

Chapter 8 – The Wisdom of God

Grade 6 - Chapter 8 and Advent

KEY CONCEPT

The wisdom tradition in the Bible teaches that true wisdom comes from trusting God and obeying his law. Jesus is the wisdom of God, sought in every age by those who are wise.

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

Let Us Pray

Read through the Scripture passage

What Do You Wonder?

- **Discuss these questions and share answers**

Chapter Story: A Wise Person

Use this story after the opening prayer, before discussing Solomon's prayer

A Wise Person

"Dad, who's the wisest person in the Loomis family?" asked Kevin, as he looked at the portraits on the bookshelf.

"I know," Kevin's sister Robin said. "Aunt Fran's a doctor. She must be the smartest."

"What about Eric?" suggested their brother Ryan. "He runs a business and makes a lot of money. He must be smart, too."

"I think Great-Grandma Josephine was the wisest," said Kevin's father.

"But she never even finished high school," the kids protested.

"No, but she kept the family together during difficult times. She lived her faith every day."

"Is that what being wise means?" asked Kevin.

STEP 3 – DISCOVER

TIP

God Gives Wisdom

- **Read and discuss the section**
- **Use coloring sheet for Saint Hildegard if time permits**

Share Your Faith

- **Discuss and then share answers as a class**

The Wisdom Books

- **Read and discuss the passage with Scripture passage**
- **Activity Master 8: Decoding Messages**

Connect Your Faith

- **Discuss and then share answers as a class**

STEP 4 – LIVE

TIP

Our Catholic Life

- **Identify Consequences: Have the children ask themselves:**
 - **How will this choice affect me?**
 - **How will this choice affect others?**
 - **Am I willing to accept responsibility for the possible consequences, positive or negative?**

People of Faith

- **Watch: Saint Thomas Aquinas - The Angelic Doctor**
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5fFicWP4vI>
 - **Discuss about Saint Thomas Aquinas**

Live Your Faith

- **Answers in the leader guide!**

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TIP

Skip the prayer but read through the scripture passage

We Look Forward

- **Read and discuss the section**
- **Use the “activity” at the bottom of page 17**

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Close in prayer together

- **Memorare and Glory Be**

Take Homes:

- **Family and Faith sheet**

St. Hildegard of Bingen



Chapter 8 Activity Master

Name _____

Date _____

Decoding Messages

Decode the messages below, and fill in the blank with the name of the person to whom the message corresponds. Then, on a separate sheet of paper, create a coded message of your own about something you learned in this chapter.



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| 1 = H | 2 = I | 3 = X | 4 = C | 5 = N | 6 = G | 7 = P |
| 8 = S | 9 = E | 10 = A | 11 = F | 12 = Y | 13 = T | 14 = V |
| 15 = K | 16 = W | 17 = R | 18 = B | 19 = L | 20 = D | 21 = M |
| 22 = Z | 23 = O | 24 = U | 25 = J | 26 = Q | | |

Message

Who is it?

6 23 20 6 10 14 9 1 2 21

10 16 2 8 9 1 9 10 17 13

6 23 20 17 9 16 10 17 20 9 20

1 2 21 2 5 13 1 9 9 5 20

1 9 2 8 13 1 9

7 9 17 11 9 4 13 2 21 10 6 9

23 11 6 23 20

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