
MINISTRY FORMATION // 2023

EVANGELIZATION

Diocese of Rockford

EXPECTATIONS OF TODAY

WHAT WE'LL DISCUSS

Section One: The Heart of an Evangelist


Section Two: The Theology of Evangelization

Section Three: Practical Steps of Evangelization (viewed through the Gospel)

SECTION ONE


THE HEART OF AN EVANGELIST

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**EVANGELIZING IS IN FACT THE GRACE AND
VOCATION PROPER TO THE CHURCH, HER
DEEPEST IDENTITY. SHE EXISTS IN ORDER TO
EVANGELIZE**

Evangelii Nuntiandi 14



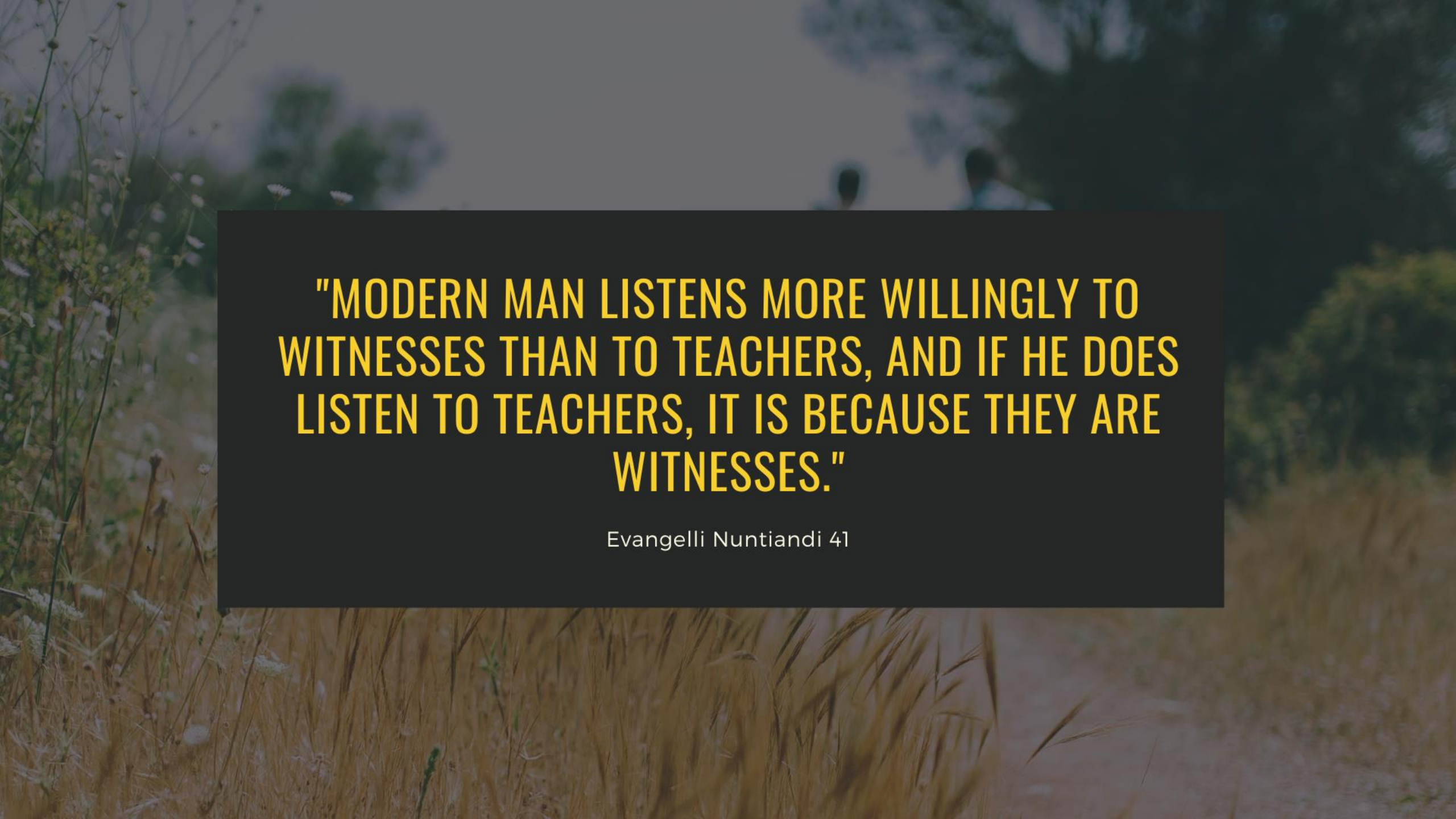
“Our evangelizing zeal must spring from true holiness of life... Without this mark of holiness, our word will have difficulty in touching the heart of modern man. It risks being vain and sterile.”

- Pope Paul VI



**"IT IS NO USE WALKING ANYWHERE TO PREACH
UNLESS OUR WALKING IS OUR PREACHING"**

-St. Francis of Assisi




**"MODERN MAN LISTENS MORE WILLINGLY TO
WITNESSES THAN TO TEACHERS, AND IF HE DOES
LISTEN TO TEACHERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY ARE
WITNESSES."**

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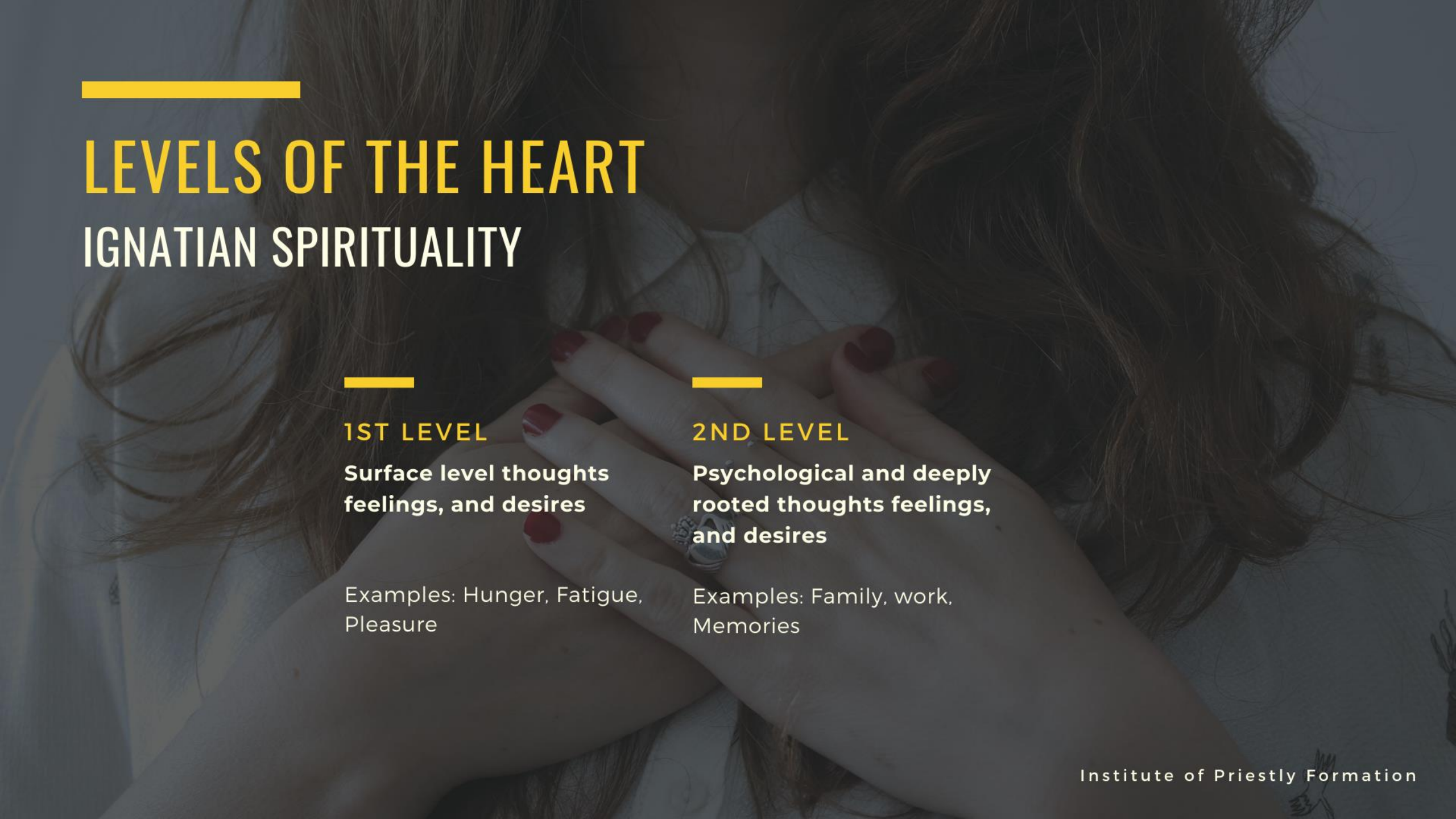
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**Spiritual thoughts
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Examples: Spiritual
Consolations, Spiritual
Desolations

Prayer Exercise: Lectio Divina

LECTIO

Read the text slowly and prayerfully, Constantly listening for that word that God has prepared for you. Listen and receive the Word that God speaks to you.

MEDITATIO

When a word or phrase strikes you, stop and rest with it. Allow it to speak to you in a personal way by pondering the word in your heart, reflecting on what it means to you.

ORATIO

Prayer is your response to God's word. Enter into this loving conversation with God,

CONTEMPLATIO


Rest in God's presence and receive His transforming embrace. Remember that contemplation is not your action or doing, rather it is allowing God to act in you.

SECTION TWO

THE THEOLOGY OF EVANGELIZATION

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A man and a woman are sitting at a table in a cafe, holding coffee cups and talking. The woman is on the left, looking towards the man on the right. They are both smiling. The background is blurred, showing other people and cafe lights. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

**EVANGELIZATION IS NOT, IN THE
FIRST PLACE, THE DELIVERY OF A
DOCTRINE; BUT RATHER, MAKING
PRESENT AND ANNOUNCING JESUS
CHRIST**

DIRECTORY FOR CATECHESIS 29

5 Stages of Evangelization | Thresholds of Conversion

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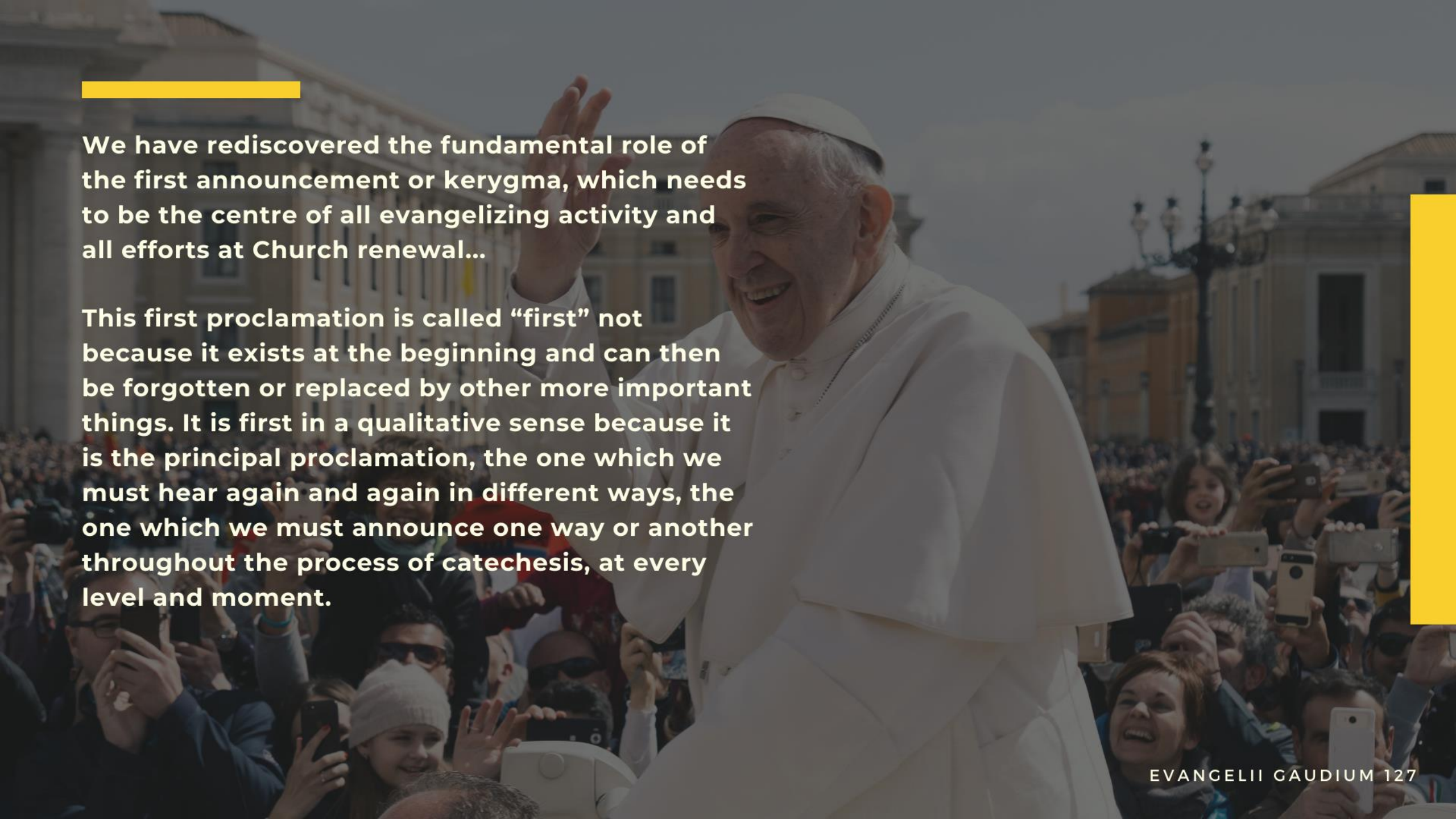
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LIFE)

A photograph of Pope Francis, dressed in white, waving his right hand to a large crowd of people. The crowd is composed of men, women, and children, many of whom are holding up their smartphones to take pictures or videos. The background shows the architecture of St. Peter's Square in Rome, including the colonnade and the dome of St. Peter's Basilica. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent dark grey filter. There are two solid yellow rectangular bars: one in the top left corner and another vertical one on the right edge.

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This first proclamation is called “first” not because it exists at the beginning and can then be forgotten or replaced by other more important things. It is first in a qualitative sense because it is the principal proclamation, the one which we must hear again and again in different ways, the one which we must announce one way or another throughout the process of catechesis, at every level and moment.

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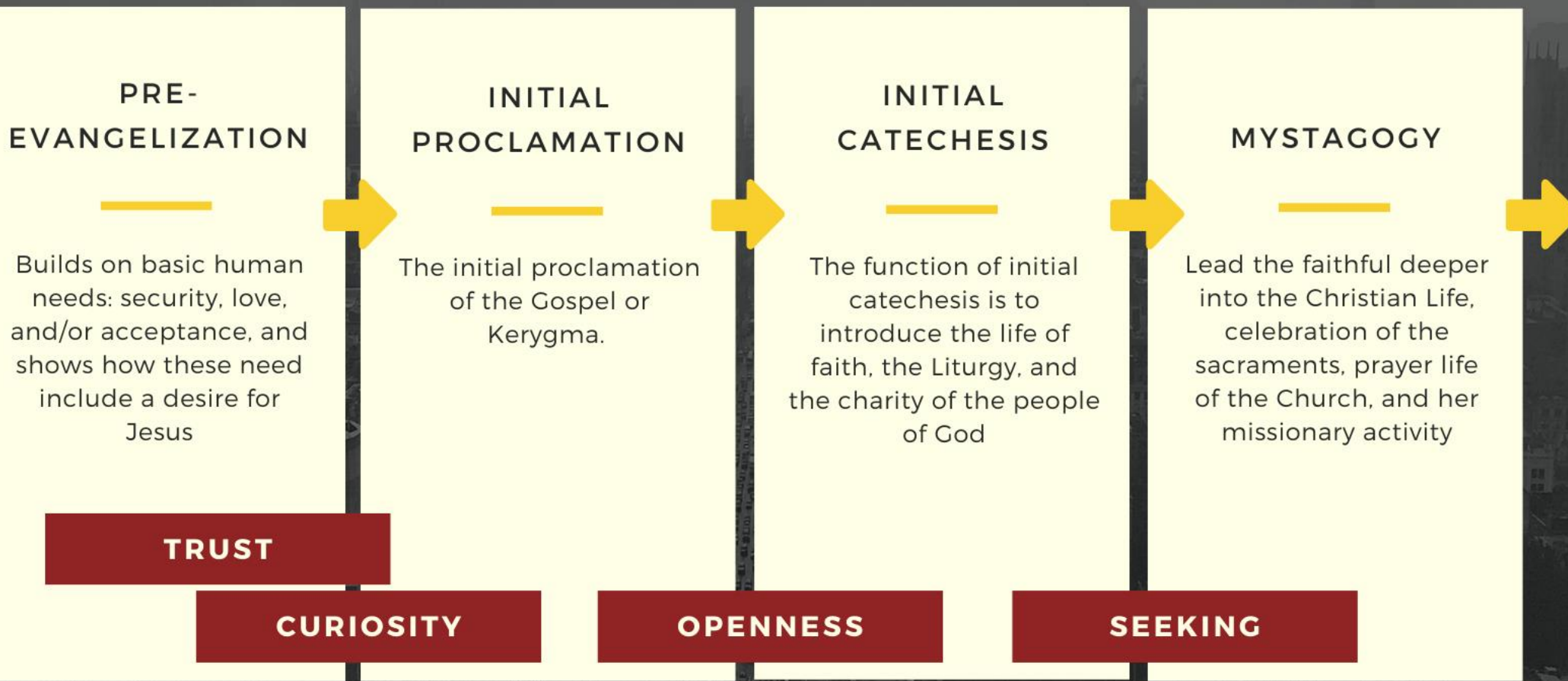
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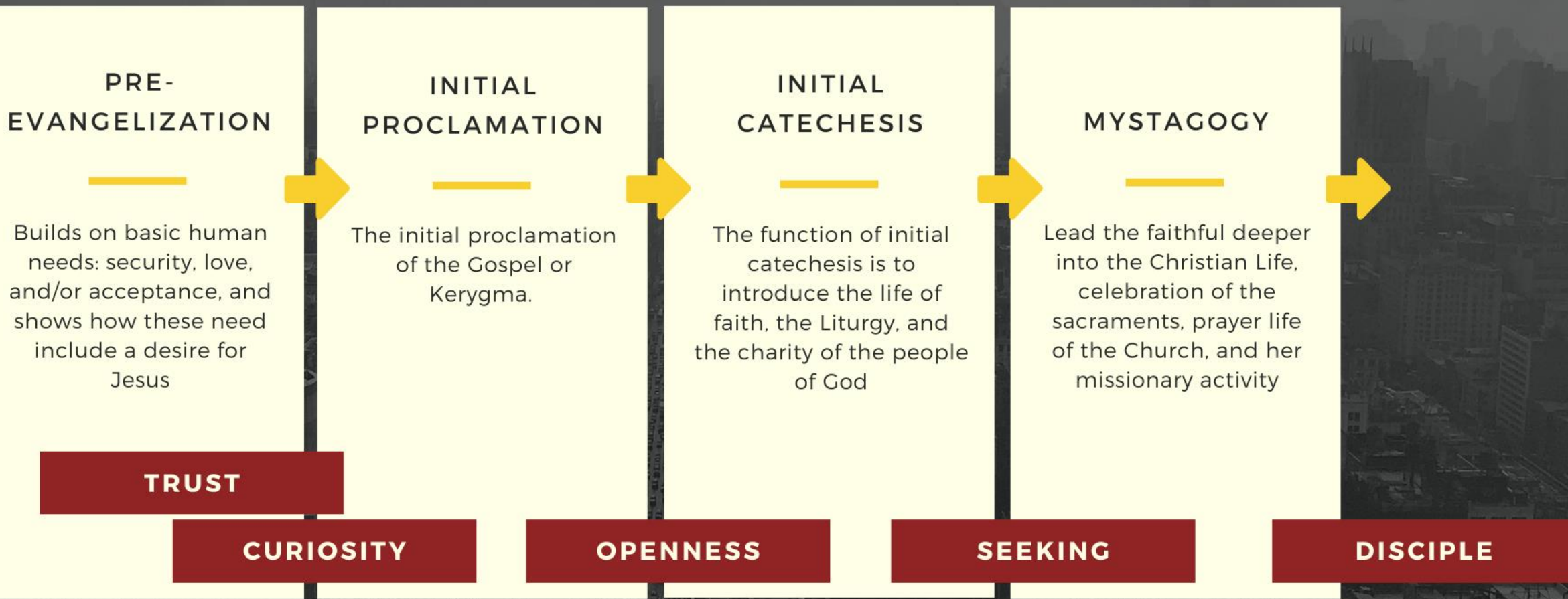
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OPENNESS

MYSTAGOGY

Lead the faithful deeper into the Christian Life, celebration of the sacraments, prayer life of the Church, and her missionary activity

SEEKING

CONTINUING CATECHESIS

The goal of continuing catechesis is to nourish the faith of believers throughout their lives

DISCIPLE



SECTION THREE

PRACTICALS OF EVANGELIZATION (LK 24)

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ROAD TO EMMAUS

A ROADMAP FOR EVANGELIZATION



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A ROADMAP FOR EVANGELIZATION

- JESUS DRAWS NEAR TO THEM
- JESUS ASKS THEM QUESTIONS
- INTERPRETS THE SCRIPTURES
- TOOK THE BREAD, BLESSED AND BROKE IT
(SACRAMENTS)

