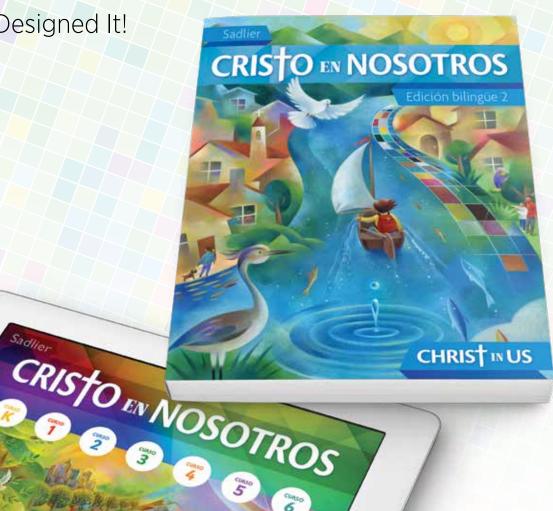
#### CRISTO EN NOSOTROS **IDEAL FOR DISTANCE LEARNING**

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It's not every day that there's a new catechetical program for Grades 1–6 with the goal of setting the standard for faith formation in today's world. That alone should inspire you to check out *Cristos en nosotros*. If not, consider 10 more reasons why we think you'll agree that this innovative program will change the future of catechesis.

#### 1. An Exciting Response to the Church's Call to Cultivate Missionary Disciples

"Missionary discipleship" is both the descriptor and goal for catechesis today. Through its three-step approach (Encounter, Accompany, Witness) and spiral curriculum, *Cristo en nosotros* accompanies the learner into an ever-deepening understanding and experience of a lived relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church. The spiral nature of the curriculum allows parents with children of differing ages to be on the same page conceptually and promotes peer-to-peer mentoring—both vital to effective catechesis and faith sharing in the home.

In age-appropriate ways, and with greater nuance, learners will reflect upon the essentials of the Catholic faith which, in turn, deepens the connection between the faith and their lived experiences, providing a solid foundation for a living witness of faith. Each unit is full of opportunities for reflection on (and actualization of) the Catholic faith. Children learn about Jesus and how to be like Jesus amid their peers.

#### 2. Unprecedented Program Adaptability

*Cristo en nosotros* is available in parish, family, and at-home, models, each of which can be implemented with the click of a button!

#### 3. Designed for All Learners

The unique Adapting the Lesson for Inclusion feature and additional digital inclusion activities adapt the lesson to various learning styles and abilities with a key focus on learners with special needs.

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#### 4. Greater Lesson Flexibility

*Cristo en nosotros* offers a blended learning option that allows catechists the flexibility to deliver lessons in multiple settings—as a group or individually and in print or via a digital portal.

#### 5. Superior Learner Engagement Opportunities

Mini-Tasks are a hallmark in *Cristo en nosotros* and offer learners opportunities to express their creativity as they complete a variety of projects that demonstrate applied knowledge. The Mini-Tasks are specific to the Tasks of Catechesis.

#### 6. Bringing God's Word to Life

Lessons are rich with Scripture passages, which ground the lesson and the learner in God's word. A Readers Theater feature in the seasonal lessons brings God's word to life for learners as they participate in engaging Bible-based plays.

#### 7. Robust Family Support

*My Catholic Faith Companion* is an additional workbook, which children use as a daily prayer and faith companion as well as a keepsake. This engaging and interactive resource includes essential prayers, summaries of Catholic beliefs and practices, profiles of saints and holy people, and cultural religious practices. In addition, children personalize special pages to make it theirs and invite families and grandparents to participate in their faith formation.

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#### 8. Digital Resources to Support Families

*Cristo en nosotros* is designed with the family in mind and supports families with the following key features:

- Family Spirituality pieces introduce parents to the saint featured in each grade level. This includes a biography of the saint, an overview of the saint's spirituality, and suggested activities for adopting this spirituality in your home.
- Practical Tools for Families Today reinforce the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* which are also the unit themes—in easy, concrete ways.
- Family Companion, which is in both the portal and print, includes resources for families (e.g., prayers and practices) that further reinforce unit themes.
- Resources for grandparents encourage them to share their wisdom and faith with their grandchildren.
- Every lesson concludes with an at-home activity for the child to engage in with his or her family.

#### 9. An Assessment for Every Lesson

Today, more than ever, pastors, DREs, and catechists appreciate the value of assessment within religious education. In *Cristo en nosotros,* you'll find every lesson starts with a Prior Knowledge Check review and ends with a Show What You Know assessment.

### 10. Designed to Accompany Catechists, Teachers, Parents, and Learners on their Journey of Faith

Missionary disciples are always learning, always on the go, and always adapting to new situations. With its blended design and spiral-curriculum approach, *Cristo en nosotros* is nimble enough to deliver solid catechesis—and provide opportunities to experience the faith—in a way that meets learners where they are on their faith journey and adapts to where they are going next.

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