

FOCUS #2: I Will Make Good Decisions and Do the Right Thing

Read and Discuss

- Bible Story: Love is the Greatest Commandment
- Read Mark 12:28-34 on pages 1556 & 1557 in *The Catholic Children's Bible* and discuss using the prompts on the pages.

Watch

- Watch Blessed Session 2, Video #4 ("Temptation, Sin, and Grace")
- https://dynamiccatholic.com/blessed/program-view/first-reconciliation/session-2

To Do

- Discuss these scenarios together. What is the right thing to do?
 - ° Dad is raking leaves by himself. You want to ride your bike...
 - ° Mom asks you to set the table. You are watching your favorite TV show...
 - ° A new student joins your class. He is sitting alone at lunch...
 - $^{\circ}\,$ Your friend is angry and calls you a name...

Each time you do the right thing, you are showing love.



FOCUS #2: Let's Practice

Parents: Start having your child think about what it means to commit a sin. Chat around the dinner table or while you are driving to soccer practice. Talk about making good decisions and doing the right thing so your child becomes aware of when they are acting like Jesus or not acting like Jesus. Remind your child they should always make decisions that help others and show kindness.

Ask

 How was your day today? Tell me about one great thing you did today that helped another person have a great day!

Ask

 Can you think of something you did today that may not have been helpful or may have hurt someone's feelings? Or, did anyone hurt your feelings today with their words or actions? What would have been a nicer thing to do or say?

Having these conversations daily will help children understand the different ways they commit a sin so they can be prepared for reconciliation.