The key to the era of peace

The Catholic Encyclopaedia, book 6 page 965, makes it clear that 'heart' in the biblical sense, can have a variety of meanings but usually directs the reader to the inner person or to the invisible inner man. Therefore when The Catholic Church, through Her Vicars - the Popes - and the Bishops united to them, consecrate the world to The Immaculate Heart, they are consecrating the world to the inner person that is Mary. Such consecrations are exceptionally important as witnessed by the fact that virtually every Pope for a 100 years has consecrated the world to The Immaculate Heart. This exceptional importance is further confirmed by Mary herself when she appeared to the three children - Lucia, Jacinta, Francisco - at Fatima, Portugal, in 1917. She proclaimed:

You have seen hell where the souls of poor sinners go.
To save them,
God wishes to establish in the world
devotion to my Immaculate Heart.

What an astonishing statement! Mary is saying - and The Church has approved the Fatima apparitions -

that the sinners of the world
will be saved through devotion to
her Immaculate Heart!!

Mary further proclaims at Fatima 'Russia will convert' and

'In the end, my [Immaculate] Heart will triumph'!

Another astonishing statement! Mary clearly states that she will triumph over the evils that are invading the world! While The Church is fully aware that it is God Who will triumph, through Jesus Christ, over all evils, Mary states the truth that God always works through His Children in His triumph over evil. Thus Mary, God's most perfect and precious child of all creation, truly confirms that she, through the Infinite Merits of Jesus Christ, will triumph over evil.

Indeed, she is saying that she, with her children, will triumph over evil, for this is the very reason why God calls for His children to develop and to promote devotion to her Immaculate Heart.

That is to say, that
the world will be saved by Mary's children, those who are devoted to her Immaculate Heart.

When we speak of Mary's children, we recall that her children comprise the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, The Church. But Fatima gives us even more astonishing data, for at the final apparition on the 13th. October the incredible miracle of the sun occurred, witnessed by tens of thousands of people, Catholics, non-Catholics and anti-Catholics - some report over 80,000 witnesses!

This stupendous miracle can not but remind anyone who reads Scripture, of Chapter 12:1 of Revelation: - *And now, in heaven, a great portent appeared; a woman that wore the sun for her mantle, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars about her head.*

This is an obvious connection which Pope Paul IV confirmed when he wrote his encyclical: -

*The Great Sign.*

We find therefore that author Rev. Eamon R. Carroll, O. Carm., S.T.D. in his *Must Catholics Believe in Fatima?* published in Our Lady's Digest, Fall 1990, Pages 35-43, reports: -

*With respect to Fatima, we may note the papal visit of Paul VI in 1967, the fiftieth anniversary, as also the publication on that occasion of one of his major Marian letters, Signum magnum (Latin words for 'the*