

Story	Objectives	Themes	Catechism References
<b>1</b> One God	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To recognize and claim God's call to each of us as individuals.</li> <li>To understand that God's call is an invitation to be in relationship with God.</li> </ul>	God calls each of us, inviting us into an ever-deepening relationship of love.	CCC #1, 54, 121-123, 1604, 1765
<b>2</b> In the Beginning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To recognize that God is the Creator.</li> <li>To accept that each of us has special gifts and talents.</li> </ul>	God is our Creator and we are each made special and unique.	CCC #337-349, 355-379, 396-401
<b>3</b> A Chosen People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To understand that God's invitation to us, the covenant, requires a response from us to come to fulfillment.</li> <li>To explore ways we can act as "chosen friends" of God.</li> </ul>	God invites us into a special relationship. It is up to us to say "yes."	CCC #62-64, 218, 238, 839, 2085
<b>4</b> God Calls Abraham and Sarah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To discuss how the covenant made by Abraham and Sarah applies to us today.</li> <li>To recognize that, as chosen people, we are each very important.</li> </ul>	We are precious to God.	CCC #59, 72, 705-706, 762, 1222, 1716, 2810
<b>5</b> God Calls Joseph	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explore God's faithfulness through discussing the story of Joseph, his trials and his successes.</li> <li>To discuss how we see God taking care of us in our difficult times.</li> </ul>	God will always take care of us.	CCC #288, 301-302, 306-307, 309-14
<b>6</b> The Promised Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explore the importance of having a "home," a place where we feel safe and wanted.</li> <li>To see the "promised land" as our heritage as spiritual descendants of the early Israelites.</li> </ul>	We all need a place where we feel we belong.	CCC #218-219, 839
<b>7</b> God Calls Moses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To introduce Moses as a leader chosen by God to use his special talents and to introduce the Ten Commandments as a code for living.</li> <li>To recognize how God can and does use each of us with our individual gifts to further the Reign of God.</li> </ul>	God has given each of us special gifts.	CCC #1916-1964, 2056-2074
<b>8</b> God Calls Ruth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To use the story of Ruth as a model for faithfulness and loyalty.</li> <li>To recognize the importance of trust in our relationship with God and with others.</li> </ul>	We are gift to each other. It is important to honor that gift with faithfulness.	CCC #2201-2220, 2232
<b>9</b> Kings and Queens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explain that the greatness of biblical royalty was bestowed by God on those who loved God, not necessarily on the expected or powerful people of the time.</li> <li>To see ourselves as sharing in this greatness through our gifts and our faith.</li> </ul>	Greatness has to do with who we are and not just what we do.	CCC #1701-1705
<b>10</b> God Calls David	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To understand that the usual secular standards of power and strength are more limited than God's expectations.</li> <li>To explore personal strengths and encourage self-esteem, i.e., loving ourselves because we are loved by God.</li> </ul>	God sees all our goodness even if others do not.	CCC #1949, 2012, 2578
<b>11</b> God Calls Esther	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To use the story of Esther's deep faith and sincere prayer to encourage hope in God.</li> <li>To make all aware that God is ready to help us be our best, even when we are afraid.</li> </ul>	We need God's help to be the person God calls us to be.	CCC #410-412, 1996-2005
<b>12</b> Prophets and Heroes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To discuss the roles of prophets and heroes in our salvation history.</li> <li>To look for examples of prophets and heroes in today's world.</li> </ul>	God needs people to keep the world on the right track.	CCC #1928-1942, 2006-2011
<b>13</b> God Calls Elijah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To explore the role of hope in two stories of Elijah the prophet.</li> <li>To increase our awareness of the need for hope and patience in our own lives, especially in the face of the world's troubles.</li> </ul>	We need to answer God's call and wait with patience and hope.	CCC #61-64, 218, 702, 2581-2589
<b>14</b> God Calls Daniel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To become acquainted with the four common types of prayer: petition, contrition, praise, and thanksgiving.</li> <li>To use Daniel's example of faithfulness to encourage our own "connection" to God through prayer.</li> </ul>	We need to stay connected to God. Prayer is our way of staying connected.	CCC #2558-2565, 2568-2589
<b>15</b> The Promised Messiah	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To review the stories of the people of <i>God Calls</i>.</li> <li>To define <i>messiah</i> as "anointed one" and to discuss how Jesus the Messiah still renews our hope in the coming of the Reign of God.</li> </ul>	The world needed someone really special to remind it of God's call to live in peace and harmony.	CCC #711-716, 840