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Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation

Chapter 10 Directed Reading Guide

Prayer in the Life of a Disciple 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 240 – 241 *An Invitation to Prayer*

1. _____ is essential to the life of a _____ of Jesus. Jesus instructs us: “Ask and it will be _____ to you; seek and you will _____, knock and the door will be _____ to you.” We have Jesus’ Word that our _____ will give good things to us.
2. True or False? Sometimes God answers our prayers exactly the way we hope the he would, and at other times God tells us to be patient and look for other answers.

Pages 241 – 242 *Defining Prayer*

3. According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, prayer is our _____ to the God who seeks us: it is a “vital and _____ with the living and true God.” It is “the _____ relationship of the children of God with their Father who is good _____, with his Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit.
4. Prayer is a relationship, a _____ with God the Father who is our _____, with Jesus Christ, our _____, brother, and _____; and with the Holy Spirit, our _____ and Helper, who _____ in our hearts.
5. What are seven benefits of prayer?

Pages 243 – 250 *How to Pray*

6. Prayer is a _____ to God’s love for us and we show our _____ when we pray to God the Father, the _____; to Jesus Christ, our _____ and Savior; and to the Holy Spirit, asking for his _____ and help.
7. Where do most Catholics learn how to pray?
8. What “6 Ps” we should pay attention to in order to build a rich prayer life?
9. True or False? Distractions in prayer caused by a wandering mind, external noises, and overactive imagination are normal.
10. True or False? Jesus is pleased that we want to pray, even if we are distracted or do not think much is going on.
11. Prayer is a _____ with God and “if we want to walk with God, we must _____.” When we pray, we _____, put ourselves in God’s presence and hear our Lord speak to us through our _____, feelings, imaginations, wills, and _____.

12. When we _____ our prayer vocally we are doing what _____ himself did when he taught the _____. When we say our prayers _____ with others, we can strengthen our _____ relationships with them. The Church has a rich _____ of vocal prayer.
13. True or False? Meditation is prayer reflection, especially on the Word of God found in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.
14. What is *Lectio divina*?
15. _____ prayer can lead to _____, a form of silent, _____ prayer where we simply rest in the _____ of our all-loving God. We empty our minds of thoughts and images and simply allow the _____ to penetrate our being.
16. We _____ God because he first blesses us. Blessing is a _____ to God's gifts. We adore God, we humbly acknowledge that he is the _____ of everything. _____ glorifies the God who made us.
17. Petition or _____ is asking God to provide what we need both _____ and spiritually. _____ is a special type of _____ in which we ask our merciful Father to _____.
18. _____ prayer is prayer that we make to God on behalf of _____. Jesus Christ is our _____ who is always offering prayer on _____ and he calls on us to pray for each other, even _____. We can _____ our prayers to Jesus.
19. _____ we have and everything we are is a pure _____, and every breath we take is an opportunity to _____ God. The _____, a word which means "to give thanks" is a very special prayer of _____.
20. At _____ we bless; adore, _____, and thank God for all the _____ he has given us. When we _____ Holy Communion, Christ lives in us and _____ to God and all our Christian _____ by the power of the Holy Spirit.
21. What is the prayer of praise? Why do we offer prayers of praise?
22. Icons are religious _____ painted by artists who seek to be _____, allowing God's pure spirit to guide the brush. They are "_____" where God can touch us here on earth. In praying before icons we put ourselves in the _____ of the holy _____ or enter into the religious _____ that is portrayed.
23. True or False? A holy hour is a devotion that commemorates our Lord's vigil in the Garden of Gethsemane.
24. The _____ is contained in a tabernacle in a church or chapel with a _____ as a sign of his presence. Many parishes celebrate the _____ Devotion where the Holy Sacrament is _____ continuously for the faithful to worship.
25. True or False? Devotions, meaning "to ask in earnest," contain a series of prayers both invocations and responses.

26. True or False? Novenas are prayed over nine days to obtain special graces or to petition for particular intentions.
27. What is the “Jesus Prayer?”
28. What are several examples of one-line prayers?

Pages 250 – 255 *Praying With Sacred Scripture*

29. Sacred _____ is a rich source for prayer. A constant theme in Scripture is that _____ with his people is one of prayer. On the one hand, God _____ us. On the other, even though we are weakened by sin, our _____ him.
30. True or False? Moses’ intercession for the Chosen People prefigured the intercession of Jesus Christ, the High Priest, who came to save us.
31. The _____ are marvelous prayers that _____ individuals and the community. These prayer – _____ were originally _____ in the Temple and synagogues on _____, and in family and personal settings. They capture human _____ like joy and _____ before God’s creation.
32. True or False? The proverbs are used in every Mass and in the Liturgy of the Hours.
33. How did the Old Testament prophets use the strength they received from their prayer?
34. True or False? We learn best about prayer by contemplating Moses himself in prayer and then following his instructions on how to pray.
35. True or False? The Gospels give many examples of Jesus at prayer.
36. Jesus went to the _____ to pray at the time of the _____. At the Last Supper he offered the great _____, and in the Garden of Gethsemane he prayed over his impending _____. From the cross he asked God to _____ those who put him to death.
37. Jesus taught his _____ how to pray, advising them to _____, confidently, and with forgiveness in their _____. He gave them the _____ and told them to pray _____ and with faith that their prayers will be _____.
38. Prayer was _____ to the life of the new Christians. _____ was with the _____ in the Upper Room awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit. St. _____ was a man of prayer who praised God for _____ bestowed and for people who joined him in his _____.
39. What three things did St. Benedict attempt to balance in the life of the monks?

40. The Church encourages us not only to _____ and _____ Sacred Scripture, but also to _____ it so that it will _____ our lives. We pray it when we read the _____, reciting the Our Father and the _____.
41. Another way to pray and meet the _____ in Sacred Scripture is the _____ reading of the Bible. The purpose of the method of prayer, known as _____, is to meet God through the _____ and allow the Holy Spirit to lead us into an even _____ with God.
42. What are the five basic steps of *lectio divina*?

Pages 255 – 261 Two Special Prayers for Jesus' Disciples

43. True or False? No one who had dared to address the almighty Creator with the intimate term of address—"Daddy"—until Jesus invited his followers to do so.
44. Where do the two parts of the Hail Mary come from?
45. _____ called the Lord's Prayer the "_____ of the whole Gospel." The context of the prayer in _____ Gospel is where Jesus teaches his disciples _____. He tells them to keep their prayers _____ and pray with faith-filled and _____ hearts.
46. The context of Jesus' teaching in _____ Gospel stresses Jesus' own _____ of praying when the _____ asked him how they should pray. Luke's _____—Christian audience lacked a strong _____, so Jesus becomes their model.
47. What are the messages of the two parables of Jesus which Luke adds after the Lord's Prayer?
48. Jesus invites us to address God as "_____, " a word _____ use stressing their close, personal, _____ relationship with their fathers. Knowing God as our Father means that human beings are _____ with one another.
49. True or False? "In Heaven" refers to God's immanence, his way of being, and his majesty above all his creatures.
50. What are ways that we hallow God's name?
51. The seeds of God's _____ are present now in the _____. The Lord set a _____ in place in the Church that will remain until the Kingdom is _____ achieved. Until then, we should _____, experience, and _____ for the Kingdom right now through our _____ in the Church.
52. True or False? To do the Father's will is to join our will to his Son's by loving others and responding to the least in our midst.

53. What are we requesting when we ask for “our daily bread?” How does it challenge us?
54. To ask for and extend _____, we must _____ acknowledge that we are _____ and that we need the _____ to help us repent of our selfishness and turn to a life of service. We need Jesus’ help to turn our _____ to a more loving life of _____.
55. We pray for the _____ to overcome difficulties that might steer us away from a _____ life. We pray that God not allow us to take the path that leads to _____. We pray that the Father will deliver us from _____ and keep us from the _____ of accidents, illness, _____, and natural disasters.
56. The Angel _____ greeted Mary as “full of _____” signifying that she was _____ and in union with God who _____ her. Mary responded to God’s _____ by always loving and _____ him with total _____.
57. Elizabeth rightly _____ that Mary has a unique role in _____. Elizabeth proclaimed: “Blessed is the _____ of thy womb” after John the _____ leaped in her womb in the _____ of the Son of God.
58. True or False? The phrase “Holy Mary, Mother of God” acknowledges that Mary is the Mother of God because she gave birth to Jesus who is both true God and true man.
59. We ask the Blessed Mother to _____ for us because she _____ deeply about all of her _____, just as she interceded for the couple who ran out of wine at the _____.
60. Mary witnessed the _____ of her Son and knew firsthand the _____ of death and abandonment. When we pray “now and at the hour of our death,” we ask her to _____ to the very end and help us on our _____ to her Beloved Son and our heavenly _____.