

Pope Francis as a Model for Discipleship

Our Church has been graced with our new pope, Pope Francis. Within the first nine months of his election, he was chosen “Person of the Year” by Time magazine. Use these discussion questions for personal reflection and group discussion on Pope Francis as a model for discipleship:

- Take time to reflect on John 3:30 – “He must increase; I must decrease.” What words and actions of Pope Francis inspire and lead others to Christ and to his Church? To whom could I be an inspiration through my words and deeds?



- What is it about Pope Francis that has stirred a sense of conversion and new thinking for many people throughout the world?
- Compare Pope Francis with the two other popes who have been featured on Time magazine's cover: Blessed John XXIII and Blessed John Paul II. What attributes make each pope an important world and Church figure?
- Pope Francis asks us to “spread the message of the Gospel” What are the ways we can live this out in our own lives?



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