

## Discussion Questions

When has someone's emptiness ministered to you more than their strength could have?

When have you witnessed kingly dignity in someone?

Describe a time when your love for another person inspired you really to give of yourself for them. How did this affect you?

### Series 3 Upcoming Dates

Monday Feb. 26th, 7pm, Brownstein Hall

Monday March 4, 7pm, Brownstein Hall

Monday March 11, 7pm, Brownstein Hall

Saturday retreat, March 16, 9am-3:30pm, Brownstein Hall

Monday April 8, 7pm, Brownstein Hall

### For Further Reading

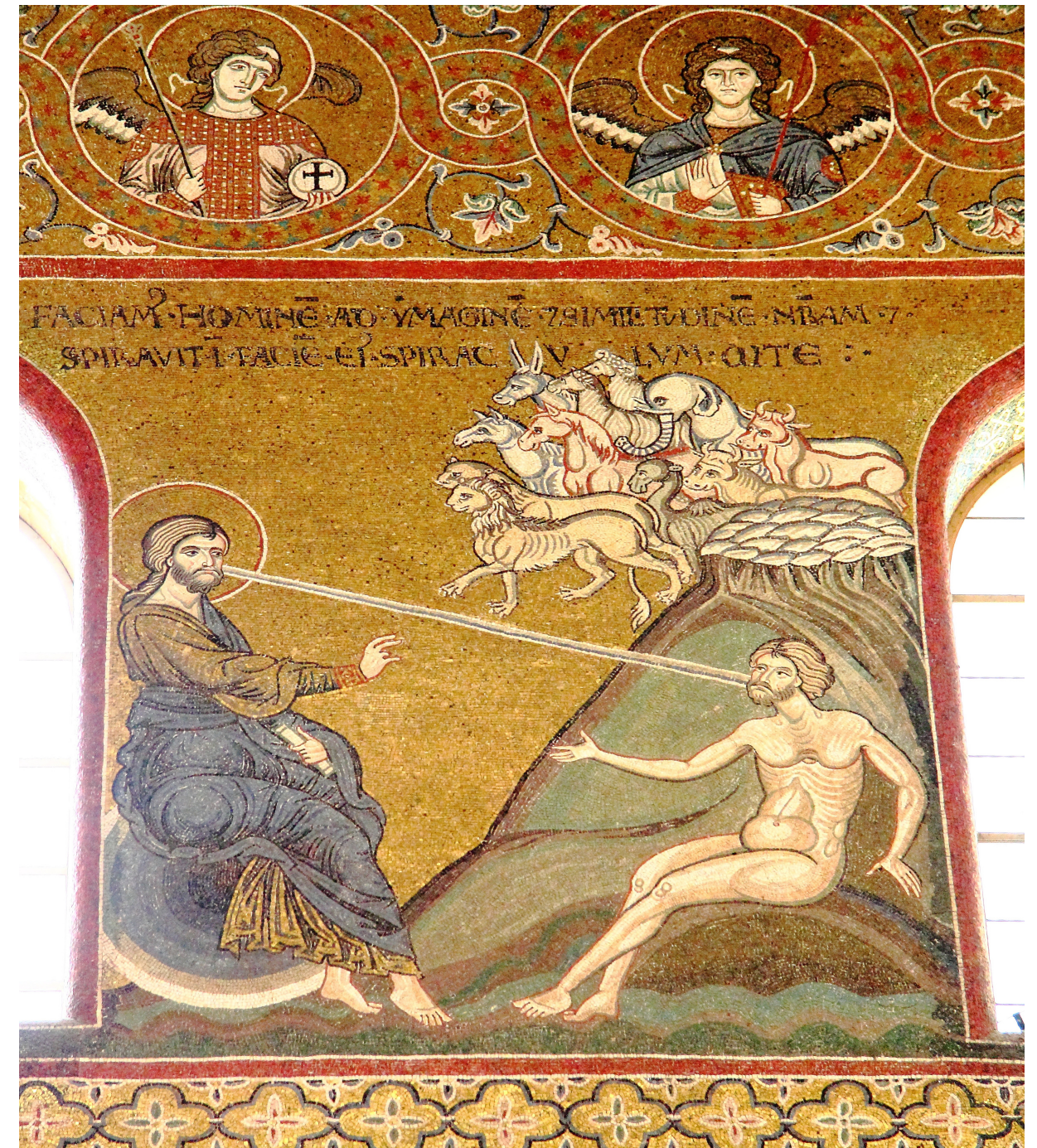
Mother Mary Francis, "But I Have Called You Friends"

Cluny Media, 2022 - 124 pages

Madeleine Delbrel, We, the Ordinary People of the Streets

Eerdmans, 2000 - 288 pages

## God Is Here Series 3, Part 1



Christ the King Invites Us to SERVE God with Him

## The Word of God

The creation of man: Genesis 1:26-31

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.

## Series 3 Prayer

O God, who have sent the power of the Gospel like leaven into the world, grant that your faithful, whom you have called to live amid the world and its affairs, may be fervent with the Christian spirit and, through the tasks they carry out in this present age, may constantly build up your Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

–Collect for the Laity

## Voices of the Church

"For the first man received the substance of flesh from the earth, and was quickened with a rational spirit by the in-breathing of his Creator, so that living after the image and likeness of his Maker, he might preserve the form of God's goodness and righteousness as in a bright mirror." (St. Leo the Great, Sermon 24, 5th century)

"Inserted as they are in the Mystical Body of Christ by baptism and strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit in confirmation ... [the laity is] consecrated a kingly priesthood and a holy nation ... in order that they may in all their actions offer spiritual sacrifices and bear witness to Christ all the world over." (Vatican Council II, Decree on the Apostolate of Lay People *Apostolicam actuositatem*)