

St. Benedict Church Bible Study

Twenty-seventh Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 141

Reading 1

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

2 How long, O LORD, must I cry for help and you do not listen? Or cry out to you, “Violence!” and you do not intervene?

3 Why do you let me see iniquity? why do you simply gaze at evil? Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife and discord.

2 Then the LORD answered me and said: Write down the vision; Make it plain upon tablets, so that the one who reads it may run.

3 For the vision is a witness for the appointed time, a testimony to the end; it will not disappoint. If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late.

4 See, the rash have no integrity; but the just one who is righteous because of faith shall live.

Reading 2

2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

6 For this reason, I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands.

7 For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.

8 So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

13 Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

14 Guard this rich trust with the help of the holy Spirit that dwells within us.

Gospel

Lk 17:5-10

5 And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

6 The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to [this] mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

Attitude of a Servant.

7 "Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'?"

8 Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'?"

9 Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded?"

10 So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"