

A devotion, "How to Inherit Eternal Life."

by Saint Father Claude La Colombière, SJ (1641 - 1682 AD)



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"My adorable Redeemer, I give and consecrate myself to Your Sacred Heart in the fullest and most complete way of which I am capable. I have, as it were, nailed myself to Your Cross.

I acknowledge that the yoke of Your holy service is neither heavy nor burdensome, and that I am not weighted down by my bonds. So far am I from wishing to be released from them, that I would wish to multiply them and fasten the knots more closely.

Therefore, I embrace The beloved Cross of my vocation and will bear it till my death. It shall be all my joy, my glory, my delight. "GOD forbid that I should glory, save in The Cross of our Lord JESUS CHRIST, by Whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world." (GALATIANS 6:14)

GOD forbid that I should ever have any other treasure than His poverty, any other joys than His sufferings, any other love than Himself! I will cling to none except You. The narrowest paths of the perfect life to which I am called have no terrors for me, since You are my Light and my Strength.

I hope, therefore, O my Lord, that You will make me firm to resist all temptations and victorious over the attacks of my enemies, and that You will stretch out over me Your hand, which has already bestowed so many favors upon me,

so that I may be yet further enriched by Your Blood, by Your Wounds, and by Your Sacred Heart I implore You, O adorable JESUS], to grant that by consecrating to you all that I am, I may this day become a new work of Your Love. Amen." *

PSALM 84:10-12

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CykvPkk84lE>

10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in The House of my GOD, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For The LORD GOD is a sun and shield: The LORD will give Grace and Glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of Hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in Thee.

The learned and pious Jesuit Fr. Claude was confessor and spiritual director of Saint Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque, VHM, a humble and holy Nun of the Order of The Visitation of Holy Mary.

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Together, they were privileged to receive The Mystery of The Most Sacred Heart of JESUS from our Lord, pouring forth GOD's Love ever upon His Church.

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*["How to Inherit Eternal Life." Saint Claude La Colombière. The Magnificat, 8/17/2021. Meditation of the Day, p 261-262.]