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Unit 5 Reading Guide Answer Key

God Revealed through Jesus and the Church

Chapter 15: The Gospels

Article 65: Sharing the Story

1. Reflecting on the events they had experienced, and guided by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the human authors of the Bible wrote about the truth revealed to them about how \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was acting in their history.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ are the climax of the whole Bible.

3. The word *gospel* is translated from a Greek word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .”

4. The Gospels, then, proclaim the “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is God’s fullest revelation to humanity.

5. Scholars have identified three stages in this process of forming the Gospels: (1) the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus, (2) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and (3) the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 66: The Synoptic Gospels: Similar but Different

1. Each of the four Gospels—\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—emphasizes certain aspects of Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that their communities needed to hear.

2. The Gospels offer accounts of Jesus’ life, but they are not exactly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. It is fair to say that the Gospel authors were more concerned about the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of certain events in Jesus’ life than in perfectly describing his life’s every detail.

4. All this leads biblical scholars to describe the Gospels as a unique literary form. Think of them as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ biographies that are based on the words and deeds of Jesus Christ.

5. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the four Gospel writers, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , focus on the themes and aspects   
of Jesus’ life and teaching that are most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to their respective Christian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. Because three of the Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke—are similar in their style and content,   
they are called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gospels. *Synoptic* comes from a Greek word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”.

7. Many scholars believe that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was the first Gospel written and that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ use \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a source for their Gospels. Matthew and Luke also seem to have some \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ passages that are not in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Scholars theorize that these came from another common source they call \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ source.

Article 67: Major Events in the Synoptic Gospels

1. The Gospels of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ include \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , accounts of Jesus’ birth and childhood. These Gospels use the events surrounding Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to express important \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ about who he is. (Extra note: The synoptic Gospel that does not include accounts of Jesus’ birth and infancy is the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .)

2. Because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ audience is Jewish, he begins his Gospel with Jesus’ genealogy, emphasizing his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jesus’ coming into the world is the climax of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ history.

3. The author of Luke, on the other hand, is writing to a mostly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ audience in   
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This community probably includes men and women from a wide variety of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , both rich and poor. Luke focuses attention on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people to emphasize Christ’s compassion and justice.

4. Matthew and Luke include some of Jesus’ most profound and significant teachings, in particular the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The Beatitudes describe the actions and attitudes by which one can discover genuine \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. At the very center of our faith are the Passion, death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus Christ, which is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The Passion of Christ refers to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus endured in the final days of his life. The people behind this are the chief priests and   
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the ruling council of Jewish leaders, back them up. They   
turn Jesus over to the Roman governor, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , to be executed.

6. Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the cornerstone of our faith. In his First Letter to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , Saint Paul writes, “If Christ has not been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , then empty [too] is our preaching; empty, too, your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” (15:14).

7. Jesus Christ’s Resurrection appearances end with his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Though we cannot see his physical presence in human form, Jesus is still present in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and he is present in his people, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 68: Jesus: Storyteller and Miracle Worker

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are short stories that use everyday images to communicate religious messages.

2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (or sometimes “Kingdom of Heaven”) is the goal of God’s plan of salvation, when God rules over the hearts of people and a new social order, based on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , is established.

3. To really understand Jesus’ parables, it is helpful to know that they often end with an unexpected \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ meant to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Christ’s original audience.

4. Jesus used not only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to teach about the Kingdom of God but also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to show that he was already making the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ present—very powerful actions called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Miracles are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that can only be attributed to divine \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Jesus’ miracles can be categorized into four types: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 69: From a Beloved Friend: The Gospel of John

1. The use of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the Gospel of John is one of the things that sets it apart from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gospels. It contains \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ parables and far fewer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gospels. Jesus also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a lot more, giving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ speeches at various times. John’s Gospel also highlights the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Instead of an account of Jesus’ birth or early ministry, it [the Gospel of John] begins with a poetic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Where else in the Bible have you heard the phrase “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”? This tells us that the beginning of the Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is also about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—with a little bit of a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. First, the “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” is a title for Jesus who was with God, who “was God” (John 1:1) from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of time. Second, it is through the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the Son of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ comes into existence.

4 In a few short verses, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ establishes that Jesus Christ is the Divine, Eternal Son of God; that he \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the work of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ; and that he has taken on our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to lead the human race to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. John’s Gospel provides a more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ portrayal of Jesus than any of the synoptic Gospels. The author makes it clear that knowing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is knowing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. The Gospel itself is divided into two parts. The first part, called “The Book of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,” contains seven miracles, which Johns calls “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,” that point to Jesus’ divine nature. The second main section of John’s Gospel is called the Book of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

7. Next, Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Here, Christ is describing the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a Christian community.

Article 70: Jesus: God in the Flesh

1. Jesus Christ has “been there” and is our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in life.
2. The Gospels help us understand that Jesus is God’s Word Made \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and through him, God is most fully revealed to us. Saint Paul says that Jesus Christ “is the image of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God” (Colossians 1:15).
3. Another way to state this is that Jesus Christ is one Divine Person with two \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature and a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ nature.
4. This mystery—Jesus Christ, the Divine Son of God, becoming man—is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
5. Incarnation comes from a Latin word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,” referring to the mystery of Jesus Christ, the Divine Son of God, becoming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
6. Because Jesus Christ is true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , he is the fullness of Divine Revelation.

Chapter 16: The Acts of the Apostles and the Letters

Article 71: Acts of the Apostles: Passing the Baton

1. Before his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into Heaven, Jesus passed his saving mission to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
2. When you read the first line of the Acts of the Apostles, do you notice to whom the book is written? If you go back and read the first verse of the Gospel of Luke, you will see that it is addressed to the same person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This is because the Acts of the Apostles is part two of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ account.
3. After the Apostles choose a successor for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , they observe the Feast of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The new Pentecost in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tells how Jesus sent the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to guide the Church.
4. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” is one of the earliest names for the Christian community.
5. The troubles inside the community are caused primarily by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between groups of Christians. The biggest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is over what to do with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ believers. Specifically, do the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ believers need to follow \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Laws to be Christians, especially the laws  
   on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? Ultimately the Council of Jerusalem, the Church’s first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Council, resolves this question.
6. On his way to arrest some Jewish Christians in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , Saul has an incredible vision of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ me?” (Acts 9:4). This vision completely changes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ life—he quickly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a Christian.

7 Most of the second half of the Book of Acts covers the travels of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and his companions in the lands around the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . In three separate journeys, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ focuses his missionary work on spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 72: Paul’s Letters: Time Machine and Guidebook

1. To help them [the early Christian communities], Saint Paul writes many letters, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , to these communities and their leaders, offering \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Paul is sometimes called the Apostle to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and it would be difficult to find someone better for this task. He was born in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (located in modern-day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_), which makes him a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ citizen—a status that affords him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ privileges. He is also a well-educated Jew who is fluent in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Prior to his conversion, Paul had studied with a respected \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and had become a zealous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pauline letters in the New Testament, written by Saint Paul or by disciples who   
wrote in his name.

4. Nine of the letters are addressed to entire \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The other four are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to individuals. Three of these are called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (First and Second \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) and are addressed to leaders, or pastors, of a community.

Article 73: Letters to Everyone: The Non-Pauline Letters

1. There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ non-Pauline letters in the New Testament. The first is the Letter to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , whose author is unknown and whose title comes from the audience it addresses.

2. The rest of the letters are called Catholic letters. In this context, *Catholic* does not specifically refer to the Catholic Church. The word *catholic* is originally a Greek word meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .” These letters were not written to specific communities or individuals, but rather to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_—all the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ communities.

3. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews explains how Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the fulfillment of Jewish \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. James’s letter is a strong admonishment that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ alone is not enough, and that we need to live out our faith by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. Peter addresses the Christian communities who are suffering from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , offering them encouragement to persevere in their faith.

6. John centers his message on the key teaching of Christ: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jude warns the Church about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who are leading the people away from the true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 74: The Book of Revelation: A Message of Hope

1. In the late first century, many Church communities were persecuted by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , particularly the seven churches of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. John uses a literary style filled with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ imagery, a style Jews and early Christians associated with times of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Its \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ language may have also helped avoid putting readers at risk by using \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that only Christians would understand.

3. The Revelation to John (sometimes called The Book of Revelation) might be one of the most misunderstood books in the Bible. Some people wrongly use it to try to predict the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. The Book of Revelation is an example of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ literature, a literary form that uses dramatic   
and symbolic language to offer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to a people in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. In the first century, the Church went through intense periods of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . During this period, Roman \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were believed to be divine, and Christians were sometimes forced to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them. Refusal to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at a Roman altar could mean death. Many Christians chose to give up their lives rather than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. The Book of Revelation sends a message that is loud and clear to these persecuted Christians: have courage and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , even in the face of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

7. John reminds them that God is with them, even in their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ moments.

Article 75: Passing It On

1. The process of passing on the Gospel message is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. The responsibility of passing on Sacred Tradition given to the Apostles and their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . This is the reason Sacred Tradition is also called the Apostolic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . It refers to the uninterrupted transmittal of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and authority from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ directly to their successors, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. In keeping with the Lord’s command, the Gospel is handed on through two means: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . These two means of transmitting the faith both flow from a single source: the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. The responsibility of passing on and interpreting the Deposit of Faith belongs to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the Church’s living \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ office, which consists of all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , in communion with the Pope.

5. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is responsible for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and defining \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the central teachings of the Church that are considered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6**.** Acting in harmony with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , we all play a part in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Chapter 17: Scripture in the Life of the Church

Article 76: Sacred Scripture: Food for the Soul

1. As Paul said to Timothy, “All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , for refutation, for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and for training in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work” (2 Timothy 3:16–17).

2. Saint Jerome (345–420) wisely taught that “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”1 (*Catechism of the Catholic Church,* number 133).

3. Knowing, praying with, and understanding Scripture is a basic \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for every Christian.

Article 77: The Prayer of the Church: Getting into the Rhythm

1. Before proceeding further, it is important to know that liturgy is the Church’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prayer. The word \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_comes from the Greek word *leitourgia*, meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .” Liturgy is the work of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ People of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , is the official public, *daily* prayer of the Catholic Church.

3. The Liturgy of the Hours is arranged into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cycles that are adjusted for specific feast days and other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ celebrations. The daily practice is centered on two primary “hours” each day: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Additional prayers bring the total to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ times each day. The prayers for the Liturgy of the Hours are found in a book called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

4. When we gather to celebrate Mass, we experience the presence of Christ in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ways and every one of those ways is based in Scripture.

5. We experience Christ in the People of God who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to celebrate the Mass. In fact, we use the term \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to refer to Jesus’ Body and Blood in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and also to refer to the entire \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

6. We experience Christ in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the priest or bishop who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over the liturgy. We experience Christ in the Liturgy of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , which is most of the first half of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ offers a reflection on how we can put the teachings from   
Scripture into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

7. We experience Christ in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Eucharist, which is most of the second half of the Mass. The various forms of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ contain many biblical images and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 78: The Lord’s Prayer: An Essential Conversation

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is lifting up of one’s mind and heart to God.

2. Although there are a multitude of prayers and ways of praying, the Lord’s Prayer is the most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to our faith.

3. The Lord’s Prayer is made up of seven \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , or requests, for grace or blessings from God.

4. It [the Lord’s Prayer] has an essential role in the Sacraments of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

5. It [the Lord’s Prayer] is a prayer held in common with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

Article 79: The Right Thing to Do: Morality in the Bible

1. When we face dilemmas concerning what is right and wrong, we are walking within the realms of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. Praying regularly and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Bible are key ways to establish a foundation for a good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ life.

3. We should all be familiar with some proven biblical \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for our moral faith: the Ten \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , the Sermon on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , and the Great \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , to name a few.

4. Mary, the Mother of God, offers us an unparalleled role model and an example of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.

5. If there is any one moral law that Jesus placed above any other, it would be the Law of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of what it means to live a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ human life.

Article 80: *Lectio Divina:* Listening to the Word

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is absolutely necessary if we want to deepen our spiritual life.

2. One way we can do this is by reading Scripture using an ancient form of prayer called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . *Lectio divina*, a Latin term meaning “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,” is a form of meditative prayer focused on a Scripture passage.

3. In fact, since ancient times, this spiritual practice has been compared to a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ quietly chewing its cud. It has become a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of how we are to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the Word of God.

4. Start with a few minutes of silence to calm your mind before proceeding through these four stages: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (reading), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(meditation), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(prayer), and contemplatio (contemplation).

5. Sometimes afterward, people like to add another stage called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (action).

Article 81: Common Catholic Devotions

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prayers, also known simply as devotions, are personalized prayers that have developed outside the liturgy of the Church but lead us to it. Two of the most well-known and commonly practiced devotions are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. In the years after Jesus’ Resurrection and Ascension, early Christians would sometimes make pilgrimages to Jerusalem. While there, they prayerfully walked the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Latin for “way of sorrow”), the path Jesus walked in the last hours of his life.

3. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ became a popular devotion in the Middle Ages. Because it was not easy to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, churches developed a “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” way for people to travel the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , creating \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ representations of the events in Jesus Christ’s Passion and death.

4. The Rosary is a devotional prayer that honors the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and helps us meditate on Christ’s life and mission. As we pray each decade, we meditate on an event from Christ’s life. The events are grouped into three categories, called “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,” that focus on Jesus’ birth, Passion, and Resurrection. They are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mysteries, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mysteries, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mysteries, respectively.

5. In 2002, Pope Saint John Paul II added another series called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , which focus on Christ’s public ministry.

6. Praying the Rosary is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ experience that offers a deep sense of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that springs from God’s grace.

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