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Chapter 4 Quiz

Write the letter that corresponds to the best answer choice in the space provided.

- _____ 1. Which of the following statements about the infancy narratives is TRUE?
- They appear in all four Gospels.
 - Their focus is on explaining who Jesus is, rather than what happened.
 - They each include the same events and themes.
 - They explain the rituals and traditions that Christians should share with their own children.
- _____ 2. Why is it significant that shepherds come to visit the baby Jesus?
- A shepherd was one of the lowliest occupations at the time. God places no importance on economic or social status.
 - Becoming a shepherd was a requirement for every person—for at least a short period of time. God is here for all of us.
 - Shepherds were Gentiles, and it would be notable that they were the first to recognize Jesus as a king.
 - For the Jewish community, the presence of shepherds represented the presence of God.
- _____ 3. Which is the best explanation of the Incarnation?
- Like his name, Jesus Christ is half-human (Jesus) and half-God (Christ).
 - Jesus is neither fully human, nor fully divine, but he understands both, which makes him the perfect mediator.
 - The Incarnation refers to how Jesus was conceived and born human; the Paschal Mystery refers to how Christ became divine.
 - Jesus Christ became truly man while remaining truly God.
- _____ 4. What does *Theotokos* refer to?
- It refers to the relationship between Elizabeth and Mary, and also the relationship between John the Baptist and Jesus.
 - It refers to Jesus' first miracle at the wedding of Cana.
 - It is the announcement of the Kingdom of God through parables and miracles.
 - It refers to Mary, Mother of Jesus, the "God-bearer."
- _____ 5. Why would we say that Jesus' teachings are often counterintuitive?
- They naturally, intuitively make perfect sense.
 - They challenge us to rethink cultural values and "truths" that we might accept without question.
 - They represent what the average person might think.
 - They are logical and require very little extra thought to put into practice.



- _____ 6. What does Jesus teach about wealth?
- a. Having wealth is a problem when we keep it only for ourselves, because it distracts us from doing God's will.
 - b. All wealthy people will be excluded from Heaven.
 - c. Wealth is necessary to help us build up the Kingdom of God.
 - d. The problem with wealth is the actual money itself.
- _____ 7. What does the expression "take up your cross" refer to?
- a. This refers to Jesus calling Peter "Satan" because he believed Peter was no longer doing God's work.
 - b. This refers to the moment when Jesus was condemned to death and carried his cross to the Crucifixion.
 - c. This means sharing in the sacrifice of Christ as part of a disciple's mission.
 - d. This means acknowledging Jesus is the Messiah by wearing a cross or crucifix around our neck.
- _____ 8. What does it mean to say that Jesus is the "New Adam"?
- a. Just as Adam was made from dust, so too was Jesus.
 - b. Adam wasn't given free will, but Jesus was.
 - c. Jesus embodied the union of God and humanity that was intended for the first Adam.
 - d. Both Adam and Jesus allowed salvation to become available to all people.
- _____ 9. What does a person learn from carefully reading the account of the raising of Jairus's daughter?
- a. The faith of Jairus plays an essential role. God's presence is always there for us, but we must actively reach out and participate with God to change our lives.
 - b. Since Jesus is proving that he is actually the Messiah to a group of people who lack faith, we learn that faith is not an essential element in the miracle.
 - c. The presence of the flute players make it evident that Jairus's daughter was not actually dead, but merely sleeping.
 - d. Jairus had planned to kill Jesus, and originally asked Jesus to come to his house to show that Jesus was a blasphemer.
- _____ 10. What do we learn in the story about the raising of Lazarus?
- a. Martha fully believed that Jesus was Lord over life and death but did not want to endure the stench of a body that was dead for four days.
 - b. Like many people whose prayers go unanswered, when Lazarus dies, Martha loses her faith that Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God.
 - c. Like Martha, many of us would rather not be disappointed by unfulfilled expectations when times get tough, but Jesus wants our faith to be bold and deep.
 - d. Before the raising of Lazarus, the Sanhedrin planned to have Jesus killed, but this miracle proved to them his true identity as Messiah.

