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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 24, 2013

Collect:

O God, who have commanded us
to listen to your beloved Son,
be pleased, we pray,
to nourish us inwardly by your word,
that, with spiritual sight made pure,
we may rejoice to behold your glory.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Reflection:

Every year on the Second Sunday of Lent we hear the Gospel of the Transfiguration of Jesus. The Collect, inspired by the Transfiguration story, recalls God's command to listen to his beloved Son. Also, we pray that God's word nourishes us inwardly that we might have the ability to see and rejoice in the glory of God.

Sometimes we are blind to the glory of God in our lives and in this world. Sometimes the darkness and sin of our world keeps us from seeing God at work in our lives. Yet, God reveals day after day the immense love and mercy that is available to us through his Son, Jesus Christ.

The season of Lent provides us with the opportunity to listen deeply to God's Word, Jesus Christ, and to call upon God to change us inwardly so that we might see God's glory here on earth and in life eternal.

Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Word made flesh. Open our ears that we might hear, our eyes that we might see, and our hearts that we might love more deeply and give glory to God with our lives.

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