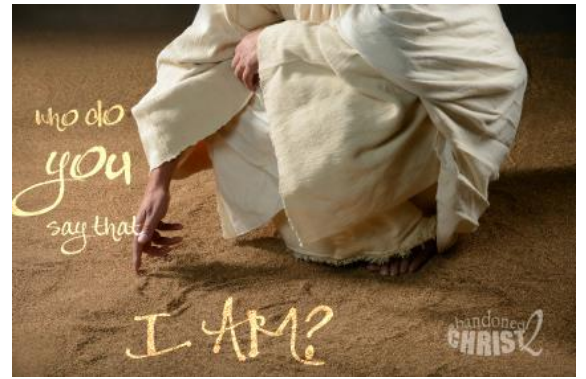


“Who do you say that I am ?”



By the end of the session you should understand:

- 1. that faith is a response to a person. Jesus Christ is that person.**
- 2. that Jesus want us to be able to recognize him in our lives.**
- 3. that prayer, which includes reading the bible, is an entry-way to knowing Jesus.**

Background Material can be found in the

Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs # 422 - 430

The catechism is available online at:

www.usccb.org/catechism/text/

Passages from the bible can be found at:

www.usccb.org/bible/

Pray Together

Act of Love

O MY GOD, I love Thee above all things,
with my whole heart and soul,
because Thou art all-good and worthy of all love.
I love my neighbor as myself for the love of Thee.
I forgive all who have injured me, and ask pardon of all whom I have injured.

Amen.

1. Looking at what the Scriptures says to us. All Ages

Several stories are suggested. As a family choose 2 – 3 stories for this activity.

The stories are:

- John 2: 1 – 12 The Wedding Feast at Cana
- Mark 2: 1 – 12 Four men bring their friend to Jesus

By healing the paralyzed man, Jesus used something the people *could* see to prove something they *could not* see. Jesus wanted the people in that house (even those who doubted) to know that He was the One who could forgive their sins.

Isn't it amazing that Jesus wants people to know all about Him?

- Luke 8: 22 – 25 Jesus calms the storm
- Luke 18: 15 – 17 Jesus blesses the Children
- Matthew 18: 21 – 35 Parable of the Wicked Servant



For each story...

Families with young children

Read the story out loud.

Talk about:

Who's in the story ?

How are people in the story acting towards Jesus ?

What questions would you ask Jesus if you were there with him ?

What does the story tell us about Jesus ?

Where are you in the story ?

Children can view Miracles of Jesus at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wo8trjcn8m8>

For each story...

Families with older children

Read the story out loud.

Step into the story; put yourself there with Jesus.

Where are you? Who's in the story ?

How are people in the story reacting to Jesus ?

What is your reaction to Jesus ?

If this were all you knew about Jesus...

What would you say to Jesus if he asked:

"Who do you say that I am ?"

What questions would you want to ask Jesus ?

All Families

Now, make a sign, think of a word or text message, draw a picture, write a rap, create an ad...that answers the question:

“Who do you say that I am ?”

Our Father....