



NEW LIFE

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MINISTRY

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WHAT MUST I DO

By Vince Dorazio

Have you ever asked Jesus the question, **"What is it I must do?"** This was the question St Paul asks of Jesus on the day he was converted, while on his way to Damascus to imprison men and women who were living the "New Way." And the Lord answered him telling Paul to **"get up and go into Damascus. There you will be told about everything you are destined to do!"** (Acts 22:10)

I can identify very well with Paul's conversion. Back in 1972, I was an independent salesperson with my own start up Office Furniture business. I had a lead on a new client who was expanding his company and was in need of some new office furniture. As I inquired about his company, I found out that he was in the wholesale Christian book business. I made an appointment with



him and he purchased several items (desks, chairs, file cabinets, etc) for his new office. At the conclusion of the sale, he gave me a Christian book to read. I thanked him and made another appointment for delivery in a few weeks. Not being much of a book reader, I tossed the book aside and forgot about it. A few weeks later, as I was preparing to meet with him again, I remembered the book he had given me. I began to read at least a few pages to let him know I started reading the book. But as I read those first few pages I was compelled to continue reading, and I

eventually began reading my old Douay Bible to check out the Bible references by the author (who was not a Catholic). Since I had never read the bible before, I had a hard time with the abbreviations in the Old Testament and the New Testament.

As I was finding and reading the bible reference, I suddenly was more interested in reading more of the bible. However, I continued reading the Christian book. The book was titled "A New Song" written by singer/movie star Pat Boone.

In his book, Pat Boone tells of his conversion and living the new life of the Holy Spirit. After reading the book I too wanted everything that God had give to Pat Boone. I wanted to know who Jesus is my life and I wanted the Holy Spirit. But I had a slight

problem. I wasn't sure that Jesus was real. Oh I knew He existed some 2,000 year ago, and that He was crucified. I even believed that He rose on Easter Sunday morning and that He ascended to Heaven. But I didn't believe that He existed in my life and was real.

A few weeks later as I was driving to a business meeting I began thinking about Pat Boone's problems and conversion. They seemed similar to mine at the time. So in desperation, I raised my hands, and I began to shout out to Jesus saying, "**JESUS, IF YOU ARE REAL, THEN SHOW ME!**" Suddenly, I felt like the whole car was enveloped with the Holy Spirit. I suddenly felt the hand of Jesus take my hand and lift me out of the car. I could see my car going along the highway, but I wasn't in it. I was in the hand of Jesus! I heard the voice of Jesus say to me, "**I AM REAL! NOW GO TELL EVERYONE!**"

As I mentioned above, I can identify very well with Paul's conversion. While I didn't directly ask Jesus "what is it I must do" I feel that Jesus told me what it is I must do; and that is to tell everyone that Jesus is real! Since that day I have tried to tell everyone I meet about my conversion and that Jesus is Lord. In some instances I have been laughed at, ridiculed, and snickered at, but I don't mind. I just do what Paul

did when that happened to him; he just walked away. "*When some in their obstinacy would not believe, but choose to speak ill of the new way in the presence of the assembly, Paul simply left them.*" (Acts 19:9)

So what about you? Have you ever considered asking Jesus "What is it you what me to do?" If you have never asked Him the question, I suggest this might be a good time to do so. I don't know exactly what answer you will get, but I am confident that it will be similar to what Jesus told me, Pat Boone and St. Paul. To tell everyone that Jesus Christ is Lord!

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!

This is the same instructions that Jesus gave to His followers on the day He ascended to Heaven, "**You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes down on you; then you are to be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, yes even to the ends of the earth.**" (Acts 1:8)

This is God's great commission to all of us. If you have been Baptized in the Holy Spirit then you have been empowered by God's Holy Spirit to tell everyone that Jesus Christ is Lord!

The most powerful witness anyone can give is of their **own** personal conversion or renewal in the Lord. I have heard it said from some people that their testimony isn't as dramatic as someone else's testimony, and probably no one would want to hear about it. How absurd!

Every testimony, every conversion, every renewal in the Lord is like joyful music to God and His angels in Heaven. Jesus said that the angels in Heaven will rejoice over one repentant sinner. (Luke 15:10)

So if you want the angels in Heaven to dance and rejoice, then start sharing your New Life in the Holy Spirit --- DO IT TODAY!

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETINGS

The weekly Charismatic Prayer Meeting is an excellent venue to begin sharing your conversion story. There you will have a captivated group of people who either have had a similar experience such as yours or have never heard it before. In either case it bears repeating. You never know who is hearing about your renewal in the Lord for the very first time.

Let's learn a lesson from St. Paul. He told of his conversion at every opportunity even when he was being arrested (Acts 22)

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Here is what he writes to St Timothy. ***"I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God bestowed on you when my hands were laid on you. The Spirit God has given us is no cowardly spirit, but rather one that makes us strong, loving and wise. Therefore never be ashamed of your testimony of the Lord!"*** (2 Tim 1:6-8)

TELL EVERYONE ABOUT JESUS

Growing In Christian Faith Seminar

The Christian Faith Seminar is a follow up for everyone who has been through a Life In The Spirit Seminar.

We have put together a one day seminar on growing in Christian faith and are offering it to all parishes and prayer groups. This seminar will be helpful for everyone to continue to grow in the Holy Spirit. The seminar includes three major talks on **Growing In Christian Faith**.

- **Greatest Commandment**
- **Faith In Action**
- **Growing In Christian Faith**

It includes informal discussion and sharing groups. A guide booklet will be given to each registered person. The seminar is offered on a **free-will offering**.

For more information, or if you would like to sponsor this seminar at your parish or prayer group please call us at New Life at 612-243-9411

Prayer Request

Send us your individual prayer request and we will add your request to our daily prayer list. Also please remember to add to your daily prayers all those in need of your daily prayers. Send your request to:

**New Life CRM
6253 Penn Avenue South
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Please also pray for the New Life Renewal Ministry that we may do all that God asks of us as we continue to proclaim;

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HEALING & RESTORATION



To receive your copy of the Seminar's CD's (two by Fr Don Piche & one by Vince Dorazio) and/or a bottle of blessed oil, please send in your request and a donation to cover costs: **call 612-243-9411**
Cost for the CDs is \$5 ea.
Blessed Oil \$5

Notice

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC MASS

COMING SOON

We are in the process of sponsoring a bi-monthly (every two months) Catholic Charismatic Mass beginning sometime in November. Exact times and dates are yet to be worked out. Watch for additional information and dates to be confirmed.

The Masses will be held at

**St. Albert The Great
Catholic Church
3200 East 29 Street
Minneapolis MN.**

If you know of a Catholic priest who would like to celebrate this Mass please have him contact us at

612-243-9411

Or inform us and we will contact him with more information.

CHARISMATIC MASS

This is a time when we in the Charismatic Renewal can come together as 'One Body in Christ Jesus' and abandon ourselves to the power and glory of God's Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit of prophesy, healing and 'singing in the Spirit'!



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**Twin City Area Wide
CHARISMATIC RENEWAL REVIVAL
MEETING**

**Thursday, 7:30 PM
September 27, 2012**

**St. Albert's Catholic Church
3200 East 29 St. Mpls
(Enter 32 Ave side door)**

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**May our God continue to bless you
abundantly with His New Life!**

Thank You

**PEOPLE OF JOY
CHARISMATIC PRAYER
MEETINGS
THURSDAYS 7:30 PM**

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**Come join with us to proclaim
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