



Essential Evangelization

Are You Connected?

Have you ever desired to be an effective evangelist for our Catholic faith? Have you ever tried and failed in an attempt to convert a neighbor or a loved one to our faith? In today's day and age there are so many conduits and opportunities to connect with one another. Not only do we have personal\ face-to-face opportunities, but we have newspapers news, television, radio, computer news, e-mail, instant messaging, text messaging, phones, cell phones, pda's.... the opportunities are endless to connect and share our faith!

But from today's readings we discover a very important faith lesson. In St. John's letter we learn that we must first have confidence in God so that we may receive from Him whatever we ask. And it is because we keep His commandments and do what pleases Him that we can remain in Him and His Spirit. Jesus also tells us in St. John's Gospel reading that we must be branches or "connected" to His vine so that we can bear much fruit. Jesus is the Way the Truth and the Life. He is our "connection" to effective evangelization.

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I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

John 15: 5

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