



The sixth-grade program of the *Christ Our Life* series is devoted to the study of God's saving love as it is revealed in Sacred Scripture, particularly the Old Testament. *God Calls a People* is designed to help the students increase their knowledge of salvation history so that they may respond to God with ever-deepening love and gratitude.

Unit	Chapter	Theme	Scripture	CCC References
<b>1 God Reveals a Plan of Love</b> The students will grow in love for God through a deeper understanding of God's plan of salvation. They will come to appreciate the Old Testament.	1. The Bible Reveals God's Saving Love	We come to know God and Jesus through Scripture.	Isaiah 43:1; Luke 24:13–35; Ephesians 5:8; Mark 16:15	102, 151
	2. Scripture Is God's Saving Word	God, the author of the Bible, speaks to us through it.	Psalms 119:105, 107; Psalm 136:1–7; Luke 11:28	104, 122, 129
	3. Everything God Created Is Good	God created the world and all creatures and made us the stewards of the world.	Genesis 1:1–2:25; Psalm 139:14	280, 283, 288–289, 294, 2415–2418
	4. God Offers Love and Mercy	From the time of the first human beings, sin entered the world and spread, destroying relationships.	Genesis 2:4–3:24; Genesis 4:1–16; Genesis 6–9; Genesis 11:1–9; 1 Peter 1:3	376, 388–390, 404, 410–412
	5. Unit 1 Review	God enters into history and carries out the divine plan to save all people.	Deuteronomy 31:8	53, 287, 421, 759
<b>2 God Forms a Family of Faith</b> The students will understand how God's plan of salvation unfolded in the lives of the patriarchs.	6. Abraham Is Our Father in Faith	Abraham made a covenant of faith with the one true God.	Genesis 12, 15, 17, 22; Psalm 89:1–4, 15–16, 19, 28; James 2:14–24	59–60, 144–146, 166, 762, 1080, 2100
	7. Jacob Is Chosen by God	The covenant promises were passed on through Jacob.	Genesis 25:19–34, 27–32; 1 Peter 2:9; Deuteronomy 14:2	3, 824–825, 2156, 2573
	8. The Israelites Journey to Egypt	God saved the ancient world from famine through Joseph, an upright, forgiving man.	Genesis 37–50; Luke 12:22–32; Psalm 54:6	128, 302–303, 305
	9. Unit 2 Review	God formed the people, gradually revealing himself to them.	Isaiah 26:4	218, 269
<b>3 God Guides the Chosen People</b> The students will view the Exodus as God's greatest act of saving love in the Old Testament. They will come to appreciate the commandments as a gift to deepen their covenant relationship with God.	10. God Rescues the Chosen People from Slavery	God led the Hebrews out of slavery in Egypt.	Exodus 1–15	62, 204–208, 1164, 1328–1330
	11. God Gives Us the Law	God protected the Israelites in the desert, made a covenant with them, and gave them laws.	Exodus 10–17; Exodus 19–26; Exodus 27–34; Deuteronomy 5:1	708, 2056–2063, 2083–2084
	12. We Live the Commandments Today	The Ten Commandments tell us to love God and one another.	Exodus 20:1–17; Mark 12:30–31; Matthew 7:12; John 13:34–35; Psalm 119:47–48	2052–2055, 2069, 2072
	13. Learning God's Way	Like the Israelites, we are called to grow in our ability to make decisions based on faith.	Numbers 13–14; Numbers 20:2–13; Matthew 5:3–12; Romans 12:2	1778–1794, 2070, 2634–2636
	14. God Forgives Us	God forgives us as he did the Israelites in the desert.	Numbers 21:4–9; John 3:14–15; Nehemiah 9:17	1093–1094, 1423–1424, 1440, 1468–1469
	15. God's Chosen People Enter the Promised Land	Joshua led the Israelites into the Promised Land.	Deuteronomy 31–34; Book of Joshua; Matthew 25:32–46	1898–1899, 1930, 2234–2236
16. Unit 3 Review	The Jewish people remember what God has done for them, and they honor God's Word.	Luke 6:27–28	132, 201	
<b>4 God Leads the Chosen People</b> The students will appreciate the roles and contributions of the judges and the first three Israelite kings.	17. The Period of Judges	When the Israelites turned from God and were attacked by enemies, God saved them through the judges.	Judges 4, 5; Judges 6–8; Judges 13–16; The Book of Ruth; Luke 12:28	210, 1432, 2496
	18. The Kings of Israel	Samuel anointed Saul, and later David, as kings of Israel.	1 Samuel 1–4:7; 1 Samuel 8; 1 Samuel 10–16; 2 Samuel 5; Acts of the Apostles 10:38	695, 1293–1296, 2013, 2528
	19. David and Solomon	David, the greatest king, sinned and repented. Solomon, despite his gift of wisdom, turned to idols and caused the division of the kingdom.	1 Samuel 16:1–12; 2 Samuel 5–8, 11–12; 1 Kings 1–3; Psalm 51; Mark 1:14–15	583, 709, 1093, 2579–2580, 2586–2589
	20. Unit 4 Review	Through good leaders and bad, God is faithful to the people.	Isaiah 41:10	128, 205
<b>5 Prophets Prepare the Lord's Way</b> The students will appreciate the messages of God delivered through the prophets. They will desire to work for justice.	21. Elijah and Amos Speak for the Lord	Prophets such as Elijah and Amos spoke for God, calling people to worship God alone and to practice justice.	1 Kings 18, 21; 2 Kings 2; Book of Amos; 1 Thessalonians 5:15	61, 64, 218, 2420–2423, 2581–2584
	22. Isaiah Proclaims the Promised Messiah	Isaiah called the people to be faithful and spoke of a suffering servant to come.	Book of Isaiah; Matthew 7:21–23	208, 711–714
	23. Prophets Proclaim God's Everlasting Love	Jeremiah suffered for calling people to justice, while Ezekiel prophesied during the Exile in Babylon.	2 Kings 22–25; Jeremiah 1, 7; Jeremiah 18, 29–33, 38; Jeremiah 31:31–34; Ezekiel 1, 18; Ezekiel 34, 36–37; Acts of the Apostles 10:43	64, 218–221, 709–710, 1431
	24. The Savior Is Jesus, the Son of God	John the Baptist prepared for the Messiah, Jesus Christ, who fulfilled the Scriptures.	Matthew 3:1–7, 11 1:2–15, 14:3–12; Matthew 14:1–12; Luke 1:5–25, 57–80; Luke 1:26–38, 39–56; Luke 2:1–7, 21	488, 523, 717–720
	25. Unit 5 Review	The prophets renewed the people in their faithfulness to God.	1 Peter 4:10	64, 218, 522

### The students should

- come to a deeper appreciation of the person of Christ and of his presence in his Church through the study of salvation history.
- grow in their relationship with God and in giving witness of their faith.

### Prayer in this grade

- Psalms
- *Memorare* to the Blessed Virgin

Catholic Social Teaching Themes	Words Learned	Saints and Holy People*
The Poor and Vulnerable	Old Testament	Saint Jerome
God's Creation, Solidarity, Rights and Responsibilities	interpretation, Law, Pentateuch, revelation, Torah, tradition	Saint Luke
God's Creation, Life and Dignity, Rights and Responsibilities, Work and Workers, The Poor and Vulnerable, Solidarity, Family and Community	free will	Saint Anthony of Padua
Family and Community, The Poor and Vulnerable, Rights and Responsibilities	conscience, sin	Adam and Eve, Noah Saint Maria Goretti
		Saint Thomas Aquinas
Family and Community, Rights and Responsibilities, Life and Dignity	Abraham, covenant, sacrifice	Abraham, Isaac Saint Dominic
Rights and Responsibilities, Solidarity	Israelites	Jacob Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
Rights and Responsibilities, Solidarity, Family and Community, God's Creation, Life and Dignity, The Poor and Vulnerable	Divine Providence	Joseph Saint Joachim and Ann
		Saint Justin
Solidarity, Rights and Responsibilities, The Poor and Vulnerable	Exodus	Moses, Aaron Saint Anselm
Rights and Responsibilities, God's Creation, Life and Dignity, Work and Workers	Ark of the Covenant, idolatry	Moses, Aaron Saint Mary Margaret Alacoque
Rights and Responsibilities, Life and Dignity, Solidarity, Work and Workers, Family and Community	blasphemy, blessing, Holy Days of Obligation, natural law, Ordinary Time, perjury, social justice	Saints Fabian and Sebastian
Rights and Responsibilities, Life and Dignity, The Poor and Vulnerable	intercession	Moses Saint Boniface
Family and Community, Solidarity	grace, mortal sin, venial sin, virtue	Moses Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe
Rights and Responsibilities, The Poor and Vulnerable, Family and Community	Confirmation, hell, heaven, purgatory	Moses, Joshua Saint Leo the Great
		Saint John Chrysostom
Solidarity, Rights and Responsibilities, Life and Dignity, The Poor and Vulnerable, Family and Community	abstain	Deborah, Gideon, Samson, Ruth Saint Clare
Family and Community, The Poor and Vulnerable, Life and Dignity	anoint, Christ, Messiah	Samuel, Saul Saint Margaret of Scotland
The Poor and Vulnerable, Life and Dignity	Judaism, Temple	David, Nathan, Solomon Saint Benedict
		Saint Bernard of Clairvaux
Rights and Responsibilities, The Poor and Vulnerable, Family and Community, God's Creation, Solidarity	prophet, Spiritual Works of Mercy	Elijah, Amos, Archbishop Oscar Romero Saint Agatha
The Poor and Vulnerable, Solidarity, Rights and Responsibilities, Work and Workers, Life and Dignity	Amen, Holy	Isaiah Saint Charles Lwanga
The Poor and Vulnerable, Solidarity, Rights and Responsibilities, Family and Community, Work and Workers	Exile, Jews, synagogue	Jeremiah, Ezekiel Saint Pius X
Family and Community, Life and Dignity, The Poor and Vulnerable	Magnificat	Mary, the Mother of Jesus; John the Baptist; Elizabeth; Zechariah Saint Angela Merici
		Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

\* Information on additional saints can be found in Saints and Feast Days, pages T421–T436.