

Chapter 2 Test: Faith, Reason, and the Eternal Law

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Part 1: Match each word on the right with its correct statement on the left.

Word Bank

- B 1. Our ability to understand things.
- A 2. Our natural ability to make a choice.
- C 3. God's plan for all things He created.
- F 4. The laws that tell us the right way to behave and act.
- D 5. All the moral laws that we can know through our experience and reason.
- E 6. All the moral laws God has made known to us that we accept by faith.

A. free will
B. reason
C. eternal law
D. natural law
E. revealed law
F. moral laws

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

- F 1. God is the author of faith, but not reason.
- T 2. Our reason is part of our souls.
- T 3. We have true freedom if we obey God's moral laws.
- F 4. Truths of faith can contradict reason and go beyond reason.

Chapter 2 Reflection Questions

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Focus 1: God created all things according to His plan and His order. His eternal law orders all things. God does not abandon us. How does knowing that God has a plan, orders all things, and never abandons you strengthen you in faith, hope, and charity?

Answers may include knowing that God has a plan, orders all things, and never abandons me helps me believe in Him, trust in Him, and love Him.

Focus 2: How does choosing to accept God's grace and obey His moral laws make you truly free?

Answers may include when I choose what is right, I am set free from sin. Only when I am free from sin am I truly free.

Focus 3: Give an example of something you can know is wrong through your reason and experience (natural law).

Answers may include I can know stealing is wrong because it goes against what is just. From my experience, I would not want anyone to take what is mine.

Focus 4: If you do not have faith in the revealed law, what problems can occur for you?

Answers may include if all law was known through reason alone, my understanding would be limited; I would be confused or argue about the truth of God's laws. Only by having faith in the revealed law can I truly know the fullness of God's truth.