

# Dacci oggi il nostro pane

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## SEVENTH DAY

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### Get behind me, Satan!

Jesus walks, acts, speaks, operates, dialogues, always moved and ruled by the Holy Spirit, having as only and unique aim the fulfilment of every thought and will of the Father. When Peter hears that Jesus has to go to Jerusalem and be put to death there - he does not even hear that He would resurrect three days later - he takes Him aside and reproaches Him. In this circumstance, Jesus manifests how great the fortitude of the Holy Spirit in Him is. His words of reply to Peter are divine fire: "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." (Mk 8, 32) In the Gospel, there are no other so strong and clear words like these. Peter is a true Satan for Christ, a tempter, one who wants to divert him from the fulfilment of his mission of salvation and redemption for the entire human genre. Peter does not know the mystery of Jesus and wants Jesus as man of this world at the service of this world, as every other man of this world. Today something frightfully greater is happening. Today the Christian, who does not walk with the thoughts and with the divine will in heart and mind, is the one who says to the Christian who

walks in the Gospel: "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as human beings do, but as God does".

This all is happening since today a worm is devouring the roots of our most pure faith and is reducing all the Word of the Lord to a lie. This worm has one only name: "love". Today one is teaching that "love" is that feeling of heart that creates, as it itself, good and evil. From love that is most pure obedience to the Word of God and Christ Jesus, one has passed

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to love that is creator of good and evil, with no reference to the Word. If then somebody dared to say that loving is obeying to every Word come out of the mouth of God, the reply is immediate:

"You are still in the Old Testament. You still think that love is bound to obedience. Do you not know that Christ Jesus has cleared love from obedience? One simply forget to say that the Christ whom one talks about is neither the Christ of the Old not the Christ of the New Testament, but he is the Christ invented by man. He is simply an idol.

## LAMP UNTO MY FEET

### Faith in the prayer

Jesus says one word to a fig tree and it withers to its roots. Why did this happen? Jesus himself reveals it to us: "Have faith in God. Amen, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it shall be done for him. Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours. When you stand to pray, forgive anyone against whom you have a grievance, so that your heavenly Father may in turn forgive you your transgressions." (Mk 11, 22-25) The disciples, too, can say one only word and things happen. There are two conditions to be observed, though. One must believe that the thing has already happened. One must forgive brothers, whatever they committed against us. Forgiveness will have to be full, with no reservation. The little faith does not depend on our will, on our heart, on our desire. Faith is similar in all to the fruits of a tree. The more the tree grows, the more it bears many fruits. The less it grows and the less it bears. The tree that has to grow in us is the tree of the Word of the Lord. The more we live of Gospel, of heard Word, of obedience given

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to every Commandment of the Lord and the more our fruits of faith will be many. The less we grow in obedience and the few fruits we produce. So that our Christian tree grows well, a daily care is needed. If it is left uncultivated, it is not pruned at its time, it is not freed from the many thorns growing around it until they live upon it and suffocate it, the fruits will always be few.

The faith of the disciples is still very little, as the tree of the disciples has not grown. They are still ruled by the thoughts of men and not by the divine will. Being it a little tree, their fruits will always be few. The Father cannot still use them. The Holy Spirit cannot lead them. They are trees planted among the thorns of the thoughts of this world suffocating every active and operating presence of their God in them. If they want to bear much fruit, they will have to loosen the

soil. Freeing it from every bad grass and every thorn or other harmful and damaging plant. Here is the invitation addressed by moth of his prophets by the Lord: "If you wish to return, O Israel, says the LORD, return to me. If you put your detestable things out of my sight, and do not stray, Then you can swear, "As the LORD lives," in truth, in judgment,

and in justice; Then shall the nations use his name in blessing, and glory in him. For to the men of Judah and to Jerusalem, thus says the LORD: Till your untilled ground, sow not among thorns. For the sake of the LORD, be circumcised, remove the foreskins of your hearts, O men of Judah and citizens of Jerusalem." (Jer 4, 1-4) "Sow for yourselves justice, reap the fruit of piety; Break up for yourselves a new field, for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain down justice upon you." But you have cultivated wickedness, reaped perversity, and eaten the fruit of falsehood." (Hs 10-12-13) What is the rule the Apostle Paul offers so that we can bear much fruit? His rule, which is universal, is charity. If the Christian does not let himself be planted in the garden of charity and does not let himself be cultivated by the Father of the Lord our Christ Jesus and by the Holy Spirit, his faith will always be little and God might not operate by the means of him. If the tree of the Christian is not ruled by God, not only it does not grow, but it decreases, withers. Then it will be cut and thrown into fire. The more one grows in charity and the more the fruits will be copious and abundant. May the Mother of God and our Mother help us. We want to be trees in Christ with many branches. We will bear much fruit. Amen.



## IF YOU LISTEN...

### Nothing will be impossible for God

**T**oday one is turning away, and a lot, from the mystery God the Lord, the Mighty One, fulfilled in Mary. In Her, in her virginal womb, in her womb that has never and will never know man, his Only Begotten Son, the Word generated by Him in eternity, made himself flesh, became true man. He is true God and He made himself man through the work of the Holy Spirit. So that the Virgin Mary receives strength to utter her act of faith by an eternal yes, the Angel Gabriel says to Her that Elizabeth, who was called barren, has conceived a son in her old age. Why has she conceived a son? For nothing will be impossible for God. Why can Mary conceive the Only Begotten Son of the Father in her virginal womb? For the same reason: because nothing will be impossible for God. Between Elizabeth and Mary the difference is an eternal abyss. Elizabeth, barren, conceives a man through the work of man. Mary, through the work of the Holy Spirit, does not conceive a man. In her womb, the Only Begotten Son of the Father makes himself true man. The true

God makes himself true man. It is not a man who is made true God. Doing this is impossible for God. No God can make himself. No God can make another God. The Word is not made God. The Word is generated from the Father but it subsists in the unique and only eternal nature, in which the Father and the Holy Spirit subsist.

Attributing this truth to any created being - and everything that exists has been created by the means of the eternal Word of the Father - is falsity, lie, deceit. Today, however, this falsity, this lie, this deceit are conquering many hearts. This happens because one wants to reduce Christ Jesus to a man as all the other men. Nothing more. Nothing less. If Christ is a man as all the other men, his word is word equal to every other word coming out of the mouth of every man. Even his "religion" is religion equal to every other religion coming out the mouth of the other men. No superiority for one another. One must preach equality and equal. Only that Jesus is true God and

true man and he is the Creator of every man. As his Creator and Lord, every man owes obedience to the One who made him. As true God and true man, his is true Word of God and everyone must adhere to his Word. This is the truth one wants to cancel today. The Christian is Christian until he believes in the most pure truth of Christ Jesus. If he escapes from his truth, he is no longer a Christian. Mother of the Incarnated Word help us. We want to live and die confessing that you are the Mother of the Only Begotten Son of the Father.

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#### FROM JACOB'S WELL

Every faithful in Christ the Lord is obliged to have a strong point on which his faith can be based. This strong point must be more resistant than bronze, cast-iron, steel. The entire world might crash against it, but in vain. It does not collapse. He might never collapse. The Apostle Paul has been caught in one instant by Christ Jesus and shocked in his life. Now even if the entire world came and said to him that it is falsity and deceit, surely for them it is deceit and falsity, but for the Apostle Paul whose life has been shocked, overturned, transformed, annulling the past in one instant and opening a future of truth and light, his history will always remain his history. The experience of the Apostle on the road to Damascus is indelible. No hurricane might destroy it.

## IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Responses of Faith

### Prayer has some laws. What are the most essential, necessary that must be observed so that each of our prayer might be granted?

**T**he Law of prayer is asking with a pure heart, free from every hatred, resentment, hate, desire of vengeance. Another law wants the respect of the bond of marriage. As first law, Jesus teaches us that the reconciliation is essence of the prayer, as its essence is also the invasiveness, never giving up, asking with no interruption. The Apostle Paul wants one to let the Spirit pray in us and for us. He sees the prayer as a fight, a combat. One teaches that the answer of God is always the gift of the peace in Christ Jesus. He wants one to pray with pure heart and without argument. The rule revealed by the Angel Raphael to Tobit and Tobiah deserves supreme attention: "I can now tell you that when you, Tobit, and Sarah prayed, it was I who presented and read the record of your prayer before the Glory of the Lord; and I did the same thing when you used to bury the dead. When you did not hesitate to get up and leave your dinner in order to go and bury the dead, I was sent to put you to the test. At the same time, however, God commissioned me to heal you and your daughter-in-law Sarah. I am Raphael, one of the seven angels who enter and serve before the Glory of the Lord." (cf. Tb 12, 1-15) The record are the works of mercy fulfilled by Tobit and Sarah. The good work are an eternal memorial before the Lord. These works will never be forgotten.

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The prayer must always be the fruit of a heart tightly planted in the Word of God and of Christ Jesus, with an always perfect obedience. Obedience is to every Law, even to the Law of the perfect charity. For love, Jesus offered his body in sacrifice, in holocaust. This is the eternal record, the immortal memorial that is always before our heavenly Father or before the glory of the Lord. For this reason, each of his prayer was and is granted but His Father. Now let us ask: what is our record, our memorial? If our heart is greedy and our hand closed, we cannot knock at the heart of Christ Jesus. We miss the record, the memorial and with no record and memorial, no prayer might be heard. But one may recur to the intercession of Saints. They can lend their record. But this is a temporary loan, the time that we, too, build our memorial and record. We cannot pretend them to give us their memorial forever. They lend it under condition: with the solemn commitment to imitate them in their great holiness.

#### IN THE NEXT ISSUE

What were you arguing about on the way?

With a God-fearing conscience

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord

"Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 18, 3) What do we have to do to become as children?

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