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## Introduction

1. At the core of the Church's mission is the duty to bear witness to the flowing truth from the Gospel and God's law. For whenever the Church would confirm a man in error or he would close his eyes to his loss, betray his Master, betray him man and he would betray himself, because "man is the first road on which he is guilty to walk the Church in carrying out her mission is the first and fundamental way Of the Church, on the path laid out by Christ himself. " Hence, "any threat to dignity [...] Man deeply shakes the very heart of the Church [...] and urges him to do his own mission "(respectively John Paul II. Encyclical *Redemptor Hominis* . Rome 1979 No. 14; Encyclical *Evangelium vitae* . Rome 1995 No. 2, 3).

2. This teaching is also motivated by the invariably valid invitation of the Lord Jesus to open his heart to him - without prejudice and fear, wide-ranging (cf. John Paul II. *Open wide the doors to Christ*. Homily of the Holy Father John Paul II delivered in time Holy Mass solemnly beginning the pontificate. Rome 22/10. 1978). Only He can relieve the painful personality and moral tears in people who identify with LGBT + (Eng. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgenders - abbreviation for lesbians, gays, people bisexual and transsexual = transgender). Only He is able to bring them into their lives peace and inner harmony. The Lord Jesus addresses them in a special way: "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Mt 11.28). The keys that open the way to spiritual and moral healing are words spoken by him at the very beginning of his public activity: "Convert believe in the Gospel "(Mk 1:15).

3. In carrying out her ministry, the Church is open to dialogue with everyone good will ", seeking the truth and asking questions like the young man of the Gospel: "Teacher, what must I do to gain eternal life?" (Luke 10:25). An example of such

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