



Mother Mary, Pray for Us

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WORDS OF LOVE FROM CALVARY

**SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS FOR
THE SEASON OF LENT**





Who is Mary?

Blessed Mother
Theotokos
Evervirgin

Immaculate Conception

Mother of Christ

Ark of the Covenant

Our Lady

Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Guadalupe



Mary

Says yes to God
Humble
Compassionate
Faithful
Ponders
Protective
Moves in Haste
Unselfish



Mary and Jesus

The love of a mother
and a son

Albe - my heart

Hesed - tender mercy

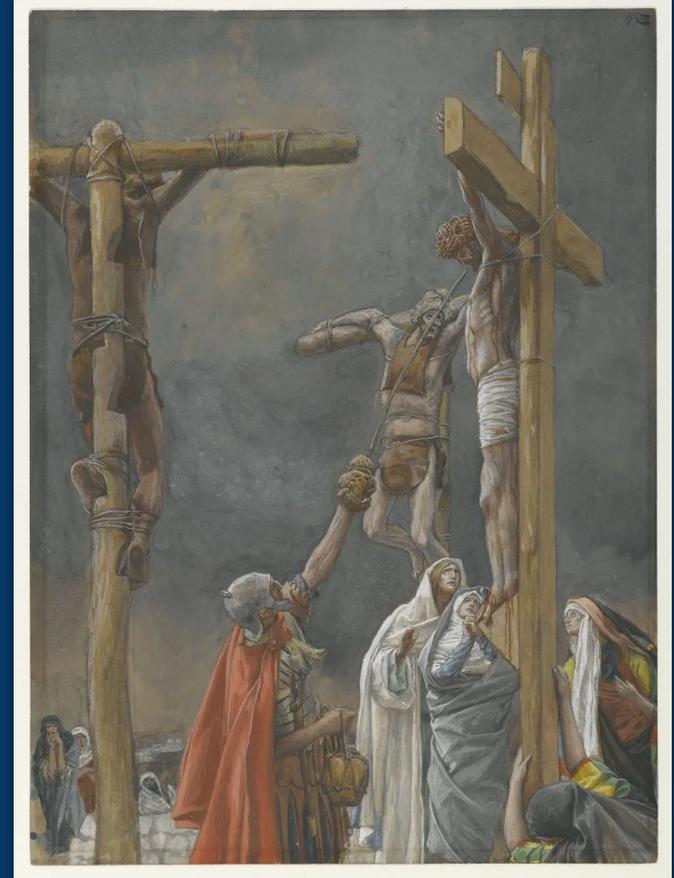
Agape Love - love that wills
the good of the other

Mary at the Cross - John 19:25-27

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26 When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son."

27 Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.





Woman
Eve and Mary
Making the Connection

Eve

- + Genesis 2
 - + Adam
 - + Cultivate and Care for everything in the garden
 - + Trees in the Garden
 - + The man and the woman
 - + Naked yet they felt no shame

Eve

Genesis 2:21-23

So the LORD God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The LORD God then built the rib that he had taken from the man into a woman. When he brought her to the man, the man said:

“This one, at last, is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
This one shall be called ‘woman,’
for out of man this one has been taken.”

The Temptation

- + Serpent
- + What is the temptation?
 - + Pride and Control vs Humility and Trust
- + Taking vs receiving
- + Results of grasping from the tree of knowledge of good and evil
 - + What changes?

God's Response to the Fall

- + Who is cursed?
- + What is God's solution?
 - + Protoevangelium
- + Life is changed for the woman and man - why?
- + Why are they shut out of the Garden?

Genesis 3:14-24

14 Then the LORD God said to the snake: Because you have done this, cursed are you among all the animals, tame or wild; On your belly you shall crawl, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; They will strike at your head, while you strike at their heel.

16 To the woman he said: I will intensify your toil in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Yet your urge shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.

17 To the man he said: Because you listened to your wife and ate from the tree about which I commanded you, You shall not eat from it, Cursed is the ground because of you! In toil you shall eat its yield all the days of your life.

18 Thorns and thistles it shall bear for you, and you shall eat the grass of the field.

19 By the sweat of your brow you shall eat bread, Until you return to the ground, from which you were taken; For you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

20 The man gave his wife the name "Eve," because she was the mother of all the living.

21 The LORD God made for the man and his wife garments of skin, with which he clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said: See! The man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil! Now, what if he also reaches out his hand to take fruit from the tree of life, and eats of it and lives forever?

23 The LORD God therefore banished him from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he had been taken.

24 He expelled the man, stationing the cherubim and the fiery revolving sword east of the garden of Eden, to guard the way to the tree of life.

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Immaculate Conception

- + What does it mean?
- + Why is it necessary?
- + Saved by Christ's passion
- + Granted to be free from any stain of original sin
 - + Different in timing and nature
 - + Mary was free from the stain of original sin
- No concupiscence

Annunciation by Botticelli



Mary

- + How is she like Eve?
 - + Without original sin
 - + Free Will
 - + Has a choice to make
- + Introduction by Gabriel - "Hail, favored one. The Lord is with you."
- + Is her question doubt?

Mary

- + How does Mary respond
 - + Luke 1:38 - Mary's Fiat
 - + Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.
 - + Moves
 - + Ponders
- + How is Mary different from Eve?
 - + Remember - Protoevangelium
 - + 2nd Eve

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ΓΑΛΙΛΑΙΑΣ ΓΑΜΟΣ

БРАК В КАНЕ
ГАЛИЛЕЙСКОЙ



The Wedding Feast at Cana

1 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there.

2 Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

3 When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

4 [And] Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come."

5 His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you."

Mary - first of the disciples

- + The Wedding Feast at Cana
 - + When they enter - what do you notice
 - + Why does Jesus call Mary “Woman”
- + John 2:4 - Different translations
 - + “Woman, how does your concern affect me?”
 - + “What is this to you and me?”
 - + “O woman, what have you to do with me?”

Mary - first of the disciples

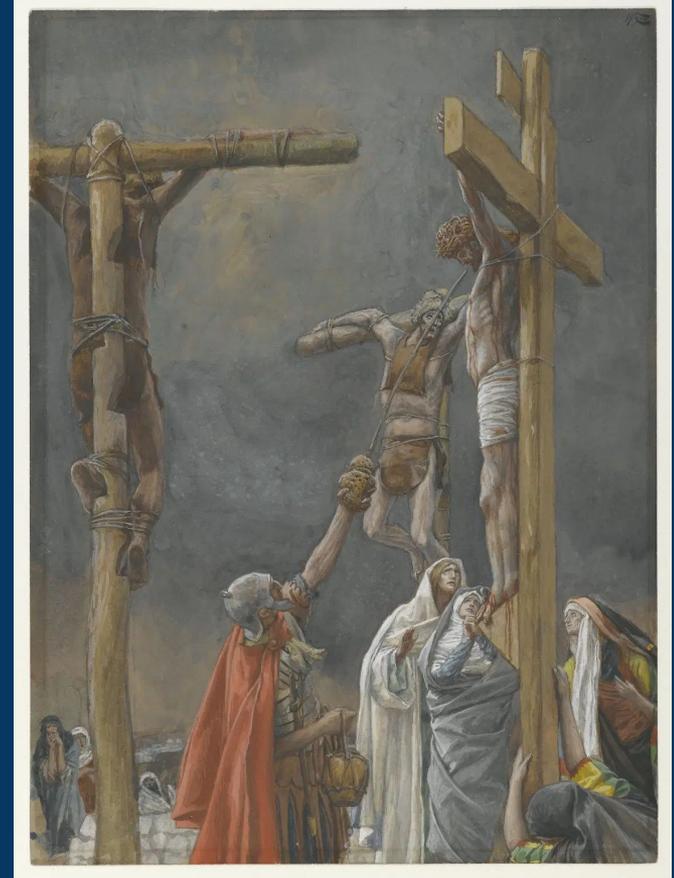
- + What changes here?
 - + How do they leave the wedding?
 - + John 2:11-12
 - + 11 Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs* in Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.
 - + 12 After this, he and his mother, [his] brothers, and his disciples went down to Capernaum and stayed there only a few days.

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Words of Love From Calvary

- + Why doesn't John use Mary's name in the Gospel

- + John is protecting Mary

- + New Eve

- + Mother

- + Why does John refer to himself as the beloved disciple or the disciple whom Jesus loved

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- + The Foot of the Cross
 - + Let's look at Jesus and Mary
 - + Agape love
 - + Mary stayed - she stayed because Jesus was her heart - Albe
 - + Jesus from the cross - saw Mary and Jesus provided for her - Hessed
 - + Jesus from the cross - saw the beloved disciple and provides for us - Hessed



Mary - our Mother

The love of a mother
and her beloved child

Albe - my heart
Hesed - tender mercy

Mary - Disciple and our Mother

- + Queen Mother

- + Ask the Queen for help - she whispers into ear of the King

- + Knows our needs and asks her son to help us - Wedding feast at Cana