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*Renewing faith, hope, and love
in the Year of the Eucharist*



REFLECTION QUESTIONS WEEK 4

1. JESUS UNITES US TO HIMSELF IN HOLY COMMUNION. IF WE ARE ONE WITH HIM, HOW SHOULD THAT SHAPE HOW WE THINK ABOUT THE CONCERNS AND NEEDS OF OTHERS WHEN WE LEAVE CHURCH? [SHARING THE LOVE WE RECEIVED FROM HIM.]
2. WHICH OF THE THREE PARABLES STANDS OUT TO YOU? WHAT SPECIFICALLY ABOUT IT?
PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN (LUKE 10:25-37)
PARABLE OF THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS (LUKE 16:19-31)
PARABLE OF THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS (MATT. 25:31:46)
3. THE FAMILY IS THE “SCHOOL OF LOVE”. HOW DOES THIS HELP YOU SEE YOUR CALLING TO LOVE WITH THOSE WITH WHOM YOU LIVE?
4. EVERYONE OF US IS CALLED TO “LIVE EUCHARISTICALLY”. POPE FRANCIS EXPLAINS THAT JESUS’ WHOLE LIFE IS AN ACT OF TOTAL SHARING OF SELF OUT OF LOVE.” DESCRIBE ONE OR TWO WAYS WE CAN LIVE THIS.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

WEEK 4 CONTINUED

5. DOSTOEVSKY SAID, “LOVE IN ACTION IS A HARSH AND DREADFUL THING COMPARED WITH LOVE IN DREAMS.” WHAT STANDS OUT TO YOU ABOUT THIS FAVORITE QUOTE OF DOROTHY DAY?

IN WHAT WAYS HAVE YOU SEEN OTHERS BE A WITNESS OF SACRIFICIAL LOVE THAT INSPIRES YOU.

6. THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST IS ONE OF THE MAIN WAYS HE MAKES HIMSELF PRESENT. IN WHAT WAY IS THE LORD INVITING YOU TO BE MORE PRESENT AND AVAILABLE TO OTHERS?

7. “EVERYTHING A BAPTIZED PERSON DOES EVERY DAY SHOULD BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY RELATED TO THE CORPORAL AND SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY,” SAYS DOROTHY DAY. WHAT ARE SOME PRACTICAL WAYS TO LIVE THESE IN DAILY LIFE:

CORPOREAL WORKS OF MERCY:

FEED THE HUNGRY. GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY. CLOTHE THE NAKED. SHELTER THE HOMELESS. VISIT THE SICK. VISIT THE IMPRISONED. BURY THE DEAD.

SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY:

INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT. COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL. ADMONISH THE SINNER. BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY. FORGIVE OFFENSES WILLINGLY. COMFORT THE AFFLICTED. PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD.