

Reflection of Our Lady's Message 25th April 2011

"Dear children! As nature gives the most beautiful colours of the year, also I call you to witness with your life and to help others draw close to my Immaculate Heart, so that the flame of love for the Most High may sprout in their hearts. I am with you and I unceasingly pray for you that your life may be a reflection of Heaven here on earth. Thank you for having responded to my call."

All creation bears witness to the creative power and glory of God, and, if nature gives the most beautiful colours of the year for a short time before they wither and die, what must be the beauty and glory of the Most High be like which shines forever in Jesus our glorious and Risen Lord, through whom all things came to be and who is making all creation new. The grass withers, the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever. **1Pet 1:24**

Witness with your life

Just as creation bears witness to the presence and active power of God, the sun rising, the moon at night, the stars in different degrees of brightness, the flowers, the trees and mountains and rivers, beautiful churches and crosses yet Jesus said, "You shall be my witnesses unto the ends of the earth." Just where the Lord has placed you is one of the ends of the earth God has chosen for you to witness to the beauty of His truth and love.

A flame of love for the Most High

In the heart of Mary burns an eternal flame of love for the Most High. We live in a world in some parts or ends of the earth where God is forgotten in the hearts of people, a kind of spiritual amnesia. By our closeness to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and by closeness I mean our imitation of her love for the Most High, her gentleness, purity, simplicity and goodness we too witness to others of our love for the Most High.

Have we not witnessed this flame of love over the past 30 years sprout in the hearts of all those who have come to Medjugorje, with open hearts and a humility to learn that God's ways are not our ways and his thoughts are not his thoughts.

It is good to hold and cherish those moments of grace with gratitude especially when the flame of love was rekindled or ignited in our own hearts and family members. It is also good to know and rejoice that the flame of love which burns eternally in the Immaculate Heart of Mary for God prays for us to become a reflection of Heaven and earth.

If you have not yet been to Medjugorje, maybe this is the time for you to up and go so that you may receive some special grace for yourself and others so as to contribute to the growth of love for God and holiness of the church in our times.

A reflection of Heaven on earth

One of the petitions of our Lord's prayer in the our Father is "thy kingdom, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Our blessed Lord wants what is going on up their in Heaven to happen down here on earth, especially love for God and one another.

The more we turn too, our return to the Lord, the more we, with our unveiled faces reflecting like mirrors the brightness of the Lord, all grow brighter and brighter as we are turned into the image we reflect; this is the work of the Lord who is Spirit. **2Cor 3:18**

Let us pray, O lord may the fame of love which burns in the Immaculate Heart of Mary, burn forever in the hearts of all those who believe, who seek to become a reflection of Heaven here on earth. May the power of the Most High which came upon Mary come upon the church in our time so that the witness to Christ your Son maybe be strong and bear the good and lasting fruit of holiness in your church through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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