



THE WORD IS THE QUEEN OF THE WORLD (AUT. 449)

Jesus told them a parable to show them that they should pray continually and not lose heart. He said, "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor people. In the same town was a widow who kept coming to him, saying: 'Defend my rights against my opponent.' For a time he refused, but finally he thought: 'Even though I neither fear God nor care about people, this widow bothers me so much I will see that she gets justice; then she will stop coming and wearing me out.'" And Jesus explained, "Listen to what the evil judge says. Will God not do justice for his chosen ones who cry to him day and night even if he delays in answering them? I tell you, he will speedily do them justice. Yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Lk 18,1-8

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Word of God is the primary
of our spirituality
(Sourcebook 37)

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A COMMENTARY TO THE SUNDAY
GOSPEL FOR AND FROM
LAY CLARETIANS



REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

God is not dis-incarnated from our human reality, therefore our faith cannot be separated from life. Our relationship with God and with Jesus Christ are strengthened when we hear and meditate on His word.

Prayer is the permanent link for our intimate relationship with God, and consolation for when times are hard. We must not lose sight of this, that our spirituality calls us to strengthen the likeness between ourselves that he has put in us; the call to be like him, and to love like him.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Prayer always and do not lose heart". Although many situations in life will be difficult, our hope and trust in God, who knows everything, cannot fail; those who lose their hope lose their trust in God who created us, and who knows what is good for us.

Temporal reality will one day pass away, therefore we must avoid staying rooted in ourselves; we must be open to the movement of God's Spirit, like the widow; she had firm trust in God, knowing her task was to demand justice, and to challenge the unjust judge. God is the wellspring of initiatives for the Kairos, the time of grace that brings us closer to His salvific grace (Ideario #27). **IT IS WORD OF GOD (AUT. 450)**



REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD

Facing adversities and temporal realities, our faith must be firmly built on rock; as Christians and Secular Claretians our identity calls us to live united to Jesus Christ through the Sacraments, which strengthen our unity and spirituality. Thus we will acquire the knowledge to build and transform, as it is the Spirit who animates, impels and convokes us (Auto. 443). **IT IS WORD OF LIFE (AUT. 450)**



PRAYER FROM THE GOSPEL

Lord God, loving Father, who in Jesus has shown us the greatest proof of your love, help us to live committed to nourishing ourselves with your Word so that, fed and strengthened by it and by the Bread of Life, we will be equipped to be tireless missionaries, working for the construction of your Kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, amen.

