

Formation Toward Christian Ministry (FTCM)

Introduction to Scripture

Session 1 – Make Up

Name: _____

Location Registered: _____

Date of Original Class: _____

I have personally read all of the required reading, viewed the make-up video, and completed the following worksheets.

Signature _____

Date _____

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 1

Reflect on times in your life when you read or heard the Bible read. What has been your experience with integrating the Bible teachings with your life?

Write about a paragraph.

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 2

Look again at CCC #101-108 which you already read as a part of the required reading.
Using this information, complete worksheet #2 in which you answer the following questions:

(a) What is the relationship between the Bible and the Word of God?

(b) Who authored the Bible, God or people?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 3

Referring to *How Do Catholics Read the Bible?*, pp. 18-27; and Lesson 1 – Handouts 2 & 3, please complete the following questions:

(a) What is meant by the canon of Scripture?

(b) How did the Catholic Church arrive at the canon of the Old Testament?

(c) Why is the Catholic canon of the Old Testament different from that used by Jews and Protestants?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 4

Referring to *How Do Catholics Read the Bible?*, Chapter 2, “The Different Canons” and “History of the Old Testament Canon” as well as Lesson 1 - Handouts 2 & 3:

(a) How did the Catholic Church arrive at the canon of the New Testament?

(b) What were the main criteria used to determine a New Testament book’s canonicity?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 5

Referring to *How Do Catholics Read the Bible?*, pp. 1-13:

(a) What is the relationship between the Bible and Church?

(b) What are some key texts for Catholics on how to interpret the Bible and what are some of the most important messages of those texts?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 6

Referring to “The Use and Abuse of the Bible” from the Reading Packet

(a) Why is the Catholic approach to Scripture not fundamentalist?

(b) What are key things to keep in mind when interpreting the Bible?

(c) What are some common abuses in terms of Biblical (mis)interpretation?

(d) What are some keys to interpreting the Bible faithfully?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 7

What new information did you learn or reaffirm about the Bible?

Introduction to Scripture - Lesson 1 – Worksheet 8

Write a couple of paragraphs on ONE of the following questions:

1. How comfortable are you with the idea that the truth revealed in Sacred Scripture is the truth God wished to be confided there for the sake of our salvation and that the Bible may contain scientific or historical inaccuracies?
2. What do you make of the fact that the human authors of the Bible wrote in ways that were conditioned by their historical and socio-cultural location?