

FAITH AT HOME

A Parent Companion



THE PASCAL MYSTERY & THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT



Lesson Overview:

Reconciliation brings about the forgiveness of sin. This forgiveness was accomplished by Jesus through the Paschal Mystery: His Passion (suffering), Death, Resurrection, and Ascension into Heaven. Jesus' Passion takes away our sins, because Jesus offered Himself out of love to the Father to make up for our sins. His Resurrection raises us to new life, opening the gates of Heaven for us. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Jesus' death takes away our sins and we are restored to new life through His Resurrection.

The eighth commandment is: *You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.* To bear false witness is to lie under oath. However, the commandment also teaches us of our duty to always tell the truth. We also discussed how we should not talk badly about one another.



"Christ Crucified"
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REVIEW WITH YOUR CHILD

1. What are the parts of the Paschal Mystery? **The suffering, death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus.**
2. What does Jesus' death save us from, through Reconciliation? **Sin.**
3. What does Jesus' Resurrection give us? **New life in heaven.**
4. Through what event, does Jesus sit at the right hand of the Father, interceding on our behalf? **The Ascension.**
5. What does the eighth commandment say? **Do not lie, or do not bear false witness.**

FAITH IN ACTION

The Paschal Mystery is central to our faith, as it brings us to salvation and becomes present to us at every Mass. There are many ways we can represent the Paschal Mystery in our own home to remind ourselves continually of its importance. Having a Crucifix in the home is one of the most important ways. We can also hang images of the Last Supper, the Stations of the Cross, and the Resurrection. We can also meditate on the mysteries related to the Paschal Mystery in the rosary.

AT HOME

1. Discuss the different events of the Paschal Mystery and the difference between good and bad ways of talking about others.
2. This week say grace before meals with your family using the prayer below.

Grace before Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.