Vocabulary for Unit 6

elder: A person appointed to have authority in governing a local church.

eunuch: An emasculated man. Such men were excluded from the assembly of the Lord (see Deuteronomy 23:1).

Gentile: A non-Jewish person. In Scripture the Gentiles were those outside the covenant, those who did not know how to fulfill God's will. Without this knowledge, they could not be in right relationship with God, and so were considered "unholy" or "unclean." In the New Testament, Saint Paul and other evangelists reached out to the Gentiles, baptizing them into the family of God.

Hebrews: In some New Testament writings, Hebrew-speaking Jewish Christians.

Hellenists: Greek-speaking Jewish Christians.

presbyter: A synonym to *elder* in the Acts of the Apostles and an alternative word for *priest* today.

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