

Year of Faith
Liturgical Minute No. 16
The Imitation of God

Anyone can be an imitator of God – IF he takes on his own shoulders the burden of his neighbor – IF she chooses to use her advantage to help another who is underprivileged – IF he takes what he has received from God and gives to those who are in need – for such a one becomes God to those who are helped.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said it well – “Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Plato and Aristotle, [or] Einstein's Theory of Relativity, [or] the Second Theory of Thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.”

When you have faith, although God rules in heaven, and you are on earth, you will begin to speak of the mysteries of God – you will imitate God – you will sacrifice your time and energy for others – you will love and admire those who suffer because they refuse to deny God – you will condemn the deceit and error of the world because you realize that true life is in heaven.

Major Source: John the Solitary, Magnificat Year of Faith Companion, and Dr. Martin Luther King.