"Be Men of Tomorrow"

In her article entitled "When All Becomes Eucharist" (*Le Royaume*, no. 171, January-February 2005, pp. 24-25), Marie-Paule quoted from "*La Liturgie des Heures*", (no. 2, Hymn of the Passion, pp. 19-20).

"Do not run along paths Leading to God, without finding Him; Be men of tomorrow. Take his body as of now, He bids you to become Eucharist."

What will capture our attention is the line in the middle: "Be men of tomorrow". Of course, in today's language in which the word "men", which has always been ambivalent, is now often perceived as only designating human beings of the masculine sex, it would be necessary to add the word "women" and thus speak of the "women of tomorrow". However, the word "men" still has the general meaning of "human beings", whoever they are, as all share the same human nature.

However, what is essential is that we are being asked to be "of tomorrow". Here, Marie-Paule used that quotation in one of her main articles dealing with the Eucharistic miracle, and she used it as a basis to develop the invitation she makes to us, there as she has elsewhere, that we "become Eucharist" like she herself has become. Even if, for us, that prospect is obviously for much later. However, its far-off nature must not prevent us from working towards it, in hope and faith, "as of now", since it is necessary that we be "of tomorrow".

Furthermore, in all honesty, is not the entire Work of the Lady turned towards the future? Of course, it has been "woven" from the past (as has everything that exists, in fact), nourished by two millennia of Church life and so many examples of holiness, but that was so it would be better able to "rebound" at the turning point of the worlds and the times, and build a future that is different from all that has ever existed on Earth since the creation of humanity. Marie-Paule has told us this so very often in various ways. She insisted on this so much that we cannot ignore it.

- "Soon, it will be necessary to rebuild everything, to <u>rethink</u> and order <u>everything</u> in accordance with God's wisdom."
- "Everything will be reorganized in another way by a celestial current."
- "It will be quite different in the era to come." 1

Those three sentences, taken from sources as varied as *Life of Love*, *The Hosanna of Life!* and *The White Book*, show us how consistent Marie-Paule's thinking was. We would need to keep those three sentences constantly in mind, given that they are so important and determining. Let us allow ourselves to be equally penetrated by this ob-

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vious fact: What would have been the purpose of all of Marie-Paule's life of love if the world that is to come after this one, were not any



Yes, for her, her life of love has led her all the way to God, to being in God. But for us? It is quite simple: Marie-Paule, in living her life for God first of all, lived it, by that very fact, for all of us as well – for us in the present, but even more so for the people "in the era to come", for it is to her they will owe the new world in which they will be born and in which they will sanctify themselves. Besides, it was also by living her life to such an extent for all of humanity, by giving herself to others at every moment without ever reneging on her commitment, that she progressively "hoisted" herself all the way to within the Divinity itself.

Thus, in order to get a good grasp on the full scope of Marie-Paule's Work, we must not look at it solely with the eyes of the present, but also and above all, with the eyes of the future in which it will blossom forth for the very great joy of future generations. "In the Terrestrial Kingdom, souls will be modelled in the splendours of a God of love, and from generation to generation, they will rise ever higher and will share in the divine designs in praise and adoration." (Mother Paul-Marie, Le Royaume, no. 158, Nov.-Dec. 2002, p. 11)

From that moment, it is a duty for each one of us to let ourselves be imbued with the spirit of Marie-Paule so as to be able to instill it in all that surrounds us and thus to carry on with her Work of Love. In fact, if we remain too attached to the past – in the religious domain (traditions, spirituality, liturgy...) as in the social domain (institutions, democratic system, exercise of power...) –, it is as though we were putting a large part of the Light Marie-Paule brought us "under the bushel basket", because, essentially, it is a Light of the future, a Light of hope and change. Has the Lady of All Peoples not said in her messages and has Marie-Paule not written in *Le Royaume*:

- "And there are many changes coming."
- "You, young people, you will be the witnesses of great changes. It is the Lady of All Peoples who tells you this."
- "The paths of light will draw the young people into a <u>new style of spirituality</u> in which there will be accessible to them an ideal that can be realized in accordance with

^{1.} Respectively: Mother Paul-Marie, *The Hosanna of Life!*, p. 40; *Life of Love*, vol. XIII, p. 276; *The White Book* IV, p. 80.

their hopes."2

For, once again, "it will be quite different in the era to come." Not only different but "quite different", Marie-Paule, the Mother of the Kingdom, told us. We must convince ourselves of this. We must have a mind that is free – or at least a mind freed from the shackles of the past (and the present of today, with regard to the Kingdom, is something that is already largely past). We must purge our thinking, be able to distinguish in the old what is good and ought to be kept from what is not good and ought to be set aside. Otherwise, our hearts and souls will be too weighed down and we will remain "stuck to the ground" like a hot air balloon which is unable to lift off because it has not gotten rid of enough ballast. Then, we will be too full of everything to be able to accept within ourselves all the facets of the new world which Marie-Paule merited for us: her own mystery first of all and then the mystery of the Divine Quinternity to which it leads; the renewed knowledge of Man and of Earth with their innumerable consequences which, for now, are undiscernible but which will nevertheless constitute, in its smallest details, the world of tomorrow.

For goodness' sake, let us not reduce Marie-Paule's Work to something less than what it is in reality, for it is the divine Action in favor of all of humanity. Let us not reduce its grandeur and its richness to make it fit within the limits of the present world or our thinking of today, for it will cause knowledge to "explode" and modify our perceptions and our concepts in so many areas. Therefore, to sum it all up, let us never forget that, from the Lady's Work – assuredly after many trials and tribulations! – AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT WORLD must emerge (in the fullest sense of those words).

As for us, now, in our present situation, two dangers could lie in wait for us. Thus, let us be careful not to want to precipitate the fulfillment of God's plan, for then we would certainly be putting something of the human in it; but let

us not hold it back either, for we would just as certainly be delaying the coming of the Kingdom, diminishing its attractiveness, deceiving the expectation of the peoples who, today, are imprisoned by concepts gone awry and by perverted and dangerous ideologies.

Actually, if we want to be among those through whom Marie-Paule can guide the peoples to the Kingdom – and all the men, all the women and all the children that make them up – we must walk in front of them, bearing high aloft the Lady's standard with all the hope it embodies and the real freedom it promises. If we walk behind, if we are afraid, if all we do is try to fit in as best we can into a history that is unfolding outside of us, then we will be unable to change the direction of the world's march, but instead, we will have to share in its erring ways and suffer its destiny.

It is up to us to choose. Heaven is directing everything, of course, but it also counts on us. Most of us have had the tremendous privilege of having known the Lady, but as a consequence, we also have the immense responsibility of not attenuating the scope of her Work in all its new dimensions, of not reducing it to our perceptions which are often incomplete and even imprecise at times, but of always seeing to its full development, for it leads us to nothing less than the Kingdom of God on earth! And this Kingdom is worth all the efforts and all the sacrifices...

Do we think of this often enough?
Thanks to Marie-Paule, and thanks a very little bit to us if we accept to follow her,

A BETTER WORLD IS AWAITING OUR CHILDREN!

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In this time of transition in which we are living, at the end of the second millennium and on the eve of the third, we are at the dawning of a new era which will lead us into the "Kingdom of Earth", the Kingdom for which we ask each day in the Pater Noster: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven".

It will soon be two thousand years since Easter morning opened the gates of the eternal Kingdom. Soon, the gates of the Terrestrial Kingdom will open, something already perceptible to those who have "seen" and who have "believed".

— Marie-Paule, "Le Royaume", no. 60, April 1988, p. 15

This morning's epistle, the second letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians (5:17-21) is genuinely applicable to our times: "If, then, any man is in Christ he is a new creature. The old world has passed away and A NEW WORLD HAS ALREADY BEEN BORN... All of that comes from God. He has reconciled us to Himself by Christ, and He has given to us the ministry of reconciliation."

These words reverberate in my heart, and I "know" that they are also applicable to our times. Yes, a new world has already been born.

— Marie-Paule, "Life of Love", vol. VII, p. 500

^{2.} Respectively: *The Lady of All Peoples*, 49th message, April 4, 1954, quoted by Mother Paul-Marie in *Le Royaume*, no. 153, January-February 2002, p. 4; the Lady of All Peoples, 51st message, May 31, 1955; Mother Paul-Marie, *Le Royaume*, no. 158, November-December 2002, p. 13.