



Pope John Paul II was a widely respected and loved man. He lived to spread God's goodness all over the world. Known for his gentle, friendly nature, John Paul was one of the great contributors to Christianity.

He was very much a social Justice man. One of his greatest contributing factors was his passion for and spread of social justice among us. From something as small as holding a child's hand to visiting third world countries doing aid work, John Paul had always been passionate about helping others and making our world an equal environment in an attempt to maintain and in some ways give back to God what he had been given in terms of land, love and a voice.

Among other things, John Paul wrote a number of *versus* indicating his own teachings to Catholic peoples reflecting those of God. In these encyclicals contained advice, instruction and his thoughts framed into a small segment that were accessible so that people could take instruction from him and learn every day.

These encyclicals guided many to the whole and Christian lives they sought after and encouraged many to keep the faith while providing a constant link between Pope John Paul and his people all over the world.

John Paul II ~~he~~ made himself an acknowledged traveller. While previous leaders, past popes



etc would often communicate via technology, letters, word at mouth, John Paul was very interested in personally meeting, speaking to and helping others. In many times he is known to have travelled overseas or interstate to experience what others were going through and help himself realise what had to be done. Even just visiting places around the globe, while there were generas risks involved, he was not afraid to go out in public and speak to people, hug or any physical contact.

Acts such as this have shown and taught the Christian community to be more accepting of others and



have led many believers to trust and respect him as a leader.

~~He was~~ Pope John Paul II was a greatly respected and loved man due to the love and respect he has shown to others. He changed the face of Christianity and opened people's hearts and minds to the possibilities.