BRETHREN: PAUL, A SERVANT OF CHRIST JESUS, CALLED TO BE AN APOSTLE AND SET APART TO PROCLAIM (PRONOUNCE) THE GOSPEL OF GOD, WHICH HE PROMISED (CHANNELED) THROUGH HIS PROPHETS, AS IT IS WRITTEN IN THE HOLY SCRIPTURES, THE GOSPEL ABOUT HIS SON, WHO WAS DESCENDED FROM DAVID ACCORDING TO THE FLESH, BUT WAS MADE SON OF GOD IN POWER ACCORDING TO THE SPIRIT OF HOLINESS BY HIS RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, THROUGH HIM WE HAVE RECEIVED THE FAVOR OF APOSTLESHIP, IN ORDER TO SPREAD (BROADCAST) HIS NAME AND BRING TO OBEDIENT FAITH ALL THE GENTILES, AMONG WHOM ARE YOU, WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO BELONG TO CHRIST OUR LORD. (CHRISTMAS VIGIL/RM. 1: 1-6)

GIVE WORDS OF CONSOLATION TO YOUR NEIGHBOR! As the discussion continued, Joshua's eyes moved toward Marcia. He thought she was beautiful, not just physically but she had beauty of soul. She felt irresistibly drawn to him, although she could not understand why. She knew he was attracted to her, and although his eyes left her, she continued to analyze him. He was compassionate, consoling people with his words, making them feel an intimacy with him that families rarely feel. It was as if each person **belonged** to him. He answered each one's question differently, empathizing with their pain as if he understood what each needed to hear, and each one responded accordingly. She thought, "Would he mind if I came by to visit him?" She felt that he read her thoughts and blushed. But his look seemed to say, "Come!" In her heart she responded, "I shall!" Then she asked him this question: "What do you think about God?"

TO FIND ALL THE ANSWERS, *speak to our Father in prayer*, *who manifests Himself in many ways to ALL who possess Him!* Joshua thought, "How can I express my thoughts and feelings about a part of my life that is so intimate and so far beyond words?" Then answered: "Before all else **God is One.** Moses stressed this. But the Unity in God's being is not like the unity in a human person. God is not human. God is unique and cannot be compared. However, God is simple, which is a part of His Unity. His simplicity is beautiful in that it can be **manifested in many facets** and is capable of limitless expression *and sacrifice*. Every beautiful creation expresses some facet of God's beauty. Every prophet expresses an aspect of God's presence. Jesus possessed in Himself a unique reflection of God's infinite love for His people. Every delicate and powerful force in nature manifests a facet of God's majesty. The vast expanse of space beyond the stars provides a hint of the limitless comprehension of God's intelligence. And He is still more!

"God—who is everywhere and in our hearts—Whose love is like the warmth of the sun, its rays of light touching every object in creation at the same moment, giving it warmth and light, and in touching knows intimately each one's heart. The Father knows it is difficulty for us to grasp Him, so He manifests Himself in different ways to help ALL of us understand. You can best find Him if you look within yourself. The most powerful revelation of His presence and His love lies within you. If you speak to Our Father in prayer, you will find Him, and in finding Him you will find great joy. He will manifest Himself to you, and in possessing Him you will understand all else." Marcia said, "That was beautiful and easy to understand."

A man who had been listening to Joshua's answers walked over and introduced himself as Roger Silverman. He said, "I own a TV station. I would like to interview you." Joshua thought, "Would this interfere with the limited purpose of my mission or would it provide support for the work I am to accomplish?" Then he decided to be interviewed tomorrow at his house.

O GOD, WHO DID MANIFEST THINE ONLY-BEGOTTEN SON TO THE GENTILES BY THE GUIDANCE OF A STAR: GRANT, THAT WE, WHO KNOW THEE NOW BY FAITH, MAY BE LED TO CONTEMPLATE THE BEAUTY OF THY MAJESTY. THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, YOUR SON, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, FOREVER AND EVER! (EPIPHANY MASS).

CARD 113: DRAW FAITH, TRUTH AND LOVE FROM THE CROSS! A Message from the Queen of Hearts and Souls

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THE GIFT: BE UNITED ALL TOGETHER THROUGH JESUS!

Why? Speak to God, Our Heavenly Father in Prayer!



THE FEAST OF CHRISTMAS IS CELEBRATED ON DECEMBER 25TH; EPIPHANY JANUARY 6TH

ON CHRISTMAS WE RESOLVE TO BELONG TO JESUS ENTIRELY AS WE CELEBRATE THE MANIFESTATION OF HIS INCARNATION AT BIRTH. EPIPHANY CELEBRATES THREE MANIFESTATIONS: TO THE MAGI HE WAS "A LIGHT OF REVELATION TO THE GENTILES"; HIS FATHER'S PRONOUNCEMENT AT HIS BAPTISM: "THIS IS MY BELOVED SON"; AND HIS FIRST MIRACLE AT CANA. THE WESTERN ROMAN CHURCH PUTS GREATER EMPHASIZES ON CHRISTMAS, AND THE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH EMPHASIZES EPIPHANY. ALL LITURGICAL FEASTS REVEAL A "HIDDEN SACRED REALITY," APPLIED AS "HAPPENING NOW TO US." THE SACRED REALITY AT CHRISTMAS IS "THE LIGHT, LIFE AND JOY BEAMING FROM CHRIST, "THE SUN OF JUSTICE," UPON MAN IN THE DARKNESS OF IGNORANCE AND SIN" (MISSAL).

THE GIFT: JESUS DESIRES US TO LOVE AND BE UNITED ALL TOGETHER!

Why? Darkness, Pain and Crosses!



"DEAR CHILDREN: I know that I am present in your lives and in your hearts. I feel your love; I hear your prayers and direct (channel) them to my Son. But, my children, according to my motherly love, I desire to be in the lives of ALL of my children. I desire to gather ALL of my children around me, beneath my motherly mantle. This is why I am inviting you

and calling you, apostles of my love: to help me! My children, my Son pronounced the words of the 'Our Father' —Our Father who is everywhere and in our hearts — because He desires to teach you to pray with words and feelings. He desires for you to always be better, to live merciful love, which is prayer and limitless sacrifice for others. My children, give to my Son love for your neighbors —give words of consolation, compassion and acts of justice to your neighbors. Everything that you give to others, apostles of my love, my Son accepts as a GIFT. I am also with you because my Son desires for my love, as a ray of light, to bring your souls to life; for me to help you in the search for peace and eternal happiness. Therefore, my children, love one another, be united through my Son, be children of God who ALL together, with full, open and pure hearts, pronounce the 'Our Father.' And do not be afraid. Thank you" (Med. 1/2/20).

JOSHUA: A PARABLE FOR TODAY is a National Best Seller by Father Joseph F. Girzone, a Catholic priest, who joined the Carmelite order at age 14, serving Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (card 105). He died in 2015 at age 85. This series began with Ark Box 6 and card 108. To write the cards I entwine Mary's current messages from Medjugorje and current Catholic calendar events around the book to channel a hidden message. Stay tuned! The Catholic Missal is the oldest Christian calendar still celebrating the events of the Gospel with Jesus, who manifests His Spirit to us in the Eucharist. To write the parable Father Girzone asked himself: "What would it be like if Jesus again manifested Himself in the flesh and lived among us, if He again spoke words of consolation and compassion? Would He be welcomed by His Church, the family He entrusted to Peter, who succeeded to the chair of Moses? Would His family, the Jews, accept Him?" In the parable our Father sends Jesus (Joshua) to a small town in America on a hidden sacred mission. As a ray of sunlight, his work is to bring souls to life by teaching them love and unity. He is a wood-carver and the Jewish synagogue contracted him to carve a statue of Moses, which channeled a sacred message. Soon he will carve statues of Peter for two churches. If the Church—all who belong to Jesus and sincerely love each other through Him—would help Mary lead us on the way of salvation, there would be more and more peace on Earth and less and less sick souls, heading toward spiritual death! Our Mother desires to help us help Jesus give the gift of Church unity to our Father—family members who have learned how to get along through prayer, faith and works—who are not afraid to pronounce love for one another with full, open and pure hearts! Chapter 9 (Father Pat's visit ends) and 10 follow.

THE GIFT: Be united as one loving family through Jesus! Father Pat asked Joshua: "Why do you attend different churches?" He answered: "I look at all churches as one family, who has not learned how to get along. God does not view religion as structures. Where people are sincerely trying to serve Him and love one another through Him, He is with them. Each church expresses a different aspect of what Jesus taught, but none of them entirely reflects His spirit. The Catholic Church is tenacious in keeping the exact letter of His teachings, but has missed His message of freedom. He came to free us from the theological prisons that religious leaders construct for us. Faithfulness to His teachings cannot be enforced. He desires us to find Him in freedom, embrace Him joyously and spontaneously, and implore Him with words and feelings!

"DEAR CHILDREN: Today, on this day of grace, in a special way I am calling you to open your hearts and to implore Jesus to strengthen your faith. Children, through prayer with the heart, faith and works, you will come to know what it means to live a sincere Christian life. Often times, children, darkness, pain and crosses overwhelm your hearts. Do not waver in faith and ask 'why' because you think you are alone and abandoned. Instead, open your hearts, pray and believe firmly and then your heart will feel God's nearness and that God never abandons you—that He is beside you at every moment. Through prayer and faith, God will answer your every 'why' and transform your every darkness, pain and cross into light" (Med. 12/25/19 special annual Christmas message).

The Protestant Churches were wrong to tear Christ's Body apart because of their anger with Church leaders. They are just as intolerant, even though they **sincerely** try to teach what they feel to be true. There is a **love** and **spirit of caring** and **simplicity** among many Protestant Churches that the others would do well to learn. This is why I feel free visiting **ALL** churches."

DO NOT BE AFRAID to pronounce (broadcast) our Father's freedom! Prepare to endure darkness, pain and crosses! Joshua was asked many questions about religion. His answers were sensible, but considered radical by some conservatives. His practice of attending different churches was beyond their comprehension. Many had heard about the statue of Moses that he carved for the synagogue, and that he even attended their services. The clergy were troubled because of the way he freely broadcast (pronounced) his convictions about religion. Some well-placed lay people were bringing tales back to their pastors, saying he was criticizing them. It wasn't the first time gossips had done damage to his work and reputation, pitting the establishment against him. It is always this way with visionaries who are not afraid to think for themselves and dare to be different. They must be willing and prepared to endure misunderstandings and suspicion by those with small dark minds, who cannot comprehend ideas beyond the ordinary. They feel threatened because they are content to stick to the book without applying imagination to their work. Two men knocked on Joshua's door. They asked, "Would you be kind enough to attend the clergy association meeting? They want to ask you questions." He agreed to attend.

WHY? DARKNESS, PAIN AND CROSSES! God has not abandoned us! Why He sends a channel

to lead us-because we are heading toward spiritual death! On Friday night Joshua attended the synagogue as usual with his friend Aaron. The people there expressed sincere warmth toward him and accepted him. After the service, they gathered around him in the social hall, where they had placed Moses' statue. Mrs. Stern asked him this question: "What do you think about religion?" Joshua answered: "God's prime concern is for people, not religious structures, which exist to channel His Word. Leaders have twisted the law into a code that is irrelevant to man's nature, restricting the natural freedom people should enjoy. This is why many people feel burdened by religion rather than finding joy and comfort. God desires that we love Him and love one another through Him and in doing so, grow and find happiness." Bernie, who had known sorrow and pain all of his life, and was always searching for answers, asked: "Why do our people suffer so much?" Joshua answered: "You are still God's chosen people. Your destiny is still tied to God, who has used you to **channel** His blessings to mankind. But in the past, when God was pointing in one direction, your people were heading in another, so you suffered the pain of your alienation. Today, when God points the way for your people and you head in all directions, many even denying He exists, He still lets you know that He is concerned by allowing you to suffer the pain of alienation. He has not abandoned you! You are not free like other nations to choose your destiny. You belong to God in a special way; you must allow Him to lead you. Then you will find an honored place among the family of nations.