



DIVINE MERCY FOR MOMS

POP QUIZ!

◦ What is Divine Mercy?

WHAT IS MERCY?

MERCY IS: A particular mode of love. To put love into action.

Loving the unlovable. Forgiving the unforgiveable.

Mercy is the HIGHEST form of LOVE.

(In order for there to BE LOVE, you need a LOVER, a BELOVED
and the LOVE BETWEEN THEM ...)

TRINITY: Father + Son = Holy Spirit (the love generates a third)

FAMILY MIRRORS TRINITY: Husband + Wife = Child

(the love generated is so great, it generates a third)

WHAT IS MERCY?

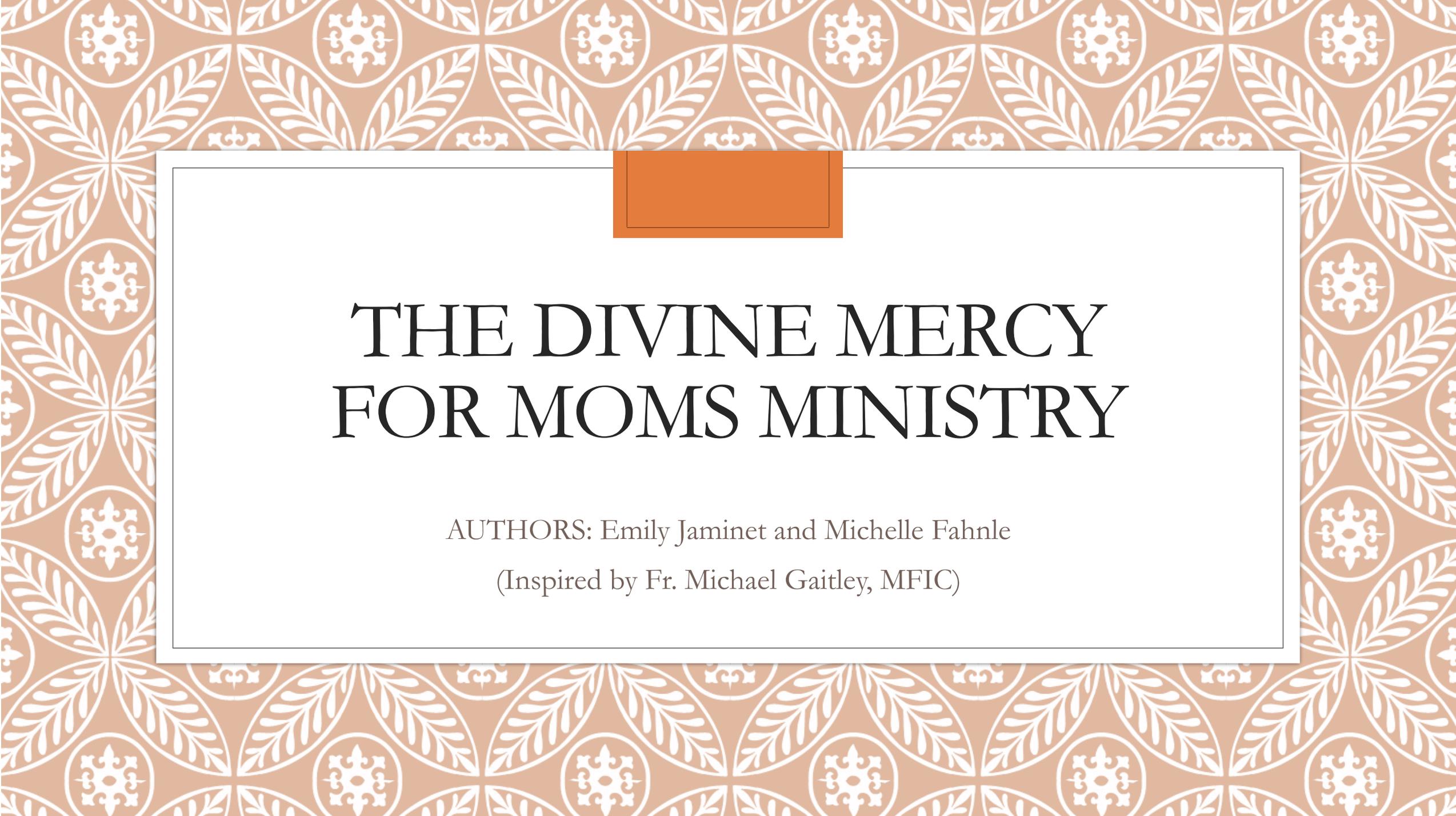
The FORM that GOD'S LOVE takes when it flows outside of itself to its creatures.
Mercy happens when God (who is LOVE itself) LOVES US.

DIVINE MERCY: Puts that LOVE into ACTION.

When love encounters suffering, it takes ACTION to do something about it.
Mercy is having pains in your heart for the pains of another and taking pains to do something about their pain.
Sounds like a lot of pain. But MERCY means in Latin "Miserable Heart".

DIVINE MERCY: LOVE (the love of God) that goes OUTSIDE of us.

Source: thedivinemercy.org video on "What is Mercy & Why Does it Matter?"
Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception



THE DIVINE MERCY FOR MOMS MINISTRY

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THE BOOK:

Divine Mercy for Moms

THE WEBSITE:

www.divinemercyformoms.com

- Tons of resources!
- Including videos that we are showing today
- One stop shop for all your Divine Mercy needs 😊.

POP QUIZ!

- Who is St. Faustina? How can she relate to us as moms?
- Emily & Michelle will explain more about her in our first video!



What is the Devotion?

What are the FIVE aspects of DIVINE MERCY?

Watch the Video to find out:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oJ7D8FHqsWI&feature=youtu.be>

THE FIVE ASPECTS OF THE DEVOTION

- The Image
- Divine Mercy Sunday
- The Divine Mercy Chaplet:

“For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion,
Have Mercy on Us and On the Whole World”

- The Divine Mercy Chaplet
- The 3 o'clock Hour
- STORY OF “THE TUITION LOTTERY”



POP QUIZ:

What are the 3 ways to LIVE OUT/SHOW
Divine Mercy to Others?

1) Word

2) Deed

3) Prayer

BEING A PRAYERFUL MOM is at the HEART of being a Merciful mom.

Don't RUN, but, DON'T JUST STAND THERE! Discern your gifts and where is God calling you to be?

PRAYER: What is your will for me today, Lord?

DON'T LET YOUR FEELINGS BE YOUR GUIDE. So many (saints) have not "felt" like serving or doing what they were supposed to but did it out of a LOVE for God.

FROM THE BOOK EXAMPLES:

WORD:

- Phone a friend or text message a friend in need “I am thinking of you and praying for you.”
- Tell a stranger (the homeless person, the store clerk, etc.): “God bless you”.
- Write down a list of blessings in your life and thank God for them.
- Send a card to someone.

DEED

- Share one aspect of the Divine Mercy with a friend
- Keep snacks in your car for homeless
- Give a spontaneous gift (like the Divine Mercy for Moms book!) or a cup of coffee ☺

PRAYER

- Turn to God with our own shortcomings and ask forgiveness (and forgive yourself)
- Start a prayer journal or download a prayer app (Echo Prayer Manager)
- Teach your children to pray by “pinning a prayer”

ACTIONS A.K.A.:

Corporal (Bodily) Works of Mercy: Physical Actions

Spiritual Works of Mercy:

Spreading Seeds of Faith, Giving Encouragement,
Self-Sacrifice

DISCUSSION ON
HOW CAN WE PUT THESE INTO ACTION?
HOW HAVE YOU PERSONALLY RECEIVED MERCY?

CORPORAL (Book Favorites)

- Michelle's story of receiving mercy (due to an illness of one of her children resulting in 35 day hospital stay)
- Turn your meal making into an act of Mercy (pray at that time or simply make it with JOY)
- Have water bottles in your car (even tape an inspirational message on it 😊)
- Open your home to neighbor kids
- Have EVERYONE cater to the sick kid at your house.
- Befriend a shut-in or visit a nursing home.
- Be a good listener.
- Attend the funeral/wake/burial.

SPIRITUAL (Book Favorites)

- Our training as moms, helps us to respond to suffering with compassion and love.
- Encourage the overwhelmed (think mom in the parking lot with a toddler having a meltdown)
- Invite people back to the church
- Cultivate “good soil” for children Seek learning environments that support your faith (think summer camp, think family friendships, etc...)
- Read children good stories: www.truthandlifeapp.com (makes Bible stories come alive)
- Be a forgiving parent
- Make prayer bracelets
- Think before you speak ... OR POST 😊.

CELEBRATE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY!

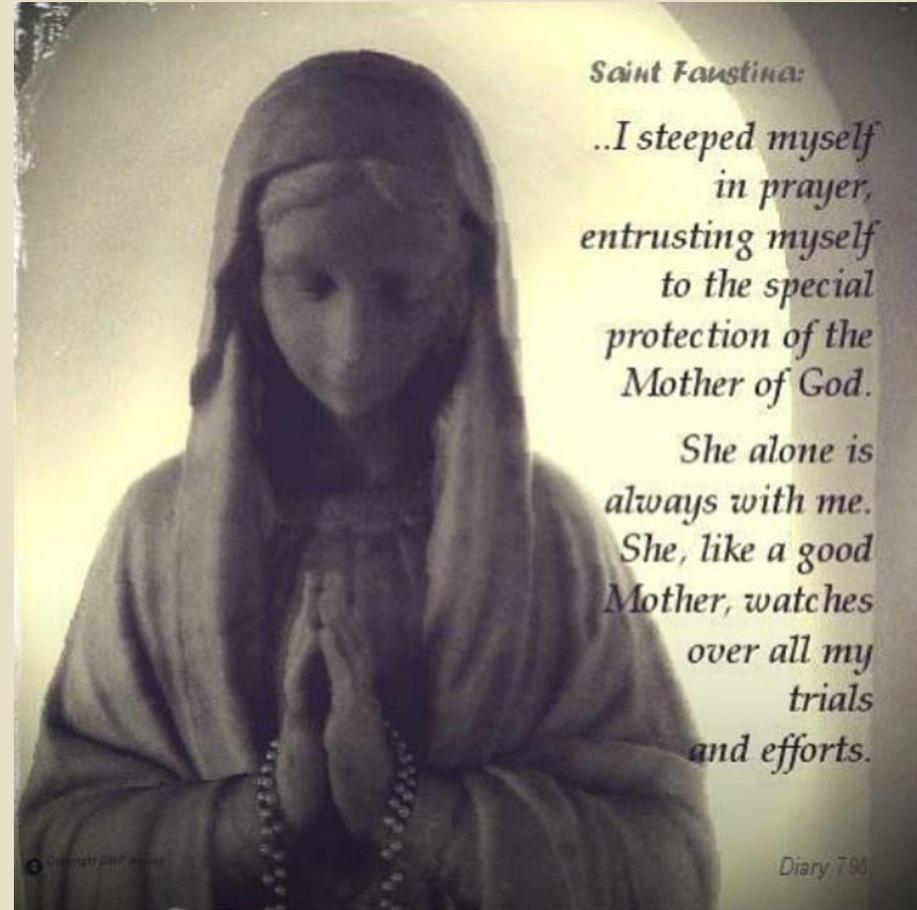
What are some ways to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday in the home?

FAVORITES ON THE WEBSITE

- Cheat Sheet Guide on the Year of Mercy (Activities & Ideas to live out the Jubilee Year)
- How to buy a copy of the Divine Mercy Image (and other images) for an awesome price!
- Link to Catholicstationary.com

How Can The Blessed Mother Help Us?

- St. Faustina had a special devotion to the Blessed Mother and she also appeared to her.
- We can relate to Mary! She was “ordinary” and walked by faith not by sight.
- We as moms are called to give a good example to our children, but, we do encounter “bumps” in the road.
- Mary DID suffer. (7 swords)
- Small miracles can happen through consecration to her.
- VIDEO for CH 6: 2:50 – 9:50 (7 min)



KNOW, MY DAUGHTER,
THAT ALTHOUGH I
WAS RAISED TO THE
DIGNITY OF MOTHER
OF GOD, SEVEN
SWORDS OF PAIN
PIERCED MY HEART.
DON'T DO ANYTHING
TO DEFEND YOURSELF;
BEAR EVERYTHING
WITH HUMILITY;
GOD HIMSELF WILL
DEFEND YOU.

OUR LADY TO ST. FAUSTINA

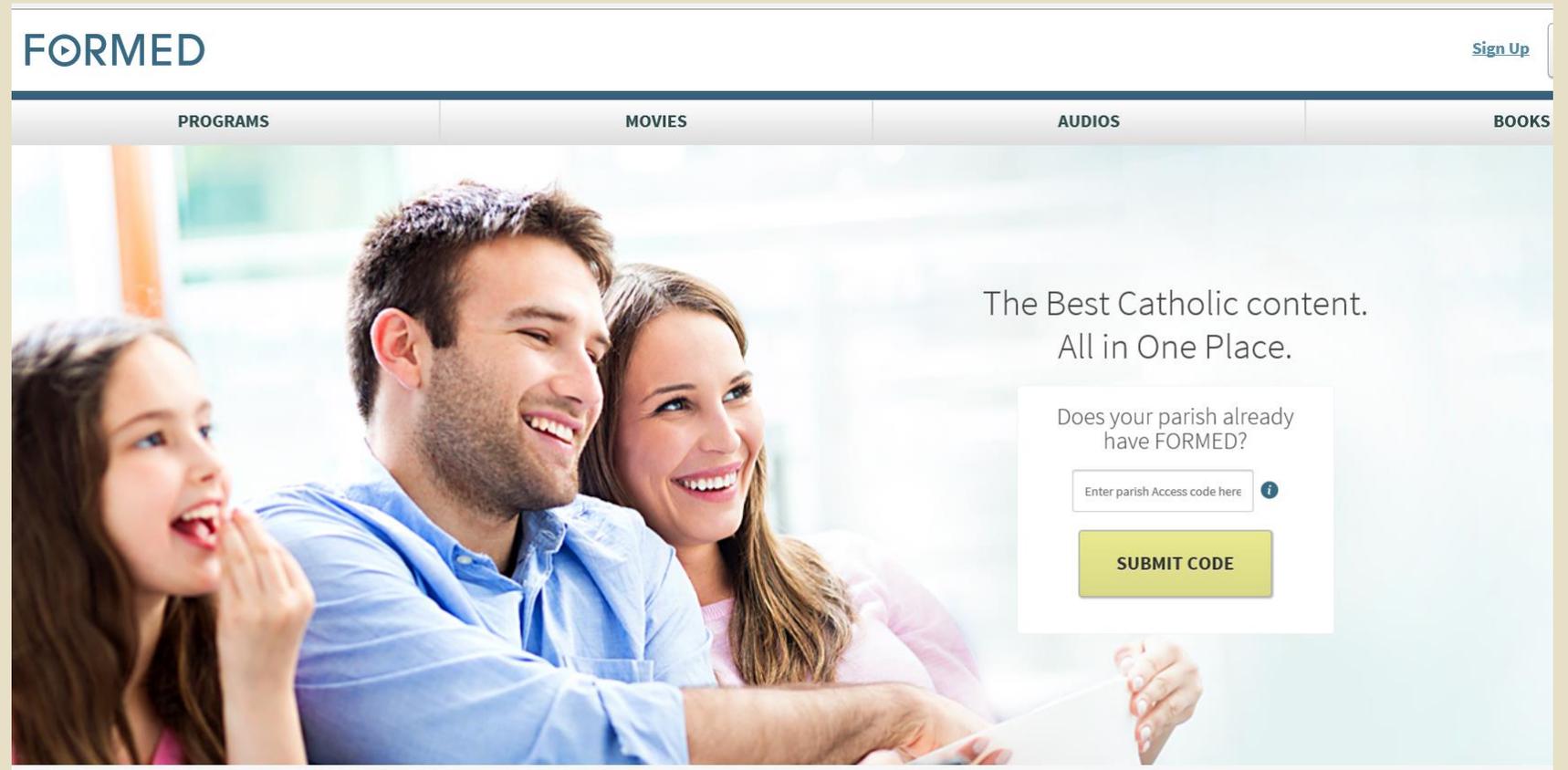
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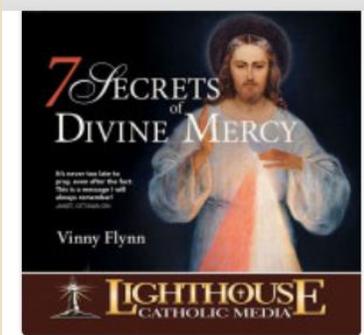
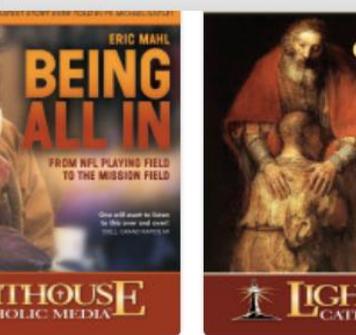
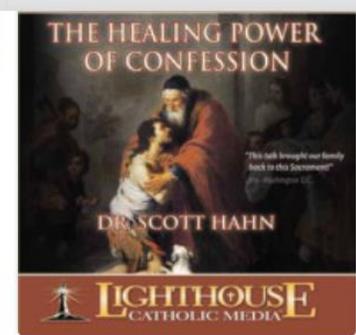
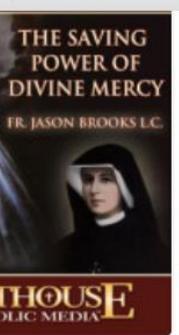
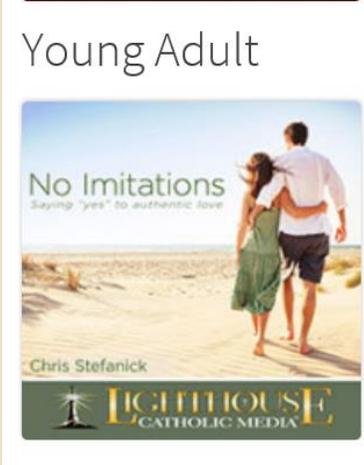
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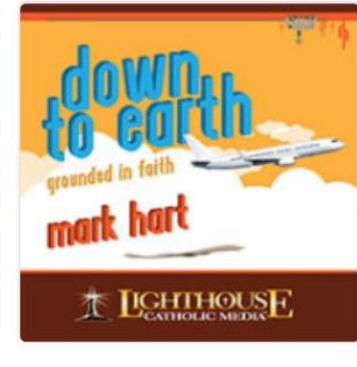
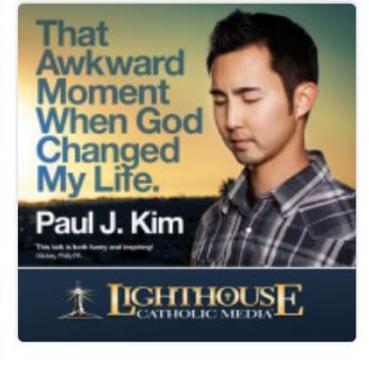
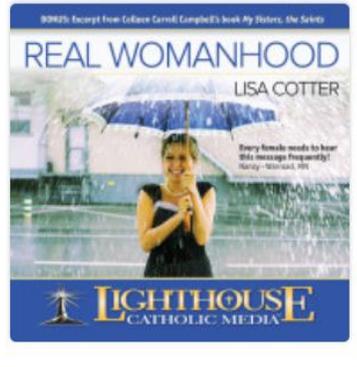
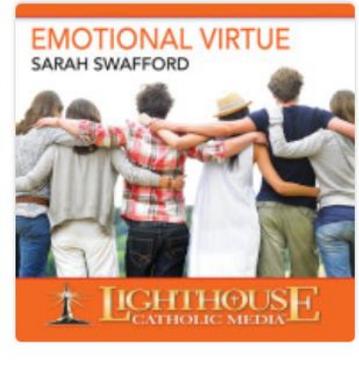


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