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“Throw yourself into loving”

“FOR GOD DID NOT GIVE US A SPIRIT OF COWARDICE, BUT RATHER A SPIRIT OF POWER AND LOVE AND SELF-DISCIPLINE.”



(2Tim 1:7)



Saint Paul wrote a letter to his friend, Timothy, which is considered to be his **SPIRITUAL LEGACY**.

The Word of Life for this month is in the first part of his letter.



He gives Timothy some advice and also warns him about certain things. In reality this letter is directed to everyone who is part of a Christian community, both then and now.

How can we give witness to the Gospel?



It's clear that it's not our talents or abilities that guarantee that we will be effective. And in the same way, our personal limitations don't prevent us from proclaiming the Word. What guarantees that we will be effective witnesses are the gifts of the Holy Spirit who fills us with **a spirit of power, love and self-discipline.**

POWER LOVE SELF-DISCIPLINE



«Where can I get these GIFTS?»



Jesus himself, who is **IN OUR HEARTS**, will make these **VIRTUES** grow and develop in us. They will help us to **GIVE WITNESS TO HIM** in everything we do throughout our whole day.



What do you mean when you say: «**THROW YOURSELF INTO LOVING**»?



It means not being closed in ourselves and passively resigned to whatever happens around us, but rather **TO GO OUT TOWARDS OTHERS** and **MAKE OURSELVES ONE WITH THEM** in whatever God wants us to do, in all the duties of our life, trusting in the help of Jesus who lives in each one of us.



«Where is Jesus sending us?»

«**THERE ARE NO BORDERS, NO LIMITS!** HE SENDS US TO EVERYONE. **THE GOSPEL IS FOR EVERYONE, NOT JUST FOR SOME.** IT IS NOT ONLY FOR THOSE WHO SEEM CLOSER TO US, MORE RECEPTIVE, MORE WELCOMING.

«**DON'T BE AFRAID TO GO AND BRING CHRIST INTO EVERY AREA OF LIFE, TO THE FRINGES OF SOCIETY, EVEN TO THOSE WHO SEEM FARTHEST AWAY FROM GOD AND WHO ARE INDIFFERENT. THE LORD SEEKS THEM ALL! HE WANTS EVERYONE TO FEEL THE WARMTH OF HIS MERCY AND HIS LOVE.**

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