

The Spiritual Path of the Catholic Disciple:

- 1) Follow the example of Mary (the sister of Martha and Lazarus) in Luke 10:49, "Mary [who] sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak."
- 2) Look for Jesus where He makes Himself present and be obedient to John 12:26, "...where I am, there also will my servant be."
- 3) Seek to meet Jesus at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in the Sacraments, in His Holy Word through prayer and meditation, through prayer, and through service toward "the least" of our brothers and sisters.
- 4) Be obedient to the Heavenly Father when He directs us regarding His Son to, "...listen to him." Matthew 17:5, and allow the Holy Spirit to, "...guide you to all truth." John 16:13
- 5) Follow the example of Mary the Mother of God, and whatever truth that Jesus gives us let us continue, "...reflecting on them in [our] heart." Luke 2:19
- 6) Respond to that which Jesus speaks to your heart, soul, and mind and "...open the door..." to Jesus Revelation 3:20, and take to heart the words of His Mother Mary, "Do whatever He tells you." John 2:5
- 7) As we continue down the path of discipleship remember what #2567 in the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" teaches, "God calls man first. man may forget his Creator or hide far from his face; he may run after idols or accuse the deity of having abandoned him, yet the living and true God tirelessly calls each person to that mysterious encounter known as prayer. In prayer, the faithful God's initiative of love always comes first; our own first step is always a response. As God gradually reveals himself and reveals man to himself, prayer appears as a reciprocal call, a covenant drama. Through words and actions, this drama engages the heart."
- 8) Remember and look always for God's "first step."