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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C, Primary - RCLB Lectionary



Primary Session

Luke 1:1-4: 4:14-21

Opening Prayer

Holy God,
help us listen to your voice
as you speak to us through the scriptures.
In the name of Jesus we pray.
Amen.

Opening Life Reflection

The topic of today's session is sacred scripture. If you have access to a colorfully illustrated Children's Bible, put it in the center of the room. Begin the session by brainstorming with the children what bible stories they know. List them on a large sheet of paper. Discuss:

- Which of these Bible stories is your favorite? Why?

Explain to the children that the Bible is God's Word. When we read and listen to the Bible, God speaks to us.

Listening to the Word of God

In the gospel listen to Jesus read from the scriptures.
Read Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21.
Allow for silence.

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Scripture Discussion Starters

- Why is Jesus in the Synagogue?
- What does Jesus do there?
- Why did the people listen to Jesus read from the scroll?
- What does Jesus say to the people?

Scripture Background

Provide 2-3 minutes of background information on the gospel.

Today's gospel begins with Luke's introduction to the good news about Jesus. Luke is writing for people who have already heard about Jesus. He wants to help them understand the events that they have already heard about. This reading also marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry. Jesus reads from the sacred scroll in the synagogue. The people listen to the scriptures with great reverence as Jesus stands to read from the prophet Isaiah. Jesus finds meaning in the scriptures for his life. We too can find meaning and direction for our lives as we listen to the scriptures.

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Questions for Deeper Reflection

- When do you listen to the scriptures being read?
- What do you learn from listening to the scriptures?
- How does the Bible teach you about God's love?

If you are not going to continue with the doctrinal discussion, proceed to the Gospel in Life.

Doctrinal Discussion Starters



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Sacred Scripture

Catholics believe that Jesus Christ is the Word of God. God's Word helps teach us how to live. God speaks to us through the scriptures. The Holy Spirit inspired the writers of the Bible. Therefore, the Bible reveals the truth about God's love.

Communication helps all our relationships grow. When we read and listen to scripture we communicate with God. This helps our relationship with God to grow.

- How does God speak to you when you listen to the Bible?
- How do you speak to God?

The Gospel in Life

Ask a family member to read you a story from the bible. Listen for how God is speaking to you.

Connecting to Faith First® Legacy Edition

At Home Family Guide, theme 2
Kindergarten, chapters 6 and 7
Grade 1, chapter 1
Grade 2, chapter 1
Grade 3, chapter 1

