

# Jesus, Our Lord and Savior

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 2, Session 6**.

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Saint Scholastica and her brother Saint Benedict grew up in Italy. They were best friends. They both started religious communities. They met once a year to pray together and talk about God.

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Jesus told parables, or stories, to help people understand what the Kingdom of God is like.

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In one of Jesus' parables, he shows how God the Father's great, welcoming kingdom exists within the smallest of things. Small acts of kindness can help people know the Kingdom of God.

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We can serve the Kingdom of God just like Jesus did by loving one another and living according to God's rule and direction.

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Jesus loves everyone.

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We can serve God's kingdom in our daily lives.

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Saint Benedict's motto was "pray and work." The name *Benedict* means "blessed." The name *Scholastica* means "learned woman."

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A community of monks lives in a monastery. A community of nuns lives in a convent.

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In one of Jesus' parables, he said the Kingdom of God is like yeast. When we make bread, it takes only a small amount of yeast to get the dough to rise.

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Jesus teaches us that small acts of kindness can bring about much goodness.

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# Following Jesus

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A rich man asked Jesus what he must do to inherit (gain) eternal life.

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Jesus told the rich man to follow the Ten Commandments. Jesus also told him to sell what he had and give it to people who had little.

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God wants us to love him above all else.

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Every day we make choices about how to act toward God and others.

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When we sin, the Holy Spirit gives us the grace to turn back to God. This is called *conversion*.

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Following the Ten Commandments enables us to live in peace with one another.

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As we offer the Sign of Peace at Mass, we share the peace of Christ.

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Jesus wants us to follow the Ten Commandments, but he also asks us to do more. He teaches us to give to others and follow him.

# Jesus Gathers Disciples

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The disciples wanted to be with Jesus and learn from him. Jesus welcomed them, saying, "Come and you will see."

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The Gospels form the part of the Bible where we learn the Good News of Jesus' life.

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Peter was a fisherman. Before he followed Jesus, he was called "Simon." Jesus told Peter that from now on, instead of fish, Peter would be catching people.

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Jesus chose the Twelve Apostles to lead the Church and sent them on a mission. That mission was to proclaim the Kingdom of God.

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Besides choosing Apostles, Jesus chose disciples to help him spread God's Word.

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The Apostles' mission today is continued by the pope and bishops of the Catholic Church.

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Jesus sent 72 disciples out in pairs to every town and place he planned to visit.

# Jesus Dies and Rises

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At the moment Jesus died on the cross, the gates of heaven opened for all the just people who had died before him. Two days later, Jesus was raised from the dead and appeared to Peter and the other Apostles.

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We call Jesus' passage from Death to Resurrection to Ascension the Paschal Mystery.

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Because Jesus Christ is the Son of God, we call him Lord.

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Jesus Christ shares his life with us by sending the Holy Spirit to us.

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Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; . . . everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

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Jesus suffered under Pontius Pilate and rose from the dead on the third day.

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A symbol of Jesus' Resurrection is the butterfly.

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Saint Paul wrote a letter to his friends in Corinth so they would believe and be saved.

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Through Jesus' Death and Resurrection, we are saved.

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# Celebrating Advent

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We celebrate Advent after we celebrate Ordinary Time.

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Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas, December 25, and ends at Christmas Mass.

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Advent is a time to prepare our hearts and homes to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

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One way you can prepare your home for Advent is by setting up an Advent wreath or putting up an Advent calendar.

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Advent candles remind us that we are preparing the way for Jesus, the Light of the World.

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During Advent, the altar cloth and the priest's vestments are violet. Violet reminds us that Advent is a time of preparation.

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The word *Advent* comes from a Latin word that means "coming" or "arrival."