



Friends of Jesus and Mary

XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joshua 24, 1-2a. 15-17. 18b; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5, 21-32 o 5, 2a. 25-32; John 6, 55. 60-69

You have the words of eternal life..

Jesus said, "For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink." Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" Since Jesus knew that his disciples were murmuring about this, he said to them, "Does this shock you? What if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life, while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. But there are some of you who do not believe." Jesus knew from the beginning the ones who would not believe and the one who would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

Reflection

Jesus told the people something they had a hard time

accepting. What did He tell them? ("My flesh is real food and my

blood is real drink".) **Why was this difficult to accept?** (They

thought they had to eat His real flesh.) **Jesus explains why they**

don't accept His words. "It is the spirit that gives life, while

the flesh is of no avail." What did He mean? (Without the Holy

Spirit in your heart, you cannot accept God's words. The Holy

Spirit gives us love and trust to know God always speaks the truth.

The Holy Spirit also gives us the patience to wait for Him to reveal

to us the meaning of His words.) **When did Jesus reveal the meaning of these words?** (In the Last Supper,

Jesus reveals the Eucharist, the Living Bread which is His Body and Blood given up so we may be united to

Him and have eternal life,) **Jesus also said: The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life. What did**

He mean? (When we receive God's words with the Holy Spirit in our hearts, our spirit is fed with love, faith,

peace... because we receive God's life (Grace).) **Many of His followers did not understand and left. Jesus**

asks the 12 apostles: "So you also want to leave?" What did Simon Peter answer? ("Master, to whom

shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are

the Holy One of God.") **Like Peter, we must have faith and believe in Jesus' words, and that Jesus is God**

who loves us and wants our happiness. When and where do we hear God's words? (In Mass, in the Bible,

in Prayer...)

Activity

On the following two pages, review the organization and books of the Bible. On the last page, fill in the blanks by placing the numbers in the blanks next to the correct word.

Prayer

Lord, send your Holy Spirit to my heart so I may always listen to your words with faith, hope, and love. Only

you have words of eternal life that bring me true happiness. Help me to always seek you in prayer, in Mass,

and in the Bible. I love you. **Amen**

Song: God Speaks in Many Different Ways, KGCN VBS (Ctrl Clck) <https://youtu.be/iYcKQWiqIb4>

PPT: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Pud5hazap3ZU8TpBVsqll6gPvGyIWF47/edit?usp=sharing&oid=115268475267556305384&rtpof=true&sd=true>





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The New Testament relates the birth of the Son of God, His Life, His teachings, His Passion, Death, and Resurrection and the birth of the New People of God, which is the Church.

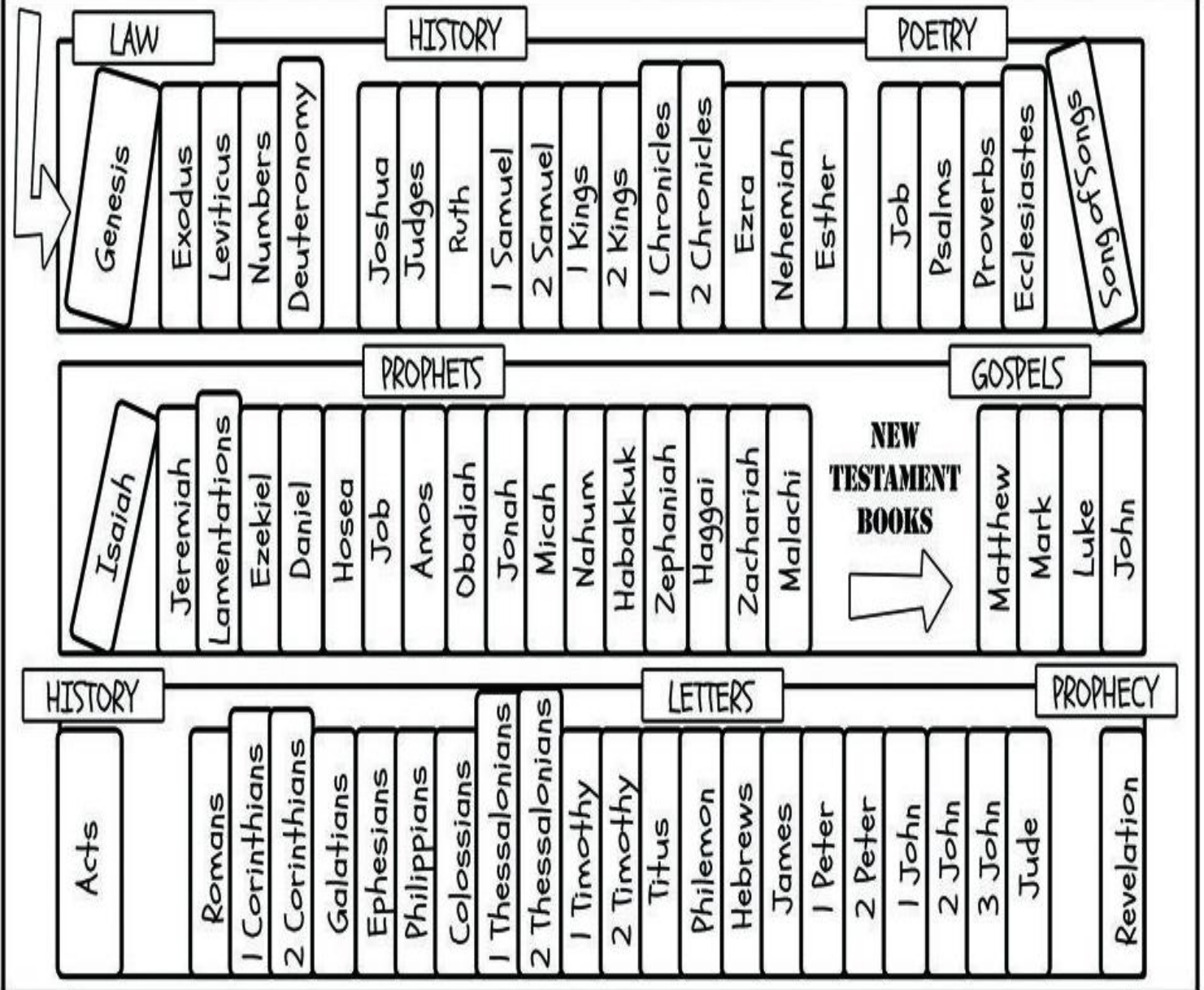


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Word of God**



Books of the Bible

OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS



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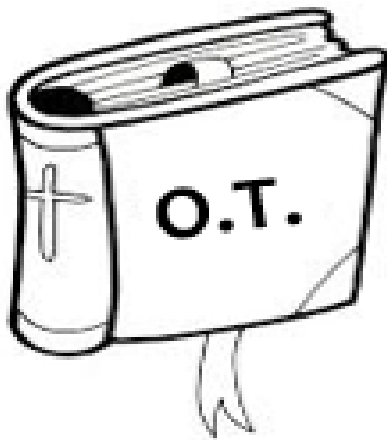
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Instructions: Place the numbers in the boxes into the blanks next to the correct word.

___NEW ___WORD ___SALVATION ___OLD
___GOD ___BOOKS ___PEOPLE