Living Faith in Jesus

GRADE 7

CHAPTER 18 Study Guide

Keep these ideas in mind as you study ***Chapter 18****.*

Jesus told Nicodemus that we must be born of water and the Spirit to enter the Kingdom of God. Read John 3:1–21.

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Jesus offered living water to a woman of Samaria. Whoever drinks living water will never thirst. Read John 4:4–30.

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Although we are forgiven of Original Sin at Baptism, concupiscence remains. It causes us to struggle against sin even when we desire to love God and do what is right.

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We receive sanctifying grace at our Baptism. It unites us with the life of the Trinity and heals our human nature—which is wounded by sin—and makes us holy.

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Actual grace helps us make choices that match God's will for us. Actual grace gives us the desire to lead a Christian life and act according to the Father's will.

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We are free to respond to God's grace. At the same time, we are moved by grace to accept this gift of grace. You must be open to and cooperate with grace to share in God's life.

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The Theological Virtues—faith, hope, and charity—are gifts given by God and centered on God. They lead us to believe in, trust in, and love God for his own sake.

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Despair is to believe God cannot or will not help and to abandon all hope of salvation.

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Presumption is to expect that God will automatically give you all you hope for even though you do not cooperate with God's grace.

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The Cardinal Virtues are four virtues that lead a person to live in relationship with God and with others. They are prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.

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