

Annunciation Parish - Scripture Study 6/16/20

—Greeting and Opening Prayer

Any thoughts or questions from scripture passages you have read?

- Other faith questions?
- This Sunday: Trinity Sunday

READINGS:

JER 20:10-13

PS 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (Lord, in your great love, answer me)

ROM 5:12-15

MT 10:26-33

GOSPEL:

- Fear no one. Why not?
- What is concealed will be revealed (does this relate to the fear no one?).
- What Jesus says, they are to shout from the roof tops. Us too?
- There is more than one kind of death - the body and the soul.
 - Don't be afraid of one who can kill the one destined to die - why not?
 - What does he mean about fearing the other one? Who is this? Does that one do this?
- Sparrows are cheap - but God knows about all their doings. Humans are so much more precious.
- Don't be afraid (again) this time don't be afraid of what?
- Acknowledging Jesus before others gains acknowledgment from Jesus in front of the Father. Denying Jesus merits similar from Jesus before the Father. What is he really trying to say do you think?
- Where do I sit in this analysis - do I shout, do I acknowledge, do I deny?

FIRST READING:

- Jeremiah is afraid of those who are plotting against him. Have you been there?
- Friends convert to enemies, people who were trusted seek revenge. Humans are fickle.
- BUT - the Lord is not like this - God is his champion (the warrior who will triumph over others)
- Plots against him will not succeed. But how will God intervene?
 - Will God interfere with the plots and rescue him? How did it work with Jesus and his passion?
 - Do we expect different from God. Do we forget there are two deaths, and two lives?
- What do you think of Jeremiah's wish to witness vengeance on his enemies?
- What do you think HE though would come of him entrusting his cause to God?
- Match this to Jesus' placing his life in the Father's hands in his passion.

SECOND READING:

- Sin enters the world through one man (Adam) - and all are subject to death (one type or both?)
- Death reigned from Adam to Moses - no law = no way to know what is a sin. But it is not a sin without law.
- The trespass of Adam (what is this?). Do we fall under this?
- Jesus brings not a law but a gift. Through Adam all die, through Jesus grace overflows.

—Closing Prayer