

# XI ANNUAL CATHOLIC KNOWLEDGE BOWL

## Questions From Catechism of the Catholic Church, Chapter Two: I Believe in Jesus Christ

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1. In Hebrew, the name "Jesus" means \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. The Anointed One.
- b. God saves.
- c. Messiah.
- d. None of the above

**Answer – B:** God saves. "At the annunciation, the angel Gabriel said: 'you shall name him Jesus' which expresses both Jesus' identity and mission as savior. **CCC #430**

2. In the Synoptic Gospels, God the Father called Jesus "His beloved Son" \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. at the birth of Jesus and the at Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.
- b. at the Baptism of Jesus and at the Transfiguration.
- c. at the "Lord's Prayer" and during the Ascension of Jesus.
- d. at the Last Supper and in the Garden of Gethsemane.

**Answer – B:** "The Gospels report that at two solemn moments, the Baptism and the Transfiguration of Christ, the voice of the Father designated Jesus his "beloved Son." **CCC #444**

3. The name "Lord" \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. comes from the Hebrew name YHWH.
- b. is how God revealed God's own self to Moses.
- c. is the title for "Father" and "Jesus" in the New Testament.
- d. All of the above

**Answer – D:** "YHWH was the name revealed to Moses, which in Greek is *Kyrios*, 'Lord.' From then on, 'Lord' indicates God's divinity. The NT uses 'Lord' both for the Father and Jesus." **CCC #446**

4. The Incarnation of the Son of God means that \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Jesus is part divine and part human.
- b. Jesus is a result of a confused mixture of divine and human.
- c. No one has ever questioned this belief.
- d. Jesus Christ is true God and true man.

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**Answer – D:** “The unique and altogether singular event of the Incarnation of the Son of God” (means that the Son of God) “became truly man while remaining truly God. Jesus Christ is true God and true man.” **CCC #464**

5. The Nicaea Council in 325 confessed in its Creed that \_\_\_\_.
- God the Father is the Creator and sustainer of all life.
  - That Jesus Christ is begotten, not made, and is of the same substance as the Father.
  - That the Holy Spirit is third Divine person of the Trinity.
  - All the above

**Answer – B:** “The first ecumenical council of Nicaea in 325 confessed in its Creed that the Son of God is ‘begotten, not made, consubstantial ... with the Father,’ and condemned Arius, who had affirmed that the Son of God ‘came to be from things that were not’ and that he was ‘from another substance’ than that of the Father.” **CCC # 465**

6. “Mary is more blessed because she embraces faith in Christ than because she conceives the flesh of Christ” \_\_\_\_.
- is a quote from St. Augustine
  - is found in the Gospel of St. John
  - was recently said by Pope Francis
  - is not a true statement

**Answer – A:** “It is her (Mary’s) faith that enables her to become the mother of the Savior: ‘Mary is more blessed because she embraces faith in Christ than because she conceives the flesh of Christ.’ ” **CCC #506, St. Augustine, De virg., 3: PL 40, 398.**

7. The riches of Christ “are for every individual and are everybody’s property” was said by \_\_\_\_.
- St. Paul
  - St. Augustine
  - St Mother Theresa
  - St. John Paul II

**Answer – D:** “...that we may consciously join in the great mission of revealing Christ to the world, helping each person to find himself in Christ, and helping the contemporary generations of our brothers and sister, the peoples, nations, states, mankind, developing countries and countries of opulence—in short, helping everyone to get to know ‘the unsearchable riches

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of Christ,' since these riches are for every individual and are everybody's property." **CCC 519, #11 *Redemptor Hominis***

8. The first time John the Baptist welcomed the coming of Christ was \_\_\_\_.
- at the Baptism of Jesus
  - when he said, "Repent and believe in the Gospel"
  - when he said, "Behold the Lamb of God."
  - None of the above.

**Answer – D:** "St. John the Baptist is the Lord's immediate precursor or forerunner...He inaugurates the Gospel, already from his mother's womb welcomes the coming of Christ..." **CCC # 523**

9. Jesus' circumcision on the eighth day of his birth, was a sign \_\_\_\_.
- of the parental rights of Joseph and Mary
  - that he was the first born son
  - of his submission to the Law
  - that he is above the Jewish law

**Answer – C:** "Jesus' circumcision is ... the sign of his submission to the Law." **CCC #527**

10. The mysteries of Jesus' infancy are \_\_\_\_.
- his circumcision
  - the Epiphany and Presentation in the Temple
  - the Flight into Egypt and massacre of the holy innocents
  - all of these

**Answer – D:** "Jesus' Circumcision ...is a sign of his incorporation into Abraham's descendants into the people of the covenant. The Epiphany...the manifestation of Jesus as ... Savior of the world. The Presentation of Jesus in the temple...recognized as the long awaited Messiah... The Flight into Egypt ...make(s) manifest the opposition of darkness to light:..." **CCC #527-530**

11. The Gospel event that breaks the Gospels silence about him is \_\_\_\_.
- the finding of Jesus in the Temple
  - the Baptism of Jesus
  - the Marriage Feast of Cana
  - none of the above

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**Answer – A:** “The finding of Jesus in the temple is the only event that breaks the silence of the Gospels about the hidden years of Jesus. (Jesus said) ‘Did you not know that I must be about my Father’s work?’” **CCC #534**

12. Who said: “...after the bath of water, the Holy Spirit swoops down upon us...and we become the sons of God”?

- a. St. Hilary of Poitiers
- b. St. Benedict
- c. Thomas Merton
- d. Pope Francis

**Answer- A:** St. Hillary a Doctor of the Church wrote this based on Matt 3:3-17. **Footnote: CCC #537**

13. The first thing that happened to Jesus after his baptism was that \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. he began his public ministry.
- b. he chose his apostles.
- c. he retreated to the mountain to pray.
- d. None of these

**Answer – D:** “The Gospels speak of a time of solitude for Jesus in the desert immediately after his baptism by John. Driven by the Spirit into the desert, Jesus remains there for forty days. ... “ **CCC #538**

14. One of the salvific meanings of Jesus’ forty days in the desert is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. Jesus could conquer evil because he was super human.
- b. Jesus is the new Adam who remained faithful.
- c. Satan would never strike again.
- d. None of these

**Answer – B:** “Jesus is the new Adam who remained faithful just where the first Adam had given in to temptation... In this he is the devil’s conqueror: ...” **CCC # 539**

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15. The Father's will is "to raise up men to share in his own divine life" is from \_\_\_\_.
- St. John's Gospel
  - St. Paul in the Letter to the Romans
  - Pope Paul VI in *Lumen Gentium*
  - Pope Francis in *Joy of the Gospel*

**Answer - C: Footnote from CCC # 541** "The eternal Father, in accordance with the utterly gratuitous and mysterious design of his wisdom and goodness, created the whole universe, and chose to raise up men to share in his own divine life- and when they had fallen in Adam, he did not abandon them, but at all times held out to them the means of salvation bestowed in consideration of Christ, the Redeemer, ..." **Lumen Gentium, #2**

16. Jesus' proclamation to enter the Kingdom of God \_\_\_\_.
- is a call and invitation to everyone.
  - belongs to the poor and lowly and to sinners.
  - comes in the form of parables.
  - all of the above

**Answer – D:** " Everyone is called to enter the kingdom...this messianic kingdom is intended to accept men of all nations. The kingdom belongs to the poor and lowly...those who have accepted it with humble hearts. Jesus invites sinners to the table of the kingdom: "I came not to call the righteous, but the sinners. Jesus' invitation to enter his kingdom comes in the form of parables, a characteristic feature of his teaching." **CCC #543 - #546**

17. The signs worked by Jesus \_\_\_\_.
- were meant to convince people about his divinity.
  - bear witness of his divinity and invite all to believe in him.
  - were intended to satisfy the curiosity of the people.
  - none of the above

**Answer – B:** "The signs worked by Jesus attest that the Father has sent him. They invite belief in him. To those who turn to him in faith, he grants what they ask. So miracles strengthen faith in the One who does his Father's works; they bear witness that he is the Son of God." **CCC # 548**

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18. The Transfiguration of Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. is a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming.
- b. reveals that our bodies will be one day be like his glorious body.
- c. recalls that it is through persecutions that we enter the Kingdom.
- d. all of the above

**Answer – D:** “The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he ‘will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body.’ But it also recalls that ‘it is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God.’ ” **CCC #556**

19. Hosanna \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. means “Save” or “Give salvation”
- b. was the greeting for a King.
- c. were palms to honor a royal person
- d. means “You are truly God's Son”

**Answer – A:** “Acclaimed as the son of David, as the one who brings salvation (Hosanna means ‘Save!’ or ‘Give Salvation’)... ” **CCC #559**

20. “Blessed is He who comes in the name of Lord” (Matt 21:9, 23:39, Ps118:26) is found \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. in the Gloria.
- b. before the Gospel is proclaimed.
- c. the Holy, Holy, Holy.
- d. during the Communion Procession

**Answer – C:** “(The) acclamation, ‘Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord,’ is taken up by the Church in the ‘Sanctus’ of the Eucharistic liturgy that introduces the memorial of the Lord's Passover.” **CCC #559**