

KERYGMA – THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL



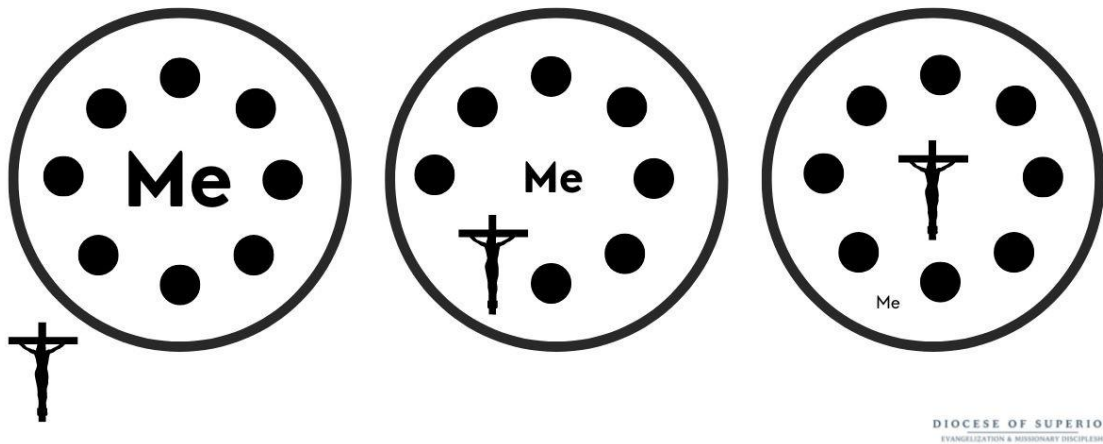
**Handouts for Presentations by
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The Kerygma: The Heart of the Church's Mission

Evangelization

1. Good news for _____
2. Good news for _____
3. Good news for _____

Three Circles



Conclusion

"But how can they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone to preach."
Romans 10:14

Session 1: Created

Introduction

Destiny to Determine OR Designer to Discover

Reason

- Creation
- Complexity
- Conscience

>> Human reason can help us know that God exists, but _____ can help us know what God is _____.

The Probability of You

>> God said: "I _____ for you to be here."

"God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and God said to them: Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that crawl on the earth. God also said: See, I give you every seed-bearing plant on all the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the wild animals, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the earth, I give all the green plants for food. And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good. Evening came, and morning followed—the sixth day."
Genesis 1:27-31

Imago Dei

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Conclusion

Session 2: Captured

Light

The Good and the Bad

"The good news will only be as _____ as the bad news is _____."
- Fr. John Riccardo

"There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them." C.S. Lewis

Origin Stories are Powerful: The devil's origin story is no different.

- Powerful, but limited _____

"Now the serpent was more subtle (cunning) than any other wild creature that the Lord God had made."
Genesis 3:1

CCC 391 - The Church teaches that Satan was at first a good angel, made by God: "The devil and the other demons were indeed created naturally good by God, but they became evil by their own doing."

- Anchored in pride, but motivated by _____

"Through the devil's envy death entered the world and those who belong to his party experience it."
Wisdom 2:24

Goal, Strategy and Tactics

1) Goal

“Be sober and vigilant. Your opponent the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.” 1 Peter 3:

2) Strategy

3) Tactics

“The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world.” Revelation 12:9

'Now the snake was the most cunning of all the wild animals that the Lord God had made. He asked the woman, “Did God really say, ‘You shall not eat from any of the trees in the garden?’” The woman answered the snake: “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; it is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden that God said, ‘You shall not eat it or even touch it, or else you will die.’” But the snake said to the woman: “You certainly will not die! God knows well that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, who know good and evil.” '

- Genesis 3:1-5

“Scripture doesn’t tell us simply what happened, it tells us what always happens.” Fr. John Riccardo

Core Wound

What is the lie or accusation that you are often tempted to believe that divides you from God, others, even yourself? Where are you most easily discouraged?

Result

Not simply separated, but _____.

Session 3: Rescued

Introduction

1) What did he do for us?

“Can the prey be taken from the mighty or the captives of a tyrant be rescued? Surely, thus says the Lord: “Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey of the tyrant shall be rescued, for I will contend with those who contend with you. Then all flesh will know that I am the Lord your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.” Isaiah 49:24-26

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor, he has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free.” Luke 4:18

“For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.” 2 Corinthians 5:21

2) Why did it work?

a) It was _____ and _____

b) Because Jesus was _____ and _____

>> As Savior, Jesus has _____ for us that we couldn't _____ for ourselves.

3) What difference did it make?

>>As Lord, Jesus has _____ for us that we shouldn't _____ for our ourselves.

a) Jesus has given us authority over the enemy

Luke 10:19 – “I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.”

b) Jesus has humiliated the enemy

Col 2:13-15 “And even when you were dead [in] transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, he brought you to life along with him, having forgiven us all our transgressions; obliterating the bond against us, with its legal claims, which was opposed to us, he also removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross; despoiling the principalities and the powers, he made a public spectacle of them, leading them away in triumph by it.”

c) Jesus has transferred us to His Kingdom

Col 1:13 “He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the Kingdom of his beloved Son.”

d) Jesus has sent us on a mission to get his world back.

Matt 28:18-20 “All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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.”

e) In Christ, death has lost its sting

I Corinthians 15:54-55 – “Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”

f) In Christ, God’s life dwells within us.

Gal 2:20 - “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.”

g) In Christ, we are no longer slaves to sin.

Romans 6:6-7 - “For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin - because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.”

h) In Christ, we are a new creation

II Cor 5:17 - “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”

i) In Christ, we are loved by the Father

John 3:16 - “For God so loved the world that he gave his only son that whoever believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life.”

Session 4: Response

Introduction

It was for freedom

“It was for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm then and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.” Galatians 5:1

+ Slave to...

+ Free to...

Prayerful Heartfelt Response

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

“The initial ardent proclamation whereby a person is one day overwhelmed and

_____ to entrust themselves to Jesus Christ by faith.” - CT 25