

## **SHARE THE FAITH**

# Pope Francis, Shepherd of Truth

Notable quotations from Pope Francis and official teachings  
of the Roman Catholic Church

### **WE CAN'T HELP IT**

Once we experience the power of God's love, and recognize His fatherly presence in our social and community life, we cannot help but proclaim and share what we have seen and heard.

### **JESUS CALLS**

Everything about Christ reminds us that He knows well our world and its need for redemption, and calls us to become actively engaged in this mission: "Go therefore to the highways and byways, and invite everyone you find" (Mt 22:9).

### **"FRIENDLY DIALOGUE"**

The history of evangelization began with the Lord's own passionate desire to call and enter into friendly dialogue with everyone, just as they are (cf. Jn 15: 12-17).

### **"ON THE MOVE"**

Love is always on the move, and inspires us to share a wonderful and hope-filled message: "We have found the Messiah" (Jn 1:41).



## **PUT TO GOOD USE**

Everything we have received from the Lord is meant to be put to good use and freely shared with others... As Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves: the Church's evangelizing mission finds outward fulfillment in the transformation of our world and in the care of creation.

## **OPEN TO ALL**

By its very nature, the life of faith calls for a growing openness to embracing everyone, everywhere.

## **EVERYONE CAN BE A MISSIONARY**

I like to think that "even those who are most frail, limited and troubled can be missionaries in their own way, for goodness can always be shared, even if it exists alongside many limitations" (Christus Vivit, 239).

## **JESUS NEEDS YOU**

... We ... beg "the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest" (Lk 10:2). We know that the call to mission is not a thing of the past, or a romantic leftover from earlier times. Today too Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation as a true love story that urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion. He addresses this call to everyone and in different ways.

## **BE LIKE JESUS**

To be on mission is to be willing to think as Christ does, to believe with Him that those around us are also my brothers and sisters. May His compassionate love touch our hearts and make us all true missionary disciples.

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