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Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation

Chapter 2 Directed Reading Worksheet

The Fall and Promise of a Savior

Date _____

Directions: Read through the chapter and fill in the missing information. All the questions run sequential to the chapter. If a true/false statement is false, correct it.

Introduction: Original Sin (pages 47–54)

1. What does it mean to say that Adam and Eve enjoyed the greatest human paradise possible?
2. Adam and Eve placed their trust in _____ when he suggested that God was _____ to them. He assured them, “You certainly will not _____! God knows well that when you eat of it your _____ will be opened and you will be like _____, who know good and evil.” Consequently, they rejected a _____ life and chose a self-centered life.
3. Thinking about evil requires thinking about _____. Humans have the ability to freely _____ God’s love and to enter into _____ with him and one another, but also to _____ God. There is no evil in God, but he _____ the reality of sin and evil. If there were no _____ and opportunity to choose, you would be like a _____ or action figure that God manipulated.
4. True or False? Both humans and angels can choose to move toward God or away from him.
5. True or False? Devils and demons are names for angels and humans who reject God radically and choose evil.
6. True or False? Satan is equal to God in power.
7. Explain why God permits Satan to injure people physically and spiritually.
8. True or False? By restricting the one tree in the garden, God made Adam free to love God or reject God.
9. The expulsion from paradise reflects the tragic _____ of Adam and Eve’s disobedience: loss of _____ with God, within themselves, with each _____, and with all of creation. They _____ everything that derived from the intimacy they shared with God: their _____ in paradise, original _____, original holiness, and original _____.
10. True or False? Adam and Eve’s personal sin affected human nature, which has been passed down through the generations.
11. True or False? Original Sin is “committed” by human beings rather than “contracted.”
12. What was Pelagianism? Why is it a heresy?

13. True or False? St. Athanasius said that humans need God's grace for the forgiveness of their sins and for the healing of their relationship with God.
14. True or False? Catholic teaching holds that Original Sin so radically destroyed human freedom that it was impossible for humans to overcome it.
15. What does most of the Old Testament chronicle?
16. True or False? Life-threatening and life-reducing aspects of human existence are not due to Original Sin, including physical, emotional, and spiritual illnesses, injustices of all types, and natural disasters.
17. Humanity experiences three important _____ as a result of Adam and Eve's sin. We have lost original _____, now experiencing fear of God rather than beloved _____. The loss of original _____, has brought disharmony with ourselves, between man and woman, and with God's _____. Finally, we are subject to _____, suffering and the dominion of _____.
18. What does Christ 'passion reveal about the Father?

Section 1: Sin Multiplies (pages 55–57)

19. Write the *Protoevangelium* below.
20. The _____ is God's immediate plan of salvation. It _____ the future Messiah and Redeemer who will _____ with evil and emerge victorious. The Church understands this to be the _____ of Jesus Christ, the _____. His obedience made up in a superabundant way for Adam's _____.
21. True or False? Early Christian writers identified the woman mentioned in the Protoevangelium as Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist.
22. True or False? Identifying persons, events, or things in the Old Testament that prefigure and serve as a prototype of the fulfillment of God's plan in the Person of Christ, is known as eschatology.
23. True or False? The Old Testament speaks about Christ in an anticipatory manner.
24. True or False? The author of the Genesis accounts stressed both God's judgment on sinners but also his mercy.

25. What three stories immediately follow the story of the Fall of Man in Genesis 3, which illustrate how rapidly sin spread after the first transgression?

26. True or False? The story of the flood is a typology of Christ's saving us from sins in the water of Baptism.

27. Who are some Gentiles that God honored in the Old Testament?

28. What lesson does the Book of Genesis teach repeatedly?

Section 2: Covenants in the Old Testament (pages 59–61)

29. The Old Testament covenants foretold a _____ that would be written on the _____ of humankind. Jesus Christ was the _____ of his promise God made with the people of ancient _____. His first covenant was with Noah, then with _____, Moses, and finally with David. It was the latter in which he announced that the _____ and Savior would come from David's _____.

30. What are the two sacred parts of biblical covenants? What condition did God establish with Abraham?

31. True or False? The Decalogue summarizes the Law of Abraham and expresses what humans know in their hearts, and deduce by reason, to be right or wrong.

32. How would the Chosen People be a beacon of God's Revelation to the whole world?

33. True or False? The key promise of God's covenant with David led the Israelites to believe in the Messiah, one who would come and save them from their enemies.

Section 3: God Prepares the World for a Savior (pages 63–66)

34. The _____ period of Israel's monarchy was during the reign of King _____. He made _____ its capital and brought peace, culture, and _____ to the land. _____, his son, succeeded David as king and was known for his _____ and the building of the _____ in Jerusalem which became the center of worship and _____ for the Chosen People.

35. Solomon's building projects severely _____ the people, and his many foreign _____ led him to worship their _____. After his death, the kingdom divided into the northern kingdom of _____ – consisting of ten tribes – and the southern kingdom of _____ – consisting of the tribes of _____ and Judah with Jerusalem as its _____.

36. What caused the destruction of the kingdom of Israel 722 BC? The kingdom of Judah in 587 BC?
37. True or False? God sent prophets to both the north and the south to remind people of his covenant with them.
38. What messages did the prophets proclaim to the people?
39. True or False? While the Jews were suffering the consequences of many years of infidelity and sin in Babylon, God sent prophets to give them hope about their future.
40. According to the prophet Jeremiah, how would the new covenant be different from the old covenant?
41. The prophet _____ brought hope to the Jewish people by predicting a time when God would _____ Israel and the people would return to the _____. The Book of _____ predicted much about the Messiah which applied to Jesus. It includes the _____ that describes "the servant" whom God will use to usher in a glorious _____.
42. True or False? Jesus interpreted the messianic way to Salvation as a path of earthly glory and domination, not a path of suffering and service.
43. What did Isaiah's prophecies remind the Israelites?
44. What does Isaiah 60: 1–5 reveal about God's plan for Salvation?
45. Prior to the birth of Christ, _____ rule gave way to the Greeks, then to the Seleucid dynasty, and finally to the _____. The Jews fought efforts to _____ them and faithful Jews kept their religion alive through _____ worship and by meeting in _____. Disagreement among Jewish leaders and _____ divided Judaism into different sects, including the _____, Sadducees, Essenes, and _____.