

# Lesson Plan

## PATH FINDERS

### Chapter 15

#### The Consecrated Life

##### Objective

By the end of the lesson, students will understand the concept of Consecrated life

##### Introduction

**Discuss** with the students what comes to their mind when they hear the term Consecrated life and ask them to share their thoughts on the same.

**Reflect with the class the Gospel of St. Luke Chapter 18 verses 18-22 – The Rich Ruler**

*Based on this passage, discuss how you can inherit eternal life?*

*Here the discussion is based on the riches that the man possessed.*

*Do you think, this discusses only about wealth? Anything that you are attached to is your possession.*

*Eg: Mobile phones, laptop, celebrity etc*

**Jesus meant to detach yourself from the possessions.**

##### Teaching strategy

###### **Introduction to Consecrated life**

*Consecrate means to dedicate someone or something to God, and to set apart for His service.*

- *Church is the house of God and hence dedicated to God.*
- *In similar way Consecrated life is a life revolving around God.*

***Discuss with the students how the religious persecutors tortured the early Christians. But all those persecutions ultimately led to a strong foundation for religious life.***

## Presentation of the Topic

1. *Religious life is-*
  - *The Sign of the Kingdom of God*
  - *Intimate imitation of Jesus in all respects.*
2. *Explain on the heavenly reward for self-denial.*
3. *The foundation for religious life is the evangelical counsels of obedience, chastity, and poverty.*
4. *Divine vocation is a gift of God to mankind.*

*Discuss the activities of religious congregation in your parish or nearby parish. If possible visit them to understand the way they imitate Jesus.*

## Habit Formation

- **Pray for the priests and religious**
- **Show respect for the priests and religious**

## Activity

Explain shortly the life history of one of the saints of Syro - Malabar church.

## Bible Verse

**"If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me"**

(Matthew 19:21).