**Final Exam Essay Questions Form A**

**Directions: Please answer two of the following short essay questions as completely and legibly as possible. A good short essay response will be considered to be at least 5-7 sentences in length, contain a well-constructed topic sentence, at least three to five supporting sentences, and will refer directly to material from this unit of study. The short essays will be worth a total of 15 points.**

1. How are covenants and contracts different? Why is this distinction important when considering God’s covenants within Salvation History? Reference at least one example of a covenant God made with His Chosen People to support your answer.
2. Pick ONE of the images of the Church from the New Testament and describe how it represents the Church—both as an institution and as a community of believers. Make sure to draw AT LEAST three comparisons between the two.
3. What does it mean to say there is no salvation outside the Church? Does this teaching mean that anyone who is not a practicing Catholic cannot go to Heaven? Why is this teaching essential to our faith?
4. Why is the belief that all religions are equal inconsistent with Catholic teaching? How would believing that all religions are equal affect the work of evangelization? How would you respond to someone who says, “I believe in all paths to God?”