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The logo for the *Sunday of the Word of God* gives particular prominence to the theme of relationship: a strong bond between the wayfarers, in an intertwining of looks, gestures, steps and words. In light of the passage about the disciples of Emmaus, Jesus appears as the one who “drew near and went with” humanity (Lk 24:15), and “dwelt among us” (Jn 1:14). In him “there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Gal 3:28).

Walking among his own, he quickens his steps, pointing out to them the new horizons of evangelization, represented in the logo by the star: “He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice” (Jn 10:3-4).

His words are one with those written in the scroll he is holding in his hands: “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?” (Rev 5:2). If the two disciples are confused by the mysteries of history, they are immediately reassured: “Weep not; lo, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals” (Rev 5:5). “And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself” (Lk 24:27).

Familiarity with the Word of God arises from a relationship that comes from searching for the face of God in Sacred Scripture. The Bible is not there to give concepts but experiences, it does not just plunge us into a text, rather it opens us to meeting the Word of life decisive “for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work” (2Tm 3:16,17).

In the background there is a great light: there are those who see Jesus as a sun at sunset, citing Lk 24:29; we like to welcome the “rising sun” (Lk 1:78), which, in the Risen One, announces the dawn

of a new mission destined for all peoples: “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation” (Mk 16:15).