

# **“The peace of Christ in the kingdom of Christ”**

A secret, an open secret: these world crises are crises of saints. God wants a handful of men 'of his own' in every human activity. And then... 'pax Christi in regno Christi--the peace of Christ in the kingdom of Christ'. (The Way, 301)

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Force yourself, if necessary, always to forgive those who offend you, from

the very first moment. For the greatest injury or offence that you can suffer from them is as nothing compared with what God has pardoned you. (The Way, 452)

A clear mark of the man of God, of the woman of God, is the peace in their souls: they have *peace* and they give *peace* to the people they have dealings with. (The Forge, 649)

Get used to replying to those poor ``haters", when they pelt you with stones, by pelting them with Hail Marys. (The Forge, 650)

Holy Mary is the Queen of peace, and thus the Church invokes her. So when your soul or your family are troubled, or things go wrong at work, in society or between nations, cry out to her without ceasing. Call to her by this title: *Regina pacis, ora pro nobis* - Queen of peace, pray for us." Have you at least tried it when you have

lost your calm? You will be surprised  
at its immediate effect. (Furrow, 874)

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