QUIZ on “The Justice and Mercy of God” and “The Providence of God”
St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologica

I. Indicate whether the following are TRUE or FALSE:

1. There is no real justice in God because God owes nothing to anyone.
2. There is no commutative justice in God.
3. Strictly speaking, God does not grieve over the misery of His creatures.
4. In His mercy, God removes the misery of His creatures.
5. God can do nothing contrary to His wisdom and goodness.
6. Christ is the incarnation of divine mercy.
7. In the hierarchy of divine attributes, mercy is higher than justice.
8. Properly speaking, God can be just only to His rational creatures.
9. The mercy of God presupposes some kind of misery in His rational creatures.
10. The highest form of God’s mercy is the forgiveness of man’s sins.
11. We can expect God’s mercy in this life, but only His justice in the life to come.
12. God shows no mercy to those condemned to hell.
13. In strict justice, God did not have to redeem the human race.
14. God’s Providence includes not only human beings but the whole of creation.
15. In terms of God’s intention, divine Providence is eternal.
16. The Providence of God includes both His intellect and His will.
17. Creatures are subject to God’s Providence in general, but not individually.
18. God’s Providence is immediate and direct, and includes even the smallest and least detail of our lives.
19. God’s Providence imposes necessity on all creatures.
20. Divine Providence is universal but not infallible.
21. God’s Providence is infallible but not universal.
22. God’s Providence does not interfere with our freedom.
23. We are to believe that every event in our lives is part of God’s Providence.
24. It is a sin to worry, because God always provides the means we need to do His will.
25. The more we trust in God, the more graces we receive from His Providence.

II. MATCH the terms in the following columns:

26. Justice
27. Mercy
28. Providence
29. God’s mercy to us
30. Justice without mercy
31. Mercy without justice
32. Forgive one another
33. Judgment without mercy
34. To those who love God
35. The evils that press on us in this world

26. As Christ has forgiven you
27. To him that has not done mercy
28. Force us to go to God
29. All things work together unto good
30. Is imprudent pity
31. Giving someone his due
32. Can be cruelty
33. Love relieving misery
34. God directing creatures to their appointed end
35. Measured by our mercy to others