Gospel of Life Week

A LESSON ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

GRADES 1-3 – Marriage - Lesson II (Year I, Day 4)

Goal: To talk to children about the importance of family.

Materials: paper, crayons/markers

Lesson: These videos portray the importance of family and the different families of the world.

Watch: Sesame Street: Family Song from Sesame Street

Discussion:

- Who are some people in your family that you like to do things with?
- We all have family near or far, what are some memories about your family?
- What are some things that you are thankful for about your family?
- Everyone's family is different, but what are some things that are the same? (e.g. love, food together, feeling of safety)

Activity:

Have students draw a family portrait like the ones in the video. Maybe they might like to draw their family doing something they like to do together.

Prayer:

God our Father, thank you for my family, for hugs and kisses and special times together.

Thank you for my friends, for laughter and chatting and sharing.

Thank you for my home, for rest times and bed times.

Thank you for playtimes, for toys and games and books, and for helping me to enjoy them all. Amen.

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UP-HOLDING THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

Lesson adapted from the plans on the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Office of Life, Justice and Peace website