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Unit 3 Vocabulary

Terms for Mastery

justification God's act of bringing a sinful human being into right relationship with him. It involves removal of sin and the gift of God's sanctifying grace to renew holiness

Last Judgment The judgment of the human race by Jesus Christ at his second coming. It is also called the Final Judgment.

Parousia The second coming of Christ as judge of all the living and the dead, at the end of time, when the Kingdom of God will be fulfilled.

Particular Judgment The judgment that occurs immediately at the time of our death, when our immortal souls will be judged as worthy or unworthy of Heaven.

Purgatory A state of final purification or cleansing, which one may need to enter following death and before entering Heaven.

sanctifying grace The grace that heals our human nature wounded by sin and restores us to friendship with God by giving us a share in the divine life of the Trinity. It is a supernatural gift of God, infused into our souls by the Holy Spirit, that continues the work of making us holy.

soul Our spiritual principle, it is immortal, and it is what makes us most like God. Our soul is created by God at the moment of our conception. It is the seat of human consciousness and freedom.

transgression An act that goes against a law, rule, or code of conduct; sin.

virtue A habitual and firm disposition to do good.

Terms Introduced for Later Mastery

Cardinal Virtues Based on the Latin word *cardo*, meaning "pivot," four virtues that are viewed as pivotal or essential for full Christian living: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.

Theological Virtues The name given for the God-given virtues of faith, hope, and love. These virtues enable us to know God as God and lead us to union with God in mind and heart.

Terms Previously Mastered or for General Knowledge

corruptible Something that can be spoiled, contaminated, or made rotten.

Hell Refers to the state of definitive separation from God and the saints, and so is a state of eternal punishment.

polytheistic Believing in many gods.

