

## OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S MESSAGE OF MAY 25, 2008

**“Dear children! In this time of grace, when God has permitted me to be with you, little children, I call you anew to conversion. Work on the salvation of the world in a special way while I am with you. God is merciful and gives special graces, therefore, seek them through prayer. I am with you and do not leave you alone. Thank you for having responded to my call.”**

### Work in a Special Way

#### **A. I Call You to Conversion.**

1. **Top Priority.** With all the devastating earthquakes, tornadoes, floods, destruction, etc. which comprise part of the “signs of the times,” perhaps Our Lady is asking to put aside our “stupid interests,” material preoccupations, drop everything, and come to the rescue of a world that has drifted woefully far from God. These signs certainly seem to indicate that evil weighs heavily on the scale of Divine Justice and Our Lady would indeed be pleased if we would make this message our top priority.
2. **Home Plate.** “Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me” or so this song goes. Perhaps if we start with our own personal conversion and all who read the Message would do the same, the whole world would light up and dispel some of the darkness. That would mean disengaging ourselves from some of our material involvements and attachments – anything that might be an obstacle to our union with God – and then trying to work at a more personal relationship with God, with Jesus, with the Holy Spirit.
3. **Mirjana.** Mirjana has been inviting the whole world to join her in praying for unbelievers during the hour of 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day. When we pray alone, we light a candle; when we pray in a group, we start a conflagration, so says St. John Vianney. Such would be doing something very special.

#### **B. Work at the World's Salvation in a Special Way.**

1. **In a Special Way.** Our Lady is calling us to make an all out effort because souls are at stake. That means placing the conversion of sinners as the primary intention of all our prayers, especially at Holy Mass, our most powerful prayer, at Holy Communion where Our Lord assures us of His positive response, and particularly in the recitation of the Holy Rosary. We can keep the chain of prayer going by saying throughout the day a prayer that Our Lord strongly recommends: “Jesus and Mary, I love you, save souls.” Jesus calls this “the perfect prayer.”
2. **Union with Mary.** This is the Age of Mary, Her Time, when she is going to act and conquer. We can pause one minute before beginning each prayer time and make a special effort to be silent, recollected and focused, placing ourselves in the Heart of Mary and asking her to please lead us in our prayer. Believing firmly that Jesus never refuses His Mother will give us confidence in her morally absolute power.
3. **Prayer of the Heart.** Such prayers are the only ones that reach heaven, Our Lady tells us. This is another occasion for our “special way.” Sinking into our heart, believing strongly in the urgent necessity of our intention, and yearning for conversion is to guarantee being heard, because God listens only to our heart.

#### **C. God is Merciful.**

1. **Will of God.** The fact that Our Lady brings this Message from heaven, from God, means that praying for the world's salvation makes us perfectly in tune with God's Will and therefore graces will gush forth abundantly for souls. The salvation of all souls is the highest intention and desire of God, so we can be sure He is with us all the way and has all the many graces prepared ahead of time.

2. **Age of Mercy.** We are in the Age of Mercy when God wants to pour out His Mercy before the coming of His Justice. Time is short, the stakes are high, and a golden opportunity is right in our laps.
3. **Confidence.** Jesus: "I will do everything for the one who has total confidence."

-Rev. Robert Hughes, S.M.