

GRADE 5
CHAPTER Thirteen
The Mystery of Evil

Objectives

- To understand the meaning of evil
- To review an understanding of original, mortal and venial sin
- To recognize that God's forgiveness is given through Christ

Step One: Invite: Name your personal experience

- Read p. 146 and answer the questions at the end. Talk about the story and your answers.
- Look at a newspaper for today. Have each person choose one newspaper story that they think shows evil. Talk about why you chose that story and point out which characters are making bad choices. Tell a different choice they could have made?

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

- Read the Words of Faith on pp. 147 and 149. List each of the four types of sin on the left-hand side of a paper and next to each one, write one example of a story from the bible or real life that shows that sin. Talk about your choices.
- Look at the text on p. 148. Name the three conditions that must be present for a sin to be mortal.
- Draw a picture showing God forgiving the sinner.

Step Three: Celebrate: Offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving

- Complete the activity on p. 152
- Use the Litany of Repentance on p. 150 as your closing prayer.

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.