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INTO THE BREACH #5 – THE F Word and Leadership **Seven Good Words For Great Leaders**

Into the Breach is a call to battle for Catholic Men which urges them to embrace wholeheartedly masculine virtues in an imperfect and broken world. The video presentation we will see illustrates the gravity of our duty as men of Christ and offers us an invitation to renew Christ based masculinity.



This month's episode will discuss Leadership and how we can develop it into a Blessing...not just in our own lives, but for others too. Leaders are not born, they are self-made because they have practiced character in unison with God's will. It's not about temperament, it is always about Character.

Leadership is pursuing and achieving greatness by bringing out the greatness in those who God has put into our lives to lead. There will be a special emphasis on using F Words (Freedom, Focus, Fidelity, Fortitude, Forbearance, Forgiveness, Faith) in our lives and those we lead. The average man is doing his best as a good leader, protector and provider for his family. But goods in this world are temporary. If we really want to do what is best for wives and children, then we must lead them to eternity.

Let us pay close attention to the Video, Holy Scripture and Catechism. May God bless us with His Wisdom, His Work and the wherewithal to complete the mission He's given us. Amen.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

YouTube Video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pRePr8I7RFA>

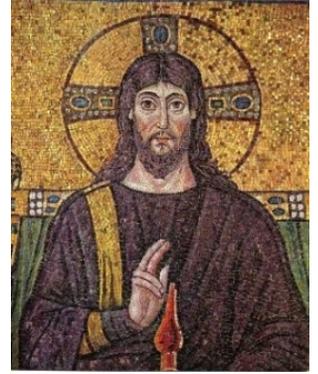


Leadership

Holy Scripture

James 2:14-17 – Faith Without Works

What good is it, my brethren, if someone claims to have faith but does not have good works? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is naked and lacks his or her daily food. If one of you says to such a person, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat well," but does not take care of that person's physical needs, what is the good of that? In the same way, faith by itself is dead if it does not have works.



James 5:13-15 – The Prayer of the Faithful

Is anyone among you suffering? He should pray. Is anyone cheerful? He should sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? He should send for the presbyters of the Church so that they may pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven.

The Word of the Lord

Catechism

CCC 2365 – Fidelity

Fidelity expresses constancy in keeping one's given word. God is faithful. The Sacrament of Matrimony enables man and woman to enter into Christ's fidelity for his Church. Through conjugal chastity, they bear witness to this mystery before the world.

St. John Chrysostom suggests that young husbands should say to their wives: I have taken you in my arms, and I love you, and I prefer you to my life itself. For the present life is nothing, and my most ardent dream is to spend it with you in such a way that we may be assured of not being separated in the life reserved for us. . . . I place your love above all things, and nothing would be more bitter or painful to me than to be of a different mind than you.

Modern Comment

Seven Good Words For Great Leaders

Freedom

"Freedom is only part of the story and half the truth. That is why I recommend that the Statue of Liberty on the East Coast be supplanted by a Statue of Responsibility on the West Coast." Viktor Frankl, author, Man's Search for meaning, and Auschwitz survivor

Focus

"The choice is simple: pay attention and focus, or be the focus of unwanted attention."
Mr. Anderson's wisdom

Fidelity

"Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose." Helen Keller

Fortitude

"Success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom." General George S. Patton

"Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you must be without one, be without the strategy." General H. Norman Schwarzkopf

Forbearance

"God, grant me the serenity to accept things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference." Saint Francis of Assisi
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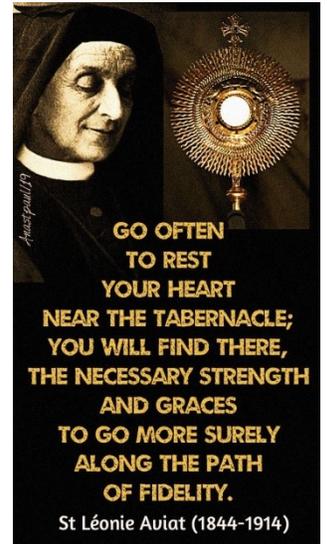
Forgiveness

"Forgiveness is not an occasional act. It is a permanent attitude." Dr. Martin Luther King
"If you forgive their transgressions, your heavenly father will forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your transgressions." Matthew 6:14

Faith

"Faith is believing in things when common sense tells you not to." George Seaton, playwright, who won an Oscar for the movie, Miracle on 34th Street.

"When I saw the sight, I knew we were defeated. For any army whose commander was so humble before almighty God could never lose the war." British Officer diary entry.



Questions to Focus on:

1. As a Leader, which of the Seven "Good Words for Great Leaders" resonates with you the most? Explain.

2. Are you satisfied with the example of Christian Leadership that you have demonstrated with your family?



Men's Group Calendar

A Man who never quits is Never Defeated. We are ordinary men who labor for Christ.

10/22/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
11/13/2021	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass
11/26/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
12/11/2021	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass
12/17/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
1/8/2022	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass

NOTE: A Rosary starts in the Reservation Chapel immediately following the meeting.

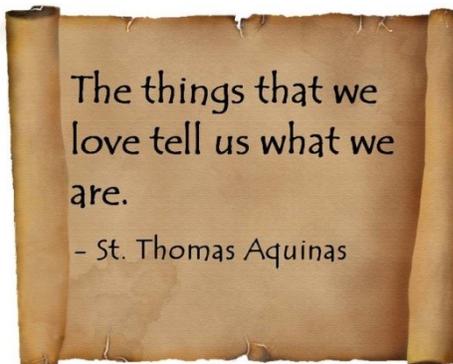


The Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we unto fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do we come; before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruination of souls. Amen.





Lord, God and Savior, by your love you draw me to yourself. Forgive me – the sinner that I am, and fill me with every good thing. Come dwell in my heart.

Send forth your Holy Spirit to guide me in your path. Make me worthy of your love, and teach me how to forgive as you forgave.

Thank you for your tender mercies. I ask you to Bless my family, friends and those who I meet on this path. Give them your Joy, Peace and Mercy. Where there is doubt, release in them renewed confidence in the Holy Spirit. Fill their every need with your Holy Grace.

**You are indeed my Lord, God and Savior.
Amen. And AMEN.**

Kindness

**BE KIND AND
COMPASSIONATE
TO ONE ANOTHER,
FORGIVING EACH OTHER,
JUST AS IN
CHRIST GOD
FORGAVE YOU.**



Ephesians 4:32



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Bethlehem, Israel 2017

Forgiveness is a Gift that we give first to ourselves then to the other.
Jesus wants us to make choices that reflect His presence in our hearts.
Life constantly presents us with opportunities to choose to love & serve one another.
It is not about us, it is about reaching out in love.
Go to the Author of Life.
Go to the Sacraments of Confession & Communion often.

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Martin Luther King Jr.