**John the Baptist, True Devotion to the Sacred Heart, part I**

6/23/22 (Solemnity of the birth of John the Baptist)

In the book, *God’s Hidden Victim Souls, His Army for the Great Battle that has Begun,* the Sacred Heart is mentioned 81 times.

I feel it is significant this year that the Solemnity of the birth of John the Baptist is the day before the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. **John the Baptist was a man after Jesus’ own heart.** Jesus said of him, “There has not appeared on earth a man born of woman greater than John the Baptist.” (Mt11:11)

Coming to know John the Baptist through Scripture teaches us what true devotion to the Sacred Heart is all about. In this teaching, we will compare the virtues of John the Baptist as a man after Jesus’ own heart with the words of the Lord to LC and the Church.

1. **Faithfulness to his mission:**

John the Baptist is a **minister of the Word** to prepare the hearts of people, through repentance, to accept Jesus as the Messiah.

“In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, ‘The **voice of one crying in the wilderness**: **Prepare the way of the Lord**, make his paths straight.’” (Mt 3:1-3)

* Messages to LC:

*I seek daughters and sons to be My instruments, to be My voice in the world, but I find very few willing to leave all to follow Me.* (1/17/11)

*This is your mission, My daughter. You will be the voice in the desert crying out to My sons to lay down their lives as My martyrs for My Bride, the Church.* (1/24/11)

*You must be the voice in the wilderness preparing the path for My Mother. You must extend the carpet of victim souls.* (7/15/11)

*You must have* ***the courage to proclaim My voice*** *from the hilltops, for you do not understand how short the time is. The time is at hand for My prophets to reveal themselves. Yes, proclaim My voice on your website.* (8/10/11)

*This morning your God desires to make a promise to My family. You are My people because you have listened to the voice of your God and heeded My words.* (3/16/12)

*Your mission is to raise up My victim souls for this decisive battle. If you do not respond to this desire of My Sacred Heart, you will have forsaken Me.* (4/30/12)

*My little one, you are preparing the way for My Second Coming. It is My hidden martyrs of love, crucified through Me, with Me, and in Me, that will usher in the reign of My Kingdom on earth.* (1/11/18)

*My daughter, you will satisfy My thirst for your love as My spouse as you lay down your life for the mission I have placed in your heart. This mission is My love for humanity, for each of you. This mission is My thirst in the depth of My Sacred Heart for unity in Love. That is unity in the love of the Most Holy Trinity.* (6/12/12)

*These hearts I reveal to you tonight (this one dead heart represented many) dead in sin will come back to life through the blood of My martyrs of love. Receive tonight on the Feast of My Sacred Heart these hearts.*

(How My Lord do I receive them?)

*Water these hearts with your tears of sorrow, pray for them through the prayer of your pure suffering, bless them with your kiss of love and anoint them with the graces of My Eucharist. It is the life of My victim souls that has the power to bring back to life the dead. My daughter raise up many victims of love, for many will be lost during the time of great darkness.* (6/15/12)

*Participate in the groans of My Sacred Heart as you labor with the pains of bringing forth new life.* (9/17/12)

1. **Poverty, Mortification, Sacrifice, Simplicity:**

“Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair, and a leather girdle around his waist; and his food was locusts and wild honey.” (Mt 3:4)

* Messages to LC

*You will bring them to the Cross. They will enter through the gate of My Holy Mother the passage I have prepared for them. This passage of self-denial, penance, and mortification will lead them into the abode of My Precious Heart.* (3/25/09)

*It is only through a life of penance and mortification that the flesh can be purified.* (5/24/10) *(Bronze Wall)*

*Believe in the power of your sorrows immersed in the Sacred Heart of My Son.* (8/2/13)

1. **Humility:**

“He must increase, while I must decrease.” (Jn 3:30)

*The Simple Path* into the Sacred Heart of Jesus brings us to decrease, to die to self so that Christ increases in us, and we, like St Paul, can say, “it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me.” (Gal 2:20)

“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.” (Mt 3:11)

John the Baptist does not seek any glory for himself; he is detached from seeking affirmations to be liked, wanted, or noticed.

“Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” (Mt 3:13-14) The humility of John knows his nothingness and that Jesus is All.

* Message to LC:

My Heart is the refuge during the time of the great tribulation10/16/14

*My little one, the hour has come in which those who have entered the safety of My Sacred Heart will be protected. My Heart is the refuge during the time of the great tribulation. Many will seek protection from their governments, families, and communities. But only those souls who have responded and entered My refuge will be safe in the bosom of God. Prepare my little ones, for the great storm is now upon you.*