

“The finding of Jesus in the Temple”...

FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO – *LUKE*—:

“After they had completed [the days of the feast], as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it... After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers.” (Luke 2:43, 46-47)¹

MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Lord, help us to search for you attentively and intelligently in the holy temple of the Catholic Church! It is there that we will find you, [including] in your “living tabernacles:” [men and women] clothed with humility and the mantle of charity, who, full of an immortal light, listen attentively to all who are looking for God with a sincere heart, and who speak to them with great wisdom and spiritual intelligence. (cf. *SLC*, p. 223)

FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to looking for and finding God, Pope Francis affirms: *“Where can we meet God? Where can we enter into communion with him through Christ?... The answer is: in the People of God, among us who are the [Catholic] Church.”* (FRANCIS, General Audience, 26 June 2013)

¹NABRE (USCCB)

FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

(for a personal contribution to give to those who listen):

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Then follows ...

- 1 Our Father ...
- 5 Hail Mary ...
- 1 Glory be to the Father ... (Sung)

- Praised be,,,
- O my Jesus, forgive us...
- Mary, Queen of Peace ...
- Then, a quick song relevant to the mystery / or one sings : “ Aveeeee, Aveeeee, Ave Maria”

Then one goes on to the next Mystery which (like this one) if possible must not take more than 5-7 minutes ...