



Daily Reflections

April 30, 2018

Scripture

John 14: 21-26

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me.

Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Judas, not the Iscariot, said to him,

"Master, then what happened that you will reveal yourself to us and not to the world?"

Jesus answered and said to him,

"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him.

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you.

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name he will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

Our Scripture Reflection

Jesus has such a concern for His disciples. He knows well that the world can be a hostile place for people of faith. Before He leaves His disciples, He gives them two teachings that will keep them strong and safe:

1. Keep His commandments for in doing so this will keep them ever close to Jesus.
2. After He is gone, He will send an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to be His abiding Presence in the world. The Advocate will teach them and remind them of everything Jesus had taught them.

Ever though we may forget Him at times, Jesus will never forget us.

Food for Your Journey

O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there thy cheerful beams.

--Saint Augustine.

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, You love us and are always thinking about us and praying for us. May we know that we are never alone, that You will never leave us orphaned. Keep us always faithful and in love with You. Amen