

Integrated Family Catechesis

Every program, process, resource
offers an invitation to parents
to claim their identity.

Meet them where they are

YIKES!!!!

Check Your Pulse

I believe that my faith (my spiritual life) needs the support of a community.

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I believe that the Eucharist is truly the body and blood of Christ.

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If I did not receive the Eucharist weekly, I would feel as if I was missing an important part of my life.

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I feel that there is a strong connection between Mass and my life.

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The Word of God in the Bible is a valuable source of God's presence in my life.

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I believe that the Eucharist strengthens me to be Christ to others in every part of my life.

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I want my child to know that weekly attendance at Mass is central to living a Catholic life.

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What I would like most explained about the Mass is...

What I need the most to help me to share my belief in the Eucharist with my child is...

Receiving this sacrament is important to (me) our family because...



Baptism

Check Your Pulse

I understand Baptism began a lifetime of growing in intimacy with Jesus Christ.

I believe that a relationship with the divine needs the support of a community.

I want my child to have a relationship with God in the Catholic Church.

In reflecting upon my child's needs, I believe that teaching this child that a relationship with God is the number one priority, is my responsibility as a Catholic parent.

Prayer is an important part of my day.

Being a disciple of Christ affects the way our family makes decisions.

I believe that happiness depends on becoming all that I was created to be.

Confirmation Check Your Pulse

I try to be conscious each day that I am a disciple of Jesus.

I think that our family life is often too busy.

Sharing our family's time, energy and money with others in need is important to us.

Weekly participation at Mass is an important part of our family life.

My understanding of the presence of the Holy Spirit in my life helps me live my life more meaningfully.

I sometimes wish my life, our family life, could be reshaped to reflect more deeply what we believe.

Facilitate the *awakening* of their spiritual hunger.

Connect joys and challenges of parenting to the *vocation* of parenting

Provide faith formation for parents

Equip parents with an understanding of child's capacity to process and understand the faith

Inspire parents to help their children grow in communion with Christ

Awakening

Start with a question or reflective thought

Make room for the Holy Spirit

Make known God's truth revealed in the
Church

What difference does this make to my
child, my family?



Parents need us to

Equip

Support

Affirm



Awaken

Evangelize

Catechize

Imagine a lived response



We have come to share our story.

Knowing my story gives me a
sense of identity

past

present

future

Connecting my story gives my life
meaning



Family stories

Cultural stories

Faith stories



Scripture unfolds salvation hi**STORY**

Story of God's love climaxes in
Jesus and continues in the Church



God chose a
storybook!

First Evangelization

Missionary proclamation in regions where Christ is still unknown.

Continuing Evangelization

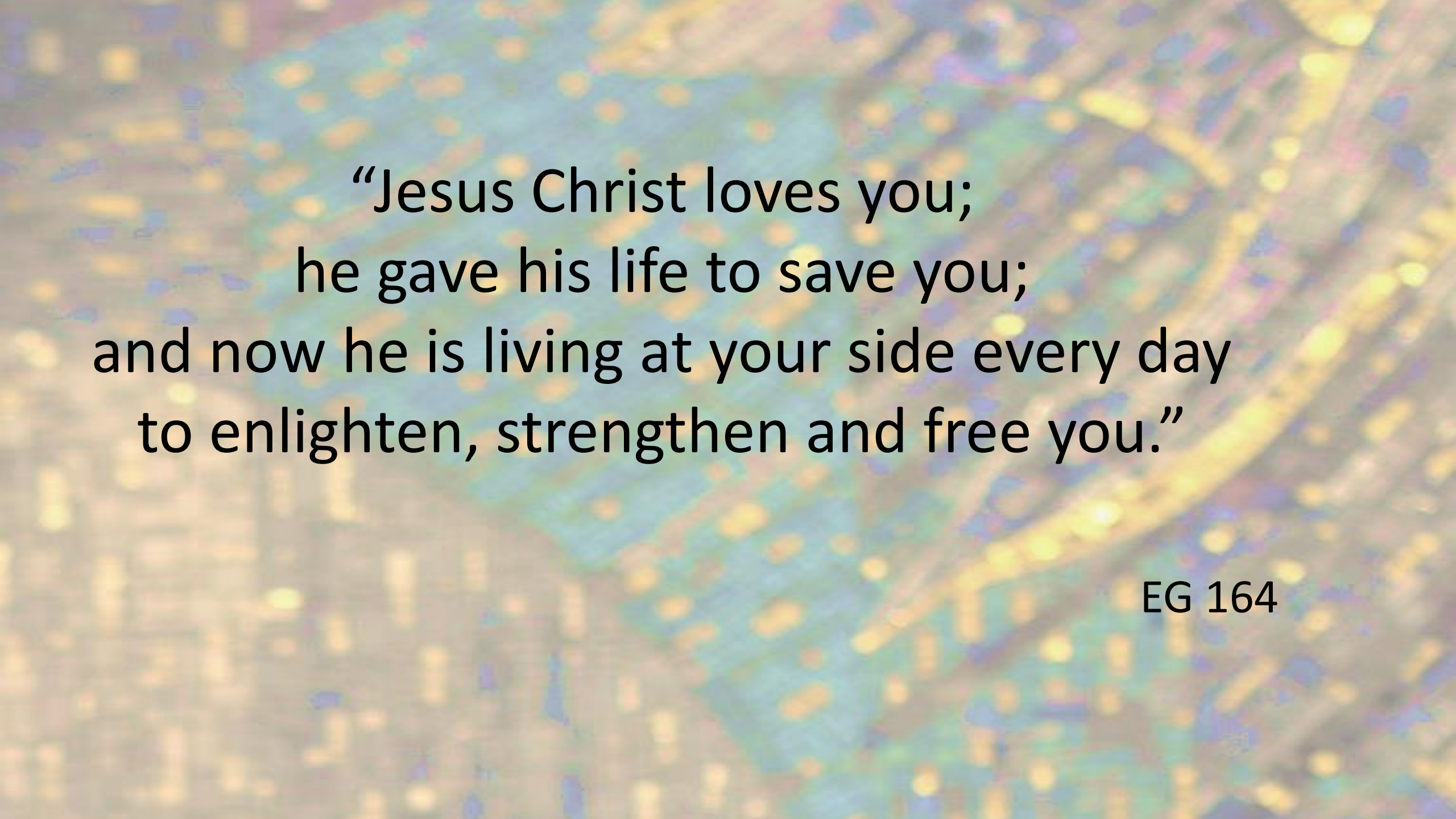
Pastoral care of Christians who are seeking to put their lives more fully under the influence of the gospel.

Re-evangelization

Proclamation to those who have fallen away or allowed their faith to grow cold.

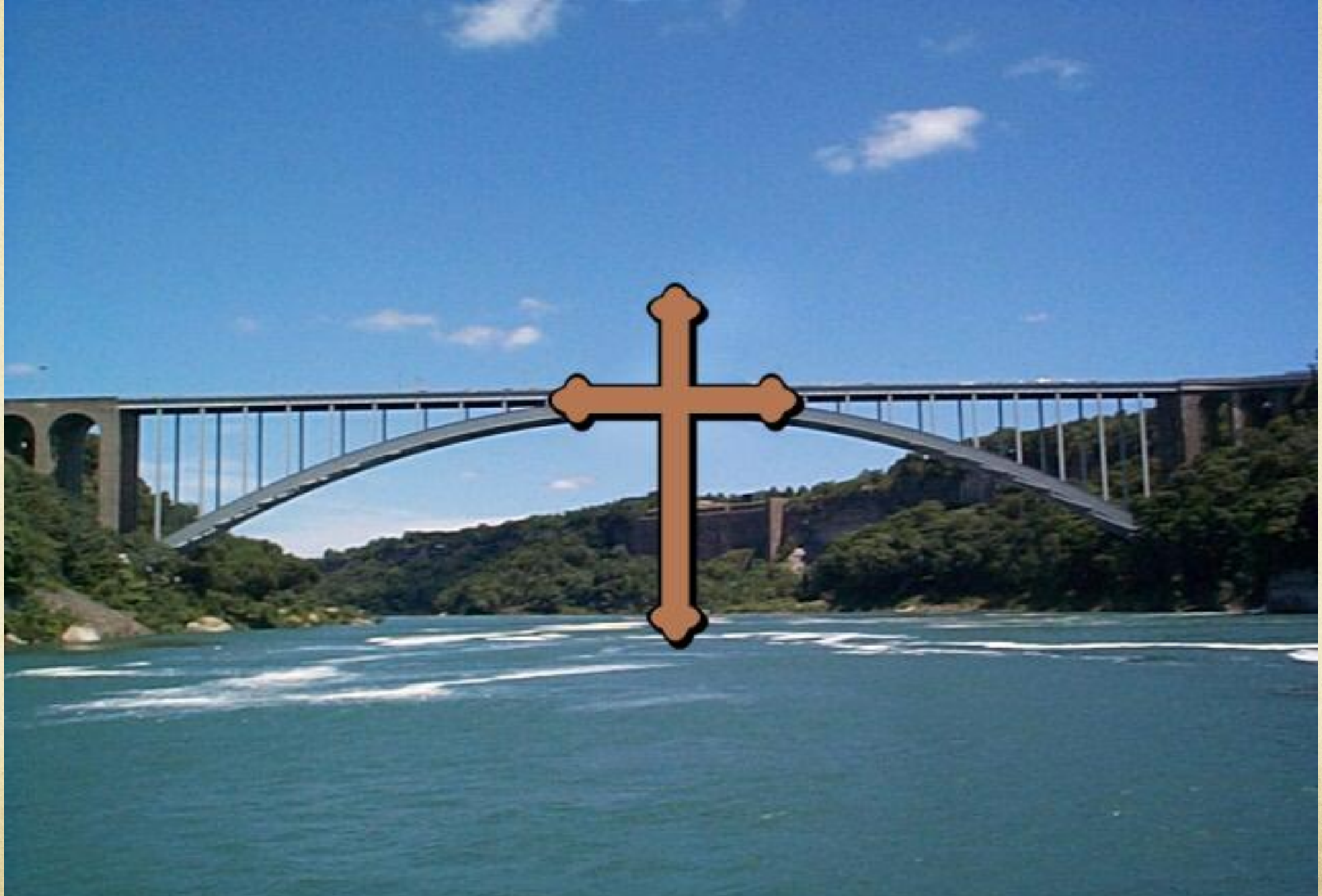
Kerygma

The fire of the Spirit (that) is given in the form of tongues and leads us to believe in Jesus Christ who, by his death and resurrection, reveals and communicates to us the Father's infinite mercy." *Evangelii Gaudium* 164



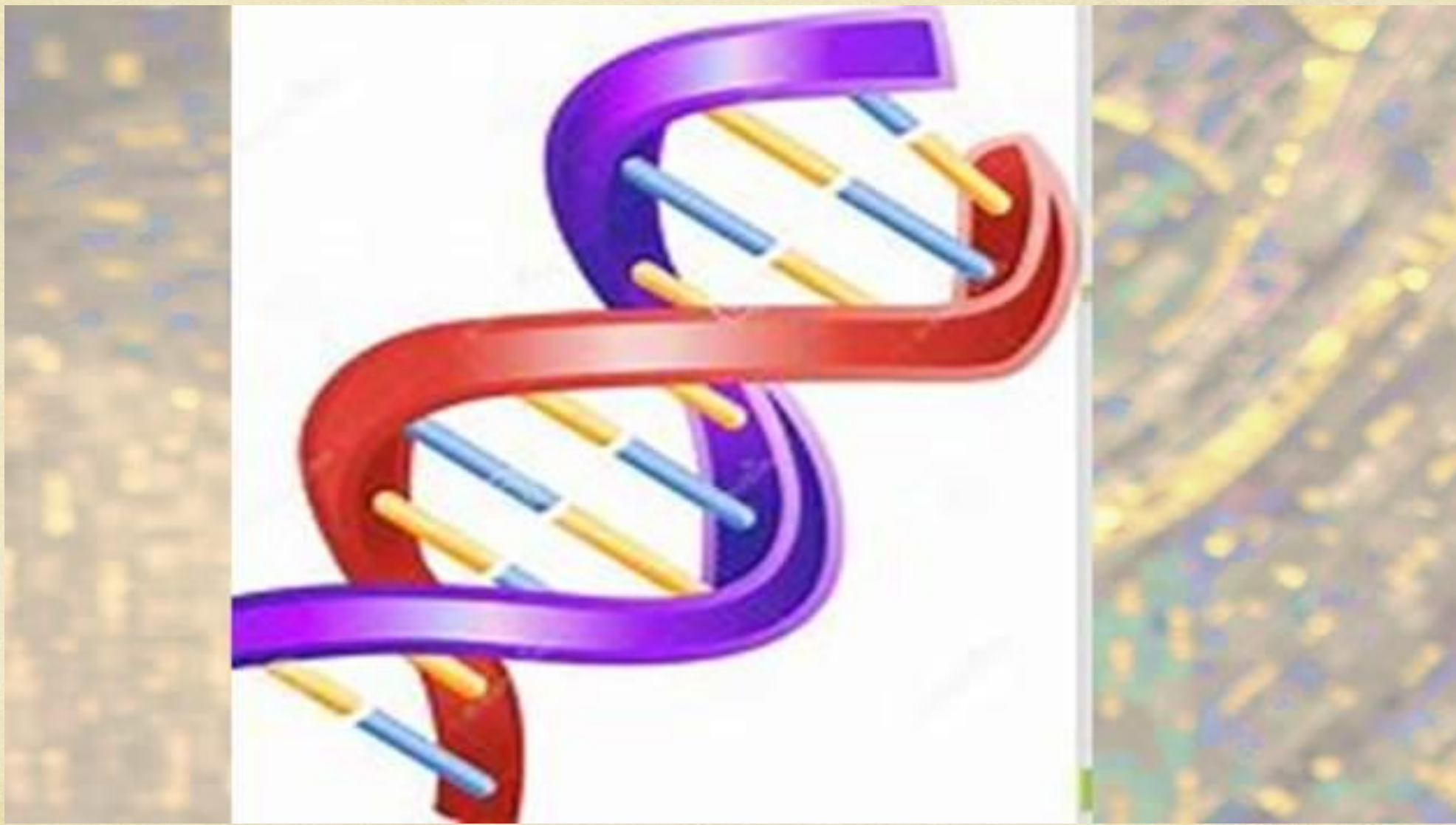
“Jesus Christ loves you;
he gave his life to save you;
and now he is living at your side every day
to enlighten, strengthen and free you.”

EG 164





All Catechesis is
connecting your story
to his story



“It is important not to underestimate the cognitive dimension of the faith and to be attentive to integrating it into the educational process of integral Christian maturation.

A catechesis, in fact, that sets up an opposition between the content and the experience of faith would show itself worthless.”

DFC 80

The Creed

Developmentally appropriate methods
that are enculturated

Where do we go from here?

Feeding

How Jesus feeds you with his Word, Eucharist, presence in others

Healing

Stories of physical and emotional healings

Forgiving

Stories of need for forgiveness/forgiving

Calling People to Truth
(Conversion)

Stories of when someone called you out in love, when you called someone out in love

Total Gift of self

Someone's sacrifice for you or your sacrifice for someone else

Resurrection Stories

Times when you recognized life coming from death

How do you tell stories?

Family plays

Puppets on sticks/spoons/socks

Avatars/Legos?

Shadows behind sheet

Flannel boards

Story bags

Small Groups

What would be some other ways that you can proclaim and connect salvation history?

Story

Kerygmatic
Catechesis

Ritual

