

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER 7th of May 2023 - Cycle A



WAY, TRUTH AND LIFE



YOU ARE AND YOU COME TO ME

SETTING

Lord, you who are the Way show yourself in my step; Lord, you who are Truth, set me free; Lord, you who are Life, make me grow in grace.

Way, truth and life, I want to walk, live from the truth. I believe Lord, but keep increasing my faith. A strong faith embodied in today that opens paths of life.

This 5th Sunday of Easter, serene the new presence of yours, invites us to be in life, to communicate what we have seen and heard. As you and with you hand in hand we walk towards others. You come to me and I receive you, I welcome you. I walk, on your path, I believe and I want to do things for others.

SONG. I am the way, truth and life – Klengs Channel https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J5Gtoar6X5k

GOSPEL - John 14, 1-12

"Do not let your heart be troubled. You believe in God: believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepared a place for you, I will return and take you with me, so that where I am you may also be. And where I go you know the way. Thomas said to him: "Lord, we do not know where you are going, how we can know the way? Jesus said to him: I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one goes to the Father but through me. If you know me, you will also know my Father; from now on you know him and have seen him. Philip told him: "Lord, show us the Father and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him: "I have been with you for so long and you and still you do not know me Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say: "Show us the Father"? Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you, I do not say on my own; the Father who abides in me is the one who performs the works. Believe me: I am in the Father and the Father is in me. But if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do, and in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father

We deepen the gospel

"Very truly I say to you: he who believes in me will also do the works that I do. And in fact will do them even bigger because I am going to the Father". If Jesus begins by saying "Do not let your heart be troubled"... it is because the disciples did not hide their anguish and they can be understood; they know that a general hostility surrounds them, they know that the countdown has begun. This anguish was increased, in some, by a horrible disappointment: "We hoped that he would be the one who was going to liberate Israel, and his leader is going to be sentenced, executed... illusions over. Jesus, for his part, tries to displace his hope: he is not going to fulfil what he hopes that his miracles have given birth to; he is not going to lead a national uprising against the colonizer; on the contrary, he does not stop preaching non-violence. The liberation that he brings is situated on another plane. Although he does not fulfil the terrestrial expectation of his people, he is nevertheless the one that was expected.

Jesus begins by calling them to faith, to this fundamental attitude of the Jewish people that can be found in all the psalms, for example. Hope can only rest on faith and Jesus insists several times on the word "believe". Only, it is one thing to believe in God, this is a fact, and another to believe in Jesus, at a moment, precisely, in which he seems to have definitely lost the game. So, it is necessary to make them perceive the profound unity existing between the Father and him; and this is the second line of sight of the text: "I am in the Father and the Father is in me" (and this phrase, Jesus pronounces it twice).

It would be necessary to take time to deepen each of the sentences of this last interview of Jesus with his disciples. Dare to say: "I am the truth and the life", is to identify yourselves with God himself. And at the same time, these two persons are very different, since Jesus also says: "I am the way" and it is understood that it is the way to the Father.

Jesus ends with a solemn promise: "Whoever believes in me will do the same works as I do." Which means that from now on the disciples are associated with the work which begun by God to free humanity from all kinds of slavery, both physical and moral. This promise of Christ should convince us forever that this deliverance is possible.

Clues for prayer

- "No one goes to the Father but through me" what does this statement mean in your life?

- "I am in the Father and the Father is in me" what does this statement invites you to do?

- What call do you feel after reading this gospel?

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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZWKwQ2gBRc0

PATH

Who walks. dream, create, and contribute. Identified with you that you are way, Accepting your word, What is the true, Looking at your gestures This is life In exit, in The path of life The path is the direction Is the meeting It is a protection of the future. It is the way and how With whom, The way to get To the others. Is where the memory And the memory, ally Is the experience Of Easter, It is the sidewalk Of the disciples,

It is sharing the experiences. The truth is built In justice, The truth is shared From the courage and The authenticity, The truth is not dreamed. Work every day The truth does not prevail, Sets us free The truth is not shouted, It is soft whisper, The truth is not opaque, Transparent life, It proposes, it changes you. Life is identity It is the way to be It is the wayfarer's style Is the achievable plenitude, It is the friendly space. Sure, sensible You are my way, My truth, my life. You are, I am

CANTO. DESEOS - AIN KAREM

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eePoU43j7ug Come and go with me -

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

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