The Prayer of Jesus
(Lower Elementary)

May 16, 2021 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Overview

In this week’s Gospel passage, we read part of Jesus’ priestly prayer to God the Father just before His arrest. This prayer outlines Jesus’ mission of salvation. In this lesson, students will reflect on what it means to be sent into the world like Jesus.

Directions

A. Read the Gospel passage aloud to your students as they follow along. Then, discuss the focus and reflection questions with them as a class.

B. Have students complete the Sent into the World drawing, then have them answer the reflection question. When they have finished, have them share and explain their drawings and reflection question answers with the class.

Answer Key

Focus Questions

1. He says He is going to the Father. He is speaking of His coming Glorification attained by His Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension into Heaven.
2. He asks that they “may be one,” that they be “kept from the evil one,” and that they be “consecrated in the truth.”
3. Judas, His betrayer.
4. He gave them the Word of God, which is Himself, according to the will of the Father.
5. He says that they “do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world,” and that He sent them into the world, just as He was sent into the world by the Father.