

# Pontiff Presents Mary as Road to Peace During Homage to the Immaculate Conception

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ROME, DEC. 9, 2007 (Zenit.org).- On the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Benedict XVI presented Mary as the guide toward peace.

After having been welcomed by the applause and cheers of the rain-soaked crowd of around 10,000, the Pontiff said that Mary "reminds us that we are all brothers and that God is our Creator and our Father."

Benedict XVI invited "men of every nation and culture" to welcome "this message of light and hope": "They receive it from the hands of Mary, Mother of all humanity."

"If life is a journey, and this journey is often dark, difficult and wearisome, what star can illuminate it?" the Holy Father asked. Citing his encyclical "Spe Salvi," published Nov. 30, the Pope spoke of Mary as the Star of Hope: "On our common voyage on the ocean of history we need 'lights of hope,' people who draw light from Christ 'and who thus offer light for our passage.'



"And who better than Mary can be for us 'Star of hope?'

The Pontiff concluded his words with a prayer addressed to Mary: "Show us the way that leads to peace, the way to the Kingdom of Jesus."

At the end when the rain stopped, Benedict XVI spoke in French, addressing the pilgrims gathered in the Marian shrines of Lourdes and Fourvière in France on the occasion of the jubilee year of the 150th anniversary of the apparitions of Mary in the grotto of Massabielle.

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The fact the pope would call upon "Mary" to bring peace to the world is astonishing. No where in the Bible do we find any reference to the mother of Jesus being the Queen of Peace. In the Bible, there is a woman called the queen of heaven, but this is NO Queen. The woman in Jeremiah (chapter seven and chapter forty-four) is actually a demonic entity that the children of Israel were actually worshipping.

The Bible makes it clear that Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace. The Bible also documents that there is a counterfeit peace plan where a counterfeit Christ utilizes a queen to set up a one world religion in the name of Christ.

We must always look to Jesus Christ.