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Listening to the Word of God

February 21st First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

One of the many truths we can get from the Creation Stories of Genesis is the truth that God rules nature, not the other way around. How do I praise God for the beauty in nature? What is my prayer like when the effects of nature become violent, dangerous and deadly?

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

“Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God.” Jesus does lead us to God. Are we focused on Him and the way to God? Pope Francis says, “for Lent, ask if one’s life is centered on God or oneself?”

Gospel: Mk 1:12-15

If God the Father allows Jesus Christ to be tempted in the desert for a long time then ____.