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Message:

“My children, I have come to set my people free: To make them aware of this world’s deceitfulness and of God’s great love for them. Heed my messages already given unto you.

“Consecrate yourself, and your families to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and your families will never be turned away.

“My children, when you open your hearts and pray with your hearts, I can see all the goodness that God has given you. The goodness of God lights up your very soul.”

Note: This message is known as A Tower Message: given to Mary Constancio at the base of the Saint John Neumann church tower.

### Message Theme: Freedom, Consecration, and Interior Prayer

#### Message Breakdown:

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**“My children, I have come to set my people free.”**

#### Catholic Teaching:

Mary’s mission is always united to Christ’s saving work. She does not redeem — **Christ alone saves** — but she leads souls to Him.

#### Scripture:

- Luke 4:18-19 — Christ proclaims freedom – “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”
- John 8:36 — Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup> The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever. <sup>36</sup> So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

#### Discussion Points:

- How does Mary help lead people to freedom in Christ?



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Mary leads souls to freedom in Christ by always directing them toward a deeper union with her Son, who alone is true freedom. Her role is maternal, guiding, and intercessory, never replacing Christ but helping hearts receive His grace more fully.

1. She leads to Jesus, the source of true freedom
2. She forms hearts in humility and trust
3. She intercedes for grace and conversion
4. She leads to healing of the heart
5. She teaches obedience that frees
6. She protects against spiritual deception
7. She leads into the freedom of holiness

**Bottom Line:** In this way, Mary does not replace Christ but leads directly to Him. Through her guidance, example, and intercession, souls are gradually freed from sin, fear, and spiritual blindness, and are led into the radiant liberty of the children of God.

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**“To make them aware of this world’s deceitfulness and of God’s great love for them.”**

**Catholic Teaching:** The world offers false promises, but God offers true life.

### Scripture:

- 1 John 2:15–17 — The world’s deception - <sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or the things in the world. If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for ever.
- Romans 5:8 — God’s love revealed in Christ - <sup>8</sup> But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

### Discussion:

- How does God’s love heal disillusionment?

**Disillusionment** is the experience of losing false or unrealistic beliefs, expectations, or ideals—often resulting in disappointment, discouragement, or a sense of emptiness.

- God’s love heals disillusionment by restoring truth, hope, and trust within the human heart. When a person becomes disillusioned, it is often because expectations have been wounded by sin, suffering, or disappointment. Divine love gently enters these wounds and transforms them from places of discouragement into places of renewal.



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1. God's love restores truth
2. God's love heals wounded trust
3. God's love gives meaning to suffering
4. God's love renews hope
5. God's love heals identity
6. God's love invites surrender and peace
7. God's love transforms disappointment into wisdom

In this way, God's love does not merely console—it restores. It lifts the soul from discouragement, heals hidden wounds, and leads the heart into renewed trust, deeper faith, and enduring hope.

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**“Heed my messages already given unto you.”**

**Catholic Teaching:** True private revelation supports the Gospel — it does not replace or add to it (CCC 66–67).

**Reflection:** Authentic Marian messages always lead to:

- Prayer
- Conversion
- Repentance
- Sacraments
- Obedience to Christ and His Church
- Humility
- Charity

**Discussion:**

- How do the Queen of Mercy messages deepen Gospel living?

The Queen of Mercy messages deepen Gospel living by calling the faithful to embrace the teachings of Christ more fully and to live them with greater sincerity, humility, and love. Authentic Marian messages never replace the Gospel; they illuminate it and invite souls to live it more completely in daily life.

1. They call souls back to conversion
2. They strengthen prayer and union with God
3. They encourage trust in Divine Mercy
4. They promote sacramental life
5. They teach humility and obedience
6. They awaken love for others



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7. They inspire hope and perseverance
8. They form hearts in Christ-like holiness

In this way, the Queen of Mercy messages deepen Gospel living by renewing faith, strengthening hope, and enkindling love—leading souls to live more faithfully the teachings of Christ in every aspect of life.

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**“Consecrate yourself, and your families to the Sacred Heart of Jesus...”**

**Catholic Teaching:** Sacred Heart devotion is rooted in Church tradition and revelation.

### **Meaning of Consecration:**

- To be set apart
- Surrender of will
- Trust in divine mercy
- Christ-centered family life
- Spiritual protection
- Covenant relationship

### **Discussion:**

- What does consecration practically look like in family life?

Consecration lived within family life is not merely a prayer spoken once, but a daily way of belonging to God and allowing Him to shape the home. It becomes visible through attitudes, habits, and choices that place Christ at the center of family life.

- 1. Making the home a place of prayer**
- 2. Living forgiveness and mercy**
- 3. Centering life on the Sacraments**
- 4. Offering daily duties to God**
- 5. Cultivating a spirit of charity and service**
- 6. Creating a culture of faith in the home**
- 7. Trusting God in decisions and trials**
- 8. Entrusting each member to God daily**

In practical terms, consecration in family life is a continual offering: the home, relationships, work, joys, and sufferings are all placed in God’s hands. Over time, this transforms the household into a living witness of faith, hope, and love, where Christ is welcomed and reflected each day.



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**“When you open your hearts and pray with your hearts...”**

**Catholic Teaching:** True prayer is interior, not merely verbal (CCC 2559).

**2559** "Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God." But when we pray, do we speak from the height of our pride and will, or "out of the depths" of a humble and contrite heart?<sup>3</sup> He who humbles himself will be exalted; *humility* is the foundation of prayer, Only when we humbly acknowledge that "we do not know how to pray as we ought," are we ready to receive freely the gift of prayer. "Man is a beggar before God.

**Forms of Heart Prayer:**

- Silent prayer
- Contemplation
- Surrender prayer
- Eucharistic adoration
- Rosary as meditative prayer
- Lectio Divina

**Discussion:**

- Difference between reciting prayers and praying prayerfully

Reciting prayers is the verbal repetition of sacred words; praying prayerfully is entering those words with attention, faith, and love.

Recitation uses the lips, while prayerful prayer engages the heart and mind, allowing the soul to encounter God rather than merely speak about Him.

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**“The goodness of God lights up your very soul.”**

**Catholic Theology:** This reflects sanctifying grace:

- God dwells in the soul
- Grace transforms the person
- The soul becomes spiritually radiant

**Scripture:**

- John 14:23 — Jesus answered him, "If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.



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- Matthew 5:16 — Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

### Discussion:

- How does grace change the way we live?

Grace changes the way we live by transforming the heart from within and enabling us to live in communion with God.

It enlightens the mind to see truth more clearly, strengthens the will to choose what is good, and softens the heart to love more deeply. Through grace, ordinary actions take on spiritual meaning, virtues grow, and sin gradually loses its hold. We begin to respond with patience instead of anger, hope instead of discouragement, and charity instead of selfishness.

Rather than living only by human effort, a person living in grace acts with God's help and presence. Life becomes less centered on self and more centered on love of God and neighbor. In this way, grace does not merely improve behavior—it transforms daily living into a path of holiness and deeper union with God.

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### ✦ Summary

This Queen of Mercy message of October 13, 1988, calls the faithful to:

- **Spiritual freedom in Christ**
  - **Discernment of worldly deception**
  - **Consecration to the Sacred Heart**
  - **Interior, heart-centered prayer**
  - **Living in sanctifying grace**
  - **Transformation through divine love**
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