



Black Panther: Growing in Faith- Dealing with

Klaue Lesson Plan

Purpose:

To demonstrate that even after Baptism, we still have to deal with sin in our lives and in ourselves. Sometimes our old ways comes back to haunt us, and we need help to overcome that old self, often through the help of others, which is consistent with our Baptismal Vows.

Scriptural Examples:

1: Romans 7:14-25

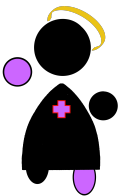
- In this passage, Paul speaks of his mind and his flesh. The mind follows the law of God while his flesh follows the law of sin. Paul does not want to follow the law of sin any more, but still feels its pull from time to time. Paul turns to God as the only help and guidance to him in this struggle.

Supplies:

- + Computer or similar device
- + Means to project image and/or sound
- + Copy of *Black Panther* or access to stream movie/clips of film
 - + Clip of Black Panther confronting Klaue in Busan, South Korea

Note: if you have younger viewers, make sure you get signed permission

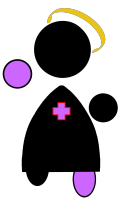
from parents. This film has a PG-13 rating.





Procedure:

1. Ideally, this session will fall after discussing Black Panther's actions in *Captain America: Civil War* and how the ceremony where Black Panther ingests the heart-shaped herb is similar to Baptism. Recap these by discussing how Baptism brings us out of sin into new life. Ask participants if whether, after their baptism, they still struggle with doing things they know they shouldn't do. Ask their thoughts on moving beyond this struggle.
2. Discuss who Ulysses Klaue is. Mention that he is the only person to ever invade Wakanda, steal their most precious resource, the metal Vibranium (which is what Captain America's shield is made of), and escape. It is a matter of pride and honor that Black Panther capture Klaue and bring him back to stand trial in Wakanda, as that is something not even Black Panther's father, the former king, could do.
3. Show the clip from *Black Panther* where Black Panther captures Klaue in South Korea. You do not need to show the car chase scene before, unless there is time, and you should end the clip before the scene changes to from night to daytime.
4. Discuss Black Panther's reaction to Klaue. Compare it with Black Panther's anger in *Captain America: Civil War*. Note that even though Black Panther has changed, some of the darkness we saw in him in *Captain America: Civil War* is still present.





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5. Read the passage from Romans 7:14-25. If pressed for time, explain that Paul states that even though he has been baptized in Christ Jesus, there are still times when he struggles doing the right thing. Read at least Romans 7:25b to get this point across. This could also be a time to further discuss participants' own struggle in doing the right thing.
6. Ask participants how Black Panther was able to move beyond his instinct to enact vengeance against Klaue. Point out that it was Black Panther's friends that keep him from hurting Klaue. Remind them that as Baptized Christians, we are called to help each other when we are struggling to do the right thing in the world.

This lesson can be modified and combined with the lesson plan for Black Panther: Growing in Faith- Moving Beyond our Cultural Past with Killmonger.



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