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Lesson Finished: ____

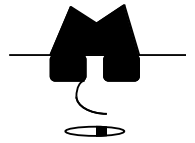
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Comprehension Exercise
Lesson #4
Lord's Prayer: Introduction

I. Cram the Memorization into your brain

- A. Write (or type) the memory work out
- B. Say it out loud
- C. Erase or white out one word
- D. Go back to step B, and repeat until the whole thing is gone
- E. Do something else for 10+ minutes
- F. Say it to yourself to make sure you know it
- G. Review before Confirmation class or Sunday School. I will be available 10 minutes before class Wednesday to hear recitations or to watch you write it.

II. Did you do a Secret Service yet this month? If not, plan one now!



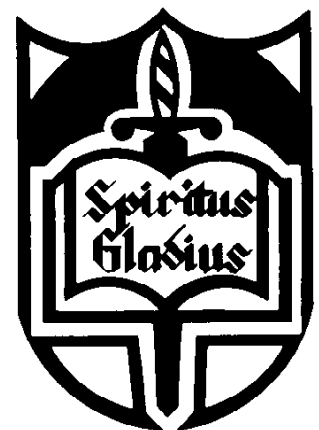
III. Defining Terms

Define the following terms from the memorization:

- A. art
- B. Father
- C. true children
- D. boldness
- E. confidence

IV. Unsheathe Your Sword!

- A. Read Ro 8:14-17
- B. What does it mean that we are children of God?
- C. What does it mean to be heirs with Christ?
- D. Who is a child of God? Who is not?
- E. Who declares us to be children of God?
- F. What did you do to earn God as your Father?
- G. According to v. 15, how were you added to God's family?



V. Getting the details

- A. Why do we say, "Our Father" and not "My Father"?

B. In what ways is God a Father to us?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

C. Why would calling God “Father” encourage us to pray?

D. What does “Who art in heaven” mean?

E. List one way God is better than your earthly father.

VI. Tying it in

God’s Word is like a spider web. All the parts are connected and depend on each other and are related.

A. Compare the Lord’s Prayer Introduction & the First Article of the Apostles’ Creed.

1. Name 2 things they have in common¹, and be specific.

- a.
- b.

B. How is this *wrong* teaching dangerous to the soul²:

Prayer is a good work that earns you favor with God.

VII. What’s the Point?

A. Imagine yourself in this situation. Given what you’ve learned from this lesson, how can you respond?

A friend says to you, “How can God hear my prayers when so many people are praying at once?”

B. What could you say?

¹No answers like, “They both have to do with God.”

²Hint: Figure out how this would negate “Jesus, true God & true man, took my place on the cross so I can live forever with Him in the heaven & new creation, and I am saved 100% because of what *He* has done for *me*.”