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33 Day Journey of Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary

DEVOTION

DAY 8

“In you I have full confidence.” (Our Lady to Juan Diego)

*“If you follow the Will of God, you know that in spite of all the terrible things that happen to you, you will never lose a final refuge. You know that the foundation of the world is love, so that even when no human being can or will help you, you may go on, trusting in the One that loves you.” (Pope Benedict XVI, in his book *Jesus of Nazareth*)*

Our Lady did not need Juan Diego in order to have a chapel built. She could have appeared to the Bishop himself, and perhaps he would have believed her message sooner! Instead, Mary chose to appear to Juan Diego and give to him the task of building a chapel in her honor. When he failed twice to convince the Bishop to build the chapel, Our Lady still sent him a third time, telling Juan Diego, “In you I have full confidence.” She knew that was the Will of God! What an immense privilege Juan Diego had been given! Even when Juan Diego felt discouraged, she continued to encourage him.

Ponder when you pray

Mary had full confidence in Juan Diego to achieve the mission from Heaven which she had come to reveal to him. Remember that no matter how big or impossible a task may seem to you, Mary always has full confidence in you and wants to encourage you to fulfill God’s plan for your life. Trust in the love of God which sends the Holy Spirit to you to make it possible!



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PRAYER

Litany of the Holy Ghost (Part 4)

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, Send us Thy Holy Ghost.
Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, pour down into our souls the gifts of the Holy Ghost.
Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, grant us the Spirit of wisdom and piety.

V. Come, Holy Ghost! Fill the hearts of Thy faithful,
R. And enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful Father, that Thy Divine Spirit may enlighten, inflame and purify us, that He may penetrate us with His heavenly dew and make us fruitful in good works, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who with Thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.



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