
September 23, 2021

The LORD Upholds My Life

Week 25 of Ordinary Time, Cycle B



"The wicked say:
Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us"
-cf. Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

"Blessed are they who..."

"Jesus enjoins his disciples
**to prefer him to everything
and everyone,**
and bids them 'renounce all'
for his sake
and that of the Gospel.

Shortly before his passion he
gave them the example of the
poor widow of Jerusalem
who, out of her poverty,
gave all she had to live on."

-CCC #2544 also Luke 21:4



HOMework & REFLECTION

Homework

Make a time for prayer - 15 minutes or...
Make a place for prayer.
Choose a form of prayer.

Continue in your place & time - and in this
one way of prayer - for an entire month.

Be ready to share your experience of the
first week at the next RCIA session.

SHARE

Read Luke 18:1-8

Why is *persistence* so important in learning to
pray?

Read Luke 18:9-14

What is the **ONE THING** necessary for prayer?

*"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened to you."*

-Matthew 7:7-11

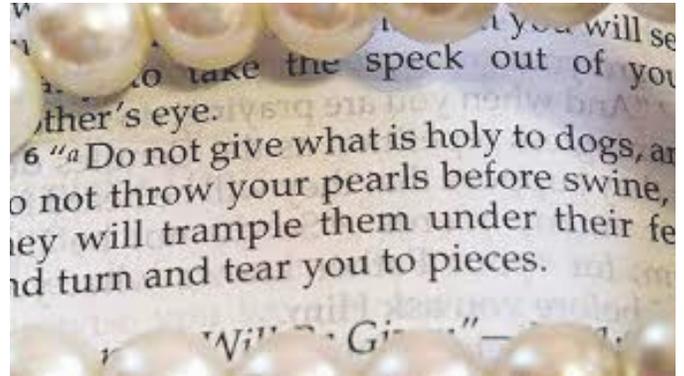
Read Matthew 6:5-7:29

*"Do not give what is holy to dogs, or throw your
pearls before swine, lest they trample them underfoot,
and turn and tear you to pieces."*

Why do we *not* share everything about our
prayer with just anyone?

When God asks that we put God first and
make HIM the ALL of our lives, the LORD,
what does this say to us about the
importance of PRAYER?

About our relationship with others?
In what ways do others, sometimes without
meaning to, lead us away from God and the
Kingdom of God?



from Matthew 6:5 - 7:29...

*"In praying, do not babble like the pagans, who think
they will be heard because of their many words."*

*"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who
love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on
street corners so that others may see them. ...when
you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and
pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who
sees..."*

*"Do not store up treasures on earth, where moth and
decay destroy, and thieves break in and steal."*

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life..."

"Stop judging that you may not be judged."

"Do to others whatever you would have them do..."

***"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will
enter the kingdom of heaven..."***

*"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts
on them will be like a wise man who built his house
on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds
blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse;
it had been set solidly on rock.*

*And everyone who listens to these words of mine but
does not act on them will be like a fool who built his
house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and
the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it
collapsed..."*