PARENT / GUARDIAN CONNECTION

FIFTH GRADE: TOB LESSON 7



THEME: ORIGINAL NAKEDNESS (PART 1)

SOW THE SEED



Dear Parents.

In the next three Theology of the Body (TOB) lessons, your child will learn the third original experience of Adam and Eve in the Garden along with Original Solitude and Unity; **Original Nakedness.** Original Nakedness: In the Beginning sheds light on how original man and woman were able to look upon each other in their full dignity as human persons, and at the same time receive the other as a gift (without any temptation to *use* the other). The book of Genesis tells us that Adam and Eve were naked, but they did not feel shame. Their gaze was pure. They could view one another as a complete body-soul unity and truly behold the "whole person" who was before them with a pure gaze.

In class, your child will begin to assemble a salvation history timeline. This timeline provides an anchoring and an appreciation of the past, present and future through a biblical lens. Your child will read the Creation story from Genesis 2 and will reflect on the meaning of these verses through class discussion and questions about God's creation as good.

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FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Do you think it is difficult to see others as God sees them? Why or why not? What do you think that you could do to make your vision more like God's?



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FAMILY ACTIVITY:

Play "Dig a little Deeper" — Give everyone a piece of paper or notecard. Have each person in the family write down some facts about someone else, but not their name or any of their family members. For example, you could write down boy or girl, grade, birthday, birthplace, hair color, eye color, hobbies. Take turns reading your list of facts and see if the family members can guess who the person is that you are describing. If necessary, add more information, including relationships. For example, Ms. Smith's son, Terry's sister, John's wife, etc. Afterwards, discuss whether it made a difference when you were able to add information about the relationships. *(Note to parents: Our relationships matter because we were created in the image and likeness of a Triune God who is a communion of persons. We were made for community).

FAMILY PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, thank you for creating us male and female in your image. Give us the eyes to see others as you see them.

Amen.

Stay up to date with the TOB lessons your child is learning in the classroom. Look for the leaf at the bottom of your child's worksheets to see a summary of their current TOB lesson labeled "THEOLOGY OF THE BODY TIDBITS."

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