

Grade 4, Chapter 19 – Making Good Choices

Bible story connections:

- Matthew 21:28-32
- Luke 12:42-48
- John 8:1-11

Social Justice tie-in:

- Spiritual Work of Mercy: Admonish the Sinner – Create a simple skit about conscience. Choose an issue of concern at the school, maybe gossip or cheating, etc. In the skit, students should be guided by their conscience to approach the problem in a moral way. It should be short and simple, but have a clear message. Invite other students and classes to watch it.

Discussion Questions:

- How can we properly form our conscience?
- Why are our intentions important when we do something?

Memory Work (Baltimore Catechism):

76. What are the near occasions of sin?

The near occasions of sin are all persons, places, or things that may easily lead us into sin.

196. Should we be satisfied merely to keep the commandments of God?

We should not be satisfied merely to keep the commandments of God, but should always be ready to do good deeds, even when they are not commanded.

Catholic Brain Connections:

Printables

[Washing of the Feet coloring page](#)

[Supporting the Church coloring page](#)

[Virtues word search](#)

Videos

[Adventure Catechism – What are the Virtues?](#)

[Lukas Storyteller – St. Catherine of Siena and Respect](#)

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Review:

Vocabulary

- Concupiscence – The inclination to sin which is the result of our fallen nature
- Conscience – Our inner voice that helps us to know what is right and wrong

1) What are we all called to be?

Saints

2) What three elements determine an act's morality?

The object, intention, and circumstances

3) In what circumstances can an evil act be morally acceptable?

Never

Discussion Question:

What determines whether a choice we make is good or bad?

Activity:

As a family, identify a problem in your local community and use Catholic principles to decide how your family can get involved in a moral way.

God thinks You are worth Dying for!