

Lesson 3

Our Baptism and Chrismation

Chapter Objectives

- Realize that the Holy Spirit is our helper and guides us to do good things.
- Understand that the Holy Spirit is present in all the Mysteries, and reflect on his role in Baptism.
- Ask the Holy Spirit, in prayer, to help you overcome temptation and choose what is good.

Lesson Summary

In this lesson we will learn how God calls us as his children through Baptism.

Lesson Plan

Introduction (Minutes 1-10)

- Pray the Opening Prayer together.
- Review the introduction.
- Show a video or song.

Review Point 1: What is Baptism? (Minutes 10-15)

- Ask the students: “What do you see in the above icon?”

Review Point 2: Gift of Baptism (Minutes 15-20)

- Ask the students: What does it mean to you to be a son or daughter of God?

Review Point 3: The Holy Spirit (Minutes 20-25)

For Additional Reflection:

- Ask the students: Can you think of a time when you felt the Holy Spirit helping you to make a good choice?

Activity: Choose 1 or 2 (Minutes 25-30)

Activity 1: Find the Baptismal Font

Find the baptismal font in the Church, and pray for those about to be baptized. Write your prayer below or pray aloud as a group.

Answer Key:

- Answers will vary.

Activity 2:

Choose one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Then, in the space below, draw someone using that gift.

Answer Key:

- Answers will vary.

Prayer and Role Model (Minutes 30-35)

- Pray from the Maronite Tradition together.

Complete Recall Section (Minutes 35-40)

Answer Key:

Match the terms on the left with their correct descriptions on the right.

B—Baptism

D—Fortitude/Courage

C—Gifts of the Holy Spirit

A—Knowledge

A. This enables us to discover God's will in all things, especially the Bible and the teachings of Jesus.

- B.** The Holy Mystery that forgives Original Sin and gives us grace.
- C.** What we receive at Baptism and Chrismation.
- D.** This makes us brave in following Jesus by seeking the truth, choosing the good, and loving the beautiful.

Review Weekly Journal (Minutes 40-44)

For Additional Reflection:

- We have discussed the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Think of one that is important in your life. Write: Which gift of the Holy Spirit helps you the most? Which one do you lack, and how can you grow in that gift?

Closing

Pray the Concluding Prayer together.

Optional

Use the Climbing Mountain Section and Reaching the Summit Section.