



**Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of
your love.**

**Send forth your Spirit, and
they shall be created,
and you shall renew the face
of the earth.**

Three simple questions to begin a
faith conversation

What led you to think that?

**Would you be open to seeing
how the Church understands it?**

**Can I share why this matters
to me personally?**

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BEFORE A DIFFICULT CONVERSATION

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Lord, your saving truth is a light to the world. Your sacred word commands us to love your truth, and to be always ready to defend the hope it enkindles in our hearts.

Confirm us, we pray, in steadfast fidelity to your truth; increase in us the courage and skill to champion it in all seasons; and cause charity to radiate from us toward all the souls who need to hear it. That all may be one and You may be glorified in all.

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady, St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Philomena, St. Catherine of Siena, and St. Justin Martyr. Amen.

**Before you begin,
remember:**

Pray first.

Ask the Holy Spirit for calm, wisdom, and love.

Listen carefully.

A real answer begins with understanding the real question.

**Start with
common ground.**

Look for the truth you can affirm before explaining where you differ.

**Speak clearly
and charitably.**

Truth is strongest when spoken without fear or harshness.

Leave the door open.

You may not finish the conversation, but you can begin it well.