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<u>Listening to the Word of God</u>

# The 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY of Ordinary Time

## First Reading Wisdom 7:7-11

"I prayed, and prudence was given me; I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me."

- 1. Prudence is a very good thing and comes from the Holy Spirit. What was the last very prudent thing I did?
- 2. When was the last time I wish I had been more prudent?
- 3. As good as prudence is to be truly wise is truly a greater gift. Who in my life do I consider wise?

4. Health and beauty will both fade with age, but true wisdom is timeless.

## **Second Reading Hebrews 4:12-13**

"Brothers and sisters: Indeed the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart."

1. In my life what Scripture passage really cuts me to the heart?

"No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must render an account."

- 2. What an image. I will be naked and exposed before the God as Judge. How does that make me feel?
- 3. This gives more power to Jesus' words to "Settle before you go to court." What do I need to have cleaned up in my life?

#### **Gospel** Mark 10:17-30

The Gospel proclaims that "Jesus, looking at him, loved him..."

1. This man has captured Jesus' attention and love because he is genuinely a good man. He is the type of guy you would want to be your neighbor. Am I as good as this man?

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions."

2. If God told me in prayer to give up all my possessions, would I?

<sup>&</sup>quot;Beyond health and comeliness I loved her [wisdom], and I chose to have her rather than the light, because the splendor of her never yields to sleep."