

Thanks and Yes!



“For all that has been, Thanks.

For all that shall be, Yes.”

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“For all that has been, Thanks!”

- My experiences of the Chapter
- The things, experiences, persons that I am thankful for?
- The blessings that I am going to take back with me?
- The moments when I was enriched and empowered?
- The blessings that I want to share with my confrères?
- The call to grow in fidelity to my vocation?

“For all that shall be, Yes.”

You are the “stewards” of God’s people.

A privilege, but also a responsibility.

Steward: a servant to whom the master entrusts a responsibility

Who is the faithful and wise manager, whom the master puts in charge of his servants to give them their food allowance at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whom the master finds doing so when he returns. Truly I tell you, he will put him in charge of all his possessions.

But suppose the servant says to himself, 'My master is taking a long time in coming,' and he then begins to beat the other servants, both men and women, and to eat and drink and get drunk. The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of. He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the unbelievers.

Lk 12: 41 – 46

We are the stewards of God's people



He says to us: "I have given you a job to do – now do it ... responsibly, intelligently, respectfully!"

The Lord promises us his Spirit.

He assures us that he will walk with us.

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Parable of the talents: Mt 25: 14 – 30

The Lord wants us to be responsible in carrying out the task entrusted to us.

The word of the Lord came through the prophet Haggai: ‘Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, to Joshua, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people. But now be strong, Zerubbabel,’ declares the Lord. ‘Be strong, Joshua, the high priest. Be strong, all you people of the land,’ declares the Lord, ‘and work. For I am with you,’ declares the Lord Almighty. ‘And my Spirit remains among you. Do not fear.’

Haggai 2: 1 – 5

For all that shall be, yes!

Danger of discouragement

Our hearts go “in” and “down”

Prophet says:

Stop looking at the negative.

To work!

Remember that God is working with you.

“Be strong – Do not fear!”



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Thanks.

For all that shall be,

Yes.”