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WORD OF LIFE

LK 11:20

“The kingdom of God has come to you!”

A few years ago, during the month of March, Chiara Lubich invited young people to live mutual love, with the certainty that then they would have with them «**Jesus himself, Jesus who is all powerful. You can hope for everything from him!**»

TO HAVE JESUS ALWAYS WITH US

He IS the kingdom of God!

What is our task? **To live in such a way that he will always be among us.** Chiara went on to say, «**He will be the one working with you in your countries.** He will come back into the world in a certain way wherever you are. **You will make him present by your mutual love, by your unity.**»

SOW THE SEEDS OF PEACE

«And **Jesus** will enlighten you about what you have to do,

**he will guide you,
he will sustain you,
he will be your strength,
your ardor, your joy.**

Because of him the world around you will convert and begin to live in peace.

Every division will be healed.

WE WILL SEE GREAT THINGS HAPPEN!

«**Love one another, therefore, and sow love in every corner of the earth, among individuals, groups and nations,** using every possible method, so that there will be an invasion of love, as we often say. The civilization of love that everyone is waiting for will become more consistent, also because of your contribution. **You are called to this. And you will see great things happen!**»

OUR EXPERIENCES



Living it

JEAN LUIS: I'm 16

GOD'S POWER

Jean Luis was a young man «of little faith». Even though he was a Christian, he doubted the existence of God, unlike the other members of his family.

He was living in the city of Man, in the Ivory Coast, with his younger brothers and sisters, far away from their parents.

During the civil war, four rebels broke into their house and took everything they had, even forcing Jean Luis to go with them to be a soldier, since they saw that he was a strong young man.

His younger brothers begged the men to leave him alone, but it was no use. They were dragging him out when all of a sudden their leader changed his mind and let him go.

The leader whispered in the ear of his oldest sister: «Get away from here as fast as you can, because tomorrow we'll be back...». And he even showed them what path they should take. They asked one another: «Is that really the right way to go or is this a trap?»

At dawn the next day they left without a penny, but trying to have faith. They walked 28 miles (45 km.) Then they found someone who paid for them to ride on a truck that was going to the town where their parents were.

Along the way strangers gave them a place to sleep and food for their journey. At the roadblocks no one checked their documents, even when they crossed the borders, so they arrived safely all the way home.

Their mother said: «**They looked terrible but they were overwhelmed by God's great love for them!**» The first thing Jean Luis asked was where he could find a church. He told his dad: «**Papa, your God is really powerful!**»

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Did you ever have an experience like this?

