What's Next

When the Chips Are Down

In calling us to what's next, God doesn't necessarily take anything away, but He gives us something. He doesn't necessarily take away the danger or the fear, but He gives us what we need for the next thing. Courage is using what you've been given the moment what you've been given is needed the most.

Discussion Questions

- 1. What is one of the scariest things you've ever done? This can be anything from bungee-jumping, to moving away from home, to speaking your mind in front of people who are intimidating. Please share!
- 2. Whenever a person is called to something they have never done before, they need courage. In the face of fear, they've acted. When is one time when you had to act in spite of fear in your Catholic faith? Please discuss the experience.
- 3. Have you ever been in a situation when you could have born witness in a simple way to Jesus Christ? Did you do it, or did you shy away from it? How might you do it differently in the future? Share and discuss.
- 4. Courage is every other virtue at the moment it is needed the most. In fact, without courage, it could be said that a person doesn't have *any* of the virtues. What is one virtue that it often takes more courage for you to live out? Why this particular virtue?
- 5. One becomes courageous by doing things that require courage. Have you ever noticed yourself growing in courage? Please discuss.

God in Real Life

I. This week, take the steps to planned acts of courage.

To The Heart

A. ""Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished." 1 Chronicles 28:20