

Nineteenth Sunday Of Ordinary Time

U E T S Z V O S A A
 N N R H F U W N W R
 F K E U I W O O A V
 A Y N K S E K I I T
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 T Z T E R R E A D A
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 U R A D H L V P J G
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 I T E E U D H O U R
 S S R D P K N I R D
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 L F A I T H F U L I
 A N N Y L T H G I L
 D E T S U R T N E F
 J S S B E A T E B Y
 B E L O N G I N G S

ALMS	ENTRUSTED	SEVERELY
AWAIT	FAITHFUL	THIEF
BEATEB	HOUR	TREASURE
BELONGINGS	LIGHTLY	UNFAITHFUL
BROKEN	MAIDSERVANTS	VIGILANT
DELAYED	PREPARATIONS	
DEMANDED	PRUDENT	
DRINK	PUNISH	
DRUNK	SERVANTS	

Catechizing Corner!

This pericope begins with an exhortation that we are to sell what we have and give to the poor. This is a consistent theme through Luke's gospel. It is at the heart of the radical call of Christ in the gospel. He spoke his message to the rich and the not so rich. In the "Sermon on the Plain" in chapter 6 of Luke's gospel, Jesus instructed his disciples to give to everyone who asks and to lend while expecting nothing in return (6:35). In today's reading from Luke's chapter 12, Jesus told his disciples to sell their possessions and give alms. Jesus was detached from his possessions and lived a life of simplicity. This simplicity provides freedom for others.

Another theme in today's reading from chapter 12 emerges in verse 35 and cuts to the heart of Christianity: Christ's passing from death to life. Christ is the New Passover and we are participants in his life, death, and resurrection—the paschal mystery. "Let your belts be fastened around your waists and your lamps be burning ready" (v 35) is a reference to Passover. This ritual action was prescribed by law for all who observed the annual Jewish Passover. The first reading recalls the exodus event and is a reminder that the people were heirs to the benefits of the exodus and its inherent blessings. Luke's connection to the exodus ritual reminds the listener that Christ is the New Covenant, the new Passover. Through his passing from this world into his new, resurrected life, he accomplished for the world the completion of God's plan for our salvation. During the time when Luke was writing there existed a hope that Jesus would return during this annual Passover commemoration.

Mary Birmingham, Word and Worship Workbook, Cycle C Paulist Press, 1998



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Disciple's Reflection

for the Question of the Week

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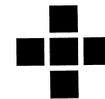
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A Call to Prayer

The Word of God
 Luke 12:32-48

Faith Sharing
 Questions of the week

Closing Prayer



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Call to Prayer

Begin by calling upon God: **In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.**

Let us pause for a moment, and listen attentively to this week's passage.

The Word of God Luke 12:32-48

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples:
"Do not be afraid any longer, little flock,
for your Father is pleased
to give you the kingdom.
Sell your belongings and give alms.
Provide money bags for yourselves that
do not wear out,
an inexhaustible treasure in heaven
that no thief can reach nor moth destroy.
For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be.

"**Gird your loins** and light your lamps
and be like servants who await
their master's return from a wedding,
ready to open immediately when
he comes and knocks.
Blessed are those servants
whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.
Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself,
have them recline at table,
and proceed to wait on them.
And should he come in the second or third watch
and find them prepared in this way,
blessed are those servants.
Be sure of this:
if the master of the house had known the hour

Gospel Glossary

To gird your loins means to get dressed and be ready.

The **son of Man** is another name for the Messiah, Jesus.

when the thief was coming,
he would not have let his house be broken into.
You also must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the **Son of Man** will come."

Then Peter said,
"Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?"
And the Lord replied,
"Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward
whom the master will put in charge of his servants
to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?
Blessed is that servant whom
his master on arrival finds doing so.
Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant
in charge of all his property.
But if that servant says to himself,
'My master is delayed in coming,'
and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants,
to eat and drink and get drunk,
then that servant's master will come
on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour
and will punish the servant severely
and assign him a place with the unfaithful.
That servant who knew his master's will
but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will
shall be beaten severely;
and the servant who was ignorant of his master's will
but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating
shall be beaten only lightly.
Much will be required of the person entrusted with much,
and still more will be demanded
of the person entrusted with more."

The Gospel of the Lord.



Faith Sharing

Questions of the Week:
Choose one

What "possessions" distract people from the treasure of faith?

Where and when have you said yes, to live your life centered in God?

Name a time when you said yes, to love God by the way you acted.

Closing Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God,
your spirit made us your children,
confident to call you loving Father.
Increase your Spirit within us and
bring us to our promised inheritance.
Grant this through our Lord
Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
Amen.