EVANGELIZATION

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Evangelization is an invitation to experience the enduring love of God, through our chosen vocation, our prayers, our prayer life, and our service to others. It is extending the mission of Christ and the mission of the church. Let us then make use of our knowledge of the Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the church, in order to make others feel the enduring love of God through evangelization.

Biblical verses to help us understand the concept of Evangelization.

1.Acts 13:47

The Lord has commanded us, "I have made you a light to the Gentiles that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth" (Isa. 49:6). Jesus is our salvation and our Savior. Salvation is the very center of the teaching of all the church. Hence, we have to proclaim the message of salvation.

2. John 20:17-18

Jesus directed Mary Magdalene to inform His brothers: "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Then, she announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and relayed what He told her. Therefore, evangelization is telling the world things that have come from God.

3. Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus said, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." Thus, we are proclaiming the kingdom of God and building the church of Christ.

4. Isaiah 12:4

We are told to sing praise to the Lord, proclaim His name and make known among the nations, what He has done. Paul and Titus preached what is appropriate to sound doctrine. Therefore, we must be aware of the teachings of the Church and share to others sound doctrine.

5. John 13:35

We are Jesus' disciples if we have love for one another. The manifestation that God is love is Jesus. Let us proclaim salvation as the loving mission of God, and our task in evangelizing the world.

6. Acts 1:8

Jesus said, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When we evangelize, the power of the word of God is in our heart and in our mind. We proclaim because of the authority of Jesus in us, to witness and share to others our experiences, on the goodness of salvation, thus, help others understand the word of God.

CONCLUSION:

Evangelization is helping others understand God's enduring love in our life. He is our evangelization, our life, our refuge, our strength and our salvation. Therefore, with faith and joy, let us witness and share to others to strengthen their faith and to find inspiration and support.

REFLECTION: Describe one of your shared witnessing that helped others understand the enduring love of God.

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