

# STUDY GUIDE

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### **ECONOMIC**

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1. Talk about what “economic stimulus” means. Why is it important for our country right now?
2. Why should the poor be a priority when considering an economic stimulus plan?
3. How would providing resources to this segment of the population aid the economy?
4. Discuss the major provisions of the current bill now in Congress.
5. What provisions do the U.S. bishops hope to see in this plan?

### **GOVERN**

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1. Where is Orissa? Find it on a map or globe?
2. What’s happening in this area of the world?
3. How many people have been affected by this violence?
4. What percentage of India’s population is Christian?
5. According to Archbishop Cheenath, what are the primary reasons for the Hindu-Christian conflicts?

### **PASTORS**

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1. What did Pope Benedict XVI pray for at his general audience on January 28?
2. Why is the Christian faith open to all? Who first taught this to us and how?
3. What does St. Paul give as the desirable traits of a bishop?
4. How do we see bishops and priests as fathers of the faith communities?
5. What, according to St. Paul’s letter to Titus, is the responsibility of Christians?

### **BORCHARD**

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1. What does the writer cite as a benefit of social networking sites, such as Facebook?
2. What is an addiction?
3. When does using the Internet become harmful?
4. Discuss the five steps to recovery presented in this column.
5. What should you do to stay safe on social networking sites?

### **OUTREACH**

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1. What is “Labor of Love?”
2. What does the project allow young people to do?
3. What kind of services do these young people provide for their community?
4. Who is the driving force in this ministry?
5. “God wants us to help people.” Write a paragraph about one way you plan to help another.