



Essential Evangelization

We Are Family!

Do you ever think of God as your father? Truly? Scripture tells us that He is and He deeply desires us to be a part of His family. He is like the father of the Prodigal son, always waiting and looking down the road for us to "come home." Jesus called him "Abba", which means an affectionate "Daddy" in both Greek and Aramaic. God the Father is also often thought of as the Creator. He is the maker of all heaven and earth, the giver of life, the giver of all that is good. He is immense, all-knowing, omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent and possesses infinite power, compassion and charity. He is the infinite, "I am," that created our unfathomable world in its great dimension and mystery and beauty. He made the estimated 13.7 billion light years universe and He breathed life into micro-millimeter dust mites as well as the 190 ton blue whale. In time, He revealed himself to Abraham, Moses and Elijah of the Old Testament, but in their unworthiness, they could not look upon His face.

So how then do we become children of the Father? We have to believe in Jesus Christ, His Only Son. The Son is a reflection of the Father. Jesus himself said, "He who has seen me has seen the Father." And on another occasion He said, "I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." So we come to know the Father through what the Son has revealed and what is reflected in our Word of God, because, "No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him." And what is really, really great, is that once we are a child of the Father through Jesus, we are all brothers and sisters in Christ! Do you consider yourself brothers and sisters with your St. Thomas a Becket family? We are family!!!

*"Through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus."
From today's Second Reading Gal 3:26*

And a Very Happy Father's Day from the Evangelization Committee!!!

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