

The Gospel shows that forces of evil must appear before Jesus returns to earth in glory. Theologians wonder what is holding back those forces. I would suggest the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God. The Marion apparitions that I follow are taking place in the vicinity of Elyria, Ohio, where mail is received. The exact address is 37137 Butternut Ridge Road, Eaton Township, Ohio. The zip code is 44039 in Elyria, although the actual place is Eaton Township. The phone number is 440-327-8006. The relevant web site is www.holylove.org Besides Mary, who lives in the hereafter, I would also suggest the ministries such as JustFaith, which live in the here and now.

Annotated Bibliography

Material above the double line draws from material below the double line. Those uninterested in scholarly details should stop reading here. If they do, however, they may miss some of the fun stuff scholars are digging up.

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20a

Malachi is calling for Judgment.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 98 5-6, 7-8, 9

The Responsorial Antiphon for Psalm 98 calls *to rule the earth with justice*.

Margaret Barker, The Great High Priest: The Temple Roots of Christian Liturgy¹

Barker writes that Psalm 98, “marks the victory of the LORD, the King, and the whole creation rejoices as he comes to judge the world.”

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

The Greek to which I paid special attention, 2 Thess 3:8, was *day*, in *we worked ... day and night*.

Because scholars have written so little over the last three years on these readings, time is available for me to do more with the Greek. The marginalia in the Greek text² identify similar verses in other Biblical books. “An exclamation mark indicates where

¹ London: T & T Clark International: *A Continuum imprint*, 2003 119.

² Nestle-Aland,: Novum Testamentum: Graece et Latine: Textum Graecum post Eberhard et Erwin Nestle communiter ediderunt Barbara et Kurt Aland, Johannes Karavidopoulos, Carlo M. Martini, Bruce M. Metzger: Textus Latinus Novae Vulgatae Bibliorum Sacrorum Editioni debetur: Utriusque textus apparatus criticum recensuerunt et editionem novis curis elaboraverunt Barbara et Kurt Aland una cum Instituto Studiorum Textus Novi Testamenti Monasterii Westphaliae (Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft 1999) Editio XXVII 34*, 541.

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a principal reference list of passages related by a common theme or expression is found.” The lists below indicate, first, places in the Greek to find the lists; second, the places themselves. I do not know what to make of these references. For the time being, I am simply making the references available.

2 Thessalonians	Other	<u>Sunday Lectionary Reading</u>		
Verse		#	Sunday	page
7	imitate us	1 Corinthians 11:1	77 B	Ordinary 6 571
	Be imitators of me			
	1Th 4:16	154A	Ordinary 32	943
	Ph 3:17	27C	Lent 3	168
	Ph 4:9	139A	Ordinary 27	872
	1Th 1:6	148A	Ordinary 30	918
	2Th 3:7, 9	159C	Today	970
	H 6:12	unused		
	H 13:7	unused		
	E 5:1	unused		
	1Th 2:14	unused		
	G 4:12	unused		
8	not to burden any of you			
	1 Corinthians 10:33	77B	Ordinary 6	571
	not seeking my own benefit			
	1Th 4:24	unused		
	1Th 9:20-22	unused		
9	a model for you			
	Philippians 3:17	27C	Lent 2	168
	the model you have in us			
Verse		#	Sunday	page
	1 K 11:1 !	unused		
	1Th 1:7	148A	Ordinary 30	918
	2Th 3:9	159C	Today	970
	1T 4:12	unused		
	Tt 2:7	unused		
	1P 5:3	unused		

Alleluia: Luke 21:28

Luke 21:12

Hans-Josef Klauck, O.F.M., review of Paul Metzger, Katechon: II Thess 2, 1-12 im Horizont apokalyptischen Denkens³

Klauck uses Luke 21:12, *before all this happens* ... as an example of what some scholars use to identify what is holding back the forces of evil, which in turn, are holding back the return of Jesus. Klauck surmises that the author of 2 Thessalonians is referring to the Roman Empire.

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

For more on sources see the Appendix file. Personal Notes are on the web site at www.western-civilization.com/CBQ/Personal%20Notes.

³ the Catholic Biblical Quarterly, Vol. 68, No. 2 (April 2006) 340.