

Youth Ministry- October 1, 2023

*Class will be held in the **KC Room** to allow for Chicken & Biscuits to use the gym.*

Agenda

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| 11:30am | Lunch- Soup & Salad |
| 12:00 pm | Welcome, opening prayer |
| | Registration, Attendance |
| | God Revealed Ice Block Activity |
| | Lesson: How God reveals himself |
| | Small Group Discussion (15 minutes) |
| 12:55 pm | Closing Prayer |

Activity- God Revealed- October 1

Materials

- Pictures of God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Jesus)
- Ziploc style bags, 1 for each image
- Water
- Freezer safe container
- Scissors

Instructions

Preparation

- Print the images of God on 8-1/2x11 paper and cut into 12 pieces (4 wide x 3 high)
- Place all of the pieces from one image per bag and seal the bag.
- Place the bag in the freezer safe container and fill it with water
- Freeze until solid

Game Play

- Each team gets a block of ice with the pieces frozen inside.
- Teams will break open their ice blocks and reveal their pieces
- They put the pieces together and shout out the Person of God that they reveal

Discussion

- What strategies did you use to break open your ice?
- What struggles did you have?
- How were all of your team members involved in this game?
- How did you feel when you were able to reveal the baggie? How did you feel when you were able to reveal the image?

Lesson Topics

Desire for God. ([CCC 27-30](#))

Ways to come to know God ([CCC 31-38](#))

- Arguments against the existence of God.
 - Problem of Evil (Moral and Natural Evil)
 - God is not necessary
 - (Scientism- knowledge can answer everything)
- Arguments for the existence of God.
 - Aquinas' 5 ways
 - The transcendentals (Truth, Beauty, Goodness)

How can we speak about God ([CCC 39-43](#))

God comes to meet Man ([CCC 50](#))

- God reveals His "Plan of Loving Goodness" ([CCC 51-53](#))
 - God wants to be in a relationship with us.
 - God reveals Himself gradually ([CCC 56-58](#))
- Stages of Revelation
 - In the beginning ([CCC 54-55](#))
 - The Covenant with Noah ([CCC 56-58](#))
 - God chooses Abraham ([CCC 59-61](#))
 - God forms his people Israel ([CCC 62-64](#))

Christ Jesus Mediator and Fullness of All Revelation ([CCC 65-67](#))

Small Group Questions

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When friends and family members converse with one another, what do they reveal about themselves? What does God reveal of himself to us in treating us as friends and family members? How does God's Revelation give meaning to our lives?

What is meant when we say that we have a "revealed" religion? What are positive features in our culture? How can culture be converted and transformed by the Gospel?

What would help you to spend more time reading and praying over God's revealed word in Scripture? Why can we say that growth in our faith will strengthen us to affect public policy with our beliefs?

Lesson Notes & Questions

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How do we find who and know God?

Adoration, Bible Study, Praying

Scripture shows who God is and what He does.

Creation = Love

Created in His image

What does God want from us?

God reveals his goodness in His plan

God saves us from our sins

The tree of life

Cleansing us from sin

If you created the world, your creation has enter into sin.

Do we enter in to sin?

What does Jesus do?

Discipleship

Dying on the Cross

Economy, Households, Church= how things are run

Teachings of the Church

Magisterium, Scripture, Tradition

This is God's way of revealing Himself to us

Student Questions

How do we approach friends and family when they are not living the teachings of the Catholic faith?