

Spiritual Battle

- Begin each discussion with a simple prayer: *Our Father, Hail Mary, or Glory Be*
- Discuss progress on spiritual goals outlined in the previous meeting's "Call to Battle" section
- Discuss the text using questions provided under "Understanding the Breach"
- Meditate upon the suggested scriptural passages under "Sword of the Spirit"
- Announce the practical spiritual goals for the week based upon the "Call to Battle" section



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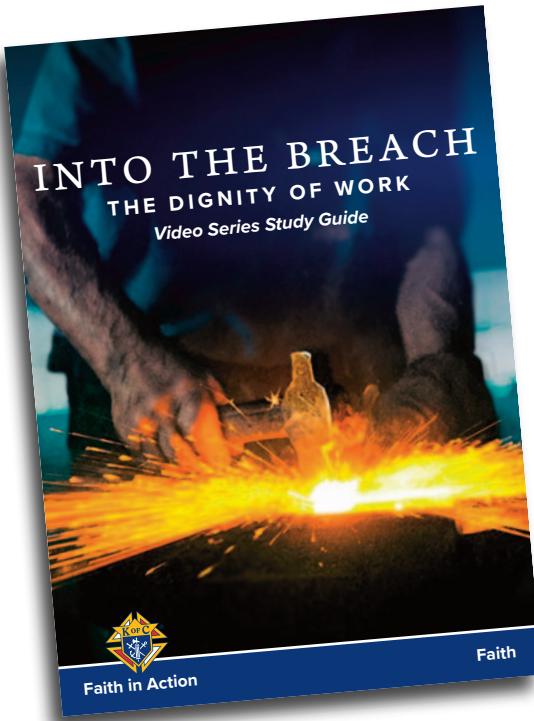


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Into the Breach: The Dignity of Work is the latest entry in the Knights of Columbus *Into the Breach* video series. This dynamic new series explores the Catholic vision of man's mission in the world, focused on the role of work. The five episode series follows the Knights of Columbus' highly successful *Into the Breach* and *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* video series, which have been viewed by millions.

Each episode focuses on a different aspect of the experience of human work and features expert interviews with well-known Catholic commentators, as well as the powerful personal story of a Catholic man who has lived the theme of the episode in his own life. Each episode runs approximately 12 minutes.

Video Series Episodes

Much of our modern culture is beset with confusion and contradictions concerning the meaning and purpose of human work. Discussions of each episode of the series using the *Into the Breach Study Guide* will equip men with the wisdom and practical tools they need to live out God's mission for their work.

Episode 1 - God's Mission for Man

An examination of the Book of Genesis, including God giving man his mission in the world to subdue the earth.

Episode 2 - Work and Holiness

The role of work in a man's life and sanctification.

Episode 3 - Work Life and Family Life

The role work plays in founding, supporting and educating a family.

Episode 4 - Work and the World

The purpose of work in broader society, especially in contributing to the common good.

Episode 5 - Putting Work in Its Place

The place of work in man's larger life, including its relationship to rest and leisure.

Group Discussions

The *Into the Breach: The Dignity of Work Study Guide* is segmented into five reflections covering each of the 5 video episodes. Discussion groups may spend a week per section or decide to cover multiple sections each week. The series can also be used as a part of *Cor*, typically every two weeks or once per month. Holding a weekend retreat to examine the series in a more compressed period is another potential option. Regardless of the time frame your council sets, make sure you stay in order.

Reflections



Understanding the Breach - Questions for individual reflection or group discussion after reading the specific section.



Bricks for the Breach - Quotes from the document that provide a solid guide, or "bricks," for repairing the breach in the Church.



Sword of the Spirit - Scripture passages or verses that are related back to the text of *Into the Breach*. These passages can be considered "the sword of the Spirit" (Eph 6:17) that confronts and conquers evil. Consider using the traditional practice known as Lectio Divina (divine reading) when reflecting on these passages. First read the verse aloud slowly and with reverence. Then, read the verse a second time; while it is being read, begin to meditate on its meaning. Next, pray to God that he will reveal which aspects of the passage apply to your own life. Finally, contemplate these words or sentences and ask God to speak to you through them.



Call to Battle - Practical goals for implementing the message of the document. Those using this guide in a group setting should discuss their progress on these goals at each meeting.



Prayer - Meditations and petitions taken from the Church's tradition or the writings by the saints. These prayers, which may be offered individually or in a group, are provided to help men become familiar with the Church's spiritual treasures. Through prayer, we raise our minds and hearts to God and prepare ourselves for spiritual battle.