

# Dacci oggi il nostro pane

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## SEVENTH DAY

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### If you have faith the size of a mustard seed

**W**hen is faith living and when is it dead? Faith is living if it is governed by the Divine Seed that is the Holy Spirit. The more the Seed of the Holy Spirit grows in our heart and in our mind, and the more our faith can be doer of a great good. With a faith with the Divine Seed of the Holy Spirit growing day by day, we can build the kingdom of God on earth, the Church of Jesus the Lord, making it grow in holiness and also enriching it with new children, with new conversions and new immersions in the water of the baptism. How does one vivify, enliven, strengthen, let the Holy Spirit grow in our heart and in our mind? The first way is the celebration of the sacraments in the respect of the holy dispositions with will, with desire, with purpose not to let neither a fragment of grace, light, truth, holiness, eternal life be lost that the sacrament creates in our heart and in our soul. When the sacraments are received by habit, even with the mortal sin in heart and without any repentance and will of conversion, the Spirit is not vivified and enlivened, He is mortified, instead.

sacrament has in itself and creates in the heart of the one who receives it, one must add an evangelic life being with no offence. For every offence that one lives in the Spirit of the Lord that is mortified, He, that is the Spirit of truth, is turned by us with our offences into Spirit of falsity and of lie. Christ, too, is mortified with the sin of offence. If the Christian wants to have a faith from the Divine Seed always living, he must avoid every offence. The offence quenches the Spirit and damages the body of Christ Jesus in a very serious way. Another way to make the Holy Spirit grow in our heart and in our soul is the fulfilment with love, according to righteousness and truth, of our particular mission and vocation. When one does not live with love, great love, righteousness and truth, our mission and our vocation, it is sign that the Holy Spirit is very lacking in us. He is the force to live every mission and vocation and He is also the wisdom and the understanding.

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## LAMP UNTO MY FEET

### One must give obedience to the Word

**B**efore the Lord shows us the way in a particular, special situation of our life, there is space so that our mind argues, reasons, evaluates, discerns, decides, always, though, respecting the reading and the truth that the Holy Spirit has put in every Word of God. Thinking from our heart the greatest good to do in every moment of our existence is a holy thing. However, then we must always ask the Holy Spirit if that is the good wanted and thought by the Lord for us. This is why, always, every decision, even the holiest, will have to be born from the prayer, will have to be accompanied by the prayer, followed by the prayer. After having intensively prayed, invoking the Holy Spirit so that He may let us know the divine will, we can take every decision according to righteousness and it is according to righteousness if it respects both the reading and the spirit of truth and of love placed by the Lord in his divine Word. Without prayer, without mediation, without reflection, without desire of choosing the best choice for us and for the others, certainly our decision is neither righteous nor holy. It does not respect the canons of truth and of love dictated by the lord so that

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each of our decision and action is according to his will. If, while we are evaluating everything, the Lord, He, comes, directly or through the means of one of his Holy Angel to reveal us what his will is, then there is no longer space for the mind. Every faculty is taken away from it. It can no longer neither argue, nor reason, neither weight, nor evaluate things. After that the Lord speaks, there is only space for a full and perfect obedience so that what has been asked may be done.

Here is the failure of our faith. If after the Lord has spoken - directly or indirectly, through one of his Angel, through the means of one of his minister - we put our mind before the Word of the Lord, we attest that our faith is dead. And always dead is that faith that does not immediately turn into obedience the Word that the Lord has turned to us so that we act according to what is asked to us. Today the modern spirituality speaks about reasoned obedience.

This means that after all our mind chooses whether to obey or not to obey. After that the Word has been uttered, the mind must be put apart. The Lord has manifested his will. That will must be done. Other wills do not belong to God. To our mind belongs

the choice of the holiest and wisest way, in the Holy Spirit, to do the divine will manifested, revealed, communicated to us according to purity of truth. This is why the old spirituality spoke about obedience "perinde ac cadaver". As a corpse is not from his will, but from the will of the one who moves it, thus will have to be for every man before the Divine Word. The Word must move us, and it alone, without us opposing any resistance. One only obeys the Lord. Do you want that, Lord? I will do that. In this obedience is the salvation and the redemption of the world. This obedience also measures how great our love for the Lord is. Does the love for the Lord not perhaps begin from sacrificing our mind, entirely putting it in the hands of our God? When our mind is placed before the Word, the Gospel, a received command, it is sign that our faith is dead. With a dead faith one might never fulfil the works of the Lord. When our mind dies, it is then that the salvation wraps earth through us. May the Mother of Jesus teach us to live of true obedience.



## IF YOU LISTEN...

### Blessed art thou amongst women

**M**ary is blessed among women for She is the only woman chosen by God to be the Mother of his Son, of his Eternal Word, of his Only Begotten. Mary is true Mother of God, for of Her the Son of God is born as true man, who is God of God, Light of Light, begotten not made; consubstantial with the Father. This glory is of hers and of no other creature in the universe. Truly, really, physically, spiritually, the Virgin Mary is the only Woman in the world that God has chosen to be the Mother of his Eternal Word, of his Only Begotten. Hers is a unique, unrepeatable greatness. It has never existed before. It will not exist after. In eternity and in time this glory is only of the Virgin Mary. In this work, the Virgin Mary has annihilated herself, She annihilated herself before God, She made herself most humble servant. She gave all herself for the fulfilment of the mission received. At the feet of the cross, She let herself be made martyr in soul. Pierced by the sword of the sorrow for the crucifixion of the Son, She offers herself to God for the salvation of

all her children.

If yesterday the Virgin Mary has entered the field for the purity of the Gospel, today She has to do it thousands times more. Satan has decided to destroy the entire Church of her Son. He has decided to turn every disciple of Jesus into one of his most faithful herald to spread every falsity and lie in the Church. This is why he has made him a most able modifier of every Word of God. We must confess that with this subtle cunning many children of the Church are taking this hellish bait and are dragged in the gates of perdition. If the Virgin Mary does not descend in the Church personally and does not crush the head of the ancient serpent, no disciple of Jesus can make the true Word of the Lord shine. The ones who still do it are considered people out of time, by now outdated, out of history. They are said to be people unable to adapt themselves to the new course of the world, people with no understanding, deprived of every wisdom. Even people accused not to be any love for man, for they

are said to be creating barriers and separations. Today one says that the Church must accept everyone without asking anything to anyone. Are you a pro-abortion? Come, receive the body of Christ. Are you for the euthanasia? Come, receive the body of Christ. You, man, live with another man? Come, I bless your life Are you destroying the Gospel? Come, be our teacher and interpreter of the Divine Scriptures. Virgin Mary, deliver us fro, the evil leading to death.

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#### FROM JACOB'S WELL

It is truth. God is Father, but in his Word, through his Word. He is a Father who comes to rescue so that one turns back to his Word and lives in his Word. He is Father who sends his prophets so that they invite man to turn back to his Word. He is Father who waits man to come back to his dwelling. He is Father who pours on his children who return to Him all his love of redemption, salvation, justification, sanctification, eternal life. The Father wants children with heart of flesh, heart capable of conversion, of obedience, of true love. The Father does not want children without the Gospel, without the Word, without listening to his voice, without obedience to each of his command. Today one wants to abrogate this truth of our God and Father. One wants a Father with no obedience to his Word.



## IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Responses of Faith

### Why does Jesus first say to Peter that he is blessed and immediately then that he is Satan? How can one be blessed one minute earlier and Satan one minute later?

Jesus is in a perennial contemplation of the heart of the Father. What men say and do in conformity to the heart of the Father, words and works are approved by Him. Instead, what is said or done, not according to the will of the Father, is corrected by Him. Jesus does not look at the man. He looks and observes the words and the works of man. Peter first confesses that Jesus is the Christ. This word is conform to what is in the heart of the Father. Immediately then, Peter rebukes Jesus for the words said by Him: "The Son of man must suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised." The rebuke given by Peter toward Christ Jesus does not come from the Father, but from Satan. It comes from the heart of men. Jesus says it to him with utmost and divine clarity: "You, Peter, are not my Teacher. My Teacher is only my Father. He leads me through the means of his Holy Spirit. For me, at this moment, you are Satan, you are the Tempter who wants to prevent all the will of the Father to be fulfilled in me. Your rebuke does not come from the heart of the Father. It comes from the heart of me. Therefore, take again your place as disciple. I am your Teacher."

The Christian must never look at the person. If he looks

at the person, he will think that one is divine or a devil. Instead, he will always have to look at the works and listen to the words a person says and fulfils. If the works and the words are according to God, according to the Gospel, according to the Spirit, works and words must be approved. Instead, if they are neither according to God, nor according to the Gospel, nor according to the

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Spirit, words and works are rebuked. Words and works of a pope, a bishop, a presbyter, a deacon, a confirmed, a baptised, are not covered with the same heaviness and responsibilities. The responsibility is different and different is also the judgement of God. The responsibility of a professor in Theology in a university of the Church and that of a catechist is not the same responsibility. If a word is not conform to the Gospel and if a work is

not conform to the will of God, it must always be said to the person, always with wisdom and fortitude in the Holy Spirit. The one who does not say it to him, will be stained of his own sin. The one who praise the person then, even though he knows that works and words are not according to God, commits an even greater sin. He sees evil and praises it. He sees the mistake and justifies it. He sees the betrayal done against the Gospel and ratifies it.

#### IN THE NEXT ISSUE

Your faith has saved you; go in peace

The submission according to God

Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus

Can the faith of a man change and can his life remain intact? Or, also: can his faith remain intact and can his life change radically?

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