

Senior Apologetics
Theology of the Body
Mid-Term Study Guide

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1. List the 3 things which constitute love:
 1. Lover
 2. Beloved
 3. The love between them
2. List the 2 vocations in which man (in a generic sense) may make a 'total gift of self'.
 1. Marriage
 2. Religious Life
3. Define Theology of the Body as a **body of work**.

129 general audiences by JP II between 1979-1984

4. Name the 4 parts of self-donating love:
 1. Free
 2. Total
 3. Faithful
 4. Fruitful

5. Define fornication:

Sex outside of marriage (pre-marital sex)

6. Define adultery:

Sex outside of marriage when at least one person involved is married.

7. Using the Theology of the Body, explain why both fornication and adultery are immoral.

Fornication: **Free** ~~Total~~ ~~Faithful~~ ~~Fruitful~~ (perhaps) ~~True Sign~~ **False Sign**

Adultery: **Free** ~~Total~~ ~~Faithful~~ ~~Fruitful~~ (perhaps) ~~True Sign~~ **False Sign**

Both are immoral because neither is a true image of God (the Trinity) as a life-giving communion of persons.

8. How do a husband and wife continually renew their wedding vows?

Two ways: 1) living in self-sacrifice to each other throughout marriage, but especially
2) through the marital act (conjugal union)

Note of explanation: In conjugal union, the body 'speaks the language' of the wedding vows...continually renewing them.)

9. Describe how Jesus images free, total, faithful and fruitful love.
1. He laid down His life of His own accord. (Free)
 2. He gave his life completely. He could not give any more than He gave. (Total)
 3. Faithful, 2 choices:
 - a. He never gave up on His mission to save us. (Faithful)
 - b. He never leaves us. He is with us until the end of the age (Mt. 28:20) (Faithful)
 4. Fruitful, 2 choices:
 - a. He came to give us life and life in abundance (Fruitful)
 - b. His union with the Church is fruitful: there are many Christians (Fruitful)

10. What image is used more than any other in Scripture to show the love of God for His people?

Marriage.

10. In this analogy, which role belongs to Jesus?

Bridegroom.

11. What role does the Church take on in this analogy?

Bride.

12. Cite the book and chapter in the New Testament where we find this analogy.

Ephesians 5.

13. In the chapter referenced above, St. Paul tells wives to ‘be submissive to their husbands’. Explain this often misunderstood verse.

Ephesians 5 is telling wives to be under (sub) the mission of their husbands. What is the mission of a husband? Like Christ, the mission of a husband is to lay down his life for his bride.

14. List the 4 predictions of the pope who wrote *Humanae Vitae*.

1. Increased marital infidelity
2. General lowering of morality, especially among youth
3. Women would be seen as merely instruments for sexual use/pleasure.
4. Men would lose respect for their beloved companions.

15. What is Theology?

The study of God.

16. Know whether, when love is present, it is ever in a state of isolation.

Love is never in a state of isolation.

17. What cause the rupture in our relationship with God?

Original Sin.

18. What is utilitarianism?

The philosophy of maximizing pleasure and minimizing pain at the expense of another.

19. Know the earthly sign which points to the Trinity.

Marriage.

20. Are both chastity and love an act of the will?

Yes, both chastity and love are an act of the will.

21. What is the opposite of love according to JP II?

The opposite of love, according to JP II, is using.

22. Author of TOB?

Pope John Paul II.

23. What is the ultimate destiny of humanity?

Union with the Trinity.

24. The name of the book written by JP II from '58-'59 was what?

Love and Responsibility

25. In both marriage and religious life, we are called to make ourselves what?

A total gift of self to another.

26. Will there be marriage of human persons in heaven?

No.

27. Define concupiscence.

An inclination to sin.

28. Define communion of persons.

Two or more persons giving themselves to one another in love.

29. Define the 'sacramentality of the body'.

The body's ability to make visible the invisible mystery of God.

30. What is the 'personalistic norm'?

Principle which recognizes that, because we're made in the image and likeness of God, the only proper response to a human person is love.

31. God places what desire in each of us (context of TOB)?

A desire for union with an other.

32. What are the characteristics of the world in which man finds himself after the fall?

1. Selfishness 2. Shame 3. Lust 4. Death

33. Define original sin.

First human offense against God.

34. Know the difference between positive and negative purity in the tale of 2 bishops.

Positive purity: ability to look at a human body with purity (Bishop Nonnus)

Negative purity: looking away from a person so as to refrain from lusting after him/her.

35. Define nakedness without shame.

Nudity in the context of purity of heart.

36. Define:

Original Man: Man before the Fall.

Historical Man: Man from Original Sin forward.

Eschatological Man: Man's final stage of perfection (heaven).

37. Know, when Adam and Eve 1st saw each other, there was no confusion between what 2 things?

There was no confusion between love and lust.

38. In God's original design, how did man experience sexual desire?

Man experienced sexual desire as a desire to love as God loves (eros + agape).

39. God's command to Adam and Eve after creating them male and female was what?

Be fruitful and multiply.

40. What did God mean by 'keep' the garden?

God meant to guard or protect the Garden.

41. Where was Adam during Eve's temptation and why is this significant?

Adam was 'right there with her'. This is significant because Adam was called to protect the Garden (and Eve), and clearly failed, even though he was right there with her.

42. Who is the enemy of God who tries to twist all the good God has created?

Satan.

43. Define the 'nuptial meaning of the body'.

Our bodies reveal our call to make a total gift of self to another (our call to love and union).

44. How will our bodies be different in heaven?

In heaven, we will have glorified bodies.

45. What are the 5 original experiences of man (NUISH)?

1. Original Nakedness
2. Original Unity
3. Original Innocence
4. Original Solitude
5. Original Happiness

46. What is the purpose in God telling Adam and Eve to be ‘fruitful and multiply’?”

In being fruitful, Adam and Eve more fully imaged God as a LIFE-GIVING communion of persons.

47. What is the ‘hope of everyday’?”

The grace to begin anew every day.

48. What is the name of the papal encyclical on contraception?

Humanae Vitae

49. Who is the author of Humanae Vitae?

Pope Paul VI

II. Short Answer

1. Describe how it is that God is a communion of persons. (You will have to both draw and write. Label your drawing.

God the Father makes a total gift of Himself to God the Son.

God the Son receives the gift of God the Father, then returns

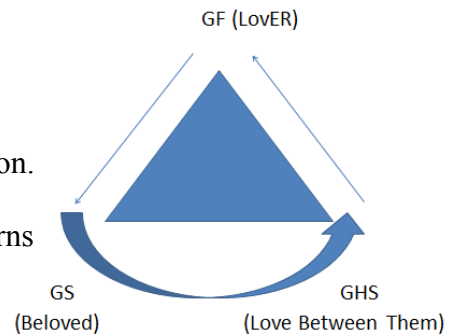
The gift of Himself back to the Father. The love between

them is so real, it IS another person (God the Holy Spirit). This is

a communion of persons because it is 2 or more persons giving themselves to one another in love.

2. Why, when Adam was alone without Eve, did God say that it was ‘not good that man should be alone’?”

Because alone, man does not fully image God as a communion of persons.



3. Contrast 'eros' with 'agape'.

Eros is human erotic love, while agape is divine sacrificial love. In the beginning, eros and agape were perfectly integrated.

4. Describe why, according to JP II, only the chaste man and woman are capable of true love.

Because the chaste man and woman have been freed from the desire to use *through an act of the will*.

5. Define addiction in the context of having been created for infinity. (Some version of the answer below. These are my words).

We are created for infinity (union with the Trinity). We seek to fill our desire for the infinite with finite things (sex, drugs, alcohol, porn, food...). We quickly find the satisfaction has worn off, leaving the desire needing again to be filled. We think perhaps the answer is to return to the finite thing for more. Again, we are left unsatisfied, because we are trying to draw infinity from a finite source. We eventually (perhaps) become addicted, as we continually return to the finite thing trying to satisfy our desire for the infinite.

6. For what reason did God make us male and female?

God made us male and female so that we could make a total gift of self to another.

7. Contrast abstinence with chastity.

Abstinence is not having sex. Chastity is the virtue which directs our desires toward loving, not using (purity).

8. Contrast self-donating love with self-indulgent" love".

Self-donating love seeks to give of oneself, while self-indulgent love seeks to take.

*Study the Scripture verses handout. You will write all 12 out verbatim.