

## Grade 2 - Chapter 2

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#### **Catechist Tips: Scripture Background—John 10:11-14**

Jesus often used references to sheep and shepherds, not only because his listeners would understand the analogy, but also to emphasize the dependent relationship between sheep (God's People) and shepherd (God). Help children to understand how God cares for his People by discussing with them what pets they may have at home. Explain how those pets depend on them for food and shelter, just as we count on God to shelter and nourish us with his love.

#### **Catechist Tips: Savior of All**

Jesus came to save everyone. One of the principles presented by the U.S. bishops in Sharing Catholic Social Teaching is that of one human family, made up of different racial, ethnic, and economic groups. It is the responsibility of Christians to respect others as members of God's family. Discuss with children ways that they can show respect for others.

#### **Catechist Tips: The Shepherd Loves Us**

Read "The Good Shepherd" passage on page 67. Review with the children the ways Jesus is a shepherd to us. Ask them to think of how some people in their lives are also like Jesus, a shepherd to them. Encourage them to think of ways different people take care of them, love them, and watch over them. Let each child name someone, for example Mommy, Grandpa, my teacher ... takes care of me when s/he \_\_\_\_\_. After each child speaks, have all say together: "They are like Jesus the Good Shepherd!" (John 10:11-14)

#### **Additional Activity: Act Out the Story**

Have the children pantomime the story The Garden of Eden.

- Choose volunteers for the roles of God, Adam, Eve, and the serpent.
- Ask other children to draw pictures of a garden to serve as a backdrop for the play.

## **Additional Activity: Collage**

Have children cut out pictures in magazines that remind them of ways that Jesus cares for humans.

- Have children glue their pictures on a large piece of poster board.
- Display the collage in the prayer space.

## **Glossary Activity: Word Scramble**

The **savior** is the one sent into the world to save the people who were lost through sin and to lead people back to God. Use the following activity to reinforce the children's understanding that God promised to send a savior.

Unscramble the words to complete the sentences.

God promised to send a \_\_\_\_\_. R V A S O I

\_\_\_\_\_ S S E J U is the Savior.