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Jesus Christ: Source of Our Salvation

Chapter 5 Directed Reading Guide

The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ

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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 110 – 111 *So Another Might Life*

1. The humility and _____ of Jesus Christ has inspired many people to live and _____ for him. Maximilian Kolbe, a Polish Franciscan _____, asked to die for another man at Auschwitz. He was canonized as a “_____” by Pope John Paul II in 1982.
2. True or False? St. Maximilian Kolbe died so that one man might live—Jesus died so that all people might have eternal life.

Pages 111 – 116 *Christ’s Redemptive Death*

3. What is a martyr?
4. Christ’s _____ Death on the cross was part of the mystery of God’s _____ of Salvation, promised to humanity immediately after the Original Sin of Adam and Eve.
5. God did not abandon _____. He sent his _____ to redeem us from our sins. Jesus was the _____, the Suffering Servant, who bore the sins of the people and the _____, the symbol of Israel’s Redemption at the first _____.
6. Jesus showed us the depth of _____ by his Passion and Death. His sacrifice _____ us, took away our sins, and restored us to _____ with God. Jesus chose to be crucified to prove _____ his immense love for us.
7. True or False? Jesus took on our guilt and died a death we deserve.
8. What were the two purposes of Roman crucifixion?
9. The _____ charge against Jesus was that he was “the _____ of the Jews.” _____ condemned Jesus to death after hearing _____ against him and examining him in a hearing. Pilate caved in to the demands of the _____ and had Jesus _____ and crucified.
10. Jesus’ role was not one of political or _____ power, but one of humble _____. Both Pilate and the _____ who opposed Jesus viewed him as a _____ to Roman authority and the relatively peaceful relations the Jewish _____ had with Roman occupation forces.
11. Who was ultimately the one person responsible for Jesus Death?
12. True or False? Among the Jewish officials who were upset by Jesus were the Zealots, a strict Jewish sect that tried to perfectly follow the requirements of the Mosaic Law.
13. True or False? Jesus criticized the Pharisees who followed certain customs to avoid responsibility for paying lip service to what God really requires.

14. Jesus _____ his association with sinners by sharing the _____ of the prodigal son, justifying his behavior by showing that he and his Father are _____. To make the claim to forgive sin was considered _____ and a crime punishable by _____ to death under Jewish Law.
15. When did Jesus explicitly claim to be God?
16. True or False? Some religious leaders thought that Jesus was possessed by Satan.
17. A tipping point in the _____ of Jesus came shortly before his _____ when he predicted that the temple of his _____ would be destroyed and rebuilt in three days. Certain _____ interpreted Jesus' prediction as an attack on the _____.
18. The chief priest and members of the _____ had an economic and religious interest in the _____ and they feared _____. They wanted the peaceful _____ that kept them in power and did not want the Romans to clamp down a rebellion with _____.
19. For many Jewish leaders, what was the most outrageous and blasphemous claim Jesus made?
20. A tragic _____ reality has been to blame the _____ as a whole for the death of Jesus. Today, _____ the Jews as a people for Jesus' death—a form of _____—is contrary to the _____ of Christ.
21. Who are the real authors and instruments of Jesus' crucifixion?
22. True or False? The Church has always held that Christ underwent His passion and death freely, in order that all may reach Salvation.

Pages 116 – 119 Overview of the Passion Narratives

23. The _____ Mystery of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection is the _____ of the Gospel. The Passion narratives were probably the _____ stories about Jesus proclaimed by the _____ Church—they were formed and added very quickly to the _____.
24. True or False? The Passion narratives included many references to pagan prophecies that alluded to the death of the Messiah.
25. What common elements do each of the Paschal narratives include?
26. True or False? The Evangelists shaped the events of Christ's Passion in order to emphasize certain theological points.
27. True or False? Mark's Gospel presents the disciples of Jesus in a more favorable light than Matthew and Luke.

28. True or False? The passion narrative in John describes Jesus in control of the events.

Pages 119 – 127 Tracing the Events of Our Salvation

29. Jesus enters Jerusalem during the week before _____, the feast that celebrates God's deliverance of the _____ from slavery into freedom. Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a _____, fulfilling the prophecy of _____, and the crowds greet Jesus as a _____.
30. Jesus enters the Temple area and drives out the _____. His charge that the Temple had become a _____ showed that he had authority over the religious practices of _____, a fact that _____ the religious leaders.
31. True or False? The plan to arrest Jesus without causing an uprising, failed.
32. Why do the Pharisees and Herodians also oppose Jesus?
33. Why did the Sadducees oppose Jesus?
34. Jesus _____ the generous actions of the anonymous woman who _____ his head with expensive _____ at Bethany. It _____ the anointing of his body after his Death. This woman of simple _____ recognizes Jesus' true identity and _____ when so many others do not.
35. True or False? The Gospels of Luke and John both mention that Satan influences Peter's decision to betray his friend.
36. Jesus celebrates a _____ with his Apostles where he instituted the _____, a celebration of Jesus' Passover from death to _____ and the gift of himself to _____ under the forms of bread and wine.
37. True or False? The Eucharist that Christ instituted at the Last Supper is the memorial of his sacrifice.
38. On the way to the _____ Jesus predicts that the disciples will flee during the coming _____. But he also _____ them that after his Resurrection, he will go before them to _____ where he will _____ his flock.
39. What is the perfect prayer of Jesus that he prayed in the garden?
40. During his trial Jewish officials try to obtain _____ against Jesus in order to pronounce a _____ against him. Joseph Caiaphas, the former _____, asks Jesus if he is the _____, the Son of God. Jesus affirms that _____.
41. True or False? Under Jewish law, blasphemy was punishable by death.
42. How does Peter's betrayal contrast to that of Judas?

43. Under _____, only the Roman _____ had the right to inflict the death penalty for _____ of a nonreligious nature. While Pilate would have scoffed at the _____ charge of _____, accusing Jesus of trying to usurp the emperor was _____ and a capital offense.
44. True or False? The Jewish historian Josephus portrays Pontius Pilate as humble and kind.
45. True or False? All the Gospels portray Pilate as cynical—he knows Jesus is innocent, yet he fails to follow his conscience.
46. Pilate schemes to escape his _____ by involving a _____ of freeing a prisoner of the citizen's choosing. He thinks the _____ might call for Jesus to be released, but they choose _____, a _____ responsible for inciting _____, instead.
47. Jesus accepts Pilate's _____ that he is King of the Jews. Pilate caves into the _____ and pronounces Jesus guilty of _____, has him scourged, and hands him over for _____. Pilate's soldiers mock Jesus, calling him "_____."
48. What was the usual cause of death for a person who is crucified?
49. True or False? Jesus is crucified with between two bandits, and all the Gospels agree that one of the men asks Jesus to remember him when he enters his Kingdom.
50. What is the significance of Jesus' last words: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
51. What does the split of the veil in the Temple's sanctuary symbolize?
52. What are the many titles of Mary listed by the author?
53. Mathew shows how Jesus' Death launches a _____ in history, a stage that will result in the _____ of the dead. His Gospel reports how the _____ and his men greatly _____ the events they are witnessing and immediately understand their _____.
54. True or False? Everyone abandons Jesus at his crucifixion.
55. Pilate releases the body of Jesus to _____, a wealthy _____ of Jesus and member of the Sanhedrin who did _____ of the council's condemnation of Jesus. He hurriedly wraps _____ on Friday afternoon and places it in a _____ in the rock.
56. What is important about the fact that Pilate refuses the request of the Pharisees to post a guard at the tomb?
57. Jesus' showed us the way he wants us to walk in his _____. We do this by trying to _____ what God wants us to do and then _____ the path he has in store for us, including _____ any sufferings and _____ that come our way.
58. Who is our model?