



Daily Reflections

November 28, 2020

Scripture

Luke 21:34-36

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy
from carousing and drunkenness
and the anxieties of daily life,
and that day catch you by surprise like a trap.

For that day will assault everyone
who lives on the face of the earth.

Be vigilant at all times

and pray that you have the strength
to escape the tribulations that are imminent
and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Our Scripture Reflection

How easy it is to have those holy feelings during special times of the year such as Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. But it seems shortly thereafter it's back to business as usual. Is that it??? As Jesus teaches His disciples about the coming of the end of time rather than give them precise dates and times, He calls them to stay awake and alert. And even though over 2000 years have passed since He imparted this teaching, He wants us, today, to remain focused. How do we do this? Live your faith to the fullest each day.

Food for your Journey

There is a story of an ancient rabbi who once asked his pupils how they could tell when the night had ended, and the day was on its way back.

"Could it be," asked one student, "when you see an animal in the distance and can tell whether it is a sheep or a dog?"

"No," answered the rabbi.

"Could it be," asked another, "when you look at a tree in the distance and can tell whether it is a fig tree or a peach tree?"

"No," said the rabbi.

"Well, then, what is it?" demanded his pupils.

"It is when you look on the face of any person and see your brother or sister. Because, if you cannot do this, then no matter what time it is, it is still night."

A Prayer from the Heart

Precious Lord, You have called me to vigilance as I await Your return at the end of time. It is easy to get distracted by the busyness of this life. Things in this life are attractive and seductive. I need the help of Your Grace, Lord. With the love You have for me in mind at all times, help me to keep my eyes focused on You and Your way. Amen