Peer Ministry Summer Assignment: "Called to More"

Theme: A Personal Conversion: A Prerequisite to Discipleship

Overview:

This summer, you are invited—not just to complete an assignment—but to prepare your heart to lead, love, and serve like Jesus. As a peer minister, your role is more than a title—it's a calling. This assignment will help you reflect on who Christ is to you, how He's calling you deeper, and what it means to walk with others in faith.

Part 1: Read - Blessed Are the Bored in Spirit by Mark Hart

Part 2: Reflect & Create Class Presentation

Goal: To reflect on why we call ourselves Christians, consider whether or not we've made our faith our own, as opposed to simply practicing the faith of our family, and to define discipleship in the role of peer minister at Cardinal Mooney.

- Presentation must be 2-3 minutes long using Prezi, Google Slides, keynote, Canva, etc.
- Grading will be based on knowledge of the content in the book, application to your personal faith journey, content of presentation (answering all of the reflection questions), and creativity.
- Make sure to practice in front of family, a friend, the mirror etc. before you present in class. We will have a schedule of presentation slots that will begin the first week of school.)
- Please submit your presentation via Canvas by Monday, August 4th 2025. ** There will be a 10 point deduction for each day that it's late.

Presentation Rubric:

- 1. Which chapter stood out to you most in this book? (8 points)
 - Why did the chapter speak to your heart or stir your soul?
 - Site a quote from that chapter that resonated with you the most.
 - How has reading that chapter changed your mindset, your relationship with God and, or the Church, and your behavior.
- 2. Which chapter did you struggle with the most? (12 points)
 - What part of the content was difficult and why?
 - Did you not agree with the author's stance on that subject?
 - Was it a truth that was "hard to swallow" (that made you realize maybe you needed to change something in your heart or behavior?)
 - Did you not fully understand the concept and have a hard time relating to the author's perspective?
 - Did you pray for the Holy Spirit to enlighten you to any truth you don't understand or have a hard time accepting? Have you had a change of heart, or a better understanding after praying over it?

- 3. From the section, "Practically Speaking" on pages 114-115, which of the twelve steps did you implement over the summer? If none of them spoke to you, what discipline of your own choosing did you practice consistently? (*10 points*)
 - Why did you choose that habit?
 - How did you execute or plan to incorporate it in your day?
 - What was your experience & success rate staying consistent?
 - Did you experience any fruits of that daily discipline?
- 4. Based on Mark Hart's explanation of discipleship, what does it mean to be a true disciple of Christ? (Cite three quotes from the book.) (6 points)
- 5. How does discipleship relate to Peer Ministry? (8 points)
 - What are the three most important traits of a Peer Minister?
 - In past experiences on campus interacting with the past Peer Ministry team, was there a particular student that exemplified discipleship and peer ministry to you (please include name and why if you have someone in mind.) If you haven't had a direct experience with a student, how do you think past Peer Ministry teams have exhibited discipleship and peer ministry well? (Reflect on past class retreats, Masses, observances of behavior on campus.)
 - Also based on past experiences, specifically in regard to retreats, do you think we could improve upon or do differently and why?
- 6. After reading this book, how will you apply three of the concepts that resonated the most with you to your role as a peer minister and a retreat leader? (*10 points*)
- 7. Who has had the biggest impact on your faith and why? (Please include a picture of that person.) (6 points)
- 8. Creativity in Presentation (creating engaging elements to your slides, adding pictures/images, and presentation skills.) (10 points)

Total Points: 70