## WORD of LIFE

## **Chapter 12**

## **Lesson Enhancement Video: Reconciled to God**

- Start with personal experience: When was the last time you got really sick? (Answers may vary.)
  - Did you have to go to the doctor? (Answers may vary.)
  - If you needed to go to the doctor, what would have happened if you didn't go? (Pause.) Would you have gotten even more sick? (Yes.)
- Highlight the teaching point of the video: Similarly, we can become spiritually ill through our sins. (Pause.) To whom should we go to receive spiritual healing? (Jesus.)
  - To whom did Jesus give power to forgive sins? (His Apostles and priests.)
  - What sacrament did Jesus give us so that we can receive His forgiveness? (The Sacrament of Reconciliation.)
  - When we confess our sins, are we really confessing them to the priest or to Jesus through the priest? (We are confessing them to Jesus through the priest.)
  - Will we receive God's forgiveness for all our sins if we are sorry for our sins, confess them, and plan not to sin again? (Yes, of course!)
- End by making the video more personal: **Are you excited to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation?** (Answers may vary.)
  - Are any of you nervous to receive this sacrament? (Answers may vary.)
  - This is a good moment to remind the students that it is totally normal to be nervous but that there is no need to be nervous. Emphasize that God is truly there through the priest and wants to forgive them. You could also share a time when you experienced God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.