



# GOD'S CALL

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## READING



### KEEPING COMPANY WITH GOD

Has anyone ever asked you to keep him or her company? Have you ever gone to a party and wished you had a good friend to go with you? Many times it is so much nicer to be with someone you love instead of being by yourself. In a way, this is the reason God created you: that he can keep you company and so that you can keep him company. Think about it! The God of the whole universe, who knows everything and is all-powerful, wants and loves your company! More than that, he wants you to be able to enjoy the most inner part of his life. He wants to give you the best company ever—himself!

God calls you individually. He calls you by name and looks at you very specially. God also calls us all together. He calls us all (you, your friends, your family, your neighborhood, and everyone in the world) to be with him together. Imagine sharing a meal at Thanksgiving with everyone in the whole world at the table!

Let's look at the Catechism to understand this more. The Catechism of the Catholic Church is a big book that explains many important things about our Faith. It is a great reference book. There are lots of big words and long sentences, but if we look at a small section at a time and try to understand difficult words, we can discover a treasure!

### CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH PROLOGUE I.1

God, infinitely perfect and blessed  
in himself,  
in a plan of sheer goodness  
freely created man  
to make him share in his own  
blessed life.

For this reason, at every time and  
in every place,

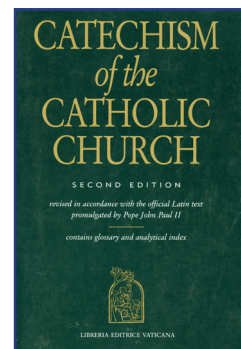
God draws close to man.

He calls man to seek him,

to know him,

to love him

with all his strength.



### BE CURIOUS

- Why does God call us to seek him with all of our strength?
- What is God's own blessed life?
- What does God think and feel when he "draws close" to us?



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## REINFORCE

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### ENJOYING GOD'S COMPANY

- God made us so that we could enjoy his company and he can enjoy ours.
- We will be most happy and holy when we answer “yes” to God’s call to walk daily with Jesus.
- Prayer is a big part of building a relationship with God as we walk through life with Him.

## EXPLORATION

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### WRITE ABOUT BEING WITH GOD

Write a psalm or poem about heaven and being in God’s company. Include how you think heaven would feel and what it would look like.



*St. Faustina had visions of Jesus. This painting was displayed at her canonization in the year 2000.*

## VISUAL ART

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This is a painting of a real place in California, Yosemite Valley.



- What techniques did the artist use to show the beauty of this place?
- What do you think is most beautiful about this painting?
- If earth is this awe inspiring, what do you think the “Lord’s House” is like?
- How does the beauty of this picture show us God’s love?



## MEDITATIVE PRAYER

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PRAY TOGETHER

*Vocation Prayer*

I glorify You, God,  
In all that I do.  
Mind, body and spirit,  
My best is for You.  
For us to be close, Lord,  
Is what you desire.  
I trust that your good love  
For me will not tire.  
I say, “yes” like Mary,  
And give you my heart.  
To follow you Jesus,  
I will do my part.  
Help me follow your will  
No matter the call.  
Whatever vocation,  
I promise my all.

AMEN.