

EPISODE 22 – The Book of Gospels

1. Have you ever wondered about the various reverences shown to the Book of Gospels?
 - I am a cradle Catholic and Mass has always been part of my life. I accepted the liturgy and the reverences within it without much thought. Sure, I noticed the reverence given to the Book for the Gospels and this was not a surprise to me because they contain the Word of God.
 - This episode has caused me to think a bit more and a bit deeper about just how much the book is revered, especially in regards to it being the Word of God and placed on the altar where the Word of God, Jesus, is also present in the Eucharist during Mass.
 - I also dug a bit deeper into the differences between the Lectionary and the Book of the Gospels. I found an article on EWTN that was helpful => ["Honoring the Book of the Gospels"](#)
2. Why does the Church teach that "the four Gospels occupy a central place" in the life of Christians?
 - **CCC 139** {The four Gospels occupy a central place because Christ Jesus is their center.}
 - I think Jesus said it best with "something greater than Solomon is here" and "something greater than the temple is here". That greatness is the Son of God, Jesus, sent to teach us how to live and love, redeem us from our sins, and more. So it is no wonder that the stories of Jesus, the Gospels, that report his life, his works, and his words to us should occupy a central place in our lives and in our worship.