

Unit 4: God Reminds Us to Do His Will

Chapter 15: Hope and Faithfulness



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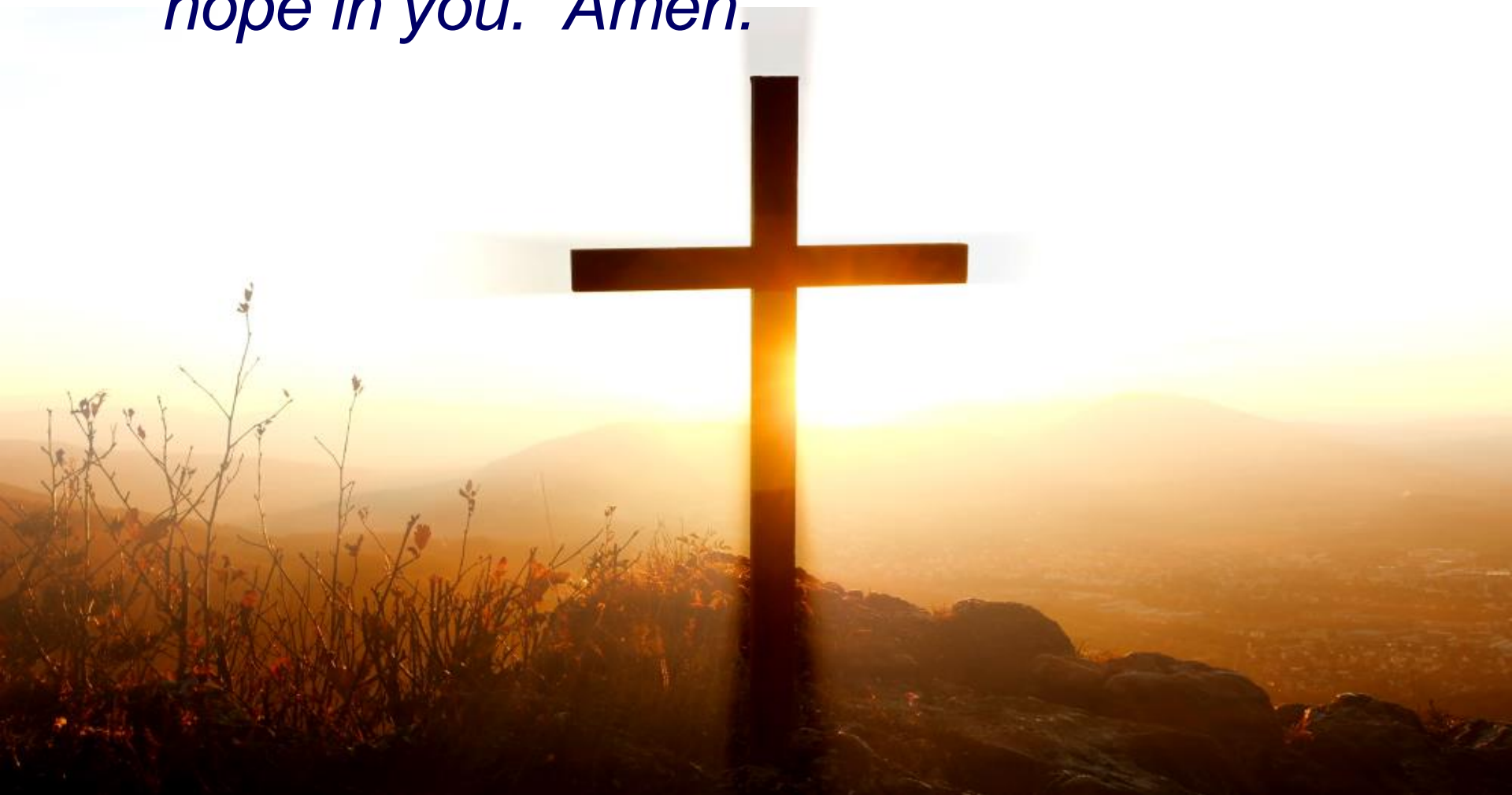
Chapter 14:
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Opening Prayer

*Help us appreciate the gift of faith, Lord.
Keep us strong in faith and strong in our
hope in you. Amen.*



Hope and Faithfulness:

Share & Activity

“Wherever you go
I will go,
wherever you
lodge I will
lodge.”

- *Ruth 1:16*



- **Read Share section** (p. 173)
 - Do you have any friends or family members that live far away?
 - What are your feelings about them? Do you miss them? How did you feel when you finally saw them?

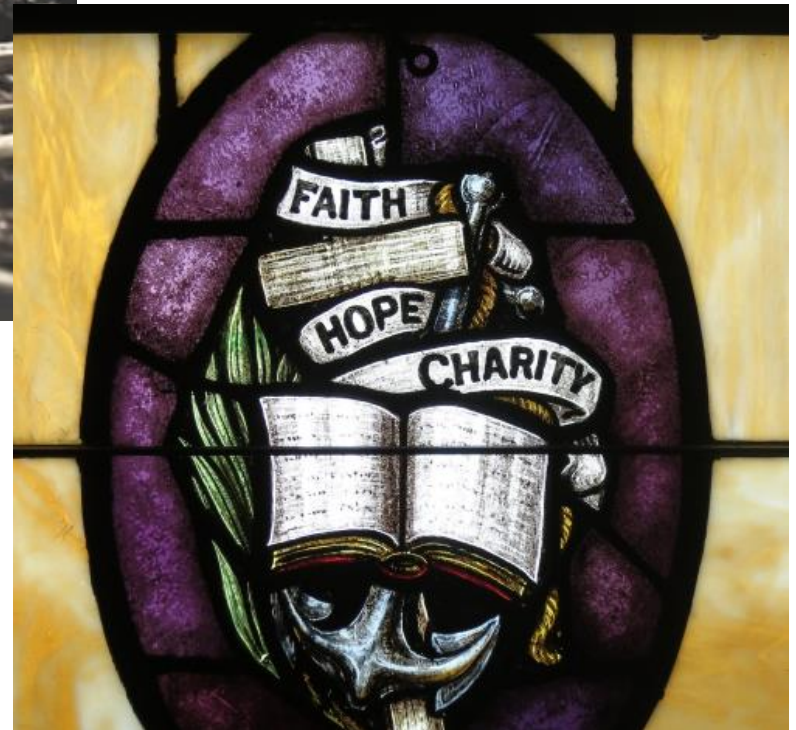
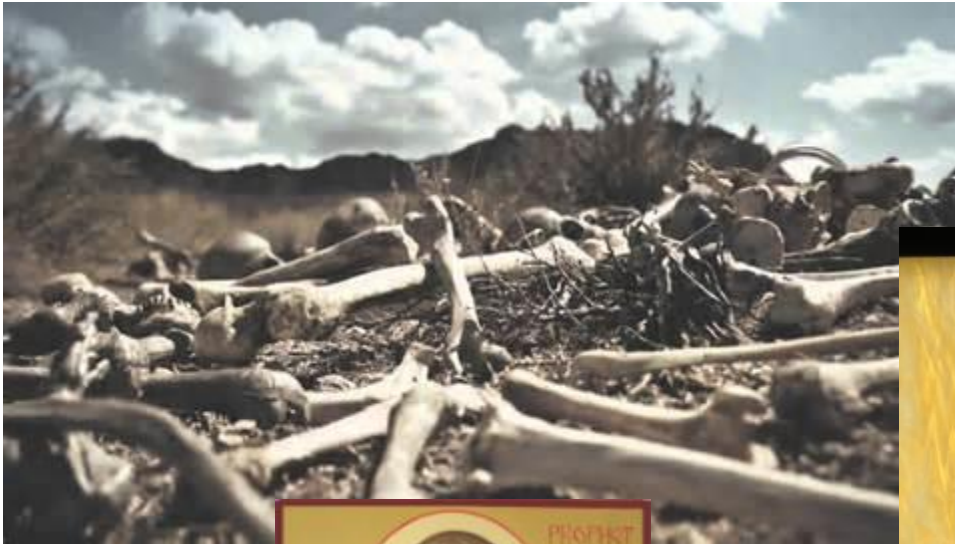
Activity:

- Try to remember the last time you saw a friend or relative whom you missed very much.
- Complete the story by filling in the information and/or circling the bold words that describe that experience.
- Play [Covenant Song](#) (Gary Daigle/Rory Cooney) while the class completes the activity

God loves us even though we may not always feel that he is near.

Hope and Faithfulness:

Hear and Believe: Vision of Dry Bones



- Read about the Israelites exile in Babylonia and Virtues on p. 174-175

Hope and Faithfulness:

Hear and Believe: Our Church Teaches

- **Precepts of the Church** - Church's teachings about our obligations as Catholics.
- **Theological virtues** – Come from God and help us become more holy. They connect us with the Holy Trinity.
- **Moral Virtues** - spiritual qualities that help us avoid sin.

Faith Words

- Precepts of the Church
- Theological Virtues
- Moral Virtues

We can avoid the exile of sin by making good moral choices, observing precepts of the Church, following our consciences, acting with virtue & praying.

Hope and Faithfulness:

Theological Virtues: Faith

The Theological Virtue ^{by which we} believe in God
& believe all that He has said and revealed to us.

FAITH

CCC
1814

"Now faith is the assurance
of things hoped for,
the conviction of things unseen."
→ Hebrews 11:1

Faith in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Theological Virtues: Hope

The Theological Virtue by which we desire
& eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises, the Kingdom of
Heaven

CCC
1817

H O P E

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful."
..... Hebrews 10:23

Hope in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Theological Virtues: Charity

The Theological Virtue by which we love God
& our neighbor as ourselves above all things for
for the love of God His Own Sake

CHARITY

CCC
1822

"As the Father has loved me,
so I have loved you;
Abide in my love."

John 15:9

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Charity in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Moral Virtues (also known as Cardinal Virtues): Temperance

The Moral Virtue
that helps us to:

balance our use of
created things
using them
in moderation & for good

TEMPERANCE

CCC
1809

"Lives sober, upright, and godly
lives in the world." ~ Titus 2:12

Temperance in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Moral Virtues (also known as Cardinal Virtues): Prudence

The Moral Virtue
that helps us to:

find the good in every
situation

and choose to do it

PRUDENCE

CCC
1806

"Self control & prudence, justice & courage;
nothing in life is more profitable for men than these."
..... Wisdom 8:7

Prudence in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Moral Virtues (also known as Cardinal Virtues): Justice

The Moral Virtue
that helps us to:

give both God &
neighbor
everything they deserve

JUSTICE

CCC
1807

"He loves righteousness and justice;

The earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord."

~ Psalm 33:5

Justice in Action

Hope and Faithfulness:

Moral Virtues (also known as Cardinal Virtues): Fortitude

The Moral Virtue that helps us to:

have **Strength** to resist temptation,
overcome obstacles & conquer fear

FORTITUDE CCC 1808

"The Lord is my strength
and my song." ~ psalm 118:14

Fortitude in Action

Theological Virtues

Fr. Robert Barron

comments on

Faith, Hope and Love



[Fr. Robert Barron comments on Faith, Hope, and Love](#)

Virtues – Class Activity

- 1. Craft/Activity: Theological and Cardinal Virtue booklet**
- 2. NCAA Activity (“Noble Christian Activities and Attributes”)**
- 3. Handout: Crossword Puzzle: Virtues to Live By**
- 4. Handout: The Church’s Cardinal Virtues**

Hope and Faithfulness:

Book of Ruth: Special Story of Faith and Charity



- *“Where you go I will go, where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people and your God, my God.” – Ruth 1:16*
- Story of Ruth is about a special bond between the two women pictured, Naomi and Ruth.
- The passage above is often proclaimed at weddings because it portrays love and commitment.
- Play video of the story in the [Book of Ruth](#)

The Book of Ruth invites us to consider how God might be at work in the ordinary, mundane details of our life as well. Ruth is a model for the virtues.

Hope and Faithfulness:

Chapter Review

- Review questions on p. 179
- [Chapter 15: Online Quiz](#)

A Match Column A with Column B by writing the correct number in the space provided.

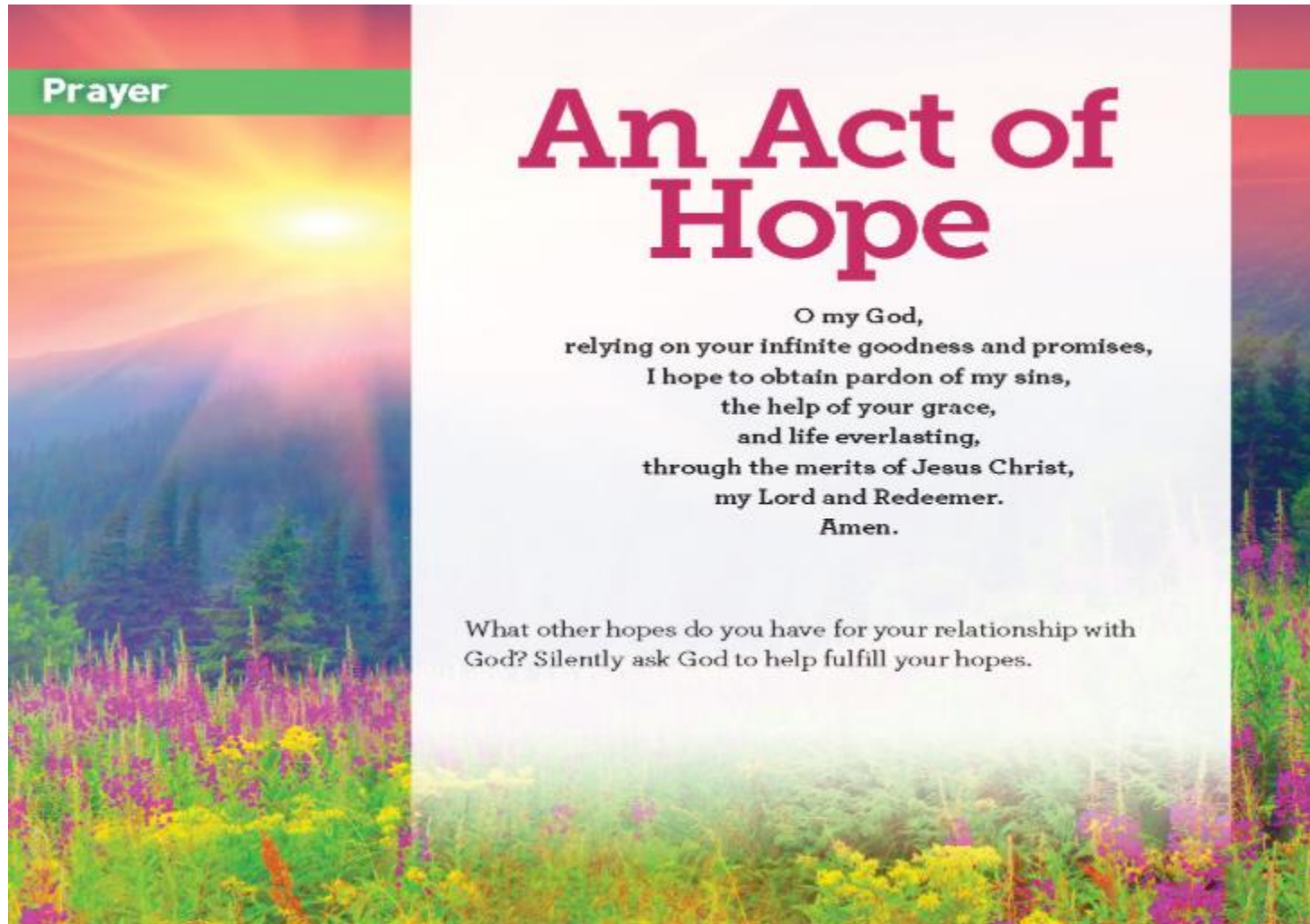
| A | B |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1. Ruth | _____ faith, hope, and charity, which come from God and help us become more holy |
| 2. Book of Ruth | _____ helps us believe in God and what he has revealed, and in the Church's teachings |
| 3. faith | _____ conquered Judah, sent its citizens into exile, and destroyed the Temple |
| 4. Ezekiel | _____ the Church's teachings about our obligations as Catholics |
| 5. precepts of the Church | _____ had the vision of the dry bones, which gave the exiles hope that God would bring them together again |
| 6. Moral Virtues | _____ remained faithful to her mother-in-law; married Boaz |
| 7. Theological Virtues | _____ tells a special story about faith and charity |
| 8. Sabbath | _____ temperance, prudence, justice, and fortitude, which help us avoid sin |
| 9. Babylonians | _____ the day that recalls the seventh day in the story of creation, when God rested |

D Respond to the following.

1. How is being apart from God because of sin like the Israelites' exile from their homeland?

2. Ruth showed charity toward Naomi. In what ways can you show charity for family members?

Closing Prayer:



Prayer

An Act of Hope

O my God,
relying on your infinite goodness and promises,
I hope to obtain pardon of my sins,
the help of your grace,
and life everlasting,
through the merits of Jesus Christ,
my Lord and Redeemer.
Amen.

What other hopes do you have for your relationship with God? Silently ask God to help fulfill your hopes.