**Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life**

**THURSDAY APRIL 15 (Jn 3, 31-36)**

Who does believe in the Son? Whoever gets baptized in Christ and clothes himself in Christ: *“Before faith came, we were held in custody under law, confined for the faith that was to be revealed. Consequently, the law was our disciplinarian for Christ, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a disciplinarian. For through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendant, heirs according to the promise.*" *(Gal 3, 23-29).*Whoever does not allow himself to be baptized in Christ to be clothed in Christ, does not believe in Christ, does not have eternal life. It remains in his death.

Believes in Christ who day after day puts on “the new man:” *"That is not how you learned Christ, assuming that you have heard of him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, that you should put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God's way in righteousness and holiness of truth. Therefore, putting away falsehood, speak the truth, each one to his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun set on your anger, and do not leave room for the devil. The thief must no longer steal, but rather labor, doing honest work with his (own) hands, so that he may have something to share with one in need. No foul language should come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for needed edification, that it may impart grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. (And) be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.*" *(Eph 4, 20-32).*He, who believes in Christ, with his works manifests the light, the truth, the grace, the life that are in Christ Jesus. He who produces the works of the flesh does not believe in Christ.

*The one who comes from above is above all. The one who is of the earth is earthly and speaks of earthly things. But the one who comes from heaven (is above all). He testifies to what he has seen and heard, but no one accepts his testimony. Whoever does accept his testimony certifies that God is trustworthy. For the one whom God sent speaks the words of God. He does not ration his gift of the Spirit. The Father loves the Son and has given everything over to him. Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever disobeys the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God remains upon him.*

Why is every man called to believe in Christ? Because Christ Jesus comes from eternity. He is God, he is the Only Begotten Son of the Father, he lives in the bosom of the Father and knows the Father. Only He has seen it, sees it and can reveal it. Not only does Jesus reveal the Father and speak the Words of God, but He also gives the Spirit without measure. Everything from the Father was placed in his hands. God gives nothing to men except through the Son of man. Our eternal life is Christ, and our eternal life is in Him. Our light too is Christ, and our light is in Him. Salvation is Christ and the salvation is in Him. Christ is everything for us. Whoever wants to obey the Father must obey the Son. Whoever does not obey the Son will never obey the Father. Here is the perfect truth of Christ Jesus according to the Gospel of Matthew: “*At that time Jesus said in reply, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” (Mt 11, 25-30).*Today it seems that these are just words and nothing more. Christ Jesus is worth almost nothing for his disciples.

Mother of the Redemption, Angels, Saints, give us the purest faith in Christ the Lord.