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Catechist Tips: Early Roots

The social teaching of the Catholic Church has developed over thousands of years.

- It is rooted in the Hebrew prophets, such as Jeremiah and Ezekiel, and it emerged from God's revelation.
- It is based on understanding human life and dignity.

Catechist Tips: Apply the Bible Message

Encourage the children to ask and respond to the following questions about the passages they read from Scripture:

- What do these words mean to me?
- What are these words asking me to do?
- How can I put this message into practice today?

Catechist Tips: Gifted Children

Children who finish all of their work quickly may need additional work to keep them occupied and to enhance their learning.

- Provide these children with Bibles, and have them read the Book of Ruth.
- As they read, have them write down the events or key phrases that demonstrate Ruth's faithfulness.

Catechist Tips: The Lectionary

Provide a Lectionary, and ask the children to identify which Gospel is used for most of the Sundays of this year's cycle.

- Ask the children to note the thematic connection between the first reading, usually from the Old Testament, and the Gospel reading.
- This emphasizes the interconnectedness of the Scriptures.

Additional Activity: Literary Forms

Organize the children in small groups, and distribute Bibles. Have group members find examples of various literary forms.

- Direct the children to the Book of Psalms for psalms, to the Gospels for parables, and to the Epistles for examples of letters.
- Have the small groups report back to the rest of the class. If there is time, have the groups choose and discuss a favorite example of the literary form they found.

Glossary Activity: Divine Revelation

Remind the children that the Bible, *Sacred Scripture*, and *Sacred Tradition* together are the source of God's *Divine Revelation*. Ask and discuss the following questions to help the children deepen their understanding of Divine Revelation.

- What does the Bible tell you about God?
- What does your experience in your parish tell you about God?