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Morality, Our Lived Faith

Begin

- ▶ Ask: *If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go? Why?* Read aloud the unit title on page 170. Say: *In our new unit, we will learn how following the Ten Commandments can help us live like Jesus. First, we'll learn about a saint who traveled the world to help others learn how to live like Jesus.*

Introduce the Saint

- ▶ Focus your child's attention on the picture of Saint Francis Xavier on page 170. Ask: *What do you notice about Saint Francis Xavier in this picture?* (He is teaching or preaching to children. He is in Asia.) Say: *Saint Francis Xavier was a missionary.* Ask: *What does a missionary do?* (travel to other places to teach people about God and Jesus)
- ▶ Have your child read aloud Saint Francis Xavier on page 171. Ask: *Who was one of Francis Xavier's friends?* (Ignatius of Loyola) *What religious order did Francis Xavier join?* (the Society of Jesus) *What did Francis Xavier do to share Jesus' love with others?* (He taught children by telling them religious stories and teaching them religious songs. He helped people who were poor, sick, or in prison.) *What was his great wish?* (to do missionary work in China) Say: *Saint Francis Xavier is the patron saint of missionaries to foreign lands.*
- ▶ Read aloud the Be Inspired feature. Discuss reasons to choose to do good, kind things.
- ▶ With your child, add Francis's feast day, December 3, to your calendar. Plan an event together to celebrate the teachings of Saint Francis Xavier.

Unit Opener: Page 172

- ▶ Discuss the difference between traveling today and traveling in the time of Saint Francis Xavier. Say: *Saint Francis Xavier traveled far from home to tell people about God's Word.* Ask: *What does this tell you about him?* (He cared so much about God's Word that he wanted all people to hear it.)
- ▶ Say: *Saint Francis Xavier brought Christianity to people around the world.* Have your child read aloud Our Lived Faith on page 172.
- ▶ Read aloud We Travel Through Life with Jesus and give your child time to complete the activity. Talk about his or her responses.
- ▶ Direct your child's attention to the Reading God's Word feature. Say: *Saint Francis Xavier, apostle to the Far East, sought out people who were poor and forgotten. Let's remember them as we pray.* Read aloud the Scripture. Then invite your child to pray aloud the Scripture with you.