

A BIDING Together

SUMMER STUDY

Christifidelis Laici: Chapter 5

GROUP QUESTIONS

- 1. How are you being called to grow and mature?
- 2. Do you believe that Jesus desires to heal you? How can you open your life to healing?
- 3. How are you letting yourself be formed?

LECTIO DIVINA

"He who abides in me and I in him bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." — Jn 15:5

JOURNAL QUESTIONS

- 1. Where does the Holy Spirit long to bring fruit in my life?
- 2. Are the fruits of the Holy Spirit present in my emotions?
- 3. Are the fruits of the Holy Spirit present in my relationship with my spouse? With my community? With my children?
- 4. Are the fruits of the Holy Spirit present in my home? At work?
- 5. Do I have a teachable spirit?

QUOTES TO PONDER

The gospel image of the vine and the branches reveals to us another fundamental aspect of the lay faithful's life and mission:the call to growth and a continual process of maturation, of always bearing much fruit. — Christifideles Laici Paragraph 57

The fundamental objective of the formation of the lay faithful is an ever-clearer discovery of one's vocation and the ever-greater willingness to live it so as to fulfill one's mission. — Christifideles Laici Paragraph 58

To be able to discover the actual will of the Lord in our lives always involves the following: a receptive listening to the Word of God and the Church, fervent and constant prayer, recourse to a wise and loving spiritual guide, and a faithful discernment of the gifts and talents given by God, as well as the diverse social and historic situations in which one lives. — Christifideles Laici Paragraph 58