



XI SUNDAY 16th of June 24 - Cycle B



A GREAT PASSION



SETTING

Live passionate about something, about someone, connect life with everything. Spread the illusion and hope of possibility, in everyday life, in every small detail, in the ingenuity of someone who loves and loves without stopping.

Jesus lived and went out of his way for the Kingdom. In reality, it was simple and achievable, and at the same time profound and radical, revolutionary. Well, talking about justice, equity, betting on peace and with a clear message that with love everything is possible, frankly it is necessary to be clear and be authentic and brave.

Let's make it possible and together build this Kingdom to which Jesus invites us and to which he sends us.

For an inclusive Kingdom, in which we all fit, ours, everyone's.

SONG. YOUR WORD IS A LIGHT FOR MY PATH

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9oyZvG85Vt4>

GOSPEL – Mark 4, 26-34

He also said: “The Kingdom of God is like a man who scatters grain on the ground; whether he sleeps or gets up, night or day, the grain sprouts and grows, without him knowing how. The earth bears the fruit by itself; first grass, then ear, then wheat abundant in the ear. And when the fruit admits it, immediately the sickle is put into it, because the harvest has come. He also said: “With what will we compare the Kingdom of God or with what parable will we expose it? It is like a mustard seed that, when sown in the ground, is smaller than any seed that is sown in the ground; But once planted, it grows and becomes larger than all vegetables and puts out branches so large that the birds of the sky nest in its shade. And he proclaimed the Word to them with many parables like these, as they could understand him; He did not speak to them without parables; but he explained everything privately to his own disciples.

To deepen today's Word of God (*Marie-Noëlle THABUT*)

If you want to understand the parable of Ezekiel 17, 22-24, you must remember the historical context in which the prophet speaks: it is the year 597, Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, has taken possession of Jerusalem; The king deports a part of the inhabitants (among them Ezekiel). Ten years later, in 587, a new conquest. This time, Jerusalem is completely destroyed and plundered. Another part of the inhabitants are deported to Babylon. The people of the Old Testament seem to have lost everything: Has God abandoned his people? It is, in the proper sense of the term, "a matter of trust." The miracle of faith is at the bottom of the trial; it is purified and becomes profound.

“There is no malice in God, my Rock” says Psalm 91(92): the people of Israel know very well what happened to them when they accused God of being clever; in the Sinai desert. For example, one day of very great thirst, they accused Moses and God of being malicious: “they made us go out to the Sinai desert, they took us out of Egypt, seducing us with freedom, but, in reality, it was so that we would perish here.” Despite the murmurings, God had made water flow from a rock. From

then on God will be called "our Rock", a way of remembering that God's faithfulness is stronger than all the suspicions of his people.

According to Paul in 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, death is a birth. While we are here we are like the child that has to be born; Like him, we are in darkness: "We walk without seeing," Paul tells us. But when we are born into true life, we will be in full light. Everything, as in the time of gestation, has no meaning except in terms of the birth that is being prepared. In the same way, our earthly life has no meaning except in terms of the definitive life with the Lord. Meanwhile, fortunately, in this darkness, there is a ray of light, faith. And faith, too, makes us understand that our life has meaning, that is, that our life has, at the same time, a direction and a significance. By faith we know that our death is a birth: Paul compares it in this text to a border crossing between exile and the motherland, and tells us: "we are in exile, far from the Lord," since our true homeland is he.

Jesus never spoke to people without using parables, Mark 4:26-34 tells us. It was the only way to be a little sure of having been understood! Because it was a little difficult to get the message across, Jesus announces that he is going to speak about the Kingdom of God, but everyone already had their ideas on this matter, ideas that, of course, did not coincide with his. For this reason it is necessary to deploy a pedagogy that can lead to conversion. There the true power of God is manifested: and the word sown with humility gradually becomes an immense tree whose branches are strong enough to accommodate all of humanity. Because that is the benevolent desire of God: "To gather the entire universe under one leader, Christ, everything that is in the heavens and the earth" therefore, "the mustard seed, when it is sown in the earth, is smaller than any seed that is sown; But once planted, it grows and becomes larger than all the vegetables and puts out branches so large that the birds of the sky nest in its shade.

Clues to internalize the Word

- Read the text carefully, in your opinion, what does the text say?
- What does it say to your life?
- What do you say to your community, parish...?



AMBIENTAL MUSIC. Ludovico Einaudi - TRACCE

<https://youtu.be/g9oRGVW7hcM?si=gD26-xK8GJe5ou-z>

SONG: SEEK THE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2YkrpwawuGU>

MUSTARD

insignificant seed
that becomes a tree
leafy,
in which they nest
all kinds of birds.
little seed,
with a big heart
that is open to everyone.
little seed,
with wide hands,
spanning poles
diverse.
little seed,
of close steps,
that travel distances
immense.
little seed,
with big eyes that
reach realities
distant
little seed,
of soft words that

circumstances caress
diverse.
little seeds,
that build spaces
kind and tender.
little seeds,
that withstand winds
strong and some droughts.
Welcome Lord every
little seed,
who wants to grow
in your land and strengthen
our time,
while waiting for the fruit,
the tree that potentially
keeps inside.
Be from the silence and
the waiting time,
tree, house and memory;
of what you were,
you are and you will be
in your time.

CANTO. LA AUDACIA DEL CORAZÓN - RUAH

<https://youtu.be/h4Syxtfkigg?si=yPfUyG0a1OgM2vdW>

**QUIERO DAR - LA AUDACIA DEL CORAZÓN – Hijas de
Jesús en el mundo**

https://youtu.be/RCzIT5gZm0I?si=8inb_4UyhPHr52HC



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