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Altaration Session 2 – Due September 14

- **Opening Prayer**

- “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”
– John 3:16

Heavenly Father, thank you for this opportunity to learn more about you and about your plan of salvation. Help us to begin to understand how much you love us and to grow in understanding and in gratitude. Thank you for sending your Son to save us by taking on our sins and by dying and rising again so that we may have life. Send your Spirit upon us now to enlighten us and to guide us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

- On last weeks challenge, did you find it difficult or easy? Expand on why.
- Read Dive In on pages 14 and 15
- Watch Segment 2 Video 1 The Incarnation
 - Answer the following
 - Jesus was the only founder of a major world religion to claim to be God. What does that meant to you?
 - God became man in the Incarnation. The Second Person of the Trinity willingly came down from heaven to become “one of us” in everything but sin. What do you think this says about God?
 - In the video, Mark Hart says, “God came to show us what Love is. “ What you think he means.
 - Have you ever sacrificed something special for another person or had someone sacrifice something for you? How did this impact your relationship with him or her?
- What Segment 2 Video 2: A Father Who Loves Us
 - Answer the following

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- You heard that some young people around the world are willing to risk their lives to go to Mass. What does that tell you about the value they place on their faith?
- The rules your parents have in place flow from their love for you. What about God's rules or commandments? What do you think a society without rules would look like?
- Christ says that if God is at the center of our lives, everything else will fall into its proper place. Have you made something else (e.g. sports, music, friends, the Internet) the center of your life rather than God?
- Watch Segment 2 Video 3
 - Answer the following
 - What is the craziest thing you have ever done for something you valued? Was it worth it?
 - How can we hear God if we are always plugged into some type of media? Do you ever take time to turn off the "noise" and enjoy the silence?
 - Do you value your time with God, even above other things? If not, how would your life change if you did?
- Read pages 18-19
 - Answer the following
 - We believe that Jesus came to save us, but have you ever thought about what it means to you personally that God of the universe would take on flesh, be born into poverty, and die on a cross, all to save you so that he could be with you forever in heaven?
 - Do you accept that he did this for you? Yes, you! How does this change the way you think about God, especially at Mass?
- Complete both Challenges of the week on page 20 and write about your experience.
- Read pages 21-27
- Talk to your parents about what you learned this week. Write a summary about the discussion. Did your parents add any insights?