

Grade 12 Catechism Lesson Plan

Chapter 1: The Uniqueness of Jesus Christ

Duration: 45–60 minutes

I. Learning Objectives

- ❖ By the end of the lesson, students will be able to:
- ❖ Explain why Jesus is unique among all people in history.
- ❖ Describe the major events in Jesus' life and their significance.
- ❖ Identify Jesus as God, Savior, Redeemer, and the Face of the Father's Mercy.
- ❖ Analyze the unique values taught by Jesus and their relevance today.
- ❖ Reflect on how Jesus continues to influence their personal lives and society.

2. Introduction (10 minutes) – Part I

Activity: "Who Am I?"

Display pictures or names of famous personalities (scientists, leaders, athletes, actors, social reformers).

Ask:

Who do you think has influenced the world the most?

What made them influential?

Can you name someone whose influence continues even after 2000 years?

Allow students to share answers.

Then ask:

"Imagine a person whose birth was predicted centuries before He was born, whose life changed history, whose teachings are followed by billions, who died and rose again, and whose influence continues today. Who is this person?"

(Expected answer: Jesus)

Lead-in: Today we are going to discover why Jesus is not just another great leader or teacher, but a unique person unlike anyone else in human history.

Introduction Part 2

"If Jesus Came to Instagram Today"

Ask students:

If Jesus opened an Instagram account today, how many followers do you think He would have?

Now imagine Jesus posting:

Love your enemies.

Forgive seventy times seven.

Blessed are the poor.

Serve others instead of seeking power.

Ask:

Would these messages trend today? Why are people still talking about Jesus after more than 2000 years?

Many famous people become popular for a few years and are forgotten. But Jesus continues to shape lives, cultures, education, hospitals, charities, and personal faith across the world. Why? Let's discover what makes Jesus unique.

3. Development of the Lesson

1. Preparation for the Coming of Jesus

Explanation

- Jesus' coming was prepared by God for centuries.
- Prophets foretold His birth.
- John the Baptist recognized Him even before birth.
- The sacrifices and symbols of the Old Testament pointed toward Him.
- Bible Verse Luke 1:41-"When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb."

Discussion Question

- Why do you think God prepared the world for Jesus' coming for so many centuries?

Key Point

- ✚ **No other person in history had such preparation before birth.**

2. The Birth of Jesus

Explanation

- Jesus was born:
- Through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Of the Virgin Mary.
- In poverty and humility.
- Though He is God, He chose a manger instead of a palace.
- Bible Verse : Luke 2:1–7

Reflection

- What does Jesus' humble birth teach us about success and greatness?

Key Point

- ✚ **God became one of us out of love.**

3. Hidden Life and Public Life of Jesus

Explanation

- Hidden Life
- Jesus spent most of His life:
 - Working as a carpenter.
 - Living in a family.
 - Obedying His parents.
- Bible Verse: Luke 2:51: "He was obedient to them."
- Public Life
 - Jesus:
 - Preached God's Kingdom.
 - Healed the sick.
 - Forgave sinners.
 - Fulfilled the father's will.
- Bible Verse: John 6:38 : "For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of Him who sent me."

Key Point

- ✚ **Jesus teaches us that holiness is found in both ordinary life and public service.**

4. Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus

Explanation

- Passion
- Jesus willingly suffered for sinners.
- Bible Verse: Romans 5:8: "While we still were sinners, Christ died for us."
- Death on the Cross
- Jesus' death was not defeat but victory.
- Bible Verse: John 19:30 : "It is finished."
- Resurrection
- Jesus conquered death and opened the way to eternal life.
- Bible Verse: Matthew 28:1–10

Key Point

- ✚ Only Jesus died and rose again through His own power.

5. Conclusion

Jesus is unique because:

- His coming was prepared by God.
- His birth, life, death, resurrection, and ascension are unlike any other.
- He is God, the Son of God, and the Savior of the world.
- His teachings continue to transform lives.
- His influence remains alive through the Church and in the hearts of believers.

6. Memory Verse

John 20: 28: "My Lord and my God."

7. Resolution

"I will see the daily events through the eyes of Jesus and respond to them as He would."