

Consider Him Discussion Questions November

It's been said that there's no such thing as a secret Christian. Either the Christianity will destroy the secrecy, or the secrecy will destroy the Christianity. It's certainly true for those of us living in countries devoid of extreme persecution. Peter and John boldly told those trying to silence them, "we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard". Reread Acts 4:15-21 and ask the Holy Spirit to give you the same boldness to share with others today all that Christ has done for you.

In John 15:20 Jesus said, "If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you." Christian brothers and sisters throughout the world are suffering for following Jesus. Take time to pray just now for those who speak up for Jesus and spread His light in dark places with the threat of persecution hanging over them.

Learning independence as we grow, or even when we take on new roles, is healthy, but God doesn't want us to major on what we can do but on what He can do, and has done through Jesus. "Christ has truly set us free," we read in Colossians 5:1 (NLT). "Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law." Discuss what this means and how it can liberate you.

As Christmas approaches, think/discuss how you plan to make Christ's coming uppermost in your thoughts and preparations. What will 'sitting with Jesus' look like for you this Advent?

What has been your favourite devotional reading this month and why? Share how it has impacted you with others.