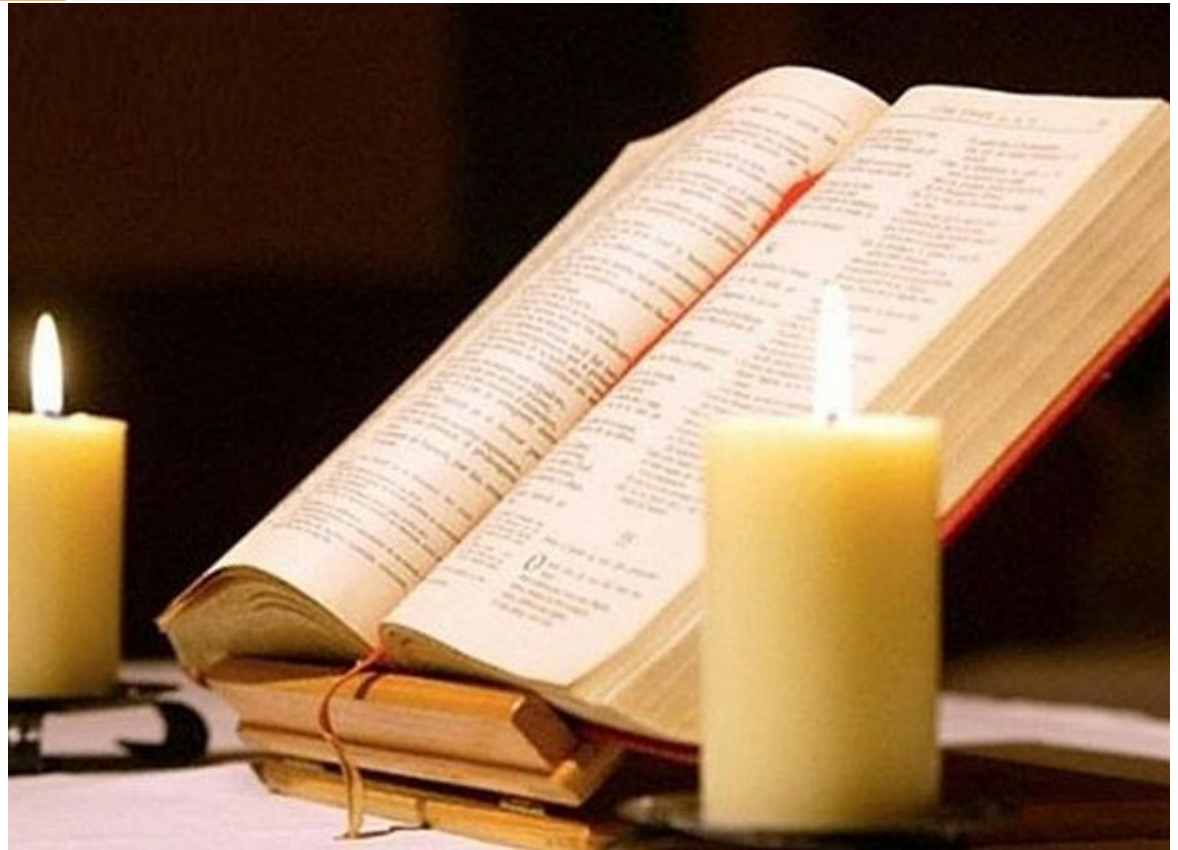


**GOSPEL PEARLS**

## Peacefully and without hindrance

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*Again Jesus entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to*

*destroy him. (Mark 3: 1-6)*

The wicked do not like seeing their corruption exposed. That is why they react to the Son of God's holiness with violence and persecution. What happened to Jesus is destined to be repeated throughout the centuries with true members of His Church. Therefore, if we want to follow Jesus faithfully, we must also accept being persecuted, whether they are small or great persecutions, rather than saying what everyone thinks in order to live in the world peacefully and without hindrance.