



4th GRADE – THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

Cardinal Newman Standards for Christian Anthropology Based on St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body Teachings

- 4.3.1 (Original Unity)
 - Interpret the significance of Genesis 2:18: "It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a helper fit for him." **[TOB 9:2; CCC 371-372]**
- 4.3.2 (Original Unity)
 - Compare Adam's joy at the creation of Eve to his response to the creation of the animals. **[TOB 10:1; CCC 371]**
- 4.5.1 (Communion of Persons)
 - Extrapolate how man is created in God's image through the communion of persons. **[TOB 9:3, 14:6; CCC 355-357]**
- 4.7.1 (Body-Soul Unity)
 - Connect how virtues (which have to do with man's inner life) are expressed through the body. **[TOB 51:5-6, 53:4, 54:2-55:7; CCC 2516, 2520-2524]**
- 4.9.1 (Historical Man- Fall and Redemption)
 - Recognize that suffering is a result of the Fall and that suffering can make it difficult for us to see the gifts of God. **[cf. TOB 26:4-5, 27:1-2; CCC 385, 400, 402, 404-405]**
- 4.9.2 (Historical Man- Fall and Redemption)
 - Relate how Christ nourishes communion through the gift of himself in the Eucharist. **[TOB 99:1; CCC 1391, 1392]**
- 4.11.1 (Vocation)
 - Demonstrate how through our work we make a gift of ourselves. **[cf. TOB 6:4, 7:2; CCC 2427-2428]**
- 4.11.2 (Vocation)
 - Relate how work helps us fulfill a mission. **[cf. TOB 6:4, 7:2; CCC 373, 2427-2428]**
- 4.12.1 (Eschatological Man – Resurrection)
 - Discuss how at the Resurrection we will experience the most perfect communion with God and others. **[TOB 68:1-4; CCC 1023-1025]**
- 4.12.2 (Eschatological Man – Resurrection)
 - Identify ways where God is, or was, present in their own life. **[cf. TOB 65:5; CCC 356-357, 22ff]**



Essential Questions

- Why did God create man and woman to live in communion with each other, and how does this reflect God's love?
- How does suffering help us understand the gifts of God, and how can we see God's presence in times of difficulty?
- How does work help us fulfill our mission in life, and how can our work be a way of giving ourselves as a gift to others?
- What does it mean to be created in God's image, and how can we express virtues through our actions and the way we treat others?

Vital Vocabulary

- Body, Communion, Communion of Persons, Creation, (The) Fall, Eschatological, Eucharist, Gift, Joy, Man, Mission, Nourish, Resurrection, Self, Suffering, Truth, Virtue, Work

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