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The key to the era of peace

you what is already within me. Accept it from me."

When Mary is born, the mother says: "And I consecrate her with all of her posterity under thy protection, O Lord, against Satan!"

The Koran passes over Joseph in the life of Mary, but the Moslem tradition know his name and has some familiarity with him. In this tradition, Joseph is made to speak to Mary, who is a virgin. As he inquired how she conceived Jesus without a father, Mary answered: "Do you not know that God, when He created the wheat had no need of seed, and that God by His power made the trees grow without the help of rain? All that God had to do was to say, 'So be it, and it was done.'"

The Koran has also verses on the Annunciation, Visitation, and Nativity. Angels are pictured as accompanying the Blessed Mother and saying: "Oh, Mary, God has chosen you and purified you, and elected you above all the women of the earth." In the nineteenth chapter of the Koran there are 41 verses on Jesus and Mary.

There is such a strong defence of the virginity of Mary here that the Koran, in the fourth book, attributed the condemnation of the Jews to their monstrous calumny against the Virgin Mary. P

These words are supportive of other writers who have studied the Koran with regard to Mary, the Mother of Jesus Christ.

Mary has a Multitude of Children.

We find, then, that

**the two largest religions in the world
believe in fervent devotion to Mary
and hold her virtues in the very highest esteem.**

The Muslims and the Catholics comprise some 2 billion people in the world! Then there are the Orthodox Christians who also have great devotion to Mary. It is true too, that there is a large number of Protestants who hold Mary in great favour.

In fact, any sincere, fair-minded person can not do other then consider Mary to be a heroine - consider, for example, her courage in accompanying Jesus to Calvary and remaining with Him beneath The Cross!

The whole idea of devotion to Mary is pure common sense. The great Mother Teresa made this point when she summed up the matter in simple and forthright words;

No Mary; no Jesus!

Mother Teresa says so, because everything that Jesus Christ brought into the world, came through His Mother and by way of her co-operation with God. ***Behold the handmaid of The Lord. Be it done to me according to thy word.*** Luke 1:38.

The World Desperately Needs The Immaculate Conception.

The whole world knows that God holds creation in existence from one moment to the next; that only through God and His Messiah is salvation to be found. The whole Christian world knows that Jesus Christ is God; that He is Man. And also, the whole world knows that God delegates His power and authority, but also the responsibility that goes with these, to mankind. Hence, every man and woman and child, has freewill and the divine ability to recognise, acknowledge and appreciate.

To Mary - The Immaculate Heart, The Immaculate Conception, The Woman - God confirmed that He has delegated the greatest power, authority and responsibility upon her when the great Archangel asked her to become the Mother of Jesus and so, to support Him in His Work on earth; to share this Work with Him.

The astonishing magnitude of Mary's authority before God and before

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