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Welcome, Holy Father!

But Can They Hear You?



They talk about rights
You talk about duty

They talk about education
You talk about wisdom

They talk about freedom
You talk about truth

They talk about getting
You talk about giving

They talk about equality
You talk about equity

They talk about winning
You talk about justice

They talk about self-actualization
You talk about self-denial

They talk about values
You talk about virtue

They talk about death
You talk about life

They talk about "me"
You talk about "we"

They talk about sex
You talk about marriage

They talk about gender
You talk about sex

They talk about utility
You talk about dignity

They talk about love
And You show us the way

It is your leadership—your unbending moral authority—that accounts for your tremendous following. For every carping Catholic, there are thousands of us who embrace you. For every howling bigot, there are millions of us who defend you. Drawing a line in the sand may be unpopular with the elites, but in this age of moral confusion it is refreshing to hear your voice.

Speaking the truth is what you do best. Indeed, it is a back-handed tribute to your influence that those who rail against nature and reason target the Catholic Church for abuse.

Your voice means everything. And that's not something even your biggest detractors can deny. Keep up the good work. We love you madly.

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