

Disciples in Mission -- Week 3-Year III

3rd Sunday of Lent:



Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15
Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11
1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

(1st Scrutiny at 11:00am Mass):
Cycle Exodus 17:3-7
A Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9
Readings Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel: John 4:5-42

Memory : “I shall cultivate the ground
Verse around it and cultivate it.
(Luke 13:8)

Memory: “Whoever drinks the water I shall
Verse give will never thirst.” (John 4:14)

Family Activities

Theme: We need to change.

Preparation: a piece of poster board, markers/
crayons, scissors, glue, construction paper.
Draw a tree on the poster board before the session
begins. Make sure it has lots of branches. Using
the construction paper, cut shapes of different fruits
(bananas, pears, etc.). Make sure the shapes are big
enough for people to write or draw on.

Opening Prayer: Holy Spirit of God, come into our hearts. Bless us and guide our sharing.

Gospel: one person reads the Gospel aloud.

Discussion: (pre-school children): The word **repent**
means to be sorry. Do you sometimes feel sorry for
Things you do? When? (primary grade): Talk about a
Time when you did something and later were sorry for
It. Why were you sorry? Did being sorry cause you to
make any changes? What? (pre-teens): Can you think
of anything in your life that you're doing that you'd like
to change for the better? What are they? How would
you go about changing?

Connections: We all do things that are wrong
sometimes. When we do, we feel sorry about them.
Then we need to change what we're doing or how
we're acting. This means we can do good things
instead, which is what Jesus wants us to do.

Activity: Ask family members what changes in their
lives they think Jesus might like them to make. Keep
your focus positive. Talk about how making changes
could make things better. Explain that following Jesus
and changing for the better is like a tree bearing fruit
(like the fig tree in the story). Write/draw what he/she
wants to change on one of the paper fruits. Then glue
the fruits on the tree.

Memory verse: practice the Bible verse given above.

Family Activities

Theme: God gives us what we need.

Preparation: a piece of poster
board, scissors, glue, old magazines,
crayons/markers.

Discussion: (pre-school children):
What are the things you need? Why do
you need them? (primary grade): Who
gives you the things that you need?
Parents? Teachers? Friends? Why?
(pre-teens): Are there things you need
that you need that are not material
things? What are they? Why do you
need them? How are these needs met?

Connections: Everything we have
comes from God. God gave us Jesus
who loves us and wants to give us
everything good. Jesus gave his life
for us. We see his love in the caring
acts of others.

Activity: Make a collage of everything
that God gives us. Use the magazines
for ideas. Talk about the gifts God
gives us. Don't forget that Jesus
himself is a gift!

