

LECTIO DIVINA

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-27

LECTIO: READ 1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-27

(SHORTER READING- 1 COR. 12:25-27)

WHAT WORDS STAND OUT TO YOU?

MEDITATIO:

HOW ARE WE PART OF ONE BODY?

WHAT DOES ST. PAUL TEACH ABOUT THE
WEAKER PARTS OF THE BODY?

HOW ARE DIVISION AND SUFFERING DESCRIBED?

ORATIO:

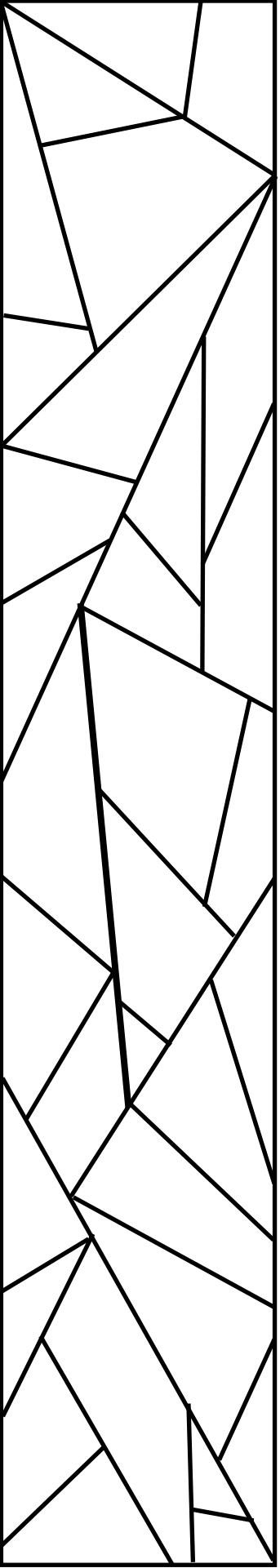
ASK JESUS TO SHOW YOU THE ROLE YOU HAVE
AS PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST.

PRAY FOR THE BODY OF CHRIST THAT IS
EXPERIENCING WEAKNESS AND SUFFERING.

ASK GOD FOR AN END TO DIVISION IN THE BODY.

CONTEMPLATIO:

QUIETLY THINK ABOUT THE GIFT OF EVERYONE
WHO IS PART OF THE BODY OF CHRIST.



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MATTHEW 25: 31-46

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(SHORTER READING- MATTHEW 25:31-40)
WHAT WORDS STAND OUT TO YOU?

MEDITATIO:

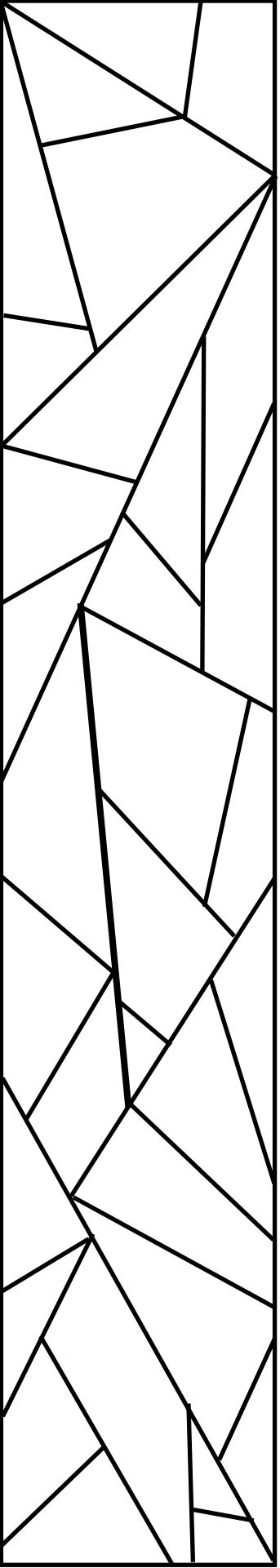
WHO IS THE SON OF MAN? WHO DOES HE GATHER BEFORE HIMSELF?
THE NATIONS ARE SEPARATED INTO SHEEP AND GOATS. WHAT PLACES THEM IN EACH CATEGORY?

ORATIO:

ASK JESUS TO SHOW YOU WAYS YOU CAN FEED, CLOTHE, ETC. THE "LEAST" OF HIS PEOPLE.
PRAY THAT ALL NATIONS HEAR THE CALL OF JESUS, THE SON OF MAN.

CONTEMPLATIO:

QUIETLY THINK ABOUT JESUS SAYING THE WORDS, "YOU DID IT FOR ME."



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ACTS 2: 1-47

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(SHORTER READING- ACTS 2:1-11)
WHAT WORDS STAND OUT TO YOU?

MEDITATIO:

HOW DID THE HOLY SPIRIT MAKE HIMSELF KNOWN AT PENTECOST?

WHO WAS ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE APOSTLES' MESSAGE? HOW DID THEY RESPOND? (V. 41)

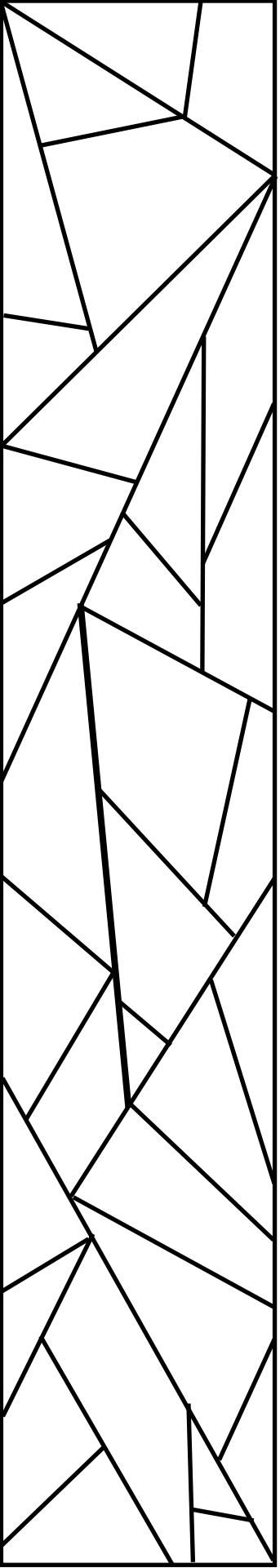
ORATIO:

PRAY THAT ALL CHRISTIANS WOULD BE FILLED WITH THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND LIVE THEIR FAITH BOLDLY.

ASK JESUS TO HELP YOU SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH EVERYONE YOU MEET.

CONTEMPLATIO:

THE WORD CATHOLIC MEANS "UNIVERSAL." THINK ABOUT HOW OUR CHURCH IS UNIVERSAL. WHAT CAN WE DO TO MAKE IT A WELCOMING PLACE FOR EVERYONE.



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PSALM 145:17-18

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WHAT WORDS STAND OUT TO YOU?

MEDITATIO:

WHAT IS JUSTICE? WHAT IS MERCY?

WHO DOES THE PSALMIST SAY IS COMPLETELY JUST AND COMPLETELY MERCIFUL?

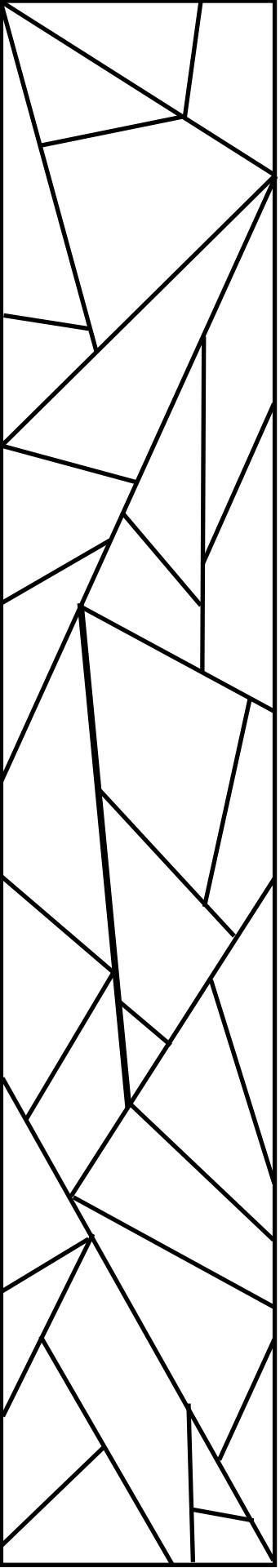
ORATIO:

ASK JESUS TO HELP YOU GROW IN BOTH THE VIRTUES OF JUSTICE AND MERCY.

THANK GOD FOR BEING JUST AND MERCIFUL TO YOU AND TO OTHERS.

CONTEMPLATIO:

IMAGINE A WORLD WHERE WE TREATED ONE ANOTHER WITH BOTH JUSTICE AND MERCY.



LECTIO DIVINA

REVELATION 7:9-12

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WHAT WORDS STAND OUT TO YOU?

MEDITATIO:

WHO DOES ST. JOHN SEE IN HIS VISION OF HEAVEN GATHERED AROUND JESUS?

HOW DO THE SAINTS AND ANGELS PRAISE GOD?

ORATIO:

ASK JESUS TO HELP YOU SEE THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IN THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU.

PRAY FOR MERCY AND HEALING FOR ANY DIVISION IN OUR WORLD BASED ON NATION, RACE, OR LANGUAGE.

CONTEMPLATIO:

CLOSE YOUR EYES AND IMAGINE THE JOYFUL GATHERING OF ALL THE SAINTS AND ANGELS IN HEAVEN. ASK THEM TO PRAY FOR YOU TOO!