

Lesson 8 – Model of Wisdom

Grade 7 - Chapter 8 and Advent

MAIN OBJECTIVE

*As Catholics, we
turn to Jesus as our
source of wisdom.*

QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

HELPFUL HINT OF THE DAY

Be Prepared

-Review the materials before class, mark the Scripture passages in your Bible, watch the videos, and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you

-Being prepared send so many messages to these young people:

“You matter”

“This is important”

“I want to make this a great experience for you”

STEP 1 - WELCOME

TIP

Community Activity

STEP 2 - INVITE

TIP

- **Recite the prayer and read the Scripture passage.**
 - **Did Jesus always know he was God's son?**
 - **How does knowing God's plan help us to be happy?**

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

TIP

- **Read and discuss "Getting Started" (encourage them to be creative even if they don't fully understand as of yet)**
 - **Use the "Jesus and His Wisdom" to reflect on Jesus and teachings**
 - **Use the "Identify" section**
- **Activity Master 8: Once Upon a Time**
- **Read and discuss "Jesus, the Wise Teacher"**
 - **Discuss about how Jesus taught**
 - **Read the Parable of the Good Samaritan: Luke 10:30-35 (If the children have their Bible close they can follow along – otherwise just read it to them or talk about it)**
- **Read and discuss "A Unique Message"**
 - **Use the "Teaching from the Mount" and "Name" sections**
- **Read and discuss "Divine Words for Wise Living"**
 - **Talk about The Beatitudes**

- **Watch: “The Beatitudes: The Portrait of Happiness”**
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQ1VCDFEkkk>
 - **Take some time to reflect**
- **Use the “In Summary” to follow-up on what has been discussed**

STEP 4 – LIVE

TIP

Our Catholic Life

- **Read and discuss more about wisdom**

People of Faith

- **Read and discuss about Saint Gerard Majella**

Advent Insert Pg. 22

TIP

- **Skip the prayer section**
- **Read and discuss “Awaiting Jesus”**
 - **How can we anticipate the coming of Jesus now?**
 - **What hopes do you have for the new liturgical year?**
- **Read and discuss “Modeling Patience”**
 - **Advent Activity Master: Preparing for Christmas**
- **Watch and discuss: “What is Advent” from Fr. Alex Colautti**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vn08t07tv3o>

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Pray the Memorare together:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.

Name _____ Date _____

Once Upon a Time

Wisdom: the spiritual gift that makes it possible for someone to know about the purpose and plan of God.

Reflect on times when you were the source of wisdom for someone else, ignored wisdom, and sought wisdom.

A time when I was a source of wisdom for someone else: _____

The situation: _____

My wisdom message was: _____

I got that wisdom from: _____

A time when I ignored wisdom and made an unwise decision: _____

The situation: _____

The wisdom I ignored: _____

The reason(s) I didn't follow it: _____

The result: _____

The message now: _____

A time when I sought wisdom and found it: _____

The situation: _____

Where I found wisdom: _____

The message was: _____

How I knew it was right: _____

Name _____

Date _____

Preparing for Christmas

So much of the world's focus in preparing for Christmas is centered on gifts that are things. Living the Paschal Mystery in this season reminds us that we must die to the understanding that the gifts God has given us are only for our own benefit. We must rise to the understanding that the gifts God gives us, he gives to be shared with others.

On each of the gift bags below write the name of one of the gifts that God has given you. For instance, it may be your sense of humor or your athletic or musical ability. On the lines under each bag, write who can benefit or be served by your gift.







