33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Made for Heaven

Take a moment and think, have you ever had a perfect moment? Yes, you know that moment that you tried to hold on to, but couldn't. You took photos and videos of that moment, but time moved on and stole it from you. The day was over. Tomorrow came. It's always that way. Every day begins and ends. The sun rises and sets. You can't say to the sun, "You stand still! Because today is perfect, and I never want it to end."

The Merry-Go-Round and the Titanic

Earth is like a merry-go-round. We get on, we go around for a few years, and then we get off. As the person experiences the many changes in earthly existence, he asks, "what is life all about?" We learned that answer in first grade itself. Remember we were taught, "God made me so that I may know Him, love Him, and serve Him in this world. That way I can be happy with Him in heaven." Modern life has new inventions, new technologies, and multiple experiences, but earth is like the Titanic. No matter how beautiful the ship, the ride must come to an end.

You should know by now that you were not made for earth. There is only one purpose in life – to get to heaven. Jesus put it in a different way, "What does it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his soul?" Time, of course, will march on. The rich man will sit on his cash, but he will grow ill. The beauty queen can wear her crown forever, but her looks will fade. And the YouTube superstar will grow subscribers, but his channel will eventually disappear, and be replaced by another viral hero. Jesus warns us, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be." If your heart is on earth, time will steal all your treasures. If heaven is your goal, you will never be disappointed.

Two Parables

You remember we talked about this before, where Jesus compared heaven to a priceless pearl. In these 33 days, you are seeking the pearl. At some point, you will say, "I found it." Your friends won't know what you are talking about. You probably won't be able to describe it. But joy will be yours for the rest of your life. Jesus said, "On that day, your hearts will rejoice and no one will take your joy from you." (Jn 16:22)

St. Francis Xavier (1506-1552)

Francis wanted to be a brilliant professor until St. Ignatius came to the University of Paris. Ignatius saw God calling Francis to the priesthood so he kept reminding him, "Francis, what does it profit you to gain the whole world and lose your soul?" Soon, Francis gave up everything and became one of the Church's greatest missionaries.

The Virtues

Remember, you have one purpose in life dear friend. To get to heaven. So, why do you substitute so many things in place of that? Does the immediate gratification justify it? You know it's only temporary. All material and worldly things fade. This journey, as we have shared now many times, is about you letting go of this world, and all its distractions. Keep your eyes fixed on the pearl Jesus said. This is the time to grab it! When you offer up your selfless acts for others, you are another step closer. Don't listen to the world and all its fake promises. Live for real truth, for real love, for real delight. Heaven is waiting. Keep on this journey, and stay close to Mother.

St. Louis de Montfort writes:

- 1. A person can arrive at heaven by roads other than Mary, but these other roads have more crosses and more difficulties.
- 2. Mary's road to heaven is more peaceful. She is always near, clearing away doubts and banishing fears.

- 3. The person makes more progress to heaven in a short time on Mary's road than by many years of self-reliance
- 4. The person who is obedient to Mary will sing of victory in heaven.

Enter into Daily Common Prayers

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$m{P}$ rayer for Practicing of Virtues

My holy Mother, pray for me. In this journey with you I still find I'm not able to let go of my desires. I'm still very much attached to my need for material possessions and self gratification. Help me, oh my dear Mother. Guide me in the right path. Pray that I have the extra grace to resist all that has held me back from you, and your Son. Help me to look up, and see the great glory of God that shines with such beauty. Help me to appreciate it. Help me to live this glory, in all my acts, words, and thoughts. Lift me up, and help me to reach my true home. 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.

Consecration

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.

Come 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.

$m{T}$ 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.