

SCRIPTURE QUOTE  
TO MEMORISE:

A blessing  
on the man  
who puts  
his trust in  
Yahweh...

(Jeremiah 17:7)

It presents a contrast between those who are trying to journey towards the Kingdom of God and to those who are not. Surely, the followers of Jesus are encouraged when they hear that their sacrifices and selflessness are noticed by God. This is not so for those prefer to take the easier carefree road in life.

The Master knows what we go through every day, just as he understood his followers then. Scripture scholars suggests that Jesus hinted of the coming times when people will hate their fellowmen and women on account of Jesus. He foretells them that they will be singled out and persecuted. Conversely, he warns about life on the other side of the hill – that is, of people who are rich and well-fed, seemingly happy, oblivious to the sufferings of the other. The Master blesses the ones who suffer for Him as he warns those who value their material wellness more than gaining a seat in heaven. It is a scary prospect that Jesus especially admonishes anyone who is obsessed with the current times in which they live in - and do not invest in the things that will lead them to the Kingdom.

Jesus speaks to us in the same way as He did then. He assures us that God knows what many of us go through in moments of shame, suffering and strife because we want to do what is just and right. He feels your sadness and knows every tear that streams down your face. Be assured that Jesus observes as so many turn away from Him in arrogance and pride, believing in themselves alone. The Master watches every move made as people trample over their brethren, cheat and squander with no regret and remorse. **Know that our Lord keeps an account of every good and evil act carried out.** Behold, He also asks us to hold our heads up high as our reward is indeed great is heaven. ✦

SCRIPTURE  
of the DAY

Jeremiah 17: 5-8;

Ps. 1: 1-4, 6;

1 Cor 15: 12, 16-20;

Luke 6: 17, 20-26.

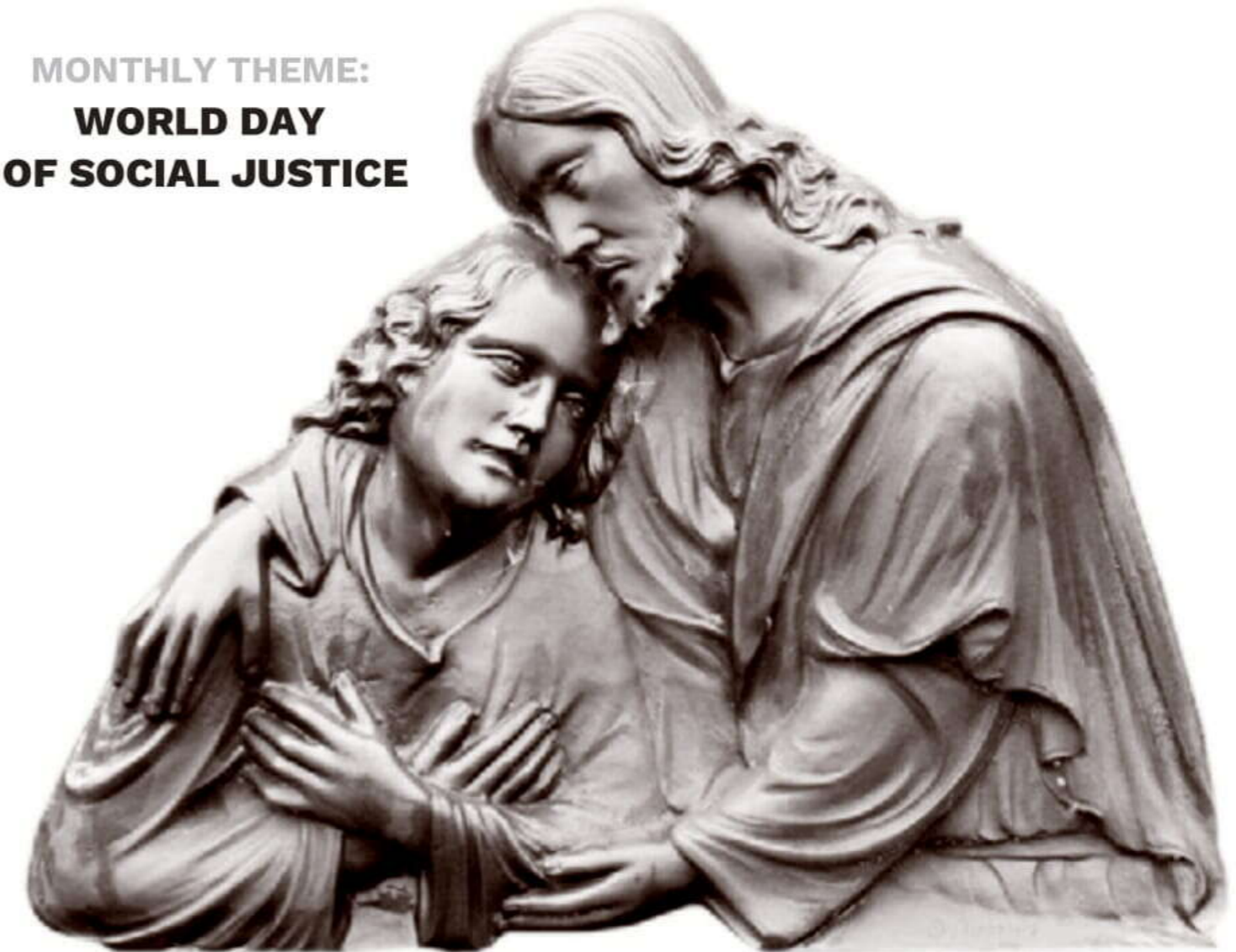
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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION

MONTHLY THEME:  
**WORLD DAY  
OF SOCIAL JUSTICE**



## THE LORD SEES ALL... ALL THE TIME!

The gospel passage today presents Jesus standing among the multitudes whom he encounters daily and it seems as though while he is addressing the crowd, he has a special message for his disciples and close followers. In his teaching on the Beatitudes, four blessings and four warnings are given.