The Ten Commandments-God gave ten

Commandments. Let us hold up our ten fingers, so we'll remember the number, and then we'll all try to remember the words of these Commandments. There is a word of four letters that will help us to obey all God's commandments. We'll print it, LOVE, across the tables. The first four Commandments tell us how we should treat God, and the other six tell us how we should treat other people.

The First Commandment—Repeat. Tell the need of this law, because of the many gods of the heathen people amongst whom God's people have been living. (Bad company has a bad influence.)

The Second Commandment—Tell of the images the Egyptians made, graven out of wood and stone, to which they bowed down in worship. Show an idol or a picture of one. Repeat :

" 'All love Me first,' the Lord did say.

'Unto no graven image pray.' "

The Third Commandment—Here are two more lines that will help us to remember God's other two Commandments about the way we are to treat Him :

"Take not the name of God in vain" (repeat). Have you heard some one using God's name roughly,—swearing by God's holy name? God says He will surely punish those who speak His name in that way. Frank's mother heard him using God's name in a wrong way. She brought the little lad into the house and took some water and washed his tongue !

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The Fourth Commandment-Repeat :

"Nor yet the Sabbath day profane." You all know what day this is. God says (print) : REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY TO KEEF IT HOLY. Tell us some ways of doing this. Explain "profane."

Golden Text—Repeat Golden Text. If we love God with all our heart, etc., we shall want no other God. If we love God, we shall not want to make anything else to worship. If we love God, we shall want to speak His name always reverently, not in swearing words. If we love God, we shall love His holy day and love to spend the day in worshiping Him. We see how love makes us obey all these Commandments.

My Verse-

"Little eyes, look up to God. Little ears, hear His word. Little feet, walk His ways. Little mouth, sing His praise. Little hands, do His will. Little heart, love Him still." Symbol—God's COMMANDING HAND. To Think About—I should love God.

FROM THE PLATFORM



Print on the blackboard, GoD's LOVE, and get the scholars to tell, in answer to well directed questions, how God had shown His love to Israel. The answers will describe the great deliverance from Egypt, the giving of the manna and guidance through the wilderness to Mount Sinai. Next, ask what feelings the Israelites should have had towards God. The scholars will readily see that they should have been filled with love and gratitude. And what was the best way for them to show these feelings ? Again it will be seen that by obedience they could best express their thankful love. Now print God's LAW, and bring out, by questions, what it was that God required of His people in the first four Commandments. Close, by bringing out how God has shown His love to us, and urge loving obedience as the return which we should make for God's wonderful love.