

Vocabulary for Unit 3

natural law: The moral law that can be understood through our intellect and the use of reason. It is our God-given instinct to be in right relationship with God, other people, the world, and ourselves. The basis for natural law is our participation in God's wisdom and goodness because we are created in the divine likeness.

wisdom literature: The Old Testament Books of Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, Sirach, and the Wisdom of Solomon.

idolatry: The worship of false Gods in violation of the First Commandment.

covenant: A personal, solemn promise of faithful love that involves mutual commitments and creates a sacred relationship.

Pharisees: A Jewish sect at the time of Jesus known for its strict adherence to the Law.

nuptial: Something related to marriage or a marriage ceremony.

