

# 33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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## **Day Nine (9)**

### **The World's Despair**

Life on earth is very difficult. Even modern man, with all his conveniences, finds so much lacking. Suffering can come at any time and in many forms. The simplicities of childhood are quickly replaced with teenage and young adult anxieties. The requirements of "growing up" and becoming older get more complicated. Victories are followed by defeats. Dreams are often destroyed, sometimes in a single moment. God never intended the world to be this difficult, but mankind changes earth through sin.

Even a young person, or any person for that matter, can question, "What is the purpose of my life?". The world's answers offer little satisfaction and cannot save the person from hopelessness.

### **Always Hope with God**

After God rejected Cain's sacrifice, He still offered him hope, "Why are you so despairing?. If you do well, you can hold up your head" (Gen 4:7). Later, after murdering Abel, Cain feared others would kill him. God, however, saved him by a mark. "The Lord put a mark on Cain lest anyone should kill him (Gen 4:15). God offers hope to everyone, even those with gigantic problems.

### **The Secret of Hope**

Despair results when a person cannot overcome his/her problems. Hope results when a person realizes God is helping him/her with their problems. We can always hope because God will change our circumstances and us.

When the alcoholic hopes in a higher power, his despair is destroyed. The world does not admit any power higher than itself and is doomed to despair. However, "We have put our hope in Him that He will rescue us again." (2 Cor 1:10).

### **Mary's Role**

On the cross Jesus gave to the disciple His own mother. Jesus gave up everything, with arms wide open. And His last precious gift was that of His mother, to us. Trust that She will lead you from searching to finding, from despair to hope. She has helped millions, and you are her next success story.

### **The Virtues**

Do you remember what a virtue is? It is a firm attitude, not a weak one, but firm and committed decision with actions to what is right. So, if you have not yet committed, please do so right now. Let go of all is holding you back from taking this serious step towards really changing yourself. This 33 day journey is not some simple set of prayers to read. No! This is a journey of conversion. A real movement away from all that keeps you from sainthood. All that keeps you from real joy, and real peace. Do you really want a true life, not a fake one? Then go, live the virtues, and offer everything to our Mother's hands.

### **St. Louis de Montfort writes:**

1. St. Francis of Assisi saw Mary at the top of a ladder and was told that he had to go through her to enter eternal glory.
2. Mary welcomes souls into her earthly paradise, where they can hide from their enemies.
3. To stay firm in a torrent, to sail through turbulent seas, to be safe in a dangerous countryside are miracles that Mary works for her children.
4. Following Mary, you will never go astray.

*Enter into Daily Common Prayers*

## DAILY COMMON PRAYERS

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

Dear Holy Mother, pray for me. I'm confused and I despair so easily at times. This journey has not been so easy for me. I know what you promise me is real happiness, but the world keeps me from accepting this fact. I find that I still long for worldly attractions and pleasures. I get distracted over and over, and I think, "is this the right way for me?". But you remind me with every step "My child, keep going, and trust". You are my hope Mother. Give me strong faith and strong hope. Increase in me the desire to live for my Lord, and to do what He tells me. 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.