QUIZ on “Temperance”, St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologica, II, II (PP. 141-143)

I. Indicate whether the following are TRUE or FALSE:

1. We would not need the virtue of temperance if we did not have a fallen human nature.
2. Temperance withdraws us from things which seduce our appetites.
3. We have less need of temperance as we grow in sanctity.
4. Temperance moderates all our passions.
5. Temperance is related to desires as fortitude is related to fear.
6. Temperance especially controls the pleasures of touch.
7. Temperance mainly concerns the pleasures regarding the preservation of human life.
8. There is less need for temperance as a person grows older.
9. Temperance is a moral and theological virtue.
10. Temperance forbids our enjoyment of bodily pleasures.
11. Temperance requires fortitude.
12. Temperance controls concupiscence.
13. Temperance is a greater virtue than prudence.
14. True temperance requires prudence.
15. Insensibility is a vice opposed to temperance.
16. To reject pleasure absolutely is not sinful.
17. In order to avoid sin, we must reject certain pleasures.
18. Intemperance is a childish sin.
19. Cowardice is a greater vice than intemperance.
20. Intemperance is the most disgraceful of sins.
21. Unchastity is a form of intemperance.
22. It is possible to be very temperate in matters of food and drink and be intemperate in sexual matters.
23. In order to control bodily pleasures we must practice bodily mortification.
24. Abstinence is to drink as sobriety is to food.
25. Modesty is one of the conditions for the practice of chastity.

II. MATCH the terms in the following columns:

26. Temperance  26. Tends to become a desire
27. Beauty  27. Accompanies all natural activity
28. Moderating internal passions  28. Opposed to the virtue of temperance
29. Every thought  29. Tends to become a habit
30. Pleasure  30. Belongs especially to temperance
31. Every habit  31. Forms our character
32. Intemperance  32. Tends to become an act
33. Every desire  33. Restrains bodily pleasures
34. Insensibility  34. The most childish of vices
35. Every act  35. Necessary to control external actions