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Revised Common Lectionary Recommitment 2021 Commitment in a Hard Time

REFLECTION

There are certain hours which give a new heart and a new spirit. They are hours when the veil between the spiritual and the material world seems to be rent and one knows that if all of life could be lived on the basis of what is seen in those moments, it would be closer to what God intended. ... They are the moments when we see a picture of a starving child in a distant country and know that we cannot live our lives as we have lived them; or when we read a book and have the horizons of our little world pushed back. They are the times when we look into the heart of a friend and find that friend acceptable though unacceptable and God lets us see every person as a brother or sister. They are the times of reality in which to make commitment—a commitment which will be lived out in the valleys, over long stretches when the vision is gone, but the memory alive nonetheless.

Elizabeth O'Connor, Call to Commitment: An Attempt to Embody the Essence of Church, Servant Leadership Press, 1994, p. 167-8

What does "commitment" mean to you?

September 12

Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 19 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38

September 19

Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1 James 3:13-4:3; 4:7-8a Mark 9:30-37

September 26

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50

October 3

Job 1:1, 2:1-10 Psalm 26 Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Mark 10:2-16

October 10

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Psalm 22:1-15 Hebrews 4:12-16 Mark 10:17-31

October 17

Recommitment Sunday Job 38:1-7, 34-41 Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 10:35-45

Jubilee

October 24 Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22 Hebrews 7:23-28 Mark 10:46-52