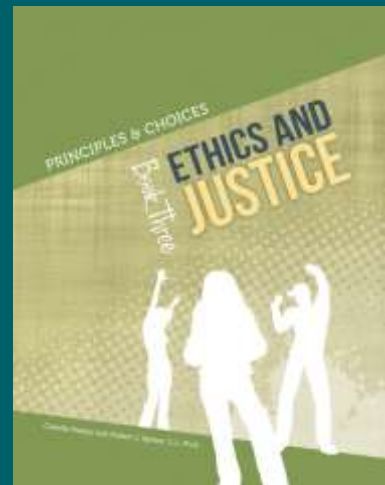
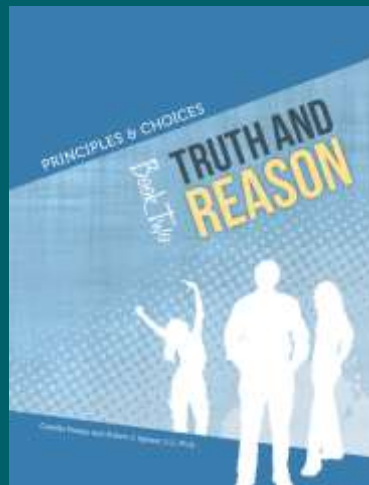
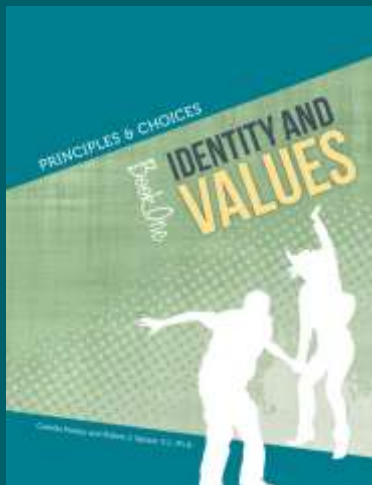


User's Guide

Using Principles & Choices

with the
Curriculum Framework Series,
published by Ave Maria Press



A PROGRAM OF HEALING THE CULTURE
Principles & Choices[®]
Educational tools designed to root students and their teachers in a culture of life.

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Principles and Choices is a complete 9th– 12th grade high school curriculum, which teaches key principles to help students make good choices throughout their lives. It is based on the book *Ten Universal Principles: A Brief Philosophy of the Life Issues*, by Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D.

Principles and Choices uses contemporary, high quality student texts, teacher materials, and multimedia resources. The series is designed for use as a four-week supplement in a core curriculum class based on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' *Doctrinal Elements of a Curriculum Framework for the Development of Catechetical Materials for Young People of High School Age*, 2007 (Curriculum Framework).

There are three books in the *Principles and Choices* series, each with four chapters. We recommend teaching each book in a four-week time frame in each grade – Book One in the 9th grade, Book Two in the 10th grade, and Book Three in the 11th grade.

The charts on the following pages lay out four options for integrating *Principles & Choices* with the *Curriculum Framework Series*, published by Ave Maria Press. The paragraphs below explain these options in brief.

Option A:

Each *Principles & Choices* book would follow the indicated chapter in the high school textbook published by Ave Maria Press. By implementing all four chapters in the P&C book consecutively, you will ensure the best continuity for your students' learning. Each chapter should take one week to complete.

Option B:

Present each P&C book at the beginning of the second semester of each grade. This option would require a second-semester pacing adjustment to allow adequate time for the inclusion of a four-week P&C unit. The benefit of this model is student engagement and enthusiasm as they begin a fresh new semester with such a pertinent topic.

Option C:

Integrate P&C within the course of study by breaking apart chapters to coincide with topics from the core curriculum. In order to reinforce and integrate systematic learning, it is suggested that the class perform the one-act play at the end of the semester and/or use the Life in a Flash cards throughout the semester.

Option D:

Present each book at the end of the second semester of each grade. This option requires a second-semester pacing adjustment to allow time for the inclusion of a four-week P&C unit.

AMP Curriculum Framework Series		Principles and Choices	
I: Scripture/Jesus Christ/God's Revelation to the World		Book One: Identity and Values	
Chapter 1	Searching for God	Option A Option C	All of Book One Chapter 1: The Four Levels of Happiness Chapter 2: Success and Quality of Life
Chapter 2	Introduction to Sacred Scripture		
Chapter 3	Surveying the Books of the Bible		
Chapter 4	The Pentateuch, Creation, Covenant, and the Exodus		
Chapter 5	Kings and Prophets Awaiting the Messiah		
Chapter 6	The Synoptic Gospels		
Chapter 7	Jesus' Teaching		
Chapter 8	Jesus' Miracles and the Paschal Mystery		
Chapter 9	Jesus in the Gospel of John		
Chapter 10	Who Do You Say That I Am?		
II: Christology/Jesus Christ/His Mission and Ministry		Book One: Identity and Values (<i>continued</i>)	
Chapter 1	God's Revelation and Our Response	Option B	All of Book One
Chapter 2	Who Is Jesus Christ?		
Chapter 3	Tracing the Historical Life of Jesus		
Chapter 4	Jesus Christ's Revelation about God		
Chapter 5	Jesus Helps Us to Understand the Trinity, Mary, and the Holy Spirit		
Chapter 6	Jesus' Life Reveals His Mission		
Chapter 7	The Church Knows Jesus by Many Names		
Chapter 8	What Jesus Tells Us about Ourselves	Option C	Chapter 3: Love

Chapter 9	Friends and Disciples of Jesus	Option C	Chapter 4: Application to Social Issues
Chapter 10	Jesus Teaches Us to Pray	Option D	All of Book One

AMP Curriculum Framework Series		Principles and Choices	
III: Paschal Mystery/Jesus Christ/Source of Our Salvation		Book Two: Truth and Reason	
Chapter 1	God's Good Creation: The Beginning of Salvation History	Option A Option C	All of Book Two Chapter 1: Truth
Chapter 2	The Fall and the Promise of a Savior		
Chapter 3	The Coming of the Messiah		
Chapter 4	The Ministry and Message of Jesus Christ		
Chapter 5	The Passion and Death of Jesus Christ		
Chapter 6	The Resurrection of Jesus Christ		
Chapter 7	Redemption through the Paschal Mystery		
Chapter 8	Living the Paschal Mystery: A Call to Holiness	Option C	Chapter 2: Principles of Reason
Chapter 9	Discipleship: Following in the Footsteps of Jesus	Option C	Chapter 3: Defining the Human Person
Chapter 10	Prayer in the Life of a Disciple of Jesus Christ		
IV: The Church Our Story: Catholic Tradition, Mission, and Practice		Book Two: Truth and Reason (<i>continued</i>)	
Unit 1	What Is Church?	Option B	All of Book Two
Unit 2	The Church Is Mystery		
Unit 3	The Church Is the People of God		
Unit 4	The Church Is Teacher		
Unit 5	The Church Is Sacrament		
Unit 6	The Church Is Servant	Option C	Chapter 4: Application to Social Issues
Unit 7	The Church Is a Communion of Saints		

Unit 8	The Church Is	Option D	All of Book Two
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V: Sacraments/Meeting Jesus in the Sacraments		Book Three: Ethics and Justice	
Section 1	The Sacramental Nature of the Church	Option A	All of Book Three
Chapter 1	The Church and the Sacramental Economy of Salvation		
Chapter 2	What Happens in the Sacraments		
Section 2	The Sacraments of Christian Initiation		
Chapter 3	The Sacrament of Baptism		
Chapter 4	The Sacrament of Confirmation		
Chapter 5	The Sacrament of the Eucharist		
Section 3	The Sacraments of Healing		
Chapter 6	The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation		
Chapter 7	The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick		
Section 4	The Sacraments at the Service of Communion		
Chapter 8	The Sacrament of Holy Orders		
Chapter 9	The Sacrament of Matrimony		
VI: Your Life in Christ: Foundations of Catholic Morality		Book Three: Ethics and Justice (<i>continued</i>)	
Introduction	What Is Life in Christ?	Option B	All of Book Three
Chapter 1	The Gift of Being Human		
Chapter 2	Making Moral Decisions	Option C	Chapter 1: Principles of Ethics Chapter 2: Principles of Justice
Chapter 3	Law as a Guide to Freedom		
Chapter 4	Jesus as Moral Guide		

Chapter 5	Conscience Formation		
Chapter 6	Sin and Forgiveness		
Chapter 7	Love for God		
Chapter 8	Respect for Life	Option C	Chapter 3: Freedom
Chapter 9	Respect for the Gift of Sexuality		
Chapter 10	Respect for Justice and Truth	Option C Option D	Chapter 4: Application to Social Issues All of Book Three

