

Youth Ministry Access and Call to Discipleship

Two Resources that Work Together for Comprehensive Youth Ministry



Effective adolescent catechesis relies on the context of comprehensive youth ministry and the intentionality of a systematic approach. Dynamic resources can help build the context and equip catechists to help youth grow in faith understanding and commitment.

The Center for Ministry Development provides *Youth Ministry Access*—a subscription website with hundreds of gathered youth sessions, retreats, strategies, and programs such as service projects, prayer services, and fun events designed to serve middle school and high school age youth. Program materials available on *Youth Ministry Access* provide solid Catholic content, are easy to use, and can be adapted for a variety of communities. These resources help parishes implement youth ministry in a way that provides the context of all eight components, including catechesis, as called for in *Renewing the Vision* and the *National Directory for Catechesis*.

Harcourt Religion Publishers provides *Call to Discipleship*—a customizable subscription Web tool and resource for high school age catechesis. *Call to Discipleship* includes 54 systematic and intentional catechetical sessions that work within comprehensive youth ministry. *Call to Discipleship's* scope and content were developed in light of the new Doctrinal Elements of a Curriculum Framework for High School. Each session includes handouts with imprimatur and numerous options for developing sessions in multiple ways, all with the goal of a comprehensive presentation of the faith that promotes and leads to following Christ. The Center for Ministry Development worked collaboratively with Harcourt Religion Publishers in the development of this resource.

Youth Ministry Access and *Call to Discipleship* work together in providing for the tasks of catechesis. There is no duplication of materials between these two dynamic web resources. *Youth Ministry Access* provides resources, strategies, and programs for all eight components of youth ministry. *Call to Discipleship* combines intentional catechesis, Web-based planning and communication tools, and an engaging and interactive site created just for today's youth. The retreats, sessions, family faith sharing, service events, and special events found on *Youth Ministry Access* can be connected to *Call to Discipleship* sessions so that together these resources provide a breadth of opportunities for youth to grow in faith. Likewise, the podcasts, music downloads, and interactive games found on *Call to Discipleship* complement the resources found on *Youth Ministry Access*.

Preview Dynamic Resources:



To experience the variety of resources and download free sample materials available on *Youth Ministry Access*, go to the preview site located at:

http://secure.cmdnet.org/access/index.cfm?switch=ymahs_preview&CFID=510622&CFTOKEN=8d2f16f41a596c66-158E0B58-AC3A-7284-185FF3EAB2BEB46A

Youth Ministry Access subscribers receive new resources and program opportunities each season, including weekly youth gatherings, retreats, and special events. For a sample listing, go to:

http://secure.cmdnet.org/access/season_hs_trial.cfm?SID=1&CFID=358143&CFTOKEN=8196cbc3b2e99b61-469705CC-E132-480E-1807485633FA8BE3



To experience a preview of *Call to Discipleship*, including a sample session and the faith learner website designed for youth, go to the demo site at:

www.calltodiscipleship.com