

33 Day Consecration to Jesus Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

(Some portions of the prayers and meditations are taken from "Consecration to Jesus Through Mary" book.

This is for Private Use Only)

Day Twenty Seven (27)

Getting to Know Jesus

I hope you enjoyed getting to know Mary. Her Son is just like Her. Getting to know Him brings great rewards. "Whoever believes in the Son has life eternal." (Jn 3:16)

The greatest mystery is that God wanted to become man. To do so, God asked a woman to be His mother. At the center of all history stands Jesus Christ, who can bestow eternal life on all who believe (Jn 3:15). So, use these final seven days well. They will lead you to a total consecration to Jesus through Mary.

Jesus Obeys God and His Parents

When Jesus was twelve years old, His parents, always obedient to Jewish laws, went up to Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. They made this 90 mile, 3 day trip with many others from Nazareth. As they returned home, Jesus stayed in Jerusalem. After the parents discovered that Jesus was not with the group, they went back to the city.

When they found Jesus in the temple, Mary, so accustomed to Jesus being obedient, asked why He did this. "Did you not know that I had to be in my Father's home?", He replied. After this incident, "Jesus returned with them to Nazareth and was obedient to them."

Double Obedience

In this story, Jesus acts in obedience to both His earthly parents and to His heavenly Father. St. Louis wrote that Jesus gave more glory to God by being obedient to Mary for 30 years than by working the greatest miracles. Many years later, He prayed in the garden, "Father, not my will but yours be done". The next day, on the cross, Jesus would pray, "Father into your Hands I commend my spirit." Jesus described His goal "the Son can only do what He sees the Father doing" (Jn 5:19). From the beginning to end He was obedient to God, to His parents, and to all authorities.

The Modern world teaches you to get your own way and do your own thing. Jesus says His life is all about doing what His Father wanted. Jesus told a parable about a man with a vineyard who asked his son to work there. Originally, he said "no", but changed his mind and went. That you have often said, "no", is not important. You can change your mind. Right now, you want to say, "yes." The Father calls you into His vineyard.

St. Faustina

St. Faustina saw Jesus almost everyday, but she needed to obey her priest guides. She had many ups and downs. To some, she could not communicate easily. Others did not understand Faustina. Some did not believe her. Yet, she obeyed. Finally, God sent her two excellent priests as guides. They were easy to obey. Difficult or easy, St. Faustina always obeyed.

The Virtues

Obedience is hard. Especially when you want your own way in life. Learn from the "school of Jesus Christ". He only teaches obedience that can lead to many wonderful things, not just for you, but for others. You must learn this obedience, step by step. Start in small things, then go bigger. Know that, without obedience there can be no true hope for the future. Yes, obedience is hard. But carrying a cross was harder. Especially, when that cross was really meant for you.

St. Louis de Montfort writes:

1. Who should be exempt from the cross? No one. So, let us hasten to where obedience takes us.
2. We can not escape the cross. We carry it willingly or unwillingly.

3. If you live in Jesus' spirit, you must expect thorns and nails.
4. When assailed by sorrow and temptation, remember Christ's obedience to His Father.

Enter into Daily Common Prayers

DAILY COMMON PRAYERS

Pray for Practicing of Virtues

My Mother, pray for me. You are our perfect role model of obedience. You learned this from your Son as He started His mission of redeeming the world. You listened and obeyed every word of God. Help me, because obedience is something that I find hard to do, even in the simplest of ways. I feel trapped sometimes, when I need to follow the rules of my family, or in the world. I feel I have no voice, or real ways to express myself. But, it is really not that I am trapped somewhere. I know, it is more my own selfishness that causes these negative feelings. My dear Mother, teach me to obey, so that I might grow in holiness. And become like your Son in everything I do. 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.

Transformation 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.