

The Bible Tells Me So

Use this dramatic recitation to help students learn the Ten Commandments. It is divided into easy-to-learn sections that correspond to each lesson. Rehearse the dialogue and hand-signs together, adding the portion that goes with each new lesson you teach. You may want to use this narration as a presentation to parents or other classes at the end of the quarter.

Lesson 1: Listen (cup ears)

To God's Law! (open hands like a book)

Lesson 2: Number One— (hold up one finger)

Follow the Lord only. (point to heaven)

Lesson 3: Number Two— (hold up two fingers)

Worship the Lord God. (raise hands up and down)

Lesson 4: Number Three— (hold up three fingers)

Revere God's name. (hold hand to mouth and raise up)

Lesson 5: Number Four— (hold up four fingers)

Keep God's day special. (put head in hands as if sleeping)

Lesson 6: Number Five— (hold up five fingers)

Honor your parents. (bow to one side and then the other)

Lesson 7: Number Six— (hold up six fingers)

Do not murder. (shake fist in air)

Lesson 8: Number Seven— (hold up seven fingers)

Keep marriage holy. (hold up one hand, then the other—clasp together)

Lesson 9: Number Eight— (hold up eight fingers)

Do not steal. (pretend to take something and put it in a pocket)

Lesson 10: Number Nine— (hold up nine fingers)

Do not lie. (move fingers up and down as if talking)

Lesson 11: Number Ten— (hold up ten fingers)

Do not covet. (grip hands together as if holding something, then open to "let go")

Lesson 12: Jesus summed up the Law— (open hands like a book)

Love God. (point to heaven)

And love others. (shake hands with those around you)