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“For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care” (Wisdom 6:15), free from care, I guess, even with my wife, recently deceased. “My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God” (Psalm 63:2b) for the love of God comes through to me through the love of my wife. “Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words” (1 Thessalonians 4:17-18), not much consolation, even though we anticipated this could happen. (. . . and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him (as has Bette, her sister, her father and mother, where I yearn to be also). Then the door was locked” (Matthew 10).

Material above the solid line draws from material below the solid line. Those uninterested in scholarly and tangential details should stop reading here. If they do, however, they may miss some interesting material.

Readings

First Reading:	Wisdom 6:12-16
Responsorial Psalm:	Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)
Second Reading:	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Alleluia:	Matthew 24:42a, 44
Gospel:	Matthew 25:1-13

Annotated Bibliography

Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)

The Church makes Psalm 5 available for pastoral care of the sick and funerals.¹

¹ The Roman Ritual: Revised by Decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and Published by Authority of Pope Paul VI: Pastoral Care of the Sick: Rites of Anointing and Viaticum: Approved for use in the dioceses of the United States of America by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See: Prepared by International Commission on English in the Liturgy: a Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences (New York: Catholic Book Publishing Co. 1983) 289. N.a., International Commission on English in the Liturgy: A Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences, The Roman Ritual: Revised by Decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and published by Authority of Pope Paul IV: Order of Christian Funerals: Including Appendix 2: Cremation: Approved for use in the Dioceses of the

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Psalm 63:2

Bernard P. Prusak, "Explaining Eucharistic 'Real Presence': Moving beyond a Medieval Conundrum"²

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The Church makes this reading available for funerals.³

1 Thess 4:13-18

Richard I. Pervo, review of Jeffrey A. D. Weima, 1—2 Thessalonians⁴

1 Thess 4:13-18

Daniel K. Darko, review of Yongbom Lee, Paul, Scribe of Old and New: Intertextual Insights for the Jesus-Paul Debate⁵

Darko reports that Lee focuses on "the Jesus tradition," without giving a clear definition. 1 Thess 4:13-18 is about the forthcoming resurrection of the Faithful, as learned from the Resurrection of Christ.

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² Theological Studies, Vol. 75, No. 2 (June 2014) 234.

³ N.a., International Commission on English in the Liturgy: A Joint Commission of Catholic Bishops' Conferences, The Roman Ritual: Revised by Decree of the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council and published by Authority of Pope Paul IV: Order of Christian Funerals: Including Appendix 2: Cremation: Approved for use in the Dioceses of the United States of America by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See (New Jersey: Catholic Book Publishing Co., 1998) 220, 252, 309.

⁴ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 78 (2016) #2 381.

⁵ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 79 (2017) #1, 145, 146.

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1 Thess 4:13-18

John W. Martens, "Burning Questions in Romans 12:20: What Is the Meaning and Purpose of 'Coals of Fire'?"⁶

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, 18

in Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 128, 130.

1 Thessalonians 4:13, 16-18

in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: Old Testament V: 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings, 1-2 Chronicles, Timothy George (ed.), general editor, Scot M. Manetsch, Associate General editor, Derek Cooper and Martin J. Lohrmann (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2016, ISBN 978 0 8308-2955-2 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 16) 273, 281, 401.

1 Thessalonians 4:13, 17

in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament VI: Acts, Esther, Chung-Kim and Todd R. Hains (eds.), general editor, Timothy George, associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2014: ISBN 978-0-8308-2969-9 (*print*) P 1 Y 14) 12, 99.

1 Thessalonians 4:14, 16⁷

Simon Goulart (1543-1628)

Lists six arguments used by Paul for the resurrection.

Huldrych Zwingli (1484-1531)

Here, in 1 Thessalonians, Paul refers to the Last Trumpet Call, the Last Judgment, Paul refers to that Call as a "shout."

Martin Luther (1484-1562)

⁶ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76 (2014) #2 302.

⁷ in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament IXa: 1 Corinthians, Edited by Scott M. Manetsch, General Editor Timothy George, Associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 20167, ISBN 978 0 8308-2972 9 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 17) 363, 400, 401.

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Luther translates the same word as “a cry of command.”

1 Thess 4:15-17

Paula Fredriksen, review of N. T. Wright, Paul and the Faithfulness of God⁸

1 Thess 4:15-17

Thomas D. Stegman, S.J., review of Peter Orr, Christ Absent and Present: A Study in Pauline Christology⁹

1 Thessalonians 4:15

Daniel B. Wallace, With Scripture, Subject, and Greek Word Indexes: Greek Grammar: Beyond the Basics: An Exegetical Syntax of the New Testament¹⁰

1 Thess 4:16

James W. Barker, review of Charlene McAfee Moss, The Zechariah Tradition and the Gospel of Matthew¹¹

1 Thess 4:17

Steven L. McKenzie, review of Dean B. Deppe, All Roads Lead to the Text: Eight Methods of Inquiry into the Bible. A Template for Model Exegetical Examples Employing the Logos Bible Software¹²

Matthew 24:42a, 44

⁸ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 77 (2015) #2 388.

⁹ Theological Studies, Vol. 76, No. 2 (June 2015) 350.

¹⁰ Grand Rapids: Michigan: Zondervan, 1996, 295, 334, 399.

¹¹ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 74 (2012) #3 616.

¹² the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 76 (2014) #1 135.

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Matthew 25:1-13

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Matthew 25:5 ff.

Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel¹³

Matthew 25:13

in Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament IV: John 1—12, Craig S. Farmer (ed.), general editor, Timothy George, Associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch (ed.), (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint of InterVarsity Press, 2014, ISBN 978 0 8308-2967-5 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 14) 158.

Matthew 25:13

in Scott H. Hendrix, ed. and trans., Early Protestant Spirituality (New York, Mahwah: Paulist Press, 2009) 119.

For more on sources see the Appendix file. A complete set of Personal Notes, dating from the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 14, 2002 to the present, is on the web site at www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes.

¹³ (Erlanger, Kentucky: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, DynamicCatholic.com, 2014) 154.

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In the gobbledygook prayer at Sunday Mass immediately following the Gloria, the Faithful hearing the 2011 Roman Missal can listen for “almighty and merciful God.”¹⁴ The Responsorial Antiphon for this Sunday is [My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God](#) (Psalm 63:2b).¹⁵ Between November 25, 2011 and November 25, 2012, Personal Notes systematically examined the illiterate 2011 Missal. For a more thorough examination of the illiterate 2011 Roman Missal, go to 1610 Missal: Thirty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 121125.pdf/htm at <http://www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes/Personal%20Notes.htm>.

This is a call for grace that some Black Baptists bring to mind with [Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah](#) (Jeremiah 31:31).¹⁶

Addenda

Due to greater responsiveness at the National Catholic Reporter blog, beginning with the Fourth Sunday in Lent, Reading 032B, March 15, 2015, my interest began shifting from annotating my index here, to engaging conversation there. I may keep up the Bibliography, but without further comment. Time will tell. Beginning with the

¹⁴ n.a., The Roman Missal: Renewed by Decree of the Most Holy Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican, Promulgated by Authority of Pope Paul VI and Revised at the Direction of Pope John Paul II: English Translation According to the Third Typical Edition: For Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America: Approved by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Confirmed by the Apostolic See (Washington, DC, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2011) 492. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Missal.

¹⁵ National Conference of Catholic Bishops, The Roman Missal Restored by Decree of the Second Ecumenical Council of the Vatican and Promulgated by Authority of Pope Paul VI: Lectionary for Mass: For Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America: Second Typical Edition: Volume I: Sundays, Solemnities, Feasts of the Lord and the Saints (Collegeville, Minnesota: The Liturgical Press, 1988) 942. Personal Notes refers to this book as the Lectionary.

¹⁶ UMI Annual Sunday School Lesson Commentary: Precepts for Living @: 2017-2018: International Sunday School Lessons: Volume 20: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), Adonijah Okechuku Ogbonnaya, Ph.D., (ed.) (Chicago, IL 60643: UMI (Urban Ministries, Inc.), 2017) 116-117.

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Second Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2017, my interest began shifting back toward annotating the Catholic Biblical Quarterly.

On Wednesday, December 28, 2016, I discovered that my web site, www.western-civilization.com was receiving 1000 hits per day, from the United States, most of which were for these readings. That complicates my priorities, priorities that require balancing between developing these Personal Notes, engaging writing on the National Catholic Reporter at <https://www.ncronline.org/blogs/ncr-today>, developing a Cleveland Organizing Branch of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), attending to my archival resources at the Western Reserve Historical Society, and preparing my 1972 dissertation, "Cleveland and the Negro following World War II" for publication at least on the web. I am the founding president of the Hampton Roads Branch of ASALH, from which the movie "Hidden Figures" arose, meaning that these priorities have potential consequences of note.

Raymond Arroyo, "The World Over," on EWTN uses fear-mongering, rather than the Joy of the Gospel to entrance its viewers. In the past, Arroyo has responded to my concerns, particularly the Reverend Robert A. Sirico, who rarely appears anymore, with his drivel. Beginning, May 3, 2015, I intend to begin pointing out, here, the role fear, rather than joy, has in "The World Over." Arroyo would do better to get his "Papal Posse" off the air as well. The bias against Catholic Democratic legislators is unbecoming.

By July 31, I had identified a pattern of attack on Pope Francis by Arroyo. The attack is on what the Pope is preaching about climate change and capitalism. In the United States Republicans have firm opposition to such sermonizing, as the forthcoming Trump administration will show . . . or not. On June 4 Trump pulled out of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

As, on June 23, 2015, I prepared Reading 110B for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary time for July 26, I decided to begin reading unread book reviews and articles from Theological Studies for two reasons. The first is I have already read every article cited in the Catholic Biblical Quarterly. The second is that traditionally Theological Studies articles have been more helpful to my prayer life. I also began reading unread book reviews in the Biblical Quarterly. Beginning with the Second Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2017, I realized the Reformation Commentary on Scripture was doing little for my prayer-life and I began to drift away from the time-consuming details I had been recording.

As of August 4, 2017, Reformation Commentary on Scripture: New Testament IXa: 1 Corinthians, Edited by Scott M. Manetsch, General Editor Timothy George, Associate General editor, Scott M. Manetsch, (Downers Grove, Illinois: IVP Academic: An imprint

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of InterVarsity Press, 20167, ISBN 978 0 8308-2972 9 (hardcover : alk. paper), P 1, Y 17) was indexed. My intention is to read and annotate unread sections until the book is entirely read.