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Jesus

I direct these words today to soldiers, in every army, in every difficulty. Dear soldiers, I am with you. You find yourself in the most dreadful circumstances and often you fear for your soul. I am with you. I have the greatest graces available to you so that you can walk through your days with me, Jesus. I see each decision you make and I understand that you are working under obedience to your superior. I am familiar with obedience. As you recall, it led me to the cross. Sometimes on Earth my children find themselves faced with situations I never intended for a person. All heavenly grace is with you, I assure you. Here is what I am asking of you. Offer each day to me. Pray for everyone you encounter in your day. Offer me short prayers such as an act of sorrow if you are engaged in a battle where others are facing their deaths. Ask me for forgiveness for every person whose life is in danger. Ask me to convert the hearts of those who are cold and those who are in a state of grave sin. Do you see that if you help me with this, I can come into even the most horrid

man-created situations with my healing grace? Dear soldier, if you are coming to me, you have nothing to fear. Do not be afraid of death. If you are one of My friends, one of my apostles, and you must know that I consider you this way, you should have great joy and peace, despite your surroundings. I have the most abundant graces available for soldiers everywhere. Many of these graces have been obtained by your family members who pray constantly for your safety. There are more angels and saints on a battlefield than you can imagine. Be at peace and never think that I have left you because you are compelled to participate in a war.

St. Augustine

My friends, we come to you in this way because you are being asked to behave in a manner that could be considered contrary to your faith. Blessed are the peacemakers. This is a true statement. And yet, you are confronted with war. Look through the past and you will see that history is dotted with wars. Jesus did not disappear or avert his gaze during these wars. On the contrary, how lovingly Jesus ministered to the people caught up in these explosions of evil. There are many special graces for the people who become immersed in such upheaval. You feel this to be true, I know. You see, there is great opportunity for holiness in these situations because you are forced to rely on Christ. When a person faces each morning without a reasonable expectation of living through the day, that person must contemplate God. The person looks away from the world, in his or her soul, and wonders what the next world will hold for them. Jesus never passes up this opportunity. Your soul is transparent to us and we wait for just such an opening. Heaven then rushes in and creates a wedge to keep your soul open. We, the saints, next obtain many blessings for

you which can flow into the opening. There can be situations during war where the devil seeks to persuade people that God is not present and that the person is condemned, given the actions people are brought to during battle. This is not true. Jesus understands battle because Jesus understands everything. Jesus does not will war. This is contrary to Heaven, always. However, there is a time when man must stand up against evil, and that can create conflict. Again, Heaven knows everything. You may wonder where you are in this war or that battle. I can only tell you that Jesus is with you. I could say it one hundred times, my friend, because this statement is such a blanket on everything we are trying to teach you. Jesus loves you. You are special to him. He created you to serve Heaven. He is sorry you are in a situation that causes you distress. Jesus is with you. Jesus will never leave you.

St. Augustine

There is often a lack of justice on Earth. Expect this. If you expect justice on Earth you will be disappointed and embittered. A man or woman of God, an apostle of Jesus Christ, should never become bitter. Jesus does not want this for you.

If you are becoming bitter, you must spend more time with Jesus in your soul. You should never separate from him, my friend, because great pain can result in bitterness and harshness of heart. Any one who has experienced war has viewed injustice. There is no justice in a child of God being slaughtered, whatever the reason. And yet, in war this happens daily. Should you become bitter because of this? No.

If you are bitter, you are hurt. Bring the hurt to Jesus so he can heal it as you go. It will be more difficult if you leave it all to build up. Jesus makes all things right. When you view injustice in your soldiering, ask Jesus to make it just in Heaven. He will do so. This is what he does, so he will hear your prayer and your request will add to the graces he lavishes upon victims of injustice. Remember that most people are doing the best

they can, given the circumstances in which they find themselves. Do not judge others. Why would you judge when you have Jesus alongside you to do that? It would be like thinking you can do a better job than God, and I know you do not think like this. Let Jesus judge and do the best you can to bring him into each situation.

My dear friend, my fellow apostle, Jesus knows you do not want to hurt others. Jesus knows this. He knows you are often afraid and that you want to serve Heaven. We are all with you in this. Heaven sees your anguish and feels the anguish of everyone around you, friend and enemy alike. Be more trusting than you have ever been in your life because Jesus will bring good, even from the bloodiest battle.

St. Augustine

A good follower of Christ always considers their death. And so we will consider your death, dear soldier. You are trained to live in a certain way. This is so that you will perform appropriately in situations where you are called to perform. How does a follower of Jesus Christ prepare to die?

Well, I must say that you should practice. Consider for a moment what will happen when you die. Your soul will leave your body and Jesus will be there. You will be brought into the light of Christ and the fellowship of those souls who have gone before you. Will you be afraid?

Perhaps before you die you will feel fear. This is normal. Accept this fear as your humanity rebelling against change. Pray at this time. Say, "Jesus, I am sorry for my sins. Please forgive me for any sins I have committed. Jesus, I trust in you." Practice this, dear soldier. Say it often during your days. You are walking with Jesus, as we said, so do not be afraid to talk to him. Tell him you are practicing for a peaceful death. He will applaud this exercise and through it will bring you great graces of peace. This is heavenly

training and makes you a seasoned companion of Jesus. Do not fear death. It will be glorious for you. It is a happy time for a friend of God's. You will experience this and you will say, "St. Augustine was right. Truly he is my friend." Ask me for assistance, please, at any time. I will begin immediately to secure graces for you. I want to help soldiers learn about Jesus so that they can face their struggles with all of Heaven at their side. Your soul must be protected, especially when your body is at risk.

St. Augustine

Every human on the Earth will die. This is a great truth. It will not change. So you are no different than any other person. Every apostle of Jesus Christ is called upon to live the Gospel message of love. You are no different than any other apostle. How can you live the Gospel?

Offer Jesus your day and let him show you. You can bring his love and encouragement to those around you. Many are in pain and spiritual darkness because they do not have his love. They have rejected him or they do not feel worthy to ask Jesus to walk with them.

Which man can say he is worthy? Certainly not I, the man who speaks to you today. And yet, I am in Heaven and I am considered one of his friends. I assure you, he considers you in this way also, and your comrade who serves in darkness is also one of Heaven's treasures.

Perhaps this person needs you to bring Jesus to him or her. Perhaps he or she needs you to pull him into the light. That is only one way you can live the Gospel. Be patient in your struggles and inconveniences. Offer them to Jesus. Jesus died

for you so you must live for him. You can do that in every little circumstance of your day. You can do it in hunger and cold, in fear and thirst. You can do it in loneliness especially because Jesus felt great loneliness on Earth.

All of these things make worthy offerings to your King. You will offer Jesus these things and ask him to protect and convert your loved ones. He will do so. It is a mutual relationship in that you are offering something to Jesus and he is repaying you in magnificent ways which you can only begin to imagine and appreciate.

Do you see that if we bring these words to others we will change even the face of war? Instead of an explosion of evil, we will have holy martyrs who have given Jesus everything, even their lives. I have told you that Jesus can bring good from everything. When I lived on Earth, I had only the barest understanding of that statement. From this, the heavenly view, I now see the extent to which Jesus will act to turn bad things to good. So be joyful, my friend. You walk in the company of Heaven.

St. Augustine

I am going to begin a special prayer right now. I am asking Jesus to give you a small glimpse of the joy that awaits you in Heaven. I am asking Jesus to grant this to you because I want you to be filled with hope and peace.

When you experience the smallest taste of this joy, you walk differently through each moment. Sit quietly as Jesus places this in your heart. You know he is with you. You feel him in your soul. Ask him to come into your soul and remain with you. Jesus, in his mercy and love, will not refuse such an invitation. If you have worries about acts you have committed, tell Jesus you are sorry for having offended him and then confess these things if you can.

Receive his forgiveness and then walk away from these sins. Jesus does not want you to be saddened by the past. He wants you to be joyful about the future and peaceful in the present. There is nothing for you to fear. Heaven awaits you. While you remain on Earth, waiting for the heavenly summons, try to bring as many people to Jesus as possible, even if only in the silence of

your heart. This makes him so happy, my friend. Each apostle has certain little ways he can serve in each day. These opportunities to serve Heaven bring Jesus back into the world. If we have more apostles, the return of Jesus will come sooner and more powerfully. The suffering will be of shorter duration. Someone cared enough about you to give you this heavenly encouragement. Do the same for someone else. Bring us to Earth each day, all day. All of Heaven will rejoice as you seek our help. This shows God the Father that people on Earth have not rejected him. This shows our God that souls on Earth love him and seek him and desire his help. God will reward you as he rewards each loyal apostle. The Earth will become lighter and lighter as the darkness recedes. Now I am with you and I love you. Ask me to obtain great courage for you and I will. Ask me for any kind of help you need. I will get it for you.

Blessed Mother

My sons, my daughters, you are soldiers on Earth. I understand. But you are also my little children and I love you. A mother rejects any suffering for her children, and yet a mother knows suffering will come to them. Remember that I am with you, as all of Heaven is with you.

Speak to us often and we will help you make decisions. I can help bring you to Jesus in your soul. This is what I do best because nobody knows the heart of a son like a mother. Jesus is all good. He is all love. He is filled with forgiveness.

You must never think that you cannot approach him because you are sinful. All people are sinful, but Jesus forgives. Heaven would be empty if this were not true and yet Heaven is filled with men and women, just like you, who are filled with happiness and peace. You will be here one day, also, and I will be delighted to have you home safely.

Now, you are heavenly soldiers, too, so do not forget Jesus. You were placed on Earth, exactly where you are right now, to serve Heaven, if only in your suffering. Place your hand in mine and

I will bring you to God. I will say, "Father, look upon this little apostle with great love, as I do." How will God respond to us? What will he say? He will say, "Mary, place this apostle here, in my heart, never to be separated from me again."

The Five Spiritual Practices

As Apostles of the Returning King, we will adopt the following spiritual practices, as best we can:

1. Daily ***Allegiance Prayer*** and ***Vocation Prayer***, plus a brief prayer for the Holy Father
2. ***Eucharistic Adoration***, one hour per week
3. ***Prayer Group Participation***, monthly, at which we pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Holy Rosary and read the monthly message
4. ***Monthly Confession***
5. Further, we will ***follow the example of Jesus Christ*** as set out in the Holy Scripture, treating all others with his patience and kindness

Three Charisms of the Apostolate of the Returning King

- ✠ Compassionate Listening
- ✠ Learning and Teaching the Catechism
- ✠ Promoting Unity in the Church

The Allegiance Prayer

Dear God in Heaven, I pledge my allegiance to you. I give you my life, my work and my heart. In turn, give me the grace of obeying your every direction to the fullest possible extent. Amen

The Vocation Prayer

Oh Mary, mother of Jesus and Queen of the Church, I ask you to bless me with fidelity to my vocation. Assist me in seeing that my service, however humble and hidden, is important to the universal Church. Strengthen me in times of trial and watch over my family and loved ones. Help me, beloved Mother, to remain faithful to Jesus Christ, your Son, the Returning King. Amen.

Promise to Lay Apostles

May 12, 2005

Jesus

Your message to souls remains constant. Welcome each soul to the rescue mission. You may assure each lay apostle that just as they concern themselves with my interests, I will concern myself with theirs. They will be placed in my Sacred Heart and I will defend and protect them. I will also pursue complete conversion of each of their loved ones. So you see, the souls who serve in this rescue mission as my beloved lay apostles will know peace. The world cannot make this promise as only Heaven can bestow peace on a soul. This is truly Heaven's mission and I call every one of Heaven's children to assist me. You will be well rewarded, my dear ones.

The Volumes
as given to Anne, a lay apostle

Volume One:	<i>Thoughts on Spirituality</i>
Volume Two:	<i>Conversations with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus</i>
Volume Three:	<i>God the Father Speaks to His Children The Blessed Mother Speaks to Her Bishops and Priests</i>
Volume Four:	<i>Jesus the King Heaven Speaks to Priests Jesus Speaks to Sinners</i>
Volume Five:	<i>Jesus the Redeemer</i>
Volume Six:	<i>Heaven Speaks to Families</i>
Volume Seven:	<i>Greetings from Heaven</i>
Volume Eight:	<i>Resting in the Heart of the Savior</i>
Volume Nine:	<i>Angels</i>
Volume Ten:	<i>Jesus Speaks to His Apostles</i>

Excerpts from The Volumes

Jesus Speaks to You

Booklet containing the messages taken from
Volume Four, Part Three: Jesus Speaks to Sinners.

Jesus Speaks to Children
and

Mary Our Blessed Mother, Speaks to Children
These two books contain messages taken from Volume Six

The “Heaven Speaks” Booklets

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Heaven Speaks About Abortion

Heaven Speaks About Addictions

Heaven Speaks to Victims of Clerical Abuse

Heaven Speaks to Consecrated Souls

Heaven Speaks About Depression

Heaven Speaks About Divorce

Heaven Speaks to Prisoners

Heaven Speaks to Soldiers

Heaven Speaks About Stress

Heaven Speaks to Young Adults

Heaven Speaks to Those Away from the Church

Heaven Speaks to Those Considering Suicide

Heaven Speaks to Those Who Do Not Know Jesus

Heaven Speaks to Those Who Fear Death

Heaven Speaks to Those Who Experience Tragedy

Heaven Speaks to Those Who Fear Purgatory

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Transforming Grace

Becoming Thoughtful Men and Women of God

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