Chapter 5 Test Study Guide

**Communion of Saints/saints**

The living and dead that make up one family united in Christ

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| The Three Groups of People Recognized by the Church | | |
| Saints | **living** | **saints** |
| Canonized  We do NOT worship the Saints; we venerate them  We pray to the Saints to petition to God (go-between)  We only worship God | US!!!  We are journeying to Heaven | Everyone in Heaven  Pretty much everyone who has died |
| we are related to all God’s family; with Jesus, we are never alone | | |

* “Sanctus” = holy
* Ultimate goal in life: GO TO HEAVEN

Marian Devotion

* Immaculate Conception: Mary was conceived immaculately (without original sin)
* Virgin Mary: Christ was conceived immaculately
* Mother of God and of the Church: Mary is the mother of Christ
* Assumption: Mary ascended into Heaven

**Forgiveness of Sins**

The primary sacrament of forgiveness is Baptism:

* Wipes away sin and unites us with Christ
* After we are baptized, we receive Penance to forgive our sins
* Minor sins can be forgiven at the beginning of Mass
* Major effect of Baptism: forgiveness of original sin and personal offenses
* Does NOT free us from human weakness

2 Kinds of Sin:

**Original sin**

* Origin: Adam and Eve
* Alienation (separation) from God and others
* Loss of sanctifying grace
* Jesus came, forgave original sin, and gave us new life

**Actual sin**

* Personal, individual sin
* Act, word, or desire contrary to God’s law
* Sin of omission: when you don’t do something that you should do
* Sin of commission: when you do something wrong

2 Degrees of Sin:

**Mortal**

* “deadly”
* Attitude, desire, or action that kills one’s relationship with God and others
* Destroys love in the human heart by breaking God’s law
* Ex: bad attitude, stealing, cheating, etc.

To be a mortal sin:

* It must be a grave matter (serious)
* There must be sufficient reflection – knowledge that it is very wrong, but choosing to do it anyway
* There must be full consent of will – free to choose to do it without force or fear

**Venial**

* “lesser”
* Ex: small theft, not praying, etc.
* Could lead to more serious sins
* Capital sins – could lead to mortal sins

The 7 deadly sins:

1. Pride
2. Envy
3. Sloth (laziness)
4. Greed
5. Anger
6. Gluttony
7. Lust

**Eternal Life**

Eschatology – the study of the last things (ex. death, Heaven, Hell, Purgatory)

Why do we fear natural death?

Because it is a mystery.

Parousia

* The 2nd coming of Christ; the resurrection of the Body
* Our soul will join with our resurrected body → life will continue
* We will be incorruptible (no death, no evil)

When we die:

* Particular judgment
  + The judge is God
  + We end up in 1 of 3 places
    1. Heaven – eternal union with God
    2. Purgatory – getting ready to go to Heaven (purification)
    3. Hell (Gehenna) – eternal separation from God (per own choice)

Amen – “I believe”