

**PARISH FAMILY ABLAZE (12-4-22): BALTIMORE CATECHISM NO. 2
PART 1, REVIEW LESSONS 1-6**

I. Prayers

- A. “Signum Crucis”: “In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Santi. Amen.”
- B. “Prayer to the Holy Spirit” (Inside Front Cover)
- C. Saint and Virtue:
 - 1. The Immaculate Conception
 - 2. Gift of Wisdom

II. True and False Review Questions:

- 1. God made all angels and men, desiring and determining a destiny for some angels and men of eternal happiness in Heaven, and desiring and determining a destiny for other angels and men of eternal misery in Hell.
- 2. Since God is all-present, that means that I am part of God.
- 3. With immortal souls humans can participate in eternity with God, but only God is fully eternal.
- 4. Christians cannot know about God through reason, but can only know Him through revelation—only through our blind faith supported by our inspired interpretation of the Bible, for “we walk by faith, not by sight.”
- 5. The Blessed Trinity has one nature in three divine Persons.
- 6. In the beginning, God created all things out of invisible and visible material that has always existed.
- 7. For an angelic or human person to behave like God is always the sin of pride.
- 8. Mary, as the Immaculate Conception, is the only human person not saved by the Blood of Christ, the Lamb of God crucified on Calvary.
- 9. Because God gave freedom to angels and men, He has permitted them to sin, so that He can draw an equal good from this sin.
- 10. When we are told not to judge others, this means we should always tolerate and ignore the sins we observe others committing.

III. Questions for Father Jack

IV. Table Talk Questions:

- A. A proponent of transhumanism asserts that a person who dies no longer exists. What arguments could you pose that the person does indeed still exist? Does the Christian understanding of death and eternity compare favorably to the transhumanist proposition that humans could, using technology, evolve to the point of being able to live forever without dying?
- B. Is a person who has difficulty remembering where he put his cell phone, though, when he finds it, has access to information spanning all the centuries, smarter than a saint centuries ago who could access less than one percent of that information, though he had memorized an entire Gospel?

V. Mission/Prayer and Blessing