

## DAY 6 TUESDAY

### HEBREWS 2:11-13 DO YOU HAVE YOUR FATHER'S EYES?

<sup>11</sup> Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers. <sup>12</sup> He says,

*"I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises."*

<sup>13</sup> And again, *"I will put my trust in him."*

And again he says, *"Here am I, and the children God has given me."*

The Son of God by becoming human did more than redeem humankind; he made humankind holy. That is, he sanctified humanity by becoming human. Something that is holy or put aside for God's use is sacred and has been given a special function in this world. By identifying with us, Jesus has given us our job description as believers. We are to serve the living God in this life as Jesus served him. Although we are given the access to eternal life with God through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are, perhaps more importantly, restored to our original role as vice-regents of creation.

*"Here am I, and the children God has given me."* This quote puts into Jesus' mouth the words from Isaiah 8:

*"Here am I, and the children the Lord has given me. We are signs and symbols in Israel from the Lord Almighty, who dwells on Mount Zion" (v. 18).*

Through the Incarnation, the Son has made us the reflection of God and his will in the world. As articulated by Lesslie Newbign, the children of God, the Church community, is given the task of announcing and demonstrating in the world the purpose and direction of God through Jesus Christ. What is it that you can do today that would honor the sacrifice that God made for you by becoming human? What will you do to fulfill the high calling of being a true child of God?

**What can I do to acknowledge the amazing blessing of being set aside as your child, O God? There is no human act that will suffice, only my total obedience to your call. Empower me to live every day with the intention of making your nature known in the world around me. Amen.**