

“The Lord will not  
forsake his faithful.”

(cf. Ps 37:28 )

“You never forsake those  
who seek you, Lord.”

( Ps 9:10 )

“In tranquility and in trust shall  
be your strength.”

( Is 30:15 )

“For we have sinned...by departing  
from you [O Lord], and we have  
done every kind of evil.”

( Dan 3:29 )

“Listen willingly to any  
discourse coming from God; let  
no wise proverb escape you.”

( Sir 6:35 )

“If you love to listen you will gain  
knowledge; if you pay attention,  
you will become wise.”

( Sir 6:33 )

“Suffering, so little;  
Glory, beyond measure.”

(Saint Francis of Assisi, Celano 2<sup>nd</sup> life 191)

“Apply your heart to correction  
and your ears to wise sayings.”

( Pro 23:12 )

“The Lord delights in those who  
make truth their way of life.”

( Pro 12:22 )

“Let your speech always be gracious,  
seasoned with wisdom, sensitive to the  
kind of answer each one requires.”

( Col 4:6 )

“In the end, **the true disciple is the  
one who announces the Gospel  
- in the most believable -  
and effective way.**”

(Pope Benedict XVI, in *Avvenire*, 25 October 2007, pg. 15)

“God never ceases to call every man to seek  
him,.. But this search for God demands  
man’s every effort of intellect, a sound will,  
and “an upright heart”. As well as **the  
witness of others who teach him to seek  
God.**”

( CCC 30 )

“The truthful witness  
saves lives.”

( *Pro 14:25* )

“Who can give greater witness than one *who acknowledges that the Lord Jesus has come in the flesh* and keeps the commandments of the Gospel? One who hears but does not act, denies Christ. The true witness is one who bears witness to the commandments of the Lord Jesus and supports that witness by deeds.”

( *St. Ambrose Bishop, Off. of Read. 9<sup>th</sup> October* )

“The Pentecostal Spirit carries within itself a vigorous urge to assume the efforts of mission in giving witness to the Gospel along the streets of the world.”

(*Pope Benedict XVI, Rom. Obs., 15 Nov. 2006* )

“For this I was born and for this I came into the world: to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

( *Jn 18:37* )

“Your Word is Truth.”

( *Jn 17:17* )

“You shall shine like the stars in the world, as you hold up the Word of life.”

( *Phil 2:15-16* )

“For the kingdom of God... is justice, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.”

( *Rom 14:17* )

“I will rejoice heartily in the Lord... for he has clothed me with garments of salvation.”

( *Is 61:10* )

“I will give them a heart to know me [says the Lord]... if they return to me with their whole heart.”

( *Jer 24:7* )

“In this way, we know that we have come to know him: if we keep his commandments.”

( *1 Jn 2:3* )

“Note that a man whom the Lord sends forth as a preacher is called a watchman... Anyone appointed to be a watchman for the people must stand all his life upon a height, and so help them with his foresight.”

(*Pope St. Gregory the Great, Off. of Read. 3rd September*)

“Social justice should never be separated from the charity of announcing the faith... Charity and announcements always go hand in hand.”

(*Pope Benedict XVI, Audience 10 January 2007*)

“I will make you a light to the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.”

( *Is 49:6* )

“If one abstains from the Eucharist, he separates himself from the Body of Christ and remains far from Salvation.”

( *St. Cyprian Bishop, Off. of Read. Thur. XI Week O.T.* )

“Let no one make any mistake: Unless a person is within the Sanctuary, he is deprived of God’s bread.”

( *St. Ignatius of Antioch, Off. of Read. Sun. II O.T.* )

“The Lord assumes in himself only the flesh of those who receive his flesh.”

(*St. Hilary Bishop, Off. of Read. Wed. IV Week Easter*)

“We shall sing in the house of the Lord all the days of our life.”

( *Is 38:20* )

“In the life to come...the soul will experience an immense and inexpressible enjoyment, to the highest degree. O souls created and called to enjoy such exquisite gifts: what are you doing? What stops you from pursuing that goal?”

(*cf. St. John of the Cross, Off. of Read. Fri. XVIII Week O.T.* )

“In the unique true Life, the blessed one enjoys the delights of the Lord for all Eternity, after having become Immortal and Incorruptible in Body and Soul.”

(*cf. St. Augustine, Bishop*)

“There are gold and jewels of every type, but a priceless ornament is speech informed by knowledge.”

( *Pro 20:15* )

“The intelligent mind acquires understanding and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.”

( *Pro 18:15* )

“His wisdom is beyond measure.”

( *Ps 147:5* )

“Blessed are those who meditate on Wisdom and reason with intelligence, who ponder her ways in their heart; they will understand her secrets.”

( *Sir 14:20-21* )

“Exchange ideas with the learned and let all your conversations be about the law of the Most High.”

( *Sir 9:14-15* )

“Whoever seeks the law  
will be satisfied.”

( *Sir 32:15* )

“The mouth of the righteous utters  
wisdom; his tongue speaks what is right.  
God’s teaching is in his heart;  
his steps do not falter.”

( *Ps 37:30-31* )

“God, almighty Father...  
may my every word...  
express You.”

(*St. Hilary Bishop, Off. of Read. 13<sup>th</sup> of January*)

“Do not be of those who profess Jesus  
Christ and still love the world.”

(*St. Ignatius of Antioch, Off. of Read. 17<sup>th</sup> October*)

“You can love all things of the earth,  
but will always be left with an emptiness  
in your heart if you do not [believe and]  
love God. You were created to love God!”

( *St. John Bosco* )

“Why do we pray for the Kingdom of  
Heaven to come if this earthly prison  
continues to please us?”

( *St. Cyprian Bishop, Off. of Read. Fri. Week XXXIV O.T.* )

“Those who announce the feast  
of the heavenly glory, announce  
true peace.”

( *St. Anthony of Padua, XXIV Sun. after Pentecost* )

“In the House of the Lord, the  
feast is eternal! It is not a  
passing feast! - The joyful choir  
of the Angels is eternal!”

( *St. Augustine, Bishop, Epistle 41, 9* )

“A charitable mind is not displayed simply  
in giving money; it is manifested still more  
by personal service as well as by the  
communication of God’s word to others!”

( *St. Maximus the Confessor, Off. of Read. VII Sun. O.T.* )

“Whatever you do, if you desire that  
‘Sabbath’ [of the eternal rest],  
never cease to pray...”

( *St. Augustine, Bishop, The Interior Master, 14, 2* )

“All those who were called in baptism to  
become a part of the kingdom of God...  
have the duty to work for  
the spreading of that kingdom.”

( **Pope Pius XII** [ 1939 ], Encyclical *Summi Pontificatus* )

“Christians need to turn their thoughts to that life,  
the eternal life, not to the present one which is so  
short; and they need to uproot from their soul the  
pleasures and desires for wealth... remembering  
that “*The world and its enticements are passing  
away. But whoever does the will of God remains  
forever*” (1Jn 2:17).”

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