



NEWMAN INSTITUTE

KNOWING, LOVING AND SHARING THE FAITH

New Evangelization Session 2: Sharing the Joy of the Gospel

TIME	ACTIVITY	GOAL(S)	CONTENT
5 min.	Intro	Preview the session's themes: Missionary discipleship, spirit-filled evangelizers, and sharing God's self-revelation as witnessed by Scripture and Tradition	Question for the Session: How can I give away the faith, hope, and love I have received?
10 min.	Opening Prayer	Explore practical methods for leading prayer and organizing catechetical activities	Prayer to the Holy Spirit
15 min.	Paired Activity	Discuss how you have shared the Gospel in your daily life, as well as what potential obstacles you've encountered	Identifying concrete situations and examples of "giving away" the faith.
20 min.	<u>Theme #1:</u> The Joy of the Gospel	Preview themes from Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, and discuss practical implications and applications	Talk with Powerpoint slides; video clip of Fr. Barron's Seven Qualities of a New Evangelist
20 min.	Standing Activity	Small group discussion about Fr. Barron's 7 qualities and Pope Francis' vision for sharing the joy of the Gospel	Brainstorm important points and areas for personal growth
20 min.	<u>Theme #2:</u> The Gift of God's Self-Revelation	Introduce key themes from the beginning of the Catechism, and review the core content of the faith and the fundamental relationship among Scripture, Tradition and the Magisterium.	Talk with powerpoint slides and the VCat video clip: How do you say the Creed?
15 min.	Small Group Activity	Scripture in the CCC "Scavenger Hunt": Review the use of specific New Testament texts throughout the Catechism	Practice searching the index and exploring various sections of the CCC
10 min.	Review	Reflect on the opening question (How will I give away the faith, hope, and love I have received?), and decide on one personal "take-away"	1) Complete the session evaluation, with personal "take-aways"; 2) Preview recommended follow-up (US/CCA, ch. 3, "Proclaim the Gospel to Every Creature"); 3) <i>Catholicism</i> , episode #1, "Amazed and Afraid"
5 min.	Closing Prayer	Model and utilize various forms of prayer	Prayer for the New Evangelization