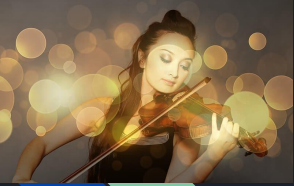




# Grade 6 Family Life



# Diversity and Our Individual Differences



-The United States is made up of many ethnic groups. Because of this various regions of the country have developed customs of their own.



-Families across the country contribute their own ethnic heritage and style, blending it with the general culture wherever they live. Families also create their own unique customs, unrelated to their ethnic backgrounds. For example, some families enjoy a pancake breakfast every Saturday morning.

-Even though we are born into a certain family we are still individuals and are unique in some way. God created everyone to be different. We all have special gifts and talents.

-As you get older you will continue some family customs and leave others behind. And if you should marry you and your spouse will bring together your family backgrounds. Together you will decide which ethnic, social, cultural, and religious customs you will make part of your family.



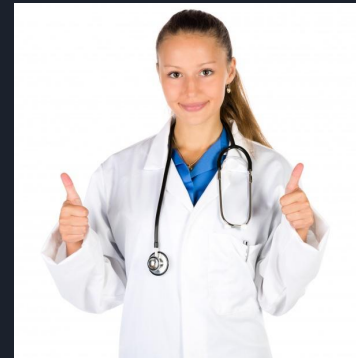
# Reaching Goals



- Reaching goals requires determination, dedication, patience and perseverance.
- Having goals gives direction to your life and helps you focus on what you are doing and where you would like to head.
- Reaching goals takes planning and the ability to have a vision and “see the future.” This will help you make sacrifices and set priorities.

Determination has to do with three qualities of the heart:

- A sense of integrity
- A capacity for resilience
- An attitude of humility





# Signs of Respect

-Showing respect is based on 3 attitudes:

- empathy (Sensitivity to the needs and feelings of others)

- altruism (The willingness to put the needs of others before your own)

- moral awareness (When you consider how your actions will affect others)

-Modesty is another way of showing respect

-Modesty is a virtue that frees you to be an image of God.

-You show modesty in the way you talk, dress, and act. The church teaches that practicing modesty can help us to be respectful of ourselves and to grow in self-confidence.

# Who is My Neighbor?

- When Jesus asked what it means to be a part of God's kingdom, he responded, "Love God with your whole heart and soul, and love your neighbor as yourself." (Story of the Good Samaritan)
- Being a good neighbor means walking in the shoes of others. It means understanding and accepting the reality that we belong to the same family, the Family of God.
- How do we show how to be a good neighbor? (Corporal Works of Mercy)
- Being aware of people who are in need is the first step in reaching out to help them. Before you can put these acts of mercy into action, you must see people with those needs. That kind of awareness means really looking at people who sometimes are "invisible."

