

# Dacci oggi il nostro pane

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## SEVENTH DAY

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### Many rebuked him, telling him to be silent

**O**n the way of Jericho, a blind man sits by the roadside begging. He had often heard about Jesus and the great miracles fulfilled by Him. Today it is a particular day. Jesus the Nazarene is passing before him. It is an occasion that will no longer happen again in his life. There will not be another day when Jesus passes again. That is why he suddenly cries out: "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." Not only the people on the road, following Jesus, do not help him, they do not intervene before Jesus so that He stops walking and listens to the cry of that man: many rebuke him, telling him to be silent, not to disturb the Teacher. This behaviour is revelatory of a heart that does not love, rather of a heart one does not love. The one who really loves himself knows what the true love is: wishing for the others what one wishes for himself. I do not believe there is one only blind man in the world who does not wish to receive the sight as gift. These many rebuke him, instead. They intimate him to be silent. It is a right thing to ask oneself: what is the reason of such insensibility from the people? Why is man not capable of loving?

Today man is very poor in love, he does not even own a nanogram, since he decided to be separated from Christ. By separating himself from Christ, he separates himself from the Father and from the Holy Spirit. By putting himself out of the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, he lacks in the eternal source of true love. Instead of love, he fills his heart with vanities and frivolities. He consumes his substances for what does not quench, does not last, does not produce neither true life nor true joy. Instead, one preaches the Gospel, one receives Jesus, one lets himself be baptised in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, one becomes children of the Father in his Son Christ Jesus, the Spirit takes the entire love of the Father

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and pours it upon our hearts. The Christian starts loving according to purity of truth. However, if he does not grow as true son of God, if he does not feed with the Holy Spirit by reviving it day after day, if he does not walk from light to light and from truth to truth, in a perfect discipleship of Jesus, then love will soon cool down since our nature has cooled down. May the Mother of Jesus not let this happen.

## LAMP UNTO MY FEET

### Then empty is our preaching

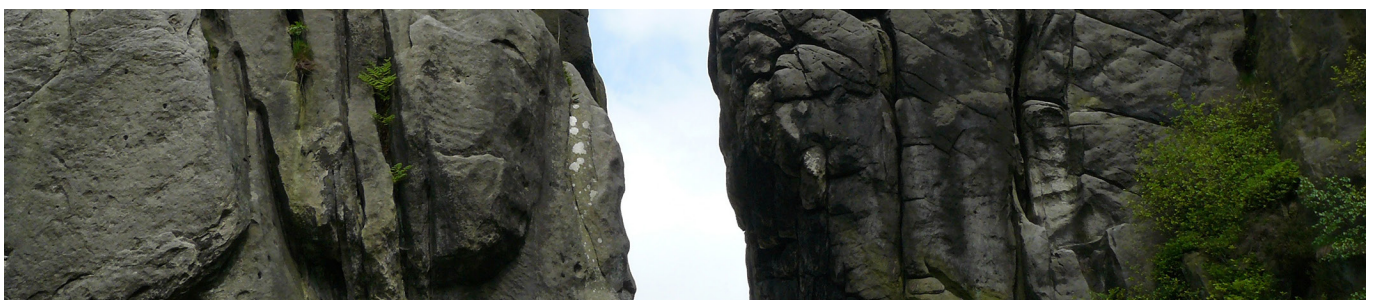
**F**aith is not only fruit of revealed truth. It is also fruit of argumentation, reasoning, deduction starting from the revealed truth. In fact, faith has not only been handed over the will of man, but also to his heart, to his mind, to his intelligence and rationality, to his wisdom and discernment. When one affirms and when one denies, it is not sufficient to affirm or deny, it is also necessary to be able to draw from the affirmation and from the negation all the consequences that are inside them. We may even say that every religion is a way of true salvation for man. On the condition that from our affirmation - completely free and with no foundation in the biblical dictate - we deduce that Christ is no longer the only and universal Mediator between God and the entire universe, the only Creator, his only Redeemer and Saviour, the one that is truth, grace, light, eternal life for every man. It also means that preaching Christ Jesus or not preaching him has no value in relation to the salvation of man and his redemption. Worshipping or not worshipping Him loses every meaning. Everyone can make his own way to go to God. Even the Church is no longer sacrament of Christ for the salvation of every man.

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It is no longer the light of the world and the salt of earth. It is no longer the gate through which one enters the eternal kingdom of God. The mission entrusted to Christ Jesus to his Apostles of going and making all people disciples by baptising them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit is of no use. The sacraments are only signs with no reality in them. With one only affirmation one sends four thousand years of work of the Holy Spirit to waste. One declares the sacrifice of Christ on the cross useless. One despises the blood of martyrs and of confessors of faith. Today one declares every evangelization and every education toward the disciples of Jesus themselves vain and useless. What is the use of the Gospel, if every other human way leads to salvation? If there is not even need of any human way, since we will be finally received in the Paradise by the mercy of the Lord? These are some deductions that can be drawn from an affirmation that seems to be of great good apparently.

Each of our affirmation about the Church, true body of Christ Jesus, must always be evaluated, measured, updated on every possible consequence both

historical and eternal that can arise from it. Every member of the body of Christ lives of his very particular ministry. As one cannot despise the presbyter to exalt the faithful laic, so one cannot despise the faithful laic to exalt the presbyter. Instead, one must always teach the most pure truth both of the faithful laic and of the presbyter, both of the Bishop and of the Pope, both of the deacon and of every other ministry, separating the mysteries of divine nature and those of ecclesial nature. The ministries of divine nature are sealed by the will of Christ Jesus. Instead, the ministries of ecclesial nature are sealed by the will of the Church and they can always be updated according to the needs of the body of Christ. The Church has no power of modifying the ministries of divine nature. It must announce and live them according to most pure truth, always updated in the Holy Spirit. Today many disciples of Jesus are good at affirming, but totally unaware of the consequences their affirmation generate in devastation in the field of the faith. Wise Virgin, help us to acknowledge that each of our affirmation shall be brought to truth.



## IF YOU LISTEN...

### My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord

**T**he Virgin Mary does not see God great and She does not even see Him most great. She sees Him beyond every humanly imaginable greatness. What the Lord did in Her is a deed that is above, infinitively above all deeds fulfilled by Him until present. She is also a deed that might no longer be created by the Lord. The Lord might induce labour in all sterile women of this world and, by miracle, He might have children from every virgin generated – one speaks about a hypothetical miracle since the Lord will never operate a conceiving without the will of man, being it the law of his creation – He might never have his Only Begotten Son born from a virgin again, though. This is a unique, unrepeatable deed, as unique and unrepeatable is the eternal generation of the Word of the Father. This is the deed of the deeds of the Lord and He fulfils this deed in the womb of the Virgin Mary. However, He fulfils it after She made her profession of faith and She entirely handed herself over his will: “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me

according to your word.” In the Virgin Mary the eternal, immortal God, the One by the means of whom everything has been created, becomes flesh by the work of the Holy Spirit. She is the only woman who can say to his God, Creator, Lord, Saviour: “You are the flesh from my flesh. You are the blood from my blood. You are life from my life.” No other woman might never say these words to God. Similar greatness does not exist in the created universe. That is why Mary magnifies the Lord. She must sing this great work. She is only the human instrument. Every other thing in Her has been fulfilled by the work of the Holy Spirit.

God must be magnified since this work must be known by the entire world. It is the work through which the redemption and the salvation of the human genre will have to be fulfilled. Today this deed is no longer sung. We made Christ Jesus a man as the other men and the Virgin Mary a woman as all the other women. One is also reducing her virginal conceiving through the

work of the Holy Spirit to a tale. Satan knows how to destroy Christ in the hearts. He does not use those who are not his disciples. He takes his disciples and teaches them the infinite falsities and lies. Today he managed to reduce the mystery of the Incarnation of the Eternal Word, of the Only Begotten Son of the Father to a lie. Being the Incarnation a tale, the entire mystery of Jesus becomes a tale. The Christian attending the school of Satan are many and they are all good. Queen of the Prophets, come to our rescue. Teach us to sing the mystery that has been fulfilled in you.

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FROM JACOB'S WELL

Today it is as if we were all condemned to deny every truth about Jesus of Nazareth. Everyone can affirm that He is not the Incarnated God for the salvation, the truth, the grace, the life, the light of every man of yesterday, of today, of ever, the Lord of heaven and earth, the Judge of living and dead, the Saviour and the Redeemer of the world, the unique and universal mediator between his Father and the entire universe. Someone may object: no one denies this truth in an explicit and formal way. To deny a truth there is no need of an explicit and formal declaration. It is enough not to teach it anymore, not to preach it, not to remember it. It is enough to attribute to others the same virtues and truth that are only and exclusively of Christ the Lord. It is enough to modify the Gospel even in one only iota.



## IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Responses of Faith

### From the Gospel we know that Jesus was listened with pleasure and great delight. Why do we get tired of listening and we turn our thoughts elsewhere?

**W**here is the secret of the joy in listening to Christ Jesus or his true Word given to us by his Apostles, Teachers, Disciples? The secret is in the Holy Spirit dwelling in the heart of the one who speaks about Jesus and in the one who listens. The Holy Spirit is the one who creates in us the desire to listen. The missionary of Jesus fills his Word with Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit, brought into hearts by the Word, creates in them will and joy so that they listen. Jesus does not only speak to the heart of people, He speaks to his rationality, intelligence, ability of discernment, expectations, hopes, desires. Today one of our most serious sins is that of not speaking to man anymore. We speak to the wind. We say words without the Holy Spirit in us. Since only the Holy Spirit knows how to speak to hearts, being us deprived of Holy Spirit, we speak, but with no communion between us and the hearts we speak to.

Jesus does not only proclaims the truth. He also wants all those who listen to Him to reflect, to meditate, to reason, to be able to link two or more truths together coming from the Prophetic Scriptures. One only truth is not the truth. Saying that Christ Jesus is a true man is not the truth of Christ Jesus. Saying that He is true God is not even the truth of Christ Jesus. The truth of Christ Jesus is the fruit of infinite truths, all revealed and

all contained in the Holy Scripture: Jesus is the Son of God, generated by Him in the today of eternity. He is the son of David. The Son of God made himself flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary through the work of the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the grace, the truth, the light, the eternal life, the resurrection, the bread of life, the Good Shepherd. Jesus is the Saviour and the Redeemer of the world. Jesus is the Lord of heaven and earth. Jesus is the Judge of living and of dead. The Word of Jesus, his Gospel, is Word, it is Gospel of eternal life for every man, Jesus is the Crucified who is the Risen. He is the Risen that today and for eternity sits at the right side of his Father. Jesus is the unique and universal Mediator between the Father and every being created by Him. Jesus is the Suffering Servant who expiates each of our sin. Jesus is the sacred temple of God in which the fullness of divinity corporally dwells. Jesus is the one who gives the Holy Spirit so that he makes us be born as new creatures in the water of baptism. All these truths and many other ones, all revealed in the Holy Scriptures, are the truth of Christ. Constituting the, in unity, in harmony, in beauty attracting hearts is work of the Holy Spirit in every disciple of Jesus.

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You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart

The pure heart sees God

For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness

Jesus declares the persecuted for righteousness blessed. What is righteousness according to Christ the Lord? Can we say that our vocation is being martyrs for righteousness?

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