

# WORD <sup>of</sup> LIFE

## Chapter 7

### Lesson Enhancement Video: The Pattern of Virtue and Vice

- Start with the teaching point of the video: **In this video, we learn about patterns. What are some of the examples of a natural pattern given in the video?** (A snowflake, the rings of a tree, a seashell, or a spiderweb. A pattern refers to something that is repeated.)
  - **Can you give any other examples of a pattern?** (Answers may include the tiles on a floor or ceiling, the stripes on a sweater, or the flower details on a dress.)
  - **What pattern does Clyde point out in this video?** (A spiderweb.)
- Develop the teaching point of the video: **What happens if an insect tries to fly into a spiderweb?** (It becomes trapped.)
  - Similarly, we can create bad behavior patterns. **Does anyone know how we make bad patterns?** (By committing the same sin over and over.)
  - **What is a bad pattern of our actions called?** (Vice.)
  - **What can happen if we create a bad pattern of vice?** (We can become trapped like a fly in a web.)
- Finish by relating the video to the students' lives: **Have you ever developed a bad habit or vice?** (Pause.)
  - **Do you find that you commit the same sin over and over again?** (Answers may vary.)
  - If so, then you may be fighting a vice. But don't fear! With God's grace and our repeated action, we can escape any vice. **What are some ways we can receive God's grace?** (Praying, receiving the Eucharist reverently, and receiving God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.)
  - You can challenge the students to pick one way they can begin to overcome any patterns of sin in their lives.