

YOUTH INSTRUCTION CLASS

LESSON 19: THE HOLY SPIRIT

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

Opening

- By His life, death, and resurrection Jesus:
 - A. *Won forgiveness* for all sinners
 - B. *Justified* the world

Ambassadors For Christ

- We are justified by *faith* (Romans 3:28)
- Faith comes by hearing (Romans 10:17)
- How can **you** help others hear the good news so they can believe in Jesus?



Reconcile

To make friends; to make peace.

2 Corinthians 5:18-20 ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and **gave us the ministry of reconciliation**: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has **committed to us the message of reconciliation**. ²⁰ **We are therefore Christ's ambassadors**, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

According to the above passage,

God has given us: _____

God has committed to us: _____

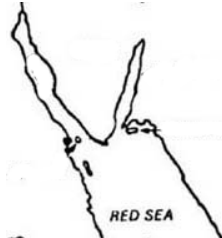
Now we are: _____

- What is an *ambassador*?
- List some ways we can be *good ambassadors* for Jesus:
(For some ideas see Mk 5:19, 2 Cor 3:2-3, Mt 28:18-20, Eph 6:4, Eph 4:32)

Ideas For Presenting the Gospel

- The three "colors of salvation":

Black	=	Dead in sins
Red	=	The blood of Jesus our Savior
White	=	The holiness we have through forgiveness
- A "map" that can guide us to heaven



The DEAD SEA pictures the natural condition of man's heart, dead to God, and to good.
 The BLACK SEA is a fitting picture of the evil of sin and its results.
 The RED SEA reminds us of the blood of Jesus that was shed for our sins.
 The WHITE SEA represents the sinner forgiven through Christ (Psalm 51:7).

Assignment

- Study Questions 206-211 (pp.156-159) in the catechism.