



Reclaiming the Fire

6 Ways That *Finding God 2021* Will Make Your Faith Formation More Evangelizing

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Today, more than ever, faith formation needs to be more evangelizing—not only informing, but also transforming hearts and minds. In her book, ***Start with Jesus***, author, speaker, and evangelist Julianne Stanz states that “too often our approach to our faith lacks the fire or energy that it deserves,” and she issues a call for us to “reclaim the fire.” With that in mind, I’ve identified six keys to reclaiming this fire so that our faith formation will be more evangelizing.

6 Keys to a More Evangelizing Faith Formation	How <i>Finding God 2021</i> Makes This Possible
STORYTELLING We need to engage those we teach with the rich stories of rescue, restoration, and reassurance found in Scripture, the lives of the saints, and the personal experiences of catechists.	Each chapter of <i>Finding God 2021</i> begins with a Scripture story that enables children to consider prayerfully the essential connections between God’s Word and their own lives. Likewise, each unit begins with an inspiring story of a saint.
SACRAMENTALITY We need to integrate a language of mystery (sign, symbol, ritual, music, silence, movement, gesture, and sacred art) that profoundly invokes and reinforces the narrative of rescue, restoration, and reassurance.	The pedagogy of <i>Finding God 2021</i> encourages the use of a language of mystery characterized by the inclusion of sacred space, music and singing, sacred art, sign and symbol, ritual, silence, storytelling, movement and gesture, and more.
SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER We need to facilitate meaningful encounters with the Risen Christ who is present and active in our lives and can be found in all things.	<i>Finding God 2021</i> is imbued with Ignatian spirituality—the notion of finding God in all things—and equips catechists to lead children in thoughtful and meaningful experiences of reflective prayer and other prayers from our Catholic Tradition.

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TRADITION

We need to offer a robust presentation of our heritage of revealed truths and doctrines that are faithfully transmitted, much as a family recipe is faithfully handed down from generation to generation.

Finding God 2021 has been found to be in conformity with the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, which means that its presentation of the Catholic faith is robust, faithful, and complete, as well as age-appropriate.

EXPERIENCES OF SHARING GOD'S MERCY

We need to apprentice young disciples in corporal and spiritual works of mercy and Catholic social action, which are the backbone of missionary discipleship.

Each chapter of *Finding God* 2021 includes suggestions for ways of putting our faith into practice through service experiences inspired by the Works of Mercy.

ENTERING THROUGH THEIR DOOR

We need to utilize 21st-century approaches and methodologies that meet participants and their parents/families where they are.



SCAN HERE

Finding God 2021 reinforces the program's robust Catholic faith content through the use of dynamic multimedia experiences that enable children, catechists, and parents to engage with videos, audio, and interactive experiences through the use of QR codes.

Equipped with these six keys and *Finding God* 2021, catechetical ministers can, in the words of St. Ignatius of Loyola, "go set the world on fire!"

Contact your Loyola Press Educational Consultant to learn more about *Finding God* 2021 and how this outstanding resource will enable your faith formation program to reclaim the fire!

