

YOUR CHILD LEARNED >>>

This chapter explains the Good News that God the Father loves his People and saves them from the power of sin and everlasting death. It also explains that the Gospels in the New Testament tell the stories of Jesus' life and teachings, parables, and miracles.

God's Word



Read **Luke 15:8–10** and talk about what these verses mean to you.

Catholics Believe

- Jesus taught about God's Kingdom of love, peace, and justice that is in Heaven and is still being built on Earth.
- Jesus established the Kingdom of God on Earth, and his teaching and miracles were signs of the Kingdom.

To learn more, go to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* #546, 1154 at usccb.org.

People of Faith

This week, your child met Saint Isaac Jogues, one of the first martyrs in North America.

CHILDREN AT THIS AGE >>>

How They Understand The Gospel Children this age don't often pause to wonder where the accounts of Jesus' life came from or why we have four Gospels in Scripture, told from different perspectives. As they get to know the Gospels better, they will become more aware of the different tones and character of the Gospel writers and the differences that arise from the stories having been told for different audiences.



CONSIDER THIS >>>

When you pray "thy kingdom come," how do you think that's going to happen?

Reflecting on the Kingdom of God requires us to keep one foot in the present and another in the future. We manifest, or participate as members of the Kingdom, when we live as disciples of Christ. The Kingdom is "the Good News that results in love, justice, and mercy for the whole world. The Kingdom is realized partially on earth and permanently in heaven. We enter this Kingdom through faith in Christ, baptismal initiation into the Church, and life in communion with all her members" (*USCCA*, p. 79–80).

LET'S TALK >>>

- Ask your child to name some ways he or she can share the Good News.
- Talk about some of your favorite parables and what they mean to you.

LET'S PRAY >>>



Saint Isaac, pray for us that we may have the courage to bring God's love to others. Amen.



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