

***By the cross, God never stops drawing mankind to Him***



On September 14<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the **Holy Cross**. This tells us that death is vanquished forever and that love is triumphant. The cross is the link between high and low, between Heaven and Earth, between the love of God and the love of mankind, the infinite love shown in the sacrifice of Christ.

The cross is the **tree of life** from which we all draw strength. We are invited **to turn towards God**, He who is the source of LIFE. Our contemplation of the cross tells us that it is not only a tool of suffering but is especially the true source of life and of salvation.

Furthermore, the cross links humanity to eternity. We are desired and created by God to live **eternal life**. Our time on earth is a pilgrimage; our true home is Heaven. There, we will live with Him.

Thus we are called to a **relationship** of love with God. By contemplating the questions God asks us we grow and journey with Him. Following Christ is not without obstacles but He asks us to trust in Him. So that our mission will be fruitful, we must adjust our actions to our faith. The way that we live shows others that we are His disciples.

May the monthly meditation on our theme this year: “He asked questions. Strength of the faith!” renew our faith and lead us to our beloved Father.

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