Unit 4 Test Answer Key

The Paschal Mystery and Real Life

Multiple Choice

1. b
2. d
3. c
4. b
5. d
6. b
7. b
8. c
9. d
10. a
11. c
12. a
13. c
14. d
15. b
16. a
17. b
18. c
19. d
20. c
21. a
22. d
23. b
24. a
25. c

Matching

1. f
2. d
3. j
4. c
5. b
6. e
7. a
8. h
9. g
10. i

True or False

1. T
2. F – “Where is God leading me?”
3. F – Our love of money
4. T
5. T

Essay

Student responses should include some of the points offered in the answers below:

1. Explain why accepting suffering need not be a sign of weakness.

Making sacrifices and accepting suffering are part of our lives as disciples of Christ. Jesus demonstrated throughout his life, especially during his Passion and death, that it takes courage and strength to accept suffering. Jesus taught us to forgive others, to love our enemies, and to challenge unjust situations. Jesus himself suffered for doing these things, and we expect to do the same. We know that it is through courage and sacrifice that we achieve good things, and we rely on God to help us. Furthermore, we know that God transforms suffering into new life, so we accept our suffering and offer it to God as we work to build the Kingdom of God.

1. As disciples, what are we called to do with our sufferings and sacrifices? Give three examples of small practical sacrifices you can make.

*Answers should include some of the following points:* As disciples, we are called to unite our personal sufferings and sacrifices with Christ’s. We do this not only because of our hope and faith in our eternal reward in Heaven but also to make reparation for the hurt and harm caused by our own personal sins. God transforms suffering into new life, so we accept our suffering and offer it to God as we work to build the Kingdom of God. Sacrifice does not have to be a grand, life-threatening endeavor. Here are some practical, everyday examples of small sacrifices you can make:

* spending time with a sick classmate or family member instead of going out to have fun with friends
* sacrificing your popularity by not giving into pressure to participate in immoral activities
* donating your time and money to those in need instead of spending it on yourself

1. Because we are called to participate in Christ’s saving work, we must address the root causes of violence in our hearts. What are some small steps you can take to address the things that can lead to violence in your own life?

Violence does not happen without a reason. It is most often rooted in one form of sin or another: jealousy, greed, fear, falsehood, or injustices like poverty or oppression. To end violence, we must address its root causes in our own hearts. Here are small steps you can take to address the things that can lead to violence in your own life:

* **Reflect.** Consider how your behavior and the choices you make affect others. What prejudices do you have and how can you avoid acting on them?
* **Be truthful.** Make sure the information you pass on is factual and is worthy of being circulated.
* **Be welcoming.**  Get to know and hang out with people who are different from you.
* **Practice empathy.**  Put yourself in someone else’s shoes before you make decisions that could affect their well-being and happiness.
* **Confess.**  Be willing to admit your errors and ask for forgiveness.
* **Forgive.** Do not hold grudges. When others have wronged you, forgive them—even if they do not acknowledge or ask for it.
* **Take responsibility.** Write to your representatives in government and hold them accountable for their inaction or actions they’ve made on your behalf.
* **Be peaceful.** Your kindness and love for others could stop a future violent act from ever happening.

All of these can help us to be faithful to the teachings of Jesus Christ, who was willing to die rather than betray his divine mission.