



Family Rosary Curriculum (FRC)

Catechetical Evangelization - Faith Formation & Sacramental Preparation



Week 4 - The Glory Be

Parents - Instructions: Before beginning this lesson, please take a few minutes together as a couple, or by yourself, to read and reflect on the “Scripture Reading” and “Discussion Questions”. Next, read the Scripture passage and the lesson to/with your child(ren). Then, as a family, discuss a few of the questions. Parents, please be sure to share *your* answers, thoughts, and questions with your child(ren) as well. It’s ok to not know everything about our faith. Your parish leadership is happy to help you find answers.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 117: 1-2 (<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/psalms/117>)

Virtue: Awe and Reverence

“The highest form of prayer is to stand silently in awe before God” ~ St. Isaac the Syrian

Theme: Eyes on Heaven

Parents - Read to/with Child(ren):

When we pray the words “Glory be” we are only saying two words. Those two words are short and simple, but they have an amazing amount of meaning. When we say “Glory be”, we are saying how great God is. God deserves all the glory we can give and more. All good things come from God, and he has given them to us. For that he deserves all of our reverence and praise.

We give glory to our one God who is three persons; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All good things come from the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The greatness of God causes us to be in awe of him.

We conclude the prayer by saying “as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.” God is the one that created everything in the beginning. He blesses each and every day of our lives, and he will continue to be great for eternity. Our goal as children of God is to get to Heaven, where we will praise God with the Angels and give him endless glory. Heaven is God’s world that does not end. God is so incredible, when we think about all the great things he has done, and will do for us, we can only be amazed by him, and give him thanks.

After the “Glory Be” we pray what is called the Fatima Prayer. God created, so that we could one day join him in Heaven. To join God in heaven we must first be free from all sin. In the Fatima Prayer we ask God the Son, Jesus Christ, for his mercy and forgiveness. With God’s great mercy, we can be forgiven our Sins, especially through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession). We should always keep our eyes on Heaven, and God will lead us there to his world, without end.

Discussion Questions (to help start the family conversation)

Young Child(ren) (& 1st Reconciliation/1st Communion Students)

1. What do you think is the greatest thing God created?
2. What does it mean to give God glory?

Older Child(ren) (& Confirmation Students)

1. What great gift(s) has God given you?



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2. Why do you think God wants us to join him in Heaven?

Prayer: Each day this week, as a family, please pray the *Glory Be & Fatima Prayer*.

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell.
Lead all souls into heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy. Amen.

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Additional Resources:

<https://www.catholic.com/tract/glory-be-doxology>

<https://watch.formed.org/walking-with-jesus-the-rosary-prayers-in-song>

