



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

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went to the home of Simon and Andrew with James and John. As Simon's mother-in-law was sick in bed with fever, they immediately told him about her. Jesus went to her and taking her by the hand, raised her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening at sundown, people brought to Jesus all the sick and those who had evil spirits: the whole town was pressing around the door. Jesus healed many who had various diseases, and drove out many demons; but he did not let them speak, for they knew who he was. Very early in the morning, before daylight, Jesus went off to a lonely place where he prayed. Simon and the others went out, too, searching for him; and when they found him they said, "Everyone is looking for you." Then Jesus answered, "Let's go to the nearby villages so that I may preach there too; for that is why I came." So Jesus set out to preach in all the synagogues throughout Galilee; he also cast out demons.

Mk 1,29-39

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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
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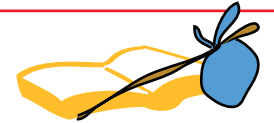
REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



As an answer to a necessity that is presented to him, (disease) Jesus appears at their encounter and he acts quickly: he cures. But this cure is done when we are open to the compassionate and merciful love of God, and the prompt answer of us, who feel "moved", cured by God: we start serving. Jesus fulfils his mission in that place, he prays to the Father and doesn't stay contemplating what he has done waiting for clapping hands, he leaves to another place so that others can feel also "moved". Claret, as an imitation of Christ, feels a compassionate love to the others. "The love of Christ urges us". He sees the hunger (disease) that the men have for the Word of God, he feels the responsibility of taking the Good News to them, he doesn't become weaker when facing the difficulties, he seeks in the prayer the most urgent and timely things, which makes his preaching to be more effective. "Many times, after a sermon, they came to confess and they left happily afterwards (curation), and they became propagators of the Word

IT IS WORD OF GOD (AUT. 450)

REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD



Through our claretian charisma, which qualifies all our being, we feel able and intended to do, by the Holy Spirit, an especial service to the Church (Id.5). But, as SECULARS, we do it within the world's reality. This reality challenges us continuously, and presents many "diseases", violence, material hunger, consumption society, loneliness and especially, the worst disease: the lack of God in many people's life, the unbelief, the lack of faith, hope. How can we cure this sick man, this unbeliever society? By changing our attitude, our passivity, our indifference. Take the Word made testimony, but a joyful and hopeful testimony, not staying stuck where we feel comfortable. Like Jesus, like Claret, walking always to where we are needed.

IT IS WORD OF LIFE (AUT. 450)

PRAYER FROM THE GOSPEL

Come, Lord, we need you. Help us to open our eyes, our ears, our heart, and having felt moved (cured) by You, with your compassionate and merciful love, let us serve to YOUR WORD with humility, with joy and hope to spread it to the others. Come, Mother of God, Most Holy Mother, keep us in your Immaculate Heart, and from it, send us wherever we are needed. Amen.

