



1. HOW DO I KNOW THAT I AM GOD'S HANDS AND FEET

- Is there a desire in me for something more?
- Everyone has it because the spirit of God is breathed in us.
- God has chosen us to be witnesses of His truth by our goodness.

2. THE WAY TO BE WITNESSES.

- Recognize my gifts.
- Joy is inner movement. It is a fruit of the Spirit.
- Recognize **TRUTH, BEAUTY AND GOODNESS.**
- Without this I can experience: Cynicism, emptiness, joyless.

3. LIVING IN GRATITUDE.

- In a Christian sense, giving to others, *because* I received.
- Stewardship is being responsible for what I have.
- Begins with gratitude and ends with gratitude.
- Purpose - *building the Kingdom of God.*

4. FOUR POINTS TO LIVE PRACTICAL STEPS FOR STEWARDSHIP.

- Reflect on the gifts God gave me.
- Prioritize my time to include prayer service and family life.
- Identify what my talents might help my parish family.
- Examine my resources and how can I be generous with that.

5. GETTING THE STRENGTH TO DO IT.

- Gift of humility.
- When I am small, out of love, I raise others up.
- *"In face of human creatures God finds Himself without defensive capacity."* (Cantalamesa)
- God never touches our free will, so He allows us to reject Him.

You, O Lord, are my lamp, my God who lightens my darkness.

With you I can break through any barrier, with my God I can scale any wall.

Suggested readings:

Ez. 36:23-27

Jer. 31:31-34

Psalm 18:28-29