Lectio Divina

>	Read and re-read, out loud and slowly the Gospel	>	Pray - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
>	Meditate on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life	>	Action - Attitude (Call to change / to do)

December 25th 2014 Christmas Day - Year B - Luke 2:1 - 20

Today's gospel is the wonderful story of the Birth of Jesus among ordinary people. The first people to hear of the birth were the shepherds in the field minding their sheep. As the angel appeared to them they were terrified but the angel told them "Do not be afraid, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by all the people".

Do we stay still long enough to really hear these special words spoken in today's gospel "Do not be afraid, listen I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people".

Prayer:

We thank you Lord for all those people who spend their lives in quiet contemplation praying for all the needs of the people of the world Forgive us for the times we were too busy to see in every event of our lives a call to grow in wisdom and for the times we missed your word spoken to us in scripture.

Help us to listen and hear your word with trust and to have the courage to bring your hope to all we meet especially at this Christmas time and throughout each day of our lives.

