

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time Of The Year

(Ecclesiastes 1.2;2.21-23, Colossians 3.1-5,9-11, Luke 12.13-21)

**Theme: Seek The Things Of This World With The Wisdom Of  
GOD!**

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ: Today's readings remind us of the vanities of the material things of this world. We have to realize that anything we do in this world without putting God first will certainly come to nothing.

We need to ask ourselves these questions: The material things we want to acquire to the detriment of our Faith, Family Unity, happiness and some things to the detriment of our lives---is it worth it?

Sometimes we have no time for our family because of money, no time for our marriage to grow because of money, no time for you wife, husband and children, all in the name of money and material things. While some of us also have no time for our spiritual lives and God: All in the name of looking for money and material things.

Let us remind ourselves again what the Bible told us with regard to this, "What will you gain if you acquire all the money and material things in this world and loose your soul at the end of it."

I will add, what will you gain if you acquire all the money and material things of this world and loose your marriage, your children, your wife, your husband, and the happy home you once had.

Sometimes, we find ourselves in these problems, because, we want to follow the crowd. We want to do these things because others are doing them. The vacation trip you want your family to embark on, have you asked yourself whether your family can really afford it? Or do you want to live in debt or bankruptcy all your life?

Let us always bear in mind, that there is time for everything. Do not try to jump the stairs, remember one step at a time.

Let us seek the wisdom of God when pursuing the material things of this world. *May we always make out time for God, Family, and Marriage as we pursue the material things of this world.*