

Commentary on the Gospel for Wed, Oct 26th 2011

Asked if it is true that only a few will be saved, Jesus did not give a categorical answer but instead urged the people to do their best to enter the narrow gate. But isn't enough that we listen to the Word of God and share the table with him? Isn't enough that we attend the mass every Sunday? That's not the hole of the narrow gate. The master of the house shooed the people away and called them "workers of evil." To enter the narrow gate therefore is to be a servant of goodness. Our listening to the teachings of Jesus and our sharing in his banquet should lead us outside the church and extend the experience of love and goodness to our brothers and sisters who are most in need. Are we now ready to enter the narrow door?

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