

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent

“O Key of David and scepter of the house of Israel; who open and none can shut; who shut and none can open: come and lead to freedom the prisoner who sits in darkness and the shadow of death.” (Today’s “O” Antiphon)

God wants to do the building, not David. How many times we hear the Lord’s words through Nathan to David: “I... took you from the pasture... I have been with you... I will make you famous... I will fix a place... I will plant them... I first appointed judges... I will give you rest... The Lord also reveals to you that he will establish a house for you... I will raise up your heir after you... I will make his kingdom firm. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.”

Mary humbly listens to the angel Gabriel and responds: “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” God will do His greatest work within the woman Mary!

God wants to do great works with us. Are we listening? Will we say “yes” to God’s plan? Will we allow God into our lives so that He can do marvels for us?

The Lord is near!

God Love You!

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