**Courage and Fear**

Part 2

1/19/23

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**Courage, obedience, and fear are interwoven.**

Courage means being able to overcome fear to pursue the greater good. This is the opposite of being fearless, for the fearless person can never be brave.

St. Thomas Aquinas holds that courage is not the absence of fear. Rather, it is the ability to overcome fear. It is the strength of character to persevere in doing the right things despite being afraid.

Jesus teaches us how He lived in perfect love and obedience to His Father’s will by moving through His fears with courage.

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“My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.” Mt 26:39

*The Dolorous Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ* by Anne Catherine Emmerich p.108

*When our Redeemer, on Mt Olivet, was pleased to experience and overcome that violent repugnance of human nature to suffering and death which constitutes a portion of all sufferings, the tempter was permitted to do to him what he does to all men who desire to sacrifice themselves in a holy cause….*

*….a succession of new and terrifying visions were presented before His eyes, and that feeling of doubt and anxiety which a man on the point of making some great sacrifice always experiences, arose in the soul of our Lord, as He asked Himself the tremendous question: ‘And what good will result from this sacrifice?’*

**Attentive to our hearts to know (self-knowledge) our fears**

The Latin root of the word "courage" is “cor,” which refers to the heart, a symbol of love. Courage without love is simply not courage.

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love.” 1 Jn 4:18

Through the *Simple Path,* Jesus brings us into our hearts to discover ourselves and Christ. In the 2nd nail of crucifixion, He makes us attentive to our emotions. Fear is one of our emotions. Therefore, in order to have courage, we must know our fears. As long as our fears remain hidden from us, Satan will control and oppress us through them. It is only when we come face-to-face with our fears and process them, gazing at Jesus, that they seize to paralyze us. Facing our wounds, disorders, desires, lies, sin patterns, attachments and emotions is the first level of courage.

*…the gaze of My mercy is a two-edged sword cutting through the darkness of sin in every human heart. The gaze of mercy is the penetrating love of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It reveals all that is hidden that must come to the light of your consciousness. This is how a soul is made pure…*11/29/19

To grow in perfect love, which is filial love, we must allow the Sword of the Spirit to penetrate our hearts and expose our true selves. Only then can we be courageous and obedient.

*Fear in the hearts of the multitude has come to light. This fear reveals the lack of love for Me in the hearts of the vast majority of souls, a love rooted in humility, intimacy, purity, abandonment, trust, and selflessness; therefore, the thief came unexpectedly and was able to enter their homes (hearts) and darken their souls not to recognize the signs of the times. (*Jesus spoke these words during the pandemic.) 11/21/21

Of the cardinal virtues, St. Thomas Aquinas stresses the importance of courage. Without courage, we cannot be consistently moral or good. We can succumb to our many fears – the fear of being judged, misunderstood, losing our reputation, fired, lonely, abandoned, hurt or injured, or even the fear of being killed.

The Lord asked us an important question in a message from 2/24/11:

*Will you continue to love and be faithful to My mission when you are persecuted and misunderstood many times by those closest to you?*

A few months later, in 2011, He asked us more questions to make us aware of the courage we will need to follow Him and remain faithful to the mission:

*Will you be My follower? Will you remain united to your Love Crucified till the end? Will you continue to abandon all your plans, desires, and life, to trust completely in Me? Will you allow Me to make you one with the Victim of Love—misunderstood, condemned, ridiculed, rejected, betrayed, humiliated?... preach victimhood in Me with all the passion of your heart, and do not be afraid to be misunderstood by many.*4/20/11

The Lord has been forming us in obedience and courage from the beginning. He continuously has told us that we will have to confront being misunderstood, rejected, and ridiculed:

*As My prophet of these times, you are called to live as ONE with Me, My interior crucifixion, the martyrdom of My precious Heart. As you speak My words with zeal and conviction, you will be misunderstood, ridiculed, mocked, rejected, betrayed... The fury and anger of Satan will be unleashed towards you and LC. Will you persevere in love? Will you persevere in humility and tenderness, or will you forsake Me?*1/9/12

In the article, *With courage, our moral convictions become moral actions,* Erin Cordle states:

What distinguishes courageous people is not necessarily their beliefs but their willingness to act on their beliefs in the face of opposition, ridicule, danger, and fear. Being afraid is part of the human condition. Courage enables us to translate our moral convictions into action, despite being afraid.[[1]](#footnote-1)

Our Lord explains it clearly when He says:

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**Courage is the act of obedience to God’s Will**

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**What is God’s Will for every MOC and MC that requires courage?**

1. **We are called as prophets to be His voice:**

* *My daughter, few will listen, but you are called to be My voice in this wilderness.*7/6/11
* 7/15/11

Only purified love can win this battle and bring forth My peace

*…You must be willing to be My prophets for these times. Satan will try to silence your voice because it is My voice, but you must persevere with zeal and humility. Do not fear to speak the truth of the sin in the hearts of My people with courage and love and call them to repentance at My crucified feet… You must be the voice in the wilderness preparing the path for My Mother. You must extend the carpet of victim souls.*

* 8/10/11

Raise up My martyrs of love for the decisive battle

*…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… Have courage, My daughter, to die as one with Love crucified…*

* 3/18/12

Unity in the Trinity

*…Why do you hesitate to speak My words, which are truth and life? My words are guiding you into the fire of Love, which is the Holy Spirit so that we are no longer two but ONE in the Father. Be My voice, My little one, with the simplicity and humility of your heart…*

* 6/21/12

Teach My Path of holiness to many

*You must all now move out into the world with great boldness of heart. Boldness rooted in your belief in Me and in your love for Me and souls. Look around, look outside of yourselves and your individual families and communities and see and hear the destruction of Satan. My people remain asleep. Awaken them through My voice and* ***teach My path of holiness to many****…*

* 8/9/12

I am making all things new

*…The time has come for you and Father to proclaim to all the mission I have entrusted to you, My little ones. Do not be afraid to* ***speak the truth of all that I tell you****. The hidden force will conquer the darkness of Satan, but My hidden force must be intensified and grow. God will do great things through His holy remnant of victim souls.* ***My messages to you must be given to all.*** *It is time for My messages to be published. You* ***must be willing to be My voice and ascend Calvary as ONE with Me to be crucified. It is this obedience to My Will that will make all things new*** *in the unity of love of the Most Holy Trinity…*

* 3/2/22

Gather My Words and publish them

The Lord first asked me to read Jeremiah 42, then He said:

*You will gather My Words and publish them with this title: God's Hidden Victim Souls are His Army for the Great Battle that has Begun. This book will then be distributed for free to all people. My community of Love Crucified must do all in their power to spread the message of this book. My Words will reach the simple and humble of heart. Now is the time for My Words to be known.*

* *Tell My little mustard seed to reveal My voice to the ends of the world for these decisive times.12/26/22*
* 3/16/12

God makes a promise to LC

After reading Hosea 14:2-10, Jesus said:

*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…. I promise you, My humble ones, that as the darkness consumes the world, you will be consumed by the Fire of God, the Holy Spirit. You will be the first fruits of the new Pentecost. Be at peace, for I am with you…*

1. **We are called to live and teach the *Simple Path* with courage:**

* 10/20/12

Feast of St Paul of the Cross

Do not let the thief catch you unprepared

Message for LC

*…Complete My Path and, as My* ***Heralds of Hope*** *teach it from the housetops. This is your mission. Respond with great zeal and courage of heart, as My warriors of love, for these decisive times.*

* 10/30/12

Prepare the way for the Lord

*Be My voice in the desert crying out, “Prepare the way for the Lord… Speak with the courage that has been given to you the desires of My Heart. The Path is the treasure of heaven entrusted to you to form many pure victim souls, saints, to prepare the way for My coming.*

1. **God’s Will is for us to persevere with courage living as His hidden victim souls BELIEVING we are saving countless souls and preparing the way for the triumph of the Immaculate heart of Mary and the new Pentecost with the Eucharistic Reign of Jesus:**

* 12/14/11

Perfection in virtue- obedience, faith

*…You will heal, restore, and form many to become My hidden martyrs of love that will defeat Satan and bring forth the reign of the Holy Spirit through the reign of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is the reign of the Trinity through the reign of My crucified love in every heart...*

* 8/6/17

Great triumph accomplished through the hidden force of God

*…Respond by suffering all with Me in My sacrifice of love. Respond with courage and zeal, believing that God has chosen you to participate in the triumph of My crucified love to save the world…*

* 8/15/21

Feast of the Assumption, my consecration to Mary and the Holy Spirit

*…Stand firm against the great deception of Satan; speak the truth as it is revealed to you with courage, and be steadfast in your mission and identity…*

1. **God’s Will is for us to suffer courageously as His warriors during the time of great destruction:**

* 4/7/22

The time of destruction that must come for the salvation of the world

Words from Jesus given to the LC Community during our cenacle rosary:

*My little one, the world is about to be shaken to its core. My people will be wailing and in distress. Will you, My community, My people, remain faithful to Me, or will you abandon Me too? I have formed you to be My warriors for these times. I have formed you in My Sacred Heart to trust Me when the multitudes enter distress. Keep your eyes on Me as Mary did.* ***Be ready to suffer as one with Me with courage and in peace because you have come to know Me and believe in the triumph of My Cross.*** *Be ready for the time of destruction that must come for the salvation of the world. Receive My words as your source of strength and consolation during this most difficult time. I will remain faithful to each of you. Trust in all that I have spoken to you. Remain in My peace through silence and prayer. Continue praying intensely for the salvation of countless souls. Your prayers are saving souls. Thank you for responding to My call. Your reward will be great in heaven.*

Pope John-Paul II on October 22, 1978 said the words, “Be not afraid!” in St. Peter’s Square. In his book, *Crossing the Threshold of Hope,* he explains his exhortation. He says:

It was an exhortation addressed to all people, an exhortation to conquer fear in the present world situation… Have no fear of that which you yourselves have created, have no fear of all that man has produced, and that every day is becoming more dangerous for him! Finally, have no fear of yourselves!

Why should we have no fear? Because man has been redeemed by God… In the Redemption we find the most profound basis for the words “Be not afraid!”: “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son” (cf. Jn 3:16). This Son is always present in the history of humanity as Redeemer. **The power of Christ’s Cross and Resurrection is greater than any evil which man could or should fear.**

*…Do you think that My death and resurrection was useless and powerless? No, My little one, I am making all things new… 3/14/19*

See also this teaching on fear:

Do You Want to be “Partners with Demons?” Live in fear, 9/22/22

<https://www.lovecrucified.com/partners-with-demons>

¿Quieren Asociarse con Demonios? Vivan con Miedo, 22 de septiembre, 2022

<https://es.lovecrucified.com/partners-with-demons>

1. <https://catholictimescolumbus.org/voices/erin-cordle/with-courage-our-moral-convictions-become-moral-actions> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)