Reflections on the 30th Sunday Ordinary Time 24B.

Mass: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm: 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52.

The context is a journey to Jerusalem. It follows the pattern of the entry into the promised land. This is the signal to the reader that something is going to happen to restore Jerusalem and God's People. The blind man proclaims Jesus as the new David who will restore Israel. What does that mean for us who are not Jews? What is this Jerusalem? We are heading towards the end of the Church's year and the beginning of winter. The Church names the last Sunday as the celebration of Christ as King. This is the vision of the coming darkness illuminated by the light of Christ. The darkness is much more that winter, dangerous as that was in times gone past. The darkness is the brokenness of our creation and us as human beings. We need vision or light to see where we are going. The new kingdom is a place of light and peace. Without vision the people die says scripture. By following Christ, we to find a new hope and a new purpose.