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***Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation***

**Chapter 4 Directed Reading Guide**

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***The Ministry and Message of Jesus Christ***

**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.

**Pages 84 – 85 *What is Really Important***

1. Jesus' teachings often warn against amassing \_\_\_\_\_ and ignoring our \_\_\_\_\_ well-being. Everything God gives to us is a \_\_\_\_\_ of goodness; it is not something we earn or \_\_\_\_\_, and God can call us to himself at any \_\_\_\_\_.
2. True or False? Jesus teaches us that God loves all of us and that our focus in life should not be on what we have but who we are as God's beloved children.

**Pages 85 – 90 *Jesus Announces the Kingdom of God***

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ looked to God's kingship as taking place in the \_\_\_\_\_ with some great event in which God would \_\_\_\_\_ his People. Some thought that God would send a Messiah, an \_\_\_\_\_, to usher in the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_—"God-with-us", the one who announced the coming of God's \_\_\_\_\_, but also inaugurated it in his own \_\_\_\_\_. He asked people to \_\_\_\_\_ for God's rule by turning from their \_\_\_\_\_ and believing in the \_\_\_\_\_.
5. True or False? Matthew's Gospel used the expression "Kingdom of Heaven" rather than "Kingdom of God" as a sign of reverence for the holy name of God.
6. The parables in Matthew 13 point out that the Kingdom has both a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ dimension—it begins small, but will bring about great \_\_\_\_\_. Further, the parables of the treasure and pearl reveal that the Kingdom is extremely \_\_\_\_\_ and requires our \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Although God's Kingdom is first announced to the \_\_\_\_\_, Christ invites \_\_\_\_\_ people to enter the Kingdom. However, Jesus announces it in a special way to the \_\_\_\_\_ and taught that we must respond to the needs of the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Jesus preached and ministered to sinners, including \_\_\_\_\_—public sinners in the eyes of the Jews because of their alignment with the \_\_\_\_\_. By his association with \_\_\_\_\_ and his care for their \_\_\_\_\_, Jesus showed forth God's \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ of the coming of the Kingdom.
9. What does Jesus expect of his followers?
10. What do the Beatitudes teach?
11. The Kingdom of God requires high \_\_\_\_\_. We live by the \_\_\_\_\_ Rule and imitate God himself by being kind to \_\_\_\_\_ and wicked people. We must be \_\_\_\_\_ and not judge or \_\_\_\_\_ others. Rather, we must be \_\_\_\_\_ without counting the cost.

**Pages 90 – 93 *Jesus Teaches About the Kingdom of God in Parables***

12. A \_\_\_\_\_ is an analogy where one reality is \_\_\_\_\_ to something that is better known. Jesus wanted his hearers to think about what living in the Kingdom requires of us and how \_\_\_\_\_ with God's reign looks to a glorious future of \_\_\_\_\_ with our loving Father.
13. What are three reasons Jesus' parables are important?
14. Jesus told the parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ to challenge people who criticized him for associating with \_\_\_\_\_. He wished to show that God is \_\_\_\_\_ and loving. God will forgive \_\_\_\_\_ sinners.
15. Jesus told the parable of the Pharisee and the \_\_\_\_\_ to attach those who \_\_\_\_\_ of themselves as virtuous and \_\_\_\_\_ to others. He taught that God is not impressed by \_\_\_\_\_ people, but welcomes with open arms the \_\_\_\_\_.
16. What is an allegory?
17. Jesus told the parable of The Tenant \_\_\_\_\_ against the scribes and \_\_\_\_\_ who did not accept his \_\_\_\_\_. The message is that because of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' teaching, the Kingdom of God will be \_\_\_\_\_ from those to whom it had been entrusted.
18. What are the primary messages of the forty-one parables of Jesus?

**Pages 95 – 98 *Jesus' Miracles: Signs of the Kingdom of God***

19. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus were signs that the \_\_\_\_\_ had dawned and that the Father had \_\_\_\_\_. They invite people to \_\_\_\_\_ him and Jesus responds to their faith by \_\_\_\_\_ what they ask.
20. True or False? The miracles Jesus performed automatically caused people to believe.
21. To whom did some of Jesus' opponents attribute his power to perform miracles?
22. True or False? Jesus' mission was not to abolish all human sufferings here on earth, but to free us from sin, the worst slavery.
23. What are four types of miracles that Jesus performed?
24. Physical healings demonstrate Jesus' power over \_\_\_\_\_ and reveal that the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Kingdom brings \_\_\_\_\_ and true happiness as well as who Jesus is. The miracle of the \_\_\_\_\_ teaches how Jesus wants us to \_\_\_\_\_ directly for what we need.
25. True or False? Jesus was accused of committing the sin of idolatry because only God could forgive sins.

26. What is an exorcism?
27. Nature miracles attest to Jesus' power over the \_\_\_\_\_ of nature, since all \_\_\_\_\_ came about through him. When he demonstrates his power of calming the \_\_\_\_\_ at sea, even his disciples ask, "Who then is this, who \_\_\_\_\_ even the winds and sea, and they \_\_\_\_\_?"
28. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ people from the \_\_\_\_\_ bears witness that he has mastery over \_\_\_\_\_. They \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus' own Resurrection and are clear signs that \_\_\_\_\_ is in our midst, that the \_\_\_\_\_ has come.
29. What six things do Jesus' miracles accomplish?

### **Pages 100 – 103 *Two Great Miracles of Jesus***

30. What question did Jesus want his Apostles to answer? What was Peter's response?
31. \_\_\_\_\_ could not believe that the Messiah would have to endure \_\_\_\_\_ and Death. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Peter for judging not by God's standards of the Messiah as \_\_\_\_\_ but by the standards of \_\_\_\_\_.
32. At the \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus gave Peter, James, and John a glimpse of his \_\_\_\_\_, of his true identity as God's beloved \_\_\_\_\_. His face shined like the \_\_\_\_\_ and his clothes became as \_\_\_\_\_ as light.
33. The Old Testament figure of \_\_\_\_\_ brings to mind how the \_\_\_\_\_, given to \_\_\_\_\_ through him. The figure of \_\_\_\_\_ brings to mind the \_\_\_\_\_ who had announced the \_\_\_\_\_ of the coming Messiah.
34. True or False? Jesus instructed Peter, James, and John not to report their vision at the Transfiguration until after the Resurrection.
35. In Luke's Gospel the travel \_\_\_\_\_ centers on \_\_\_\_\_—Jesus' destination. As he approached the city, Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ over it, foreseeing the day when the \_\_\_\_\_ would destroy the Temple in the \_\_\_\_\_.
36. Jesus returned to the \_\_\_\_\_ to teach, defended his authority to \_\_\_\_\_, warned about the \_\_\_\_\_ of the scribes and taught about the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Temple, signs of the end of the \_\_\_\_\_, and the coming of the \_\_\_\_\_.
37. True or False? Satan tempted Thomas, one of the Apostles, to contact the chief priests and Temple guards to discuss a way to hand Jesus over to them.
38. True or False? Originally, the Jewish feasts of the Unleavened Bread and the Passover were celebrated separately.
39. The \_\_\_\_\_ Gospels report that Jesus' Last Supper was a \_\_\_\_\_ meal, but in \_\_\_\_\_ Gospel it takes place the night before—as Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ at the exact moment that the \_\_\_\_\_ was sacrificed.

40. Jesus made a pledge that he would never \_\_\_\_\_ from his \_\_\_\_\_ and that he would make them sharers in his \_\_\_\_\_. He instituted the \_\_\_\_\_ as a memorial of his Death and Resurrection, and \_\_\_\_\_ his Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist until he \_\_\_\_\_ once again.
41. What definitive meaning did Jesus give to the Passover meal according to the *CCC*?
42. Since her very \_\_\_\_\_ the Church has \_\_\_\_\_ celebrated the Eucharist. Catholics recognize in the Holy Eucharist the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Church's life in Christ—it both \_\_\_\_\_ and creates the \_\_\_\_\_, allowing Jesus Christ to live in and \_\_\_\_\_ us.
43. The message that the \_\_\_\_\_ want us to hear is that Jesus, the Christ, is the \_\_\_\_\_ who has died for your \_\_\_\_\_ and has risen from the \_\_\_\_\_! Believe the \_\_\_\_\_, repent of your sins and be \_\_\_\_\_.