

***Two-Twelve Ministries presents a Lenten Parish Mission***

**DESERT DISCIPLESHIP:  
FROM THE DESERT TO THE TEMPLE  
FROM THE TEMPLE TO THE STREETS**

St. Pope John Paul II called for a “New Evangelization” in the Church. On the surface this sounds great but what does it really mean? What does it actually entail? How can an everyday Lay Catholic respond?

**Come find out.**

**DISCIPLESHIP FROM THE DESERT**

**MATTHEW 4:1-11**

**DISCIPLESHIP IN THE TEMPLE**

**LUKE 2:41-49**

**DISCIPLESHIP TO THE STREETS**

**MATTHEW 28:16-20**

***Discipleship from the desert...*** prior to beginning His public ministry Jesus was tested mightily in the desert. Just as He was tested we know that we shall also be. To aid in strengthening us, Jesus shows us that we have the same “tools” at our disposal that He had: Scripture and the Holy Spirit.

***Discipleship in the temple...*** not only do we find Jesus in the temple, but we see that His knowledge at a young age is astonishing to the elders gathered around. Before going out to share the Gospel we, too, need to be knowledgeable... about the Gospel itself, about what the Catholic Church teaches. In addition to Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we have the Sacraments of the Church as well as opportunities for continued growth through various forms of Adult Faith Formation.

***Discipleship to the streets...*** “Do not be afraid to go out on the streets and into public places like the first apostles who preached Christ and the Good News of salvation in the squares of cities, towns and villages. This is no time to be ashamed of the Gospel. It is time to preach it from the rooftops.” - St. Pope John Paul II (World Youth Day 1993)

In the desert Jesus laid a foundation. From the temple He set an example. And now it is up to us to share our faith as we “make disciples”. The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has challenged all Catholics to share their faith more boldly. **We can do it!**

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