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Living Catholic in the 808: What Easter Means to Me

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Listening to the seven Old Testament readings about the salvific act of God seems to take a long period of time during our Easter Vigil. Yet it sets the context of the hard, difficult journey of the people (aka, us!) from the slavery of the darkness of sins to the light of liberation, living according to the plan of God. Ultimately, the Easter Vigil helps us celebrate the New Covenant that God makes to us through Jesus Christ.

This Easter pattern of journey and of reaching our destination through Jesus can help us look more closely at our own life situations and then move towards helping others. Through Easter, we see our common vision of the Church: **GO AND MAKE OTHERS DISCIPLES**. The journey we are on is as the one People of God. Because of Easter, we know where we are going and we know who is leading us.

Easter means **RENEWING OUR RESPONSE TO OUR BAPTISMAL CALLS AND EMBRACING THE THREEFOLD MISSION OF CHRIST:** priestly, prophetic and kingly.

In this way, Easter is a time to leave behind the past, look at the **VISION** of Jesus and take steps to help the rest of the people of God, esp. the poor, in their journey from death to resurrection.