



5th GRADE – THEOLOGY OF THE BODY

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

- 5.1.1 (Creation is a Gift)
 - Compare and contrast ancient myths of creation to Sacred Scripture and God's goodness in creating. [*cf. TOB 13:2-4; CCC 285, 287-301*]
- 5.4.1 (Original Nakedness)
 - Explain how original nakedness refers to seeing the world and others as God sees; as Gift. [*TOB 13, 14:2; CCC 337, 339, 377, 2531*]
- 5.6.1 (Gift-of-Self)
 - Demonstrate that man comes to know himself through a gift-of-self. [*TOB 22:4; CCC 357; Gaudium et Spes 24:3*]
- 5.9.1 (Historical Man- Fall and Redemption)
 - Recognize that Jesus reveals the love of the Father. [*TOB 23:4, 67:5; CCC 606-607; 1823*]
- 5.10.1 (Purity of Heart/Virtue)
 - Articulate how virtue is part of 'life according to the Spirit.' [*cf. Eph. 6:13-17*] (*cf. TOB 51:5-6; CCC 736, 1824, 1830, 1839-1841, 2514-2519*)
- 5.12.1 (Eschatological Man – Resurrection)
 - Discuss how at the Resurrection we will see as God sees and our bodies will perfectly reveal his love. [*TOB 68.1, 69:6; CCC 997, 1003, 1011, 1023, 1026, 1028*]

Essential Questions

- How do ancient myths of creation compare to the story of creation in Sacred Scripture, and what do they reveal about God's goodness in creating the world?
- In what ways does original nakedness teach us to see the world and others as God sees them, as a gift to be respected and cherished?
- How does the *Gift-of-Self* help us understand our true identity and the meaning of human dignity, as revealed in Sacred Scripture?
- What role does virtue play in living according to the Spirit, and how does it prepare us to fully experience God's love in the Resurrection?

Vital Vocabulary

- Body, Creation, Culture, Divinity, Dignity, Grace, Human Nature, Humanity, Image of God, Kingdom of God, Love, Man, Nakedness, Original Sin, Original State, Resurrection, Sacred Scripture, Self, Sin, Society, Spirit, Truth, Virtue, Worldview.

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