7 Lessons from Mother Teresa

“We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.”

Mother Teresa was a woman of intense faith who fervently believed the world could be a better place, drop by drop, person by person. She dedicated her life to comforting and empowering the disenfranchised, and taught us, through her actions, to cultivate and live an attitude of faith.

MAKE OTHER PEOPLE HAPPY

“Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.”

BE FAITHFUL IN SMALL THINGS

“Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies.”

BUILD IT ANYWAY

“What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight; build it anyway.”

GO HOME AND LOVE YOUR FAMILY

“What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family.”

BE THE LEADER

“Do not wait for leaders; do it alone, person to person.”

FAITHFUL IS SUCCESSFUL

“God had not called me to be successful. He has called me to be faithful.”

FAITH IN ACTION

“Faith in action is love—and love in action is service.”

Social Justice Mission Award Criteria

- Works towards just social policy which challenges the status quo
- Promotes creative work that has the potential to improve the quality of life among vulnerable or marginalized groups or to advance understanding of vulnerable or marginalized groups
- Participates in activities that contribute to diversity and equal opportunity within Covenant Health through recruitment and mentoring of staff and volunteers
- Advocates for programs that provide service to vulnerable or under-served persons or communities
- Demonstrates an ability to speak out courageously and consistently for others and offers an unwavering voice on behalf of those who have none
- Works with others to build healthy and just communities; helps create conditions for people and teams to flourish
- Has personally sacrificed their own reputation, position, or resources in speaking up for the common good

Do you work with someone who...
- is committed to making life better for others,
- is passionate and works tirelessly to promote social justice, or
- challenges systems and conditions that oppress or marginalize people.

Nominate them for a Mission Award for Social Justice

Reflect:
Where am I being called to take a stand of solidarity with the marginalized or oppressed?
What can I do to help someone experience justice?