



Archdiocese of St. Louis
Office of Sacred Worship
Lectio Divina
The Common of Virgins - Alleluia Verse and Verse before the Gospel
Lectionary: 735: Jn 14:23

Read the following passage four times.

- The first reading, simply read the scripture and pause for a minute.
Listen to the passage with the ear of the heart. Don't get distracted by intellectual types of questions about the passage. Just listen to what the passage is saying to you, right now.

- The second reading, look for a key word or phrase that draws your attention.
Notice if any phrase, sentence or word stands out and gently begin to repeat it to yourself, allowing it to touch you deeply. No elaboration. In a group setting, you can share that word/phrase or simply pass.

- The third reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*Where does the content of this reading touch my life today?*"
Notice what thoughts, feelings, and reflections arise within you. Let the words resound in your heart. What might God be asking of you through the scripture? In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.

- The fourth reading, pause for 2-3 minutes reflecting on "*I believe that God wants me to today/this week.*"
Notice any prayerful response that arises within you, for example a small prayer of gratitude or praise. In a group setting, you can share your reflection or simply pass.

Alleluia

Jn 14:23

Whoever loves me will keep my word and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

Alleluia

This is the wise virgin, whom the Lord found waiting; at his coming, she went in with him to the wedding feast.

Alleluia

Come, bride of Christ, and receive the crown, which the Lord has prepared for you for ever.