

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT, YEAR B

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Questions to pray with...



JOHN 3: 14-21

Jesus meets Nicodemus

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

The Gospel of The Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Some questions for you to think about as you read the Gospel or look to learn more about the Gospel event:

a) What do you know about the man talking to Jesus?

b) Can you explain the Old Testament incident involving Moses that Jesus refers to?

c) Why was Jesus sacrificed?

d) How does v17 - 'so that through him the world might be saved' - link with Pope Francis' visit to Iraq last week?

e) John introduces one of his major themes, Light. Why is light so important?