

WORD FROM THE PASTOR

THE WORD BECOMES SEED AND BRINGS FRUITS IN OUR LIVES



This Sunday, the Word of God brings us good news. It speaks to us of the power of the Word of God. We can hear the voice of God through the mouth of the prophet Isaia **“My word that goes out from my mouth will not return to me empty.” “The one who received the seed on good soil is the one who receives the Word and understands It. He produces a crop, yielding thirty, sixty, or a hundredfold”** (Gospel). And Saint Paul tells us, in his own way, that believers are set free by Christ. They live a new life thanks to the Spirit who dwells within them. This implies a new relationship with God.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the Sower. This is a story we know well because we have heard it often. But the important thing is to try to understand what Christ wants to tell us. This story is full of talk about soil, good or bad. And right from the start, we question the quality of the soil in our lives. It's certainly important to be aware of this; but we mustn't remain self-centered. **This Gospel speaks to us first and foremost about God. He constantly takes the first step to meet humanity. His passionate Love is like the burning bush that appeared to Moses. He invites us to see Him and our lives in a new light.**

The Sower is Jesus. That day, He went out of the house to sow. Let's be clear: Jesus left the Father's house. He fell into the earth to become seed. He himself once said, **“If a grain of wheat falls into the earth and decomposes, it bears much fruit.”** In His death, Christ is that seed that yields abundant fruit. We, Christians of today, are the beneficiaries. **We need to learn to see Jesus as the Sower of Divine Life. He hopes for everything from humanity. The Gospel describes the extraordinary abundance and generosity of this Sower, Who is God.**

We need to assess our use of the Word of God. We need to read the Word of God every day, beginning with a prayer to the Holy Spirit for the gifts of attentive reading and the ability and willingness to apply the message we receive to our daily lives.

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