

Caring for the Whole Human Family

We Live Our Faith

Homily Hints

The Big Question:

“What does it mean to be human?”

Chapter Goals:

1. to understand the concept of human dignity and the importance of Catholic social teachings
2. to respect each member of the human family, especially those who are poor or in need
3. to work for the common good of the whole human family, both now and in the future.

Homily Hints:

The young people are studying about Catholic social teaching and ways that they can live as true disciples by following the mission of Jesus, particularly as it relates to the rights, responsibilities, and dignity of all people. Begin a conversation about the value of being human. Unlike other living creatures, humans have the capacity for compassion. Discuss the concept of human dignity with the young people. Ask them if in respecting others they recognize their own human dignity.

Recognizing what it means to be a human being with dignity in light of the themes of Catholic social teaching is a blueprint to respect each member of the human family and to fulfill our role as disciples of Jesus, working for the common good of the whole human family.

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