

## First Grade: Lesson 20

### Gifts From God

#### Lesson Objective:

This lesson lays the foundation for missionary discipleship. The love that children have for Jesus spills over to others in the form of doing good deeds. Catechists should remind children that God has given them special gifts in Baptism to be used to help other people become friends with Jesus. As they grow in faith, they will discover the gifts they have.

#### Learning Outcomes: Students will ...

- Receive God's gifts gratefully and share gifts generously, as a foundation of Christian stewardship
- List ways that we can help others
- Participate in school, church and/or community service project
- Demonstrate care and respect for God's creation

#### Materials Needed:

- Prayer space items, Bibles, pencils, crayons
- Copies: Coloring sheet and handout, Vocations Booklet Project

#### As Students Enter Class:

- Consider having the coloring page below available for students to work on while waiting for class to begin. You may also like to hand out the 10 Simple ways kids can help others to send home.
- [Serve one another through Love](#)
- [10 Simple Ways Kids Can Help Others](#)

#### Beginning of Class:

- Gather around your prayer space and pray the Our Father and Hail Mary. Thank God for a wonderful year of learning and growing in our faith!



	<p>God made you that way for a reason – to serve Him with your talents.</p> <p>Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">– Colossians 3:23–24</p> <p>DISCUSSION: What do you think this Bible verse means?</p> <p>With your gifts, you can serve the Lord. It doesn't matter what other people think of you, if you do what God wants you to do.</p>
<p>Kid Catholic Shares About Vocations</p>	<p>This video is 7:50 in length. <u>I suggest you stop at 3:20</u> (right after that he shows a graphic picture of Jesus after being crucified).</p> <p>Highlights: Typically, when we think about vocations, we think about priests, monks, and nuns. However, it is more than that. It is God's call to you. It's not what you want to do, but what God wants you to do. Being a mom or dad is a vocation.</p> <p>We need to pray to God to find out what our vocation is.</p> <p>Being a saint is one vocation we all have in common, because we are all meant to become saints. We also need to pray regularly for all people to be able to listen to God and find their vocations.</p>
<p>Vocations Booklet Project</p>	<p>Follow the directions and encourage students to list people in various vocations they would like to pray for.</p>

<p>Closing Prayer</p>	<p>Gather around your prayer space and encourage students to share a memory from your time together that they are thankful for.</p> <p>Encourage your students to pray every day and to continue working on memorizing the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, and Grace Before Meals. This will help them prepare for second grade and Holy Communion.</p>
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