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Father Mike Homilies

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Saint of the Day: St. Ailbhe
(Pray for me!)

EXTRA CREDIT
(LOTS of points possible!)

Instructions:

- Choose 1 of Father Mike's homilies and give it a listen! (Yes, to the *whole thing*)
 - After listening to the entire homily, respond to the questions below.
 - *Answers for #3 and #4 should be *good*, thought-out responses that reflect full knowledge of the homily.
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1. What is the name of the homily you listened to?

"Stop Hiding. Go Seek."

2. How long was the homily that you listened to?

21:51

3. What was the homily about? (Please summarize some of the main points Father Mike talked about)

- In his introduction was about how he was thinking about weddings and how the bride and the groom have to pick the reading for the wedding. Which one to choose? Father Mike always recommends to pick the one that you want your family to hear.
- When you get married you love your spouse but there is division. Sometimes between the both of them they argue even when they want to love each other with everything that they have, and they aren't being the spouse they don't want to be.
- When Adam and Eve eat the apple they 'hide' from God because they were afraid that he would see them.
- God made everyone good. Even when you are falling you can change. Christ died for us even while we were still helpless. Not when we were strong or powerful but when we were falling.
- Everyone has a place in the Catholic church no matter how much you have done wrong or how much you have sinned there is still a place for you. God is calling you, he has chosen you and there is nothing you can do to make him love you more or love you less. He has already claimed you, he wants you.
- The question isn't if the church wants you or if God wants you, but if you want God. Will you let him be your savior.
- When Jesus speaks to the Samaritan women and tries to get to the bottom of her trouble. He asks her to bring her husband to him and she says that she doesn't have one. Then she tries to change the subject onto something else. She is hiding from Jesus because she is scared and thinks he is getting too close. She thinks that religion is a matter of discussion and Jesus thinks that religion is a matter of decision.

- Jesus says we have to decide now. We don't have the past anymore because it's gone. We don't have the future because we don't know how much longer we'll be alive for. We can't keep up the act of I'll do it later, I'll change later.

- Dr. Burner Nathanson was an abortionist that completed 60,000 abortions and supported laws for abortion. When the ultrasound was invented he saw what was in the women's womb and stopped his practice and became a big supporter for pro-life. John Newton was a slave-holder and he held many slaves and had a great encounter with Jesus and decided to set his slaves free and was one of the biggest advocates against slavery and wrote the song Amazing Grace. After he said the homily someone came up to the priest and said he had a problem with that because those men already had a lot of money by the time they stopped. What about a person that has no money in the middle of sin.

What do you say to them and Father Mike said you say the same thing.

- Jesus says you don't have to change when everything is better you need to change even when it means losing something.

- His Grandma worked very hard to get to the nurse's position that she did and then they started performing abortion and she told them not to get any of her nurses involved. Then after they asked them to take the dead bodies and throw them in the dumpster. His grandma said that she would not do that or she would leave. They said thank-you for your service, your done. She left her job even with four kids that she had to raise.

- You don't have to be afraid of what is going to happen.

- Jesus says he doesn't want to beat you down he wants to raise you up. There is no need to hide, it doesn't make any sense.

4. How can you relate the homily's message to your own life? What will you do with what you've heard?

I can apply this homily to my own life by praying more and by trying to be the best person I can be by following Jesus. I can do this by apologizing when I mess up. As much as I would like to say that I am perfect and mistake free, I can't. No matter how hard I try it is inevitable that I will sin. So when I do it is impartial that I realize and accept my actions and try to correct them. I have to realize not to be so stubborn or to deny that I have done wrong, or 'hide' from my problems by theoretically 'changing the subject.'

I will do my best to not 'hide.' I think that a lot of times we forget the fact that Jesus loves us. We forget the fact that there is someone that care about us... We forget because we are so caught up in our worries and troubles and sins. If we would just realize what father Mike said was true: Jesus doesn't want to beat you down, he wants to raise you up. I'm going to remember that every time that I get down, and I'll let other know that when I notice that they are feeling bad. This isn't a message that just I should hear but one that others should know too.

(P.S Here's a Quote Dog from Fr.Mike

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