

33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Day Thirteen (13)

Knowledge of Self and Sorrow for Sin

Of all earth's creatures, only the human person has self-consciousness. We know our name, our skills, our habits, and the people around us, our family and friends. We define ourselves. All day long, we live with some self-image. However, the way we see ourselves is not the way other people see us. More importantly, how we see ourselves is not how God sees us. During these next few days, you will meditate on seven aspects of how God thinks of you. This will be interesting, so just listen to God speak and what He has to tell you, about you. The goal is God's glory and your holiness. All glory to Jesus, through our beloved Mother Mary.

Made in God's Image, You are God's Creation

When God creates the human person, He gives them His own two powers of intellect and free will. The person can do, to some degree, what God does. God thinks and He chooses. He knows, and He loves. As a human, you can do the same. You have a rational intellect and free will. You know and you decide.

Your Inner Self

At about two years of age, your intellectual powers came forth. You learned a language. You wrote words and sentences. You learned that there was good and bad. You also discovered that certain things were forbidden and that you had lots of choices. A little later, you realized that there were temptations. When you resisted these, you felt good. But, when you did not, you felt bad.

Why does this happen? Why do you feel good when doing the right thing, and feel bad when doing evil? Dear child of God, you are not an animal. You are God's special creation. You are human. God has given you this moral impulse because He wants you to act like He does. He wants to be proud of you, and say "Look, that is my creation." And you can say, "I am made in God's image." That is the dignity of the human person.

The Virtues

Ask yourself a serious question, do you, in your thoughts, words, and deeds reflect the image and likeness of God? If the answer is "not really" or "sometimes", then you need to look hard at why. You must examine your moral impulses and see where your overall mindset is about this journey. When you stop listening to the "noise" of the world around you, and quiet down to listen to God's voice and your Mother's promptings, you can really do so much. Virtues can come so easily, without any doubts or hesitations. Your mindset and your heart can change, and reflect so much more. Stop being just "normal", or "just ok". Be real. Be Jesus. Let Mother show you how, step by step.

St. Louis de Montfort writes:

1. The greatest prudence is to reflect on God's plan.
2. Faith must be both understood and accepted into one's heart by repentance for one's sins.
3. Only a few find God's plan because only a few seek it ardently.
4. Knowing God's plan sets people on fire to do great works for God's glory and for souls.
5. The Holy Spirit became fruitful in Mary and brought forth His masterpiece, Jesus.
6. Since the Holy Spirit has espoused Mary, He has never left Her.

Enter into Daily Common Prayers

DAILY COMMON PRAYERS

***P*ayer for Practicing of Virtues**

My Dear Mother, pray for me. I struggle to see myself as a child of God. I struggle to see myself as the image and likeness of Jesus, especially when I fail to resist temptations around me. I need more faith, and less doubt. Pray for the fire of the Holy Spirit to burn in me. Build up my faith, step by step, so that I can gain confidence and regain much needed hope. Keep speaking to me Mother, don't stop. I need your sweet encouragement. I need your motherly love to embrace me warmly. Carry me mother, especially when I can't move, or when I lack motivation. You are my teacher on this journey, show me the true way, to my merciful Abba. Amen.

***O*, Mary!**

O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.
Please spread the grace of the Flame of Love over all humanity! Amen.

***C*onsecration**

My Queen and my Mother, I give myself entirely to you, and to show my devotion I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve. Always dear Mother, I am your own, keep me, guard me as your property and possession. Amen.

***C*ome Creator Holy Spirit**

Come Holy Spirit, Creator, come to me come, from Your bright Heavenly throne!

Come, take possession of my soul, and make it all Your own.

You who are called the Paraclete, best gift of God above, the living Spirit, the living fire, sweet unction and true love! You who are sevenfold in Your grace, finger of God's right hand, His promise, teaching little ones to speak and understand! O guide our minds with Your blessed light, with love our hearts enflame, and with Your strength, which never delays, confirm our mortal frame. Far from us drive our hellish foe, true peace unto us bring, and through all perils guide us safely, beneath Your Sacred Wing, through You may we the Father know, through You the eternal Son, and You the Spirit of them both, Three blessed, three in one.

All glory to the Father be, and to the risen Son the same to you, O Paraclete, while endless ages run. Amen.

***T*ransformation Into Christ**

It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.

O, my Jesus, may our feet journey together,

May our hands gather in unity,

May our hearts beat to the same rhythm,

May our souls be in harmony,

May our thoughts be in unison,

May our ears listen to the silence together,

May our glances melt in one another,

And may our lips beg our Heavenly Father together

To obtain mercy on souls.

Amen.