

**Brothers, if one is in Christ, he will be a new creature, the old things will be over;  
here will come new things.**

This sentence by Saint Paul is very important to us. Because it reminds us that **being believers means embracing a different life style, an alternative one.**

A life style that is a complete innovation.

What is this innovation about?

Obviously, it is about many different aspects; today I'd like to focus on one, an extraordinary one: **God has given us the gift of His Spirit!**

He gives us the chance to be finally able to live in the truth and in the love, to defeat the evil that is inside ourselves, to overcome all of our limits, to have an access to the communion and to the divine sphere.

*The old things will be over:* that is to say, the mortal being, weak, fragile, sinner, contradictory, uncertain, incapable – as Saint Paul says – to be as good as he'd like to be.

Here we are! All this is overcome by the arrival of Jesus among us, we can overcome all this if we endorse Him, if we welcome His **Grace**.

*Grace*, which is an interior power, a new kind of knowledge, an ability to understand the nature of God, His gift of Himself to us, His look towards us, His searching of us, in a totally new way.

Therefore, this is something totally new, something that would have been impossible before Jesus.

Let's then try to understand this new thing; **let's make an effort to see which are the "old things" in our life** – ways of thinking and of behaving, an old way of conceiving our faith – and let's decide to embrace the new, the "new things" brought about by Jesus.

May the Lord be praised.