Student Notes for Unit 8

Key Understandings

These are the key concepts you need to understand by the end of the unit:

* Faith is a response to Revelation, a response to an encounter with Christ.
* Discipleship is following Jesus’ way of life in one’s thoughts, words, and actions in the modern world.
* Faith is expressed through discipleship and grows because of discipleship.
* Charity, service, and justice express faith and discipleship.

Article 58: Faith and Religion

1. What is faith?

2. We express our faith in our religious \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. What does it mean to say that faith and religion are two sides of the same coin?

4. The beliefs we hold as Catholics refer to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of our faith.

5. Is it possible for a person to have faith without religion? Explain your answer.

Article 59: Faith: A Gift from God

1. How would you explain to someone that our faith is a gift from God?

2. Regarding the gift of faith, how does free will come into play?

3. What did Peter the Apostle say to Jesus that indicates Peter was exercising his gift of faith about something he could not possibly have known on his own?

4. When a revealed truth is hard to accept, what should help us to trust in its authenticity?

5. When Saint Paul writes about “the obedience of faith,” what is he asking us to do?

6. List three things we can do to strengthen our faith.

Article 60: Examples of Faith

1. Faith led \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to care for her widowed mother-in-law, Naomi, and promise to go wherever Naomi went.

2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ promised God that if he gave her a son, she would give him to the Lord for as long as she lives.

3. The man who told God he was too young to be a prophet and would not know what to say, but in faith, trusted in God and said yes was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Why is the Virgin Mary the most perfect example of the obedience of faith?

5. In all four Gospels, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the first faithful witness to the resurrected Jesus.

6. Tell how two of the saints you have studied lived out their faith during difficult times.

Article 61: Faith: Our Response to Revelation

1. When we have faith in Jesus Christ, we become his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or followers.

2 How should our faith in Jesus Christ lead us to treat people?

3. Being a disciple of Jesus Christ means we accept him as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. The common vocation of all disciples of Jesus is a call to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and a call to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. What does it mean to evangelize?

Article 68: Discipleship: Resisting Evil, Seeking Forgiveness

1. As Christian disciples, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ helps us to resist sin and evil and to seek God’s forgiveness.

2. What has the grace of Jesus’ death and Resurrection done for us?

3. What is God’s reward for the disciple who becomes holy?

4. When we give in to temptation, Jesus teaches us to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. What must we do in order to receive God’s mercy and forgiveness?

6. The Sacrament of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seals us with the gift of God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and strengthens us in our life of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Article 69: Discipleship: Concern for the Common Good

1. Why is it not enough for a Christian disciple to have a deep prayer life and a close relationship with Jesus Christ?

2. What is meant by *Catholic social teaching?*

3. The tenets of Catholic social teaching are rooted in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. List three principles of Catholic social teaching and briefly describe what they involve.

Article 70: Discipleship: The Call to Evangelization

1. What is evangelization?

2. Give an example from one of the Gospels of the roots of our call to evangelize.

3. What are two ways Christians can participate in the mission of evangelization in their everyday lives?

4. Explain how evangelizing differs from proselytizing.

Article 71: Our Destiny: Union with God

1. How do we experience a degree of union with God in our earthly lives?

2. Explain the Beatific Vision.