

Chapter 21 Test:

Zeal for the Law

Name: _____

Part 1: Circle the best answer.

1. The term _____ refers to any member of a non-Jewish nation.
 - a. sojourner
 - b. exile
 - c. Gentile
 - d. martyr
2. After the Persians, the Jews were ruled over by the _____.
 - a. Greeks
 - b. Macedonians
 - c. Hittites
 - d. Babylonians
3. In the second century B.C., the wicked king _____ sought to force Jews to abandon their faith.
 - a. Ramses II
 - b. Antiochus IV
 - c. Nebuchadnezzar
 - d. Alexander the Great
4. One of the most important Jewish leaders of the time was Judas Maccabeus. What does the title “Maccabeus” mean?
 - a. Hammer
 - b. Shield
 - c. Defender
 - d. Faithful
5. Judas Maccabeus and his men offered _____ for soldiers who had died in battle who were guilty of the sin of idolatry.
 - a. prayers
 - b. sacrifices
 - c. both a and b
 - d. none of the above
6. This rededication of the Temple gave rise to a new annual feast of the Jews still known to this day as _____.
 - a. Yom Kippur
 - b. Pentecost
 - c. Hanukkah
 - d. Passover

7. A person who is killed because of his faith is known as a _____.
- a. Samaritan
 - b. mercenary
 - c. martyr
 - d. Gentile

Part 2: Write “T” if the statement is completely true. Write “F” if it is even partly false, and then rewrite the statement on the lines below to make it true.

- F** 1. Judas Maccabaeus led a nonviolent resistance to the unjust persecution of Jews.

Judas Maccabeus led a violent resistance to the unjust persecution of Jews.

- T** 2. Purgatory is where a soul undergoes final purification before entering Heaven.

- F** 3. The Catholic Church objects to the practice of praying for the dead.

The Catholic Church embraces the practice of praying for the dead.

Part 3: Answer the reflection question.

What struck you most about the story of the mother and her seven sons? How can their witness inspire all who seek to live as Christ’s disciples?

Answers may vary.