

Contemplating

On the way to Easter

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Jn 3, 16

Lord Jesus,

I contemplate your hands, which caressed the children and healed the daughter of Jairus, the blind Bartimaeus and the mother-in-law of Peter... now pierced by the nails of the cross.

I contemplate your feet, which have trodden so many paths in Galilee and Judea... now broken by wounds.

I contemplate your eyes which looked with sadness at the rich young man, your eyes which filled with tears when you learned of the death of your friend Lazarus, which looked with tenderness at the Samaritan woman... and now I see them immobile and closed.

I contemplate your lips that proclaimed the beatitudes, called your disciples or denounced the abuses of the merchants of the temple... They are now wounded and bloodied by the punches.

And in you, my Lord and Master, I contemplate all those who are crucified in this world with the nails of war, violence, indifference or exclusion. I contemplate all human beings who are deprived of their means and their dignity. In you, today, I see the victims, those who almost always lose, those whose faces are turned away.



But I also contemplate your Resurrection through those women and men who know you and live in you. In those people who try to make the world a better place, who smile, work and commit themselves.

Help us, who form the family of Faith and Light, to live from your Resurrection, to be communities which, through the Cross, are pierced by your LIFE IN ABUNDANCE.

Give us the grace that Faith and Light is a place of MEETING where we can discover you ALIVE in our sisters and brothers, at the heart of their fragility.

Give us the courage and boldness to be witnesses of your resurrection in the midst of our history, activities and daily routines.

Remind us always that death does not have the last word, to accept with greater joy and understanding the Cross, yours and ours every day, to continue to discover that difficulties are opportunities and that people with disabilities are a precious gift.

Thank you for loving us so much, for loving us so radically and in such a unique way. Thank you for the superabundance of your Love, thank you for loving us first. Thank you!

Happy Easter!

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