Summary of SOL

November 21, 2020

Our November School of Leaders met in person and also on Zoom to discuss Chapter 9, Spiritual and Political Power, in Frank S. Salmani's book, "Whom Shall I Send?

Msgr. Vincent Haut discussed the differences between power and authority. The Scripture references at the beginning of the chapter are John 18:33-37 and 19:9-11, and 1 Corinthians 1:18-25. Rich Holtz discussed the text.

Chapter 1 encouraged us to aim high and not water down Jesus' message when He called us to be holy as He is holy. Chapter 2 told us how to do that – through prayer, which is communion with God. Chapter 3 challenged us to find, in Jesus, the model of humility and service we need to become a true servant leader. Chapter 4 warned us about the temptations of leadership, which he refers to as "demons of ambition." Chapter 5 discussed the differences between gratification and self-gratification – we must be sure we are serving God alone and not whatever makes me feel good. Chapter 6 discussed how we determine where our allegiance lies. Chapter 7 discussed the three conditions for an authentic Cursillo Movement. Chapter 8 discussed covenants and commitments, calling us to not fear failure but to enter into God’s covenant of love and grace, which cannot be broken.

Chapter 9 points out that Jesus’ kingdom has nothing to do with political power, only spiritual power, which is based on humility and inner strength, cannot be attained, since it is a gift from God, and surrenders control, as one realizes that God is in charge. Spiritual power is about doing the Lord’s work for Him and Him alone.

As we continue to pray about where is God calling each of us to serve him, we ask Him to help us surrender everything to Him and empower us to do everything for Him. Do not be afraid; trust in God’s grace!

If you would like to join us in studying this book, please contact a Secretariat member for information as to how you can receive a copy of the book. Then share it with your group reunions. You will all be richly blessed.

Please join us at the next School of Leaders this Saturday, November 21st, on Zoom, and bring a friend!