

Grade 12 Catechism Lesson Plan – Chapter 6

God's Calling and My Response (Vocation)

1. Objective

By the end of the lesson, students will:

- Understand that every person has a unique vocation from God.
- Differentiate between the four vocations in the Church: Marriage, Priesthood, Religious Life, and Consecrated Single Life.
- Recognize the importance of discerning God's will through prayer and guidance.
- Be inspired to respond generously to God's call.

2. Introduction

Activity: "The Missed Call"

Hold up a mobile phone and ask:

How many missed calls do you usually ignore?

Whose call will you never ignore?

Why do you answer some calls immediately while ignoring others?

Then ask:

"What if today you discovered that God has been calling you all your life? Would you recognize His voice?"

Allow a minute of silence.

Then say:

"Many young people spend years asking: Which college? Which career? Which country? But the most important question is: 'God, what do You want me to become?' Today's lesson is not about choosing a profession. It is about discovering God's dream for your life."

3. Presentation

1. What is Vocation?

Explain:

- Vocation means God's personal call.
- Every person is created with a purpose.
- Jeremiah 29:11 reminds us:

"For surely I know the plans I have for you..."

- God does not randomly create anyone.
- Every life has a mission.

2. Four Vocations in the Church

Draw a simple tree.

- Roots = Christ
- Branches =
 - Marriage
 - Priesthood
 - Religious Life
 - Consecrated Single Life

Explain that every branch is equally important because all are rooted in Christ.

Marriage

Purpose:

Well-being of spouses

Gift of children

Education of children

Evangelization

Marriage is not merely living together.

It is becoming saints together.

Mention Saint Louis Martin and Saint Zélie Martin as examples of holy married life.

Priesthood

A priest continues Christ's mission by

- Teaching
- Sanctifying
- Shepherding

Ask:

"Can we imagine a Church without the Eucharist?"

Help students appreciate the priceless gift of priests.

Religious Life

Religious imitate Jesus through the vows of

Poverty

Chastity

Obedience

Their lives become a living witness that God alone is enough.

Consecrated Single Life

Some remain single entirely for God's mission.

Though they are not priests or religious, they dedicate themselves completely to evangelization and service.

3. How do we Discern God's Call?

Teach Pope Francis' three steps:

Recognize

Interpret

Choose

Also explain:

Prayer

Reading Scripture
Spiritual direction
Listening to conscience

4. Saints Who Heard God's Call

Briefly narrate:

Saint Francis of Assisi
"Rebuild My Church."

Saint Thérèse of Lisieux
"I thirst."

Saint John Bosco
Sought guidance before choosing priesthood.

Tell students:
"God still calls. The question is not whether God is speaking.
The question is whether we are listening."

4. Activity

1. "Letter from God to Me"

Give each student a sheet.

Ask them to imagine that God is writing a personal letter to them.

Write:

Dear (Name),
I created you because...
I have gifted you with...
Never be afraid to...
I want you to become...
Love, God

After writing, play soft instrumental music.

Invite volunteers to share (optional).

Finish with:

vocation God calls you to, He calls you because He loves you."

2. The Four Doors

Display four doors on PPT labelled:

Money

Fame

Comfort

God's Will

Ask:

"If you could walk through only one door for the rest of your life, which would you choose?"

After discussion, explain:

"Many people chase success. A Christian first seeks God's will. Sometimes God's will brings success; sometimes it brings sacrifice—but it always brings peace."

5. Bible Verse

**"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit."
John 15:16**

6. Practical Application

This week students will:

Spend 10 minutes in silent prayer asking:

"Lord, what do You want me to become?"

Read Acts Chapters 1–4.

Pray daily for

priests

religious

married couples

young people discerning their vocation.

Identify one God-given talent and use it in service at home, school, or parish.

7. Conclusion

Conclude with this reflection:

"Success is choosing the career you love.

Fulfillment is choosing the life God has prepared for you.

The happiest people are not those who simply follow their dreams, but those who discover and follow God's dream for them."