

Faith Facts Study Guide – grade 7

No study guides or other materials may be used for the written test.

Venture is a bible study that focuses on the bible timeline. It is a teen version of the Great Adventure bible study. Venture is the program used in 7th grade.

- the Catholic Church is based on **Sacred Scripture (which is the bible)** and **Sacred Tradition**, this is how we learn about God and His plan for salvation.
 - **Sacred Tradition** has been passed on from the Apostles through their successors (the unbroken line of Popes from Pope Peter to Pope Francis). Sacred Tradition transmits the entirety of the Word of God, it is the oral tradition.
 - **Sacred Scripture** is the written word of God through human authors, inspired by the Holy Spirit. Sacred Scripture, the Bible is comprised of the **Old Testament** and the **New Testament**.
 - **The Old Testament** is a collection of **46** (sacred) books in the bible and is intended to prepare God's people for the coming of Jesus.
 - The **New Testament** is a collection of **27** (sacred) books in the bible that record the life and teachings of Jesus Christ, the Church's beginnings and the teachings of the apostles.
 - **Magisterium** is the teaching office of the Catholic Church who interprets the Word of God in both written form (Sacred Scripture) and oral form (Sacred Tradition).
- The word **bible** (biblia) literally means a collection of books.
- There are many translations of the bible. The one used at Mass is the **New American** translation. Another common translation is the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)
- **Salvation history** is the story of God's saving plan, fulfilled by Jesus which allows man to share in His glory forever (in heaven). The Venture program, steps us through this plan.
- According to 1 Peter 1:9, the "goal of faith" is **salvation**
- There 4 gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, John) in the New Testament
- God asks us, "Do you Trust Me?"

Within the Venture workbooks, there are sections called **Check Your Understanding**, these sections should be understood – especially in regards to the people and events of the bible.

Additionally, students should be able to recognize the order of people in the bible, for example that Noah lived before Jesus. To assist with this, as a reminder:

- God creates
- Adam and Eve
 - Original Sin
- Cain and Abel
- Noah and the flood
- Abram and Sarai (who become Abraham and Sarah)
- Melchizedek blesses Abraham
- Isaac
- The two sons of Isaac and Rebekah are Esau and Jacob
- Jacob steals the blessing & wrestles with God
- Jacob and Rachel have 12 sons, that become the 12 tribes of Israel
- Joseph
- Moses
- Joshua
- Ruth
- Saul, the first king
- David
- Solomon
- Esther
- Mary
- Jesus
- Establishing the Church – Peter, our first Pope
- The 12 Apostles
- Stephen, the first martyr
- Paul