**THURSDAY DECEMBER 29 – OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS [A]**

**"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."**

**Today many Christians do not know who Jesus is. If they do not know Christ the Lord, it is sign that they live without the Gospel. If they live without the Gospel, they also live without the Holy Spirit. We must also add, for duty of righteousness toward history, that many disciples of Jesus are aligned against the Gospel. What fruit might a Christian without the Gospel, without the Holy Spirit ever bear? Here is his only fruit: he is a Christian without man and he is a Christian against man. Only the true Christ, He alone is the true man in favour of man, to make the true man, to create the true salvation of man, his true redemption, his true sanctification, his true participation of the divine nature to fulfil his true call to have the blessed eternity. Those who are without the Gospel and against the Gospel, even if they profess themselves tireless workers for man, since they lack the most pure truth of man, they work for man according to flesh, they can never work to create man according to the spirit. They work to serve the natural man. From them, the spiritual man, the man to perfect image of his Creator, will never rise. This can arise only through Christ, in Christ, with Christ. What is the use for man to be even adorned with jewels, if then he ends up adorned this way on the eternal darkness?**

**But yes! The eternal darkness! It has been eliminated by the Christian without the Gospel. No longer having the Gospel as light, unique light, even the God they say to worship is a God without the Gospel and therefore he is a God with no truth revealed by the Gospel. For the Christian without the Gospel, even the Christ that he says to worship is a Christ without the Gospel. Even the Holy Spirit is a Spirit without the Gospel, the Church, that is so far in demolition and no longer in construction, is a Church without the Gospel, often even against the Gospel. A Christian without the Gospel is cultivator of mysteries without the Gospel, often against the Gospel. Why are we saying these things? We are saying that because as soon as the Gospel is opened, it is immediately clear that, truly, really, the Christian is without the Gospel and is against the Gospel. Any page of the Gospel that may be opened infallibly attests this truth to us: “You, Christian, you are without the Gospel, you are against the Gospel.” It is enough to read what the Old Simenon says about Jesus - my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel - and all the falsities and the lies that the Christian world says about Jesus the Lord today are immediately highlighted. The greatest falsity, the falsity destroying every truth of Christ is the declaration that one gives today that all religions are light to enlighten people. Instead, the Gospel says to us that Christ alone is the only true light, the only full light, the only perfect light. Christ alone is the Redeemer and He alone is the Saviour.**

**Let us read the text of Lk 2,22-35**

**When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord," and to offer the sacrifice of "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons," in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Messiah of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted (and you yourself a sword will pierce) so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."**

**What Job said to his three friends is valid for the Christian today: “You are glossing over falsehoods and offering vain remedies, every one of you! Oh, that you would be altogether silent! This for you would be wisdom. Would you impose on him as one does on men?** **Your reminders are ashy maxims, your fabrications are mounds of clay.” (Cf Jb 13,1-12). Smearing with lies the heavenly Father, Christ Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Church, the Gospel, the sound doctrine, the Sacred Revelation is not certainly a fruit of the one who knows the Gospel. It is a fruit of the one who is without the Gospel and, what is more, is turned himself to be a Christian against the Gospel. Every mistake, every falsity, every lie, every false testimony we give about Christ is turned into mistake, into falsity, into false testimony against man. When one utters ashy maxims against Christ, these are always ashy maxims against man. Before the Gospel for the Christian there is only the Gospel. To the Gospel, should he sacrifice every thought, every desire, but also every anthropology, every philosophy, every science of this world, if all these things were against Christ the Lord.**