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Pope's quotes: New roads

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A quote from Pope Francis:

“Instead of being just a church that welcomes and receives by keeping the doors open, let us try also to be a church that finds new roads, that is able to step outside itself and go to those who do not attend Mass, to those who have quit or are indifferent. The ones who quit sometimes do it for reasons that, if properly understood and assessed, can lead to a return. But that takes audacity and courage.”

- From “A Big Heart Open to God,” *America* magazine Sept. 19, 2013.

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