

# My Soul Doth Magnify the Lord

## 2017 Marian Retreat on “Total Consecration” by Fr. Michael Rodríguez

**Theme of the Retreat:** Mary's Immaculate Heart and St. Louis de Montfort's Perfect Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Summary:** A central theme of the Mission is Mary's Immaculate Heart, which proclaims the *infinite* greatness, wisdom, and love of God. By growing in our love and devotion to the most holy Mother of God, our hearts become like hers, and we too can magnify the Lord with our entire being--all our thoughts, sentiments, words, and actions. A marvelous way to accomplish this is St. Louis de Montfort's **Perfect Consecration to Jesus Christ, or Perfect Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

These Retreat talks begin by presenting a brief summary of the Message of Our Lady of Fatima as it relates to Perfect Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The talks then continue by presenting some foundational principles of Catholic doctrine and spirituality, which are also the basis for St. Louis de Montfort's Perfect Devotion to Mary: God, baptism, consecration, sin, dying to self, ridding oneself of the spirit of the world, the theological virtue of faith, and Mary's indispensable role in God's Plan of Salvation.

Finally, the talks explain, more specifically, the method taught by St. Louis de Montfort of Perfect Consecration to Jesus Christ/Perfect Devotion to Mary.

The conference talks each being with powerful and profound meditations from *The City of God*, the definitive biography of Our Lady by Ven. Mary of Agreda. Three sermons on “faith” are also included in this conference set.



**True Devotion to Mary is a sure, short, certain and perfect way to arrive at that union with God which is Christlike perfection.**

### **CD#1 – Fatima and the Love of God**

- 01S Call to Faith
- 02A Meditate Upon Mary's Immaculate Heart
- 03A The Annunciation
- 04A Goal and Means of Retreat
- 05A Five Words and Four Points
- 06A Three Things for a Fruitful Retreat
- 07A Centered Upon God
- 08A Holy Ghost and the Immaculate Heart
- 09A The Rejection of God

### **CD#2 – Growing in Faith and the Knowledge of God**

- 10S Our Lady and Faith
- 11B The Immaculate Conception
- 12B God Supreme Creator and Ruler
- 13B Man Must Turn Toward God
- 14B Five Ways of Belonging to God
- 15B Meditate Upon God's Perfection
- 16B The Presence of God
- 17B Refer Everything to God

### **CD#3 – God, Baptism and Consecration**

- 18C Mary's Divine Pregnancy
- 19C Frequent Aspirations
- 20C Baptism and Faith
- 21C Three Details from the Baptismal Rite
- 22C Baptism and the Virgin Mary
- 23C The World Hates Christ
- 24C Renounce, Renounce, Renounce!
- 25C Sanctity

### **CD#4 – Renounce Sin and the World**

- 26D Sacrifice and the Love of Mary
- 27D Death to Sin
- 28D Christ's Life Continues in You
- 29D Spirit of the World
- 30D Seven Holy Servite Founders
- 31D Maxims of the World
- 32D Church Infected by the World
- 33S *Do you Believe*
- 34S *Behold Thy Mother*

### **CD#5 – Perfect Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- 35E Our Lady as Co-Adjutrix
- 36E Death to Self
- 37E Knowledge of Self
- 38E First Rule of Salvation
- 39E Catholic Definition of Faith
- 40E Ways to Grow in Faith
- 41E Preparations for the Consecration
- 42E Twelve Resolutions

### **CD#6 – Mary, Salvation, and her Immaculate Heart**

- 43F Mary, A Living Tabernacle
- 44F Mary's Indispensable Role in Salvation
- 45F Sainly Quotes
- 46F True Devotion to Mary
- 47F Perfect Consecration
- 48F Merits, Graces, and Virtues
- 49F Interior and Exterior Practices
- 50F Immaculate Heart of Mary
- Conclusion

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