We Listen to God's Word

GRADE 5

CHAPTER 8 Study Guide

Keep these ideas in mind as you study ***Chapter 8****.*

During the Liturgy of the Word, we listen as God speaks to us and teaches us through his Word.

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The readings we hear at Mass are contained in a book called the *Lectionary for Mass*. They are organized by the time of year, and each day's readings are listed.

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The First Reading is usually from the Old Testament, which tells us of God's love and faithfulness in dealing with his people.

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The Responsorial Psalm is a song-prayer from the Old Testament. The psalms are responses to God written long ago and have been prayed for centuries.

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The Second Reading is taken from the letters of early Christians, such as Saint Paul. These letters are also called "Epistles."

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With the Gospel Acclamation, we welcome Christ, who will speak in the Gospel Reading. During Lent, the Alleluia is replaced with another response of praise.

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The story of Jesus' life, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension is told in the Gospel. Every celebration of the Eucharist includes a Gospel Reading.

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At the end of the Gospel Reading, the reader says, "The Gospel of the Lord." We respond, "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ."

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During the Homily, the priest or deacon helps us better understand the Gospel Reading for the day.

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During the Profession of Faith, we pray together the Nicene Creed. In this prayer, we proclaim the truths of our faith.

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