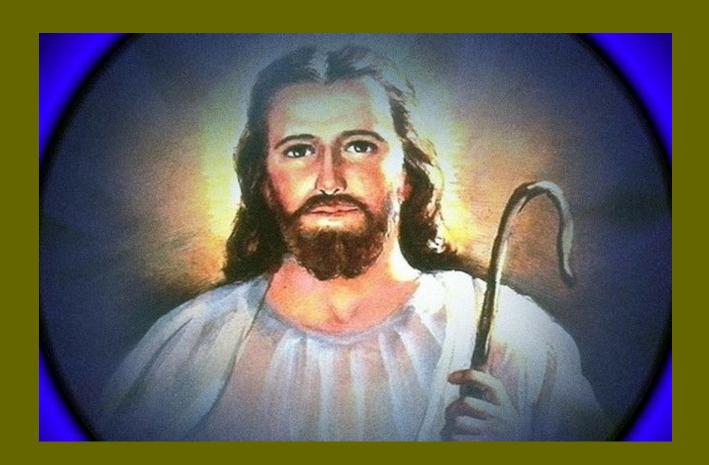


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O God, the source of Peace! I come to You. You O LORD who grant us true peace, I fall at Your Feet in adoration. The situation in my family, my sickness and worldly thinking shatter my thoughts!

LORD! I lose my balance! I long to come to You! But dear LORD! I prove to be an enemy to myself! My longings and my thoughts go way beyond me! I forget You, wanting to do it all by myself!

LORD I now realize that I cannot perform anything without You. LORD I surrender my inabilities, my shortcomings, my faults, my desires and all my plans to You. Take control of everything dear LORD and rule over my heart. Knowing that without You I am nothing, I fall at Your Holy Feet.

Grant me Peace and fullness. You alone are Permanent, Immortal dear LORD! You are my all, my everything!



LORD I implore! Cause me to be seated close to You. LORD I sit in deep meditation of You. Grant me Your Peace! ThankYou My God! ThankYou!

I ThankYou for granting me Your Peace! My God! Thank You! AMEN! ALLELUIA!

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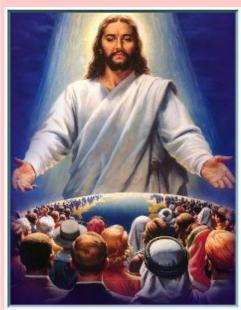
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"HE WHO CALLS YOU IS FAITHFUL."

(I Thessalonians 5:24)



Our Blessed Mother has appeared at several places in this twentieth century starting from Fatima. She very specially appears at Medjugorje from 1981 and for the past 30 years is calling all the people of the world. Just as St. John the Baptist invited all the people to conversion before the first coming of Our LORD saying, "Repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand" (Matthew 3:2), so too does Our dear Mother Mary invite us saying, "The Time of God is close at hand, Repent."

The society today has forgotten God and is in desperate search for pleasures and joys in various ways. Money, the worldly opulence, lusting after physical pleasures cannot give the fullness of peace. God alone is the source of True Peace. He alone it is who can cleanse our hearts. Today's scientific growth and worldly ways have completely forgotten that Our LORD GOD will come again.

They have been ensuared in the selfish thought that this world is a permanent dwelling place and are slaves to the attractions of the world. They forget that their mind, body and soul should be blemishless and blameless .(I Thessalonians 5:23)

The message given by our dear Mother Mary on the 2nd of April is meant for all of us:

"True wisdom, humility and goodness alone can bring peace into our hearts. This peace flows from the heart of God alone." We shall keep our hearts open to the divine Light, just as our Blessed Mother invites us to. I wish you joy!

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"ON THE DAY OF VISITATION..." (I Peter 2:12)



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The first of the twelve apostles of Our LORD was Peter. It is a historical fact that in the year 64 A.D. he was crucified on the Cross upside down in Rome, and died a martyr's death. The traditional belief has it that the famous Peter's basilica in Rome is built on his grave. The two letters that he has left behind for us ,have become testimonies of His teachings and beliefs. He is of the unshakeable belief that the redemption of the world could come from none other than Jesus Christ. Not only that the Son of God Jesus died and rose but he preached with emphasis that He would also come again to meet us.

"Beloved, I beseech you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh that wage war against your soul. Maintain good conduct among the Gentiles, so that in case they speak against you as wrong doers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation. "(I Peter 2:11-12)

St. Peter's teachings are well exemplified in these lines.

1. We who live in this world are mere exiles! Neither do we belong to this world, nor does the world belong to us. Heaven alone is our native land. We are subject solely to the rule of God.

Our life on this earth is just akin to living in a rented house. The heavenly abode is our permanent dwelling place.

Hence the spiritual life that is meant for the heavens alone is our Christian way of life. All that poses to be a hurdle, a stumbling block for this spiritual way of life should be victoriously overcome and nipped in the bud. The pleasures of the flesh, lustful desires and worldly thinking would attract and bind us to the earth causing us to live a dazed life. St. Peter's wish and request is that we do not get ensnared in the web of these attractions. When we lead our lives focused on the things of heaven, shunning the worldly pleasures, we may for sure be considered by many as aliens in this world. Several people might even hate us. They will scorn and deride us. There is no need for us to be scared of these people.

Our lives should be a witness, an example for the others as we live keeping the heavenly abode as the centre of our focus." Be well behaved says Peter as he tells us that we should be people who conduct ourselves properly by reminding us of the day when Our LORD would come to meet us. The day mentioned as the day of meeting with the LORD is not each one's death day. Death belongs to every one.



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Our aim and focus even beyond our death is our indelible faith that we should one day meet the LORD. Isn't it a cruel fact that we are going to die? But the fact that we are going to meet Our LORD is such a joyful Truth. Just as at this moment we are filled with such a joyful thought, Let us fashion our lives as people who are empowered and are courageous to meet the LORD.

St. Peter advices us saying that by keeping this hope in front of our mind's eye, we should bear all the troubles of this life with joy.

Beloved in Christ, that which I write to you now, is the Second letter... this is what you should be aware of in the first place...

You should know that in the end of times, there would be those who scorn, who give in to their own evil passions, and mock you. They would ask about what had happened about His coming. They would say that just as people perished from the time of creation, our forefathers too have died and that everything remains still...

"Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

The Lord is not slow about his promise as some count slowness, but is fore bearing toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance." (II Peter 3:8-9)

But the LORD's day will come like a thief. The heavens will vanish with a thunderous resounding. The pancha boothas will melt away. The world and all its actions will come to nothing. All this will disappear. Hence be steadfast and excel in the divine way of holiness that leads us to God. We should be expectant of the day of the LORD and hasten His second coming. On that day the heavens will be burnt away and all of the universe melt to naught.

We are in expectant hope for the New Heavens and the New earth filled with the justice as promised by Our LORD. We who are waiting thus, should be blemish less, and strive to maintain good relationships.

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