***The Power of a Love that Generates***

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**Discussion Questions:**

Christy explains in her presentation:
*"I realised on retreat that I could be just as holy in married life...I realised God was calling me to live a life of holiness through marriage. Before then I thought that religious life was the only way to be holy."*

Have you had similar misconceptions? For example, thinking that only priests, religious sisters, brothers, and deacons were called to holiness? How has that misconception been challenged?

Christy reflects in her presentation:
*"Love is always generating life, willing the good of the other person. Where there is love there is always life (not always life in the womb) but life in other ways. Love generates life in the way we see the world, in the way that we see others and in our hearts by the way we respond to others."*

Can you think of examples of how love has generated life in your own heart, family, or community?

*"The path to holiness taken by a father or a mother involves growing in their love for each other and in the love that they give to their children."*
*World Meeting of Families Catechesis 6, Fathers and Mothers.*

If you are married what are your thoughts about the idea that your path to holiness is to grow in love for your spouse? Do you make your marriage your mission, do you dedicate quality time with each other or for marriage enrichment as a priority?

If you are not married, can you think of a married couple that you know who reveal the love that God has for us through their witness of faithful married love?

*"You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and that your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you. This I command you, that you love one another."*
*John 15: 16-17*

Do you acknowledge that God has chosen you to go out and "bear fruit" he has commanded you to love those around you. Can you give examples of where you have been successful in following this command and where you could do better?