

WORD ^{of} LIFE

Video Discussion Guide for Grade 3 Parish

Chapter 1

Lesson Enhancement Video: Invitation to Communion

- Start by having the students reflect on what they have seen and heard. Since this is the first video they have watched this year, feel free to play it again if they struggle to answer some of the following questions:
 - **What are some things you saw?** (Answers may include a forest, a person approaching a cottage, and a girl opening the door to a friend.)
 - **What were some things that stood out to you in this video?** (Answers may vary.)
 - **Who do you think the friend is who comes to visit the house and knocks?** (Jesus.)
- Highlight the teaching point of the video: **Whom does the narrator say we should be “in communion” with?** (Jesus.)
 - **What does it mean to be “in communion”?** (It means the sharing of love between two or more people. Those in communion with each other are friends.)
 - **Why does God want us to be in communion with Him?** (So we can be truly happy.)
 - **Can we find true happiness outside of friendship with God?** (No.)
- Finish by highlighting the key question: **When a friend is coming over to your house to play, are you excited to see him?** (Yes.) **Will you eagerly open the door as soon as he knocks?** (Of course.)
 - **Similarly, if Jesus is knocking at the door of your heart, will you let Him in?** (Pause.) **Will you be excited to be with Him and be loved by Him?** (Yes.)
 - This is a good opportunity to tell a personal story about how you let Jesus into your life. You can also remind the students that this whole year will be about coming into a deeper friendship with Christ!