

## **SECOND READING**

*A reading from the first Letter of Saint Peter 2:20b-25*

Beloved:

If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good,  
this is a grace before God.

For to this you have been called,  
because Christ also suffered for you,  
leaving you an example that you should follow in  
his footsteps.

*He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.*

When he was insulted, he returned no insult;  
when he suffered, he did not threaten;  
instead, he handed himself over to the one who judges justly.

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross,  
so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

By his wounds you have been healed.

For you had gone astray like sheep,  
but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian  
of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

## **GOSPEL**

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10:1-10*

Jesus said:

“Amen, amen, I say to you,  
whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate  
but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber.

But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of  
the sheep.

The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice,  
as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads

them out.

When he has driven out all his own,  
he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him,  
because they recognize his voice.

But they will not follow a stranger;  
they will run away from him,  
because they do not recognize the voice of strangers.”

Although Jesus used this figure of speech,  
the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them.

So Jesus said again, “Amen, amen, I say to you,  
I am the gate for the sheep.

All who came before me are thieves and robbers,  
but the sheep did not listen to them.

I am the gate.

Whoever enters through me will be saved,  
and will come in and go out and find pasture.

A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy;  
I came so that they might have life and have it  
more abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



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AND MINDS