

Lesson 10 – The Church’s Message

Grade 5 - Chapter 10

KEY CONCEPT

As members of the Church, we are all united in living out the mission of Christ. The Church’s unity is expressed in the images of the Body of Christ and the People of God.

QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

HELPFUL HINT OF THE DAY

Don’t Water Down the Faith

- Kids are able to grasp the faith at a level that we adults often underestimate
- Don’t water down the faith lesson for them, simply present it in a manner they understand
- They are eager to soak in God and want to understand the “why” questions of our faith
- Our job is to guide them to the truth and feed their hunger for Jesus

STEP 1 - WELCOME

TIP

Community Activity

- **Activity sheets attached**

STEP 2 - INVITE

TIP

Let Us Pray

Our Father, Hail Mary, Memorare

Read the Scripture passage and ask the “What do you wonder” questions

Chapter Story: Stand Together

- **Use this story after the opening prayer, before explaining what it means to do the right thing**

Stand Together

One day, a group of teenagers of one race attacked a person of a different race who happened to be in their neighborhood. This sign of pointless hatred shocked the community. Local churches and other religious groups published a full-page response in the local paper. It read:

We stand together against every expression of hate. We are committed to building a world where love and respect are shown to all people. Join us in standing for what is right and just.

- **Ask the children if they have ever stood up for something they believed in. Discuss how speaking up is not always easy.**
- **After connecting taking a public stand with the Church's mission of unity, transition back to the lesson instruction.**

STEP 3 – DISCOVER

TIP

A Time of Renewal

- **Read and discuss the section**
 - **Underline some of the goals of the counsel**
- **Go through the “Share Your Faith” activity**
- **Use the “Optional Activity” at the bottom of page 157**
 - **Make a small contract about how they can work together to treat others fairly. Combine their ideas with bullet points**

Essential Characteristics

- **Read and discuss the section**
- **Discuss “Marks of the Church”**
- **Read Signs of Unity section.**
- **Do “Connect Your Faith” activity**

Activity Master 10: Church Word Puzzle

Other Activities to use (if time at the end):

- **Marks of the Church Word Scramble**
- **Marks of the Church Word Search**

STEP 4 – LIVE

TIP

Our Catholic Life

- **Read through the section and have them go through the “The Church in the Bible” section**

People of Faith

- **Read discuss about Saint Robert Bellarmine**
- **Use pages 292-293, to talk further about unity in our community**

Live Your Faith activity

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Pray the Act of Contrition and Memorare

Take Homes:

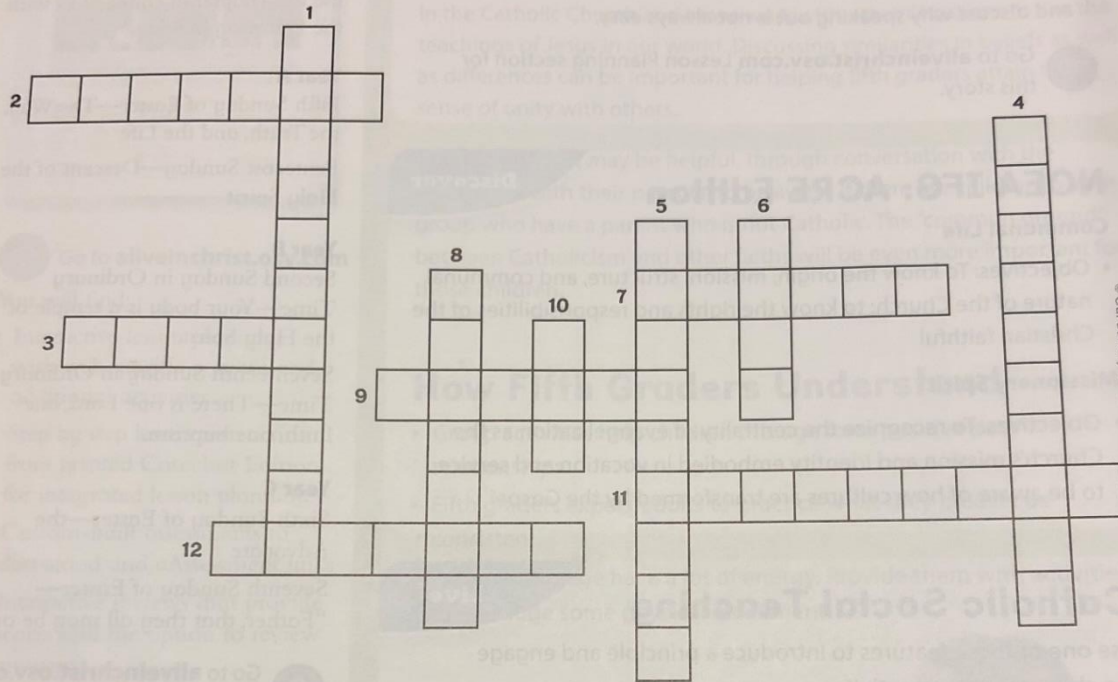
- **Family and Faith**
- **Do Chapter Review**

Name _____

Date _____

Church Word Puzzle

Use the clues to solve the puzzle.



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Across

- 2. The Church's _____ is to point people to God.
- 3. The _____ of the Church are signs of God's Reign.
- 7. The Church is the _____ of God.
- 9. In the image of the Church as a "building," people are the living _____.
- 11. other people who attended the Council
- 12. The Council's opening address was called "_____ to Humanity."

Down

- 1. Jesus' role in the image of the Church as a "building"
- 4. helps the Church achieve oneness (two words)
- 5. one of the Marks of the Church
- 6. one of the Marks of the Church
- 8. the Second _____ Council.
- 10. the Mark of the Church concerned with unity of faith

Marks of the Church – Word Scramble

Unscramble each of the clue words.

Copy the letters in the numbered cells to other cells with the same number to reveal the message.

ENO
21 51 20

YUTIN
44 35 6 38

HAFIT
58 52 40 24 2

LOYH
7 50 34

HOLCIATC
11 33 32 13 49 17 4

LATSPSEO
48 57 18 42 3 36

NEIRCDOT
37 8 12 19 25 10 27

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Solution:

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Unity
Faith
Holy
Catholic
Apostles
Doctrine
Apostolic
Four
True
Marks
Universal

The Catholic Church is the one true Church established by Christ because it alone has the marks of the true Church.

Marks of the Church – Word Search

L D O C T R I N E S H C X V E
U A C I L O T S O P A I B N X
I N S D N I T Y G M Y L O H E
Y U I R Q D Z D A K L O G A U
R B C T E U U R O A Y H C P R
K U P W Y V K O Y F Q T V O T
R W O H Y S I S H A W A B U V
I N A F M P E N H I F C P J U
K C U I Y L Q U U T R C W D U
O K B P T P D M S H M E O U D
L I I S L G E H H N Y N M Y B
W E O P D D J M K R W V Y R E
D P S P B U A S T X J A H D E
A J D C E Z V W T W F Q U Y T
X K A C Q I F V T I Q R Y U I

APOSTLES
DOCTRINE
HOLY
TRUE

APOSTOLIC
FAITH
MARKS
UNITY

CATHOLIC
FOUR
ONE
UNIVERSAL