

"THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: SEPT. 20TH-26TH"

"Great spirits have always found violent opposition from mediocrities. The latter cannot understand it when a man does not thoughtlessly submit to hereditary prejudices but honestly and courageously uses his intelligence."

Albert Einstein

This statement made by Albert Einstein is timeless, as are so many of his observations on life. Not only are they timeless, but they have a unique correlation to many religious principles, including the Christian faith. Today, in our world, we face many difficulties, prejudices, hatreds; we have many who desire nothing but to exercise power over others and at the same time increase their personal wealth and position. This is not unique to us, it has been happening down through the ages for thousands of years. Human beings have, from time immemorial, struggle with their freedom to choose between good and evil. In the end, a vast majority surrender to their personal desires and forego the challenge of doing the good, just as Einstein indicates, i.e., we thoughtlessly submit to our hereditary prejudices rather than use our intelligence. The gospel, in the Christian faith, challenges us to pursue the good, the truth, with compassion and wonder. It is called agape love. What do you think?