

Mission Methodology

THE GOSPEL ROADMAP

Why Mission? Why Me?

Sharing the Plan, the Problem and the Solution

Why even go on mission? I mean why make the time to go out to serve others and share our faith? Come on is it really necessary? You bet it is.

You make the effort because people are lost, really! They are lost without God, not just in this life but possibly forever. Here is what it all comes down to - we've lost our way to God and need Christ to save us. If we do not find and embrace God's road map and receive his saving grace, we may be lost forever. It's that simple. Let's explain in terms of the plan, the problem and the solution.

THE Plan: Deep within man is a longing for happiness and meaning to his life. This desire is put there by God who is love. Man is created by God to know Him and to love as He loves. The road map to happiness is obedience to God's plan of love. (Catechism of the Catholic Church 356, 396, 374)

THE Problem: *Fall:* Tempted by Satan, man freely rejected God's road map, by choosing for themselves how to live. By rejecting God's plan of love, man scorned God and made all men slaves to sin. This act weakened their wills, disordered their passions and ultimately destined them to death. (CCC 386, 397, 399, 400, 402)

THE Solution: *Redemption:* God, in his goodness, reconciled man to Himself rescuing us from slavery to sin and eternal death by sending His Son, Jesus Christ, to pay the ransom for our disobedience by dying on a cross.

This act broke the power of the evil one and again enables us to participate in God's loving goodness. (CCC 411, 421, 422, 456-460)

CORE CONVICTIONS OF A MISSIONARY

To be an effective missionary, I must cultivate the same passion as the first apostles. In doing so, I seek to...

Be a person of immense joy... In receiving salvation from the Risen Christ, I am filled with great happiness and I am passionate about sharing this joy with others.

Have confidence in imitating Christ... Though I am just one person, I understand that Christ will use my work and words to show his love to others and to spread words of hope.

Understand my mission from a supernatural perspective... Christ is depending upon me to carry out an awesome mission with eternal consequences for millions of souls- to be his hands and feet in the world.

Embrace my personal crosses for the sake of the souls placed in front of me... All the challenges I encounter on the mission have redemptive value for bringing others back to Christ.

Be rooted in a life of prayer... To form a heart of an apostle, I join Mary in pondering the words and actions of Jesus.

Mission Tools

SPANISH SPEAKER'S HAND GUIDE

Helpful Phrases

Hello, how are you? We are Catholic missionaries here on behalf of _____ at _____ church.

¡Hola! ¿Como esta? Somos misioneros (as) Católicos (as) y venimos de parte del Padre _____ de la Iglesia de _____.

My name is _____. I am from _____.

Me llamo _____. Soy de _____.

We want to give you some brochures and the church bulletin.

Queremos entregarle/s uno folleto y el boletín de la Iglesia.

These brochures inform you about the sacraments in the Catholic faith and give you deeper knowledge of certain aspects of the Catholic faith.

Estos folletos les informarán sobre los sacramentos de la fe Católica y darles un conocimiento mas profundo sobre ciertos aspectos de esta fe.

These are the mass times the church has _____. _____ Parish has many masses said in Spanish as well as a big Hispanic community.

Este es el horario de las misas. Tienen muchas misas en español y una gran comunidad hispana.

Fr. _____ is very welcoming and does a lot of work with the Hispanic families in the parish. He speaks Spanish and would love to meet you.

El Padre es muy acogedor y trabaja mucho con las familias hispanas en la Iglesia. Él habla español y estaría encantado en conocerte.

This is the location for _____ Parish _____. (Point to area of bulletin)

Esta es la dirección de la Iglesia de _____.

This is the phone number of the parish _____. (Point)

Este es el teléfono de la Iglesia.

Do you have any questions about the Catholic faith?

¿Tiene alguna pregunta sobre la fe Católica?

We have fun activities for the children.

Tenemos actividades muy divertidas para los niños.

Don't forget to visit Christ in the Eucharist.

No olvide de visitar a Cristo en la Eucaristía.

We will pray the rosary in the afternoon.

Rezaremos el rosario por la tarde.

Do you have any prayer intentions (something we can pray for)?

¿Necesita algo?

¿Te le podemos ayudar en algo?

¿Necesita que recemos por alguien o algo en particular?

Activities for the kids at four

Actividades para los niños a las cuatro

Today, Saturday, we remember Our Lady's sorrows.

Hoy Sábado recordamos los misterios.

Confessions are at four.

Las confesiones son a las cuatro.

The Holy Father is the Vicar of Christ.

El Papa es el vicario de Cristo en la tierra.

Have you received all the Sacraments?

¿Ya tiene todos los sacramentos?

Have a wonderful day!

¡Qué tenga buen día!

What's is your name?

¿Como se llama (usted)?

How old are you?

¿Cuantos años tiene?

Go with God!

¡Vaya con Dios!

Don't miss the Holy Week ceremonies.

No se olvide de las actividades de Semana Santa

See you at Church.

Nos vemos en la parroquia.

*Christ is counting on YOU to bring
his message of hope to many
people who desperately need his
love!*

SPANISH/ENGLISH VOCABULARY

God Bless!: ¡Qué Dios los Bendiga! (two people) le (man) la (woman)

The Eucharist: La Eucaristía

Confession: Confesión

Our Lady: La Santísima Virgen

The Holy Father: El Papa

Our Father: Padre Nuestro

Hail Mary: Ave María

The Sacraments: Los Sacramentos

Mass: Misa

Mass is at five: La misa es a las cinco.

Church/Parish: Iglesia/Parroquia

Holy Week: Semana Santa

Activities: Actividades

In the Afternoon: Por la tarde

Children: Niños

CREOLE/ENGLISH VOCABULARY

Bonjou! - Good morning!

Bonswa! - Good afternoon!/Evening! (used after 11 AM)

Komon ou ye? - How are you?

N'ap boule! (most common greeting and response) - Good!

Wi - Yes

yo - they, them

Non - No

Mesi - Thanks

Anmwe! - Help!

Non, mesi - No, thanks

Souple - Please

Merite - You're welcome

Pa gen pproblem - No problem

Oke - OK

Eskize mwen - Excuse me

Mwen regret sa - I'm sorry

Gen... - There is/are...

Pa genyen! - There is/are not any!

Mwen pa genyen! - I don't have any!

Sekonsa! - That's right!

Piti piti - A little bit

Anpil - A lot

Gen anpil... - There are a lot of...

Isit - Here

La - There

Tout bagay anfon? - Is everything OK?

Pa kounye-a - Not now

Toupatou - Everywhere

Anyen - Nothing

Preske - Almost

Atansyon! - Attention!/Watch out!

Prese prese! - Hurry!

Dife! - Fire!

Rete! - Stop!

Kounye-a - Now

Nou ap chache... - We are looking for...

Souple, ban mwen... - Please give me...

Separe sa ant nou - Divide this among you

Ye - Yesterday

Jodia - Today **Demen** - Tomorrow

Maten an - This morning

Apremidi a - This afternoon

Aswe a - This evening

lendi - Monday

madi - Tuesday

mekredi - Wednesday

jedi - Thursday

vandredi - Friday

samdi - Saturday

dimanch - Sunday

Ou byen? - You OK?

Mwen pa two byen - I'm not too well

Mwen malad - I'm sick

Te gen yon aksidan - There was an accident

Nou bezwen yon dokte/yon mis touswit - We need a doctor/a nurse right

now

Kote Iopital Ia? - Where is the hospital?

Kote li ou fe mal? - Where does it hurt you?

Li ansent - She's pregnant

Mwen pa ka manje/domi - I cannot eat/sleep

Mwengendjare - I have diarrhea

Mwen anvi vonmi - I feel nauseated

Tout ko mwen cho - My whole body is hot

Mwen toudi - I'm dizzy

Nou bezwen pansman/koton - We need bandages/cotton

Mwen bezwen yon bagay pi blese sa a - I need something for this cut

Mwen grangou - I'm hungry

Mwen swaf anpil - I'm very thirsty

Nou ta vle manje - We would like to eat

Konben - How much?/How many?

Poukisa? - Why?

Kote? - Where?

Kisa? - What?

Kile? - When?

Ki moun? - Who?

Kijan? - How?

Kiles? - Which?

Eske gen...? - Is/Are there...?

Eske ou gen...? - Do you have...?

Eske ou ka ede nou, souple? - Can you help us please?

Eske ou ka di mwen...? - Can you tell me...?

montre - show

ban - give

Kisa ou ta via? - What would you like?

Kisa ou ap fe la? - What are you doing there?

Kisa sa a ye? - What is that?

Sa k'genyen? - What's the matter?

Kisa pi nou fe? - What must we do?

Eske ou te we...? - Have you seen...?

Eske ou pale angle/franse? - Do you speak English/French?

Ki moun isit ki pale angle? - Who speaks English here?

Ou konprann? - You understand?

Kij an yo rele sa an kreyol? - What do they call that in Creole?

Kij an yo di...an kreyol? - How do they say... in Creole?

Kisa ou bezouen? - What do you need?

Kisa ki rive ou? - What happened to you?

Ki kote li ale? - Where did he go?

Kilaj ou? - How old are you?

Kote ou rete? - Where do you live?

Eske ou gen petit? - Do you have any children?

Kote nou ye? - Where are we?

genyen - to have

chita - to sit

manje - to eat

rete - to stop

kouri - to run

kouche - to lie down

vini - to come

ale/prale - to go

GOSPEL PASSAGES USEFUL FOR REFLECTION

1. Apostolic Activity

- Work of Christ: Mt 9:35 ff.
- The seventy-two: Lk 10:1-12
- Instructions: Mt 10:5-42
- Friends of the Lord: Jn 15:9-17
- Conditions: Mt 8:18-22
- Warning: Lk 12:1-12
- Vineyard workers: Mt 20:1-16
- Sacrifices: Mk 10:28-31
- Light: Lk 11:33-36
- Good Shepherd: Jn 10:1-16
- False Prophets: Mt 7:15-20

2. Charity

- 1st Commandment: Mt 22:34-40
- Law of charity: Mt 7:12 ff.
- Forgiving offenses: Mt 6:14-15, Lk 17:3-4
- Judgments: Lk 6:37-42, Mt 7:1-6
- Correction: Mt 18:21 ff.
- Family: Mk 3:31-35
- Enemies: Lk 6:27-38
- Benevolence: Lk 6:39-46
- Good Samaritan: Lk 10:25-37

3. Eternal Truths

- Watchfulness: Mt 25:1-13
- Talents: Mt 25:14-30
- Judgment: Mt 25:31-46
- Vigilance: Lk 12:35-48

4. Eucharist

- Bread of life: Jn 6:25-47, Jn 6:48-59
- Institution: Jn 22:14-23

5. Faith

- Tempest calmed: Mk 4:25-41, Lk 8:22-25
- Peter's Confession: Mt 14:13-20
- Power of faith: Lk 17:5-6
- Blind man (Jericho): Lk 18:35-42

6. Parables

- The sower: Mt 13:1-23
- The weeds: Mt 13:24 ff.
- Mustard seed: Mt 13:31-32
- The yeast: Mt 13:33-43
- The treasure: Mt 13:44-46
- The net: Mt 13:47-58

7. Parables of Mercy

- Lost Sheep: Mt 18:12-14
- The sinners: Lk 7:36-50
- Two sons: Mt 21:28-32
- Prodigal son: Lk 15:11-32
- Samaritan woman: Jn 4:4-38
- Adulteress: Jn 8:3-11

8. Prayer

- Method: Mt 6:5-13
- Effectiveness: Lk 11:9-13
- To live for God: Lk 6:19-23
- Our Father: Lk 11:1-4
- Providence: Mt 6:25 ff.
- The vine: Jn 15:1-8
- Action of Grace: Mt 11:25 ff.
- Prayer of Christ: Jn 17:1-26

9. Purity of Intention and Humility

- Method: Mt 6:2-4
- Apostles' mother: Mt 20:20-28
- The greatest: Lk 9:46-48

10. Sacrifice

- Detachment: Mt 19:27-30, Lk 18:18-28
- The Cross: Lk 14:25-35

11. Trust

- In providence: Lk 12:22-34
- Walks on water: Mk 6:45-52, Jn 6:16-21, Mt 14:22-23
- Multi. of bread: Mt 14:13-21, Mk 8:1-9

WHERE TO FIND HELP WHEN YOU ARE...

- **Anguished:** Mt 5:4, 2 Cor 1:3-4
- **Anxious:** Psalm 46, Mt 6:19-34, Phil 4:6, 1 Peter 5:6-7
- **Bitter or in Crisis:** 1 Cor 13, Psalm 121, Mat 6:25-34, Heb 4:16
- **Conquered:** Psalm 6, Rom 8:31-39, 1 John 1:4-9
- **Courage is Needed:** Psalm 46:1-11, 2 Cor 4:7-18
- **Defeated:** Rom 8:31-39
- **Depressed:** Psalm 34
- **Difficulties Arise:** Psalm 16, 31, Jn 14:1-14, Heb 7:25
- **Disaster Threatens:** Psalm 91, 118:5-6, Lk 8:22-25
- **Discouraged:** Psalm 23, 42:6-11, 55:22, Mt 5:11-12
- **Doubting:** Mt 8:26, Heb 2
- **Exhausted:** Psalm 90, Mt 2:28-30, 1 Cor 15:58, Gal 6:9-10
- **Faith Fails:** Psalm 42:5, Mt 7:7-11, Heb 2
- **Falling Back:** Psalm 51, 1 John 1:4-9
- **Fearful:** Psalm 24:4, Mt 10:28, 2 Tim 2:1-7, Heb 13:5-6

- **Forgiveness is Questioned:** Lk 15: 11-32 (Prodigal Son)
- **Friendship Fails:** Psalm 41:9-13, Lk 17:3-4, Rom 12:14,17,19,21, 2 Tim 4:16-18, 1 Thess 5:18, Heb 13:15
- **Golden Rule is Desired:** Mt 7:12
- **Gratitude is Lacking:** Psalm 100
- **In Pain or Sick:** Psalm 38, Mt 26:39, Rom 5:3-5, 2 Cor 12:9-10, 1 Pet 4:12-13,19
- **Guilt is Experienced:** 1 Jn 1, 2:1-2
- **In Prayer:** Psalm 4, 42, Lk 2:1-13, Jn 17, 1 Jn 5:14-15
- **Leaving Home:** Psalm 121, Mt 10:16-20
- **Lonely:** Psalm 23, Heb 13:5-6, Rom 12:14,17, 19, 21, 2 Tim 4:16-18
- **Needing Direction:** Psalm 32:8
- **Needing the Protection of God:** Psalm 27:1-6, 91, Phil 4:19
- **Needing Rules for Living:** Rom 12
- **Peace is Needed:** Psalm 4:1-8, 43:1-5, 91:1-16, Mt 11:28-30, Jn 14:1-14, 16:33, Rom 5:1-5, 8:31-3
- **Sad:** Psalm 51, Mt 5:4, Jn 14, 2 Cor 1:3-4, 1 Thess 4:1-18
- **Sheltered:** Psalm 18:1-3, 34:7
- **Suffering:** Job
- **Tempted:** Psalm 1, 139:23-24, Mt 26:41, 1 Cor 10:12-14, Phil 4:4-8, James 1:12-18, 4:7, 2 Pet 2:9, 3:17
- **Traveling:** Psalm 121
- **Worried:** Mt 6:19-34, 1 Pet 5:6-7

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES TO CATHOLIC TEACHINGS

1. Authority of the Church:

- Mt 10:40, 13:11, 16:13-19, 18:15-18
- Lk 10:16
- Acts 15:1-29
- 1 Th 3:15
- Eph 2:19-20

2. Angels:

- Gen 16:7-14, 18:2-15
- Ex 3:1-2
- Psalm 148:2
- Heb 1:13-14
- Col 1:16

3. Baptism:

- Mt 3:11
- Mk. 16:16
- Jn 3:5, 5:6-8
- Acts 2:38-39, 19:2-7, 22:16
- Rm 6:3-4
- Eph 5:26-27
- Col 2:11-12
- Titus 3:5-7
- 1 Pet 3:20-21

4. Bible and Tradition:

- Jn 21:25
- Acts 15:1-2
- 1 Tim 3:15, 2 Tim 2:2
- 2 Thess 3:6
- 1 Cor 11:22

*"You have set out to
bring the Gospel to all
men. You announce
salvation, joyfully
proclaiming God's
word!"*

John Paul II, April 8, 1998

5. Confession/Reconciliation:

- Mt 9:1-9, 18:18
- Mk 2:10
- Lk 7:48
- Jn 5:14-16, 8:1-11, 20:21-23, 5:16
- Gen 2:7

6. Confirmation:

- Acts 2:1-4, 38, 8:14-17, 19:6

7. Communion (Real Presence in the Eucharist):

- Jn 6:27-35, 1:29, 6:48-71
- Lk 22:19-20
- Mt 26:26-27
- Mk 14:22-24
- 1 Cor 11:23-29

8. Grace:

- Jn 1:14-17
- 1 Pet 1:13-16, 2 Pet 3:17-18

9. Graven Images vs. Statues and Icons:

- Jn 3:14-15
- Ex 20:4-5, 25:18-22
- Dt 5:7-8
- Num 21:7-9
- 1 Kn 6:11. 2 Kn 18:4

10. Heaven:

- Mt 5:17-20
- Lk 15:7-10, 16:19-25
- Jn 3:5, 18-21
- 1 Pet 1:3-5
- Heb 9:24
- Rev 14:13

11. Hell:

- Mt 5:27-30, 25:41-46
- Rom 2:8-9
- 2 Thess 1:5-10
- Lk 16:19-31

12. Homosexuality:

- Lev 18:22, 20:13
- Rom 1:24,26-27

13. Marriage & Divorce:

- Mk 10:2-9
- Lk 16:18
- Acts 15:19-20,29
- Rom 7:2-31
- Cor 7:10-17

14. Mary (Immaculate Conception):

- Lk 1:28
- Jn 1:14
- 2 Sam 6:1-7
- Gen 3:15

15. Mary (Virgin Birth):

- Mt 12:55-56, 6:3, 15:40
- Lk 1:30-37
- Jn 19:25-27

16. Pope (Hierarchy Established and Infallibility):

- Mt 16:18-19, 28:16-20
- Lk 22:32
- Jn 16:13-14, 21:15-17

17. Priestly Celibacy:

- Mt 19:10-12
- 1 Cor 7:32-35, 7:8

18. Purgatory/Prayer for the Dead:

- 2 Mac 12:46
- Mt 5:23-26

- Mk 12:58-59
- 1 Cor 3:10-15

19. Saints:

- Rom 8:26-27
- Rev 5:8, 8:3-4

20. Salvation (Justification): [Actions and Faith]

- James 2:14-26
- 1 Jn 2:3-6

21. The 2 Coming of Christ:

- Mt 24:27,36-44

22. Sin (Original):

- Gen 3:1-6
- Rom 5:12

23. Sola Fides vs. Faith & Works:

- Mt 7:21-23, 19:16-17, 25:31-46
- Lk 13:6-9, Jn 14:21
- Rm 2:6-13
- Eph 2:8-10
- Gal 5:6
- 1 Cor 13:2
- Rev 20:12-13

24. Ten Commandments:

- Ex 20:1-17

25. Trinity:

- Mt 3:16-17, 28:19
- Jn 14:26, 15:26
- 2 Cor 13:13
- Gal 4:4-6

26. The Great Commandment:

- Mt 22:36-40