



## *Scope & Sequence*

**CREDO SERIES COURSE III:**

# *The Promised One: Servant and Savior*

[Framework Course III: The Mission of Jesus Christ (The Paschal Mystery)]

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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this course is to help the young people understand all that God has done for us through his Son, Jesus Christ. Through this course of study the young people will learn that, for all eternity, God has planned for us to share eternal happiness with him, which is accomplished through the redemption Christ won for us. The young people will learn that they share in this redemption only in and through Jesus Christ. We will also introduce them to what it means to be a disciple of Christ and what life as a disciple entails.

## CHAPTER 1

### *A Good World and a Generous God*

#### **FOCUS QUESTION:**

How do you view the world?

#### **CONTENT SUMMARY:**

What is your outlook on life? / Who has shaped and influenced it; is it life-giving for you, for others? / We can have a positive outlook because of our Christian faith / Points of view in conversation / Four steps for 'Active Reading' of biblical texts / The teaching and vision of Jesus / Jesus placed his trust in his father / Jesus and the 'Bible' of his time / The challenge of trusting God / God is both just and generous / God's justice and generosity: Expressions of divine love / Created in God's image and likeness / Losing and gaining the likeness of God / Example of Peter Maurin (Catholic Worker Movement)

#### **KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 1:1, 16, 26-28 and 31, 2: 15, 18 & 23; **Leviticus** 19:18; **Deuteronomy** 6:5, 29:13; **Psalms** 9:9-10, 22:16, 23:1, 69:22, 104:1, 10-11, 14-15, 24 & 27-28, 131:2-3; **Isaiah** 49:14-15, 66:13; **Jeremiah** 1:31 & 33, 3:4-19; **Ezekiel** 36:26; **Hosea** 11:1-4.

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 5:13, 14, 17-18 & 27-29, 6:21 & 25-33, 7:12 & 28-29, 19:28-30, 20:1-16, 22:34-40; **Luke** 1:38, 2:52; 4:16-21, 8:15; **John** 1:1-4, 4:8, 17:22 & 23; **Romans** 5:5; **I Corinthians** 1:25, 10:11; **Philippians** 2:5; **2 Timothy** 2:13

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 106, 109, 134, 210, 214-221, 231, 262, 267, 283-289, 301, 315-316, 319, 350, 353, 357-358, 362-368, 370, 382, 384, 390, 415-419, 460, 467, 471-475, 481, 620-621, 705, 1702, 1890, 2018, 2335, 2433

**FAITH WORD:** *Theosis*

**LEARN BY HEART:** Matthew 6:33

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Peter Maurin and the Catholic Worker Movement

## CHAPTER 2

### *The Reality of Sin and the Promise of Salvation*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** What is wrong with the world?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Recognizing the brokenness of our world / Christian faith offers us hope / Original holiness and original justice / Genesis 2:3—a story of hope / Jesus as the 'New Adam' / God's promise of redemption; the *Protoevangelium* / What is sin? / God's grace will help us to conquer our sin / Original Sin / Why did God allow sin to happen? / We have reason to sing: God's love will triumph / The existence and work of angels / Fallen angels / Expelling modern demons / Personal sin / Social sin / Example of Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA

#### **KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 1:1, 2:15-3:24, 19:1-38, 21:17, 22:11-12, 23:20-23; **Exodus** 23:20-23; **Judges** 13:6-7; **Isaiah** 6:6

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 1:20, 4:10, 5:14, 26:53, 28:5–6;

**Mark** 1:21–27, 3:27, 5:9, 9:14–29; **Luke** 1:11–17

& 26–38, 2:14, 4:13, 15:11–32; **John** 1:1–18;

3:16, 8:12 & 44; **Romans** 5:12, 15 & 20–21,

7:19, 8:21, 22 & 28; **1 Corinthians** 12:10,

15:47–49; **2 Peter** 2:4; **1 John** 4:1

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 55, 57, 59,

109–110, 112, 115–119, 309–313, 314, 315,

324, 329–331, 336, 350, 374–376, 378, 384,

387, 391–393, 395–399, 401–404, 407–408,

410–412, 416–419, 460, 508, 561, 1060,

1279, 1707, 1869, 1871

**FAITH WORDS:** Original holiness; Original justice; Original Sin; *Protoevangelium*

**LEARN BY HEART:** Romans 8:28

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Sr. Thea Bowman, FSPA

### CHAPTER 3

#### *God's Commitment; Our Hope*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** Where is our hope?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** What is hope? / Hope is a gift from God, a theological virtue, which is linked to our desire for happiness, for holiness and for justice / Christians are a people of hope / Christian hope is rooted in our faith and trust in God's steadfast loyalty and love for humanity—God's *chesed* / *Chesed* is at the heart of our Covenant with God / God's promise endures despite the escalation of sin—the murder of Abel, the Tower of Babel, the Great Flood / Ruth and Naomi: the effects of steadfast love / The descendants of Ruth: the *chesed* legacy / God's Covenants with Old Testament peoples foreshadowed the Paschal Mystery—all fulfilled in Jesus / Judges, kings and prophets reminded the people of God's promise / God's promise to David / Typology in the *Old Testament*: the 'suffering servant' passages in Isaiah / Jesus makes a 'New Covenant' / Prophets still needed today / We must also challenge

the social structures that cause suffering / Example of St. Damien of Molokai

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 3:15, 4:1–16, 6:5, 7 & 9, 9:4–6 & 13–

15, 12:2–5 & 10–20, 14:1–16, 15:8–10 & 17,

17:1–7, 18:1–33, 21:1–7, 22:1–19; **Exodus** 3:7–8

and 13–15, 19:3–8, 34:1–9; **Ruth** 1:1, 15–17,

4:17, 22; **2 Samuel** 7:16; **Psalms** 89:1, 3–4;

**Isaiah** 42:1–7, 49:1–7, 50:4–9, 52:13—53:12;

**Jeremiah** 31:32–33; **Hosea** 14:4

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 1:16 & 20, 16:21–26, 25:35–36,

26:28; **Luke** 1:32, 2:4, 3:31, 10:25–37, 22:42,

24:21; **John** 1:29, 12:27–36, 19:1–2 & 16–18;

**Romans** 5:14; **Titus** 3:6–7; **Hebrews** 10:23;

**1 Peter** 3:13–18

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 54–59, 60–64,

70–73, 109–110, 112, 117, 121–123, 128–130,

134, 136, 140, 205, 210–211, 215–221, 231, 313,

315–316, 357, 440, 415–416, 418, 489, 536,

608, 613, 615, 623, 705–706, 845, 1080,

1409–1410, 1612, 1808, 1819, 1831, 1840–1841,

1843, 1980, 1982, 2072, 2080, 2572, 2575,

2842–2845

**FAITH WORD:** *chesed*

**LEARN BY HEART:** Genesis 9:14–15

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** St. Damien of Molokai

### CHAPTER 4

#### *The Word Became Flesh*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** How was Jesus like us?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** God became one of us in Jesus / Why did God do so and what does it mean for us now? / Mary's 'Yes' / Our 'Yes' / Mary, model of steadfast devotion; Mary's visit to Elizabeth / Honoring the Virgin Mary: the Hail Mary / The role of Joseph in the life of Jesus / Foreshadowings of Jesus' mission / Jesus came to set things right, to save and redeem us and show us the way to eternal life / St. Anselm's theory in *Cur Deus Homo?* / The identity and mission of Jesus

is reflected in the names used to identify him: Christ/Messiah, Lord, Son of God / The Jesus Prayer / Example of Sts Perpetua and Felicity

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Exodus** 29:7; **Leviticus** 8:12; **1 Samuel** 1:1—2:11, 9:16, 10:1, 16:1 & 12–13; **1 Kings** 1:39, 19:16; **Isaiah** 7:14; **Micah** 5:2

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 1:19–22 and 24–25, 2:2 & 13–23, 7:21, 10:16–18, 11:5, 27 & 29, 13:55, 20:31, 22:41–46; **Mark** 6:3; **Luke** 1:26–39, 41–42, 44, 46–48 & 56, 2:10–12, 40–50, 12:13–14, 19:8; **John** 1:1, 14 & 18, 3:16 & 18, 6:5–15 & 35, 8:12 & 34–36, 10:9–11 & 27–28, 11:25–26, 13:1, 14:6 & 11, 15:5 & 12, 17:11, 18:36; **Acts of the Apostles** 10:38; **1 Corinthians** 1:22–25; **Galatians** 5:1; **1 Thessalonians** 5:17; **1 Peter** 1:18–19; **1 John** 4:8–9

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 134, 420–429, 430–435, 437, 449, 452–462, 470–472, 474–484, 486–489, 495–497, 500, 508, 510, 522–528, 549, 618, 620–622, 744, 1505, 1741, 2667, 2668, 2672, 2680

**FAITH WORDS:** Perpetual Virginity of Mary; Expiation; Atonement

**LEARN BY HEART:** Jesus Prayer

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** St. Perpetua and St. Felicity

**CHAPTER 5**

*Thy Kingdom Come*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** How do we choose our role models?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Choosing our role models / Jesus as exemplar, or role model *par excellence* / Jesus' public life and ministry began with his baptism / Jesus rejected Satan and temptation / Choosing God's way—the way of Jesus / Jesus announced and inaugurated the Kingdom, or Reign, of God / Proclamation

of the mission / The Kingdom of God is at hand / The Kingdom of God versus the kingdom of the world / Unexpected Good News / The Kingdom invitation is to all / Miracles of Jesus—signs of God's Reign / Puzzling through the Kingdom parables / The challenge and command to bring about a 'kingdom' of justice 'on earth as it is in heaven'.

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 1:26 & 28–30; **Leviticus** 23:33–44, 25:8–55; **Deuteronomy** 6:13 & 16, 8:3; **1 Samuel** 8:6–9, 19–20; **2 Kings** 16:10–16; **Isaiah** 3:13–15, 5:8–13, 11:1–9; **Micah** 2:1–10

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 3:13–17, 4:1–11, 11:5, 13:3, 33 & 44–54, 14:13–21, 18:10–14, 20:1–16, 21:28–46, 22:1–14; **Mark** 1:4, 9 & 12–15, 4:30–34, 6:31–44; **Luke** 3:21–22, 4:1–13, 18–19, 21, 28–30, 9:10–17, 12:13–14, 19:8 & 37; **John** 6:1–15, 8:34–36, 13:34–35; 14:6, 18:36; **Philippians** 2:5–11

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 535–550, 566–567, 1223–1225, 1279, 2458–2459

**FAITH WORD:** parables

**LEARN BY HEART:** Luke 4:4

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Pope Leo XIII

**CHAPTER 6**

*Jesus: More than Meets the Eye*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** How do we discover our true identity?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Each person is unique—and a mystery; there is a deeper spiritual reality behind the outward self that we present to the world / Jesus' unique identity and mission—to bring about the divine plan of goodness, of Creation and Salvation / The miracle at the wedding feast of Cana; a deeply symbolic story foreshadowing the Paschal Mystery / The role of Mary in prompting

Jesus' first miracle / Transfiguration at Mount Tabor—the Revelation of Jesus' true identity; a preview of Resurrection life and of Jesus' Second Coming / Jesus' final entry into Jerusalem, foreshadowing his Death and Resurrection / Jesus institutes the Sacrament of the Eucharist / Eucharist, the source and summit of the Christian life and a memorial of Christ's sacrifice / Real Presence / The sacrament of sacraments / Example of the martyrs of the University of Central America

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Exodus** 12:1–13 & 28–32, 24:9–18, 33:9 & 11a;

**Leviticus** 23:39–43; **1 Kings** 19:8–18

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 3:17, 6:10, 22:1–14, 23:37–39,

26:26–30; **Mark** 1:11, 8:29 & 8:31–9:10,

14:22–25; **Luke** 3:22, 13:33, 19:36–39 &

41–44, 22:14–23; **John** 1:29, 32, 36, 41–42 &

45–50, 2:1–12 & 25, 6:51, 19:26–27 & 34–35;

**Romans** 6:4; **1 Corinthians** 5:7–8, 10:16–17,

11:23–26; **Revelation** 7:14

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 45, 316, 355,

383, 460, 480, 517–518, 554–561, 568–569,

610–611, 620–621, 774, 1131, 1324, 1337–1340,

1341–1344, 1355, 1413, 1763, 1768–1769, 1771,

2618

**FAITH WORDS:** Transfiguration; Son of Man; Real Presence

**LEARN BY HEART:** 1 Corinthians 10:17

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Martyrs of the University of Central America

**CHAPTER 7**

*Victory from the Jaws of Death*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** What is the meaning of suffering?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Jesus Christ—key to understanding the reality of suffering / Jesus freely accepted his suffering and death / The historical political context of

the Crucifixion: the motivation of those who persecuted and crucified Jesus / Jesus and the Jewish law / The faith story of Nicodemus / Jesus predicted his own Crucifixion / The charges against Jesus / Who crucified Jesus?—the Catholic Church does not blame Jews for the crucifixion of Jesus / Jesus—Savior, Messiah and Suffering Servant / The Passion and Death of Jesus—its meaning for our life / Jesus—fully human and fully divine / A death for love / Because of Jesus' Death we are no longer enslaved to sin / The Cross as a symbol of hope and redemption / Jesus is the source of salvation, justification, redemption, sanctification, liberation, reconciliation, new creation and adoption as God's own children / All suffering can be placed in solidarity with Christ to give it meaning and the potential of being life-giving / Example of Sr. Maura Clarke

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 3:15; **Isaiah** 52:13, 53:1–12

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 16:21–23, 18:20, 20:17–19,

26:14–16 & 26:36–27: 61, 27:69 & 75; **Mark**

3:3–6 & 22, 8:32–36, 9:31, 10:45, 14:10–11,

14:32–15:40, 15:42 & 47; **Luke** 2:52, 9:23–25,

12:50, 19:38–40, 22:3–6, 15 & 39–71, 23:1–56,

24:13–53; **John** 3:1–21, 7:50, 10:18, 11:7 &

47–50, 12:42–43, 13:1–20 & 34–35, 17:11, 15,

17 & 20, 18:1–19:42; **Romans** 5:18–19, 6:3;

**1 Corinthians** 1:23, 13:13, 15:3; **Philippians**

2:5–11; **2 Timothy** 4:6–7; **Hebrews** 2:9; **1**

**John** 3:4, 4:7–8 & 10

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 324, 472, 475,

595–600, 604–606, 609, 612, 620–621, 623, 846

**LEARN BY HEART:** 1 Corinthians 15:3

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Sr. Maura Clarke, Maryknoll Missioner

## CHAPTER 8

### *Christ Is Risen! He Is Risen Indeed!*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** Where or what is the source of our hope?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** What difference does hope make to how we live our lives? / Example of the triumph of good over evil from C.S. Lewis's *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* / The Resurrection is the foundation of the Church's faith and hope / Christ's victory over death redefines and redeems 'death' itself; we now have God's abundant grace / Death—the doorway to new life / Christ rose from the dead according to the Scriptures / The significance of the empty tomb / Witnesses to the Resurrection / We remember the Resurrection when we celebrate Eucharist / We share the peace of the Risen Lord / The Resurrection was both a historical and a transcendent event / Jesus was transformed / Jesus, 'a man of heaven' / The significance of the Resurrection: confirmation of Jesus' divinity and of his words and teachings and mission; fulfillment of the promises in the *Old Testament* and of Jesus' earthly promises / The Resurrection and the promise of our own resurrection / We have been made sharers in the Paschal Mystery / Our participation in the mystery of redemption through the sacramental life of the Church, especially the Holy Eucharist / Example of St. Dismas

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 1:26–31; **Psalms** 2:7, 139:13–16

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 28:9; **Mark** 8:31, 9:30–32, 10:30–

34; **Luke** 23:33 & 42–43, 24:13–37 & 41–43;

**John** 1:14–16, 5:1–9, 11:25, 20:1–21 & 24–29;

**Acts of the Apostles** 13:32–33; **Romans**

6:5–11; **1 Corinthians** 2:9, 3:16–17, 11:23–26,

15:14, 19, 22, 45, 47 & 49; **2 Corinthians** 5:15;

**Hebrews** 6:5; **1 Peter** 1:3

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 134, 140, 143, 601, 637, 640, 644–646, 652–656, 658, 994, 997, 1002, 1016, 2018–2020, 2258

**LEARN BY HEART:** 1 Peter 1:3

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** St. Dismas, the Good Thief

## CHAPTER 9

### *Bound for Glory: The Ascension, Pentecost and the Assumption*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** How can we bring about the new creation?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** The Death and Resurrection of Jesus reshaped and transformed the world: the new creation has come / We come forth from God and our life's journey is a series of free choices that lead to eternal life with God / The Ascension and glorification of Jesus / The challenge of the Ascension / Jesus exercised and showed us the nature of true power by submitting to death on the Cross / Where can we find the Risen Jesus today? / The sending of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: the disciples were emboldened with the language of faith / At Baptism we receive the gift of the same Holy Spirit / The Holy Spirit showers the Church with unique gifts, or charisms, for building up the Body of Christ on earth / The Assumption of Mary is another sign of the fulfillment of God's promise of Salvation to humankind / Mary, through her Assumption, is an anticipation of our own resurrection / Example of St. Lucy

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Exodus** 19:4; **1 Kings** 18:38–39; **Psalms**

16:9–11; **Ecclesiasticus [Sirach]** 48:1

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 27:16–20, 28:1–8; **Mark** 10:14,

12:34, 16:19–20; **Luke** 3:16, 6:20, 10:9,

18:25, 24:27 & 50–53; **John** 13:34, 14:25–26 & 27–29, 19:25–27; **Acts of the Apostles** 1:3, 6–11 & 14–15, 2:1–12; **1 Corinthians** 2:9; **2 Corinthians** 5:17; **Galatians** 5:22–23; **Ephesians** 4:1–3 & 11–13; **1 Peter** 3:22; **Revelation** 12:1–5

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 57, 88, 315, 320, 491, 494, 618, 661–663, 665–667, 668, 670, 689–691, 696, 726, 730–731, 736, 746, 799, 846, 951, 963–964, 966, 969, 974, 1024, 1265, 1279, 1287, 1505, 1521, 1808, 1831, 1834, 1839

**FAITH WORDS:** Ascension; Assumption; Pentecost

**LEARN BY HEART:** Acts of the Apostles 2:3–4

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** St. Lucy, virgin and martyr

## CHAPTER 10

### *Following the Way of Jesus Christ*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** What's in a name?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** What does it mean to bear the name 'Christian'? / The 'heart' of Christian faith is the Person of Jesus Christ / Peter and John: bold witnesses to their faith in Jesus / They will know we are Christians by our love: our loving words, actions, gestures, choices and relationships / What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus? / The *Quo Vadis* legend / The Eucharist nourishes our discipleship / Living the Great Commandment is at the center of living as disciples of Jesus / Jesus provided an example: the Good Samaritan / We should love ourselves too by valuing and respecting ourselves as images of God / Christian discipleship includes regular worship of God—keeping God at the center of our lives; living a sacramental life and a life of prayer; putting Jesus' moral and spiritual teaching into practice; serving the poor and marginalized / Example of the witness and discipleship of Paul

## KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

*Old Testament*

**Leviticus** 19:18; **Deuteronomy** 6:4–9; **Isaiah** 40:11

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 4:18–22, 5:17, 6:9–13, 9:9–10, 10:38, 13:1, 16:24, 19:22, 22:34–40, 26:36; **Mark** 1:35, 2:23–28, 3:1–6, 8:34, 12:28–34; **Luke** 4:18–21, 6:12, 9:23 & 59, 10:25–28 & 37, 11:1–4, 14:1–6 & 27, 21:37; **John** 4:1–42, 6:51 & 60–71, 10:11 & 27, 13:34–35, 14:6, 17:1–26; **Acts of the Apostles** 4:1–22, 9:1–2 & 23–30, 11:25–26, 16:16–40, 23:12–22, 25:12, 26:24, 27:1–28:11, 28:31; **1 Corinthians** 13:1–13; **Philippians** 2:5–8; **James** 1:22

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 423, 426, 432, 436, 452–453, 480, 520, 620–621, 754, 756, 1407, 1416, 1505, 1618, 1823–1826, 1894, 2055, 2067, 2069, 2258, 2288, 2290, 2614, 2774, 2776, 2779–2800

**FAITH WORDS:** Disciple; Mezuzah; Charity (Love)

**LEARN BY HEART:** 1 John 4:21

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** St. Paul, the Apostles to the Gentiles

## CHAPTER 11

### *Jesus: the Way to Holiness*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** What is holiness? Who is holy?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Definitions of 'holy' / The Christian meaning of the word 'holy' / Wholeness of life and holiness of life / At Baptism, all Christians are called to 'holiness' / 'Holy' is one of the four Marks of the Church / The Holy Spirit prompts and empowers us and God's sustaining grace enables us to live in holiness, to 'respond' / Holiness and ordinary life go hand in hand / Jesus commanded, 'Be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect' / The life of holiness is sustained by a life of prayer and good spiritual practices—we



live what we believe / Love is at the heart of holiness / Being made in God's image is the foundation of our holiness / Jesus is the Exemplar of holiness / Following Jesus is the path to fullness of life / We need the Church and the guidance of the Spirit to live and to grow in holiness / We, the Church, are a holy and beloved people / The example of Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

**Genesis** 1:27, 2:7 & 18; **Exodus** 3:5, 6 & 12; **1 Chronicles** 16:10;

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 1:20, 4:1–11, 5:13–16, 44–45 & 48; **Luke** 4:1–13 & 34; **John** 14:15–21, 17:21–23; **Romans** 13:14; **Colossians** 3:12–17; **Hebrews** 4:15

**KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 383, 460, 736, 747, 776–777, 826, 867, 946, 960–962, 1130–1131, 1167, 1248, 1279, 1700–1704, 1779, 1845, 2012–2013, 2015, 2028, 2045

**FAITH WORD:** Sanctifying grace

**LEARN BY HEART:** Colossians 3:17

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection, Carmelite friar

**CHAPTER 12**

*Lord, Teach Us to Pray*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** Too busy to pray?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** What is prayer? / Christian prayer involves communion and commitment, nurturing and deepening our relationship with God / Prayer is vital to our Christian life / There is always time to pray / Prayer is an act of trust that God is always present with us / Forms of Christian prayer: Blessing and Adoration, Petition, Intercession, Thanksgiving, Praise / Catholics and other Christians pray as Jesus did / Scripture, the Liturgy of the Church and the virtues of faith, hope and charity

are sources of prayer / Prayer traditions within the Catholic Church / The power of prayer / God answers all our prayers in a loving and life-giving way / The perfect prayer: the Lord's Prayer / Example of Frère Roger and the Taizé Community / Praying using the *lectio divina* format

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*New Testament*

**Matthew** 5:44, 6:9–13, 21 & 33, 11:25–27, 26:36–46; **Mark** 1:32–35, 14:32–36; **Luke** 1:49, 2:19, 2:49, 2:51, 3:21, 4:16–19, 6:12–15, 9:18–20, 9:28–31, 10:21, 11:1–2 & 5–10, 22:32–34 & 41–44, 23:46; **John** 11:41–42; **Romans** 1:7; **1 Thessalonians** 5:16–18 & 28; **KEY CATECHISM SOURCES:** 1073, 1093, 1096, 1113, 1174–1178, 2258, 2558–2567, 2590–2591, 2599, 2620–2621, 2626, 2628–2629, 2634, 2644–2645, 2648, 2661–2662, 2664–2665, 2680, 2693, 2697, 2705–2710, 2713, 2720–2721, 2732, 2744–2745, 2754, 2757, 2759, 2761, 2763, 2798–2799

**FAITH WORD:** Prayer

**LEARN BY HEART:** 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

**LEARN BY EXAMPLE:** Frère Roger and the Taizé Community

**CHAPTER 13**

*Jesus Christ, the Lord of Eternal Life*

**FOCUS QUESTION:** What do you think about life after death?

**CONTENT SUMMARY:** Our attitude toward death can affect how we choose to live our life / Faith expressed through art: the depiction of the Last Judgment at the Cathedral of Chartres, France / The Last Things: heaven, hell, Purgatory, particular judgment, Final (Last) Judgment; thinking about these can help us recognize and value what really matters in life / The persecution of Christians and the witness of martyrs in the Roman Empire / the teaching of the Catholic Church on the

Last, or Final, Judgment / God as judge, in particular in Exodus 34:6–7 and Matthew 25:31–46 / Jesus’ teaching in the parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus / Heaven, being ‘home’ with God / Purgatory: Hope and mercy after death / Hell: A terrible price to pay / Making virtues a way of life / Love: the greatest virtue / Example of the early Church

**KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:**

*Old Testament*

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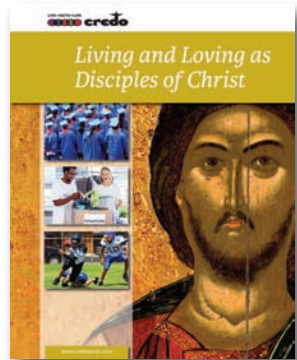
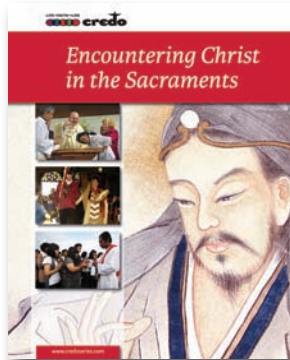
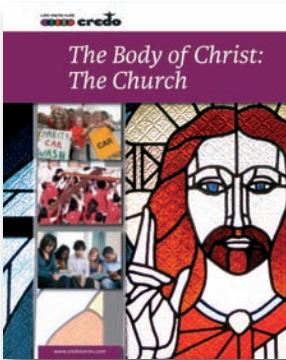
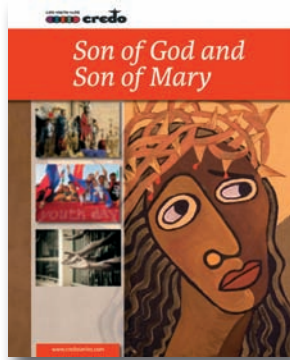
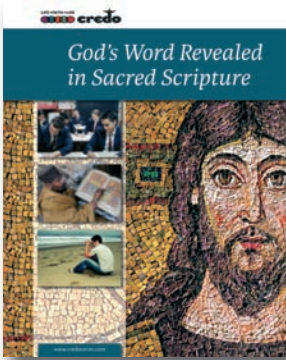
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