

**CCD GRADE 3: OUR LIFE WITH JESUS**

Chapter 16: Jesus Grows in Age and Wisdom

 PREPARATION – How to Get Ready

Teacher’s Manual: pp. 189-199

Materials: Student Textbooks and Activity books, optional doll and water to dramatize a baptism.

 PROCLAMATION – Main Theme

Jesus lived an ordinary life like us with his family, Mary and Joseph, until he was baptized by John the Baptist in the Jordan River and anointed by the Holy Spirit to begin His public life.

 EXPLANATION – Content of Lesson

* When Jesus was young He lived with His family in Nazareth. He was likely trained in carpentry by Joseph.
* Jesus was human like us; he was like us in all things except sin.
* At age 30, Jesus, though He was sinless, was baptized by John the Baptist and began His public life.
* Jesus’ baptism was a model for us, showing us that we should be baptized, too.
* In His baptism, Jesus was anointed by the Holy Spirit and was prepared for His mission of salvation.
* Jesus’ mission
* Baptism makes me a child of God and prepares me for my mission: to love God and neighbor, and to reach my final goal of Heaven.
* The rite of Baptism

 APPLICATION – Connecting it to Students

* Intro discussion: Have students share what their daily lives are like (get up for school, breakfast, school, etc.) Ask them about family traditions/celebrations. Connect to Jesus’ ordinary life growing up in Nazareth before beginning to read Chapter 16.
* Discussion questions: *What is one way Jesus’ life growing up is like your life? What do you think Jesus did when he was your age?*
* Activity: Activity book p. 62 Jesus Crossword Puzzle
* Video: Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9_dr9njVzKM>

 CELEBRATION - Conclusion

* Closing prayer: Glory Be