

CATHOLIC APOLOGETICS

COURSE NO. REL-647

Four days weekly, 30 to 40 minutes.

BOOKS TO USE

Philadelphia Catholic in King James's Court

Martin Deporres Kennedy

This is a guide to apologetics done in novel/story format! Marcus Grodi says, "...A powerful defense of Catholic beliefs that acknowledges the deep love for Christ and thirst for truth among fundamentalist Christians." The story is of a young man who has just lost his father in death. He spends time with his fundamentalist uncle and learns to defend the Faith from the Bible. Very warm, very kind, very real. The study guide includes questions for each chapter and includes citations from Scripture and the "Catechism of the Catholic Church." The study guide answers are not meant to be definitive, but rather are intended as a guide to evaluating student responses—and, honestly, to stimulate further discussion and interest.

At the beginning of the week give the student his reading assignment and the Scripture and Catechism references. Give him a list of the questions from the study guide, or secure the answers (these follow directly beneath the questions and will need to be covered somehow) and give him the booklet to work from. Have the student answer as many questions as he can independently through the week. At the end of the week, have him read his answers to you. For any questions missed or omitted, dictate the answers to your student from the guide. For a work sample, provide a copy of the latest, neatest and most complex written work done per quarter.

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Philadelphia Catholic to King James's Court : Study Guide

Martin Deporres Kennedy

[Book Information: 53 pages; Lilyfield Press (October 2000)] Order From: Emmanuel Books / Order # PCKJ-002 / \$4 / ISBN: 0967149223

Catechism of the Catholic Church

[Book Information: 928 pages; Our Sunday Visitor; 2nd edition (March 2000)] Order From: Retail or Amazon.com / Order # isbn / \$19.95 / ISBN: 0879739762

Where We Got the Bible...Our Debt to the Catholic Church

Right Rev. Henry G. Graham

From the Preface: "All of the sects of Protestantism profess to take their doctrine from Holy Scripture. Simply demonstrate that they have none of them any right whatever to do so, that the Bible is not in fact theirs to interpret at all, and all the disparate sects are refuted. This refutation Father Henry Grey Graham of Motherwell in Scotland has quite unanswerably achieved in the present small work." Where Kennedy's above book is warm and respectful, this book is spirited and incisive. A collection of short essays, it gives a remarkable survey of the history of the Bible and the forces that defended it and those that assailed it. Any of the 28-29 editions of this book will work for this course plan.

[Book Information: Tan Books & Publishers; Revised edition (January 1, 2004); 170 pgs. (1989 edition is 71 pgs.); 16 chapters] Order From: Retail or Amazon.com / Order # isbn / \$8 / ISBN: 0895557967

LESSON PLANNING

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Week 1

Gather together a Catholic translation of the Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and a notebook for this course. Preview all of the non-novel parts of "A Philadelphia Catholic in King James's Court," front and back of the book, and the

		study guide.
Week 2	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 1. Support references: (Q5) Mt 23:1-12, Acts 7:2, I Cor 4:14-16, I Thes 2:11, I Tim 1:2, Tit 1:4; (Q7) Ex 25:18-21, Num 21:8-9, I Kings 6:23-35, then Lk 1:10, Ps 141:2, Ex 30.8, Rev 5:8, Rev 8:3-4.
Week 3	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 2. Support references: (Q2) CCC 133; (Q3) CCC 953.
Week 4	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 3. Support references: (Q1) CCC 2185; (Q2) I Tim 2:1-3, 2 Cor 1:11; (Q4) 2 Pet 3:16; (Q7) CCC 391-398; (Q8) Mt 4.
Week 5	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 4. Support references: (Q2) I Cor 11:3, Eph 5:21-33, CCC 369-373, CCC 1577, CCC 2333-2335; (Q5) Heb 10:24-25; (Q7) Acts 15; (Q8) 2 Thes 2:15, I Cor 11:2; (Q9) CCC 2290.
Week 6	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 5. Support references: (Q1-2) I Cor 11:27-29; (Q3) Jn 16:12-15, Acts 8:26-40; (Q4) Mt 18:10-22, CCC 1463, Acts 5:1-11; I Cor 5:11; (Q8) Gal 2:11; (Q10) Jn 3; (Q11) Rom 3:28, Jam 2:17, Jam 2:24; (Q12) I Cor 12:4.
Week 7	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 6. No support references.
Week 8	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 7. Support references: (Q2) Mt 16:13-20, Jn 21:15-19; (Q6) Mt. 19:27-30; (Q7) Mt. 19:12; (Q11) CCC 1508, CCC 1521, 2 Cor 12:9, Col 1:24; (Q12) CCC 395.
Week 9	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 8. Support references: (Q3) CCC 1373-1377, esp. 1374; (Q6) CCC 2284-2286, Mt 18:6, Lk 17:1, I Cor 8:10-13, Mt 23:1-3, Jn 18:33-38.
Week 10	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 9. Support references: (Q2) 2 Tim 3:16; (Q3) Mt 16:9; (Q4) Mt 24; (Q6) CCC 5, 2 Thes 1:15, 2 Thes 3:6; (Q7) Jn 18:15-27, Jn 21:4-19; (Q8) Isaiah 22:21-22, Rev 1:18, Rev 3:7.
Week 11	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 10. Support references: (Q1) Jeremiah 13:18, I Kings 2:12-20; (Q2) Exodus 16, Numbers 16-17, Hebr 2; (Q3) 2 Samuel 6:6-19, Lk 1; (Q5) Rev 11-12.
Week 12	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 11. Support references: (Q4) Mt 7:6; (Q7) Genesis 2-3, Mk 14.
Week 13	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 12. Support references: (Q2) Mt. 16:18, Jn 16:12-13; (Q4) CCC 2521-2522; (Q7) Mt 23, Mt 3:9, Lk 16:24, Rom 4:16, Acts 7:2, I Cor 4:15, I Tim 1:2; (Q8-9) Jn 6; (Q11) Exodus 11-12; (Q12) CCC 1376.
Week 14	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Chapter 13. Support references: (Q3) Jn 3, Acts 2, CCC 1262; (Q4) Acts 16:14-15, Acts 16:29-33, Col 2:11-12; (Q5) I Cor, 2 Thes 2:15; (Q6) Eph 2:19, Hebr 12:1, Mk 12:26-27; (Q7) CCC 1366; (Q9) Lk 1:34, Mk 6:3.
Week 15	<i>A Philadelphia Catholic...</i>	Epilogue. No support references.
Week 16	<i>Where We Got the Bible</i>	Read Chapters I – V; write simple, simple summaries of each chapter.
Week 17	<i>Where We Got the Bible</i>	Read Chapters VI – XI; write simple, simple summaries of each chapter.
Week 18	<i>Where We Got the Bible</i>	Read Chapters XI – XVI; write simple, simple summaries of each chapter.