

Wednesday January 29, 2020 Year A

The prophet Nathan, speaking on behalf of God has some words for David. David enjoys a favoured place in God heart from his youth and the prophet reminds him how he has arrived at all his good fortune. It's the same way we all have! God, says to David, through Nathan, "I will preserve the offspring of your body after you and make his sovereignty secure. (It is he who shall build a house for my name, and I will make his royal throne secure for ever.) With these words Israel has communicated the Messianic promise. The prophet is telling of Jesus, and we discover the entire first testament scriptures are oriented toward Jesus, the Christ.

Now a good teacher plants seeds of inquiry in their student's mind and a great teacher moves them to the heart. In a time before Google, smartphones and tablets, the only media is wise teacher's charisms. People can save, share, and take away only as much as their brain and heart have capacity. In oral based traditions, its critical that the teacher share a memorable story.

Jesus uses many wonderful parables to impart God's Wisdom as we hear today. This Word of God we learn is the seed into which faith is planted and germinates. Yet today it seems others are airing the Christian story from a shallow depth and with alarming degrees of inaccuracy.

Folks we need to know Word of God we claim as our own. Who will we allow to tell the Christian story? And what better moment than now to give the world our living testimony! Jesus doesn't normally interpret his parables, but in this case does. For homework I invite you to return to Mark chapter four and allow the immensity of God's love we discover in the Word of God to burn in your hearts.

Amen