

# MOVIE NIGHT WITH 40 HOURS

a Short Film



## Questions for Discussion



Kat teaches Cristina hospitality. How would you define hospitality? When was a time someone was hospitable to you? What was that like?

Carlos teases Cristina about not liking “poor people.” What did he mean? Why would he tease her about this? What does it mean to be poor?

Cristina tries to help Kat through a difficult time. What are ways she was helpful? What are ways she was unhelpful? Think of a time when you wanted to help someone and they didn’t want your help? What did you do?

Take time as a family to share stories of times in the past when your family needed extra help or assistance. What was this experience like?

Why is it hard to accept help? What are ways in we need God’s help? What ways does He go about helping us?

## What Does the Bible Say?

Be hospitable to one another without complaining. As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace. . . . whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified . . . Amen.

1 Peter 4:7-11

## What Does Pope Francis Say?

Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others, and this can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey.

*(Evangelii Gaudium)*



## Scripture Passages To Ponder

Look up each passage. Read aloud. Take a quiet moment, then read the passage once again. Take turns reading aloud.

Isaiah 61:1-2 • Matthew 25  
Matthew 15:32 • Matthew 20:26-28

Matthew 28:1-8 • Mark 16:1-13  
Luke 24:1-12 • John 20:1-18

Acts 2:43-4 • Acts 4:32-35 • 1 Peter 4:7-11

## Movie Trivia

“40 Hours” refers to Cristina’s service hours she has to complete. Can you think of other reasons why the number 40 was chosen?

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## Activities

1. Make a list of homeless services in your area. Try to find at least 5. Then type up the list, print off a few copies, and keep them in your purse or wallet to pass out to homeless people you come across in your area.
2. Cristina took praying for Kat seriously. Who are people that you would like to pray for? Make a list of these people and post the list somewhere in your room to remind you to pray for them.
3. Make a list of ways to be more hospitable, the simpler the better. Try to include at least one idea for family, school/work, and strangers.
4. Make lunches for the homeless in your area. Have you heard of Red Bag? A high school student named Michael started Red Bag in San Diego. Check out Red-bag.org.
5. Call the homeless services from our first activity and see what donations they currently need as these can change through the year. Make a list and organize a donations fair for your class or school or parish. Check with your local parish, as they may already have a drive planned that you can help out with.



## Want More Resources?

See CCC 2401-2463

Gospel of Luke

[familytheater.org](http://familytheater.org)

[catholicworker.org](http://catholicworker.org)

## What Do the Saints Say?

When we serve the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus. We must not fail to help our neighbors, because in them we serve Jesus.

– *Saint Rose of Lima*

Welcoming our brothers and sisters with care and willingness must not be limited to extraordinary occasions but must become for all believers a habit of service in their daily lives.

– *St. John Paul II, Address to volunteer workers, March 8, 1997*

## Did You Know?

Writer and Director Father David Guffey, CSC, worked at a soup kitchen in Phoenix, AZ called Andre House, named for St. Andre Bessette, CSC. An encounter with one of the guests is what inspired this story.

[andrehouse.org/bessette](http://andrehouse.org/bessette)

## Try Prayer

### For Family Prayer:

Remember when Kat said the cross brought her comfort during her recovery? Think about what brings you comfort. What is a favorite prayerful object that you have seen at your home or somewhere else? Don't have one? Brainstorm with your family some ideas for what this object could be. Remember, the simpler the better.

Say the Our Father slowly as a family. After each phrase, pause and try to explain what each part means in your own words. For example, "Our Father", this means that God is the creator of all of us and cares about us like a father cares for his children. Use the Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraphs 2759-2865 for inspiration.

### For Personal Prayer:

Ponder: What does it mean to love your neighbor?

Write: Write down the Our Father slowly in a prayer journal or on a piece of paper. Think about what each part means to you. How is God speaking to you through this prayer?

