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Sacred Scripture

Directed Reading Guide

Part One: The Old Testament

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.

Pages 26 – 27 *Why Do We Read the Old Testament?*

1. What is the most essential reason for reading, studying, and praying with the Old Testament?

2. The Old Testament is also important because it: contains the truth of God's promises to _____; it reveals our true identity as God's _____; it records the experiences of our _____ in faith; and it reveals a _____, who meets us when we read and _____ with Sacred Scripture.

3. The canon of Scripture: _____ books of the Old Testament
+ _____ books of the New Testament
= _____ books in the Catholic Bible.

4. The Old Testament is a _____ of books written in Hebrew over the course of a _____. The early Church included _____ books not included in the Hebrew scriptures that were mostly written in _____ after 300 BC. These seven books are known as _____.

5. True or False? During the Protestant Reformation the reformers adopted a canon created by Jewish rabbis, adding the seven books written in Greek.

Pages 27 – 28 *Classifying and Arranging the Old Testament Books*

6. Identify the traditional three sections of the Hebrew Scriptures:
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)

7. Identify the four classifications of the Old Testament in the *New American Bible*:
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)