

GRADE 1 CHAPTER Seventeen Sacraments

Objectives

- To understand that signs point us to deeper meanings
- To recognize signs of God's love
- To learn the meaning of sacrament and the names of the seven sacraments

Step One: Invite: Name your personal experience

- Take a walk outside and make a list of all the signs that tell something about the season you are in now.
- Talk about the signs you have discovered and then talk about the signs of the other seasons. Which is your favorite?
- Draw a picture of your favorite season and write a "thank you God for..." at the bottom of the picture.

Step Two: Explore: Understand the meaning of God's Word

- Take a field trip to the church and play "I spy" by going around to name the different signs of God in the church.
- Talk about the ways in which God shows you His love. Does anyone else show you love? Describe the signs that they love you.
- Read p. 166-167 and then complete the activity on p. 167
- Complete the activity on p. 170 and talk about your choice of message.

Step Three: Celebrate: Offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving

- Use the Prayer of Thanks on p. 168

Faith Activities: Tips

- Throughout each chapter, there will be sections marked "Activity."
- Feel free to choose as many activities as you wish to share with your family. At a minimum, choose one activity above and beyond what might be mentioned in Steps 1-3.
- Follow the directions for the activity, share popcorn or a treat, relax and enjoy it.
- Post any artwork until the next lesson and then use the next chapter's activity to take its place.