



Wednesday, April 5, 2023
Wednesday of Holy Week



Good morning!

We read Isaiah 50:4-9, Psalm 69, and Matthew 26:14-25. What is the true value of following Jesus Christ in our lives? Nothing outside of us can ever rob us of interior peace and dignity unless we let it be done. Isaiah stands strong interiorly while being beaten, buffeted, and spat upon. Isaiah speaks, "The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced." The Passion from Matthew's gospel challenges us to ponder about Judas. Did someone really have to betray Jesus? Was this Judas' role? Is there a part of us like Judas? As Jesus reached out to Peter to repent, would Jesus have done so to Judas? Do we feel left on our own at times when decisions need to be made as decisions are before us? The days ahead will tell us that none of the disciples stood by Jesus (maybe John in John's gospel.) On our own, we weaken and fall but trusting in God we are strengthened and God brings us to life again after the fall. May we be prepared to enter the Triduum with hearts renewed and faith alive to listen, participate, and be a servant who trusts – or will we be a servant who betrays?

Peace,
RevKev

"Lord, in your great love, answer me."

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