

### ***The Daily Prayer of Mother Teresa***

*Dear Jesus, help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others. Amen.*

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**Blessed Teresa of Calcutta**



"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies."

"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat."

"Even the rich are hungry for love, for being cared for, for being wanted, for having someone to call their own."

"I have found the paradox, that if you love until it hurts, there can be no more hurt, only more love."

"I want you to be concerned about your next door neighbor. Do you know your next door neighbor?"

"If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other."

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

"Keep the joy of loving Jesus in your heart and share this joy with all you meet."

"Each one of them is Jesus in disguise."

1. Mother Teresa could have ignored the tug on her heart. She could have filled her life up with other things so maybe she wouldn't hear God's call. But of course, she didn't do that. She listened and followed.
  - a. At what times did Mother Teresa make a choice in her life?
2. What happened to Father Jim while at the Missionaries of Charity in Jamaica?

3. Comparing her dedication to our lives is a very intimidating thing.
  - a. How do we accept what she did and not feel guilty that we are not doing the same?
  - b. Is it possible for us to do anything even close to this?
  
4. Regarding "The Dark Night",
  - a. How are we to explain those writings of Teresa of Calcutta which, at times, seem to suggest profound doubt about God's very existence?
  - b. Has anything like this ever happened to you?
  - c. How are you like Mother Teresa? How is Mother Teresa like you?
  
5. Mother Teresa wrote "I have come to love the darkness" (P.173).
  - a. What did she mean by this?
  - b. Is this something you have experienced?
  
6. Mother Teresa had what Father Jim called "the rarest of graces", hearing words addressed to her from God ("Wouldst thou not help?").
  - a. Are we open to God speaking to us?
  - b. How has this happened to you?
  
7. "The only real sadness, the only real failure, the only great tragedy in life, is not to become a saint."
  - a. Do you will to be a saint?
  - b. What can you do, how must you change, to become a saint?
    - c. What is holding you back from becoming a saint?