

# Marian Bible Study



~~May 6~~

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# Let's start with a prayer

## Sub Tuum Praesidium ("Beneath Your Protection")

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God;  
Despise not our petitions in our necessities,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin.  
Amen.

The prayer is an early form of the *Memorare* that dates to the third century, before the Council of Ephesus declared Mary as the Mother of God.

# Topical Outline



In May, we will look at 4 Marian Dogmas:

1. Divine Motherhood
2. Perpetual Virginity
3. Immaculate Conception
4. **The Assumption**

# The Assumption

Pronounced by Pope Pius XII in 1950

“At the of her time on earth, Mary was taken up – body and soul – into heaven.”

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# Messianic Kingdom



Mary is....

- Daughter of God the Father
- Mother of God the Son
- Spouse of the Holy Spirit

And....Queen of Heaven

**Rev 12:1** “A great portent appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.”



# Meaning....



Structure of government in Davidic kingdom:

- The King
  - The Gebirah [King's mother]
  - The Royal Steward [prime minister]
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- ❧ Solomon ruled as successor to David
  - ❧ Solomon's mother (Bathsheba) was placed at 'right hand' of King – she was called Gebirah [Great Lady]
  - ❧ Pattern of Rule in Davidic Line [20 Kings are listed in scripture with "Queen Mother"]

## Comparison of OT Kingdom & NT Kingdom

Old Testament	New Testament
Davidic King (Solomon)	Jesus (Genealogy in Matthew)
Gebirah (notice throne & crown)	Virgin Mary (crowned in heaven)
Royal Steward	Peter (given the keys)

Luke 1: 48 & 52 in the Magnificat:

“for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;”

“He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly”

## ➤ Obeisance:

“A gesture expressing deferential respect, such as a bow or curtsy.”



### 1 Kings 2:17-19

<sup>17</sup> He (Adonijah) said, “Please ask King Solomon — he will not refuse you — to give me Abishag the Shunammite as my wife.” <sup>18</sup> Bathsheba said, “Very well; I will speak to the king on your behalf.”

<sup>19</sup> So Bathsheba went to King Solomon, to speak to him on behalf of Adonijah. The king rose to meet her and bowed down to her; then he sat on his throne, and had a throne brought for the king’s mother, and she sat on his right.

<sup>20</sup> Then she said, “I have one small request to make of you; do not refuse me.” And the king said to her, “Make your request, my mother; for I will not refuse you.”



## ➤ Occurs 22 times in the (RSVCE) Old Testament:

Gen	43:28	They said, "Your servant our father is well, he is still alive." And they bowed their heads and made obeisance.
Exod	18: 7	Moses went out to meet his father-in-law, and did obeisance and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare, and went into the tent.
1 Sam	24: 8	Afterward David also arose, and went out of the cave, and called after Saul, "My lord the king!" And when Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the earth, and did obeisance.
	28:14	He said to her, "What is his appearance?" And she said, "An old man is coming up; and he is wrapped in a robe." And Saul knew that it was Samuel, and he bowed with his face to the ground, and did obeisance.
2 Sam	1: 2	and on the third day, behold, a man came from Saul's camp, with his clothes rent and earth upon his head. And when he came to David, he fell to the ground and did obeisance.
	9: 6	And Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan, son of Saul, came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. And David said, "Mephibosheth!" And he answered, "Behold, your servant."
	8	And he did obeisance, and said, "What is your servant, that you should look upon a dead dog such as I?"
	14: 4	When the woman of Tekoa came to the king, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, "Help, O king."
	22	And Joab fell on his face to the ground, and did obeisance, and blessed the king; and Joab said, "Today your servant knows that I have found favor in your sight, my lord the king, in that the king has granted the request of his servant."
	15: 5	And whenever a man came near to do obeisance to him, he would put out his hand, and take hold of him, and kiss him.
	16: 4	Then the king said to Ziba, "Behold, all that belonged to Mephibosheth is now yours." And Ziba said, "I do obeisance; let me ever find favor in your sight, my lord the king."
	24:20	And when Araunah looked down, he saw the king and his servants coming on toward him; and Araunah went forth, and did obeisance to the king with his face to the ground.
1 Kings	1:16	Bathsheba bowed and did obeisance to the king, and the king said, "What do you desire?"
	31	Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the ground, and did obeisance to the king, and said, "May my lord King David live for ever!"
	53	So King Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and did obeisance to King Solomon; and Solomon said to him, "Go to your house."
1 Chron	21:21	As David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David and went forth from the threshing floor, and did obeisance to David with his face to the ground.
	29:20	Then David said to all the assembly, "Bless the LORD your God." And all the assembly blessed the LORD, the God of their fathers, and bowed their heads, and worshiped the LORD, and did obeisance to the king.
2 Chron	24:17	Now after the death of Jehoiada the princes of Judah came and did obeisance to the king; then the king hearkened to them.
Jdth	10:23	And when Judith came into the presence of Holofernes and his servants, they all marveled at the beauty of her face; and she prostrated herself and made obeisance to him, and his slaves raised her up.
Esther	3: 2	And all the king's servants who were at the king's gate bowed down and did obeisance to Haman; for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance.
	5	And when Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance to him, Haman was filled with fury.

# King Lemuel Advised by Queen Mother (Gebirah)



## Proverbs 31: 6-7

<sup>6</sup> Give strong drink to one who is perishing, and wine to those in bitter distress;

<sup>7</sup> let them drink and forget their poverty; and remember their misery no more.

The Gebirah does not diminish the King's Authority - but is a "sign" of his Rule.



## The First Royal Favor (Miracle)

### **Luke 2: 2-5**

<sup>2</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."



## The First Royal Court

### **Matthew 2: 11**

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.”

# The Ark in the Temple...



Psalm 132:8

"Arise, O Lord, into thy resting place: thou and the ark, which thou hast sanctified."

Revelation 11:19

And the temple of God was opened in heaven: and the ark of his testament was seen in his temple, and there were lightnings, and voices, and an earthquake, and great hail.



# God' Divine Presence



## Exodus Ch 19

<sup>16</sup> On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, as well as a thick cloud on the mountain, and a blast of a trumpet so loud that all the people who were in the camp trembled.

## Revelation Ch 11

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the **ark** of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

**Acts 1:6** "So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?"

# Isaiah's Prophecy



**7:14.** Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign. Behold a virgin\* shall conceive, and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel.

Note: NRSVCE uses: "young woman"  
Vulgate / DR versions both use: "virgin"  
Knox version: "maid"

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## .....Queen of Heaven



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John saw the Heavenly Royal court: Jesus ascended – Mary (Gebirah) was assumed into heaven to sit with the King

# Resources:



Catechism References: CCC 964-965

Lumen Gentium: Para 53 & 63

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**Munificentissimus Deus**

[https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xii/en/apost\\_constitutions/documents/hf\\_p-xii\\_apc\\_19501101\\_munificentissimus-deus.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/pius-xii/en/apost_constitutions/documents/hf_p-xii_apc_19501101_munificentissimus-deus.html)

# Regina Caeli / Queen of Heaven

V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

V. Let us pray.

O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.