SESSION 11

The Church Is One

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Unit 3, Session 11.

Saint Ignatius of Loyola was the founder of the Society of Jesus, an order of priests and brothers also known as the Jesuits.

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During a time of spiritual growth, Ignatius developed a plan of meditation in a work called *Spiritual Exercises*.

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The pope, bishops, priests, and deacons receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders and form the clergy. Bishops and priests form the priesthood.

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The call to lead a religious life means to follow Jesus by living in a community and embracing its practices. People living in a religious community make vows, or promises. For example, a vow of poverty is a promise to live simply.

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Members of the Church who are not priests or in religious life make up the laity.

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The pope is the successor of Saint Peter, whom Jesus chose as the leader of the Church.

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The Stations of the Cross are a way to retrace and reflect on Jesus' steps on the way to his Crucifixion.

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Evangelization is spreading the news about Jesus.

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Different traditions have been part of the Church from its beginning. These differences were a result of the division of the Roman Empire into the West and the East.

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Paul recognized both unity and diversity within the Church.

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