

**August 07 - Ordinary 19 (Pent 9)**

**1st Reading      Isaiah 1:1, 10-20      The Wickedness of Judah**

<sup>1</sup> The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

<sup>10</sup> Hear the word of the Lord,  
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,  
you people of Gomorrah!

<sup>11</sup> What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?  
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams  
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,  
or of lambs, or of goats.

<sup>12</sup> When you come to appear before me,  
who asked this from your hand?  
Trample my courts no more;

<sup>13</sup> bringing offerings is futile;  
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—  
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

<sup>14</sup> Your new moons and your appointed festivals  
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,  
I am weary of bearing them.

<sup>15</sup> When you stretch out your hands,  
I will hide my eyes from you;  
even though you make many prayers,  
I will not listen;

your hands are full of blood.

<sup>16</sup> Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
remove the evil of your doings  
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,

<sup>17</sup> learn to do good;

seek justice,  
rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
plead for the widow.  
<sup>18</sup> Come now, let us argue it out,  
says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
they shall be like snow;  
though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.  
<sup>19</sup> If you are willing and obedient,  
you shall eat the good of the land;  
<sup>20</sup> but if you refuse and rebel,  
you shall be devoured by the sword;  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading      Luke 12:32-40    Watchful Slaves**

<sup>32</sup> 'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>35</sup> 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; <sup>36</sup>be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. <sup>37</sup>Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. <sup>38</sup>If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. <sup>39</sup> 'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup>You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**This is the Living Word**

***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***