



Daily Reflections

June 2, 2018

Scripture

Jude 17, 20-25

Beloved, remember the words spoken beforehand
by the Apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit.

Keep yourselves in the love of God

and wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ
that leads to eternal life.

On those who waver, have mercy;

save others by snatching them out of the fire;

on others have mercy with fear,

abhorring even the outer garment stained by the flesh.

To the one who is able to keep you from stumbling

and to present you unblemished and exultant,

in the presence of his glory,

to the only God, our savior,

through Jesus Christ our Lord

be glory, majesty, power, and authority

from ages past, now, and for ages to come. Amen.

Our Scripture Reflection

The Letter to Jude was written to a relative of Jesus mentioned in Mark 6:3 and Matthew 13: 55. His Church is struggling with the effects of secularism which has led to sin, especially various sexual perversions. Jude is called to exhort the Church to steadfast faith and to depend upon help from God the Father and His only Son, Jesus Christ.

Food for your Journey

If Christ is God's love in person on earth, churches ought to be God's love in an organization on earth. If love is what it's all about, where are we going to celebrate this love unless in community with loving people? Essentially what a church or temple ought to be is a community of loving people who believe that our lives consist of an abundance of love - not of an abundance of possessions.

-William Sloane Coffin, "Who Needs

Organized Religion?" Questions of Faith (Philadelphia: Trinity Press International, 1990), 31.

A Prayer from the Heart

Heavenly Father, I ask You to strengthen my mind, body and spirit today. When I'm weary, may I be refreshed. When I'm worn, may I be renewed. When I'm broken, may I be restored. When I'm fearful, may I become faithful. I pray that I walk in complete confidence today knowing that You are with me. Amen.