

A DISORIENTATING GOD

“No matter, I call you!” said the Lord.

But say, are you sure you know what you’re doing? I can see you hiring workers at all hours of the day. I can even imagine that you would hire last-minute workers. Whether as a catechist or as a participant in a catechesis or a parish meeting, you call!

IT DOESN’T MATTER

Lord, what bothers me a little is that you seem to believe in me! You know, my life is not always an example to follow. I know my human frailties. For some people, it could be an impediment. But no, not for you. You call me to join others like me.

It is said that love makes you blind. Maybe that’s what’s happening to you, Lord. It is still touching to see that, with and despite these human frailties that are mine, you believe in me.

I CALL YOU

“My friend, I call you, no matter your imperfections. My love sees them well. I see above all what brings you to fullness of life. I wish to free you from what prevents you from living fully. Please let me call you! You don’t need to understand right away; One day you’ll see! »

SOME WAYS TO PROPOSE THIS MEDITATION

This meditation can be lived alone, at home or in any other place conducive to silence; It can also be proposed to a group in various contexts or to a liturgical assembly. Here are some suggestions:

Text to print or project

- In the participation sheet for a celebration or group activity;
- On a sheet inserted in the parish bulletin or given at the entrance of the church;
- On a slide to project on a wall or screen.

In an animation or meeting

Why not incorporate this meditation into parish meetings? Whether to begin or as a moment of interiority at the end of a meeting, this text would be very suitable. Here are some examples:

- at a preparatory meeting for baptism;
- at the beginning of a catechesis meeting;
- when individuals start volunteering;
- at a meeting of parents interested in the formation of their child for the Christian life: this meditation could both challenge young people to continue their formation process and invite adults to engage themselves in a process of formation, either by accompanying their child or by becoming a catechist;
- during an accompaniment meeting of a catechumen or in a group;
- at a meeting during the season of Advent or Lent.

This meditation can also be proposed at meetings of pastoral leaders, for example:

- as a moment of interiority, on the occasion of a pastoral team meeting to discuss its projects and challenges;
- to mark a time of openness, availability to the calls of the Spirit during a renewal activity or formation of ministers (pastoral agents, priests, deacons) of a sector or diocese;
- at a meeting of candidates for priestly ministry.

In a liturgical celebration

As part of a catechumenal process, this meditation can be proposed in dialogue reading on the occasion of one or another liturgical celebration.

This meditation can also be integrated, in the form of dialogue or not, into a Eucharistic celebration, a liturgy of the Word, or the celebration of a commitment to religious life or an ordination (diaconal or presbyterial).