

## Theology Simply Explained — WSC56 The Reason Annexed to the Third Commandment (2)

### “The Third Commandment and the Unforgivable Sin”

Pastor walks his children through Westminster Shorter Catechism question 56: What is the reason annexed to the third commandment? ***The reason annexed to the third commandment is that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape his righteous judgment.***

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What is the reason next to the third?

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That. However, Okay, the breakers Yes. The breakers of this commandment may escape the judgment, the punishment, from men. You his righteous judgment. Very good. You almost got the whole second half. Word. Perfect yet. The Lord are. God will not suffer them to escape his righteous judgment and that is especially tied to onward.

Jesus and his identity as the one in whom God has fully made himself known. And so he is unto us. The name of God Jesus is as much the name of God as Yahweh is and in some ways more because it is the name that he gives himself. When he displays himself in the second person which is one of the reasons why in God's providence.

The Jews did not rightly transliterate Yahweh in Greek. When they, when they were translating the Septuagint. And so The Lord's superintends that with the purpose that when they out of superstition, put curios for Yahweh throughout the Old Testament yet this will help New Testaments believers as they read their Old Testament, and they refer to the Lord, Jesus, as curios that they say, they see everywhere that the Lord says Yahweh in the Old Testament.

You means the one who we know most of all most clearly most fully that's Jesus. So that wherever we read y'all way or Lord and all capital letters and your Old Testaments, the Holy Spirit has intentionally. So written and taught us that we might know that. Jesus is the one, the one who died for us and rows again.

And there's ascended. And there's the delight of our souls to think about being with him one day, seeing him one day, he's the one who It has done, all these things in the Old Testament. There's also good reminder that God does not have as it were a single inherent name and a set of syllables that is fully him.

No, Jesus is fully in. He gives us various names. You also has a special place among those names because he calls up. My memorial name onto all generations. That is how he wants them to remember him and call him.

But when we blaspheme or treat lightly the names of God, we're treating lightly, especially Jesus himself. Who is the full revelation? Full disclosure that God has made of himself unto us. And so, the third commandment is very closely tied to what Jesus calls blasphemy. Against the Holy Spirit. When people are calling Jesus billsible, rather than recognizing, by the ministry of the Holy Spirit, that Jesus is the full revelation of God.

And he says that any other sort of sin, maybe forgiven a men, but blasphemy against the Holy Spirit will not On the context, he's talking about how you cannot be forgiven without Christ as God in the flesh to save you. And so the, when the third commandment says for Yahweh, your God will not hold him guiltless to take his name, his teaching the same thing as Jesus teaches when he talks about me and the Holy Spirit.

And so if someone says you have one of these Lord's, Day discussions with the sophomores, the y's fools. That's so sophomore means at lunch at church and sounds like what do you think blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is you just calmly say, Well, I'm pretty sure Jesus had already said it in the third commandment like 1500 years earlier.

So it's not too mysterious or you can just say. I think it means the Lord, our God will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his name in vain, and then you can go into describing how Jesus is for all practical purposes. The name of capital letters of God unto uses God's disclosure to us.

And you cannot have your sin forgiven if you think of Jesus and a light creaturely manner, rather than his God, who can just save us, this is why the doctrine of the divinity of Christ is one that is necessary for salvation, not because there's any theological abstraction that's necessary for salvation.

But because Jesus himself is necessary for salvation.

Right.