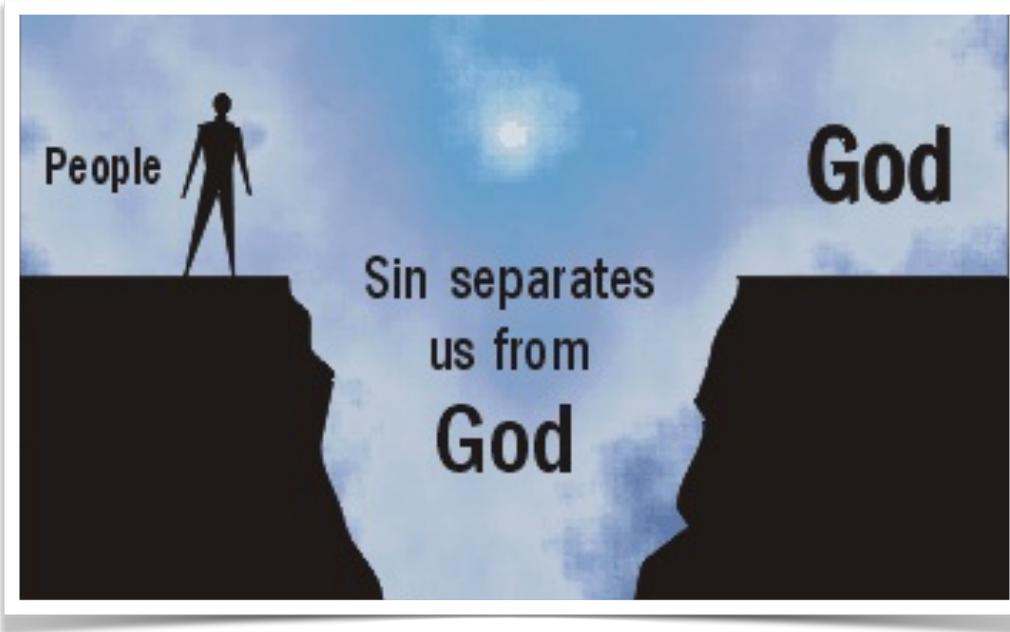


Jesus Died on the Cross to Forgive Sins



Lesson Themes in Class



Sin

We learn about how sin separates us from God and how Jesus saves us through His sacrifice on the cross



Grace

We learn about how God's grace is greater than sin



Activities

Understanding the kinds of sin: Mortal and Venial and the seriousness of sin

Key Theme:

In catechetical texts, sin is generally discussed in the context of preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation. However, this lesson helps the children to better understand the consequences of sin and the reason why they need a Savior. The "bad news" of sin prepares them to appreciate the "good news" of Jesus. Children should be led to understand that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross atones for their personal sins.

Becoming Disciples at Home:

1

PARENTS

Talk with your child about how sin separates us from God

2

CHILD

Spend time in silence and an examination of conscience and go to Reconciliation

3

FAMILY

Talk about the Good News: how Jesus died and rose to forgive your sins
(CCC 619-623)