

## Grade 5 Unit 1 Lessons

### Lesson 1: The Word of God

**Opening Prayer:** [Remind students to begin and end prayer with the Sign of the Cross. When we do this we are inviting God into our Minds (thoughts, will), and into our Hearts (emotions and desires) and into the areas where things have gone wrong, and we ask God to bring them to right.]

Dear God, thank you for all those people who have taught us about your Love. Help us to encounter Your love in new ways everyday and share that love with others. Amen.

**1. Watch Video:** [Each lesson will begin with a video. As they are watching, have students listen for the answers to the questions below. All answers will be given in the video]

Catholic Central – The Bible. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_09m12sJuHY&t=39s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_09m12sJuHY&t=39s)

a) The set of books that the Church believes are divinely inspired and are collected in the Bible are called the \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_ was given to the human writers of the Bible by the Holy Spirit

c) At it's core, the Bible is a \_\_\_\_\_

Word Choices:      Inspiration      Love Story      Cannon of Scripture

### 2. Explore: Bible Search

The Bible is divided into 2 main sections – the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old testament tells about the promises (or covenants) that God made with His people. The New Testament reveals that Jesus is the Son of God and the new and everlasting promise (or covenant) of God's saving love.

Let's explore some of the different types of writing found in the Bible. Below you will find some Bible references (Book, Chapter and Verse) from each of the different sections of the Bible. Using a Bible that you have at home (or an online Bible source like USCCB.org/bible) find the verse or verses and write them down in the space provided.

### 3. Ending Prayer

Prayer is talking and listening to God. It can be difficult to hear God's voice sometimes, and the Bible is one of the easiest ways to listen to God's Words. Make the sign of the cross and ask God to help you hear His words. Pick one of the verses you found and spend a minute quietly reading it and listening to what God is trying to say to you right now with His Words. How can you apply that in your life? Thank God for His Words and end with the Sign of the Cross.

# Bible Search

## Old Testament:

Pentateuch: Leviticus 20:26

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Historical: 2 Samuel 7:22

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Wisdom: Psalm 46:10

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Prophetic: Jeremiah 29:11

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## New Testament:

Gospels: Matthew 24:35

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Acts of the Apostles: Acts 4:20

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Epistles and Letters: Romans 8:28

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Revelation: Revelation 22:12

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## Lesson 2: Speak Lord

**Opening Prayer:** [Remind students to start and end with the sign of the cross].

Dear God, thank You for revealing Yourself to us in so many different ways. Help us to always see You and Your blessings in our lives. Amen

### 1. Watch and Learn:

Catholic Central – Ignatian Meditation <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8NS8W3xZeyo>

### 2. Prayer: Let's Try It!

Find a quiet place and get comfortable. Then listen to the following guided Meditation.

<https://cdn2.hubspot.net/hubfs/275132/Guided%20Meditation%20Praying%20with%20the%20Bible%20Ignatian%20Contemplation.wav>

Write down at least one thing that God said to you in prayer:

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**3. Explore:** [Have students read the following or you can read it to them, then complete the following worksheet]

God reveals Himself to us in many ways – not just through prayer or scripture (the Bible). God has revealed to us that He has created us and He is always inviting us to share in His life and love.

a) **God speaks to us through Creation:** God created everything. So just like a painting tells us something about the painter, and a book helps us better understand its author, God's creations can help us better know Him. The grandeur of the night sky filled with star, huge mountains and beautiful sunsets and even tiny detail in each snowflake help us understand and see God a little better.

b) **God speaks to us through people:** Throughout history (His-story) God has chosen people to share His messages and His love with the world. God still uses people to bring His love and kindness and mercy into our lives today.

c) **God is most fully revealed through Jesus.** Jesus is God With Us. He is God made Man. Jesus spent His whole life on Earth revealing God and God's love. Through all His actions and words, we come to know God.

Complete the God Sightings chart below by thinking of where you have seen God in your life

## God Sightings Chart

In the space below, write or draw something that you have seen or heard that revealed something about God to you, someone you have met that revealed something about God to you by their words or actions, and something that you know about Jesus that reveals something about God.

Something I have seen...	Something I have heard...
Someone I have met...	Something Jesus said/did...

God wants a relationship with You! He is constantly trying to get your attention! What is one thing you can do this week that might help you see, hear, or learn something new about God?

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### Lesson 3: The Holy Trinity

**Opening Prayer:** [Remind students to begin and end with the sign of the cross]

Creator God, we worship you as one God in Three Persons. Please help us grow in knowledge and love of you. Amen

#### 1. Watch and learn:

Catholic Central: The Trinity <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wkYM9OvX7f8>

Answer the following questions from the video:

- a) The three persons of the Trinity are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- b) The word "Trinity" comes from the words \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- c) This is the most central belief of the Christian Faith: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Explore:

The Nicene Creed is one of the creeds of church which states what Catholics believe. We say this creed at Mass each Sunday. It professes the Church's faith in the Holy Trinity.

Below you will find a fill-in-the-blank worksheet on the Nicene Creed. Using either your memory or p.258 of your textbook, fill in the missing words.

Once all the words have been filled out, read through the creed slowly. You should notice that it is broken into three different sections (each talks about each person of the Trinity).

Get three different colored markers/crayons/colored pencils and color the section that talks about God the Father one color, the section that talks about God the Son a different color, and the section that talks about God the Holy Spirit a third color.

#### 3. Ending Prayer:

A great prayer to practice is a prayer of Thanksgiving. We tend to spend a lot of time asking God for things, and not as much thanking Him for all the gifts and blessings He gives us. As we finish our time this week, take a moment and thank God the Father for something, Thank Jesus for something, and then thank the Holy Spirit for something.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one \_\_\_\_\_, the Father almighty,  
maker of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_,  
of all things \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

I believe in one Lord \_\_\_\_\_,  
the Only Begotten \_\_\_\_\_ of God, born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light, \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, begotten, not made, \_\_\_\_\_ with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our \_\_\_\_\_, he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was \_\_\_\_\_ of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under \_\_\_\_\_,  
he suffered death and was \_\_\_\_\_, and rose again on the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day in accordance with the \_\_\_\_\_.

He ascended into heaven  
and is \_\_\_\_\_ at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in \_\_\_\_\_ to judge the living and the dead  
and his \_\_\_\_\_ will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the \_\_\_\_\_ of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is \_\_\_\_\_ and glorified,  
who has spoken through the \_\_\_\_\_.

I believe in one, \_\_\_\_\_, catholic and \_\_\_\_\_ Church.

I confess one \_\_\_\_\_ for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the dead  
and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world to come. Amen.

## Lesson 4: Great is the Lord

**Opening Prayer:** [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Loving God, help us to remember Your Loving Presence which is here with us today. Amen

### 1. Watch and Learn:

Catholic Central: Who is God? [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bxv\\_8kW9jj4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bxv_8kW9jj4)

The video discusses some of the attributes of God (qualities that describe God). On p. 37 of your textbook, you will find 7 attributes of God listed. On the worksheet below, write a few words or draw a picture in each box to help you remember the 7 attributes.

### 2. Explore:

When Jesus was on Earth, He revealed to us that God was a loving Father whom we can all love and trust. We are God's children and He loves us so much that He sent His only Son to save us from Sin.

Watch the following video to review how Sin entered the world.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l7TDvJrjz0>

Adam and Eve's were not satisfied with God's plan of goodness and holiness for them. They preferred their own way to God's plan. This decision to live apart from God is called Original sin as it was the beginning (origin) of all sin and evil in the world. It separated us from God and made a huge hole in between that we couldn't cross on our own.

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God

But happily, the story doesn't end there. God loves us too much for that! He set in motion a rescue mission to save us all from original sin. He sent Jesus to save us.

Grab a piece of paper and scissors and watch the following video that will show you how Jesus Rescues us! (follow the directions to make something to remind you of this rescue).

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qgdU-JnNMT8>

Use the item you made to make a bridge to connect us with God.

**4. Ending Prayer:** [Make the sign of the cross]. Dear God, thank You for sending Your Son to rescue us from sin. You are amazing God! Amen

## Attributes of God

\*Use p. 37 of text to help complete

One	
Lord	
Almighty	
Eternal	
Holy	
Love	
Truth	



