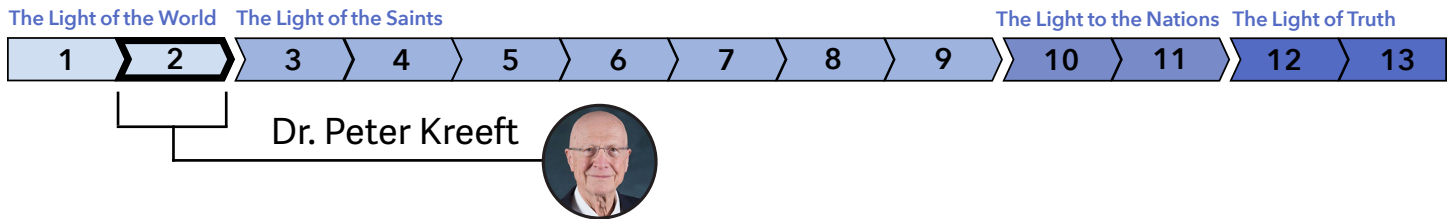


Fall Semester Timeline



Summary

We are in the midst of a spiritual culture war, in which the enemy attacks life itself. The true enemies are evil spirits, not politics or one another. In mislabeling each other the enemy we are fulfilling our true enemy's deepest ambition. God desires our minds and hearts to be transformed, so that our behavior may also be transformed. Despite the challenges we face, we must be assured of certain victory and remember that the ultimate battle has already been won by Christ's sacrifice on the Cross.

Small Group Goals

- Seek a deeper understanding of what it means to be in the midst of a spiritual and cultural war. Where and how is this war waged?
- Better grasp the various places in our society this war is currently being waged.
- Maintain a sense of joy knowing that God wins this final battle, that Christ, the Blessed Mother, and all the angels and saints are on our side!

Discussion Questions

- What are your tasks in this war? What talents and desires has God put into your heart and mind to contribute?
- Should we be optimists or pessimists? How can we avoid becoming dreamy-eyed idealists that underestimate the power of evil or cowardly pessimists that withdraw? What does that look like?

Supplemental Questions

- What struck you most from the presentation?
- Do you fall into the common trap of mislabeling our neighbor as our enemy? Of not focusing on the enemy Christ himself instructed us to?
- What tangible steps can be taken to begin turning the tide in this spiritual and cultural war?