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## Francis: 'use the gift of intelligence'

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Pope Francis Friday, in a homily, examined the idea of using one's intelligence and applying it to an examination of the signs of the times, what God is calling us to be, to do. Vatican radio reports.

"What path does the Lord want? Always with the spirit of intelligence with which to understand the signs of the times. It is beautiful to ask the Lord for this grace, who sends us this spirit of intelligence, in order that we avoid weak thought, we do not have a restricted thought and we do not have a thought according to personal preference: we only have a thought according to God. With this thought, which is a thought of the mind, of heart, and of soul. With this thought, which is the gift of the Spirit, [we] look for the meaning of things, and to understand the signs of the time well."

The Pope concluded: This is therefore the grace for which we must ask the Lord: ?the ability which gives us the spirit? to ?understand the signs of the time.?

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