

33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Day Eight (8)

The World's Condemnation

A rich man called in a debtor who owed him a gigantic sum. Out of mercy, he forgave the man. That man, however, refused to forgive another person a much smaller debt (Mt 18:21-35). That is how the world acts. It is tough and unforgiving. You have to measure up and pay for all your mistakes.

When Jesus forgave sins and ate with sinners, the world criticized his compassion but He didn't back off. Jesus said that He was a shepherd who seeks out the strayed sheep and a doctor who spent time with the sick people. He told a parable of a father who forgave his prodigal son and welcomed him back.

Always Forgiveness

When we see people who are arrogant and mean to others, we ask, "Why does God let that go on?" We forget, however, that God wants to forgive the arrogant man too. So, he gives him time to change. We should do the same.

The World Accuses, Jesus forgives

When the men brought the adulterous woman to Jesus, they wanted a condemnation. Instead, it may be that Jesus wrote their own sins on the ground and they walked away. They, too, deserved condemnation. The woman was now alone with Jesus, "Does anyone now condemn you?" "No sir," she answered. "Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more" (Jn 8:11).

We all need forgiveness. At times, we have all failed. When the prodigal son asked only to be a servant, his father restored him completely as a son. Forgiveness is freely given. It cannot be bought. Forgiveness lets us start over again with a clean slate. In the company of Mary, we forgive and are forgiven.

The Virtues

In this journey of 33 days, there will be many occasions for us to stop and think why am I doing this? Or what will I really get out of this? The answers to those questions are revealed to you daily, in the work that you do. You just need to pay attention. You work & practice the virtues not because someone forced you, but because Love moves you. And Love has a name, it is Jesus. He is ready to receive you, as is. Just like the father welcomed home his prodigal son, Jesus waits for you, with full forgiveness. Just keep going, keep working, with Mother by your side, and offer up everything, for Love.

St. Louis de Montfort writes:

1. If we are afraid to go to Jesus, we can go to Mary who sends no one away, not even hardened sinners.
2. If you are a sinner with one foot in hell, I advise you to say the Rosary.
3. Invoking Mary is a sign that the soul is not dead.
4. Mary cleanses their sins and dresses them for God's glory.
5. Without mercy, judgment is without limit, relief, or end.

Enter into Daily Common Prayers

DAILY COMMON PRAYERS

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

Dear Holy Mother, pray for me. I need much forgiveness. I know failure is part of my life, especially when it comes to spiritual things and just being faithful everyday. I enter this journey really not knowing if I can keep this up. Too many voices, distractions, thoughts, are impeding me, and they cause me to stumble. Stay with me Mother, and keep me strong. Pray for an increase in the virtues of prudence, fortitude, temperance, and justice. And may I be blessed with the gift of Charity, that moves me everyday. Closer and closer to my Lord's heart. 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.