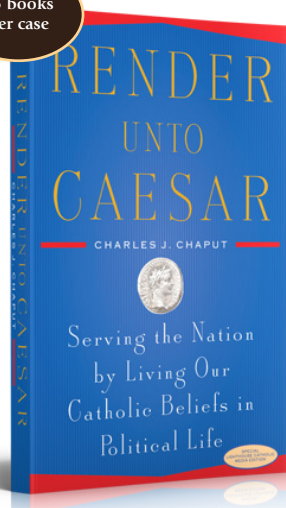


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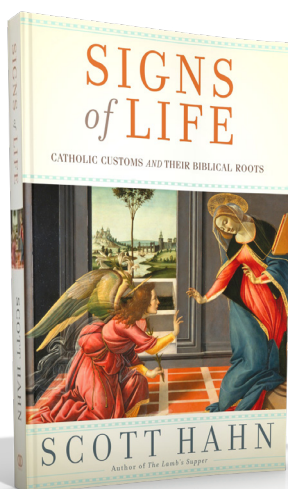
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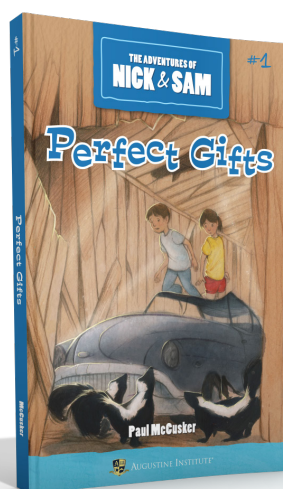
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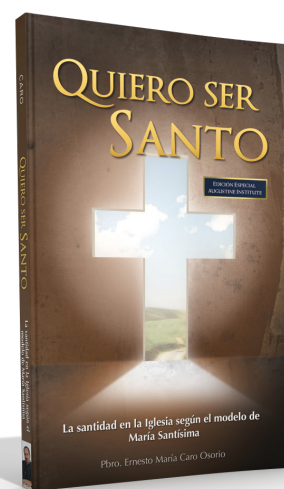
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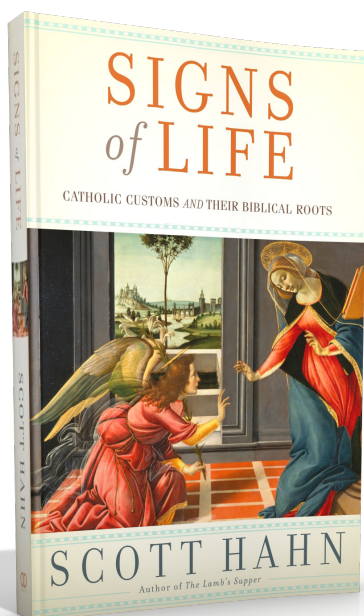
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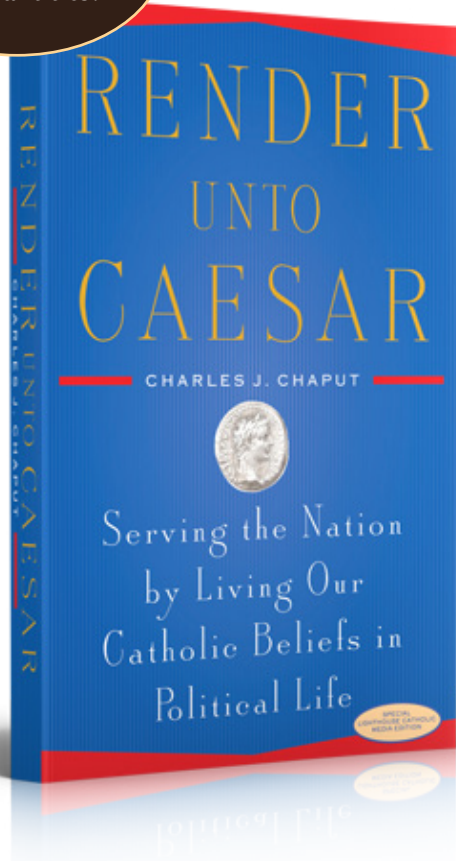


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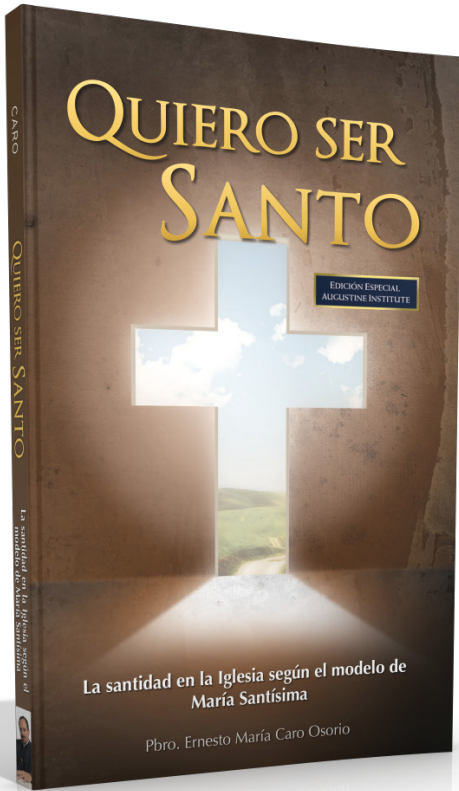


In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells us, “Be perfect as the Heavenly Father is perfect.” This is an echo of the petition that was made to the Israelites in the book of Leviticus: “Be saints, for I, your God, am a holy God.” When Jesus invites

us to strive toward the holiness of our God, we have to wonder, “Isn’t that kind of holiness out of reach for an average person?”

But as Christians, our ultimate goal is the very sanctity of God himself. When we imitate Christ, we become like God—we become holy. This is the same call that God has placed upon his people since the days of the Israelites.

And who has been docile to this call? Mary—always faithful and full of grace. In *Quiero ser Santo*, Father Caro guides us through the process by which Mary said “yes” to God and became the first person to do all that Jesus asked.



Fr. Ernesto María Caro is a priest of the Archdiocese of Monterrey, Mexico. Before entering the seminary, Fr. Caro earned his bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering and his master’s degree in business administration. He entered the seminary in 1983, and he was ordained a priest on August 15, 1991. As a priest, he has a degree in Spirituality and a doctorate in Mariology.

Fr. Caro is a member of the Ecclesiastical Tribunal of Monterrey, pastor of the parish of Santa Cruz, professor in the Archdiocesan Seminary of Monterrey, and exorcist of the Archdiocese of Monterrey.

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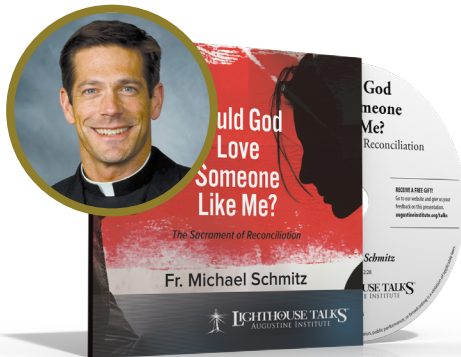
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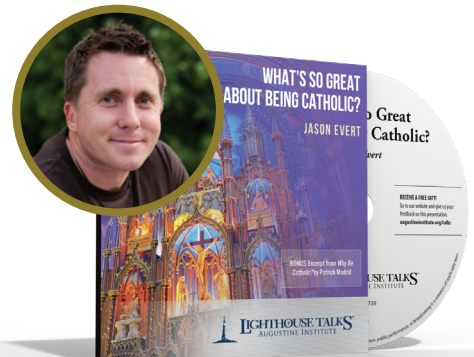
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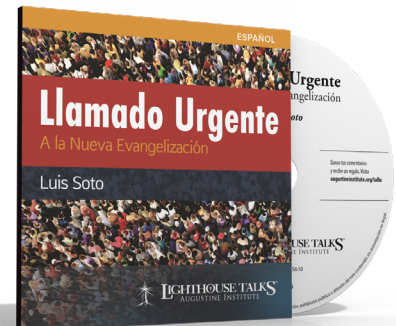
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