

Part II:
Discerning the Spirits
that Have Attacked the Cause of “Our Lady of America®”

Dear child, evil is so insidious that it often passes for good. The simple and pure of heart alone can detect the difference. Many good works and many a good person or persons are thwarted and destroyed by apparently good people who are manipulated by the powers of evil because they do not possess that finer sense of being able to detect a false spirit from a true one. (Diary, “Our Lady of America®, Sr. Mildred Mary Ephrem Neuzil, pg. 40 of the complete Diary, only available through the Center in Fostoria, Ohio.)

We are all subject to concupiscence, to spiritual blindness, in the human condition and will be subject to it until the day we die. It is why St. Michael is so important in this message of “Our Lady of America®” and why he was always at Sr. Mildred’s side, for Satan never ceased to attack Sister in so many ways, trying to get her to abandon this cause for Our Lady. In Sister Mildred’s own words to Father Leibold on April 12, 1956 we see this.

It seems that since the attacks of the evil spirit are becoming more frequent and violent, Our Lord in His mercy has been sending me more often than ever the special help of the angels, especially St. Michael. He has come to me many times since that day when he told me that our Lord had sent him to protect me against the powers of evil. He has become my constant companion. If I do not see him, I feel him. He does not always prevent the devil from attacking me, although at times he does. Mostly he stays in the background. Sometimes I wonder where he is when suffering and praying I seek his aid. Then when it is over he comes and smiles at me as if to say, “That was a good fight and all is well now.”

When we take Our Lady’s message seriously, Satan will attack us, too, and that is why St. Michael urges us to take up his sword to do battle against the world, the flesh and the devil. The more seriously we take the call to reform and conversion and holiness of life from within, the more threat we are to Satan and his work and the more he will take advantage of every weakness within us to tempt or attack us, which he often does through our families and those close to us, and even those who should be protecting us but don’t. In one of the visions of Our Lady to Sr. Mildred, one of a more personal vein, she speaks of the possibility of our falling into these deadly weaknesses and even sin, and bids us to get up immediately and get back into the fight for our souls.

Our Lady spoke some very wise words to Sr. Mildred on these ideas. Let’s reflect on them.

O my children, you still aren't listening. I see the destruction coming but you do not believe me. You can stem this tide of suffering if you at last do as I've been asking of you for so long. Renew your hearts, your spirits, by seeking and following the light of the Holy Spirit within yourselves and in the teaching of Holy Church. The Divine Spirit is there but you are continuing in your blindness and so blotting out the Divine Light and closing your ears to eternal truth. I beg of you to heed my voice or there will be no more time for you to turn back the Divine Wrath. I weep for you because I love you and wish, my dear children, to spare you this terrible suffering. Listen and pity your Mother. (Complete Diary, Pgs 44-45 - given in 1982-1983).

Beware of any spirit which does not abide in the Holy Spirit and does not receive power and light from Him. Meditate on this often, dear child, so that only the Spirit of Truth may abide in you and be the light of your journey to the Father. (Diary, pg. 44)

It is very clear here about the need to live deeply in the light of the Holy Spirit and with purity of heart if we are to discern true spirits from evil spirits. Our Lady says even "good" people can be manipulated by the powers of evil. Satan cannot stand humility, nor Truth; he cannot stand the Trinity, nor Mary, nor Jesus, for the promise in Genesis that they would crush his head has been spoken and God's word is always accomplished. How sad that even good people can be Satan's instruments in leading others astray. Isn't it amazing how many good people see nothing wrong with those violating copyright and trademark law and proper moral and ethical behavior simply because they have made a bigger media splash than Sister Joseph Therese in getting the information on Our Lady of America® out into the public! These people know the information but do not truly know the message! And how many good people ignore the contamination and deletion of a whole part of the message these people have done, and the removal of the vital prayer to the Indwelling Most Holy Trinity! How often we hear the excuse that this kind of activity, this kind of power struggle, goes on in the Church all the time. Have we not been told by Church officials that not one iota of a message from heaven can be changed from what the visionary wrote? Dare we believe that Our Lady of America is speaking out against this kind of activity, this abuse of power, this distortion of Truth, within her Son's Church because of its impurity and evil? One should never dialogue with Satan, for we are no match for his intelligence and trickery. We must cling to the objective Truth.

How do we come to know God's ways? God has revealed His ways very clearly to us in Scripture and in the life of the Church. He has a bias for the poor, the humble and the lowly. He chooses those whom the world would not choose, precisely because they are not prone to pride and self-glory and they are the first to admit they are not worthy of His calling nor suited to the mission He calls them to. But the Church teaches us, when God calls, He first gives the grace, the necessary gifts, to carry out the mission. God does not choose the qualified, but qualifies the chosen. The Church also teaches us, when it comes to

a special mission like the private revelation of an apparition, it is God who chooses the prophetic person, not any person who ordains himself. Let them suffer like the chosen victim souls and then decide if they still want to ordain themselves to such a mission!

We know, too, God can do what seems impossible to us, and he sometimes allows evil to test our souls, for He can turn all things to good for those who love Him. It was God who called Sr. Mildred and through her, Sr. Joseph Therese, to this mission for Our Lady of America, not only to give us the great favor of Our Lady's appearance, but to also give us in America the grace to carry out the divine mandate to lead the world in spiritual renewal and reform of life for the salvation of souls. God gave these two sisters the added burden and call of protecting the purity and integrity of the message against all error, distortion, addition or deletion.

Beloved daughter, you are not being accepted because you are a small one. But in the end all will come as I desire. Those who oppose you will receive light to understand. These good people mean well and if they are in authority it is for you to listen respectfully and obey. I will speak to them in their hearts and the Divine Spirit who makes all things clear will give them wisdom and understanding. In the end they will do as I wish. So, have patience, dear one, it will happen as I have said and those who have opposed me will become my most ardent and courageous supporters. Until this comes to pass, wait in trust, knowing that I never fail those who place their confidence in me. My Son blesses you, be at peace.
(Complete Diary, Pg. 37.)

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