

We Love All That Is Holy

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Chapter 11.

- The Second Commandment says that you shall not take the name of the Lord in vain.
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- ❖ In court, people are sometimes asked to swear. In this case, swearing means calling on God to witness that what they say is true.
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- We should only use God's name with love and respect. Cursing is using God's name to wish harm to someone or something.
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- ♣ Jesus taught us to pray "Hallowed be thy name." We honor God's name as "hallowed," or holy, when we use it with love and respect.
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- We give our love to God when we keep the Second Commandment. God's name is holy because God is holy. Jesus taught us to call God our Father.
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- When we sing and pray, we can use the many names of God, such as Lord and Father. Each name that we call God tells how good he is.
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- The name of Jesus is so holy and powerful that repeating the name is itself one of the oldest and best prayers. People come to feel his love and presence.

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- ♣ Jesus wanted people to respect the Temple as a holy place. When he saw that people were not honoring that holy place, he knocked over their tables and told them to leave. Today he wants us to respect all holy people, places, and things.
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- Holy people, places, and things help us think of God. When we honor what is holy, we praise and honor God.
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- Certain places are called holy because they are special places where we pray and worship. Our homes are holy because we pray together there as a family.
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