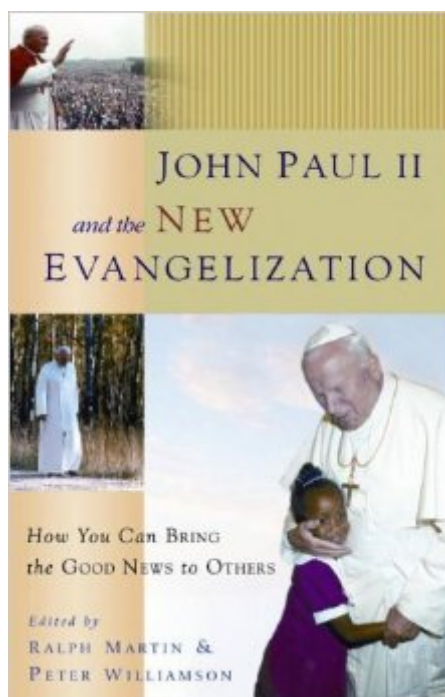


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# John Paul II And The New Evangelization



## Synopsis

To be Christians means to be missionaries, to be apostles. It is not enough to discover Christ you must bring him to others! John Paul II, Fourth World Youth Day. Pope John Paul II urged the church repeatedly and persistently to proclaim the gospel to all humanity. This summons to a new evangelization characterized his papacy. But what does the new evangelization mean? And who is supposed to evangelize? What is the role of the parish? Of married couples? How do we evangelize teens? And what are the ecumenical dimensions of evangelism? In this book twenty-two authors address these and many other issues. Cardinal Avery Dulles describes the evangelical shift in the church since Vatican II; those involved in day-to-day evangelism provide practical tips for evangelizing the poor (Sr. Linda Koontz), street evangelism (Leonard Sullivan), using spiritual gifts (Peter Herbeck) and much more.

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John Paul II and the New Evangelization How You Can Bring the Good News to Others Edited by: Ralph Martin and Peter Williamson This book is an eclectic gathering of essays by many high ranking Catholics. Its pages explain in great detail the passion of the late Pope John Paul II. Evangelism is not new by any stretch of the imagination, but Pope John Paul II did coin the term, new evangelization, in meaning the way that it should be done. "The evangelical shift brought about by Vatican II, Paul VI, and John Paul II is one of the most dramatic developments in modern Catholicism," states Father Avery Dulles, S.J. Predecessor to John Paul II, Paul VI, saw

evangelization as the very mission of the church. He is stated saying that the basis of all evangelization is the "one gospel given in Jesus Christ." "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." (John 20:21). The words from these authors signify the great need that there is today for the Catholic Church to fulfill its mission. In the first chapter it says that there are four characteristics that separate the new evangelization from previous centuries: 1. the participation of every Christian. 2. Distinct from foreign missions. 3. Directed to cultures. 4. Envisaging comprehensive Christianization. The message that the gospel teaches is that we are saved through grace, saved by faith. We are saved by "the obedience of faith" Romans 16:26. God doesn't just give us his grace, he enables us to obey. We are saved from Hell for Heaven by Jesus. Chapter three says that the Holy Spirit gives Catholics three reasons why they should evangelize: faith, hope, and charity. You are to give of them freely, because you did not pay a price, Christ did.

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