

Lectio Divina

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- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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October 7th 2012 27th Sunday Ordinary Time – Year B – Mark 10:1-16

In this week's gospel we see the Pharisees testing Jesus by questioning him about it being against the law for a man to divorce his wife. Jesus reminds them that man and woman are both human beings created by God to live in harmony. They are both equal in his eyes.

He also spoke about bringing the children to him and getting very annoyed when the disciples turned them away.

How do we in our lives bring about harmony in our world beginning in our own families? Are we obstacles to the children of God reaching their full potential by preventing them coming close to Jesus?

Prayer:

Thank you Lord for Pope Pius X who was indignant when children were turned away from receiving Jesus in the Eucharist and changed the law that they could receive Jesus for the first time as children.

Lord forgive us for the times when we put obstacles in the way of the ordinary people of God coming close to him in order that he could put his arms around them and share his blessings with them.

Help us be like Jesus who thought us to appreciate and bring together young and old. People of different cultures and faiths rather than bring division and disharmony to the Family of God.

