The Power of Intercession series, #5

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT II

How do we battle?

• Rosary – Fr. Donald Calloway:

"The rosary was forged in an age of chivalry. It is a spiritual weapon, a heavenly sword, fashioned by the hands of a Divine Craftsman. All swords take time and skill to make, but this heavenly sword required the greatest of efforts — centuries — to produce. It is a weapon unlike any other. It has the power to slay dragons (demons), converts sinners, and conquer hearts. The blade of this sword was forged in the living Word of God, shaped by the hammer of divine inspiration, and entrusted to the Queen of Heaven and her chosen servants."

Maria Elena

"I really felt very bad (suffering from Covid19), I did not think this was so horrible; physically I felt very weak and my soul entered a terrible lethargy. I had moments when I did not know what was happening to me, of physical and spiritual helplessness. How much I considered those who are dying, and I was not dying. I had a night with the souls in purgatory, my room was filled with them. I know this is a very personal experience, I comment on this only because I believe that the company of my community praying for me made those souls receive the benefit of this prayer, the Mercy of God for them. May He who does everything grant us perseverance no matter how difficult what comes to us!"

Luz Solis

"I have been admitted to the hospital for further testing... They are leaning more to a severe stenosis of the cervical spine (neck), a deterioration that is causing damage to my arm and hand. I had the episode on Saturday with severe pain and numbness of my left arm. You know, I immediately thought of Jesus and the horrendous pain of his arms on the cross, I united my pain to His for the souls that need it the most.

Then I realized what you had told me in our first meeting, that Love Crucified is about love, not suffering. I'm using this time of grace, especially today, (feast of Rosa Mistica), for all the priests that need it the most."

- Jose & Macu
- Lourdes

A few weeks ago, I awoke in the middle of the night sensing a deep darkness in one of my sons. I knew he was in danger and I immediately began to pray.

- Fatigue: Throughout the years I have learned that Jesus at times brings me into an overwhelming physical fatigue when God is asking me to battle for souls. During the days of fatigue, I am not able to do anything other than my duties of life. The fatigue itself brings me into a profound stillness of heart and silence. I feel a deep union with Christ. I have learned to enter the fatigue and live it praying for souls. The fatigue becomes my prayer. Yes, I have gone to many doctors and have had many physical exams which all come back negative.
- Suffering ALL through Him, with Him and in Him!
 - Testimony:

Unfortunately, I fail to put this into practice, this freely giving and freely receiving. For instance, I bought sandwiches for the kids and my husband the other day for lunch, which is a treat. We don't eat out much. But I got frustrated when none of them even said, "thank you." I want my family to use manners, and I have that expectation for them. To be truly meek, I must learn to give without expecting even a thank you in return.

And, when I see something in the church which I believe is offensive to God, it is very hard for me to remain silent. It is difficult for me to discern if I am supposed to speak or keep silent. I think I have a warrior spirit. I have a hard time seeing how the battle is won in this poverty of spirit, because the fruits are not visible.

- Interceding with TEARS:
 - Jeremiah
 - <u>14:17</u>

"Let my eyes overflow with tears

night and day without ceasing;

for the Virgin Daughter, my people,

has suffered a grievous wound,

a crushing blow.

<u>14:20</u>

We acknowledge our wickedness, Lord, and the guilt of our ancestors;

we have indeed sinned against you.

- Simple Path to Unions With God 3-A-4 pp.124-129

o Jesus said to Bl. Conchita: p.125

Those are the tears that should fill this chalice ... tears that I cannot find in the world! ... the ones I am looking for... those which must exist among souls that truly love Me: tears of gratitude toward Me ... tears

because of the souls that are lost... tears of love from a thirst for more suffering just to console Me!

• 36. Be My Companion of Love — Diary of a MOC. p.126

I desire to draw you into the depth of My Sacred Heart to immerse you in Love. Enter into the deep, My little one. Enter into the ocean of My mercy. Come, My little one, and be My companion of love. <u>Be with your God and Savior as I enter My</u> agony again. The time has come when the Father will turn His gaze from the world. My Mother and I will cry for you [humanity]. Who will remain faithful during the great and terrible persecution? Remain with me and collect My tears to present them to the Father. (2/15/13)

 37. I Come to Console You and to Receive Your Consolation —Diary of a MOC. p.127
(Mary) I desire for you to collect in your pure hands my tears of blood and to unite your tears with mine and raise them to the Father as one with the Blood of my Son.

Sometimes we may lose a battle – wounded soldiers

- When we doubt or react with anger, resentment, frustration, etc., we lose the battle. We need to battle always with our 5 stones as one with the Sword of the Spirit for only LOVE has the power to win against the forces of Satan.
- If we've been wounded in battle, we need to RECUPERATE through REPENTANCE

Suffering > self-knowledge > repentance > transformation

More messages concerning the SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

• 3/26/13 Holy Week

My little one, the time has come. The principalities of darkness will consume the face of the earth. Jerusalem will weep, for she failed to recognize the time of her visitation. All will suffer; many will be lost. It is time for you to get up and walk with Me, for I have prepared you to enter this battle. You will hold tight the sword I have placed in your hands. This is the sword that Satan fears; My sword of righteousness.

(I asked the Lord how I am going to fight in this battle... I do not understand what these words mean...)

In the same way I conquered this battle, through the power of the Cross. My Cross is the sword of righteousness and everyone that enters in it (conquers) with the power of God.

• 12/28/14

I felt these words from the Lord as the ending of the Path in the section of the Sacred Heart:

Some saints received the stigmata with the physical pain of the nail wounds, but ALL My saints were crucified with Me through My nails mystically. The mystical crucifixion is no less real and painful as the physical one, just as the white martyrdom is no less real and painful as the red martyrdom. <u>Unity in the Holy Trinity is the fruit of becoming one with Me in My crucifixion, for this is perfect love. The ecstasy of the love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit transforms the pain into the Sword of the Spirit that pierces the darkness of Satan. This union of Love is achieved by few because of lack of perseverance and self-less love. One saint that becomes one with Me in My crucified love has the power to transform an entire society. <u>I am raising up My saints for the decisive times at hand to fight My holy war and usher in the era of peace.</u></u>