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Finding Christ
Through Commitment (May 2020)



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Finding Christ through Commitment

We began this month's conversation by learning about commitment to Christ. We read the biblical account of Christ fishing with the disciples and calling them to become "fishers of men" (Luke 5:1-11). We also learned about the commitment of St. Maria of Paris. Continue this conversation by asking your child what they learned, as well as exploring the resources on this page.

For Discussion:

- What does it mean to be committed to Jesus Christ?
- What ways did the disciples show their commitment to Jesus when He called them to be "fishers of men"?
- Why is commitment so important in our relationship with Christ? Why is commitment important in our relationships with one another?
- What ways can we commit ourselves to Jesus Christ every day?



Saint Story

Read the life of Saint Elizabeth the New Martyr:

<https://theinnerkingdom.wordpress.com/2008/09/24/grand-duchess-elizabeth-her-life-quotes/>

How did St. Elizabeth come to commit herself Christ?

Bible Verse

"Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, and He shall bring *it* to pass."

Psalm 37:5

Social Media

Listen to the Podcast *Family Matters*:

https://www.ancientfaith.com/podcasts/familymatters/dont_forget_about_the_clergy_family

Consider your priest's commitment to Christ through his service to the Church? How does it inspire your own commitment?

Discussion

In the Divine Liturgy, we hear the priest pray, "let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God". How can we commit our whole lives to Christ? How can we commit one another? What does this commitment look like as we go about our lives at home, work, school, play, activities?

"We work, pray and hope every day to experience God's mercy. Every day we experience a continuous miracle. Others begin to feel this and come to our church in order to give their souls a rest."

St. Elizabeth the New Martyr