## Questions 93 & 94(A)

Q93. What is the sixth commandment?

A93. You shall not murder.

Q94. What does the sixth commandment teach us?

A94. To avoid angry passions.

Scripture Base: Gen. 4:1-16, 9:6; Prov. 23:20-21

Heb. 12:15; 1 John 2:9-11, 3:15;

Doctrine: WCF 19, 23 SC: 67-69

## **Supplementary Questions**

1. What does this commandment primarily forbid?

2. What else does this commandment forbid?

Songs: The Ten Commandments; The Greatest Commandment - Judy Rogers

## **Teaching Notes**

**Review:** Q 92. What does the fifth commandment teach us? - *To love and obey our parents and teachers*.

**Story:** Cain and Abel, Gen 4:1-16.

## **Supplementary Questions**

- **1.** *Murder* which is to take away life unjustly. To kill is to take away life.
- 2. It forbids us to harm, or to do anything that tends toward harming, others unjustly. It's wrong to hit, threaten, or in any way injure others, or to withhold something from them they need to live (food, clothing, shelter). We may not hold grudges or become bitter against others. (1 John 2:9-11, 3:15; Heb. 12:15). We may also not imagine hurting them. It forbids us to commit suicide (self-murder) or do anything that would threaten us. We may not do things that are unnecessarily dangerous. (Ask them for examples!) We may not eat things that are harmful. We may not eat too much or neglect the care of our bodies. (Prov. 23:20-21).

<u>Gospel</u>: Jesus tells us that if we hate someone in our hearts, we have already murdered them. God's Word tells us further that no murderer has eternal life. If we find that we hate someone in our hearts, or that our hearts are full of hatred, we need to turn from that sin and turn to Christ. He can help us to love others, even our enemies. Remember, God loved those who hated Him so much that He sent His Son to die for them. Every day He pours out His kindness and mercy to those who are His enemies. He tells us to do the same thing (Matt. 5:44-48). You can only do this if you trust Jesus to help you. Turn from your sins and trust in Him.

Activity: Worksheet 5-10, part 2; Cain & Abel picture.Songs: 10 Commandments; Greatest Commandment- J Rogers