

Daily Morning Message
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Lectionary Readings

Psalm 128
Ecclesiastes 5:1-20
John 8:21-38

Today's Scripture Verse:

Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

What it means:

John has an irritating habit of often referring to people who opposed Jesus as "the Jews," but in this verse clearly those he calls Jews are people who have believed in him. Still, though, it seems a strange label, because ALL of those who followed Jesus were Jews. In this instance, Jesus is talking about gaining freedom from the "enslavement" of sin. So the truth that disciples receive from Jesus' message is said to make people free.

Reflection:

God, we pray that we may look into the life and teachings of Jesus and discover the freedom that comes from living by his way.

