TEMPLE OF GOD

We continue as a family in faith, meditating on the words of Jesus through the Gospel of Saint John, who on this occasion explains to us what the Christian life consists of.

And to help us understand, we will use the term testament.

In our common life, we read a testament after the person we love is no longer with us, but on this occasion, Jesus wanted to share his testament with us before he leaves. Therefore, he tells us, "I am sharing this with you before it happens, so that when it happens, you may believe."

Thus, in this testament of Jesus, we find first and foremost the commandment of love: "Whoever loves me will keep my words." From this, we can understand that the word of God is nourishment, essential for our life of faith and for our love to be strengthened.

To be able to fulfill Jesus' word, we must first know it, and in order to be able to know it, we must listen to it and meditate on it.

This will help us follow in his footsteps, seeking to fulfill his will. Following Christ is not about avoiding mistakes; it is about allowing his word to illuminate our hearts and our lives, so that despite our falls and mistakes, we may recognize that in him lies our peace and fulfillment.

Jesus also promises us that by fulfilling his word, our heavenly Father, and he himself, will make their dwelling in our hearts; that is, they will make our hearts their house, their home.

What a greater gift: the presence of God in us, what the saints called the Trinitarian indwelling. From this, it follows that the gift of peace will come to us.

To help us understand all of the above, Jesus promises us that the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in his name, will teach us and remind us of everything Jesus shared with us in his testament.

What great love Jesus has for us. He guides us to the full truth, enlightens us with his word, and also invites us to trust in him.

That's why the psalm says, "Let all peoples praise you, Lord," because this message, this testament, is for all nations of all times, because God's love is eternal.

Let us ask Mary Most Holy, she who kept the word of God in her heart and put it into practice, to help us understand God's love in our lives and that this love may guide us in our life of faith to eternal life. Amen.