

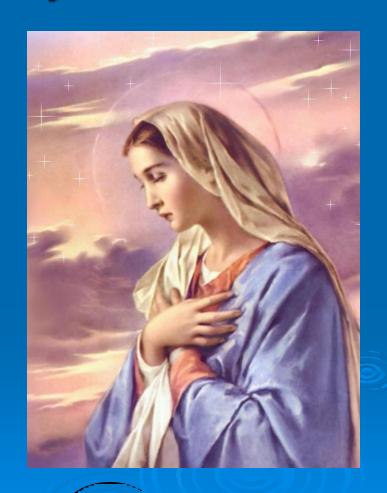
"Let it be to me according to your word."

Luke 1:38

Things to remember regarding to the "Will of God"

I need to learn how to submit to others' authority first

- St. Mary's example in submission to her parents' will and then to the elders of the temple
- "Obey them not only to win their favor when their eye is on you, but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from your heart" Ephesians 6:6



His will is my salvation along with that of others

For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our savior, who desires all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth"

1 Tim. 2:4

Our welfare here in this passing life is not His ultimate goal



☐ In reality, it is impossible to avoid suffering on our way to heaven

- "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God" Acts 14:22
- "And a sword will pierce your own soul too." Luke 2:35



He will wound and heal as far I trust myself in His hands

- "For He bruises, but He binds up; He wounds, but His hands make whole"
 Job 5:18
- The journey of the Israelites in the wilderness



- □ When I pursue my own will, then a fruitless suffering will be waiting for me
- Saul seeking after the soul of David
- Jonah fleeing from God to Tarshish



☐ His will is known from the beginning, yet His plan only unfolds in due time

- "Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!" Romans 11:33
- The example of Moses, Elijah, St. Paul...etc.







"Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" Matthew 6:10