

COP 27 November 11th Reflections

Is this the day of the Son of Man? Are we like those in Noah's day, not paying attention to the signs of the times that the "deceivers" and "deniers" would have us ignore?

Jesus noted that whether in Noah's day or now in His, so many just go about their business pretending that all of the facts and warnings are not meant for them. Some prefer, like Lot's wife, to look back at the "good old days," refusing to adjust and act on this day. Yet some through the ages, like Martin of Tours, in his legendary act of sharing his cloak with the beggar, allowed Love to lead him to recognize the Christ who was suffering in his day.

We are called to "live a life of love," as John's letter reminds us. That is the law that we are called to follow. Do we recognize that the world that God so loved and promised Noah never to destroy, is the very planet that we, in our day, are urgently called by our faith to love and cherish? And not to destroy?

Will we be among those who are willing to respond to Earth's cry? Where do we hear, where do we see the Incarnate One who is suffering and in need of our urgent response? Today. In our day. How will we live this life of love together?

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