



# Daily Reflections

**December 1, 2017**

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## Scripture

### **Luke 21: 29-33**

Jesus told his disciples a parable.

"Consider the fig tree and all the other trees.

When their buds burst open,

you see for yourselves and know that summer is now near;

in the same way, when you see these things happening,

know that the Kingdom of God is near.

Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away

until all these things have taken place.

Heaven and earth will pass away,

but my words will not pass away."

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## Our Scripture Reflection

Everything that the Lord had foretold (destruction of the Temple, persecution of believers) did indeed occur and life went on; hence, the reason Luke wrote his second volume, "The Acts of the Apostles". In today's passage, Jesus leaves us with some most comforting words: "Heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away." How did the early Christian get through the turbulent times in which they lived? The same way we will get through the turbulence in our own day....Hang on to, trust in and live the words of Jesus.

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## **Food for your Journey**

Cartoon shows one Mayan revealing his handmade stone calendar to another. The first Mayan says, "I only had enough room to go up to 2012."

The second Mayan says, "Ha! That'll freak somebody out someday."

--"Apocalyptic jokes," Creatively Informed, December 20, 2011, [creativelyinformed.com](http://creativelyinformed.com).

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### **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear Jesus, You are the Rock foundation of my life. During times of conflict and trial, help me to cling to You and Your words and never let go. Amen.