SESSION 19

Jesus Heals Us

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Unit 4, Session 19.

The name *Jesus* means "God saves." The name *Christ* means "anointed one." Jesus had the power to save and to heal.

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Jesus' words and actions are the foundation of the saving grace we receive in the sacraments.

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The sacrament that helps unite those who are suffering with Jesus' saving and healing power is the Anointing of the Sick.

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Many people have experienced healings of various kinds on pilgrimages to Lourdes, France.

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The Holy Communion offered to a dying person is called viaticum. The sacrament is preparation for passing over to eternal life.

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In the Rite of Anointing the Sick, the priest anoints the sick person on the forehead and hands.

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The "raising" that the priest speaks of during the Anointing of the Sick refers to spiritual healing, as well as to any physical healing that may take place.

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The bishop blesses the oil of the sick at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week.

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The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick unites us with Jesus in his Passion and Death. Through this sacrament, people receive forgiveness for their sins, comfort for their suffering, and spiritual healing.

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