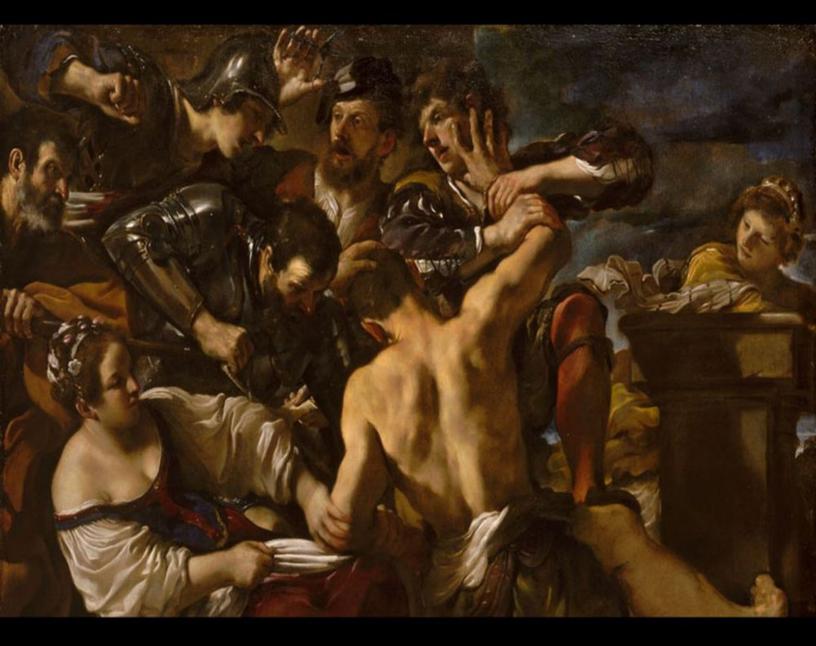
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GOD'S SUNS.

Let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth farth in his might.— Judg. v. 31.

Did you ever try to think of what the world would be like without the sun? As a matter of fact there wouldn't be any world at all, at least not the world as we know it. There would be nothing but a mass of dead matter whirling through space. If it were not for the sun there would be no light, no colour, no heat, no flowers, no grass, no trees, no animals, no human beings, no life at all on the earth.

Now our text is a prayer that those who love God may be " as the sun when he goeth forth in his might." I wonder how that could be ? Well it is like this. Those who really and truly love God, love also everything that God loves. And love is just like the sun. It fills the earth with life, and light, and warmth and beauty. Without it the world would be a bad place and a sad place. Without it the world wouldn't be fit to live in.

Will you try to remember three things ?

1. Love is like the sun because it brings light. And light means gladness and beauty.

Centuries ago there was built in Florence a wonderful palace called the Riccardi Palace. Part of this palace was set apart as a chapel, and a famous artist was engaged to adorn the walls with beautiful frescoes which, as some of you know, are paintings on plaster.