**Have faith in God and have faith in me too**

**FRIDAY APRIL 30 (Jn 14, 1-6)**

Why is it necessary to have faith in God and have faith in Christ Jesus? It is necessary because everything comes from the Father through Christ, who is his universal Mediator, mediator in creation, in redemption, in salvation, in every gift of grace and truth, in the Word. Thus, Jesus says to the Jews: *"He said to them again,"I am going away and you will look for me, but you will die in your sin. Where I am going you cannot come. "So the Jews said, "He is not going to kill himself, is he, because he said, 'Where I am going you cannot come'?" He said to them, "You belong to what is below, I belong to what is above. You belong to this world, but I do not belong to this world. That is why I told you that you will die in your sins. For if you do not believe that I AM, you will die in your sins." So they said to him," Who are you? "Jesus said to them," What I told you from the beginning. I have much to say about you in condemnation. But the one who sent me is true, and what I heard from him I tell the world. " They did not realize that he was speaking to them of the Father. So Jesus said (to them)," When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I AM, and that I do nothing on my own, but I say only what the Father taught me. The one who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, because I always do what is pleasing to him. " (Jn 8, 21-29).*Since Jesus is the one sent by the Father in whom our salvation and every other gift of grace and truth is placed, if we do not believe in Him, we are placed outside the relationship of eternal life with the Father. Everything is in Christ and everything is given for Christ and with Christ, without faith in him, which is faith in his most pure relationship with the Father, we are cut off from the mystery of salvation.

This same truth must also be preached about the Apostles of Lord Jesus and for the hierarchical communion with the Apostles also about every presbyter, deacon, confirmed, baptized. Faith in Christ is inseparable from faith in the Apostles of Christ. The Father, Christ Jesus, the Apostles, every other Christian, always according to the Law of hierarchical communion, are one faith: *"Behold, I am sending you like sheep in the midst of wolves; so be shrewd as serpents and simple as doves. No disciple is above his teacher, no slave above his master It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, for the slave that he become like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more those of his household! Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father. Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is righteous will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these litt le ones to drink because he is a disciple - amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward. "(Cfr. Mt 10, 1-42).*As Christ and the Father are one, as well the Disciple and Christ must be one thing, one faith.

*Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. Where (I) am going you know the way. "Thomas said to him," Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him," I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

Believing in Christ is to believe in the Word of Christ as the true Word of God. Believing in the Apostle of Christ is to believe in the Word of the Apostle as the true Word of Christ Jesus. Every Apostle of Christ must put every effort into this so that day after day he grows to become one with Christ: one thought, one heart, one life. Never an Apostle of Christ Jesus will have to utter a Word that is not of Christ Jesus. Faith in him must be very pure faith in Christ the Lord. It is a must.

Mother of the Redemption, Angels, Saints, make the Apostle and Christ one.