



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

At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, you shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.

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Word of God is the primary
of our spirituality
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REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



In a society marked by haste and stress, Christians are tempted to retreat to the desert to find the peace and light of God that will help us to return to the world in a renewed way. However, in this Sunday's text we see that Jesus is "led into the wilderness by the Spirit to be tested." The desert is an experience of meeting in the deepest of ourselves to put without fear name to what we live, both to what approaches us and to what deviates us from the way to the Father; To be aware of the gifts received and our limitations-temptations; To remember-to relive the dream that God has for each one of us and for humanity; In short, it is a time of purification, of renewing the promise with God. At the beginning of Lent Jesus invites us to let ourselves be led by the Spirit into the wilderness. Let us remain and be docile to his voice .

IT'S THE WORD OF GOD (AUT. 450)



REFLECTIONS TO FEED OUR MISSION IN THE WORLD

In our Sourcebook (n. 28), when we speak of spirituality, we say that "our spiritual life is the point of confluence of charism and missionary commitment; Where the call of God and our personal response to it are united ... The Spirit himself, who has been sent to our hearts, is the one who promotes and dynamizes our spiritual life." How can we succumb to the temptation of not sufficiently caring for the encounter with the Father? We can think a lot of excuses and continue to justify in a thousand ways that we do not arrive, that we do not have time, that there are other urgencies ... Perhaps this Lent may be the occasion to take more seriously the life of prayer; Surely our presence in the world will be otherwise.

IT IS THE WORD OF LIFE (AUT. 450)

PRAYER FROM THE WORD

Lord, thank you for your Word. In it you invite me to make desert, to have a sincere encounter with you, without false excuses, trusting that You want to continue counting on me in spite of my weaknesses and falls. Before my fears and my pursuits of comfort, give me encouragement to walk with Jesus, courage to risk and humility to fall and rise as many times as necessary.

