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## Father's Corner

As I spoke about in Mass last week, the past few weeks have been rather hard for many in the Church. Many are seeking understanding and are hurt by the seemingly continuous reports of scandal and cover-ups in the Church. I saw a facebook meme this weekend that helped me to reorient my own frustrations on the matter that reminded me that it's not about the priest, it's not about the bishop, it's not even about the Pope, but it's about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! So, I want to echo the saying for the book of Joshua this weekend, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord!"

It is not always easy for us to call ourselves Christians, and it is even harder for most of us to live a life worthy of being called a Christian life! So, we are encouraged then to turn to who God is, to see Him as our strength, and to see who it is He sees us as and how He is calling us to live! That is what today's reading from Ephesians is all about. It's not about wives needing to be under the thumb of their husbands, it's about right relationship! Husbands are called to love their wives with such a sacrificial love that they are willing to lay down their lives for their wives and their family, and in return wives, as we the Church, are called to do everything within our power to support the head of the Body the Church, Jesus Christ! That's what it's all about! How can we, you and I, recognize that we are imperfect, seek out God who is Truth and Love, and live so as to deserve His love? Constant repentance, constant prayer, and constant reflection are needed by all who seek to pick up their crosses to follow after Jesus! May we recognize our crosses more clearly, seek out assistance when in need more diligently, and love our neighbor as Christ loves His church more intentionally every day!

Father Grover