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



REFLECTION QUESTIONS WEEK 1

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED TO ENHANCE YOUR DISCUSSION OF THE TOPIC. GRAB A BIBLE OR OPEN A BIBLE APP ON YOUR PHONE FOR THE FINAL QUESTION.

1. DO YOU REMEMBER YOUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS? WHO WAS THERE? WHAT WAS SIGNIFICANT ABOUT THE DAY? HAVE YOU BEEN TO ANY RECENTLY? HOW HAVE THEY CHANGED OR REMAINED THE SAME AS WHEN YOU WERE A CHILD?
2. WHAT WAS YOUR EXPERIENCE GOING TO CHURCH AS A FAMILY WHEN YOU WERE YOUNGER? DID YOU GROW UP INVOLVED WITH A PARISH FAMILY? IS IT THE SAME NOW? IF NOT, WHAT HAS CHANGED?
3. WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR EXPERIENCE OF BEING MADE TO FEEL WELCOMED OR A SENSE OF BELONGING AT CHURCH OR ELSEWHERE?
4. WHO SITS AROUND YOU AT THE MASS YOU PREFER TO ATTEND? HAVE YOU SPOKEN TO THEM BEFORE?
5. HAVE YOU MADE A COMMUNITY WITHIN THE CHURCH?

REFLECTION QUESTIONS WEEK 1 CONTINUED

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6. IS THERE SOMEONE AT THE SERVICE WITH WHOM YOU COULD BREAK THE ICE AND SPEAK TO NEXT SUNDAY? WHAT COULD YOU SAY? IF THERE WAS A NEW FACE IN THE PEWS WHOM YOU HAD NEVER SEEN, HOW WOULD THEY KNOW THEY WERE WELCOMED? IF NOT YOU, THEN WHO WILL?

7. DO YOU HAVE KIDS OR GRANDKIDS? HOW ARE THEY PLUGGED INTO THE CHURCH COMMUNITY? COULD YOU ENCOURAGE YOUTH GROUP OR FAITH FORMATION?

8. COULD YOU VOLUNTEER IN A MINISTRY THAT WOULD INVITE CONNECTIONS WITH OTHERS AT THE CHURCH? WHAT MINISTRIES ARE LISTED IN THE BULLETIN THAT MIGHT APPEAL TO YOU? IS THERE A MINISTRY MISSING THAT YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE AT THE CHURCH?

9. OPEN YOUR BIBLES TO ANY OF THE GOSPELS OF MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE, AND JOHN. FIND THE ACCOUNT OF THE LAST SUPPER. WHAT VERSE STANDS OUT TO YOU? WHAT ARE THE WORDS IN YOUR TRANSLATION THAT HELP YOU REALIZE THAT THIS WAS A MEAL THAT CAME AS A SACRIFICE AND THAT JESUS IS THE NEW LAMB FOR OUR SINS AND THE BREAD FROM HEAVEN COME TO SUSTAIN US? HOW CAN WE USE THIS TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS IN OUR FAMILY TO JOIN US AT THE TABLE?