



Lead to God's Heart

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The meaning of world events from God's view is the victorious taking home of the Father children *in Christ through* the Blessed Mother *to* the Father. We must repeat it, you have to remember: Victorious taking home to the Father in Christ through the Blessed Mother. Thus, what does the Father want with his children? He wants to take them home into his heart.

This taking home should be *victorious*. Why? Where are the enemies who want to hinder the Father? Or, whose hands reach out for the heart of the Father-child?

This is first of all the devil; he also wants to get us. What does the Father want when he takes us home into his heart? First, he wants to conquer the devil. The devil reaches out for us; he *also* reaches out his hand for us.

Again, who wants to get a hold of us? Well, they say, it is the world. There are a great many people who want us for themselves.

And finally, we ourselves do not want to surrender. When the Father takes us home into his heart, it is a great victory which he has won in us and through us.

Yes, and if we think of the *extraordinary* difficulties in our time or in the life of our family, there is time and again the great Catholic idea: This is an *acceleration* of being taken home. We must consider carefully what it means. How often we say that this or that person, he or she is lucky! Yes, (what a contrast), he or she and I! Perhaps, expressed in a picture: When *my* buttered slice of bread falls to the ground, it falls on the buttered side; their slice falls on the other side. I have no luck; this and that turns out badly for me. Do you understand what it means? The heavier the cross, the more the loving God wants to take me home into *his* heart, wants to accelerate this taking home into his Father heart.

(For instance), my wife is sick. Well, physically, that is not so bad. But sometimes she is slow in understanding⁵. Do you understand what that means? What should I think now in the light of faith? Acceleration of my "being taken home to the Father." You know how difficult it is to say that in practical life! It really means much when we understand that it can be seen in the light of faith. ■

⁵ Fr. Kentenich used the German colloquial sentence: "Sie ist da oben manchmal nicht mehr bei Groschen." It means

that her mind is sometimes confused.