

**Grade 6**  
**ENCOUNTER Session 7: August 10**  
**Messianic Fulfillment**

**Opening Prayer**

*Dear Jesus, I love you! Help me to want to know you better. Thank you for dying for my sins. Thank you for inviting me to live with you in heaven. Thank you for giving me your mother to pray for me. Thank you for the gift of your Church and your Scriptures and the sacraments. Holy Spirit, please open my eyes to see Jesus in a new way during this study. Help me to follow Christ with my whole heart and surrender my life to him. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen.*

**Pre-Video Reflections**

- Heard of the Ark of the Covenant? Do you know what this is or what is inside of it?
  - *This was a holy wooden container where the 10 commandments, manna and Aaron's budding rod were stored. It was considered sacred because the contents were so precious. Most people know of the Ark carrying the 10 commandments.*
- Mary is the Ark of the New Covenant, carrying within her Jesus who is the Bread of Life and the Word of God.
- Verse to remember from last week, "the joy of the Lord is your strength".
- The new verse to remember "Jesus Wept."

**Watch Video: Messianic Fulfillment (30 minutes)**

Print Session 7 Handout. Follow along and answer questions that go with the video.

**Questions and Thoughts**

- What would you do if an angel showed up to you like Gabriel did to Mary and Joseph? How would you react? What would be going through your mind and heart?
- What do you think the hardest part of being Jesus' parents would be?
- What do you think Jesus chose the disciples he did? Why didn't he pick the high priests or the wealthy or powerful? Why would Jesus choose you to follow him?
- What do you think about when you make the sign of the Cross? Do you think about Jesus' death or is it just a reaction like saying "God Bless You" when someone sneezes?
- What do you think Jesus was trying to teach us based on when the disciples were finally able to recognize him at Emmaus?

**Closing Prayer – Hail Mary**