

LESSON ON THE BIBLE: Background

- The **outcome** of your faith is that you *obtain the salvation of your soul*
 - What does this mean? (what does outcome mean? **End result- the purpose of your faith is to go to HEAVEN**)
- **Where** do we get our FAITH? How do we know what we believe as Catholics? As Christians??
 - 3 ways:
 - Sacred Scripture
 - Sacred Tradition,
 - Magisterium (POPE)
- The bible is one of the central legs upon which our beliefs are founded
 - Why? Why do we revere the Bible? Kiss the Bible?
 - Who wrote it? Where did it come from? Why is it the bestselling book of all time? (many authors who were **INSPIRED** by the Holy Spirit wrote the bible)
- The bible is many things:
 - Love letters “how beautiful you are my love, how very beautiful! Your eyes are doves” song of Solomon 4:1
 - Manuscript for how to live your life “love one another as I have loved you”
 - It tells a story- the story of who we are, why we are here and who God is
 - Holy – inspired
 - Word of God
- The bible is **NOT**:
 - A history book
- The bible tells the *story of our SALVATION*, of
 - GOD becoming MAN in Jesus and how and
 - why we have the opportunity to go to Heaven