Scripture and Tradition Puzzle Pieces

This handout has pairs of connected quotes. Quotes from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)* are   
on the left (bold emphasis added), and corresponding quotes from Scripture are on the right. Cut as indicated so that you have thirteen separate pairs of connected quotes (leave the pairs connected in the middle).

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| “**Sacred Scripture and Tradition**,then, are bound closely together and communicate one with the other1. . . .  Each of them makes present and fruitful in the Church the mystery of Christ, who promised to remain with his own ‘always to the close of the age.’”2 (*CCC,* number 80) | “And behold, I am with you always, until the  end of the age.” (Matthew 28:20) |
| “The apostles entrusted the **‘Sacred  deposit’** of the faith . . . ,contained  in Sacred Scripture and Tradition, to the whole  of the Church.”3 (*CCC,* number 84) | “Take as your norm the sound words  that you heard from me, in the faith and  love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the holy Spirit that dwells within us.” (2 Timothy 1:13–14) |
| “**Faith** is a gift from God, a supernatural virtue infused by him.” (*CCC,* number 153) | “Simon Peter said in reply, ‘You are  the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’  Jesus said to him in reply, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has  not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father.’” (Matthew 16:16–17) |
| “Adoring God, praying to him, offering  him the worship that belongs to him,  fulfilling the promises and vows made  to him are acts of the virtue of **religion** which fall under obedience to the first commandment.”(*CCC,* number 2135)    “Since it rejects or denies the existence of God, atheism is a sin against the first commandment.” (*CCC,* number 2140) | “At this, Jesus said to him, ‘Get away,  Satan! It is written:    “The Lord your God, shall you worship  and him alone shall you serve.”’”  (Matthew 4:10) |
| “From the beginning, Jesus associated  his **disciples** with his own life, revealed  the mystery of the Kingdom to them, and gave them a share in his mission, joy, and sufferings.”4 (*CCC*, number 787) | “Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” (Luke 14:27) |
| “The Church thus confesses that Jesus  is inseparably **true God and true man.**”  (*CCC,* number 469) | “But these are written that you may  [come to] believe that Jesus is the  Messiah, the Son of God, and that through  his belief you may have life in his name.”  (John 20:31) |
| “The Church calls **‘Incarnation’** the  fact that the Son of God assumed a human nature in order to accomplish our salvation.” (*CCC,* number 461) | “For God so loved the world that he  gave his only Son, so that everyone  who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” (John 3:16) |
| “As a result the Church, to whom the transmission and interpretation of  Revelation is entrusted, ‘does not  derive her certainty about all revealed  truths from the holy Scriptures alone. Both Scripture and Tradition must be accepted and honored with equal sentiments of devotion and reverence.’”5 (*CCC,* number 82) | “Then Jesus approached and said to  them, ‘All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore,  and make disciples of all nations,  baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.’” (Matthew 28:18–20) |
| “[The Pope], Peter’s **successor, and  the bishops are the bishops, the  successors of the apostles** are  related with and united to one another.”6  (*CCC,* number 880)  “The Lord made St. Peter the visible foundation  of his Church.” (*CCC,* number 936) | “And so I say to you, you are Peter,  and upon this rock I will build my  church, and the gates of the nether- world shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”(Matthew 16:18–19) |
| “Concern for achieving unity . . .  ‘—the reconciliation of all Christians in  the unity of the one and only Church of  Christ—transcends human powers and gifts.’”7 (*CCC,* number 822) | “I pray not only for them, but also for  those who will believe in me through  their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me.”(John 17:20–21) |
| “The grace of the Holy Spirit has the  power to **justify us**, that is, to cleanse  us from our sins and to communicate to us,  ‘the righteousness of God through faith in  Jesus Christ’ and through baptism.”8 (*CCC,* number 1987) | “But it was not for him alone that it  was written that ‘it was credited to  him’; it was also for us, to whom it will  be credited, who believe in the one who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over for our transgressions and was raised for our justification.”(Romans 4:23–25) |
| “By **free will** [the human person] is  capable of directing himself toward his true good.” (*CCC,* number 1704) | “God created mankind in his image;   in the image of God he created them;   male and female he created them. . . .    God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good.”(Genesis 1:27,31) |
| “The **Beatitudes** are at the heart of  Jesus’ preaching.” (*CCC,* number 1716)      “The Beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness.” (*CCC,* number 1718) | “Blessed are the poor in spirit,  for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. . . .  Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.” (Matthew 5:3,12) |

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Endnotes cited in quotations from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, Second Edition

1.   *Dei Verbum* 9.

2.   Matthew 28:20.

3.   *Dei Verbum* 10 § 1; cf. 1 Timothy 6:20; 2 Timothy 1:12–14 (Vulg.).

4.   Cf. Mk 1:16–20, 3:13–19; Mt 13:10–17; Lk 10:17–20, 22:28–30.

5.   *Dei Verbum* 9.

6.   *Lumen Gentium* 22; cf. Codex Iuris Canonici, can. 330.

7.   *Unitatis Redintegratio* 24 § 2.

8.   Romans 3:22; cf. 6:3–4.