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Chapter 9 Quiz

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

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. What does the Paschal Mystery reveal about suffering?

1. Suffering has its origin in God, as part of the divine plan to cleanse us.
2. Suffering can play a role in our salvation.
3. Suffering is intended to test our faith.
4. Suffering is a punishment from God.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. What does Scripture teach us about the concept of divine retributive justice?

1. It is an explanation for human suffering that might appeal to our sense of fairness   
   and justice but is incorrect.
2. The Book of Job affirms the truth of the concept.
3. It clearly and accurately explains God’s role in human suffering.
4. Its validity was questioned in the Old Testament but affirmed by Jesus in the parables.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Which of the following statements best reflects the Book of Job?

1. Job’s friends speak the truth about God’s role in suffering.
2. Job’s sin was pride, which is why God allowed his suffering.
3. God affirmed Job’s innocence and clarified that suffering is not a punishment for sin.
4. God explained the reason why we suffer through the fourth friend, Elohim.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Which saint learned to follow Christ by “making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling   
look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love”?

1. Saint Teresa of Ávila
2. Saint Thérèse of Lisieux
3. Saint Damien of Molokai
4. Saint Francis of Assisi

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. What does the phrase “offer it up to God” mean?

1. It is the prayerful practice of negotiating with God to bring an end to suffering.
2. It is an invitation to give to charity.
3. That the path of Christian discipleship teaches us to ignore our burdens.
4. It suggests looking at life’s struggles differently, using pain, discomfort, or worries   
   as an opportunity for prayer.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. Why must questions like “Why did God allow this to happen?” be given special care?

1. Questions like this only serve to weaken our faith and lead us on a path of doubt.
2. Questions like this demonstrate a lack of knowledge about Scripture, which clearly   
   answers the question in the Book of Job and the parables of Jesus.
3. The struggle to understand can lead us to a closer relationship with God and one another.
4. It questions God’s divine providence.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 7. When responding to another person who is suffering, which of the following actions or words should be avoided?

1. Sitting in silence.
2. Asking them to participate in normal, everyday activities.
3. Telling them “It’s part of God’s plan,” or “There’s a reason for everything.”
4. Leaving the person who is suffering alone if they want to be alone, then ask again later   
   if they want to spend time together or talk.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 8. What was Saint Paul’s message about weakness?

1. Since it is our weaknesses that help us turn to God for help, we should boast about our weaknesses.
2. Sometimes the only way to persevere through suffering is to boast about our strengths, proving to ourselves and others that we shall overcome.
3. Suffering is a sign of weakness and should be avoided so as to avoid bringing others down.
4. When someone criticizes your weakness, consider them your adversary.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 9. What is the relationship between suffering and sacrifice?

1. Only grand, life-threatening endeavors that result in suffering are worthy sacrifices.
2. Following Christ’s example, we are called to make our own sacrifices for others, and   
   through our suffering participate in Christ’s saving mission.
3. Suffering and self-sacrifice lead us on a path of destruction.
4. Personal sufferings and sacrifices are not supposed to be part of being a disciple.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ 10. What does the Paschal Mystery teach us about people who willingly accept suffering?

1. They have an unhealthy desire for pain and should seek reconciliation with God.
2. It takes a great deal of courage and strength.
3. They have a foolish and misguided notion of what Christian discipleship is about, which   
   can be damaging to efforts to bring the message of Christ to others.
4. Since Christ died for us on the cross, willingly accepting suffering is no longer necessary.