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SEVENTH DAY

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Year A

And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me!

If Jesus is the Messiah of the Lord and if He works with all the fullness of the Holy Spirit - Spirit of wisdom and of intelligence, Spirit of counsel and of science, Spirit of fortitude and of piety, Spirit of the fear of the Lord - one can never take offense of Him. One must humbly confess that our mind - even if it is John the Baptist's mind - is very limited to understand the divine and eternal wisdom with which Jesus speaks and works. One will also have to say that the ways of God to build his kingdom on earth are infinitely different from our ways. John is with a limited mind, little mind, mind of a man. He does not understand the action of

Christ Jesus. Why does he not understand? Because the prophet has not as a mission the duty to understand the mysteries of God. He has the mission of announcing only that Word that the Lord puts on his mouth. Then he has to go through the ways made by God to enter in possession of the understanding of his mysteries. How does John think to enter in possession of the science of the mysteries of the kingdom of God? Asking Jesus for help. However, Jesus only says to him that the Scripture is fulfilled in Him. He

does not reveal anything else. John too must accept Christ for faith. He must believe in Him for faith. For faith one must abandon himself to Him. The prophet too must go through the way of faith and the faith is not in the Word he says, but in the Word that is turned to Him. Even John must believe in the Word of Christ Jesus. Thus John reveals that Christ is the Messiah of the Lord. The Messiah of the Lord announces to John that in Him the prophecies are fulfilled in Him. Once listened to the Word of Christ Jesus, one must abandon himself to this Word. One must also believe even without understanding. After all, faith is always before our understanding.

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First one believes and then one understands. One understands in the measure of the enlightening that the Holy Spirit gives our mind. Holy Spirit and Word always walk together. Even the prophet, as every other man, must go through the true faith in Christ and in his mystery and this is why he must trust every Word of Christ Jesus. May the Mother of God help us grow from faith into faith in the mystery of his Son.

LAMP UNTO MY FEET

Toward the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus

God gives all himself and all his eternal heaven not to us, but to his Son. No one is heir of God. Only Christ Jesus is heir of God. Jesus has become heir of God for the gift of his life. He has given the Father with an obedience that has gone until the death by crucifixion. If we believe in Christ, we become with Him one only life, one only body, one only mission, one only work of salvation and of redemption, in Him, with Him, through Him, we become heirs too. However, not without Christ, but in Christ. If we leave Christ, if we depart from Him, we lose our divine and eternal heritage. If we do not become his life to bring salvation to the entire world, even in this case we lose our eternal heritage. This truth is thus revealed by the Apostle Paul in the Letter to the Galatians: "But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption. As proof that you are children, God sent the spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God." (Gal 4,4-7). Therefore, the eternal prize is a fruit of righteousness. It is given to the

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one who in Christ has fulfilled the mission of Christ. To the one who has believed in the Word, in every Word of Christ Jesus - in the purity of truth and with the fortitude of the Holy Spirit - in our life, we bear this crown of righteousness that our Father cannot deny us. If He denied it to us, it would not be fair. But it would not even be fair if He gave the crown of righteousness to those who have sinned against the Holy Spirit fighting against Christ Jesus in order to cancel Him from our history as it happens today. Today is one not fighting to reduce the Church of Christ Jesus to a thing of earth for earth and no longer a thing of heaven to create heaven in hearts, creating Christ Jesus in them, through the work of the Holy Spirit? Before God, there is no shadow of righteousness. Before God, his mercy will never be needed to give right of eternal citizenship to sin. Why does the Apostle Paul consider the entire world and its glory a loss? Because his faith is most pure truth. He knows who Christ is and every day he grows in his knowledge and knows what glory the Lord will give him if he has persevered in the pursuit to spread the good news in the world. He knows that the more

he will conform himself to Christ in the mission, in the suffering, in the obedience, in the cross, in every martyrdom, and the more tomorrow he will share the glory of Jesus the Lord. If, through the faith in Christ, one inherits the kingdom of heaven, the glory with which the Lord will clothe us will not be the same for everyone. The measure of the glory of each one will be in the measure of the conformation to Christ the Lord in the life, in the death, in the mission, in the suffering, in the persecutions, in the obedience. The greater the glory will be and the greater will also be the eternal joy. The Apostle Paul works to have the greatest glory and enjoy the greatest joy. He has one only desire: being crucified with Christ to be wrapped by the glory of his resurrection. How distant are our thoughts from his ones! He lets himself be killed for Christ and today we are killing Christ, we are killing his Church, we are killing the mystery. However, we say to already be in the eternal glory. May the Mother of God come and deliver us from such thoughts.



IF YOU LISTEN...

O Mary, when my Father wants it, I wish to come into your light

Every day, man is to have one only desire into heart: reaching the eternal light, contemplating God's glory, dwelling in his house, or better: dwelling in God, immersed in Him. If this is the marvellous and amazing reality, that overcomes every imagination, fantasy, thought, reflection, why have we all lost the desire of conquering what lasts for eternity and let ourselves be immersed in the deciduous things of this earth that exist today and will disappear tomorrow? Why have we abandoned what is precious and devoted body, soul, mind, desires, thoughts, deeds, omissions to all that is despicable, that has no value, that does not last, that is with no consistency? Why do we vainly waste our life entirely dedicating it to time and barely to the "construction" of our eternity? The answer is very simple: because we do not believe that our eternity should be built. Today the Christian lives of a perennial illusion, that is the origin and source of every offence, wickedness, iniquity, evil, moral obscurantism, intellectual and rational silliness, of every

abomination and irreligion, calumny and lie, falsity and immersion in vices. This perennial illusion has one only name: the eternal life is already given and everyone will enjoy it. Its cultivators are a numberless concourses of: false prophets, false theologians, false teachers, false philosophers, false thinkers, false educators, false scholars, false professors, false preachers, who daily utter calumnies, lies, erroneous testimonies against God. All those people sell what God has not said for truth and what the Lord has said, instead, for lie and falsity. What do the false teachers, even great, excellent, luminary for the world? They say with dishonest nonchalance, lying: "The paradise is for everybody. The hell is empty." These false prophets are leading us to the worship of a false God, of a false Christ, of a false Holy Spirit. They are indoctrinating us with a false Theology, a false Christology, a false soteriology, a false eschatology. They are raising a false Church on earth that is not certainly the Church of Christ Jesus. They are engorging us with a false

Gospel and a false doctrine every day. This all builds nothing but a false humanity on earth. Virgin Mary, Woman clothed with sun, light up in us the desire of heaven, by now quenched and suffocated in every heart. But first put the Gospel according to the most pure truth placed in it by the Holy Spirit in our heart.

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FROM JACOB'S WELL

We know from history that the Saints often used the miracle to convert people. This way is necessary for whoever wants to announce the kingdom of God and to lead hearts to the faith in Jesus the Lord. To attest the superiority of his God above all the Gods of Egypt, Moses has fulfilled ten powerful deeds. After these deeds, the surrounding world knew the superiority of the God of the children of Israel compared to their God. Jesus, too, performed powerful deeds and these deeds must lead the hearts to the faith in Him: "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of (his) disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may (come to) believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name." (Jn 20,30-31).

IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Responses of Faith

Why does the one who hates Christ Jesus hate his Father? Can the hatred of a heart darken his rationality so much to prompt him to wish the death of his Creator and Lord?

Whoever hates Christ Jesus also hates his Father because Christ Jesus is the gift that the Father has given to men for their salvation and eternal redemption. The same truth must be preached for the Christian, for the true Christian, namely for the Christian who consecrates his entire life either to testify that he is of Christ and lives in Christ, with Christ, through Christ, or also to give Christ to every heart living the same evangelizing mission that is of Christ Jesus with the power of the Holy Spirit. Why does the one who hates the Christian hates Christ Jesus? Because the Christian is a gift of Christ for the salvation of the world. The Father has given Christ for the salvation of the world. Christ Jesus gives the Christian for the salvation of the world. Being the Christian a gift of Christ Jesus, the one who hates the Christian hates Christ Jesus. This truth is valid also for the Church. Being the Church the sacrament of Christ to bring Christ and his life in the heart of every man, the one who despises Christ, the one who hates the Church hates Christ, the one who destroys the Church destroys Christ, the one who blackens the Church as Christian with his offences blackens Christ with his offences. Exposing Christ to the son is a very serious sacrilege.

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Today here is what Christ Jesus the Christian shows the world with his life: an adultery Christ, an abortionist Christ, a Christ who justifies euthanasia, a Christ who declares the union between two males or between two females a marriage and a family, a Christ who legalizes adultery and divorce, a Christ who kills, a Christ who makes war, a Christ who says calumnies, a Christ who despises Christ and his Church, a Christ with no moral law, a Christ devoted to every vice, a Christ disobedient to every commandment, a Christ who declares himself useless to the redemption of men, a Christ with no truth, a Christ without identity, neither divine nor earthly, a Christ with the shade of sin and not, instead, with the most pure shade of God, a vengeful Christ, a Christ who does not forgive, a Christ who holds a grudge, a Christ who uses piety to mask his impiety, a Christ who uses the Gospel to destroy himself. The Christian must always show himself before the world clothed with the same holiness of Jesus the Lord. It is the only way to perpetuate the mission of salvation and of redemption in centuries through his life. May the Mother of God come to our rescue. May She make us disciples according to the heart of her Son today and for the centuries of the centuries.

IN THE NEXT ISSUE

Joseph did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him

Many conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ

This is why I wish to be truly yours

What is murmuring? Why is it a very serious sin before the eyes of the Lord? What evils does it bear in our life and in the life of our brothers?

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