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"I protect you with my cloak"

We must always ask ourselves why the apparitions are lasting so long. Maybe because we happen to be at a special time when the Lord wants to save us.

Our Lady gave us Her name, "*I am the Queen of Peace*". We can therefore understand what She wants ; She has asked of everyone - Peace, Reconciliation.

Marija Pavlovic told us that on the third day of the apparitions she received a special vision - she saw Our Lady with a big black cross who repeated three times, "*Be reconciled*". So, the first important message for us all is the invitation to peace and reconciliation.

Once Our Lady said, "*Be converted to prayer. But you are not able to because your hearts are caught up by the material world.*" By fasting, in this case, we liberate ourselves and, step by step, we become freer. Prayer helps fasting and fasting helps prayer.

And this, whether we start it or carry on, is a radical move towards peace. I invite you on behalf of all the visionaries and of Our Lady with whom they talk, "*Open yourselves*". In the next few days you will receive new stimuli for your Christian life. So many have already taken up praying again, living peace, reconciliation. We pray for everyone and you, when you get home, pray for us.

Today's message was, "*Dear children, today I call you especially to help Me fight against satan by means of prayer. Satan has decided to act more vigorously now that you are aware of his activity. Take up your arms against satan and with the Rosary in your hands defeat him. Thank you for responding to my call.*" Our Lady once again invites us to fight against satan. Satan does not get weary and Our Lady invites us once again to take up our arms and pray the Rosary.

Today is the feast of St. Dominic, maybe it is for this reason that She invites once again to the prayer of the Rosary. For the last month, every Thursday, She has been inviting us to the battle against satan. She wants to protect us so that She may bring to our lives the very fruits that satan wants to prevent us from having.

She once said, "*Do not be afraid of satan. There is no need for that, since one can easily disarm him with humble prayer and with burning love.*" So with this hope Our Lady is with us.

In the message before last She said, "*I protect you with my cloak*", She did not say, 'I shall try and protect you', but She said, "*I protect you*". So we want to follow Her and go forward with her in our life.

Now, go in peace, we shall meet again tomorrow. To everyone leaving now - 'Peace'.

(Fr. Slavko Barbaric - 8th August 1985)