



Scope & Sequence

CREDO SERIES COURSE II:

Son of God and Son of Mary

[Framework Course II: Who is Jesus Christ?]

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this course is to help the young people explore more deeply the mystery of Jesus Christ, the living Word of God and the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Through this course of study they will grow in their understanding that Jesus Christ is the ultimate Revelation of God. As they come to know more clearly who Jesus is, they will grow in their knowledge of who they themselves are and who they are called to be—what it truly means to be human.

CHAPTER 1

God Comes to Us

FOCUS QUESTION:

Who lies behind our search for happiness?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

The search for happiness / The mystery of evil and suffering / God's plan of goodness / Divine Revelation / The Revelation and establishment of the Covenant / Jesus, the Father's Definitive Word / Sacred Scripture: The inspired Word of God / The canon of Scripture / Reading Sacred Scripture / Senses of Sacred Scripture / Sacred Tradition—spiritual wisdom for life / The Deposit of Faith and the Magisterium / Traditions—expressions of Sacred Tradition / Example of Blessed Pope John XXIII.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 3:15, 9, 12:1–4, 15:1–6 and 17; Exodus 34:6; Leviticus 26:11–13; Deuteronomy 4:44—6:25; Psalms 42:2a, 114:15, 119:89, 103, 105, 160–61; Proverbs 16:20
NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 5:1–12, 16:24–26, 19:21, 22:1–14, 25:31–46, 28:20; Luke 9:3, 10:4–6, 8–10, 14:15–24;

John 1:14–16, 3:16, 4:6–15, 14:6, 15:11, 16:13, 18:33–38a; Hebrews 1:1–3; 1 John 3:1

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 68, 73, 81, 85, 96, 97, 98, 112–119, 137–140, 169, 890, 1209, 1674, 2033

FAITH GLOSSARY: Divine Providence; Divine Revelation

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Blessed Pope John XXIII

CHAPTER 2

The Obedience of Faith: Our Response to God's Invitation

FOCUS QUESTION:

Why faith?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Faith is a human characteristic ... and more / Faith as human virtue and Theological Virtue / Faith in the Holy Trinity / Christians 'walk by faith' / The obedience of faith / 'Faith seeks understanding' / The Person of Jesus Christ: the heart of Christian faith and discipleship / Faith in Christ involves the whole person: head, heart, hands / Faith, prayer and worship / Example of Christian faith in action.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalms 40:5, 119:160, 146:3–4; Isaiah 7:9; Jeremiah 17:5–6
NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 5:1—7:29, 6:19–21, 7:7–11, 21, 24–29, 10:34–39, 11:25–27, 16:17, 22:37; Mark 1:11 and 35, 6:46, 12:30; Luke 4:18–19, 5:16, 10:27, 11:5–13, 18:1–8, 19:1–10, 24:13–33; John 14:1 and 26, 16:5–11; Romans 1:5, 10:17; 1 Corinthians 12:12–26; 2 Corinthians 5:7; James 2:20

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 38, 47, 143–144, 150, 151, 153, 154, 158, 166, 176, 179, 181, 202, 520, 546, 562, 654, 908, 1067, 1533, 1813, 2087, 2096, 2565

FAITH GLOSSARY: faith

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Birute (Lithuanian Catholic woman)

CHAPTER 3

The Catholic Church: Our Home within God's Family

FOCUS QUESTION:

What is the connection between faith and religion?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Everyone is religious, whether they acknowledge it or not / How religions develop—religion as a life stance, as a spiritual tradition, and as an institutional structure / The power of religion / The choice to 'go it alone' / The Church: the new People of God / Jesus founded the Church / The Marks of the Church / World Youth Day / Jesus teaches us how to be his Church / The Church is one Body—the Body of Christ / The Church is our mother and teacher / Example of St. Teresa of Jesus (Ávila), virgin and Doctor of the Church.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 2:18; Exodus 32; Deuteronomy 6:4

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 4:19 and 23—7:29, 5:1–15 and 17, 16:13–20, 25:31–46, 26:69–75, 28:18–20; Mark 12:29; John 24:15–19; 1 Corinthians 12:7, 12–14, 17, 20–21, 27; Ephesians 4:3–5; James 1:22; 1 Peter 1:16, 2:9; 1 John 1:1–3

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 44, 48, 65, 78, 166, 168, 169, 170, 228, 752, 763, 778, 807, 811, 819, 831, 843, 846, 866–870, 890, 1667–1668, 2113, 2135

FAITH GLOSSARY: Church; Beatitudes

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Teresa of Jesus (Ávila), virgin and Doctor of the Church

CHAPTER 4

The Greatest Story Ever Told: The Incarnation of the Son of God

FOCUS QUESTION:

Why did God become man?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

A contemporary 'Christmas' story: the Parable of the Birds / *Cur Deus homo?* Why did God become man? / God's first promise fulfilled—the *Protoevangelium* / The Annunciation / The angel's announcement to Joseph / Jesus Christ—God is with us: Mediator and Messiah / The mystery of the Incarnation continues—we are not alone! / The Church is the seed of the Kingdom of God / The ministries of the Church: ministry of the Word, of Witness, and of Worship / Example of Cesar Chávez, Catholic Mexican American worker for social justice.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 2:4, 11:1–3, 53:3 and 7, 61:1–2

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 1:18–21, 23 and 24, 28:19, 20; Luke 1:26–38, 4:16–21, 28–29; John 1:14, 17:3; Acts of the Apostles 2:43–47, 4:32–37; Colossians 2:9

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 436, 461, 483, 484, 487, 496, 501, 721–730, 732, 737–739, 747, 761–762, 1116

FAITH GLOSSARY: Incarnation; Christ

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Cesar Chávez, Catholic Mexican American worker for social justice

CHAPTER 5

The Most Holy Trinity: The Central Mystery of Christian Faith and the Christian Life

FOCUS QUESTION:

How do our relationships influence who we grow to be?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

The influence of relationships / Created in the image of God, the Most Holy Trinity / The Revelation of the Trinity / God has gradually revealed his identity over time / The development of the dogma of the Trinity: Councils of the Church / The search for language to describe the Trinity / Heresies of the Church / The creeds of the Church / The Triune God is one / God is love: the implications of the Trinity for our lives / Jesus, ‘the visible image of the invisible God’, models the life of God for us / God is always present: God abides in us and we in God / The Trinity and the demand for peace and justice / Example of Andrei Rublev and the icon of the Trinity.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:2, 26; Exodus 3:3–15; Leviticus 19:18; Deuteronomy 6:5; Psalm 89:26; Job 1:21, 33:4; Hosea 11:8–9

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 1:22–23, 22:34–40, 28:19; Mark 12:13–17, 14:36; Luke 4:18, 10:25–28, 13:34; John 10:30, 13:34–35, 14:23, 15:9–15, 26; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 13:1–13; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Galatians 4:6; Philippians 2:4–11; 1 John 4:4–16

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 234–237, 252, 254–256, 258, 261, 266, 267

FAITH GLOSSARY: Holy Trinity

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Andrei Rublev, Russian icon painter

CHAPTER 6

God the Father: Loving Creator and Sustainer

FOCUS QUESTION:

What does it mean to be children of God the Father?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

The Popes and the earth / Praise the Lord of all the earth / St. Francis of Assisi: patron of those who promote ecology / Creation—a reflection of the Creator / Poem ‘Tintern Abbey’ / Stewardship—a God-given responsibility / The Israelites’ belief in God the Father / God as ‘mother’—a biblical metaphor / Jesus reveals the Father: ‘He who sees me sees the Father’ / The Parable of the Prodigal Son: the will and love of the Father revealed / God’s love is prodigal / God, the Father of all / Proclaiming God’s love for all people / Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD): Catholic social doctrine in action / Example of Julian of Norwich, hermit and spiritual writer.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:28, 2:15, 3:27; Psalms 8:3–6, 18:2, 38:9, 148:1–4, 7–12, 14

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 6:9, 13:11, 25:31–46, 26:36–46; Mark 14:36; Luke 11:2 and 9, 15:11–32, 23:46; John 3:16, 14:9; Acts of the Apostles 2:45; Romans 8:15; Galatians 4:4–6; Colossians 1:15–20

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 46–47, 232–233, 239, 240, 249, 319, 546, 846, 1257, 1260–1261

FAITH GLOSSARY: stewardship; Social Teachings of the Catholic Church

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Julian of Norwich, hermit and spiritual writer

CHAPTER 7

The Only Begotten Son of God: Jesus Christ, God-With-Us

FOCUS QUESTION:

Who do you say that I am?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Jesus' question: 'Who do you say that I am?' / Story of Carlo Carretto and the Little Brothers of Blessed Charles de Foucauld / The Word of God became flesh in Jesus / The identity and mission of Jesus / Four reasons why God became human in Jesus / Erroneous teachings on the Incarnation: Gnosticism, Docetism, Arianism, Nestorianism, Monophysitism / The Kingdom and reign of God / Jesus Christ: Redeemer, Savior, Liberator / The risen and glorified Lord / Encountering the risen Lord today / Example of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 2:7; Leviticus 11:44

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 1:20–21, 5:11–12, 16:13–20, 25:31–46, 28:9–10, 16–20; Mark 1:1 and 15, 15:39, 16:9–13; Luke 1:67–79, 11:1, 24:13–53; John 1:1–3, 8:31–32, 13:15, 14:6, 15:12, 20:11–29, 21:1–19; Acts of the Apostles 4:12; Romans 14:17, 15:5; 1 Corinthians 15:14, 20–49 and 55; Galatians 5:1; Philippians 2:5–8, 9–11; 2 Peter 1:4; 1 John 4:2, 9–10

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 252, 422, 430, 452, 453–461, 463–466, 479, 480, 483, 484–487, 517, 561, 571, 654, 780, 1067, 1362–1372

FAITH GLOSSARY: salvation; Son of God; Passion; Lord

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: The two disciples from Emmaus

CHAPTER 8

God the Holy Spirit: The Spirit of Truth and Love

FOCUS QUESTION:

Who and where is the Holy Spirit?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

The Holy Spirit and Christian prayer / Hymn to the Holy Spirit from the *Liturgy of the Hours* / The Revelation of the Holy Spirit in the Old and New Testaments / Titles and images of the Holy Spirit in Scripture / Jesus in the power of the Spirit: the baptism, temptation, public life and ministry of Jesus, and his promise to send the Holy Spirit / The Spirit of Christ at work in our lives / Example of Nelson Mandela / The Gifts of the Holy Spirit / The Fruits of the Holy Spirit / Holiness of life—the difference the Holy Spirit makes / Example of Jean Vanier and the L'Arche Communities.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:1–3, 2:7; Exodus 40:36–38; 1 Samuel 10:1, 16:13; Psalms 139:1, 3 and 7; 143:10; Sirach 48:1; Isaiah 6:1–2, 11:1–3, 61:1

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 1:20, 3:13–17, 4:1–11; Mark 1:9–11, 12–13; Luke 1:34, 3:21–22, 4:1–13 and 18, 11:13 and 20; John 1:29–34, 14:16, 16:13; Acts of the Apostles 2:1–47, 8:17–19; Romans 8:9 and 15, 15:19; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 12:13; 2 Corinthians 1:21–22, 2:2–3, 3:17, 6:10; Galatians 3:14, 5:16, 22–23 and 25; 1 Peter 4:14

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 32, 243–248, 267, 538, 684, 687, 689–690, 691, 702, 727–730, 737, 743, 744, 747, 852, 866, 867, 985, 1830–1832, 2258, 2565, 2672, 2681

FAITH GLOSSARY: Holy Spirit

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Jean Vanier and L'Arche Communities

CHAPTER 9

Mary: Mother, Disciple and Evangelist

FOCUS QUESTION:

Why does the Church honor Mary?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Devotion to Mary / Marian prayers and devotions / Mary's unique role in God's plan / Mary, full of grace: free from all sin (the Immaculate Conception) / Marian devotion: expressed in Mary's titles: *Theotokos*, *Panagia*, Blessed Virgin, Mediatrix / *Panagia* iconography / Celebrating the Church's faith in Mary: Marian feasts / The motherhood of Mary / Mary's last days on earth and the Assumption / The *Magnificat*: Mary's canticle of faith and praise / Mary, model of faith—first disciple and first evangelist / Mary, Mother of our Church / Example of Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 3:14–15; Isaiah 7:14–17

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 2, 5:3, 13:55; Luke 1:26–38, 41, 46–55, 2:22–56, 4:34–35; John 2:1–11; 19:25–27; Romans 8:11; 1 Timothy 2:5

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 221, 356–358, 381, 461–469, 517–518, 520–560, 562, 564–570, 624, 632, 667, 1700–1709, 1741–1742

FAITH GLOSSARY: Immaculate Conception; Assumption

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

CHAPTER 10

The Son of Mary: Our Exemplar and Model

FOCUS QUESTION:

What is the meaning of the Incarnation for us?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

'What are you looking for?' / The fundamental question, 'Who am I?' / Jesus: true God and true man / The mysteries of the earthly life of Jesus / Jesus was always true to his identity and his mission / God of mercy and forgiveness / The compassion of Jesus / Jesus: true 'friend' / Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable / The human person—*imago Dei* / Example of St. Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:27, 12:1–4; Exodus 34:5–6; Deuteronomy 4:37, 7:8–9, 10:15; 2 Samuel 7:28; Isaiah 43:1–7, 49:14–15, 54:8–10, 62:4–5; Jeremiah 31:3; Ezekiel 16; Hosea 2, 11; Psalms 85:11, 119:160, 138:2; Wisdom 13:1–9; Malachi 2:6

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 3:13–17, 4:1–11, 5:1–7:29, 9:36, 10:1–4, 12:1–14, 14:14, 17:1–9, 18:21–22, 19:8–9, 23:37, 26:26–29, 27:55, 28:18; Mark 1:9–11, 12–13, 15, 21–28, 2:8–10, 13–17, 3:13–19, 4:12–13 and 40, 5:36, 6:50, 9:2–8, 12:14, 14:22–26, 16:17–20; Luke 2:46, 51–52, 3:21–22, 4:1–13, 16–19, 31–37, 6:12–21, 7:11–17, 9:28–36, 10:41–42, 13:10–17, 15:2, 22:14–23; John 1:14, 29–51, 2:1–12, 3:16, 4:1–42, 6:63, 7:46, 9:1–41, 11:1–44, 13:1–20, 31–35; 14:6, 8–10, 15:12–17, 17:20–26, 20:31, 21:15–19; Romans 4:18, 15:5; 1 Corinthians 2:7–16, 11:23–26; Ephesians 3:9–12; Philippians 2:5; Colossians 1:15–17, 18; 1 John 4:7–8, 16

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 1705, 1708–1709, 1716–1717, 1724–1729, 1741–1742,

1847–1848, 2367, 2378

FAITH GLOSSARY: miracle; solidarity

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: St. Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr

CHAPTER 11

The Road to New Life in Christ

FOCUS QUESTION:

Who does God call me to become?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Discerning our particular vocation / The universal call to holiness of life / Jesus, ‘the way’ to holiness of life / The way of holiness—the way of love / The Great Commandment / The Beatitudes / Christ has set us free to live as disciples of Jesus / *We can* make moral decisions / The reality of sin and God’s mercy / The road to conversion / The conversion of Saul / Lifelong conversion / Examples of Dorothy Day, Servant of God—a life of conversion to Christ

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 1:27–28, 3:1–19, 4:10–17; Leviticus 19:18; Deuteronomy 6:5; 1 Samuel 3:1–21; Psalms 119:1–2, 10, 45, 47 and 105; Isaiah 49:14–17; Jeremiah 1:4–19; Zechariah 12:10

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 4:8–10, 5:1–11, 22:35–40; Mark 1:15, 12:28–31; Luke 1:26–38, 4:34, 6:20–22 and 35, 10:25–38, 15:11–32; John 3:16–17, 8:32, 13:34–35, 19:37; Acts of the Apostles 9:1–25, 13:1–14:28, 15:36—18:17, 18:24—20:16; Romans 7:19, 8:21; 1 Corinthians 3:16–17, 12:13; 2 Corinthians 3:17; 6:16; Galatians 5:1; Ephesians 4:12, 14–16; 1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Timothy 4:7; 1 John 1:8, 9

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 1705, 1708–1709, 1716–1717, 1724–1729, 1741–1742,

1847–1848, 2367, 2378

FAITH GLOSSARY: vocation; holiness; conscience; morality

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: Dorothy Day, Servant of God

CHAPTER 12

New Life in Christ

FOCUS QUESTION:

Why do Christians live with hope?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Struggle between good and evil / Jesus triumphed over sin and death and the power of evil / The path to holiness and goodness: true happiness / Baptism is the doorway to new life in Christ / John the Baptist’s proclamation, ‘Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world’ / Prayer is loving conversation with God / Forms and expressions of Christian prayer / Keys to good prayer / Obstacles to prayer / Pray regularly and persevere / Jesus, our model for prayer / The Our Father (The Lord’s Prayer) / Example of the Trappists and Thomas Merton.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: Exodus 11:1—12:32; Isaiah 11:1–5, 6–9

NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 5:10–12, 6:7–13, 21 and 33, 16:22–26, 18:21–22, 26:36–46, 28:20; Mark 1:9–11, 35 and 4–41, 2:5, 5:28 and 36, 6:46, 7:6–7 and 29; Luke 3:21, 4:13, 5:16, 6:12, 22–23, 7:37–38, 9:18, 28 and 36, 11:2–13, 18:1–14, 22:32, 41–42, 23:39–43; John 1:29, 14:13, 15:5, 9–17, 16:24–33, 17:15; Romans 6:4–5, 7:19, 14:17; 1 Corinthians 5:7, 10:13; 15:17–18; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 4:9–10; Philippians 2:8; Colossians 1:15, 18; 1 Thessalonians 5:17

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 571, 608,

1718, 2559, 2565, 2567, 2600, 2615, 2621, 2668, 2731, 2743, 2744, 2745, 2765, 2774, 2789, 2801, 2802, 2832, 2846, 2850, 2859

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: The Trappists and Thomas Merton

CHAPTER 13

From Here to Eternity: The Last Things

FOCUS QUESTION:

Ever wonder about life after death?

CONTENT SUMMARY:

Life after death / Death: the doorway to eternal life / Death in the Sacred Scripture / Judgment after death: Particular Judgment; Last Judgment / Eternal life after death: Heaven, Purgatory and Hell / The Communion of Saints / The Hispanic tradition of *El Altarcito* / Saints in Heaven: models and partners in discipleship / Example of *Día de los Muertos*.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

OLD TESTAMENT: 2 Maccabees 12:45; Psalms 6:5; Wisdom 3:1–5; Isaiah 38:18, 52:15, 64:3; Jeremiah 29:10–14; Daniel 12:2

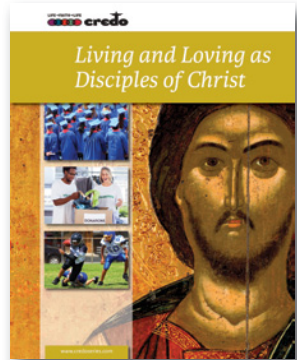
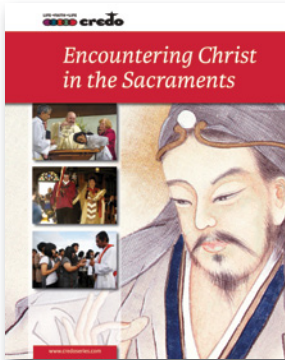
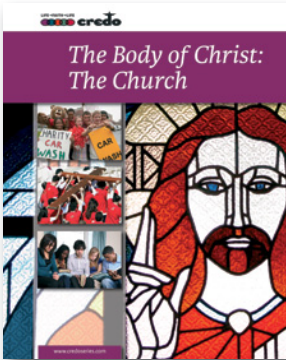
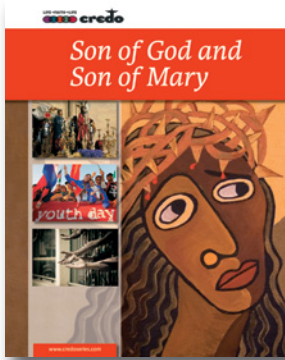
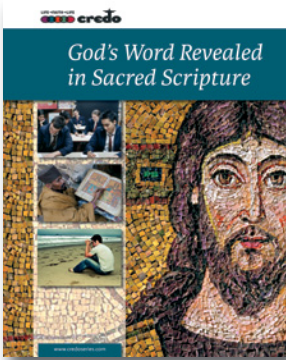
NEW TESTAMENT: Matthew 5:22, 26 and 29, 10:28, 12:32, 13:41–42 and 50, 25:31–46; Mark 9:43–48; Luke 16:19–31, 17:1–3, 22:42, 23:43; John 13:31–35, 14:1–3, 17:1–26; Romans 5:12–14, 6:23, 8:18–25; 1 Corinthians 2:9, 3:11–15, 15:28; Colossians 1:18; 2 Timothy 2:11; Hebrews 9:27, 12:1; 2 Peter 3:1–13; 1 John 3:14–15; Revelation 21:1, 4

KEY CATECHISM SOURCES: 1010, 1016, 1023, 1024, 1027, 1040, 1051, 1052, 1053, 1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1059, 1060

FAITH GLOSSARY: Last Judgment; Beatific Vision

LEARN BY EXAMPLE: *Día de los Muertos*

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