

## Ignite: Set The World Ablaze (Week of Feb. 14 and 21)

Evangelization



*“Every Christian is a missionary to the extent that he or she has encountered the love of God in Christ Jesus.”*  
Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 120

**GATHER:** Play a round of charades or telephone as a family!

**CONNECT:** Just as in the game of charades or telephone, you have a message to deliver and you must use all possible means to deliver it. Your mission is to deliver the GOOD NEWS of Jesus Christ, as Avery will explain in her proclamaion, [Evangelization](#).

### **EXPLORE: Main Points to Take Away**

- Evangelization is the proclamation of Christ and his Gospel by word and the testimony of life in fulfillment of Christ’s command.
- Through our initiation as Christians, we have an obligation to evangelize to the whole world.
- I am personally called to live out the message of evangelization through word and action.

### **Journal: Evangelization**

Open the booklet to page 11. Answer the questions and discuss.

- Who are people in your life who have evangelized to you? What did they do that evangelized?
- How do you feel about the call to evangelize?
- What concerns you about evangelization?
- What are ways that you are already evangelizing? How can you take it up a step?

**REFLECT:** Open your bibles to **Acts 2:1-12**. Fill in the sentences on page 11 taking note of:

1. They did not go out alone.

*The apostles and disciples never go out alone to preach and evangelize. We are not alone because we have a whole worldwide Body of Christ working toward the same goal. There are so many resources and people available to help you on this mission.*

2. They were inspired with the words of the Holy Spirit.

*By trusting in the promptings of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit gave them the words to say in order to evangelize. If you are in a situation where you need to speak up about the Gospel, ask the Holy Spirit to give you the words to say, and then listen.*

3. It is God who causes conversion in the hearts of others, not me.

While many people were converted to faith that day (reading on a little later) and through further proclamation of the Gospel, it is not us who cause conversion, but God. We may be the vessels of God, but it is He who works on the heart and truly causes conversion. So, if you know someone and you kindly and peacefully share the Gospel with them, and they reject it—don’t get discouraged. A) You’ve accomplished your goal in sharing the message, and B) they know that you are a person of faith and may someday come back to ask you more questions. It is our job to share, not convert!

### **LIVE IT: Confirmation Conversation with God**

**Confirmation Conversation #3:** Dedicate prayer time this week to talk with the Lord about your confirmation. Use the guide on page 12 of the booklet, if you would like to.