**Bruce Almighty questions**

1. In the beginning of the film, Bruce blames God for his lousy life. Give examples from Bruce's life (at the beginning) as to how he was not accepting of those aspects of being human.

2. When Bruce's life starts falling apart, Grace tries to give him proper perspective. Using all you've learned about *grace*, how does the character Grace reflect God's grace? Use examples from throughout the whole movie. State at least five examples. (Grace is defined in the text as: "A free and unearned favor from God, infused into our souls at Baptism, that adopts us into God's family and helps us to live as God's children.")

3. There's a theological pun early on in the movie when Bruce comes to "Omni Presents." It is based on a major doctrine about how we experience God. See if you can figure out the play on words, and then explain the actual meaning of the theological term. Yes, you can use devices to look it up!

4. In the film, Bruce grants everyone everything they ask for and chaos ensues. Then, when Bruce asks God about how to answer prayers, God responds with another question: "Since when do people know what they REALLY want?" God is suggesting here that perhaps people ask for the wrong things in prayer. Using scenes from the movie as examples, answer: "Why is it a good thing that God does not grant us everything we ask for or want?"

5. Our lives are linked. No man is an island"—reflects a lesson that Bruce had to learn. Do you think that he learns this lesson by the end of the movie? If so, give examples. Use words such as *community, common good* and *solidarity*.

6. God-given gifts of an *ability to think and love, and use of our free will in a responsible way* call us to good moral behavior. In the movie, Bruce says: "How do you make someone love you without effecting free will?" and God responds "Welcome to my life!" Give some examples from the film that illustrates this teaching.

7. Toward the end of the film, when Bruce is in heaven, God invites him to pray. Instead of praying that Grace will love him, he prays for something else. What does this selflessness of Bruce reflect?