Grade 5, Chapter 1 – Man's Desire for God

Bible story connections:

- Genesis 1:1-2:4
- Psalm 8
- Psalm 23

Social Justice tie-in:

• Evangelization challenge – all people have a desire for God, but many people ignore it. Speak to someone about God this week, that you usually don't.

Discussion Questions:

- How can we get to know God at a personal level?
- Have you ever had a powerful personal experience of God you can share?

Memory Work (Baltimore Catechism):

3. Why did God make us?

God made us to show forth His goodness and to share with us His everlasting happiness in Heaven.

48. What is man?

Man is a creature composed of body and soul, and made in the image and likeness of God.

50. How is the soul like God?

The soul is like God because it is a spirit having understanding and free will, and is destined to live forever.

Catholic Brain Connections:

Printables

Creation coloring page

Fill-in-the-Blank

Fill-in-the-Blank Game

The Purpose of Man's Existence

Videos

Adventure Catechism – Who Made the World?

Bible Story of Creation

Animated Bible Series – Creation

St. Augustine

Family Page: Ch 1. – Man's Desire for God

Review:

Vocabulary

- Creator A title for God because He made all things from nothing
- 1) Only what can give us lasting happiness, fulfillment, and peace? *God*
- 2) Which people have been made with a desire for God? *All people*

Discussion Question:

Why do many people seek lasting happiness, fulfillment, and meaning in different places, when what they are really longing for is God?

Activity:

Give more time to God this week. Take some time each day (preferably from a "killing-time" activity like TV) and designate it as "quiet time" so the household gets quiet and everyone can direct their attention to God.

He knows you and He loves you