

# Lesson 8 – Choose to do Good

Grade 2 – Chapter 8 and Advent

## KEY CONCEPT

*Conscience is the ability given to us by God that helps us make choices about right and wrong. Sin is a free choice to do what you know is wrong.*

## QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

## 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**

- **Say prayer on pg 131**
- **Say the Hail Mary**
- **Read God's word**
- **Talk about What do you wonder questions.**

## **STEP 3 – DISCOVER**

### **TIP**

#### **A Hard Choice**

- **Read paragraph**
- **Read God's Word**
- **Discussion – Earlier in that same evening, Peter had been willing to defend Jesus by cutting off the ear of one of the men who came to arrest Jesus. Why was Peter unafraid of defending Jesus first but later fearful of admitting he knew Jesus? Talk about how Peter chose to act both fearlessly and cowardly on the same night.**

#### **Jesus Forgives**

- **Read paragraphs**
- **Discuss how the children are going to have their sins forgiven at their 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation.**

#### **Activity – Jesus Forgives Peter sheet**

#### **God Helps you Choose**

- **Read paragraphs**
- **Talk about a mistake and sin**

#### **Types of Sin**

- **Read paragraphs**

#### **Conscience**

- **Read paragraphs**

#### **Activity – Do good choice/bad choice activity**

## ***STEP 4 – LIVE***

### **TIP**

#### **Our Catholic Life**

- **Read paragraphs and talk about choices**
- **Review steps for making good choices**

#### **Advent Introduction**

- **Review what is advent and why we celebrate it.**
- **Activity – Color advent wreath**
- **Hand out Advent calendar (will be printed off) and encourage children to do things at home with their families and cross off the days coming up to Christmas.**

#### **Read about St. Therese of Lisieux**

#### **Can do the Live Your Faith section**

#### **Take Homes**

- **Remind the children to review the Faith and Family section with their parents**
- **Chapter Review.**

## ***STEP 5 – CLOSING***

### **TIP**

#### **Closing Prayer**

- **Pray the Hail Mary**
- **Pray the Memorare**

# Jesus Forgives Peter

Use the secret code to discover what Jesus said to Peter and what Peter said to Jesus.

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

Jesus:

4 15 25 15 21 12 15 22 5 13 5

?  
 16 5 20 5 18

Peter:

25 15 21 11 14 15 23

9 12 15 22 5

25 15 21

12 15 18 4



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These will be cut apart and the children will have to glue them onto the choice sheet picking the ones that are good and the ones that are bad.

# Choice Sort

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Good Choice	Poor Choice		
Asking if it is okay before you take something	Inviting someone who is alone at recess to play with you	Laughing at someone sitting alone at recess	Keeping money you watched someone drop
Waiting patiently in a long line	Helping someone to get the answer right	Making a mess worse and then walking away	Skipping to the front of the line
Holding the door open for others	Turning in lost money you found on the floor	Closing the door on someone	Lying to cover up a mistake
Saying something nice about someone else	Putting the books neatly away on the shelves	Leaving the library bookshelves a mess	Making fun of someone who got the answer wrong
Telling the truth when you mess up	Helping clean up a mess	Taking without asking first	Saying something mean about someone else

# Choice Sort



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Good Choice**

**Poor Choice**

Blank space for recording good choices.

Blank space for recording poor choices.



### The Tradition of **Advent**

Advent is the period of four Sundays and weeks before Christmas (or sometimes from the 1st December to Christmas Day!). Advent means 'Coming' in Latin. This is the coming of Jesus into the world.

Many Advent wreaths also have a white candle in the center to symbolize the arrival of Christmastide, sometimes known as the "Christ candle." It is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. ... One interpretation holds that purple means hope and waiting, which aligns with the seasonal meaning of Advent.

The first candle of the Advent Wreath, the **Prophecy Candle or Candle of Hope, is purple**. The second, called the **Bethlehem Candle or the Candle of Preparation, is also purple in color**. Likewise, the **fourth Advent Candle color is purple. It's called the Angel Candle or the Candle of Love**.

One of the candles surrounding the Christ Candle in the Advent wreath is rose colored, for **Gaudete Sunday or Joy Sunday, the beginning of the third week in Advent**.

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