

Unit 2 Test:

Sprouting amidst Thorns

Name: _____

Part 1: Fill in the blanks. Use the words in the word bank. (Not all words will be used.)

1. **Philosophy** means “the love of wisdom.”
2. The word **orthodox** means “right belief.”
3. The mystery of the **Incarnation** is when the Eternal Word of God became man while remaining truly God.
4. A gathering of all the bishops of the world in which they exercise their authority as successors to the Apostles is called an **ecumenical council**.
5. The **City of God** is God’s kingdom, which is eternally present in Heaven and mysteriously present on earth.

Part 2: Write “T” if the statement is completely true. Write “F” if it is even partly false.

- F** 1. The early Church did not embrace a philosophy that sought imitation of Christ and true contemplation of the wisdom of God.
- T** 2. In 1 Peter 2:17, Saint Peter taught us to honor our leaders but reminded us that God alone deserves our superior respect and reverence.
- T** 3. According to Saint Augustine, the City of God is an *eternal* city because it is secure in Heaven, populated by angels and saints, and an *earthly* city because it exists in its pilgrim form on earth in the Church.
- T** 4. After Constantine legalized the Christian faith in the Roman Empire, it flourished, yet various challenges arose for the Church.
- T** 5. Saint Athanasius taught that the purpose of the Incarnation was to redeem mankind and bring us salvation, which consists of our becoming like God.

orthodox
fall of Rome
philosophy
Saint Augustine
Incarnation
Basil the Great
ecumenical council
Saint Macrina
love of wisdom
Saint Athanasius
Constantine
Council of Nicaea
Arius
Theodosius
City of God

Part 3: Answer the reflection question.

God calls some people to be missionaries in foreign lands, traveling far and wide to bring the Gospel to the entire world. But he calls all of us to be missionaries to share the Gospel by our word and example to our families, friends, and local communities. In what ways is God calling you to be a missionary of his Gospel to those around you? How have the examples of Christians you learned about in this unit inspired you to answer this call to bear the light of Christ to the people in your life?

Answers may vary.
