

Chapter 5

blasphemy Any thought, word, or act that expresses hatred or contempt for God or religion and in a Christian sense, Christ, the Church, saints, and holy things.

messianic secret A phrase that refers to certain passages in the Gospels where Jesus tells his disciples not to reveal his true identity.

Passion narrative The account of the Passion of Jesus Christ that recounts the words and actions that encompassed the time beginning at the Last Supper through his Death on the Cross. Each of the four Gospels includes a Passion narrative.

Son of Man A title Jesus used to refer to himself. It emphasizes both Jesus' humanity and divinity. Its origins are in Daniel 7:13.

Triduum A liturgical celebration of three days' duration. The Easter Triduum is the Church's most solemn celebration of the Paschal Mystery. It begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, continues through the Good Friday service and the Easter Masses, and concludes with the evening prayer on Easter Sunday. Although it takes place over three days, the Triduum is considered one single liturgy.