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COURSE OVERVIEW

The purpose of this course is to give an overview of Sacred Scripture, with an introduction to the basic principles for understanding and interpreting the Bible.

PART ONE: THE OLD TESTAMENT

CHAPTER 1

Sacred Scripture: The Revealed Word of God

FOCUS QUESTION:

How does God's Word come to us?

CONTENT SUMMARY: Creation manifests the Creator / Divine Revelation—God's own Word to us / The life-giving power of Revelation / The Sacred Scriptures: The story of God's boundless love / 'The Word of God is living and active' (Hebrews 4:12) / The stages of Divine Revelation / The story of the Covenant: The creation covenant; the covenant with Noah; the covenant with Abraham; the covenant with Moses and the Israelites at Sinai; The preparation for the new and eternal covenant / Remembering the covenant: Eucharistic Prayer IV / Poem: The Hound of Heaven / The Old Testament account of the Exodus—an epic freedom journey / Jesus Christ, the new and eternal covenant / 'Son of Man': the title Jesus used most often to identify himself / The New Testament: sharing the Good News of salvation / The story of our Church family / The Holy Spirit: Spirit of truth / Traditions and traditions / The Magisterium / Example of St. Irenaeus.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 3:15, 6:5–8, 9:1–17, 12:1–2, 17:5–7 and 21, 22:17, 37–50; **Psalms** 19:1, 119; **Isaiah** 55:10–11;

Daniel 7:1–14

New Testament: **Matthew** 1:23, 9:13, 16:13–17, 28:18–20; **John** 4:7–15, 14:6 and 26, 15:26, 16:13; **Acts of the Apostles** 2:3–4, 7:56; **Romans** 1:20; **Hebrews** 1:1–2, 4:12; **1 Timothy** 2:4; **2 Timothy** 3:14–17

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 54, 69, 71–73, 85, 96–98, 121, 140

FAITH WORD: Sacred Scripture (Bible)

LEARN BY HEART: Psalm 119:147b

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Irenaeus, bishop and martyr

CHAPTER 2

The Divine Word in Human Words

FOCUS QUESTION: Why do we need to read the Bible?

CONTENT SUMMARY: God is the author of Sacred Scripture / The inspired human writers of the Bible were true authors / Literary genres in the Bible / The Bible is a collection of the family stories of the People of God / The Old Testament Canon / The Scriptures of ancient Israel and the Tanakh / The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Targums / The translation of the Bible / The New Testament Canon: The written Gospels; The Acts of the Apostles; The Letters, or Epistles; The Book of Revelation / The story of Corrie Ten Boome / Protestant Reformers taught that 'Scripture alone' is the guide to Christian faith and Christian living / Interpreting the Scriptures / Moving beyond a literalist meaning / God's Word in the life of the Church: The Lord's Prayer; The Liturgy of the Word; The Liturgy of the Hours; *Lectio divina* / Poem: 'The Road Not Taken' / Opening up the deeper meaning of the Scriptures / The spiritual sense

of Scripture: Allegorical sense; Moral sense; Analogical sense / Faith—Our response to God's Word / Creeds of the Church: symbols of faith / Example of St. Bonaventure.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 1:1—2:4, 12:1—9; **Exodus** 1, 13:17—22; **Psalms** 119, 130, 139:13—14; **Isaiah** 40:8

New Testament: **Matthew** 2:13 and 16—18, 28:19; **Luke** 1:38, 11:1; **John** 14:26, 20:30—31; **Romans** 4:16—18, 6:23, 16:25—27; **1 Corinthians** 10:2 and 11, 13; **1 Thessalonians** 5:14—15; **2 Timothy** 3:16; **Hebrews** 3:1—4:11; **Revelation** 21:1—22:5

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 107, 108, 110, 117, 119, 121, 133, 136—138, 143, 176, 183, 229, 1190, 2763, 2774

FAITH WORD: analogy of faith

LEARN BY HEART: Isaiah 40:8

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Bonaventure, Franciscan and Doctor of the Church

CHAPTER 3

Great Truths in Old Stories: Introducing the Pentateuch and the Book of Genesis

FOCUS QUESTION: Where does God's story begin?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The Pentateuch / A brief overview of the Pentateuch: Genesis; Exodus; Leviticus; Numbers; Deuteronomy / The writers of the Pentateuch: Yahwist; Elohist; Deuteronomist; Priestly / The Book of Genesis: The creation accounts / Genesis 3: All is not well in God's creation / The promise of salvation / The story of the fulfilment of the promise begins: Cain and Abel; Noah and the Ark; The Tower of Babel / Amazing faith: Abraham and Sarah / The birth of Isaac / Faith as 'walking

the talk' / Isaac and Rebekah / The faith story of Jacob: Jacob's dream at Bethel; Jacob and Rachel; The return to Canaan / The story of Joseph / Example of St. Josephine Bakhita.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 1:1, 2, 26—28 and 31, and 2:7 and 15—17, 3:4—5 and 15, 6:8, 9:12, 11:1—9, 12:1—9, 17:1, 5—8 and 15—22, 18:9—15, 20, 21:1—7, 22:1—19, 24, 25:19—37, 27, 28:12—14 and 20—22, 30:23, 32:24—28; 50:15—21; **Exodus** 2:11—15, 3, 4:20;

Deuteronomy 1:1—2, 6:4; **2 Samuel** 11; **Psalms** 119:72, 171 and 175; **Proverbs** 1:8

New Testament: **Matthew** 4:18—22, 7:21, 26:69—75; **Acts of the Apostles** 7:58—8:1; **Romans** 4:3 and 16; **Hebrews** 1:3; **James** 2:17

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 70, 72, 228, 315, 320, 362

FAITH WORDS: Pentateuch; creation

LEARN BY HEART: Genesis 1:31

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Josephine Bakhita, courageous woman of faith

CHAPTER 4

You will be to me . . . a holy nation': The Pentateuch and Early History of Israel

FOCUS QUESTION: Who are today's enslaved people?

CONTENT SUMMARY: Poem: 'King Heroin is my shepherd' / The names of God's chosen people: Hebrews; Israelites; Jews / The Book of Exodus—From slavery to freedom / The story of Moses: The birth and youth of Moses; The flight of Moses to Midian; God reveals his personal name / Song: 'Go Down, Moses' / Moses' words to Pharaoh: 'Let my people go' / The ten plagues / The journey to freedom begins . . . and continues / The Passover/ Journey into the wilderness

/ The Sinai covenant / The Decalogue / The story of Carlo Carretto / Living out the covenant: The Books of Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy / The early history of the Israelites in the Promised Land / The Book of Joshua / The Book of Judges: Deborah, Gideon and Samson / The Book of Ruth / Example of Harriet Tubman.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 37:26–28, 43:8–10, 44:18–34, 49:8–12; **Exodus** 1:1–7, 16 and 22, 2:1–11, 3:5–9 and 12, 12:1–13:10, 15:1–21, 16:1–15, 19:3b–6 and 8; **Leviticus** 19:1–2, 26:11–12, **Numbers** 6:2–3 and 22–27, 13:16; **Deuteronomy** 4:1–9, 6:3–9, 32:51, 34:4–6; **Joshua** 1:1–9, 23:1–24:33; **Judges** 4:1–5:31, 6:1–8:35, 13:1–16:25; **Ruth** 1:16

New Testament: **Matthew** 2:13–18, 5:14–20 and 43–46, 12:23, 20:29–31, 21:9–17; 22:42–45; **Mark** 1:24; **Acts of the Apostles** 7:20–22

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 206, 208, 228, 288, 1340

FAITH WORDS: Exodus; Passover

LEARN BY HEART: Numbers 6:24–26

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Harriet Tubman; a Moses figure for her people

CHAPTER 5

God With Us at All Times: The Historical Books

FOCUS QUESTION: What does it take to be a leader?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The people of God became a nation / From Judges to Kings—Samuel anoints Saul / Samuel, the last judge of Israel / The youngest is chosen: David / Ark of the covenant / The Messiah, the son of David / The rule of Israel’s kings: The Books of Kings and Chronicles / The Temple in

Jerusalem: the dwelling place for God / Contemporary ‘idolatry’ / The prophets Elijah and Elisha / God’s people live in exile: Assyria overtakes Israel; The Babylonian Exile / Freedom from exile and life after the Exile / Ezra and Nehemiah: The Early Postexilic Period; 1 Maccabees and 2 Maccabees—The Greek Era / The historical traditions in the Books of Tobit, Judith and Esther / Example of Anne Frank.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Exodus** 25;

Deuteronomy 6:4; **1 Samuel** 3:1–21, 4:1, 8:4–5, 7–9 and 19–20, 10:1 and 12, 13:1–15, 15:35, 16:6–7 and 14–23, 17, 18:19–20; **2 Samuel** 7:1–29, 12:1–15, 22:1–51; **1 Kings** 1:11–14 and 28–31, 3:3–28, 6:1–7:12, 11:4, 16:33, 17:6 and 21, 18:1–46, 19:1–21; **2 Kings** 2:15–21, 4:1–17 and 38–44, 5:1–19, 17:18, 19:35, 21, 22:2; **1 Chronicles** 1:1; **Ezra** 4:1–24; **Nehemiah** 4:1–24, 6:1–13; **Tobit** 13, **Judith** 16; **Esther** 3:7–13; **2 Maccabees** 7:9, 14 and 29; **Psalms** 51:1–2, 84:1–2, 137:1, 139:1–14; **Isaiah** 11:1 and 10; **Micah** 3:9–12

New Testament: **Matthew** 6:24; **Luke** 1:26–38, 10:25–37, 11:29–31, 24:26; **John** 4:1–41; **Galatians** 5:22–23

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 228, 710, 992

FAITH WORD: anointing

LEARN BY HEART: 1 Samuel 3:9

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Anne Frank

CHAPTER 6

Happy Are Those Who Find Wisdom: The Wisdom Literature

FOCUS QUESTION: What is the difference between the wise and the foolish?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The inspired Wisdom Writings in the Old Testament

/ The God of Wisdom / God's inspired words of wisdom / Jesus: The wisdom of God / The Book of Job—an inspired folktale: the literary genre and setting of Job; the suffering of Job; the response of Job; God addresses Job's comforters / The problem of suffering and other forms of evil / The Psalms in Scripture: The shared prayers of God's people / The literary genre of the Book of Psalms / The fivefold division of the Book of Psalms / Types of psalms in the Book of Psalms / Forms of Christian Prayer / The Psalms in the life of the Church / Wisdom learned from daily living / The Book of Proverbs: the way of wisdom / The Book of Ecclesiastes / The Song of Songs / The Book of Sirach, or Ecclesiasticus / Example of St. Hildegard of Bingen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 1:27; **Exodus** 31:6; **Ezra** 9:6–15; **Nehemiah** 1:4–11; **Tobit** 3:11–16; **Judith** 9:2–14; **Job** 1:1, 11 and 21, 38:1—40:1, 42:2–6 and 7; **Psalms** 1:1–2 and 6, 13:1–2, 14:1 and 2, 22:1, 51:3, 111:10, 139:1–14, 148:1, 5, 11 and 13–14; **Proverbs** 1:1, 7, 8 and 20–33, 2:6, 3:1–12, 4:1–9, 8:1–36, 9:1, 10:1, 11:6, 13:1, 16:10–11 and 14, 22:17; **Ecclesiastes** 1:1–3 and 8, 3:1–8 and 19–20, 13:24–30 and 36–43; **Song of Songs** 2:2–6, 5:6–8 and 8:6–7; **Wisdom** 1:1, 4:20, 5:1–2 and 15, 7:22 and 25–26, 10:1, 9 and 17, 11:2–16, 13:1–15; **Sirach (Ecclesiasticus)** 1:1 and 4–10, 11:1, 24:18 and 20; **Hosea** 1:1—3:3; **Jonah** 2:3–10
New Testament: **Matthew** 6:6 and 25–34, 11:28–30, 13:24–30, 22:1–14, 25:1–13, 31–46; **Mark** 2:19, 15:34; **Luke** 11:31; **John** 1:14, 9:1–3, 3:29, 14:6; **Romans** 8:28; **1 Corinthians** 1:22–23 and 25, 6:15–16; **2 Corinthians** 5:19, 11:2; **Galatians** 6:2; **Colossians** 1:18.

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 658, 747, 809, 852, 2585, 2588, 2596, 2597

FAITH WORD: wisdom

LEARN BY HEART: Sirach 24:18, 20

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Hildegard of Bingen, a woman of great wisdom

CHAPTER 7

The Call to Justice and Holiness of Life: The Prophets

FOCUS QUESTION: Who speaks in the name of God?

CONTENT SUMMARY: Prophets among us / The prophet's call: a call to holiness and faithfulness of life; a call to justice; a call to hope / The Writings of the Prophets / The Writings of the Prophet Isaiah: First Isaiah; Second Isaiah; Suffering Servant Songs; Third Isaiah / The Book of Lamentations / The Book of the Prophet Jeremiah / The synagogue / The Book of the Prophet Ezekiel: Ezekiel's calling and mission; words of hope; the vision of Israel's future / The Book of Baruch / The twelve minor prophets: The Book of Hosea; The Book of Joel; The Book of Amos; The Book of Obadiah; The Book of Jonah; The Book of Micah; The Book of Nahum; The Book of Habakkuk; The Book of Zephaniah; The Book of Haggai; The Book of Zechariah; The Book of Malachi / The Book of Daniel / Example of Nelson Mandela.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Exodus** 20:2–5; **Numbers** 22:41—23:12; **2 Chronicles** 35:25; **Ezra** 5:1, 6:14; **Isaiah** 1:4, 6:1–3 and 6–8, 9:1–7, 11:1–9, 26:1–4, 29:22–24, 35:1–10, 40:3–5, 42:1–7, 49:1–6, 50:4–9, 52:13—53:12, 58:1–7, 65:17–25, 66:10–25; **Jeremiah** 1:4–10, 24:4 and 7, 31:31–34; **Baruch** 1:1–2, 3:9—5:9;

Ezekiel 1:28b, 2:1–4 and 8–10, 36:26, 37:1–14, 40:1—48:35; **Daniel** 6:16–28; 7:12—12:13; **Hosea** 11:1–2, 14:4 and 7; **Joel** 3:16b–17; **Amos** 5:4 and 14–15a, 6:1–14; **Obadiah** 1:1–9, 17–21; **Jonah** 2:1–10, 3:1, 4:2; **Micah** 1:8–16, 2:12, 4:7, 5:2, 4 and 5, 6:1–8; **Nahum** 1:15; **Habakkuk** 3:17–19; **Zephaniah** 1:7 and 14–15; 2:1 and 3, 3:12b–18; **Haggai** 1:12–15, 2:3–9; **Zechariah** 8:22–23, 9:9–10, 14:8–9; **Malachi** 3:1

New Testament: **Matthew** 2:5–6, 21:1–11; **Mark** 7:6–7, 14:62; **Luke** 4:18–19; **John** 4:7–15, 13:31–35

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 623

FAITH WORD: prophet

LEARN BY HEART: Isaiah 12:2

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Nelson Mandela, a prophetic voice in our time

PART TWO: THE NEW TESTAMENT

CHAPTER 8

Good News for Everyone: Overview of the New Testament

Focus Question: What is the Good News?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The announcement of God’s Good News / The New Testament—overview of writings: The four written accounts of the Gospel; The Acts of the Apostles; The Pauline letters; The Catholic letters; The Book of Revelation / The Gospels witness to the faith of the early Church / Stages in the formation of the written Gospels: Stage 1: The life and teaching of Jesus; Stage 2: The oral tradition; Stage 3: The written Gospels / Four accounts—one Gospel: The Gospel according to Mark; The Gospel according to Matthew; The

Gospel according to Luke; The Fourth Gospel—the Gospel according to John / The apocryphal, or non-canonical, gospels / Example of John L. McKenzie, S.J.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 3:15

New Testament: **Matthew** 1:1, 5:17–20, 9:27, 12:23, 15:22, 20:30–31, 21:9 and 15, 22:42, 26:17–30, 28:16–20; **Mark** 1:1 and 14–15, 8:27–29, 14:24–34, 15:39, 16:14–18; **Luke** 1:1–4, 26–38 and 46–55, 7:1–10 and 36–50, 8:1–3 and 27–29, 10:38–42, 11:25–37, 14:15–24, 15:39, 16:19–31, 17:11–19, 19:1–10, 22:14–38, 23:49; **John** 1:1 and 14, 8:8 and 9, 13:1—17:26, 20:30–31, 21:24–25; **Acts of the Apostles** 1:1–2, 2:42, 8:4–25; **Romans** 1:16; **1 Corinthians** 15:3–4; **Colossians** 4:14; **2 Timothy** 4:11; **1 John** 4:7–16; **Revelation** 1:1

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 124–126, 140, 285

FAITH WORDS: Evangelist; oral tradition

LEARN BY HEART: Mark 1:14–15

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: John L. McKenzie, S.J., Roman Catholic biblical scholar

CHAPTER 9

The Gospel According to St. Matthew

FOCUS QUESTION: What promise did Jesus fulfil?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The bridge between the Old Testament and the New Testament / Matthew’s sources and structure / Matthew’s infancy narrative: Joseph, a righteous man of faith; The visit of the wise men; The slaughter of the infants / The preaching of John the Baptist / The baptism of Jesus / What it means to be a disciple of Jesus / The celebration of Baptism / The Sermon on the Mount

discourse / The missionary discourse and its rejection / The parables of the Kingdom / Responding in faith to Jesus: Peter's confession of faith / The community discourse / Jesus' final teaching in Jerusalem / The Passion and Death of Jesus / The Resurrection / The mission of Christ continues in the Church: Commissioning of the Disciples / Example of Sr. Ita Ford, M.M.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 35:16–20; 2

Samuel 7:11b-17; **Isaiah** 7:14, 11:1 and 10, 42:1; **Jeremiah** 31:31–34; **Micah** 5:2; **Zechariah** 9:9

New Testament: **Matthew** 1:1, 17 and 18–

25, 2:2-3 and 10-23, 3:1-17, 4:17, 5:1-12, 5:17—6:18, 6:24, 7:1-6, 21 and 28-29, 9:9-13 and 22, 10:1 and 5-15, 11:2-24, 12:1-8, 15-32, 42 and 50, 13:1-9, 31, 33 and 44-46, 14:22-23, 30-31 and 33, 15:1-20 and 32-39, 16:5-12, 15-18 and 23, 17:1-27, 18:1-14 and 23-35, 19:1—20:34, 21:1-11 and 23-37, 22:1-46, 23:1-36, 24:1—25:51, 26:1—27:26, 27:55-56; 28:3, 5-6, 9-10 and 16-20; **Luke** 3:22;

John 1:32-33, 3:2, 14:6; **1 Corinthians** 15:20-22; **Philippians** 2:7

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 536, 561, 655, 850, 869, 935

FAITH WORD: eschatology

LEARN BY HEART: Matthew 7:21

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Sr. Ita Ford, Maryknoll missionary and evangelizer

CHAPTER 10

*The Gospel According to St. Mark:
Becoming a Disciple of Christ*

Focus Question: Who is this Jesus called the Christ?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The Kingdom of God is near / Mark's Gospel: the first and shortest written account of the

Gospel / Jesus is both truly human and truly divine / The baptism of Jesus / The Messianic Secret / Becoming a disciple of Christ: the invitation to discipleship / The disciple: a servant of God / The reward of discipleship / The Passion narrative: The betrayal; The anointing at Bethany; The Passover Institution of the Eucharist; Gethsemane—the prayer of Jesus and the arrest of Jesus; Jesus before the Council; The trials before Pilate / The Crucifixion, Death and burial of Jesus / The two endings of Mark's Gospel / The Resurrection: the cornerstone of the Christian faith / Example of St. Rose of Lima.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Psalms** 22:19, 69:22, 110:1; **Isaiah** 11:1, 6–8, 40:3; **Daniel** 7:13–14

New Testament: **Matthew** 28:1–2 and 20b; **Mark** 1:20, 27–28 and 32, 1:35—2:17, 2:23–28, 3:1–6, 12 and 35, 4:35–41, 5:43, 6:1–6a, 7:36, 8:26 and 29–32, 8:34—9:1, 9:9, 30–32 and 35, 10:21 and 32–45, 11:15–19, 12:1, 13:9–13, 14:1–2, 9, 17–34, 36, 39, 42, 46, 50, 62 and 65–72, 15:15, 17–18, 24–25, 31, 38–40, 43, 46 and 61, 16:1–20; **Luke** 22:39 and 24:10; **John** 20:1 and 13–18; **Acts of the Apostles** 12:12 and 25, 15:37 and 39; **1 Corinthians** 11:23–34, 15:13–14; **Philippians** 2:5–11; **Colossians** 1:18, 4:10; **2 Timothy** 4:11

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 935, 1409

FAITH WORD: Messiah

LEARN BY HEART: Mark 3:35

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Rose of Lima

CHAPTER 11

The Gospel According to St. Luke

FOCUS QUESTION: What are the best-

known passages from Luke's account of the Gospel?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The Gospel according to St Luke: an orderly narrative / Luke's infancy narrative — good news of great joy: The Annunciation and birth of Jesus; The Visitation; The Angels and Shepherds / The Catholic Church's celebration of the events of the infancy narrative / Luke's Gospel: Gospel for the poor and downtrodden; Gospel of the Holy Spirit; Gospel of pardons and mercy; Gospel of prayer; Gospel of concern for and inclusion of women / Passion narrative: The suffering and Death of Jesus: The plot to kill Jesus; The Last Supper; The agony in the garden; The betrayal and arrest of Jesus, and the denial by Peter; The trials of Jesus; The Crucifixion, Death and burial of Jesus / The empty tomb / The Resurrection appearances: The walk to Emmaus; The appearance in Jerusalem / Example of C.S. Lewis.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

New Testament: **Luke** 1:1–25, 29, 32–33, 35 and 38–80, 2:1–20 and 22–38, 3:21–38, 4:1–13, 16–19 and 31–40, 6:12 and 20–26, 7:11–17 and 36–50, 8:1–3 and 40–56, 9:28–29, 10:37–42, 11:1–13, 12:1 and 13–21, 13:10–17, 14:12–14, 18–19 and 26, 15:8–32, 16:19–31, 17:11–19, 18:1–14, 19:1–10, 22: 1–3, 19–22, 31–34, 40–46 and 54–62, 23:2, 12, 14–16, 21, 24–25, 27–34, 43, 46, 48–51, 53 and 56, 24:1, 11 and 13–53; **John** 14:26, **Acts of the Apostles** 1:1–11, 2:1–4, 42 and 46, 20:7 and 11; **1 Corinthians** 11:17–34, 15:13–14; **Colossians** 4:14; **2 Timothy** 4:11; **Philemon** 24

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 263, 1329, 2444, 2607, 2620, 2745

FAITH WORDS: joy; mercy

LEARN BY HEART: Luke 4:18–19

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: C.S. Lewis, Christian apologist and storyteller

CHAPTER 12

The Gospel According to St. John

FOCUS QUESTION: Who is Jesus for John the Evangelist?

CONTENT SUMMARY: Waiting for a Savior / The ancient people of Israel never imagined the Messiah that finally came in Jesus / The fourth and last Gospel to be written / The Prologue / The seven 'I AM' statements of Jesus / The Book of Signs / The seven signs: Jesus changes water into wine at a wedding at Cana; Jesus heals a son of a royal official; Jesus heals a paralyzed man; Jesus multiplies the loaves and fish and feeds the multitude; Jesus walks on the water; Jesus heals a man born blind; Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead / The Good Shepherd / The Last Supper, or farewell discourses: Jesus washes the disciples' feet / The New Commandment; Jesus, the way to life with God / The promise of a helper, the Holy Spirit / Jesus, the true vine; The Spirit of truth / Sorrow transformed into joy; True peace / Jesus' prayer for his disciples / The Passion narrative—the 'hour' of Jesus: The betrayal and arrest; The trials of Jesus; The Crucifixion and burial of Jesus / The error and sin of anti-Semitism / The epilogue: The risen Christ's appearance in Galilee / Example of Fr. Raymond Brown, S.S.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

Old Testament: **Genesis** 1:26–27;

Exodus 3:13–14, 16:1–36; **Psalms** 23:1–6

New Testament: **Matthew** 5:3–11, 8:5–13, 14:13–21, 15:32–39; **Mark** 6:30–44,

8:1–9; **Luke** 6:20–22, 7:1–10, 9:10–17, 24:36–49; **John** 1:1–18, 2:1–12, 4:46–54, 5:1–47, 6:1–21, 35, 39 and 54–57, 8:12, 9:1–41, 10:1–19, 27–28 and 30, 11:1–44, 13:1–38, 14:1–2, 6, 8–9 and 15–31, 15:1–17 and 20, 16:4–24, 28 and 33, 17:1–26, 18:1–38, 19:12, 15, 17, 19, 26–28, 30 and 34, 20:1—21:25, 24:36–49; **1 Corinthians** 15:3–4; **Philippians** 2:5–11; **1 John** 4:8

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 469, 747, 1335

FAITH WORD: eternal life

LEARN BY HEART: John 15:9

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Fr. Raymond Brown, priest of the Sulpician Order and biblical scholar

CHAPTER 13

Telling the Story of the Early Church: Acts of the Apostles and Letter to the Romans

FOCUS QUESTION: Who guides the Church?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Holy Trinity / We are One in the Holy Spirit / The Acts of the Apostles—Luke’s second book / The Pentecost event: The promise is fulfilled / The work of the Church is launched / Life in the early Church / The martyrdom of St. Stephen / Saul changes his way of life / The Council at Jerusalem: diversity affirmed / St. Paul builds the Church—all the way to his death: First missionary journey; Second missionary journey; Third missionary journey / The New Testament letters / The Letter to the Romans: the common predicament of Gentiles and Jews: justification through faith; Christ is Lord of all; the duties of the Christian life; obedience of faith / Example of St. Margaret of Scotland.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

New Testament: **Luke** 22:19 and 46; **John** 14:15–21; **Acts of the Apostles** 1:8, 13, 14, 22, 26 and 36, 2:1–36 and 41–47, 3:6, 4:12 and 18, 6:5 and 11–13, 7:2–53 and 58, 9:1–19, 10:1–48, 11:1–18, 13:9, 14:5, 15:1, 4, 6–12 and 22–29, 26:24–32, 28:1–31; **Romans** 1:1–16, 2:29, 3:9, 4:13, 6:4, 11, 8:4, 28 and 31, 9:8, 10:12–13, 15, 12:9–13, 15:17, 16:17, 19 and 25–28; **1 Corinthians** 12:12–31; **Ephesians** 1:1; **James** 2:14–24

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 814, 869, 913, 1832

FAITH WORD: evangelization

LEARN BY HEART: Romans: 8:28

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Margaret of Scotland, evangelizer in word and deed.

CHAPTER 14

Testimonies to the Faith, Hope and Love of the Church: Other Pauline Letters, Catholic Letters and Book of Revelation

FOCUS QUESTION: How is the Church a community of saints and sinners?

CONTENT SUMMARY: The Church is a mixed body of saints and sinners / The First Letter to the Corinthians / The Lord’s Supper: The Eucharist / The Body of Christ / The spiritual gifts, the greatest of which is love / The way of love / The first fruits of those who have died / The Second Letter to the Corinthians—all by God’s grace / The Letter to the Galatians—‘Christ has set us free’ / The Letter to the Philippians—Jesus emptied himself / The First Letter to the Thessalonians—the end times / The Letter to Philemon—the shortest letter / Letters attributed to St. Paul: Ephesians, Colossians, 2 Thessalonians / The pastoral letters:

The First and Second Letters to Timothy; The Letter to Titus / The Letter to The Hebrews / The Catholic letters: The Letter of James; The First Letter of Peter; The Second Letter of Peter; The First Letter of John; The Second and Third Letters of John; The Letter of Jude / The Book of Revelation / The visions and message: The Alpha and Omega; The seven churches / Example of Blessed Miguel Pro.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

New Testament: **Matthew** 22:36–40; **John** 13:31–35, 14:6, 19:26; **Acts of the Apostles** 18:1–8; **Romans** 6:4, 8:11; **1 Corinthians** 1:10–17, 11:17–29, 12:12–31, 13:1–13, 15:13–14, 17, 20, 35–50 and 54–55; **2 Corinthians** 1:12–24, 5:17, 12:9a–10; 13:5; **Galatians** 3:28, 5:1, 6 and 14; **Ephesians** 2:14, 4:3, 4:17–5:2, 5:21–33; 6:1–4; **Philippians** 1:6, 2:1–11; **Colossians** 1:11–23, 2:6–7; **1 Thessalonians** 4:1–12, 5:1–2 and 16–22; **2 Thessalonians** 2:13; **1 Timothy** 3:1–13, 6:7; **2 Timothy** 1:3, 2:1; **Philemon** 1–2 and 16; **Hebrews** 1:1, 4:14–16; **James** 1:9–10, 2:1–26, 3:1–4:10; **1 Peter** 2:5 and 9, 5:10; **2 Peter** 3:8–9; **1 John** 3:18, 4:3, 7–21, 19:26; **2 John** 6; **3 John** 5, 11; **Jude** 17–22; **Revelation** 1:8–9 and 12–16, 2:1–29, 3:1–22, 4:1–8:5, 8:2–11:19, 12:1–17, 13:1–18, 14:1–5; 15:1–19:10, 19:11–22:5

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 646, 658, 805, 901, 1377

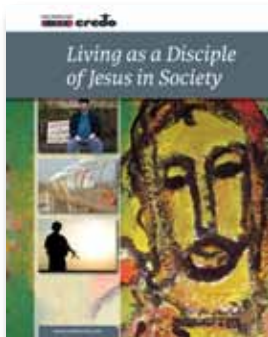
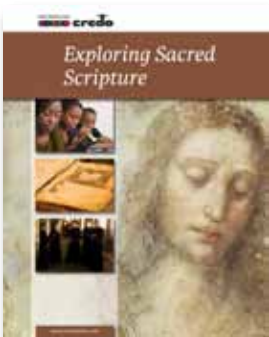
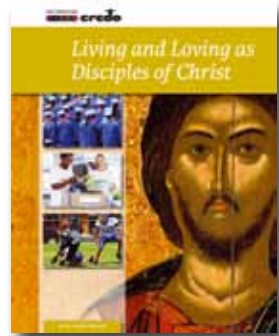
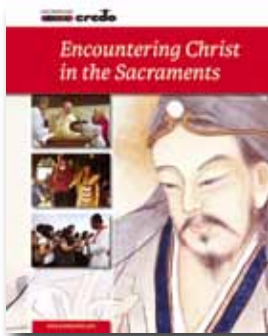
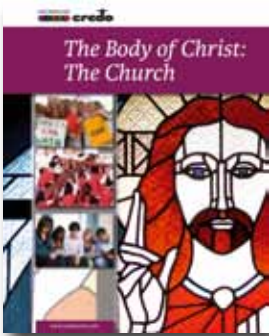
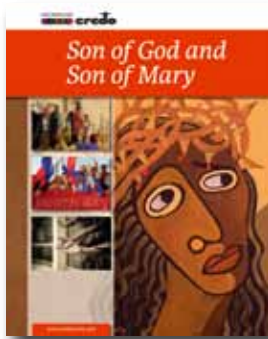
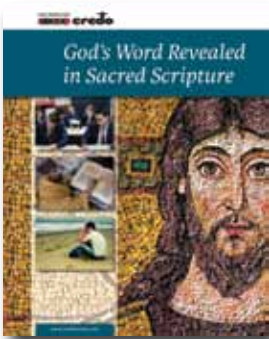
FAITH WORD: *Parousia*, or Second Coming of Christ

LEARN BY HEART: 1 Corinthians 13:13

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Blessed Miguel Pro, Jesuit priest and martyr

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