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Encounter Date: _____

Small Group: _____

Reflection # 7

Salvation History

Reflection with: Parents — Mentor — Other: _____

Materials Used: Symbolon: Session 4 The Story of Salvation

Discuss and Respond on Another Piece of Paper:

Have you thought about the Bible as a love story before? What makes it a love story?

Are you more likely to thank God or blame God? Why?

Do you see God as a Father or a Tyrant? Do you trust God?

In what areas of your life do you struggle to trust God and his bride, the Church?

Can you imagine what challenges Mary would face by saying yes to God?

Do you look to Mary as a model of discipleship and ask her intercession to help you trust more fully?

How does Jesus model trust for us?

What does it mean to say "God is Love"?

In Saint Faustina's Diary, it says:

"Pure love gives the soul strength at the moment of dying. When I was dying on the cross, I was not thinking about Myself, but about poor sinners, and I prayed for them to My Father. I want your last moments to be completely similar to Mine on the cross. ***There is but one price at which souls are bought, and that is suffering united to My suffering on the cross.*** Pure love understands these words; carnal love will never understand them." Diary of St. Faustina

How does this quote change your definition of love?

Do you pray to the Holy Spirit? Why or why not?

Knowing that Jesus entrusts his work of building the Kingdom to us, what role do you believe you have in this construction? Are you willing to fulfill your role?

The HABITS are habits that we can build internal strength to do the work of God in the world (both prayer and action). We need to grow in these so that we can articulate the faith and service Jesus in others. Which HABIT do you need to work on the most right now?

H - holy hour (committing to daily prayer)

A - accountability (inviting close friends to keep you accountable to growing as a disciple of Jesus)

B - bible (meditating, studying, and memorizing scripture)

I - invest in your parish (tithing and serving in the mission of the parish)

T - tell (don't be afraid to tell others about your faith and invite them to faith in Jesus)

S - sacraments (Frequent Eucharist and confession strengthen us)

Parent Signature