

# STUDY GUIDE

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### BISHOP MELCZEK'S COLUMN

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1. What special feast do we celebrate this weekend?
2. Who was the person baptizing in the Jordan and how was he related to Jesus? Who was his mother (read Luke 1:5-16)?
3. Who was the person whose sandals John said he was unworthy to loosen?
4. According to Luke, what happened when Jesus was baptized?
5. Pope John Paul II gave us five additional mysteries of the rosary. What are they called and name all five.
6. Through our own baptism, what do we become?
7. What does our "Amen" upon receiving the Eucharist mean?

### ROHLHEISER

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1. What does Father Rohlheiser mean when he talks about how fragile life can be?
2. What is the story of Father Rohlheiser's cousin?
3. In what ways was the cousin "standing where he was supposed to be?"
4. How can you make sure you're standing where you're supposed to be?
5. According to John Powell, what are the only two potential tragedies in life? Discuss.

### FORMATION

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1. What is a man in training to become a priest called?
2. What are Pope John Paul II's four pillars of priestly formation?
3. What is the first step one should take if he thinks he has a vocation to the priesthood?
4. What does a seminarian learn in addition to philosophy and theology?
5. Why are some seminarians asked to work and live at a parish during the summer?
6. What is the oath of fidelity?

### SISTER

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1. What community of sisters did Sister Joyce Diltz join and why?
2. What did Sister Joyce bring to her community?
3. How did religious life evolve after Vatican II according to Sister Joyce?
4. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in Sister Joyce's life?
5. What do you think might be the blessings of becoming a woman religious? The challenges?

### OSBOURNE

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1. What is "sexting?"
2. Discuss some of the issues that make sexting not only wrong, but also dangerous?
3. Why are our bodies sacred?
4. Why do some people seem to feel a need to hurt and make other feel bad?
5. Talk about Jesus' instruction to "let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone."
6. In what ways are young people pressured today?
7. How can you avoid getting into a desperate situation like Hope's? How can you help others who are being hurt?