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* The Church shares the life-situation and aspirations of all people, especially the poor and marginalized (#1)
* It understands its role to propose salvation to all: one that captures the fullness of human being (#3)
* Societal development through science and technology is filled with promise but also with danger; the risk of omitting God (#4-10)
* Uniqueness and dignity of the human person; the capacity for goodness and closeness to God; marred by sin (#12-18)
* Reality of atheism; Christ, not ideology, is the answer to our incomplete humanity (#19-22)
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* The need for a community of humanity; society that works for the common good of all (#25-32)
* Orienting human activity towards God’s vision for Creation (#33-39)
* To individuals the Church offers clearer appreciation of the dignity of humanity: “Whoever follows Christ the perfect man becomes himself more a man” (#41)
* To societies the Church offers its service towards solidarity and communion (#42)
* A critical unity between faith and life (#43)

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* The Church receives from the world its culture and language; so to preach the Gospel better (#44)
* On marriage, a new emphasis on conjugal love as a proper good and on the exercise of conscience by Christian couples (#47-52)
* The importance of culture, towards an intentional and conscionable development (#53-62)
* Knowledge of culture is essential to Christian formation (#62)
* The widening wealth gap; subjugation of the economic sphere to the moral order; call to efforts to address the situation of massive poverty (#63-64)

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* Participation of all in the intentional development of the economy; the right to work and attitudes to labor; the need for collaboration and maintaining distributive justice (#65-70)
* Political activity can be consistent with the goals of the Church although it is politically non-aligned; a call to greater participation by all in the political life (#75)
* “Peace is more than the absence of war”; a strong condemnation of war as a threat to human progress; call to more international cooperation (#83-87)
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