

+This day ends the time of specially prayer for Christian Unity but as we all know, we are being called daily to work and prayer that all may be one in Christ. Few of us have experienced the striking effects surrounding St Paul's conversion but we all have had those moments of light when we knew God was inviting us to newness of life. And as baptized Christians all of us are being told as Jesus told the first apostles "to go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.."

As we reflection on Paul's conversion and consider our own call to be Christians in the world of today, we see the many ways we can be transformed, become more faithful witnesses to the gospel. I found myself being struck by Jesus' invitation to "proclaim the Gospel to every creature." Was he even then aware of how the Gospel is to transform our whole view of the world around us, whether this means loving our fellow human beings or loving all that has been created. How we deal with things, with possessions, how we treat our environment, closely relates to the way we treat all our brothers and sisters, especially the weak and most fragile. To see the relationship is to bring about a whole new creation. May we freely and lovingly accept our own call to conversion.

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