

# **VOICE OF THE EMMANUEL**

### (HAVING THE MIND OF JESUS)



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### Growing in Immanuel Spirituality

#### **DMI SPIRITUALITY**

#### **OUR SPIRITUALITY**

We march towards the Father's Kingdom where everyone welcomes the Gospel, which radiates the warmth of the Light of Christ and the joy of the people who are evangelized. This, we bring to humanity through an uninterrupted process of New Evangelization and by the practice of our particular spirituality called "Immanuel Spirituality". Jesus the Immanuel who came into the world to manifest the love of the Father lived his life according to the will of the Father and accomplished it through the suffering he underwent. We imitate this Jesus who was simple in his life-style, generous in his public life and magnanimous in his self-oblation. We also learn these from the life of the founder and the co-foundress.



#### **THE THREE PILLARS**

The three pillars of our spirituality are simplicity in our attitude and manner of living, generosity in our service and evangelization; and magnanimity in accepting the will of the Father and worshipping him. We carry an abiding spiritual attitude to our life, ministry, daily exercises of piety and acts of love. In doing so, we remind ourselves and the persons among whom we live, both in the community and in the mission, of the presence of God as Immanuel.

#### **2.1 Simplicity**

Simplicity is a call to live like Jesus who did not cling to physical relationships but to the kingdom of the Universal Father. In simplicity, apart from our simple life style, we develop attitudes of clarity, lucidity, openness, docility, flexibility, amiability and approachability that keep us ever available to God and His people. Simplicity results in the shedding of all complications and entanglements, found otherwise in human life. This goes with the promise of chastity by which we leave everything of the world to experience the Father and to do His will.



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#### 2.2 Generosity

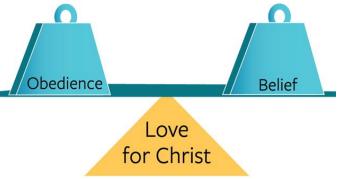
We learn generosity from Jesus who, "though he was rich, yet for our sake became poor, so that by his poverty, we might become rich" (2 Cor.8:9) The Spirit opens our eyes to the need of evangelization of the poor through bringing appropriate technology and spirit-filled scientific advancements towards the socio-spiritual enhancement of humanity.



Generosity is the natural outcome of our realization of how much we should limit our own space and to what extent we must restrict our legitimate utilities so that others may have more in their lives. The spirit of generosity leads us to the practice of evangelical poverty and keeps our heart free from greed and hubris lest we seek worldliness.

#### 2.3 Magnanimity

Magnanimity draws us closer to the Father in prayer, contemplation and obedience to His will. There is no grace outside obedience as we see it in Jesus' death on the Cross where He willingly handed over his spirit to the Father. Our magnanimity is inspired by the absolute obedience and unconditional submission of Jesus to the Father and His will.

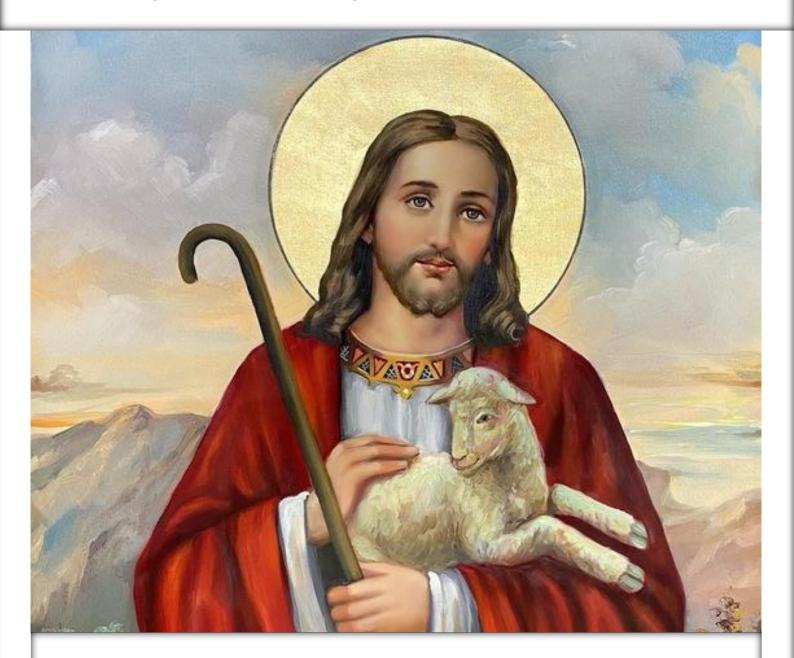


"Though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God ... but emptied himself ... becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. (Phil.2:6-8) Having the same attitude, we magnanimously submit and surrender ourselves to God and the Society through the promise of obedience. It is reflected in our loyalty to the Church and to the Society to which God has called us.

# **SELF-REFLECTION**



Our mission as disciples of Jesus Christ is to boldly live and proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God and to act as his ambassadors. When the world looks at Christians – especially those who call themselves disciples of Jesus Christ, do they see the face of Christ, the heart of Christ, the mind of Christ, his loving gaze, his healing touch, his warm embrace, his mercy and forgiveness? It is the Lord's desire to transform us into his likeness – if we cooperate with him and allow his Holy Spirit to change and purify us from within. The Lord Jesus himself puts within each of our hearts the burning desire to be light that points others to himself and to be the hands, feet, and mouth of Christ who bring good news to the poor, the lame, the oppressed, and those blinded by sin and ignorance. In short, to be magnanimous as he is.



MY SHEEP LISTEN TO MY VOICE; I KNOW THEM, AND THEY FOLLOW ME.

