

# Lesson 1 – God’s Plan for all Creation

Grade 5 – Chapter 1

## KEY CONCEPT

*Divine Revelation is the process by which God makes himself, and his plans for humans, known to us. Humans share in the Creator’s loving plan by caring for creation.*

## QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

## HELPFUL HINT OF THE DAY

**Welcome students and thank them for coming**

**-From day one it is important to convey two things: that you care about the candidates and that you are excited.**

**-Introduce yourself. Tell them a few things about you and your life – where you grew up, favorite sports team, favorite ice cream, why you decided to be here with them**

**-Take a few minutes and go around the class, asking each person to introduce themselves and share something like you did**

**-Let them know that you will be praying for them throughout the year. Encourage them to start praying for each other**

**-Remember what Theodore Roosevelt wrote: “People don’t care how much you know, until they know how much you care.”**

## ***STEP 1 - WELCOME***

### **TIP**

**Community Activity - word search or coloring sheet**

## ***STEP 2 - INVITE***

### **TIP**

**Let us Pray**

**Review Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be**

**Scripture review**

- **Guide the children through the process of Scripture reflection as noted in book.**
- **Read the scripture passage**
- **Ask: What did you hear God say to you today?**
- **Ask What do you wonder questions?**

## **STEP 3 – DISCOVER**

### **TIP**

#### **God Reveals Himself**

- **Read question.**
- **Read paragraphs**
  - **Optional – Can draw graphic organizer (quick tip) on white board to help explain divine revelation as you read the paragraphs.**

#### **In God's Image**

- **Read paragraphs.**
- **Pause after 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph and ask: What do you think is God' most magnificent creation?**
- **Pause after 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph and solicit examples of the marvels within the human body**
- **Continue with paragraphs 3 and 4. Emphasize the importance of humans caring for creation.**

#### **Activity – Reminder chart for Stewards**

#### **Praise God's Work**

- **Read question and paragraph**
- **Can read Scripture section**
- **Discuss new words together or in small groups**

#### **Creation and the Sacraments**

- **Read paragraph**
  - **Go to Church to discuss the signs of God's love section**
  - **Point out various parts of church and ask children how each of these gifts are used in the sacraments.**

## **STEP 4 – LIVE**

### **TIP**

#### **Our Catholic Life**

- **Read paragraph and discuss 10 steps.**
  - **Ask children to choose a service project to do to be a successful steward**
  - **Write it down on an index card and keep it so the child can report if they were successful or not next week.**

#### **People of Faith**

- **Read about St. Hildegard of Bingen**

#### **Do catholic social teaching section on Life and Dignity of the Human Person (pg 290 – 291)**

- **Go around the room to see if the kids can think of examples of treating people with dignity.**
- **Are there things they see at school that are bad examples? Could they do something to help resolve that?**

#### **Can do Chapter review if have extra time**

#### **Take Homes:**

- **Family and Faith**
- **Chapter review**

## **STEP 5 – CLOSING**

### **TIP**

**Psalm of Praise**

**Memorare**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Reminder Chart for Stewards

The chart below lists some of God's gifts to humans. To the right of each gift, draw pictures or symbols that will remind you of ways you can be a good steward of this gift. For example, for water, you could draw a toothbrush to remind yourself not to leave the water running while brushing your teeth. Display the chart at home and add to it during the week. Bring your chart to the next session to share your ideas with the group.

Created Gift	Ways I Can Display Stewardship
Food	
Energy	
Water	
Land	
Animals	
Trees	

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## Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Gifts of the Holy Spirit are not presents that we could see or touch, but special power to do God's work. Find the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

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Q A S C Y Q H U E N Z P Z F U E V M U Z  
D P S E C R R E V V L K W D A T V D R X  
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- SERVE
  - SHARE
  - PASTORS
  - HEALING
  - EVANGELISE
  - FAITH
  - TEACH
  - DISCERNMENT
  - LEADERSHIP
  - MIRACLES
  - WISDOM
  - KNOWLEDGE
  - APOSTLES
  - ENCOURAGE



THIS IS THE DAY  
THAT THE LORD HAS MADE;  
LET US REJOICE  
AND BE GLAD IN IT.

*Psalm 118:24*