



HELLO DEAR FRIENDS . . .

The month of September brings us face to face with the images of the Sorrowful Mother and her Son as we honor the Feasts of the Exaltation of the Cross on September 14 and the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. Yes, we joyfully celebrate the liturgically designated birthday of Mary on September 8 (Our Lady of Medjugorge shared with the visionaries that her actual birthday is August 5) but right on its heels is the stark reality of the suffering our sins have caused, and continue to cause every day. I can say nothing more eloquent or heart rending than Our Blessed Mother's own words in her message of August 2, 1994, in the Heart of God Volume One:

"Little daughter, I am here. I am the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Mother of God. Oh, child, come into my Immaculate Heart and remain there, daughter, for I know your fears.

My beloved consecrated souls, you bring joy to our hearts. So few love us. So few show reverence to my beloved Son, Jesus. Children of the earth, why do you continue to crucify my Son? Have you not heard his cries of agony from the Cross? Have you not heard the sorrowful cries of a mother watching the suffering torment of her child?

Little children, I stand before you with my arms open to receive you. I will guide you and bring you to the heart of my Son. Oh, my children, I am weeping. Must I bear this sorrow much longer? Little ones, I am your holy Mother. I am pure of heart and I am calling you to holiness, children. On your journey to my Son, it is I, your Mother, guiding you and strengthening you. Abandon yourselves into my motherly care and I will

guide you to the foot of the Cross to behold your Savior. My beloved Son, Jesus, is being nailed to the Cross every moment of every day by the hardness in your hearts.

My daughter, today I come to you holding my precious baby in my arms. If I cannot appeal to hardened hearts, then I shall make my triumph with the mothers of this world and my little ones. Oh, daughter, my daughter, can you hear me weeping? I am infinitely sorrowful.

To my army of devoted servants, remember the kindness of your Mother, the Queen of Angels, who in her humility begs you for love and loyalty. Tell others of our great love. Live our messages and others will be converted. My Immaculate Heart shall triumph, and then, children, you shall see your Heavenly Father, the Lord, your God, and his holy Mother radiant with joy. Child, I bless you. Remain on the path to my Son. Go in peace.

I love you, Mama Mary. Amen.

Be encouraged, dear friends, because we ARE her army of devoted servants, and we do not stand alone. In fact, we are supported by the heavenly members of the order of the "Friar Servants of Mary", also referred to as The Servite Order, whose principal patroness is the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title, Our Lady of Sorrows.

SO LET US PRAY . . .

I feel compelled to invite you to pray to the Servite Saints, the most well known of all being St Peregrine (known as the "cancer saint"), and St Philip Benizi. However, in our own midst we have had the blessing of crossing paths with Fr. Peter Mary Rookey, whose humility and legacy of healings have inspired us to pray for his intercession as well. And even closer to home, we have the example of our own beloved Disciple and Secular Servant of Mary, Bob McCormack.

Before Jesus called him to Heaven on November 7, 2008, Bob used his extraordinary musical talent to serve his Mother Mary through song, creating the CD "The Seven Sorrows" and he taught us how to rise above interior suffering through his book, "Soul Observations, a Healing Minister's Guide to Wholeness".

Just as he did on earth, Bob will intercede for our healing from Heaven, and his inspired works will lead us closer to Our Lady of Sorrows. So, as Bob encouraged us, let us pray the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows with special devotion this month. And in Bob's words, "May Our Lady bless each of you with her loving Son, Jesus".

For those seeking a copy of Bob's book, or CD, they can be ordered at MotherOfTheWord@aol.com.

— THIS MONTH'S SCRIPTURES —

"TRULY I TELL YOU, ANYONE WHO WILL NOT RECEIVE THE KINGDOM OF GOD LIKE A LITTLE CHILD WILL NEVER ENTER IT." [LUKE 18:17]

THE BIBLE IS FULL OF GOD'S WORDS AND IN THE NEW TESTAMENT, THEY ARE MARKED IN RED. THE ABOVE SCRIPTURE IS SPOKEN BY JESUS AND THAT MAKES IT SUPREMELY IMPORTANT.

I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT JESUS WANTS US TO EMBRACE HIS INSTRUCTIONS WITH UTMOST TRUST, IN OTHER WORDS, WITH CHILD-LIKE INNOCENCE OR IN "TOTAL FAITH".

IF WE HAVE SPENT ANY LENGTH OF TIME WITH A CHILD/CHILDREN, WE KNOW AND CAN AGREE THAT THEY ARE VERY TRUSTING. SIMILARLY, GOD DESIRES THAT WE LEAN AND RELY ON HIM ENTIRELY, FOR EVERYTHING. AND TO THIS END, GOD GAVE US THE HOLY SPIRIT WHEN JESUS RETURNED TO SIT AT GOD'S RIGHT HAND IN HEAVEN.

NO MATTER WHAT GOES ON PUBLICLY OR IN OUR PRIVATE LIVES, GOD IS MINDFUL OF EACH AND EVERY ONE OF HIS CHILDREN AS WELL AS EVERYTHING THAT CONCERNS US. IN ADDITION, HE HAS PROMISED TO NEVER LEAVE US NOR FORSAKE US AND HE IS FAITHFUL LIKE NO OTHER!

IF WE TRUST GOD AS YOUR FATHER BUT WE

HAVE DISTANCED CERTAIN AREAS OR ISSUES IN OUR LIVES FROM HIM FOR WHATEVER REASON, WE CAN RECOGNIZE FIRST THAT WE HAVE DONE SO AND ASK GOD TO FORGIVE US. THE BIBLE SAYS THAT THE GOODNESS OF GOD LEADS MEN TO REPENTANCE [ROMANS 2:4]. THEN, WE CAN INVITE AND WELCOME THE HOLY SPIRIT AND ASK HIM TO GUIDE US AND GIVE US CHILD-LIKE TRUST IN GOD.

WE SHOULD DECIDE NOT TO WITHHOLD ANY AREA OF OUR LIFE FROM GOD, OUR CREATOR, NOBODY LOVES US MORE THAN HE DOES!

LET US DETERMINE TODAY TO PERSEVERE WITH HIM; TO ASK AND KEEP ASKING, TO KNOCK AND KEEP KNOCKING, TO SEEK AND KEEP SEEKING OF GOD BECAUSE HE IS NO RESPECTER OF PERSONS [ACTS 10:34], WHAT HE HAS DONE FOR ONE, HE WILL DO FOR ANOTHER.

WE CAN ALWAYS TRUST IN GOD WITH ALL OUR HEARTS AND NOT LEAN ON OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING, THAT WE WILL ACKNOWLEDGE HIM IN ALL OUR WAYS AND HE WILL MAKE OUR PATHS STRAIGHT. [PROVERBS 3:5-6].

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You will find many, many testimonials of healings documented in Bob's book, "Soul Observations, a Healing Minister's Guide to Wholeness". Jesus desires us to be healed in body and spirit, and Jesus has offered us the Sacraments of Healing through Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

Enjoy reading these accounts of healing, and we invite you to send us testimonials of those who are touched by The Heart of God!! God's Mercy is Yours!!

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