

Jesus Is Faithful

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 2, Session 6**.

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Mary was raised to have a strong faith. She was devoted to God and became Jesus' mother.

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Saint Anne and Saint Joachim were Mary's parents. They passed their strong faith on to Mary.

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Saint Anne is the patron saint of women who are expecting babies.

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Jesus, Mary, and Joseph accepted the Ten Commandments as God's rules and obeyed them.

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We follow Jesus when we obey the commandments.

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The Fourth Commandment tells us to honor and obey our parents.

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When Jesus was 12 years old, Mary and Joseph lost him in Jerusalem.

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When Mary and Joseph returned to Jerusalem to look for Jesus, they found him in the Temple.

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Catholics come together at church to worship God.

Jesus Saves Us

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Jesus' love and forgiveness changed Zacchaeus into a giving person.

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Jesus has a special love for those who are sick. He showed God's love for them by healing them.

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Some people became angry with Jesus and put him to death on a cross. Everyone thought this was the end of his life. But God the Father raised Jesus from the dead.

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Jesus is alive in heaven today.

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Jesus wants us to love others as he loves us. He wants us to follow his example.

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It is important to tell the truth to ourselves and to God. In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we never have to hide our sins from God.

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Healing people who could not see and those who could not walk are examples of Jesus' miracles.

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Jesus helped many people who were in need.

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John the Baptist taught people about the coming of the Messiah.

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We share God's love when we show kindness, offer help, or take time for others. Helping a friend is one way to be like Jesus.

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Jesus Calls Us to Love

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Jesus preached a message of mercy and forgiveness.

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Jesus taught about the Great Commandment: to love God the Father with all our heart and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves.

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Peter was one of Jesus' first followers. He knew that Jesus was the Messiah.

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Jesus chose Peter to become the leader of the Church. Today the pope leads the Church as Peter did.

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A bishop leads and cares for many parishes.

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Each bishop carries a shepherd's staff called a crozier. The crozier reminds us that a bishop cares for his people like a shepherd cares for his sheep.

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When we sin, we feel sad because we feel far away from God.

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Jesus often told parables, or stories, to teach important lessons.

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The parable of the banquet tells how everyone is invited to follow God.

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Saint Martín de Porres spent his life helping others in Peru. In this way he followed Jesus.

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Jesus Cares for Us

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Jesus welcomed children and called them to come to him.

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The Kingdom of God belongs to everyone.

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Jesus tells us that each person is important to God the Father. An angel in heaven watches over each one of us.

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Jesus is the Good Shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.

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A priest serves the parish by celebrating Mass daily, visiting people who are sick, teaching, and helping people who are in need.

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A deacon helps a priest serve people in the parish by teaching about God and leading the people in prayer.

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In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus is always ready to help us find our way back to him.

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A good shepherd cares for his sheep as God cares for us. Jesus leads us through his words and actions. We follow Jesus.

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A shepherd feeds his flock. Jesus feeds us through the Eucharist.

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The Book of Psalms is a section of the Bible. Psalms are special songs or prayers.

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Celebrating Advent

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The candles on the Advent wreath represent hope, peace, joy, and love.

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During Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus.

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Advent is a time to seek Jesus and make room for him in our lives.

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During Advent, we are reminded that Jesus will light our way to true joy and peace.

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The Bible says that we should live as children of light.

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The brightness of the Advent candles symbolizes how Jesus lights our way during the season.

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Three of the candles on the Advent wreath are violet. One candle is rose-colored.

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We are healed when we feel God's forgiving love.