# **Topic:** Laying a Firm Foundation: Transmitting the Faith

Family Small Group for Confirmation Week 1.4 (October 1st, 2023)

#### **Parent and Student Resources**

The resources listed below will be used in some capacity throughout the lesson. Please read them when prompted.

Student Resources	Parent Resources
<ul> <li>A Well-Built Faith</li> <li>Introduction - A Little H.E.L.P.</li> <li>Chapter 1 pg. 3-9</li> <li>Formed: The Search Begins</li> <li>"What do you Seek?" Episode 1</li> </ul>	Deep Dive: Catechism for Adults  ■ Chapters 1-2 pg. 2-19

# 1. Opening Prayer (read together)

# Psalm 42:2-6

As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God. My being thirsts for God, the living God. When can I go and see the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, as they ask me daily, "Where is your God?" Those times I recall as I pour out my soul, When I went in procession with the crowd, I went with them to the house of God, Amid loud cries of thanksgiving, with the multitude keeping festival. Why are you downcast, my soul; why do you groan within me? Wait for God, whom I shall praise again, my savior and my God. (Catechism for Adults pg. 9)

### 2. Personal Connection

Parents- Reflect on, then discuss the following:

Why is a strong foundation important when building a home or other structure? How is the same true for building a strong faith?

# After sharing, ask your student:

What tools could help you build a strong faith foundation (i.e. Bible, etc.)

# 3. Formed Video

Watch on Formed The Search Begins: "What do you Seek?" Episode 1

- **4. Discussion Questions (**writing down answers prior to discussion may encourage deeper conversations)
- 1. After watching *The Search Begins* Episode 1, discuss what makes you happy. Do those things last or does the happiness fade?
- 2. Read *A Well-Built Faith:* Introduction A Little H.E.L.P and Chapter 1. What does the acronym H.E.L.P. stand for?
- 3. It is common to have personal goals, academic goals, or athletic goals, but have you ever had a faith goal? If so, what was it? What do you think your faith goal should be as you prepare for Confirmation?

# 5. Closing

As a family, discuss your current prayer intentions and take a moment to pray together.