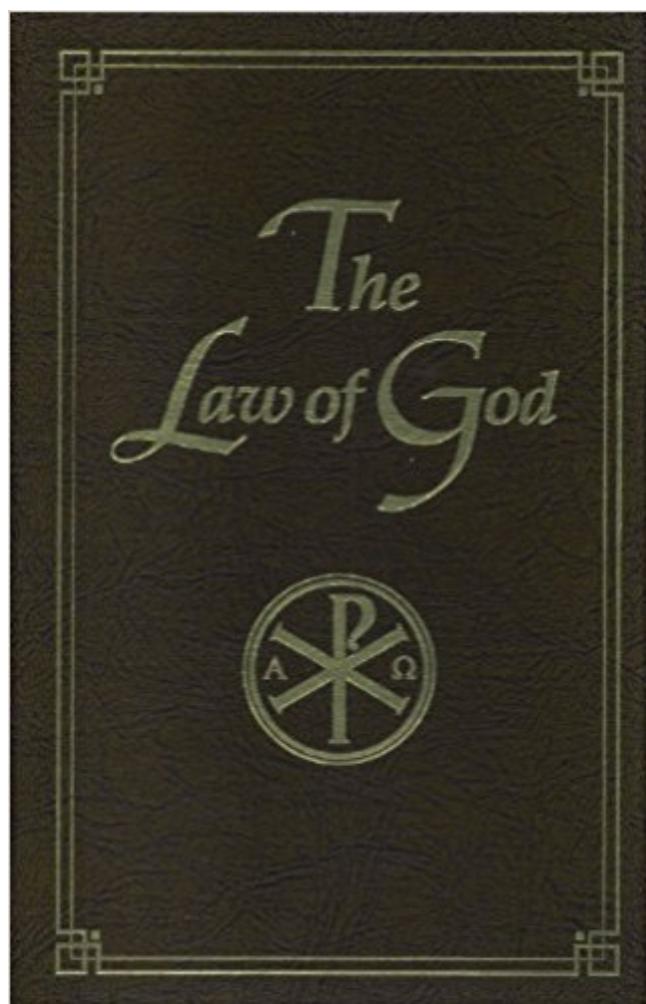


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# The Law Of God: For Study At Home And School



## **Synopsis**

This is the English edition of the classic Russian textbook designed for parents to teach their children "all the fundamental points of the Orthodox Christian faith and way of life." Because children are growing up quickly in a society that raises serious and agonizing questions the author does not teach in naive stories that remain stories only. It offers an overview of the whole of the Old and New Testaments as well as instruction on prayer, worship and what it means to live by the teaching of the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes. Lavishly bound and made to last. Well illustrated with black and white photographs and icons.

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Susan Price (Editor) : Seraphim Slobodskoi (Author) :

The Law of God is a work that makes an excellent study tool for home and school. This is a great book designed for new followers of the Eastern Orthodox faith. It is written by a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia (ROCOR), which is part of the Russian Orthodox Church who is one head of the Eastern Orthodox Church. Saying that, this book can be used by any Orthodox faithful, whether OCA, Greek, Antiochian, or others. Catholics can also find similar aspects of their faith and enjoyment in this work although it is not about their faith. The book is split into five sections: Basic Concepts, Prayers, Sacred History of the Old and New Testament, Christian Faith and Life,

and the Divine Services of the Orthodox Church. Each section is a brief overview of a section of the Orthodox faith, whether it be standard prayers that one can use in the prayer rule or the history found in the Holy Bible. Section One deals with basic concepts, such as God, Prayer, the Sign of the Cross, and the architecture of the Orthodox Church. Section Two includes a large group of prayers and the meanings behind them; the Lord's Prayer, Nicene Creed, prayers before and after meals, and others are given. Section Three is the paraphrased history of Christianity as told in the Holy Bible, starting with Genesis and ending with the Acts. It also discusses the conversion of Russia to Christianity. Section four is a small section of theological discussions, included are the seven Ecumenical Councils and their reasons for happening and a discussion of the Beatitudes and the Ten Commandments. The final section discusses actual Orthodox practices and services. Practices included are the clergy and meanings of their vestments, the Holy Feasts, and breakdowns of the Divine Liturgy and major services. The book, which is hardback, is made very sturdy. The binding holds up quite well and the pages are of good quality. The typeset is great for reading. There are a few misspellings but nothing that would detract from the work itself or as a study aid. Having read both "The Orthodox Church" by Metropolitan Kallistos Ware and this one, I definitely would recommend the Book of Law as a better book for those new to the Orthodox faith or wanting to learn about the Orthodox faith. Metropolitan Ware is extremely gifted but his book is more of a history of the Church, while this is more helpful with understanding Orthodoxy as a faith. I definitely learned more about the practices of Orthodoxy from this book.

One of the best books that explains why the Orthodox live their faith they way they do. Great education tool for young and old alike! Short chapters with review questions at the end of each one to make sure you understand the content. My 10 year old loves it so much, she has taken it to school to read during free time - a must read for any Orthodox Christian or anyone who wants to understand what it's all about!

This book is a lot like the Cliff Notes version of the Bible from an Orthodox perspective. It helped me immensely during my catechism and by the time I was baptized into the Greek Orthodox Church I had a firm grasp and understanding of the beliefs of the Church. It summarizes all of the stories from the Old and New Testament and explains the lessons with a modern voice.

I thought this would be a good book to have in our home for family use. This is the kind of book parents can read with their children, for the establishment of a firm foundation and for a refresher.

The book is a blessing for this purpose. The book includes photos, Icons, and pictures and is sturdy and well bound and will last for many years. The Law of God is yet another of the fine publications produced by Holy Trinity Monastery.

Excellent Book, I definitely recommend this book! clearly informative on the Orthodox Christian Faith. This is a book to use at home to teach your children their faith. Good for every house hold; great for reference and may be used to teach converts the basic Orthodox Christian Dogma and church traditions regarding the faith. Easy to read.

This book is wonderful !!! As a newcomer to Orthodox Christianity it is perfect for me to learn the basics of the faith, but also an indispensable text book for my teen age son. The Law of God is straight forward and very easy to understand , beautiful and well made. I highly recommend this book be on every students desk.

This is like a primer but it's just what I needed! All the answers to how the church functions.

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