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The author of this book is also the author of the books Words From Heaven®, How to Change Your Husband™, I See Far™, Look What Happened While You Were Sleeping™ Whose Opinion is Right and The Painful Truth™, It Ain't Gonna Happen™, many other small format books and hundreds of other publications such as the Words of the Harvesters and the Caritas of Birmingham Newsletter. He has written more on Medjugorje than anyone in the world, producing life-changing writings and spiritual direction to countless numbers across the world, of all nationalities. He wishes to be known only as "A Friend of Medjugorje." The author is not one looking in from the outside regarding Medjugorje, but one who is close to the events — many times, right in the middle of the events about which he has written; a first-hand witness.

Originally writing to only a few individuals in 1987, readership has grown to over 250,000 in the United States, with additional readers in over one hundred thirty foreign countries, who follow the spiritual insights and direction given through these writings.

The author, when asked why he signs only as "A Friend of Medjugorje," stated:

"I have never had an ambition or desire to write. I do so only because God has shown me, through prayer, that He desires this of me. So from the beginning, when I was writing to only a few people, I prayed to God and promised I would not sign anything; that the writings would

have to carry themselves and not be built on a personality. I prayed that if it was God's desire for these writings to be inspired and known, then He could do it by His Will and grace and that my will be abandoned to it.

"The Father has made these writings known and continues to spread them to the ends of the earth. These were Our Lord's last words before ascending: "Be a witness to the ends of the earth." These writings give testimony to that desire of Our Lord to be a witness with one's life. It is not important to be known. It is important to do God's Will."

For those who require "ownership" of these writings by the author in seeing his name printed on this work in order to give it more credibility, we state that we cannot reconcile the fact that these writings are producing hundreds of thousands of conversions, if not millions through grace, and are requested worldwide from every corner of the earth. The author, therefore, will not take credit for a work that, by proof of the impact these writings have to lead hearts to conversion, have been Spirit-inspired with numbers increasing yearly, sweeping as a wave across the ocean. Indeed in this case, crossing every ocean of the earth. Our Lady gave this author a direct message for him through the visionary, Marija, of Medjugorje, in which Our Lady said to him to witness not with words but through humility. It is for this reason that he wishes to remain simply "A Friend of Medjugorje."

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#### ORIGIN AND METHOD

"In an apparition of Our Lady of Pompeii, which occurred in 1884 at Naples, Italy, in the house of a Commander named Agrelli, Our Lady made known a manner in which She desires to be invoked.

"For thirteen months Fortuna Agrelli, the daughter of the Commander, had endured dreadful sufferings and torturous cramps; she had been given up by the most distinguished physicians of Italy. On February 16, 1884, the afflicted girl and her relatives decided to pray "a novena" of Rosaries, to the **Queen of the Holy Rosary.** Our Lady favored the daughter with an apparition on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mary was sitting upon a high throne, surrounded by luminous figures, holding the infant Jesus on Her lap, and in Her hand Our Lady was holding a Rosary. The Virgin Mother and the holy Infant were clad in gold-embroidered garments. They were accompanied by St. Dominic and St. Catherine of Siena. The throne was covered with flowers; the beauty of Our Lady was indescribable.

"Mary looked upon the poor suffering girl with maternal tenderness, and the girl in awe greeted Mary with the words: 'Queen of the Holy Rosary, be gracious to me; restore me to health! I have already prayed to Thee in a novena, O Mary, but have not yet experienced Thy aid. I am so anxious to be cured!'

"'Child,' responded the Blessed Virgin, 'thou hast invoked me by various titles and hast always obtained

favors from me. Now, since thou hast called me by that title so pleasing to me, Queen of the Holy Rosary, I can no longer refuse the favor thou dost petition; for this name is most precious and dear to me. Make three novenas, and thou shalt obtain all.'

"Once more the Queen of the Holy Rosary appeared to her and said, 'Whoever desires to obtain favors from me should make three novenas of the prayers of the Rosary, and three novenas in thanksgiving." This totals 54 days of Rosaries; 27 days of petition and 27 days of thanksgiving.

No prayer goes unanswered. Continue the 27 days of thanksgiving Rosaries, even if the intention is not yet granted. Some have prayed consecutive 54-Day Rosary Novenas until answered! The private revelation to Fortuna Agrelli of the 54-Day Novena in 1884 was a particular miracle of the Rosary which made a very deep impression on Pope Leo XIII. The miracle greatly contributed to the fact that in so many letters he urged all Christians to love the Rosary and say it fervently.\*

<sup>\*</sup> The Rosary, My Treasure, Benedictine Convent, Clyde, Missouri.

# The following was inserted by the Community of Caritas from the Archives of the Community

# PART I OUR LADY ASKS FOR A COMMUNITY TO BE ESTABLISHED

In 1988, Marija Lunetti, one of the six visionaries from Medjugorje, came to Birmingham, Alabama to donate her kidney to her brother. This came about as a result of our founder receiving a message on October 6, 1986 from Our Lady through the Medjugorje visionary, Marija, after asking the following question to Our Lady, through Marija.

### October 6, 1986

The question: "Dear Blessed Mother, if it is God's Will, we humbly ask that the conversion taking place in Medjugorje be allowed to take place in the Parish of Blessed Sacrament in Alabama and that it 'divinely' be spread throughout the whole region. We surrender this Parish to you and ask if there is anything you request." Our Lady's answer to this question was:

"Pray and by your life witness. Not with words but rather through prayer will you attain what your desire is. Therefore, pray more and live in humility." The message, in essence, was what Our Lady requested of him in order to bring about massive conversions. His compliance to Our Lady's message and what resulted can be understood from an excerpt from the message book, Words From Heaven:

"A human issue caused Mary and Joseph to travel to Bethlehem. The census was the means God used to get them to Bethlehem, and therefore, God's words, "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a Ruler who will govern my people Israel," was fulfilled. Likewise, the kidney transplant was the means and human issue to get Marija to Birmingham, Alabama, thereby initiating Our Lady's plans She foretold in the October 6, 1986, message and continues, with graces, until this day."

The operation took place in a hospital in Birmingham. She stayed in the home of the founder of Caritas of Birmingham, a center established in 1986 to promote and spread the messages and plans of Our Lady of Medjugorje. During the apparitions that took place for over 2½ months that Marija was in his home, Our Lady gave many messages and did many things that brought tens of thousands of people to conversion. After one apparition, Marija told him that Our Lady desired a community to be established here. Three to four years after these apparitions of 1988, different single men and women and whole families felt a call to become a part of what Our Lady

was developing at Caritas through what She had already initiated and established through our founder. This was the beginning of the Community of Caritas. Those of us who came here to be in union with him in living the messages with our lives through love and obedience and through living them, receive the grace to help spread these messages around the world through the mission he founded, Caritas of Birmingham

### LESSON ON THE POWER OF NOVENAS

Our founder had never been very enthusiastic about praying novenas, nor did he have an appreciation of the grace one obtains through them until an experience he had with Marija in Medjugorje. Some time after Marija had left Alabama and returned to Medjugorje, and before the community started, he was in Medjugorje and had the intention of asking Our Lady a question. He was staying in Marija's house and asked Marija to present his request to Our Lady. Our Lady responded only by saying, "Pray." A few weeks went by after spending time in prayer, and he again approached Marija and asked her to represent the request to Our Lady. Marija did this and again the only response Our Lady gave was, "Pray." For a one year period, he asked Our Lady, through Marija, four times, receiving the same answer. Finally he spoke to Marija about this as he yearned for more to the answer from Our Lady. Marija suggested the

two of them to do a novena. He agreed and asked Marija to choose what novena to do as she would know what would please Our Lady. Marija said for the next nine days the two of them would climb Apparition Mountain at 5:00 am, pray all three mysteries of the rosary and end with a novena prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. After the novena, Marija again went before Our Lady with our founder's request. This time Our Lady responded by saying, with an emphasis on the first word, "You pray! You are in a time of prayer." This startled him for Our Lady to so directly indicate that She was guiding him, and saw him, and was pressing him to do as She was requesting of him. He realized Heaven did not want to give more words, but the novena moved Heaven to give what it did not intend. This message was a great sign to him, having seen after a year of asking and getting only the message, "pray," that the novena opened Heaven to give more words. Needless to say, he became a big believer in the Rosaries of Novenas, having witnessed it first hand, directly in front of the Holy Virgin Mary through Marija, as few men who ever walked the earth. His whole approach to novena prayers changed and gradually he began to see that Our Lady was giving him the inspirations he needed to discern what it was that he was suppose to do. This strengthened him and gave him a very great appreciation of how powerful noven as can be, and he began to pray novenas more frequently in his own life, as well as leading and forming the community to do the same.

# IF YOU ARE IN A CRISIS AND IN NEED OF AN URGENT RESPONSE FROM OUR LADY... FROM THE COMMUNITY ARCHIVES

Is the intention for which you are offering this novena a crisis or a desperate situation?

A 54-Day Novena is a very powerful prayer prayed from the heart, in and of itself, by itself. However, some situations require all the prayer strength we can muster. Our founder's formation and guidance of the community, here at Caritas, led us to receive tremendous graces through his approach of praying the 54-Day Novena. One lesson our founder has taught and grounded in the community, in its formation, was to use the 54-Day Novena to help people in crisis. Many times a 54-Day Novena involves a petition to break satan's hold on a marriage, on children, friends, bad lifestyles, vices, etc. Sometimes the request being made is completely beyond human capacity to solve. The latter is where our formation personally testifies to the power of the 54-Day Novena to bring about impossible solutions and the people who follow this formation receive many answers. We have personally witnessed this by many we have directed to the 54-Day Novena who have won the grace of answered prayers. The following is a format our founder was inspired with that has resulted in answers directly from the hand of Our Lady for which the intentions were petitioned. However, without love, without a open heart and prayer from the heart, it is futile.

1. Begin praying the 54-Day Novena, fasting on bread and water for the first nine days.

"This kind (devil) cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." Mark 9:29

- Read one chapter of the Bible everyday of the 54 days. Choose what you prefer or pick the chapter at random.
- 3. Read one message from Our Lady a day. Pick at random from the message book, Words From Heaven.
- 4. Read at least one page a day from one of the volumes of the <u>Poem-of-the-Man God</u>, chosen again at random.\*
- 5. Attend Mass and receive Holy Communion daily if and when possible.
- 6. Go to frequent Confession, even when you feel you have nothing to confess. There is grace in receiving absolution.
- 7. Establish at the beginning what you will do to change your own heart and then make a firm re-

<sup>\*</sup> These readings will give you personal direction from the Holy Spirit. Many are quite surprised to the degree Our Lady and Jesus speaks to them when reading the Bible, Words From Heaven and Poem of the Man God when these are added to their novena. Words From Heaven and The Poem of the Man-God are available by calling 205-672-2000, ext. 315 or write Caritas of Birmingham, 100 Our Lady Queen of Peace Drive, Sterrett, AL 35147, USA. You can also order on mej.com

- solve to Our Lady of renunciations you will make for the duration of your 54 days.
- 8. Lastly and most importantly, when you have, for an example, a divorce\* you are trying to prevent or cancel, enlist family, friends, as many people as possible to pray the 54-Day Novena with you. Most all are always willing to give advice, and most often this advice is to leave the spouse, especially after all else has failed. Tell them it is prayer you want and support for unity. You personally can do the renunciations, fasting, etc., above, but at least have family and friends commit to praying the 54-Day Novena for your intentions. It is a big favor and sacrifice, but a marriage is saving a small civilization, so it, therefore, is not too much to ask a friend or family to pray the 54-Day Novena. The 54-Day Novena can also be prayed for strength, conversion, to improve a marriage, etc... Pray it while everything is good or even just average. Don't wait for a crisis, for as the saving goes, "It's easier to form good boys than to mend broken men."

In Peace,

The Community of Caritas The Archivist.

\* We have witnessed, with the 54-Day Novena, even final divorces reversed and couples remarry. Sometimes it has taken several 54-day novenas, but if Jesus can resurrect Lazarus from the dead, He can resurrect a dead marriage. One woman prayed it for five straight years and testified, "My husband is back for good." The divorce issues is only one example. The 54-day novena is powerful for any situation or request.

#### PART II

# HOW TO PRAY THE 54-DAY NOVENA

### By A Friend of Medjugorje

The novena consists of each day, five decades of the Rosary: the Joyful, Sorrowful, or Glorious Mysteries, for twenty-seven days *in petition* of your requested favor. It is followed immediately by five decades of a mystery each day for twenty-seven days in *thanks-giving*, the Joyful, Sorrowful, and Glorious mysteries, whether or not the request has been granted.

The mysteries rotate from one day to the next. On the first day meditate on and pray the Joyful Mysteries; on the second day the Sorrowful Mysteries; on the third day the Glorious Mysteries; on the fourth day repeat again the Joyful Mysteries; and so on throughout the fifty-four days.

This novena requires real effort and commitment, but it is a *Novena of Love*. If you pray it with the heart, an open heart, and are sincere, you will not find it too difficult, if you *really wish* to obtain your request.

Should you not obtain the favor you seek, be assured that Our Lady, Queen of the Rosary, the Queen of Peace, who knows what each one stands most in need of, has heard your prayer. You will not have prayed in vain. No prayer from the heart ever went or will go unheard. And Our Blessed Lady has never been known to fail. Our Lady will help you find a way out of what is impossible

Our Lady in Medjugorje said:

March 28, 1985

"...In prayer you shall perceive the greatest joy and the way out of <u>every situation</u> that has no exit..."

So this novena, said from the heart, will be answered. Sometimes our prayers are answered in the way we want. Sometimes not the way we want or expect, but better than the way we wanted.

Pray each Hail Mary as if it was a rare and beautiful rose which you lay at Mary's feet.

These spiritual **roses**, bound in a wreath with Spiritual Communions, will be a most pleasing and acceptable gift to Our Lady, and will bring down upon you special graces.

Your prayers said from the heart reaches the innermost recesses of Her heart. Your frequent reception of Holy Communion will only increase the grace attached to this novena. These communions and prayers formed in the heart are as jewels. In receiving this from you, Our Lady's joy will be unbounded, and She will open wide the channel of Her choicest graces to you.

The greater the prayer for an intention, the greater will be the graces attached to the granted intention. Our Lady said:

August 18, 1982

"...The more you believe firmly, the more you pray and fast for the same intention, the greater is the grace and the mercy of God."

## WHAT OUR LADY HAS SHOWN THROUGH THE POWER OF NOVENAS

The praying of novenas was a specific request made by the Queen of Heaven to Her children who have found themselves trapped through past mistakes, bad choices in life, sin, or who are just in need of rescue or favors granted. Our Lady said on July 25, 1993:

"Dear children, I thank you for your prayers and for the love you show toward me. I invite you to decide to pray for my intentions. Dear children, offer novenas, making sacrifices wherein you feel the most bound. I want your life to be bound to me. I am your Mother, little children, and I do not want satan to deceive you, for he wants to lead you the wrong way. But he cannot if you don't permit him. Therefore, little children, renew prayer in your hearts and then you will understand my call and my live desire to help you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

How do we become unbound from sin and bound instead to Our Lady? How do we go the right way when we have been heading in the wrong direction for so long? How do we seek the answer to favors? In our community, we have found the answer so many times to these questions through the praying of novenas. Novenas have often been the key for us that have unlocked the doors to God's grace, His mercy, healing, wisdom and to His mysteries, which before the novena lay hidden. So powerful has been the Community of Caritas' experience in praying novenas that they have

become a part of the very fabric of our lives. And this is true most especially in regards to the 54-Day Rosary Novena. It is a treasure, a pearl from Heaven that when prayed with fervor and a strong faith and commitment, it changes your life, as well as grants your intentions according to God's designs. We have witnessed this in our own lives, as well as in the lives of countless numbers of people to whom we have recommended novenas. Dead marriages have come back to life, true resurrections. Vocations have been discovered and embraced. Fallen away children have come back home and back to the faith. In time of satanic attack, these prayers have brought about victory and peace. Do you want to see miracles happen in your life? Our Lady said:

January 25, 1991

"...God sent me to you so that I can help you. If you wish to, grasp for the Rosary. Already, the Rosary alone can do miracles in the world and in your lives..."

If you have a willingness to change your heart, to put sin behind you and are committed to daily conversion, and you combine that desire to a novena, your prayers will not go unheard or unanswered. You will see miracles and changes, no matter how impossible the scenario. That is the intention of this booklet. Pray, surrender your problems to Our Lady, really give them to Her, and live God's Commandments. Let Our Lady show you the way.

# WHY EACH SINGLE HAIL MARY OF YOUR 54-DAY NOVENA IS OF VALUE IN YOUR PETITION BEING GRANTED

The visionary Marija Lunetti, from Medjugorje, always prepares for the Virgin Mary's daily apparition. Marija is meticulous in always having flowers for Our Lady and making sure the room is in order. Marija prepares for this Heavenly visitation just as one would for a distinguished guest. However, one thing that distinguishes Marija is Her earnest desire of her heart to have fresh flowers always before Our Lady. Flowers speak of beauty and makes the room more befitting for the beauty of a Queen. Before people began to arrive at her house for the apparition, those of us close to Marija have witnessed countless times, her cleaning up dead stems and drooping petals, clipping dying blooms, leaving only the most beautifully rich flowers and all for Our Lady. When only Marija is present for the apparition or just close family, she still tenderly and lovingly does the same. It is not for show or to impress anyone, but out of pure love for Our Lady which is so evident in Marija's heart by her actions.

You praying the 54-Day Novena is no different. Each Hail Mary represents a flower made more beautiful the more it is prayed from the heart. It is not so important what we do, as it is that we do it from the heart. Our Lady gave the following message to Vicka in response to a novena that was being prayed by the

Community of Caritas for the visionaries, villagers, and village of Medjugorje that Vicka presented to Our Lady. Our Lady's words:

August 26, 1996

# "Whatever you are doing with the heart, it is all precious to Me."

Each Hail Mary of your 54-Day Novena is a flower, beautiful and powerful if from the heart. So precious are they to Our Lady that She will gather each Hail Mary, each flower in a bouquet as "Hail Mary's" "bouqueted" into a Rosary. Our Lady said on July 25, 1995:

# "...I wish to make of you a most beautiful bouquet prepared for eternity..."

However, not only in the next life does Our Lady desire this, but also in this life. Our Lady desires for you to pray each and every Hail Mary in this 54-Day Novena, especially from the heart. She desires you to pour out your heart in prayer. Through doing so, She will not only answer your prayers but while you walk the earth, She will make of you Her flowers of which She will present you every year with others as a bouquet before the Heavenly Father. Our Lady said on October 25, 1994:

"...Little children, I wish <u>you</u> to be a beautiful bouquet of flowers which I wish to present to God for the day of All Saints... (November 1st, every year) You and others, as individual flowers gathered in a bouquet, laid before God's throne, are attended to by the sweet angels. If Marija is so meticulous in the care of each of her flowers, forming bouquets in her room which are only plants, how much more so will Our Lady see to it that the angels will care for you and meet your needs, through this novena. Each Hail Mary in the Rosary is a "pray, pray, pray," the three mysteries, again the three "prays." When each Hail Mary, each decade, each Rosary is from the heart, all things which were impossible on a human level become possible through the accumulation of these bouquets of flowers prayed with love from the heart, presented to Our Lady for your petition. February 28, 1985, Our Lady said:

# "...Dear children, through love you will achieve everything and even what <u>you think</u> is impossible..."

Prayer works when there is no exit! Our Lady said on March 28, 1985:

# "...I wish to call you to pray, pray, pray. In prayer you shall perceive the greatest joy and the way out of <u>every</u> situation that has <u>no exit...</u>"

This 54-Day Novena begins with the Joyful Mysteries. Each Hail Mary is a closed, snow-white bud, hidden and pure as Jesus was in the womb of Mary, and then born in Bethlehem, yet hidden from the world. The Sorrowful Mysteries are opened, blood-red roses, each Hail Mary recalling Jesus' passion. The Glorious Mys-

teries are of the two, pure white roses tinged with red and fully-bloomed from the joys and sorrows of Jesus' life, blended together in a glorious, beautiful, fully-bloomed bouquet of Hail Mary's. Each Hail Mary is of great worth, great value in having your petition granted and your thanksgiving heard by Mary with joy, who wants to give you the petition you seek.

In order for you to be granted your needs, Our Lady requires your "yes," for your life to be pure. You must change your life, leave behind sin and go to frequent Confession for those things that you must conquer. Our Lady will give you strength, but you also must act. Our Lady says:

May 25, 1992

"(When)...problems arise, you say 'Oh God, Oh Mother, where are You? And I only wait for you to give me your <u>yes</u> so that I pass it on to Jesus and that He may bestow you with graces..."

With the October 8, 2000, Entrustment of the World to Our Lady for the next thousand years by the world's Bishops and Pope John Paul II, all graces are now available through Our Lady as the above message states. It only requires your collaboration...your "yes"...and what is impossible...what is closed with no exit, becomes possible and opens. Our Lady waits on you...

# BEGINNING THE 54-DAY NOVENA

### THE FIVE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

Pray before the recitation:

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then say:

**Hail Mary** 

In petition Prayed for the 1st 27 days

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I **humbly** kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses – snow white buds, closed, hiding their beauty and purity, as Jesus was closed in your womb, to remind thee of thy **joys** – each bud recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace.

O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! Thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my **petition**; from thy bounty thou wilt give me the **favor** I so earnestly and trustingly seek.

I despair of nothing that I ask of thee. Show thyself my Mother!

Pray the Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father.

In thanksgiving Prayed for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 27 days

Hail, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, my Mother Mary, hail! At thy feet I **gratefully** kneel to offer thee a Crown of Roses – snow white buds, closed, hiding their beauty and purity, as Jesus was closed in your womb, to remind thee of thy **joys** – each bud recalling to thee a holy mystery; each ten bound together with my petition for a particular grace.

O Holy Queen, dispenser of God's graces, and Mother of all who invoke thee! Thou canst not look upon my gift and fail to see its binding. As thou receivest my gift, so wilt thou receive my **thanksgiving**; from thy bounty thou hast given me the **favor** I so earnestly and trustingly sought.

I despaired not of what I asked of thee, and thou hast truly shown thyself my Mother.

Pray the Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father.



The Angel Gabriel Appears to Mary

## I THE ANNUNCIATION

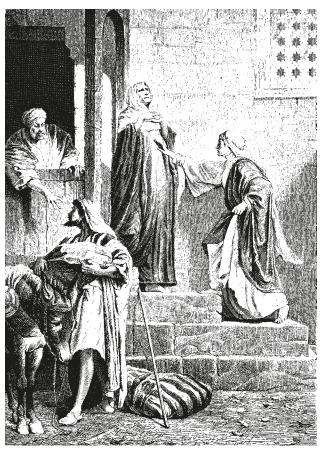
Sweet Virgin Mother, help us to meditate on the Mystery of the Annunciation. Where were your thoughts that day? Did you wake sensing one of the angels in attendance to God would visit you? O Mary, how I wish I could have been hidden in a corner to see your face! What wonderment it would have shown, as Gabriel told you the name God, Himself gives your Child: "Jesus." O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father.

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

#### HUMILITY



The Virgin Mary Visits Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist

## II THE VISITATION

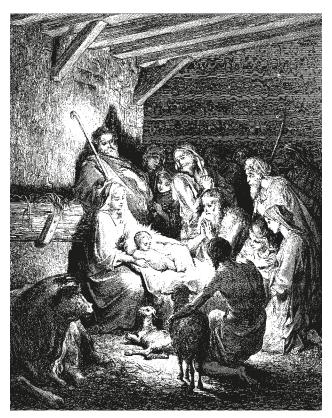
Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the Mystery of the Visitation. The travel, the sun, nature, all must have been such a kiss of grace as you went along, anticipating the happy words you would say to Elizabeth in exposing the news. I can only imagine you pondering them, how many times in your heart, rehearsing how you would tell her. Who could have even known the words you must have pondered through the hill country would be recited from your generation to this generation, "the Magnificat, the Canticle of Canticles." O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father.

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### **CHARITY**



THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOUR

## III THE NATIVITY

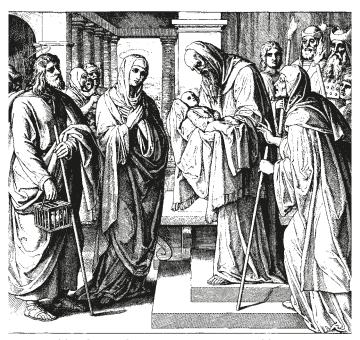
Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the Mystery of the Nativity. Such majesty, such praise of angels in the sky, a Heavenly Host staring down in praise of our Saviour being born. Who could say enough of the little Child? O Mother, take me there. The jubilation, the silent rejoicing in your and Joseph's heart, with only a few stable animals present, your Child, lying in an animal food trough, "the manger," who would become food for man. Who even today can visit it without tears falling upon the Holiest spot in creation? The glorious event, the night the Savior comes to creation. Grace us to peek into the mystery. O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

I humbly pray:

Our Father, 10 Hail Mary's, Glory Be to the Father.

I bind these snow-white buds with a petition for the virtue of

### DETACHMENT FROM THE WORLD



The Christ Child is Presented in the Temple

## IV THE PRESENTATION

Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the Mystery of the Presentation. You and Joseph go to the temple. How many you pass, who know not God is being carried near them. We can only imagine what we would have said, when holy Simeon was the first to recognize the secret in your arms. O what a breathtaking moment to know you have encountered the Child awaited for through the ages. I wish to be there. Carry me, sweep me there in your arms as you carried little Jesus. O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

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#### **PURITY**



Twelve Year Old Jesus Teaching the Scribes

### V

# THE FINDING OF THE CHILD JESUS IN THE TEMPLE

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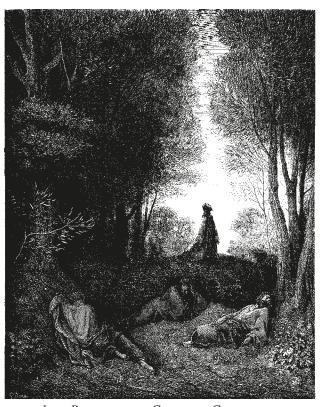
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Jesus Praying in the Garden of Gethsemene

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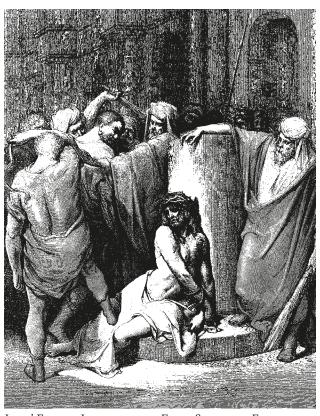
Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the Agony of Jesus. How did you cope with such sorrow and grief? You heard the angels call Him Savior. You saw the wise men bring gifts, the shepherds bowed in homage, and now they will kill Him. He, who was your little Child. O, the agony of agonies, contemplating it is enough to sweat blood. Bring me to the garden. Let me see my sorrows next to His are as nothing. Lay them on the stone Jesus wept and sweat blood upon. Make them pale and disappear next to His. Wash me, wash me, oh Mother. Cleanse me with your tears, as so often you did your little Child. O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

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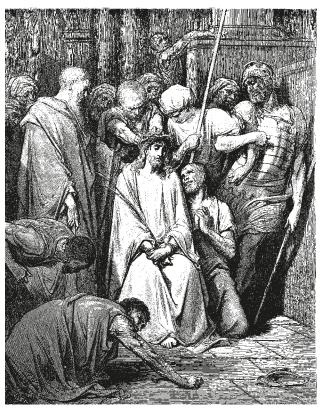
Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the Mystery of the Scourging. The pounding of your heart, the swishing of the whip, o, the thundering in your head of the two; which sound is which? They are the same. They have become one. Your heart was lashed: you could not bear it. But, o Mary, I need for a clean heart to be created in me. You had to bear your sorrows. I depended on your yes when you heard what the Child's name would be. I depend on your yes back then, now, that the scourging from long ago, would transform my sufferings, in the 'present' time. My time is a future time, lived presently, centuries from your life to mine today. Help my heart, lead me to a steadfast heart. I say yes to your yes, I will bear my sufferings. Lead me then to the pillar. I will accept them, bear them for you, for your little Jesus. O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment.

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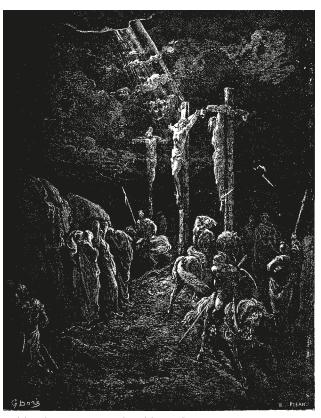
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#### PATIENCE IN ADVERSITY



The Split of Man--One Thief Goes to the Light, the Other Towards Darkness and Jesus Dies

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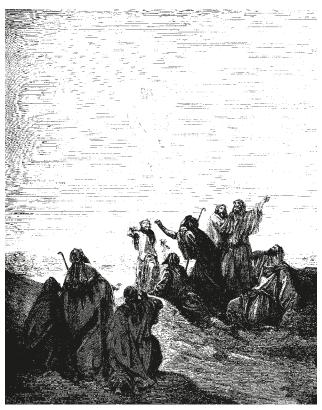
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Sweet Virgin Mother, help me to meditate on the mystery of the heart of all creation's focus. The secret held within its heart as the center of creation. Who could have imagined defeat so devastating could bring victory so exalting? If animals, even insects, can detect on-coming earthquakes, it seems impossible for creation not to be tense with awareness that its Creator was about to give the world His first heartbeats, not as the Man, but as its God, glorified. I can only imagine the silence of nature...and the sounds of the apostles and others scattered about the hills weeping. So much grief, regret, sadness, distress of hearts; and yet, creation was about to resound with the heart of its Creator, a beat all creation would dance to. Nature renewed, man renewed. I wish for renewal. Resurrect in me, Jesus, that I may walk by your side, my heart to beat a dance in union with yours. O Mary, it is your time, take my thoughts back to that moment. I humbly pray:

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#### **UNION WITH CHRIST**



The great feast in heaven--Mary is crowned Queen

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### **HOW DO I PRAY THE ROSARY**

#### THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

- 1. The Annunciation
- 2. The Visitation
- 3. The Birth of Jesus
- 4. The Presentation in the Temple
- 5. The Finding in the Temple

#### THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

- 1. The Agony in the Garden
- 2. The Scourging at the Pillar
- 3. The Crowning with Thorns
- 4. The Carrying of the Cross
- 5. The Crucifixion

#### THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

- 1. The Resurrection
- 2. The Ascension
- 3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit
- 4. The Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven
- 5. The Coronation of Our Blessed Mother in Heaven as its Queen

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son,

our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell: the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated (or sitteth) at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### OUR FATHER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

#### THE HAIL MARY

Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

#### GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

### HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

Hail, Holy Queen, mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Our Lady Queen of Peace and Reconciliation.

Pray for us. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### Sign of the Cross 1. **Apostles Creed**

- One Our Father
- 3. Three Hail Mary's
- 4. One Glory Be First Mystery

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#### 5. One Our Father

- 6. Ten Hail Mary's
- 7. One Glory Be O My Jesus

### Second Mystery

- One Our Father
- Ten Hail Mary's
- 10. One Glory Be O My Jesus

# Third Mystery

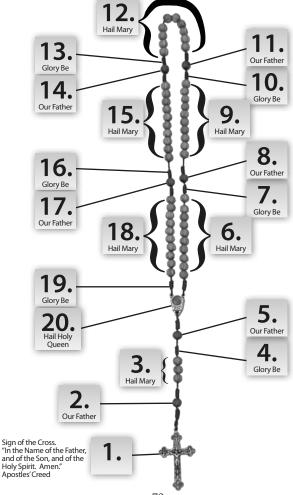
- 11. One Our Father
- 12. Ten Hail Mary's
- 13. One Glory Be O My Jesus

# Fourth Mystery

- 14. One Our Father
- 15. Ten Hail Mary's
- 16. One Glory Be O My Jesus

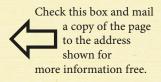
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- 17. One Our Father
- 18. Ten Hail Mary's
- 19. One Glory Be O My Jesus
- 20. Hail Holy Queen



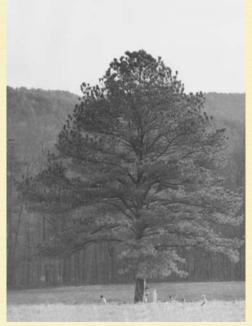
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Be part of an army of people that serves Our Lady in a special way! An army that brings loved ones back to the Church, helps heal marriages, reunite families, and helps people conquer



weaknesses and vices. An army that is working

to save your beloved nation. An army that is helping Our Lady bring peace and security to our future and to the world.



The site near Birmingham, Alabama, where Our Lady appeared to Marija (Pavlovic) Lunetti, one of the visionaries of Medjugorje on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1988. During the apparition, Our Lady appeared with 12 stars around Her head. Our Lady promised from this spot to carry all our intentions to the Father. She gave a message to Marija saying, "...I will intercede for you to God for all your intentions." Since then, thousands have pilgrimaged to the spot with their intentions. Many report receiving special graces and answers to their prayers. We strongly recommend if possible, to pilgrimage to the field and finish your last day of the 54-day novena at the spot consecrated by Our Lady where She promised to bring all our intentions before God's throne.