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***Sacred Scripture***

Directed Reading Guide

*Part Two: The New Testament*

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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.

**Page 184 *Sharing Christ, the Unique Word of God***

1. The New Testament is a collection of \_\_\_\_\_ books written within \_\_\_\_\_ years of Jesus' Death. All the books share a commitment to \_\_\_\_\_, who is mentioned by name in twenty-six of them. Even the very short \_\_\_\_\_, the only one not to explicitly say the name of Jesus, still \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What is the singular distinction of all the book of the New Testament?

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3. What are the five categories of literature that appear in the New Testament?
4. True or False? The Gospels are four narrative proclamations of key events from the life of Jesus, but they are not historical nor biographies.
5. True or False? The Acts of the Apostles is an account of the very early Church and of the missionary work of St. Paul, written by Mark, the Evangelist.
6. True or False? Most of the Letters of St. Paul were written to specific local churches or to individuals.
7. Epistles, from the Greek meaning "\_\_\_\_\_," are extended \_\_\_\_\_-like writings addressed to the universal Church, as opposed to a \_\_\_\_\_. They are sometimes referred to as "\_\_\_\_\_" as a way to describe their \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The Book of Revelation is a \_\_\_\_\_ warning the Church not to be \_\_\_\_\_. It uses many symbols and \_\_\_\_\_ that may have been well understood by the \_\_\_\_\_, but require proper study for later generations and people from other \_\_\_\_\_.

**Page 186 *How to Study the New Testament***

9. True or False? The earliest writings of the New Testament are the Gospels written by Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.
10. What is one problem with beginning the study of the New Testament with the letters of St. Paul?
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ describe the earliest events in the New Testament and biblical \_\_\_\_\_ place their composition between \_\_\_\_\_, well after the life of Jesus. Because the Gospels describe events taken from the Church's \_\_\_\_\_ about Jesus, they help us to understand all the other writings in both the \_\_\_\_\_.

12. True or False? The Acts of the Apostles should be studied after the Letters and Epistles because they provide a context not only to the beginning of the Church at Pentecost, but also to the life and ministry travels of St. Paul.