

**CCD GRADE 2: JESUS OUR LIFE**

Chapter 21: The Good Shepherd

 PREPARATION – How to Get Ready

Teacher’s Manual: pp. 251-261

Materials: Bible – Good Shepherd Psalm 23, Lost Sheep Mt. 18:10-14, Good Shepherd John 10:1-21

 PROCLAMATION – Main Theme

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for his sheep. He calls us to be like Him practicing virtue.

 EXPLANATION – Content of Lesson

1. He feeds, protects, leads, and strengthens us in the Sacrament L3
2. Jesus lays down His life for us. L4
3. We must be like Jesus the Good Shepherd. L4
4. Practicing virtues helps us to be more like Jesus. L4
   1. Define virtue as a habit of doing good
   2. Brainstorm different virtues of Jesus and how we can be good like He is
5. To be obedient means to do what pleases God and to obey cheerfully. L4
6. To be truthful means to tell the truth and to never lie. L4
7. To be forgiving means to love your enemies and forgive those who hurt you. L4
8. To be prayerful means to say your daily prayers and to be mindful of God’s presence. L4
9. To be merciful is to be kind to everyone, helpful and generous. L4

 APPLICATION – Connecting it to Students

* Act out scenarios of practicing these virtues and have children guess what virtue they are practicing
* Define each virtue and then play a matching game connecting words and examples
* Make signs calling others to practice a particular virtue
* Watch a shepherd call his sheep <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Coq_grSFlNs>

 CELEBRATION - Conclusion

* Slowly and prayerful read John 10 or Psalm 23 imaging Jesus coming to find His sheep
* Sing a song like “The King of Love my Shepherd is”
* Write a prayer to Jesus asking Him to help them be like Him