

WEEK THREE

THE THIRD COMMANDMENT

“You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.” **Exodus 20:7**

MAN ON THE STREET QUESTION

When I say Christian, what do you think? ...what comes to mind?

SUMMARY

Names used to mean something - they told you something about a person's character. In Commandment Three, we learn that because we are unable to see God, his reputation rests on our actions. Consequently, our actions must reflect his honor. Do yours? Does your life point others to God?

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

1. What comes to mind when you hear the third commandment, “don't take the Lord's name in vain?”
2. How have you seen Christians misusing God's name or his power? Did that affect your view of God?
3. What would it look like to perfectly honor God's name? What keeps us from doing that?