

God Shares the Wondrous Life of Grace



CHAPTER 20 Study Guide

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Chapter 20**.

God shared a part of his life with Adam and Eve—his gift of grace. He also gave Adam and Eve the gift of being able to choose. They chose to disobey, and they sinned. Because of Adam and Eve's sin, we are born in Original Sin, without grace.

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But God's love for us is so great that he sent his own Son to save us from sin and death. Through his Death on the Cross and his rising, Jesus gives God's life to those who believe in him.

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Jesus told Nicodemus that to enter God's kingdom, we must be baptized with water and Spirit.

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We are baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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When the words and water of Baptism are used, we are given new life in Jesus. In Baptism, God gives us grace, takes away Original Sin, and forgives our sins.

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Jesus has given us the sacraments to help bring us closer to God. Baptism is the first sacrament we receive.

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We know from the Apostles' Creed that in heaven, we will share in "the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting."

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Saint Paul writes that heaven is more beautiful and joyous than anything we can imagine here on earth. Words cannot describe the joy of an eternity spent with our Creator.

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