. Absolutely, indeed. But...

Start tearing open the wrapping on the box.

...here's the problem. Because sex is a wonderful gift from God, Satan tries to get people to abuse it. He tempts people to have sex with someone with whom they are not married and to have sex before marriage. That's like my tearing the wrapping off this box. The gift is damaged before it is given to the right person, a husband or wife. Now, I can try to tape the wrapping back together, just like some people pretend that sex before marriage doesn't matter. But...

Attempt to tape the paper and bow back together nicely.

...it will not go back together exactly as it was before I started unwrapping it. Absolutely not. It's the same with someone who has had sex before marriage. That's because sexual intercourse is not just a physical bonding, but a spiritual bonding, as well.

Take the clay out of the box and mold the two lumps into one heart while you're talking.

You can see how the clay has mixed together as I made this heart. That's just how two people mix spiritually when they have sexual union. Absolutely, indeed. So when they have sex before marriage...

Tear the heart in two.

...they leave part of themselves behind. It's a mystery, but that's how God created it. So, no matter how much Satan tricks us and we pretend that sex before marriage doesn't matter, it matters very much. Indeed.

Mold the heart back together.

Now, when a man and a woman marry, they create one beautiful heart, like this. But adultery is also committed when a married person has sexual union with someone other than the one they are married to. Again, this is like tearing apart something valuable and mixing it when we should not.

Take the molded heart and break it in to two pieces again.

And when this happens, it hurts the people very much. Very much, indeed. It hurts their hearts, their marriage, and their love toward each other. Absolutely, indeed.

Consequences to sin:

Dr. Heartpatch continues:

We in the counseling profession know that there are always consequences to sin. If one commits adultery, there will always be heartbreak. Always. In David's case, this was certainly true.

After David committed adultery with Bathsheba, she became pregnant. So, since David didn't want to get caught having sex with another man's wife, he called Bathsheba's husband, Uriah, home from the war. David said to Uriah, "Oh, you've been fighting so hard and faithfully, go spend a few days with your dear wife. But that didn't happen. Uriah said, "How could I possibly do that when my fellow soldiers are out in the battle!" So he slept at the palace steps. Well, you can be sure Bathsheba didn't sleep there! So now it was clear that Bathsheba was pregnant by a man who was not her husband.

Finally, David did a terrible thing. Absolutely, indeed. When Uriah returned to the battlefield, David gave orders for his general to send Uriah to the front line of battle and then pull back the rest of his soldiers. Of course, Uriah was killed by the enemy.

So with Uriah out of the way, David took Bathsheba as his own wife. He thought he could hide his sin and no one would notice. But remember there are always consequences. God sent the prophet Nathan to David, who told him that God knew what David had done, and that the child would die, and he would always have trouble in his family. Which is what happened.

Is there forgiveness?

Hunkel: I can see how committing adultery is very serious because it brings much heartbreak and can break up families. But, is there any hope? Can those who commit adultery be forgiven?

Dr. Heartpatch: Oh, yes, absolutely, indeed. There is no sin God can't or won't forgive. David repented and confessed his sin, asking that God would forgive him. And God did. God continued to love and care for David, even though his sin had consequences. In fact, later in your study I'm sure you will learn about Solomon, the wise king. Well, Solomon was another son of David and Bathsheba! God is wonderful!

Hunkel: Wow. We need a counselor like you to warn us about these things so that families don't have so much heartbreak.

Dr. Heartpatch: Well, that's the point. You don't need me to warn you. God already did! He gave us the commandment that says, "Never commit adultery." He was doing that to protect this wonderful gift that he gave us called sex and to protect our marriages and families from hurt. In fact, if everyone just obeyed God and his commandments, people wouldn't need a family counselor like me!

Hunkel: Thank you for sharing that with us. Please give a round of applause and appreciation for Dr. Canido Heartpatch.

Let's close with prayer:

Heavenly Father, thank you for the wonderful gift of sex in marriage. You've given that gift to us with instructions not to open this gift until we are married. Help us to do that. Help us to only share it with the special person who becomes our husband or wife. Help us to use this gift the way you want us to. If we ever make mistakes, let us not hide from you but come to you and tell you about it so we can have your forgiveness through Jesus' name, Amen

This is Hunkel Doobergood signing off. Remember—Keep those commandments: It's good for God, and it's good for us! And today, remember to **never commit adultery.*

See you again next Sunday at the Hunkel Doobergood Talk Show.

The Ten Commandments – Augustine Numbering

(Used by Roman Catholics and Lutherans)

Number	Commandment	For the memory game, picture...
1st	“You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a graven image.”	...a big, fat, stone idol. Out of it’s mouth flows the ...
2nd	“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.”	large block letters, N-A-M-E. They float down and land on a long, wooden church bench.
3rd	“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.”	The church pew begins to move.
4th	“Honor your father and your mother.”	It’s being pulled by your parents! Where is it going?
5th	“You shall not kill.”	They are pulling it across a very large knife!
6th	“You shall not commit adultery.”	The knife falls and stabs through a Playboy magazine.
7th	“You shall not steal.”	A huge fist grabs the magazine! Then...
8th	“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”	Two very red ears come out of each side of the fist .
9th	“You shall not covet your neighbor’s household.”	Pop, one arm comes out and reaches for a lady driving a sports car, then, pop...
10th	“You shall not desire anything that is your neighbor’s.”	The other arm reaches for her house.

Narration

For the memory game, picture a big, fat, stone idol. Out of it’s mouth flows huge block letters... N-A-M-E. That spells “name.” The letters now float down and land on a long, wooden church bench. The church bench begins to move! Your parents are pulling it! Where is it going? They’re pulling it across a very large knife. The knife falls and stabs through a Playboy magazine. A huge fist grabs the magazine. Then, two very red ears come out of each side of the fist. POP! One arm comes out and reaches for a lady driving a sports car, then, POP, the other arm comes out and reaches for her house.

Appendix A1 – Augustine Numbering: Ten Commandments Craft

LOVE GOD...

- 1. Keep God #1**
- 2. Honor God's name**
- 3. Honor God's worship**

LOVE OTHERS

- 4. Honor parents**
- 5. Never murder**
- 6. Never commit adultery**
- 7. Never steal**
- 8. Never gossip**
- 9. Never covet someone's household**
- 10. Never desire someone's stuff**

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The Ten Commandments – Orthodox Numbering

(Used by Greek Orthodox and most Protestant churches)

Number or Word	Commandment	For the memory game, picture...
1st	“You shall have no other gods before me.”	...a big, fat, stone idol. Someone is...
2nd	“You shall not make for yourself a graven image.”	...hitting the idol with a chisel.
3rd	“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.”	Some large block letters, N-A-M-E, float out of the idol’s mouth...
4th	“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.”	and land on a long, wooden church bench. What is happening?
5th	“Honor your father and your mother.”	It is being pulled by your parents!
6th	“You shall not kill.”	They are pulling it across a very large knife.
7th	“You shall not commit adultery.”	The knife falls and stabs through a Playboy magazine.
8th	“You shall not steal.”	A huge fist grabs the magazine! Then, pop...
9th	“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.”	Two very red ears come out of the big fist. And...
10th	“You shall not covet your neighbor’s household or you shall not desire anything that is your neighbor’s.”	Out of the ear comes an arm that reaches for a lady in her house.

Narration

For the memory game, picture a big, fat, stone idol. Someone is using a hammer and chiseling pieces out of the idol. Out of the idol’s mouth flows huge block letters... N-A-M-E. They spell “name.” The letters now float down and land on a long, wooden church bench. The church bench begins to move! Your parents are pulling it! Where is it going? They’re pulling it across a very large knife. The knife falls and stabs through a Playboy magazine. A huge fist grabs the magazine. Then, two very red ears come out of each side of the fist. Then, all of a sudden, one arm comes out of the ear and reaches for a lady in her house.

Appendix B1 – Orthodox Numbering: Ten Commandments Craft

LOVE GOD...

- 1. Keep God #1**
- 2. Make no idols**
- 3. Honor God's name**
- 4. Honor God's worship**

LOVE OTHERS

- 5. Honor parents**
- 6. Never murder**
- 7. Never commit adultery**
- 8. Never steal**
- 9. Never gossip**
- 10. Never covet someone's family or stuff**

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Top Ten Ways Our Culture Misuses Sex

- 10. Showing people on TV who aren't married and they're having sex.**
- 9. Thinking sex is something you do just when you like someone.**
- 8. When girls use sex to try to get boyfriends.**
- 7. When boys are only interested in girls for sex.**
- 6. When people look at pornography (*dirty pictures*).**
- 5. Thinking sex doesn't mean anything except good feelings... so you can have it with anyone.**
- 4. Living with someone before you marry.**
- 3. Sharing dirty jokes.**
- 2. Having sex with the same sex.**
- 1. Forcing someone to have sex.**

Top Ten Reasons to Stay Sexually Pure

- 10. God designed sex to be enjoyed between a husband and wife.**
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- 2. Staying pure teaches us to respect ourselves and others.**
- 1. Because God said so.**

[June 14, 2017]

Dear Parents,

Our students in 5th/6th grade Kingdom Quest [4:00 Saturdays and 9:30 Sundays] are currently studying the Ten Commandments. On the weekend of [Feb. 14-15], we will discuss the commandment, “Never commit adultery.”

We will teach:

- Sex is a gift of God to be enjoyed in marriage ... and only in marriage.
- Sex is a way married people communicate love to each other.
- Sex binds people together in a special way.
- God says sex outside of marriage is a sin and hurts people.

We will **NOT** teach:

- The “birds and the bees” specifics about sex. This will not be a sex ed class.

We’re sending this note in the hope that you will discuss this important topic with your preteen. Next week, ask your child about unwrapping “the gift” too soon. You might want to investigate the excellent age-appropriate resources on this subject in the local Bible bookstore.

We want to do whatever we can to support you as you discuss with your children God’s gift of sex and his design for how it is to be used.

In Christ,