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Supreme Chaplains Challenge for October 2018

[The blind man] threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." (Gospel for Oct. 28, Mk. 10:50-52)

Most of us can probably recall requesting a meeting with someone influential, and then reaching a point in that meeting where he or she looked us in the eyes and asked, "So, what can I do for you?" We most likely prepared for this moment, and we clearly stated our need or wish. Brothers, can we imagine the Son of God speaking our own name and asking, "What do you want me to do for you?" It seems extraordinary. Even unbelievable! And yet, this is exactly what Jesus invites us to do *every day* in prayer, reading and reflecting on Scripture, speaking to him about what is in our hearts. That's a meeting you and I would not want to miss.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

When having a discussion with people this month (especially your family members), give them your undivided attention and do not look at your cell phones during the conversations. Secondly, I challenge you to honestly attempt to answer Jesus' question to you, "What do you want me to do for you?"

Instructions

During the Chaplain's Message or the Grand Knight's Report:

- 1) Begin with a prayer of your choosing or use the following:
 - a. Make the Sign of the Cross
 - b. **Prayer:** *Come Holy Spirit. We thank you for guiding our lives and pray that we may have the courage exemplified by Venerable Fr. McGivney to live our faith to the fullest through our council, our families and in society. May our words today give glory to your Sacred Heart and if we struggled this past month in living our faith, help us to never stop turning to you and always try again.*
- 2) Re-read the *Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge* from the previous month
- 3) Invite the men to talk about what it was like to try and live last month's challenge from the Supreme Chaplain.
 - a. Don't worry about what order the men speak in
 - b. If there is silence in between men speaking, it's ok
 - c. Try to make sure that when one man is speaking that the others are listening
 - d. If someone doesn't want to speak that's ok
- 4) The men are welcome to give (encouraging) comments to each other if they want
- 5) When finished, read *Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge* the for next month
- 6) End with this prayer
 - a. Ask the men if there is anything they would like the group to pray for
 - b. **Prayer:** *Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time together with our brothers. We ask you to have mercy on all those people and intentions we prayed for. Give us the perseverance to live next month's challenge and to remember that we are united with our brother Knights around the world in doing so.*
 - c. Make the Sign of the Cross