

Blessed Are the Peacemakers

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer each of the following questions in two or three sentences.

1. Define legitimate self-defense.
2. What is the Church's teaching on legitimate self-defense?
3. Describe each of the six criteria for a just war.
4. What is your response to the following statement? A just war is not possible in modern times.
5. What is your response to the following statement? It is acceptable for some Christians to completely reject the use of violence, even in legitimate self-defense.
6. What is your response to the following statement? Moral reasons for using the death penalty "are very rare, if not practically non-existent" (John Paul II).

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