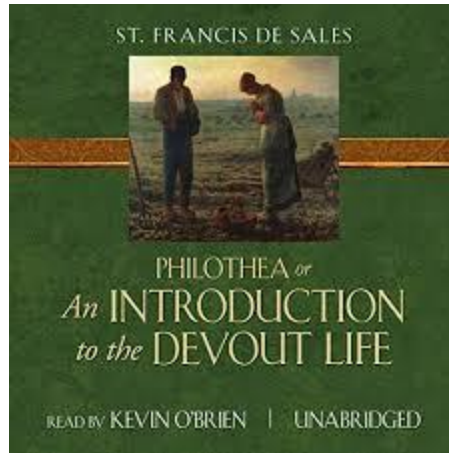


## STUDY GUIDE



## WEEK ELEVEN



READ: PART V, PAGES 223–242

### RESPOND:

1. REGULARLY RENEW YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE DEVOUT LIFE.
2. HUMILITY AND GRATITUDE UNDERPIN THIS DEVOTION.
  - A. CONSIDER THE BENEFITS OF DEVOTION.
  - B. REGULARLY EXAMINE YOUR PROGRESS IN THE DEVOUT LIFE.
  - C. REFLECT UPON SCRIPTURE, NATURE, DEVOTIONS, AND EVERYTHING GOOD, TRUE, AND BEAUTIFUL TO INSPIRE GREATER LOVE OF GOD.
3. OPENLY PROFESS YOUR DESIRE TO BE DEVOUT
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  - B. STEADFASTLY PERSEVERE IN PURSUING VIRTUE AND HOLINESS.
4. IF THIS IS THE *INTRODUCTION* TO A DEVOUT LIFE, CAN YOU IMAGINE THE ADVANCED COURSE OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES?

### REMEMBER:

*Place yourself in the Presence of God.*

*Ask Him to inspire your heart.*

*Consider the meditation for the day.*

*Make your affections and resolutions (“the choice”) for the day.*

*Conclude by:*

*Thanking God*

*Make an offering to God*

*Prayer for the day*

*Linger awhile to gather your spiritual bouquet*

*Revisit your spiritual bouquet throughout the day*