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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST -PROPER 16

JESUS IS GOD'S SON





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Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. What does it mean to have an opinion about something?
- 2. Share about a time when you had a different view from someone else.



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

1st reading

2nd reading

Exodus 1:8-2:10 Birth of Moses

Romans 12:1-8 A living sacrifice

Gospel reading

Matthew 16:13-20

Peter's confession of Christ

DISCUSS

What are some of the different ideas people have about Jesus? Who do you say Jesus is?



ACTION RESPONSE

Romans 12:6-8 lists a number of different gifts that God gives to his people: telling others the gospel and Bible stories, helping others, teaching, encouraging, sharing or giving, leading, and showing kindness to others. Name the gifts you see at work in different members of your family. Talk about ways you can use these gifts to serve God in your church, family and community.



PRAYER

Lord Jesus, help us to show that we believe vou are God's Son through what we think, say and do today. Amen.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Son of God, come be our guest, our thanks to receive and these gifts to bless. Amen.



BLESSING

May the Lord make you strong and brave to speak up for him.

THEN JESUS ASKED THEM, "BUT WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?" SIMON PETER SPOKE UP. "YOU ARE THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD."

MATTHEW 16:15-16

VERSE OF THE WEEK

