

# Developing a Relationship with God in All Three Persons

Group Discussion Questions

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We encourage each group to modify the discussion questions to suit your particular group.

We encourage you to submit daily meditation questions for possible inclusion as well as suggestions/modifications for any particular talk to [deacon.darrell@cox.net](mailto:deacon.darrell@cox.net).



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# WEEK 1: STAGE ONE OVERVIEW

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Please share one highlight from this talk that impacted you personally. Share what Dcn. Darrell stated, why you feel the Holy Spirit caused you to take special notice of that concept and what you feel the Holy Spirit may be saying to you to re-form your understanding of the topic.
2. God shared a vision of the assault to come on fatherhood in the 20<sup>th</sup> century with Bl. Sr. Guerra. Share instances of how you recognize the truth of this prophecy.
3. Pope Leo XIII's encouraged bishops to make the 20<sup>th</sup> century a time of renewed devotion to the Holy Spirit. Share areas where this encouragement has taken root in your home, parish, or diocese. Share ways you can further engage with this move of God.
4. A primary fruit of Pope Leo's and Saint John XXIII's prayer was the birth of the ecumenical movement. Share areas of life in which you see this movement active and where improvement needs to be made.



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## WEEK 2: OUR PERPETUAL “YES”

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2. During the talk, Dcn. Darrell mentions some of the occasions in Mary’s life in which she had to say “yes” to God and “yes” to difficult circumstances. List other difficult circumstances in Mary’s life and state why you think they would be challenging.
3. Share times in your life when it was difficult to say “yes” to living the Gospel.
4. Grace is defined as “an unmerited, unwarranted gift of supernatural assistance to help us fulfill the will of God the Father.” Discuss this definition and how it can help you understand your relationship with God.



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# WEEK 3: KNOWING WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST

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2. How does being able to be called a CHILD OF GOD change your perspective on relating to society? How does being a FRIEND OF GOD affect you as well?
3. Share how the revelation of being a priest, prophet and king IN CHRIST affects your understanding of your Christian life.
4. What does being adopted as a firstborn son by God the Father make you think about?



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# WEEK 4: DEVELOPING YOUR CONSCIENCE

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2. How has your understanding of the concept of a conscience changed because of this talk?
3. Share an experience in which you felt that you heard God speaking to your conscience to do something good, not to just avoid sin.
4. The difference between lambs and sheep is a matter of maturity. St. Thomas Aquinas once said that physical age is not a sign of spiritual maturity. Share an instance in which you met someone who is spiritually mature; share the impact which that encounter had on you at the time.



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# WEEK 5: BUILDING A CHARISMATIC LIFESTYLE

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2. How has your understanding of the concept of baptism changed because of this talk?
3. The two primary calls on each Christian's life are 1) to pursue holiness and 2) to become an evangelist. Both calls are only possible because they are part of a life lived in Jesus who is the High Priest, The Fulfillment of all Prophets, and the King of Kings. How should knowledge of this concept change the behavior of each parishioner?
4. What needs to be changed in our personal and parish behavior to bring into reality this truth we teach as Catholics?



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## WEEK 6: PERSONAL EVANGELIZATION

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2. A good definition of theology is “The Study of our Experience with God.” How can the chart Dcn. Darrell shared (attached on next page) help you in your personal growth toward holiness and in your call to evangelization?
3. Talk about levels 1 through 5 of the chart. Write down every aspect of each level that need to be realized in a person’s life in order for that level to become truly internalized. Share the aspects with each member for personal meditation.
4. If you finished the last question (it’s OK if you didn’t), talk about levels 6-10 and see how many aspects you can identify.



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**A Systematic Understanding of Evangelization**



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## WEEK 7: THE GIFT OF TONGUES

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2. Share with the group your impression of the Gift of Tongues. Be open and honest. Make certain you do not pass judgment on others who disagree with your opinion. Those who have released the gift can share their experiences releasing to help others understand the gift.
3. Share your fears or anxieties about surrendering to (or using) the gift. What do you think God's desire is for the use of the gift in your life? In the Church's life?



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# WEEK 8: OUR NEED FOR COMMUNITY

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2. Make a list of all of the communities active within your parish. State how that community fulfills the two primary calls of every church group: to help its members grow in holiness and to become evangelists.
3. Think of Jesus' ministry on earth and how the church is called to fulfill His ministry through us. Make a list of communities that are noticeably missing from your parish that are needed to "do what Jesus did." What is needed to solve this deficiency?
4. Prayer groups, small faith groups and accountability groups are primary relationships that the US Bishops tell us we can utilize to become better disciples. Why is joining these groups so vital for the Church today?

