

# Victory Valley Summer Camp Scholarship Project 2025



Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email or best form of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Due Date: May 25th**

**Camp Dates:**  
**Elementary School Week: June 22 - 28th**  
**Middle School Week: July 20 - 26th**

Dear Parents,

This packet may be used as a tool to encourage your child to dig deeper into God's Word while earning scholarship money to be used toward Summer Camp at Victory Valley! This past school year we have been teaching theology to our school age children on Wednesday nights, using the New City Catechism. Those children who have attended have been introduced to a series of questions and their corresponding answer that succinctly explain core elements of doctrine in language that is easy to understand. We believe it is crucial for every believer (children included) to be able to clearly explain the Biblical foundation for what they believe and these catechism questions are a great way to do that. Even if your child has not been exposed to the New City Catechism before, this Scholarship program will allow them to learn and memorize these truths in a fun way. This year the total scholarship of \$100 per child will be broken down into 2 separate categories: Memorization & Special Projects. **Both categories will need to be completed by May 25th.**

### **Memorization of Catechism**

The following is a breakdown of what memorization will be expected of different age groups:

<b>Ages 8 -10</b>	<b>Ages 11 - 12</b>	<b>Ages 13-14</b>
Catechisms 13-20 (short answers)	Catechisms 13-24 (short answers)	Catechisms 13-24 (long answers)

We recognize that not every child may be able to memorize every question, so here is a breakdown of the dollar amounts that can be earned by memorizing portions of the selected catechisms. **NOTE:** If your child needs a modified program that is more project oriented, please feel free to reach out to Sarah Klase.

<b>Ages 8 -10</b>	<b>Ages 11 - 12</b>	<b>Ages 13-14</b>
Catechisms 13 - 15 : \$25	Catechisms 13-16: \$25	Catechisms 13-16: \$25
Catechisms 13 - 18 : \$50	Catechisms 13-20: \$50	Catechisms 13-20: \$50
Catechisms 13 - 20 : \$75	Catechisms 13-24: \$75	Catechisms 13-24: \$75

### **Special Projects**

Every child will also have the opportunity to earn an additional \$25 scholarship by completing a project related to the catechisms memorized. They may **choose 1** of the following catechisms below to create a project based on what they learned about God through that catechism. Below are some suggested project ideas, but feel free to allow your child to use their creativity! Songs, posters, models/artwork, creative written stories are all ideas of possible submissions.

**The project MUST include accurate representation of the theology behind the selected catechism with at least 3 Bible references to support their material.**

Catechism #	Project Ideas
Catechism #13 - No mere human can keep the Law of God perfectly	With this catechism we learned that “close enough” isn’t good enough. We need a perfect redeemer. Make a poster showing different situations in life when “close enough” doesn’t work. (ie. Running a marathon & quitting right before the finish line) Then discuss why we need a perfect Savior. Remember to include 3 verses!
Catechism #17 - Idolatry	One way to figure out what our idols are is to ask, “what makes us angry if its taken away?” Draw a story in comic strip style that shows someone who gets angry and then realizes they have made an idol of someone or something. Remember to include 3 verses warning against idolatry.
Catechism #20 - The Lord Jesus is our Redeemer!	In the book, “The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe,” the character of Aslan is meant to be a picture of Jesus and his redemption of us. <b>Option 1:</b> Draw or paint a picture inspired by this book and list on the back the ways Aslan displays qualities of Jesus. Describe how Jesus is superior to Aslan or any earthly representation. Remember to include 3 verses that describe Jesus. <b>Option 2:</b> Grab some friends and act out a scene from the book. Then explain how Aslan’s sacrifice points us to Jesus’ ultimate sacrifice. Have someone film your presentation to submit.
Catechism #23 - The Redeemer must be truly God	We often talk about Jesus’ deity during Christmas. <b>Option 1:</b> Design and decorate a Christmas Card that includes at least 3 Bible verses pointing to his deity. <b>Option 2:</b> Record a video of you reading 3 verses that mention Jesus’ deity and then perform a song (either singing or playing a musical instrument) that describes that He is both God & Man.

Below is the grading scale we will be using for these special projects:

Categories the graders will look for:	Total Points to be earned in each category:
Accurate representation of Catechism and Bible references	50
Creativity	25
Neatness	25

Here is the breakdown of Scholarship funds according to total points earned for the Special Project:

75 -100 Total points: \$25

74 - 50 Total points: \$15

49 - 0 Total points: \$0

## New City Catechism: Questions 13 - 24

The following pages contain the list of catechisms and their corresponding answers. You'll notice both the short and long answers are given, and the corresponding age groups noted on the far right side. **Please make sure your child memorizes the questions in numerical order.** Once each question is memorized, please mark the list below with the date and a parent or guardian's initials.

Another resource you may want to check out is the New City Catechism App. It is free and has verses and commentaries linked to each question. It starts out with the long answers, but you can turn on "children's mode" and you'll be able to see the short answers to the catechisms as well as listen to songs geared toward each question.

### **For ages 8 - 14:**

Question 13: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 14: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 15: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 16: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 17: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Questions 18: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 19: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 20: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

### **For Ages 11-14:**

Question 21: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Questions 22: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 23: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

Question 24: Parent Initial/Date\_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like us to return your special project to you after we display it at church? (Please check one)**

**Yes**

**No**

## Question 13

### Can anyone keep the law of God perfectly?

Long: Since the fall, no mere human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly, but consistently breaks it in thought, word, and deed.

13-14

Short: Since the fall, no mere human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly.

8-12

## Question 14

### Did God create us unable to keep his law?

Long: No, because of the disobedience of Adam, all of creation is fallen; we are all born in sin and guilt, corrupt in our nature and unable to keep God's law.

13-14

Short: No, because of the disobedience of Adam, we are all born in sin and guilt, unable to keep God's law.

8-12

## Question 15

### Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?

Long: That we may know the holy nature and will of God, and the sinful nature and disobedience our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. The law also teaches and exhorts us to live a life worthy of our Savior.

13-14

Short: That we may know the holy nature of God, and the sinful nature of our hearts and thus our need of a Savior.

8-12

## **Question 16**

### **What is sin?**

Long: Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, rebelling against him by living without reference to him, not being or doing what he requires in his law - resulting in our death and the disintegration of all creation.

13-14

Short: Sin is rejecting or ignoring God in the world he created, not being or doing what he requires in his law.

8-12

## **Question 17**

### **What is idolatry?**

Long: Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.

13-14

Short: Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator.

8-12

## **Question 18**

### **Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?**

Long: No, every sin is against the sovereignty, holiness, and goodness of God, and against his righteous law, and God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them in his just judgement both in this life, and in the life to come.

13-14

Short: No, God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them both in this life, and in the life to come.

8-12

### **Question 19**

**Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?**

Long: Yes! To satisfy his justice, God himself, out of mere mercy, reconciles us to himself and delivers us from sin and from the punishment for sin, by a Redeemer.

13-14

Short: Yes! God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer.

8-12

### **Question 20**

**Who is the Redeemer?**

Long: The Only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, in whom God became man and bore the penalty for sin himself.

13-14

Short: The only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ.

8-12

### **Question 21**

**What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?**

Long: One who is truly human and also truly God.

13-14

Short: One who is truly human and also truly God.

8-12

## **Question 22**

### **Why must the Redeemer be truly human?**

Long: That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin; and also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.

13-14

Short: That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin.

8-12

## **Question 23**

### **Why must the Redeemer be truly God?**

Long: That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

13-14

Short: That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective.

8-12

## **Question 24**

### **Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?**

Long: Since death is the punishment for sin, Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin, and bring us back to God. By his substitutionary atoning death, he alone redeems us from hell and gains for us forgiveness of sin, righteousness, and everlasting life.

13-14

Short: Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin, and bring us back to God.

8-12