

## EVANGELIZATION 101.4

### PRAYER...CARE...SHARE

#### PRAYER

The mission of the Church is to share the Gospel, a message of hope, joy, and ultimate love. We are the Church. We are called to share the Gospel through our Baptism.

Archbishop John Nauman, Archbishop of Kansas City in Kansas and his team have developed a plan to help us fulfill this call. It's called "Prayer...Care...Share".

One can't possibly present everything said and given in this plan, but the important points will be touched on, and then you can further explore them yourself, if you want.

According to this plan, our first action of evangelization is to connect with Christ in a Living Relationship through prayer, and by receiving the Sacraments. Through prayer and the sacraments, we receive an abundance of grace to help strengthen us to bring His love to those we encounter and are "enflamed" with the Holy Spirit.

There are so many distractions and good things to do with our time, but it is most important to create time for daily prayer in order to grow our personal relationship with Christ.

To surrender to Christ allows us to reflect joy and His love to everyone we encounter. At times, we may have encounters outside of our control, but within God's plan.

A few ways to grow in prayer:

- Morning and evening prayer;
- 5-10 mins. of daily meditation listening to what Christ may be saying to you;
- Reading scripture and meditating on it;
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

There are many Apps available. A few favorites:

- 3 Minute Retreat - read, reflect and meditate on a scripture passage.
- Pray As You Go - listen to (text available) while getting ready in the morning, drive to work or school. Scripture and questions to meditate on. Also audio Stations of the Cross, reflections, retreats, and other prayer tools.
- Laudate - daily readings and much more...
- iBreviary - praying the Liturgy of the Hours.
- Jesuit Prayer - daily scripture and reflection.
- Subscriptions:
  - Magnificat
  - Word Among Us
  - Living Faith

THE MAIN THING IS TO MAKE PRAYER A DAILY PRIORITY!

Next time: Care

References: "Crowds to Three: Christ-Modeled Evangelization Using the Prayer-Care-Share Approach" by the Office of Evangelization, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas

"Enflame Our Hearts: Be Disciples, Make Disciples" by the Office of Evangelization, Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas