



MISSION DISCERNMENT

You've got questions ?

The Call for You

Church Ministry is not a matter of “I should,” nor is it an escape or a “security blanket.” Waiting for a call to be perfectly clear can be an excuse for not acting. Few calls are ever crystal clear. Couples talk about the mystery of “why this wife for me, why this husband for me, why these children for us?”

When we make life decisions like marriage, career, and children, few of us are sure God is calling us to these options. Instead, we pray that we are making a wise decision and leave the rest up to God.

Try asking yourself the following questions.

Questions

Does it feel Right?

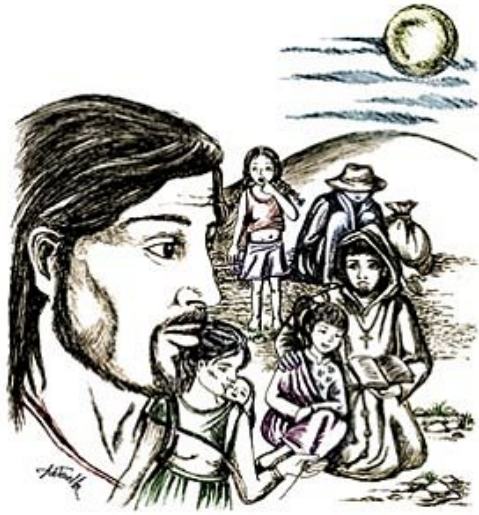
How can I be sure about my Call?

On your *desire and attraction* to the priesthood or religious life: Does it give me a certain sense of satisfaction to think of myself as a missionary? As a priest? As a brother?

On your *motivations and reasons* for the priesthood or religious missionary life: What’s behind my interest and attraction? What are the positive reasons I have to pursue that?

On your *fitness* to live as a missionary priest or brother: Can I live religious life or priesthood cheerfully and generously, without going into pieces or without a constant drain on my inner resources and energies?

Do they clarify your ideas? Write these thoughts in your Journal



"God is always ready to give us Grace from above; yet the Lord demands of us the necessary dispositions" - Saint Guido M. Conforti [by Antonella del Grosso, xmm]