**Father, glorify your name**

**V SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 21 (Jn 12, 20-33)**

When will the name of the Lord be glorified? When a man will recognize that uniquely He is the only living and true God, the only Lord, the only Creator, the only Judge of all the earth. In the blessed heavens this is the song that is always raised to the Lord: *“Then I saw in heaven another sign, great and awe-inspiring: seven angels with the seven last plagues, for through them God's fury is accomplished. Then I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire. On the sea of glass were standing those who had won the victory over the beast and its image and the number that signified its name. They were holding God's harps,* *and they sang the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb: "Great and wonderful are your works, Lord God almighty. Just and true are your ways, O king of the nations. Who will not fear you, Lord, or glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All the nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed. "After this I had another vision. The temple that is the heavenly tent of testimony opened, and the seven angels with the seven plagues came out of the temple. They were dressed in clean white linen, with a gold sash around their chests. One of the four living creatures gave the seven angels seven gold bowls filled with the fury of God, who lives forever and ever. Then the temple became so filled with the smoke from God's glory and might that no one could enter it until the seven plagues of the seven angels had been accomplished."(Rv 15, 1-8)*. When will the Father glorify his name with Christ Jesus? When Christ Jesus will recognize him as his only God and Lord to whom obedience must be given until death on the cross. To give glory to God, to glorify his name is to place our life entirely in his hands, at the service of the confession of his truth. If life is not given to God, the Lord will never be glorified for us. Jesus is from the Father and for the Father always.

*Now there were some Greeks among those who had come up to worship at the feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name. "Then a voice came from heaven," I have glorified it and will glorify it again. " The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said," An angel has spoken to him. " Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself. " He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.*

Those who deny themselves work, talk, think, operate for the glory of God and give themselves to the Father, in Christ, in the Holy Spirit, in obedience to every word, desire, truth, and will manifested by God. Without denial and without obedience, one will never be able to glorify the name of the Lord with one’s life and not even the Lord will be able to glorify His own name in us and for us. Whoever is at the service of the glory of the Father, must always confess that Jesus comes from the Father and that he does only the things that are pleasing to him. Those who work for his glory, do not know God and never knowing him will be able to know Christ as sent by the Father. How does Jesus glorify the Father? By becoming a grain of wheat that falls to the ground and produces much fruit of truth, justice, obedience. The way of Christ Jesus is the way of each of his disciples. He too is called to become a grain of wheat, fall to the ground, die. Thus, the disciple too, in Christ, with Christ, through Christ, will bear fruits of eternal life. It bears fruits of salvation on earth, who like Christ Jesus becomes a grain of wheat. Anyone who wants to keep his life will lose it, but to no benefit, without producing any fruit of eternal life, nor for themselves and neither for the world.

Mother of the Redemption, Angels, Saints, make Christians true grains of wheat.