



PARENT SESSION for Confirmation Sacramental Preparation

Salvation History

Session A

OPENING PRAYER: Come Holy Spirit



Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

V. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created.

R. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Aims for the Parent Sessions

- To assist the children in their spiritual growth;
- To encourage faith discussions at home; and
- To encourage adults within the faith community to engage in discussions about their faith.

Welcome



Welcome!

Please share something about yourself and your family.

Do you remember anything about your Confirmation?

Six Parent Sessions*



Session A- Salvation History

Session B- Jesus Christ

Session C - The Sacrament of Confession

Session D - The Sacrament of Confirmation

Session E - The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Session F - The Sacrament of Marriage

*Matching the topics covered by students in CHOSEN.

Five Key Points



- God who is all powerful and all loving has a plan for all things. “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...” Gen. 1.1.
- The story begins with God. Creation is the foundation of all God’s saving plans, the beginning of the history of salvation” that culminates in Christ. It is a story of never-ending love.
- Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity. “There exists but one God... he is the Father, God, the creator, the author, the giver of order...” (CCC#292) God is God and God is love.

Five Key Points



- God wants to share his love, so he creates the human person. “To human beings, God grants the ability to cooperate freely with his plans.” (CCC#323)
- Even after the fall of Adam and Eve, our first parents, God does not abandon us. He promises to send a savior.

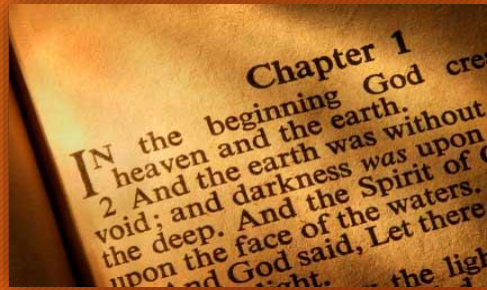
FILM CLIP ABOUT Salvation History



- Videos:
- SYMBOLON Part 1: Session 4: The Story of Salvation: Part 1

REVIEW OF 5 KEY POINTS

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FAITH WITNESS



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



- What can we learn about God from creation?
- What are some ways we can help our children to learn about God?
- How do we cooperate freely with God's plans or not?
- How do we teach our children to do the same?
- How is the human family like the Trinity - (God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit)?

HOME ACTIVITY

TODAY IN CLASS: CHOSEN Lesson 3: What's your story God? (A Look at Salvation History)

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- What is “salvation history”?
- Where did we come from?
- Where are we going?

INVITATION TO PERSONAL PRAYER

- *Adoration:* Think about God, your Creator
- *Contrition:* Ask forgiveness for not following his plan
- *Thanksgiving:* Thank God for the gift of life.
- *Supplication:* Ask for the things you need in your life.

HOMEWORK

NEXT CLASS:

Parents Invited to Attend Student Session 2 -
Introduction to Apostolic Service Project & Mass Journal

HOMEWORK

CHOSEN, student workbook:

Lesson 2: What makes me happy? (Discovering God as
the Source) pp. 5-14 (Skip p. 7)

Parent Discussion

- How do you plan to approach the home activities with your child? Are you clear on the homework which will be reviewed at the child's next session of sacramental preparation?
- Which home activity topics do you anticipate will be easily understood by your child?
- Which home activity topics do you think may pose a challenge for your child? How will you talk about these topics with your child?

EXIT CARD



- In what ways did this session help you in your faith and your role as a parent supporting your child's faith journey?
- For next time, what would you like to see included in the session to address your questions of faith and help you in your child's faith journey preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?
- Are there other things we need to know to assist you, your child and family?

CLOSING PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God,
who has given us new life through water and
the Holy Spirit,
send forth from heaven and shower upon us
the gifts of the Holy Spirit:
wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude,
knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.
Amen.