## **OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE'S MESSAGE OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2007**

"Dear children! Also today I call all of you for your hearts to blaze with more ardent love for the Crucified, and do not forget that, out of love for you, He gave His life so that you may be saved. Little children, meditate and pray that your heart may be open to God's love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

## <u>Open Your Heart – i.e., RESPOND WITH LOVE</u>

- 1. In this and recent Messages, Our Lady gives us three reasons for responding to God's Love:
  - a. <u>God's Goodness</u>: He created us out of love and so wonderfully cared for us. As God's children, we should be icons of goodness, reflecting God's goodness.
  - b. <u>The Gift of Medjugorje</u>: "The great love of God sends me to lead you to salvation." God does not punish us but sends us His Mother to soften our hearts and convert.
  - c. <u>Jesus Died for Us</u>: The Father did not want us to suffer; instead, He took on our suffering in the Person of His Son. In our Consecration to the Sacred Heart we pray: "O good Jesus, make us open our hearts to You at least in the moment we remember Your Passion suffered for us." Jesus promises enormous graces when we meditate on His Passion. Recall the movie The Passion of Christ.
- 2. Here is what Jesus said to one of His mystics:
  - a. "Rejoice! For I have loved you from all eternity with a love you can never understand a love of predilection."
  - b. "I created you to love Me! To delight My soul. To fill My Heart with your love. Do this and then you will understand Me and make peace with Me more and more. Love is a sign that you have faith in Me."
  - c. "I created you to love Me by appeasing My anger against the Rebellion, to soothe My wounds, to rest Me when I am weary. Have you forgotten the reason I paid for you with so much suffering?"
  - d. "I created you to love Me and to talk to Me when I am forgotten. I come begging for love like a forlorn beggar Who has been lamed by His own friends!"

## 3. Jesus complains and appeals:

- a. "The worst of all things is <a href="https://www.hypocrisy">hypocrisy</a> it is the diplomatic answer which is neither yes or no…like Pilate. And why? Because Faith is missing. You remain in your <a href="https://lethargy">lethargy</a> towards My Signs, My Miracles, My Divine Works. You are mocking Me like yesterday. You are nailing me anew to the Cross with your <a href="https://www.apathy.what I">apathy</a>. What I abhor most is <a href="insincerity">insincerity</a>. Who comes to Me because they love Me? Who is truly eager to hear what I say? When they leave, who is ready to walk with Me?"
- b. "You have stopped adoring Me. I observe the signs: You rarely use My Name to adore Me. You do not call Me out of love. You do not honor Me with your

- service. And I see the reason: Your heart is not set on Me. You are saying: I am equal to God!"
- c. "I, Jesus, love you with an everlasting love. Come to Me. I am always with you. Believe in My presence. Feel My presence. See me with Your Mind, Heart and Soul. See Me and smile at Me, smile at Me with love. I am He Who loves you the most. I will enflame your heart into a Torch of Light. All I want from you is LOVE."

-Rev. Robert Hughes, S.M.