

2022-2023 BSP#7 Group Time Discussion

(A) 為查考和認識的題目 Questions for Studying and Understanding (10 minutes)

1. 教會訓導當局如何根據保祿在 5:19-22 中的指示，來處理教會中新興的屬靈運動和各種有關聖母顯現的說法？
 - a. 未經仔細調查和嚴格審核，不要阻止這些運動和主張。
 - b. 不要忽視先知性的信息。
 - c. 不要消滅聖神的工作。
 - d. 不要害怕阻止和反對任何邪惡的意圖、錯誤的主張和異端教導。
 - e. 教會必須接受任何神視者以聖母的權威所宣講的先知性的信息。

How does the Magisterium of the Church use Paul's instruction in 5:19-22 to deal with emerging spiritual movements in the Church and the various claims of Marian apparitions?

- a. Don't discourage the movements and claims without careful investigation and critical scrutiny.
 - b. Don't ignore prophetic messages.
 - c. Don't quench the work of the Spirit.
 - d. Be not afraid to resist and disagree with any evil intent, false claims, and heretic teachings.
 - e. The Church must accept the message given by any seer who claims to speak prophetically on Our Lady's authority.
2. 閱讀 5:27。保祿在最後致候與祝福中「因主誓求」收信人，要「向眾弟兄朗誦這封書信」。這鄭重的吩咐顯示著甚麼？
 - a. 保祿渴望多些人認識他，藉此增強自己的名望和地位。
 - b. 保祿覺得單靠個別看過此信的人約略地轉述，是不足夠的。
 - c. 保祿很重視這信的教導和論及的事情。
 - d. 此信不是只為個別少數人士而寫的，是為教會團體而寫的。
 - e. 保祿懷疑有些教會領袖故意收藏他的書信，不讓別人過目。

Read 5:27. In his closing greetings and blessings, Paul "adjure you by the Lord" that the recipients make sure "this letter be read to all the brothers". What does this solemn instruction indicate?

- a. Paul longed for more people to know him, thereby enhancing his fame and status.
- b. Paul felt that a brief retelling by a few people who had read the letter would not be enough.
- c. Paul puts a lot of emphasis on what this letter teaches and deals with.
- d. This letter is not written just for a small number of people, but for a church body.

- e. Paul suspects that some church leaders purposely hid his letters from others.

(B) 為反思和應用的題目。Reflection and application question (15 minutes)

當今，至少在西方，那些捍衛教會道德價值觀的人差不多都發現自己越來越孤立。從法律來看，那些維護教會的性觀點的人往往會受到為難，甚至被起訴。以“自由”和“人權”為名，媒體宣揚的思想是：道德本質上是由個人決定和自我訂立準則的事情。面對這挑戰，我們是否仍應遵循聖保祿的教導，過度“光明之子和白日之子”的生活（得前 5:5）？應怎樣過度？

Nowadays, at least in the West, those who defend the moral values of the Church have all but found themselves getting more and more isolated. Legally speaking, those who defend the Church's views on sexuality are often subject to harassment, even prosecution. In the name of 'freedom' and 'human rights', the thinking promoted by the media is that morality is essentially a matter of personal decision and self-invention. Given this challenge, should we still follow St. Paul's teaching and live as "children of the light and children of the day" (1 Thes 5:5)? How?