Unit 1 Reading Guide

Jesus and Faith

Chapter 1: Getting to Know Jesus

Article 1: Discovering Jesus: The Adventure Begins

1. The Church’s history is filled with stories of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who have turned their lives around after placing their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ. One dramatic example of this is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Tarsus, better known now as Saint \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Paul is first introduced as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ figure standing in the background, witnessing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ being stoned to death. Paul goes on to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ many other followers of Jesus Christ.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a person who voluntarily suffers death because of his or her beliefs.
4. Then one day, it all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Paul when he meets the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ. Saint Paul not only becomes a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but also one of Christianity’s most zealous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, spreading the saving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ crucified and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everywhere he goes.
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is responding to Jesus’ offer of love by turning away from sin and its effects and actively seeking to do God’s will.
6. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helps us in our efforts to avoid sin and live our lives as Jesus teaches. His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helps us to discover and follow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for our lives.
7. Clearly, there is something \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about the life and message of Jesus Christ.

Article 2: The Life and Times of Jesus

1. The culture at that time was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . For the most part, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ held the political, economic, and religious power. The primary social role of a woman was to be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Some of the ways Jesus interacted with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seemed to break these social norms.
2. What did the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do to make a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ? Most of their work was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Many were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Some were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . A few were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , like Jesus and his foster father, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
3. If one primary cultural value defines life in first-century Palestine, it is commitment to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
4. Another kind of work that ordinary people could do during the time of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was to hire themselves out as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ servants. People could do this because a very small percentage was very wealthy and needed many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to keep their estates running \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Often called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , these \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ owned large, beautifully decorated homes in the big cities, with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ plumbing and many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for entertaining. They owned the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the land in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , which they leased out to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ farmers. They took \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the rest of the population through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wages and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ taxation.
5. This \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of haves and have-nots is not God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for humankind as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Bible.
6. First-century Palestine was part of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The Romans took control of Palestine about sixty years before the birth of Christ (63 BC).
7. King \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Great was the Jewish (actually half-Jewish) king at the time Jesus was born. Pontius \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was the Roman governor who was sent by Rome to rule over Jerusalem after \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ proved to be poor rulers.
8. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were a group of Jews known for its strict adherence to all the laws of the Old Testament. They believed in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the dead. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ consisted largely of the elite, wealthy class; many were chief priests. They did not believe in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the dead. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were scholars and teachers of the Jewish Law and Scripture. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ believed that God wanted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be an independent nation again, free from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rule. They preached a violent overthrow of the Roman occupiers.

Article 3: The Gospel of Mark, Part 1: The Human Face of God

1. Many scholars believe the Gospel of Mark was written around AD \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Christians living in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
2. In AD 64, fire broke out in Rome. The emperor, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , blamed the fire on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This led to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Christians. During this time, many Christians were so frightened that they denied their faith in an effort to escape persecution. Those who denied their faith, and perhaps  
   even turned in their fellow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to save their own lives, were called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This atmosphere of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is part of what \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ addresses in his Gospel.
3. From the beginning, we see that Jesus, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , though welcomed by some, will be in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against evil in his efforts to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us from our sins.
4. In the chapters that follow, numerous accounts of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helping people reveal not only Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but also his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
5. The Gospel of Mark reveals a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who definitely knows what it feels like to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and even \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Throughout the first eight chapters of Mark, Jesus repeatedly runs into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and Mark describes the variety of Jesus’ emotions.
6. It is reassuring to know we have a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who understands what it is like to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . However, there are two important \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between Jesus and us. First, Jesus is fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but also fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Second, Jesus is like us in all things except \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 4: The Gospel of Mark, Part 2: Who Do You Say That I Am?

1. The placement of these \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the middle of the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is an intentional \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ technique used by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel. Everything that has happened so far leads up to Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and everything that happens in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ half of the Gospel flows from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to his questions.
2. Like John the Baptist, Jesus calls people to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and preaches about the Kingdom of God. Elijah is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who confronts \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jesus also works \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and confronts \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Finally, Jesus speaks for God like the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do, so it makes sense to think he might be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Peter gives the right answer: “You are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .” At the time, many Jews believed the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ would be an earthly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ruler, like King David in the Old Testament. They hoped the messiah would overthrow Rome’s rule and return the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Jewish People.
4. Peter is the perfect example of this confusion over the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Messiah. He does not accept the idea that the Messiah must \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . It may sound \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when Jesus tells Peter, “Get behind me, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,” but Peter, and the other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as well, were struggling to see how Jesus’ suffering was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
5. We quickly learn that if Jesus, the Messiah, is willing to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , his followers must be willing to suffer as well.

Article 5: The Gospel of Mark Part 3: The Empty Tomb Changes Everything

1. As the Gospel of Mark moves toward Jesus’ Passion, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and Resurrection—events that together form the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ —Jesus’ identity as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Messiah comes into full view.

2. The disciples’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and eventual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus is highlighted more in Mark than in the other three Gospels. Consider these events: While praying in the garden, Jesus is in emotional agony. Where are the disciples? They are asleep. . . . As Jesus is being interrogated by the High Priest, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ denies being one of Jesus’ disciples three times. As Jesus is dying in agony . . . none of his followers are with him. Only a few of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are brave enough to look on from a distance.

3. However, Jesus’ suffering, abandonment, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are not the final events of his life. The women enter the tomb and to their shock, they find not Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , but a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dressed in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The young man announces the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ news—Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the dead! He [the young man] instructs the women to go tell the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Good News. However, the women do just the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , running away in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and telling no one.

4. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ending of the Gospel of Mark is a cliffhanger, ending with the empty tomb and no accounts of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. You probably noticed that there is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Gospel. Despite our uncertainty about its origins, we are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that it is part of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture.  
It is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Word of God and has something to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to us.

6. So, what difference does Christ’s Resurrection make? It makes all the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in this world  
and the next. It is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that God’s plan for salvation has been accomplished.

7. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ also gives new meaning to suffering. When connected to God’s plan, suffering  
for the sake of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ becomes something we as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ can offer in imitation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

8. We are a people of hope, knowing that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ do not have the last word. Our Church community is a gathering of people committed to belief in Jesus Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that he offers.

Chapter 2: Jesus Revealed

Article 6: How the Gospels Came to Be

1. The most tangible way that God reveals himself to us is through the Person of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jesus is the fullness of God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the New Testament are a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ way to learn about Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and saving mission.

2. The first stage in the formation of the Gospels is the actual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

3. Many of these disciples become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , traveling across the Roman Empire to share this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with others. Greek is their common \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and in Greek the word for “good news” is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,so their message became known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Good News) of Jesus Christ.

4. This is the second stage in the formation of the Gospels, which is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . As the Gospel spreads by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , when questions arise, the Apostles and other eyewitnesses provide \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. When the original \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus’ life, death, and Resurrection started to pass away, they [Church leaders] had to rethink things. To preserve the eyewitnesses’ teaching and preaching about Jesus, they [Church leaders] began to write down their accounts about the life of Christ.

6. The third stage in the formation of the Gospels is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Over time, the written Gospels were combined with the other writings now in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , forming the New Testament.

Article 7: Four Gospels, Four Authors, Four Viewpoints

1. So why are there four Gospels instead of one? The answer has to do with each Gospel being written by different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , in different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ situations, for different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. The Gospel of Matthew is like the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ view. It focuses on showing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between Jesus and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ found within the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Testament.

3. Mark’s brevity and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ presentation of Jesus’ ministry is a little like watching highlights of a game. Mark is the Gospel that gives us the most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ details. Mark shows the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus as he relates to his closest followers.

4. The Gospel of Luke is kind of like this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ view. In Luke, Jesus’ life and mission are presented in a way that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ society’s limited perspectives. Luke presents the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ appeal of Jesus’ message, recognizing that Jesus came to save \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. The Gospel of John is like this camera. It is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when compared to the other three Gospels. It gives us a perspective from on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , with its \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ theology that focuses on Jesus’ identity as God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jesus’ dialogue in the Gospel of John circles around just like the camera on a wire.

6. John also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in to grass level. John focuses five chapters on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , giving us an enormous amount of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus’ relationships with his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , with God the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and with the Holy Spirit.

Article 8: The Synoptics: Similar but Not the Same

1. They [the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke] all tell the same story from a similar perspective. Together we call them the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gospels. The word \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ comes from a Greek word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .”

2. Most scholars believe that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was written first and that the authors of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ probably used the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a starting point for writing their own Gospels.

3. One thing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gospels have in common are the many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus uses to teach (John has no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ !). In the end, Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ challenge the listeners not only to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about their world \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but to act \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as well.

4. Jesus’ many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are also central to the synoptic Gospels. As we will learn later, the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has only a few miracles but calls them \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. As mentioned earlier, Mark is writing to a community that is being \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Some people are denying their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Mark highlights Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as an example to the community.

6. Matthew’s community is quite different. He is writing for a predominately \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ audience. The author of Matthew emphasizes Jesus’ connections to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
and uses those \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to present Jesus as the fulfillment of all that the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (the Christian Old Testament) foretell.

7. Finally, the author of Luke is writing for a predominantly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ( \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ) Christian audience. They are influenced by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and are relatively unfamiliar with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Gospel emphasizes the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus’ message. Luke’s accounts focus on how Jesus’ offer of salvation is extended to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , especially the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 9: Scripture and Tradition: Why We Need Both

1. This living transmission of the Gospel in the Church is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , or sometimes the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Tradition.

2. Catholics, however, recognize the authority of both \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Sacred Tradition. It is through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that God is fully revealed and his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is made known to us.

3. Tradition and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are inseparable. They work together to achieve the same \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of handing down the Gospel. Scripture and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ help to maintain the purity of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ message. Scripture and Tradition support and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ each other and will never be in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. In contrast, tradition with a lowercase *t* refers to a custom. They [traditions] are not part of God’s authoritative \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , so they can be changed or altered to suit different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , time periods, and cultures.

Article 10: The Magisterium: Passing On God’s Revelation

1. As the Church’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is passed from one generation to the next, what keeps it from changing like the messages in the telephone game? The answer is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. When Jesus chose the Apostles, he commissioned them to share in his ministry of preaching the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and proclaiming the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. The Pope, who is the bishop of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and all the bishops of the Church, are the modern-day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Apostles. Together they are called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the official \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ authority of the Church.

4. Definition: The uninterrupted passing on of authority from the Apostles directly to all bishops is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Definition: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the gift given by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Church whereby the Magisterium of the Church, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the bishops in union with him, can definitively \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ without error.

6. The Church places great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on seeking \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ among Christians and with all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

**Chapter 3: The Two Natures of Jesus**

Article 11: True Man

1. It has been revealed through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus Christ is both true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This means that even though he is one Divine Person,  
he has two \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ —his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature and his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature.

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the study of Jesus Christ—the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Divine Person of the Trinity—and his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ministry and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mission.

3. Jesus is not just God appearing to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . He has a physical, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ body.

4. Jesus thought with a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mind. On the other hand, because of Jesus’ divine nature, his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God and of God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and complete.

5. One characteristic that defines what it means to be human is our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . In his human nature, Jesus too had a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will. The difference between our will and Jesus’ will is that Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will is in complete \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will.

6. Like Celia, Jesus lived the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ experience of being \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . And though Jesus died, his story is not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

7. If we forget his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature, then we reduce Jesus to just another good moral \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ teacher.

Article 12: True God

1. Sacred Scripture is clear that Jesus Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who existed before all time.

2. Emmanuel is a Hebrew name meaning, “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .”

3. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus displays powers that only God possesses. On several occasions, he displays \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. During Jesus’ earthly life, others recognized and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that he is the Divine \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God. Twice God the Father’s booming voice from the heavens declares Jesus as his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. There are also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who make this connection. What is holding us back from believing that Jesus is God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ? If we take the risk of believing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ claims, we might be able to see the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ impact that belief in Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature can have on our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Believing in Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature gives us hope that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is attainable despite our sins and flaws. It helps us believe that everything Jesus taught is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . However, our belief in Jesus’ divine nature must be balanced with our belief in his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Article 13: True God and True Man

1. Ashanti’s dad told her that the correct term for God taking on flesh and becoming man is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Christ was at all times *one* Divine Person with *two* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The theological term for this mystery of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in one Divine Person is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ union. The two natures of Jesus Christ do not simply exist one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the other; instead, they are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so completely that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ present.

3. Because Jesus is one Divine Person, a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature and a fully \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature, we know and experience Jesus’ divinity *through* his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . We come to know Jesus as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ among us through knowing Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. A good way to understand how Jesus’ human nature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God’s true nature is to compare the images of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that come through the Old Testament to the image of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ revealed through Jesus in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

5. But Jesus’ compassion reveals that the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is just a guide and that God loves us without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Jesus’ humanity makes it clear that God’s saving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ comes through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ love.

Article 14: Why Does the Incarnation Matter?

1. God took on a human form because God is beyond our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . In order for us to have any concept of God, grace, or salvation, God has to approach us in a way that we can understand.

2. God’s taking on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Person of Jesus provides the frame needed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more fully God and his saving love for us.

3. Artists portray Jesus as a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of their own culture so that we can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ more closely with him.

4. God became flesh in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ because he is identifying with our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. God humbles himself and becomes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because he wants to be sure that we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his message of salvation.

Chapter 4: It Comes Down to Faith

Article 15: The Gift of Faith

1. Through faith, we come to accept and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the truth God has revealed to us. However, believing in and loving God is ultimately our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Often when we encounter truths that we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to accept, these are the very areas of our faith that God is calling us to dig deeper to understand.

3. A life of faith means trusting that God wants \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for us.

4. The word *obedience* comes from a Latin root meaning “to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , or pay \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to.”

5. What can we do to strengthen and nourish our faith? One way to grow in faith is to read \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ regularly and prayerfully.

6. Spending \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with other people is another way we can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ our faith. We also nourish our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ through prayer.

7. Jesus founded the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ knowing that our personal faith thrives best in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of faith.

Article 16: Learning about Faith from Paul’s Letters

1. Chart: Paul’s letters usually follow a pattern made of up of four parts: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Understanding Paul’s letters can be challenging. The problems and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that Paul is addressing are not always \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to use because we have only Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. Another challenge is that Paul \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a time very different from our own. To help us understand what Paul is trying to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and ultimately what God is trying to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to us through Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , we must seek to understand the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and ways of communicating used at the time.

4. One of the most interesting things we learn is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of ways Paul calls others to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Sometimes we see Paul as a fatherly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Other times, he is like a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rabbi. Still other times, we see Paul utterly frustrated and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ individuals  
who are leading others \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Yet, no matter what means Paul uses, his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Gospel and his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for others to put their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus is always clear.

Article 17: Galatians and Ephesians: Faith and Unity

1. Why was Paul so successful at establishing Christian communities? One reason is that Paul was willing to embrace people’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Imagine his distress when he heard that the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ community in Galatia had abandoned this teaching after \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ missionaries told them that they had to follow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Law before they could become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ !

3. “O \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Galatians!” (Galatians 3:1). Sometimes the journey to faith has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ along the way, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ apparently hit one of those \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. As Paul goes on to defend the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ message, we learn more about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus. He explains that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ flows from God’s forgiveness of our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the gift of God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ grace to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ our holiness. The truth Paul proclaims is that the Old Law brings \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ only; only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ brings \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Apparently, in Ephesus the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christians were not getting along with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christians. The divisions were going against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ teachings and had the potential to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the spreading of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

7. Then Paul speaks about our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Christ. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is another word used to  
describe how God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ plan works. It is the process by which one is brought back from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to sin into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ relationship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

8. We need only accept God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of salvation in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Once transformed,  
believers are called to live \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lives that reflect the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ unity between God  
and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . By treating one another with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , Christians  
are a sign of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that God desires for all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 18: First Corinthians: Faith Overcomes Division

1. During Paul’s time, Corinth was a bustling \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ city, which meant it was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
for travelers from all over the world. Like most large first-century Roman cities, Corinth was a mix of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Corinth also had a reputation for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and sexual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Unfortunately, instead of focusing on Jesus, they [the Corinthians] have divided themselves into cliques. Some groups say they are followers of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and others are following a preacher named \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Paul is reminding the Corinthians that they are followers of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , not a particular Church leader.

3. Sadly, the divisions among the Corinthians have also shown up at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Some \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people bring food to eat before the celebration while others in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
go hungry. This emphasizes the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between the rich and the poor.

4. Apparently, Paul was asked if \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were morally allowed to eat \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that had  
been offered as a sacrifice to an idol, or pagan god. In the letter, Paul says that the answer is both \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . On one hand, Christians would be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to eat it, knowing that there are no gods besides the one, true God. On the other hand, Paul also cautions that it is not okay to eat this meat if another Christian whose \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or uncertain would be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by your behavior.

5. For Paul, “being \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” is not as important as preserving the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that we have with other Christians.

6. Paul’s reminder to keep our focus on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ does help us to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ one another.

Article 19: We Celebrate Our Faith in Community

1. More than anything else, faith is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Faith  
makes it possible for us to believe in all that he [God] has revealed about himself and to respond to his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with our whole heart, mind, and will.

2. Having faith in God can be likened to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . When we fall in love, our whole \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is changed.

3. Although they are different from each other, true faith is intimately connected with authentic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. We commit to our faith as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and then express our faith together in our religious \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Expressing our faith in community involves \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ —in other words, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ practices.

5. In religious worship, we acknowledge our utter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on God and offer grateful \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for all God’s works. It is through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that we give back to God all that we, as his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , owe him. As \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , our most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ way of worshipping God is through the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. In \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , we lift our mind toward God and celebrate his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ mercy and love.

7. Though participating in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of our faith lives, it often seems that getting up to go to church is even harder than getting up to be on time for school! We have to make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a priority and be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with our entire selves.

8. In sacrificing our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, money, or other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the good of others, we unite ourselves more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christ offered on the cross and make our whole lives a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.

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