

Discerning today where your interests are most at risk



REFLECTION

In 19th-century Spain, Henry de Ossó repeatedly called for hope, which can encourage us today: **"Wait and you will see great things."**

Henry listened to the voice of the Spirit and was able to see things from the perspective of those who do not count in order to make them count: young people, women, children... these are the groups most in need at that time. They are part of the roots of the social tree that must be regenerated if it is to have branches capable of sustaining life. This way of looking at people as the center is what enables Henry to know that the important thing about education is to make life possible wherever it is found. To make it possible from its roots because he knows very well that a damaged tree cannot bear good fruit. Perhaps that is why he knew that it would be necessary to be present in the midst of reality as light, because light is not dispelled by darkness. **Where are Jesus' interests in danger today?** This is our guiding question to give thanks and to awaken us to new paths... to give substance to that something that is lacking in specific people, contexts, and realities that we know.



TEXT FROM THE WORD LK 4, 18

Driven by the Spirit, Jesus returned to Galilee, and his fame spread throughout the region. He taught in the synagogues, and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. As was his custom, he entered the synagogue on the Sabbath and stood up to read.

They handed him the book of the prophet Isaiah, and as he unrolled it, he found the passage where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim a year of favor from the Lord."



CHARISMATIC TEXT

ENRIQUE DE OSSÓ, THE STRENGTH OF THE PRIESTHOOD, P. 125

Henry had had the good sense, full of sagacity and courage, to go personally to organize the most difficult catechesis in Tortosa: that of the fishermen's neighborhood. At first, there were whistles and insults. But with his attitude of service, he helped everyone, regardless of their condition... In a few hours, that stronghold was his, and he completely transformed the rough appearance of its inhabitants. Children ran through the streets behind Henry...

QUESTIONS FOR PRAYER

What are the texts, the words of Teresa, Henry, and Jesus that awaken us and awaken the Teresian Family in our own environment?

What are our irritations in the face of our reality, the world in which we live?

How are we reimagining and building new futures through education?

Where and how are Jesus' interests most at risk?



Closing prayer

Like Henry de Ossó, we want to continue strengthening a transformative Teresian education that forms for global citizenship, community awareness, and the pursuit of the common good (XVIII General Chapter STJ – Goal 1). We are grateful for all the moments in our community life and with others when we promote and encourage encounter, dialogue, inclusion, and participation in the culture of peace...



Pedro Abrunhosa - Love in a Time of Walls

Departure is burning iron
Without breaking the memory
May the left hand guard you
As the night advances, I will return
I promise! If anyone asks
I will return! And if I am delayed
Give me your tight kiss
And let them see us dance

Ohohoh ohohoh
We are on the side of the pure, my love
Love in a time of walls

Lend me your wings, you always knew how to fly
I give you my burning eyes
Yours shall not cry, I shall bring you
The fire, I will set you free
I swear! And I will save you!
Give me your silent kiss from afar, I will arrive
Ohohoh ohohoh

We are on the side of the pure, my love
Love in a time of walls Ohohoh
Ohohoh, these are dark days
My love, love in times of walls

There are snakes on the path
And from the millstones
They built a high wall
God's battle to stay!

Ohohoh ohohoh
We are on the side of the pure, my love
Love in a time of walls ohohoh
Ohohoh these are dark days
My love, love in times of walls
We are on the side of the pure
Love without time and without walls