

The Way to Jesus

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 5, Session 24**.

During our human life, we can either accept or reject God's grace. When we die, we will be judged according to our works and faith.

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A person may be united with God in Heaven, may undergo purification in Purgatory before being united with God, or may enter Hell, which is total separation from God.

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God intends for all people to live in eternal glory with him.

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Vestments worn during funeral rites may be white, violet, or black.

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While in death our souls are separated from our bodies, the soul will be reunited with the body at the end of time.

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A person who has been saved becomes a member of the Communion of Saints, but the union is still imperfect because of the effects of sin.

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Through prayer we believe that we can intercede with God for those who have died and ask for indulgences on their behalf.

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Indulgences lessen the punishment due for sins that have been forgiven. Examples of indulgences are saying a designated prayer such as the Rosary or taking part in a pilgrimage.

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A Holy Year is a special time of joy and pardon that occurs every 25 years. Many people make pilgrimages to Rome or to churches designated as places of pilgrimage.

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