LESSON 10 SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

We are going to do a type of prayer called Ignatianc meditation. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that our imagination is a powerful tool that we can use to come to know and love God. He invites us to place ourselves in a story from one of the Gospels and use our imagination to engage our senses. For example, when reading a story about Jesus, read it slowly and imagine what you see, hear, feel, taste, and smell. Most importantly, focus on Jesus: the look in His eyes, the expression on His face, the way He talks, and His movements. Listen to His words but also imagine what He might be saying to you. We are going to read Luke 7:36-50 twice. Picture the scene and be attentive to whatever stands out to you.

1. Are you a main character or a spectator?
2. Who is with you?
3. What are the sights, sounds, smells?
4. Is Jesus looking at you?
5. Is He speaking to you?

Open your Bible to Luke 7:36-50, and read the passage twice before continuing.

Pray: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

A message from the Pope:

“My dearest children, Jesus wants me to tell you again, how much is the love He has for each one of you, beyond all that you can imagine. I worry some of you still have not really met Jesus—one to one—you and Jesus alone. We may spend time in chapel, but have you seen with the eyes of your soul how He looks at you with love? Do you really know the living Jesus, not from books, but from being with Him in your heart? Have you heard the loving words He speaks to you? Ask for this grace, He is longing to give it. Never give up this daily intimate contact with Jesus as a real living Person, not just an idea. How can we last even one day living our life without hearing Jesus say ‘I love you’—impossible.”