

## LESSON 2 – THE BOOK OF TOBIT MINI-STUDY

Tobiah and Sarah are Married

## DAYS 1 & 2 - TOBIT 4:20 - 5:22

- 1. What did you find new or interesting from the lecture?
- **2. a.** Tobit was prudent with his money. According to 4:21, what is true wealth?
  - **b.** What wisdom do you gain concerning wealth from 1 Timothy 6:6-10?
- **3. a.** Who did Tobiah "find" to accompany him on his journey and what reality about this person was hidden from him?
  - **b.** According to CCC 332 how long have angels been in existence?
  - **c.** Quote the phrase in Genesis 1:1 which implies their creation. (See CCC 326)
- **4. a.** How does CCC 330 describe angels?
  - **b.** What purpose do the angels serve for us? (See CCC 336)
- **5. a.** Why did Tobit want to meet Tobiah's companion?
  - **b.** You may have small children, grown children, or no children. In what way can you put into practice in your own circumstances Tobit's concern about Tobiah's companionship?
- **6. a.** Tobit lamented that he had nothing to be joyful about. What can you find in Tobit's life that could give him joy?
  - b. What joys are you missing because you focus on your troubles? (Personal)
  - **c.** How does complaining stifle joy?
- **7.** Tobit promised Raphael a just wage. What should be taken into consideration when determining wages? (See CCC 2434)
- **8.** Notice Tobit's prayer for Tobiah as he leaves for his journey. How can you follow Tobit's example as your children leave for the day?
- 9. a. What did Anna's words to Tobit reveal about her priorities in life?
  - **b.** Do you think people have the same attitude today? Explain your answer.
- **10. a.** How did Tobit demonstrate his faith to his wife?
  - **b.** How have you demonstrated your faith to your spouse this week? (**Personal**)

## DAYS 3 & 4 - TOBIT 6:1 - 7:17

- **11. a.** Tobiah's plan was to retrieve his father's savings. Why did Raphael suggest a diversion in those plans?
  - b. When has a diversion in your plans produced an unexpected blessing? (Personal)
- **12. a.** How did the evil spirit repeatedly destroy Sarah's marriages?
  - **b.** Why do you think Satan would want to destroy the institution of marriage? (See CCC 1604)
  - c. What ideologies and trends are destructive to this institution today? (See CCC 2357, 2400)
- **13.** What was Tobiah's selfless concern about marrying Sarah?
- **14. a.** What did Raphael recommend to Tobiah before consummating his marriage to Sarah?
  - **b.** Why is it important for a married couple to allow God in every room of the house, including the bedroom? (See CCC 1639-1640)
  - c. Read CCC 2360-2361. Why is it important to refrain from sexual activity prior to marriage?
- 15. Does verse 6:18 (6:17 in Navarre) affect your view of marriage? If so, how?
- **16.** It was important for Raguel to speak frankly with Tobiah explaining Sarah's situation so that he could make an informed decision. Give an example from society today in which informed consent is denied or discouraged.
- **17. a.** Raguel agreed to give Sarah to Tobiah in marriage. What were the prayers of mother and father for the couple?
  - **b.** How does the liturgy for the Sacrament of Matrimony encompass these prayers? (See CCC 1624)

## **DAY 5 - TOBIT 8:1 - 9:6**

- **18. a.** What were Tobiah's first actions as head of his household?
  - **b.** What impresses you about Tobiah's prayer?
  - **c.** Why is it important to pray together as a couple?
- **19.** How did God use the angel as His agent to answer the couple's prayer?
- 20. What stands out to you from Raguel's prayer of praise?
- **21.** Tobiah sent the angel to help him complete his task. Do you send your guardian angel on missions? Explain.