Two Kinds of Writing: The Catholic Letters and the Book of Revelation

Review articles 69 and 70 as you complete the sentence completion, true or false, and short answer questions on this handout.

The Catholic Letters

Complete the following sentences by filling in the missing word(s).

1. In addition to the thirteen Pauline letters, there are seven other letters, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 in the New Testament.

2. These seven letters were addressed to a general audience or to a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
 individual.

3. How are these letters similar to Paul’s letters in what they offer to us?

4. The catholic letters are important because they offer a unique perspective on how to be authentic   
 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Christ in a disbelieving world.

5. What two important teachings do we find in the Letter of James?

6.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ encourages suffering Christians not to lose heart.

7.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ preaches against false teachers.

8. First and Second John warn against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and speak of the   
 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

9. Third John warns against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

10. What message does the Letter of Jude bring to Christians of its time and of today?

The Book of Revelation

Tell whether each of the following is true or false.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1. The Book of Revelation is about the end of the world.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2. This book is apocalyptic literature.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Apocalyptic literature is written to give hope during a time of crisis.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Apocalyptic literature includes extraordinary phenomena.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5. The communication of the Book of Revelation presents information in a veiled way   
 that Christians could understand without putting them at risk of further persecution.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. In order to be understood, this book must be read straight from beginning to end.

Respond to the following questions.

1. What are the three main themes of the Book of Revelation?

2. What are its readers encouraged to do in regard to their commitment in faith?

3. What does the Book of Revelation say will happen at the end of time?