Gospel 13th June 2021. Cycle B

11th Sunday Ordinary Time

A SMALL SEED



YOU ARE KINGDOM

SETTING.

With you to stay and to be Kingdom that arises from the smallest and cries fullness. You, Lord of what is simple and small, who preaches with your life; allow my life to be a flash of that sacred space/time that you call Kingdom. May justice, peace, kindness, tenderness be your traits that characterize my entire life... And from your hands to the world to be Kingdom and to build from it and for it.

SONG.

To the sincerest love - **Javi Sanchez** <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hv1JzrKrZak</u>

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK: MK 4:26-34.

He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

Again he said, "What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade."

With many similar parables Jesus spoke the word to them, as much as they could understand. He did not say anything to them without using a parable. But when he was alone with his own disciples, he explained everything.

LET US DEEPEN THE TEXT.

In the transversal idea of today's texts, the question of trust is enclosed, which gains strength in difficulty. Today we contemplate the fight against idolatry "I am the Lord...", The Spring of Hope? "God is my rock". And the goal? "Let us have confidence. Let us not be tired of sowing to do Good." In the Gospel, Jesus also announces that He is going to speak of the Kingdom of God. But everyone already has fixed ideas on this subject; and, apparently, men's ideas do not coincide at all with theirs! This situation calls for the deployment of a pedagogy that leads to conversion and that the Old Testament had already applied. That's right, at first, the people of Israel, like all the peoples, could not imagine the Kingdom of God except in terms of Sovereignty: "The exalted Lord is terrible; great king over all the earth." (Ps 46/47:3) From this point of view, saying: "To you the kingdom, the power and the glory", means: "You are the strongest!"

God has not disavowed his prophets, but, progressively, He has revealed to them that His power is not what man spontaneously believes. This is the case of the famous episode of the prophet Elijah in Horeb: "And after the fire... the sound of a light breeze". At last, Elijah had understood: God is not in the manifestations of power and strength that we like so much, God manifests Himself in the barely perceptible "light breeze".

And what about the choice of a stuttering man (Moses) as spokesman? And also the fact that he is from Bethlehem, an insignificant town, where the very Son of God comes from; who will live hidden for thirty years in a region lost in nature, a region from which it has been said: "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" And, finally, it was through the apparent failures of Christ that Love's triumph over the world took place.

Here is the magnificent lesson of these parables, yes, a magnificent lesson of trust: God acts, the Kingdom is a seed that sprouts irresistibly. The Kingdom may still be invisible, but the harvest will come. In this Gospel it is as if Jesus were saying to us: "You know that the power of life is hidden even in a small seed. Be content with sowing: that is your work as a gardener. God has confidence in you and entrusts his garden to you so that you can cultivate it. It is also up to you to have confidence in Him: the seed will germinate by itself, since the one who works it is God".

CLUES FOR THE PRAYER.

- How do you conceive the Kingdom? How do you live it?
- How do you discover the Kingdom around you?
- What do the readings call you to? What do you do so that the seed of the kingdom may grow?

For a Kingdom of love, of justice, of peace, do you sign up?_____

AMBIENTAL MUSIC. Inspirational of creativity and thought.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=waWEhG6IV04

WE ARE KINGDOM.

Proposal filled with passion that God makes man, of peace, of justice, of love. Dream of life that God has for man, of illusion, of utopia, horizon of fullness. Opting for the Kingdom that we have to create. We know the objective, we have the content, we count on the inspiration and the divine power; we need determination. Kingdom is, to take care of the Common House. Kingdom is, to open the doors

and to invite to come in. Kingdom is, to opt for the weak and small things. Kingdom is, to act in favour of justice to the poor. Kingdom is, to share life and the necessary things. Kingdom is, to stand on the path, to look at the fallen, to welcome him and to walk with him. Kingdom is, to know what happens around me. Kingdom is, to make ours, circumstances and situations of others. Kingdom is, to live from gratuitousness. Kingdom is, to speak with whoever needs it. Kingdom is, to attend the things of others. Kingdom is, to be more human, generating humanity. Kingdom is, to be love with everyone. Let us walk the path of the ecological, integral fraternity. Let us interiorize life and above all, le tus act. Lord, however you want, whatever you want, wherever you want. Let us build together the Kingdom we want.

SONG. "Parable of the Kingdom" - Ixcis (Official Video)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aw57wD-3Wig



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