



CAPSTONE
Classical Academy

2024 Recitation Content

Week Nine

North

Theology:

But now, O God, strengthen my hands. Nehemiah 6:9

Hymn:

“Abide with Me”

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless,
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes.
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks and earth's vain shadows flee;
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Civics:

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there.

For thirdly he works it upon stretch with the fore-paws extended

For fourthly he sharpens his paws by wood.

For fifthly he washes himself.

For sixthly he rolls upon wash.

For seventhly he fleas himself, that he
may not

be interrupted upon the beat.

For eighthly he rubs himself against a post.

For ninthly he looks up for his instructions.

For tenthly he goes in quest of food.

For having considered God and himself he will
consider his neighbor.

Prayer:

Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting.

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power,
and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,

for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom;
you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you;
you are the ruler of all things.

In your hands are strength and power

to exalt and give strength to all. Now, our God, we give you thanks,
and praise your glorious name. Amen.

South

Theology:

Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be
renowned in Israel!

Ruth 4:14

Civics:

“Defence of Fort M’Henry” by Francis Scott Key

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Praise the power that hath made and preserv'd us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
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And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
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And what shoulder, & what art,
Could twist the sinews of thy heart?
And when thy heart began to beat,
What dread hand? & what dread feet?

What the hammer? What the chain,
In what furnace was thy brain?
What the anvil? what dread grasp,
Dare its deadly terrors clasp?

Closing Prayer:

Lord God,
let the words of your servant's mouth and the meditations of our hearts

be pleasing in your sight,
O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. Through Christ. Amen.

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Theology:

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams.
1 Samuel 15:22

Hymn:

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the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see.
O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour.
What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like thyself my guide and strength can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

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in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,

almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all praise we would render, O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

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Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish but naught changeth thee.

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EXODUS 3:14

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O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore dimly seen through the mists of the deep
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected now shines in the stream,
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For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies.

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For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
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For yourself, best gift divine,
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agent of God's grand design:
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The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls;
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Theology:

"I AM WHO I AM."

Exodus 3:14

Hymn:

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
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Theology:

I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. Genesis 12:2

Civics:

“America the Beautiful”

O beautiful for spacious skies,

for amber waves of grain;

for purple mountain majesties

above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed his grace on thee,

And crown thy good with brotherhood

From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved

In liberating strife

Who more than self, their country loved

And mercy more than life

America, America may God thy gold refine
'Til all success be nobleness
And every gain divine

O beautiful for pilgrim feet
Whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare to freedom beat
Across the wilderness

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South

Theology:

Q. Who made you?

A. God made me.

Q. What else did God make?

A. God made all things.

Q. Why did God make you and all things?

A. God made me and all things for His own glory.

Q. How can you glorify God?

A. I can glorify God by loving Him and doing what He commands.

Q. Why ought you to glorify God?

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Poetry:

“A Wise Old Owl” by Author Unknown
There was an owl liv'd in an oak
The more heard the less he spoke
The less he spoke the more he heard,
O, if men were all like that wise bird.

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Hymn:

“Be Thou My Vision”
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
be Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart,
O High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
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Poetry:

The Herring Loves the Merry Moonlight by Sir Walter Scott

The herring loves the merry moonlight,
The mackerel loves the wind,
But the oyster loves the dredging sang,
For they come of a gentle kind.

Prayer:

Dear Jesus,
it is hard to forgive people
when they hurt us and our friends.
We want to hit back—
and sometimes we do.
But you teach us to love our enemies
no matter what they do.
Forgive us, Lord Jesus,
when we do not forgive others.
Help us to understand why people hurt others,
and let our hearts be filled with love for them. Amen.

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Civics:

“America the Beautiful”

O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain;
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain!

America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife
Who more than self, their country loved
And mercy more than life

America, America may God thy gold refine
'Til all success be nobleness
And every gain divine

Poetry:

“A Wise Old Owl” by Author Unknown

There was an owl liv'd in an oak
The more he heard the less he spoke
The less he spoke the more he heard,
O, if men were all like that wise bird.

Closing Prayer:

Lord God,
let the words of your servant's mouth and the meditations of our hearts
be pleasing in your sight,
O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. Through Christ. Amen.

Week One

North

Theology:

“When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” Genesis 9:16

Hymn:

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;
be Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, be Thou my true Word;
be Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord;
be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,
be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys, after vict'ry is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be Thou my Vision, O Ruler of all.

Civics:

The Bill of Rights: The Fifth Amendment

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

Poetry:

“How Doth the Little Crocodile” by Lewis Carroll

How doth the little crocodile
Improve his shining tail;
And pour the waters of the Nile
On every golden scale!
How cheerfully he seems to grin,
How neatly spreads his claws,
And welcomes little fishes in,
With gently smiling jaws!

Prayer:

Dear Jesus,
it is hard to forgive people
when they hurt us and our friends.
We want to hit back—

and sometimes we do.
But you teach us to love our enemies
no matter what they do.
Forgive us, Lord Jesus,
when we do not forgive others.
Help us to understand why people hurt others,
and let our hearts be filled with love for them. Amen.

South

Theology:

Q. Who made you?

A. God made me.

Q. What else did God make?

A. God made all things.

Q. Why did God make you and all things?

A. God made me and all things for His own glory.

Q. How can you glorify God?

A. I can glorify God by loving Him and doing what He commands.

Q. Why ought you to glorify God?

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