

OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S MESSAGE OF APRIL 25, 2006

“Dear children! Also today I call you to have more trust in me and my Son. He has conquered by His death and resurrection and, through me, calls you to be a part of His joy. You do not see God, little children, but if you pray you will feel His nearness. I am with you and intercede before God for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

HAVE MORE TRUST IN ME AND MY SON

A. The Nature of Trust.

1. Jesus speaks to Sr. Mary of the Holy Trinity:
 - a. “The Foundation of trust is humility and love.
 - b. “The Key is trustful surrender.
 - c. “The Way is knowledge
The more you know Me – My Heart and My Ways – the more you love Me.
The more you love Me, the more you trust Me.”
2. St. Therese of Lisieux:
 - a. “The way of spiritual childhood (humility) is the way of childlike self-surrender – the way of a child who sleeps in the arms of its Father.”
 - b. “Humility is to remain small, and to remain small means:
 - 1) to acknowledge one’s nothingness;
 - 2) to expect everything from the Lord just as a small child expects everything from its father;
 3. not to be worried about anything.”
 - c. “What pleases God most is to see me love my littleness and my poverty, and the blind hope I have in His Mercy. That is my sole treasure.
 - 1) So let us love to feel our nothingness. Then we shall be poor in spirit and Jesus will come for us and will transform us into a flame of love.
 - 2) I wish I could make you realize what I mean: it is trust, nothing but trust, that must bring us to love.”
 - d. “Just because I was so little and so frail, Jesus stooped to me and taught me gently the secrets of His love as Scripture proves:
 - 1) “Whosoever is a little one, let him come to Me.” (Proverbs 9:4);
 - 2) “To him that is little, Mercy is granted.” (Wisdom 6:7);
 - 3) “He shall feed His flock like a Shepherd: He shall gather together the lambs with His arm, and take them up into His bosom.” (Is. 40:11);
 - 4) “You shall be carried at the breasts, and upon the knees He shall caress you; as one whom a mother caresses, so will I caress you.” (Is. 66:12)
 - e. St. Therese reveals her knowledge of God:
 - 1) “I know God. He is a father, a mother, who, in order to be happy must have His child upon His knee, resting against His Heart.”
 - 2) “I do not stay there for my own sake, but for His. I go to see God, because this delights Him, because He likes to see me.”
 - 3) “God loves me so much and He is grieved when I suffer from the cold like this. So I always try to smile lest God think I am suffering.”
 - 4) “I am only a little sparrow, but I have the eyes, heart and spirit of an eagle. I am content to gaze on the Eternal Sun. I want at each heart-beat to renew my life-offering, so that some day I may be able to tell you, Jesus, of my love in the eternal Face to Face.”
3. Bl. Josefa Menendez. Jesus speaks:

“Few people possess this unshakable confidence in Me, because few live in intimate union with Me. I want them to know I love them just as they are.”

B. Heaven's Plea for Trust.

1. From Mary:
 - a. At Guadalupe: "I am your Merciful Mother...to all those who love me, who cry to me, who have confidence in me. I will hear your weeping and your sorrows, and I will remedy and alleviate your sufferings, your necessities, and your misfortunes. I will show and offer all my love, all my compassion, all my help, and all my protection."
 - b. At Medjugorje: "As never before up until now, I call you to open your hearts. From the bottom of my Heart, I call you to be mine with all your heart. I am always with you and I love you all with a special love.... As a Mother, I want to lead you by the hand."
2. From Jesus:
 - a. To St. Faustina: "The graces of My Mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is – trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive. ... If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. ... I will do everything for the souls who trust in Me completely."
 - b. To Sr. Mary of the Holy Trinity:
 - 1) "My greatest sorrow is that people do not know My Heart, which is full of Goodness, Mercy, and Love."
 - 2) "Everyone knows I am holy, but few know I am gentle and kind. I can't stop loving you: I came in poverty, preached and was thrown out of town, I died in your place, I turned Myself into Bread to be your food."
 - 3) "There is only one reality: You are mine, I love you, I care for you. So come to Me and ask for what you want. If you only knew what a Friend you have!"
3. From the Father to Blessed Eugenia Ravasco (1845-1900):
 - a. "I have had but one desire: to make myself be known to men and to be loved by them."
 - b. "In sending My Son to suffer and die, understand well that I loved you...more than Myself!"
 - c. "Most men fail to grasp the essential thing: that Love was the guiding principle in it all."
 - d. "So if you love me you will:
 - 1) Call me by the gentle name of "Father";
 - 2) Remember that I am right there where you are;
 - 3) Realize that I would like to see great trust, familiarity, and delicacy in you, confiding in Me all your needs."
 - e. "So say this with absolute assurance:
 - 1) We have an infinitely Good Father;
 - 2) He thinks about us all the time and is very close to us;
 - 3) He will give us everything we need if we ask Him."

C. Growth in Trust Through Prayer.

1. Pope John Paul II:

"To be a friend and companion of Jesus:

 - 1) Let Him find you and talk with you;
 - 2) Let Him guide you, work with you, suffer with you.
2. Mother Teresa:

"Concerning prayer, let us ask ourselves:

1) DO I Pray?	5) Do I PREPARE for prayer?
2) HOW do I pray?	6) Do I PRAY WELL?
3) How OFTEN do I pray?	7) Do I pray FAITHFULLY?
4) Do I FEEL A NEED to pray?	8) Do I pray WITH JESUS AND MARY?
3. St. Faustina: "Jesus, I trust in You. Jesus, I trust in You.
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