

WORD OF LIFE GRADE 7

Enhancement Video Discussion Guide

Word of Life Grade 7 features a five-part video series that gives students a glimpse into the lives of inspiring witnesses of discipleship. In the videos, students will better understand that giving themselves entirely to Christ leads to personal flourishing and fulfillment.

The first video features the story of a young, talented musician who found that fame and success left her unsatisfied and separated from God. Her decision to use her gifts and talents in service of God helped her find the peace and happiness she longed. The second video shows the witness of a brother and sister who have learned to seek joy and consolation in Christ and the Eucharist despite the immense difficulty of tragically losing their father.

The third video depicts an inspirational witness of three young friends who have found that Christ and life in the Church are the only sure and lasting bond for truly virtuous friendships. The fourth video tells the story of a young missionary who has answered the call to care for the poor. He describes how every person suffers from poverty and loneliness, and it is the task of every disciple to remind people of their immense dignity in the eyes of God.

The final video presents the testimony of a young woman who suffered from self-hatred and felt unworthy of anyone’s love until she experienced God’s love and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Her conversion story will inspire students to see that they are each a unique masterpiece in God’s eyes and worthy of love, no matter what.

All five videos could be watched in succession in a single sitting, for example, as a recap of the entire year. Alternatively, you may wish to watch one video per unit. A suggested schedule is below.

Episode	Title	Watch video after reading . . .
1	Following Jesus Is Real Happiness	Chapter 3
2	Following Jesus Is Joyful	Chapter 6
3	Following Jesus Is Friendship	Chapter 9
4	Following Jesus Is Serving Others	Chapter 12
5	Following Jesus Is Who I Am	Chapter 17