

Wednesday of the Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

Gospel text (Mk 12,18-27): The Sadducees came to Jesus. Since they claim that there is no resurrection...



Illustration: Francesc Badia

Today the discussions with Jesus continue. Now it is the Sadducees. They were the oddest: they formed a religious group, who believed in God but not in the Resurrection. God without resurrection? God without eternity? So what kind of "God" is this? What good is this "God" for? Such Sadducees were so wrong that when they asked Jesus an absurd question Jesus directly told them: "You are greatly mistaken."

—Quite right too! Without horizons of eternity love is not possible. Therefore, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Not the God of the dead, but of the living."