Jesus, the Son of Man

GRADE 7

CHAPTER 2 Study Guide

*Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 2**.*

God the Son lived among us as a human being named Jesus. Jesus is fully human in all ways but sin. He learned things, made decisions, suffered, and died. But Jesus, the Son of God, is perfect. There is no evil in him. Jesus never committed sin. He is our model for being human.

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Faith is a supernatural gift from God and a free choice that comes from our dignity as humans. Not everyone sees Jesus for who he is. It requires the help of the Holy Spirit and sometimes a little help from others.

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Faith in Jesus is based on Divine Revelation—that is, God the Father's communication of himself through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. Together, they are God's Word and make up a single Deposit of Faith.

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The sacraments are the special means Jesus uses to share his life and love with us. In the celebration of the sacraments, we receive the grace of the Holy Spirit that keeps us in a close relationship with Jesus.

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True friendships make you better. They help you overcome temptations and avoid evil. True friendships take work to remain healthy. We all sin, and we all behave badly and damage our friendships sometimes. If you work at it, you can repair damage to your friendships.

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Jesus is called the Son of Man in part because he became human. The title "Son of Man" is also used in the Old Testament book of Daniel to describe someone who comes in glory at the end of time.

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There are many ways to show love and friendship with Jesus. The most important, though, is to love one another as he loves us. See John 15:12–17.

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Jesus wants us to serve him, but he also wants us to spend time with him. See Luke 10:38–42.

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