



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

Then the disciples asked Him, "Why do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" He said in reply, "Elijah will indeed come and restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but did to him whatever they pleased. So also will the Son of Man suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that He was speaking to them of John the Baptist. (Matthew 17: 10-13)

Reflection: Some among those who followed Jesus would not believe that He was the Messiah. They were waiting for the reappearance of Elijah, who Scripture said must return before the coming of the Messiah. In the same way, many of us have set up obstacles that prevent us from living as if the Messiah has already come.

What are we waiting for? What obstacles have we set up to prevent us from living as if our Savior has already come?

Advent Action: Say a decade of the rosary for the spiritually homeless.

Prayer: Lord, in Your own way remove everything that makes it hard for me to see You clearly today.