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A quote from Pope Francis:

"And faith makes us witness many difficult things in life; also with life we bear witness to faith. But let us not be deceived: cruel martyrdom is not the only way of bearing witness to Jesus Christ. It is the most, let's say, heroic way. ... But there is also everyday martyrdom: the martyrdom of honesty, the martyrdom of patience, in the education of our children; the martyrdom of fidelity to love ... the martyrdom of honesty in this world that we may describe as a paradise of bribes ... where there is a lack of courage to reject dirty money, in a world where many parents give their children bread to eat that is dirtied by bribes, that bread they buy with the bribes they earn. ... And here there is Christian martyrdom, the martyrdom of saying 'No, I don't want that.' "

-- Visit with the community of Villa Nazareth, June 20, 2016

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