## The Faith-Filled Catholic Women's Bible Study Program Participant's Worksheet

## <u>Understanding</u>

Insert U-1 through U-4

You can prepare for the discussion about the theme **Understanding** by thinking about how you might answer the following questions:

What does it mean to truly understand something?

How can you tell if someone doesn't understand you?

Why do you think understanding is so important when it comes to reading the Bible?

How is understanding related to peace and contentment in the context of faith?

## Read John 8:31-59 (Page 157 NT).

How did the Jews respond to Jesus?

This response came from people who said they believed in Jesus. How can this be?

What does this same response look like in today's society?

Do you ever catch yourself responding to a Christian teaching in the same (or a similar) way?

Are there some teachings that we as a Church can't bear to hear? Give examples.

What about the phenomenon of being a cafeteria Catholic? Do I make this mistake in relation to some issues?

My favorite story or any experience I have had where childhood innocence exposed a deeper understanding of some situation.

How can having the understanding of a child help us to understand better God's purpose for our lives?

Why do I believe Christ was so aware of the children around Him?

**Group Prayer -** My intentions for group prayer this week:

**My Personal Response in Understanding for this week** – Reach out to someone in your life who is doing something you cannot understand. Make an attempt to see the situation from their perspective.

## Other Scripture on **Understanding**:

Psalm 25:4 (Page 620 OT) \* Proverbs 3:5 (Page 707 OT) \* Proverbs 19:8 (Page 725 OT)

Wisdom 7:17-22 (Page 767 OT) \* Ephesians 1:13-19 (Page 286 NT)