

Lectio Divina

- Read and re-read, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - Meditate on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - Pray - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
 - Action - Attitude (Call to change / to do)
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August 7th 2016 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C - Luke 12: 35 - 40

In this week's gospel we have several sayings of Jesus on one general theme. This is not a logically constructed teaching, but a collection of sayings, each one different and with its own way of putting across the theme. The sayings of Jesus are usually metaphors speaking to our imagination. All the sayings in this passage are about waiting.

Who are the people that Jesus sent into our lives to encourage us to wait with patience and not give up because these times can be a great blessing if entered into with a positive attitude?

Prayer:

Thank you for the people who sit and wait with us and help us to realise that in waiting with patience we can often gain many insights into our lives which we are too busy to see.. Lord forgive us for the times that we become impatient and angry because we feel God is not answering our prayer quickly enough and we begin to panic instead of trusting that the Lord will never let us down.

Help us to be aware that God is always at work in our lives and he is helping us to carry out his loving purpose for our lives even in the times we do not see it. We are rushing about instead of waiting in loving expectation.

