

Commentary on the Gospel for Wed, Jun 6th 2018

“To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.”

This response for the Psalm of the day captures Tobit and Sara’s philosophy of life. In their tragedies, they lift their souls in pain and hope to God. To whom else can they pour out their deepest agonies? Anyone who trusts in God with such faith will not be disappointed. God listens to their cry and reorders their lives so that seeming tragedies become fertile grounds for a greater blessing. The stories of Tobit and Sara testify to this truth. The woman in the gospel, who was married to seven brothers, might have been as heartbroken as Sara. Jesus tells us that her life in the resurrection would be very different from how it was for her on earth. If the world truly understood the Scriptures and the power of God, there would be no loss of hope among us. Let us pray for such understanding in human hearts.

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