OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

We have reached the end of the liturgical year with the celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ as King of the universe.

Every time we pray the Lord's Prayer, we are asking God for his kingdom to come, but it is not enough to ask; we must also work for the establishment of this kingdom in our lives and in our society.

Sometimes we Christians are discouraged because we don't see the expected fruits of our labor, but we can affirm that whoever works for the kingdom of God, whoever works for the cause of Christ, never fails because we are with him and in him we have victory.

Christ reigns from the cross, and in this mystery of love, we discover that many who followed him thought that everything was over, that their hopes had died, that with his death on the cross, Christ had been defeated.

However, this is not so Christ, through his offering on the cross, won for us the victory of salvation, and this victory will reach its fullness.

In every heart that chooses to follow Jesus, the Kingdom of God has begun, but it must be manifested in daily self-giving, in service to others, and in humble treatment of them.

May the cry of "VIVA CRISTO REY!", which many Mexican Martyrs uttered with faith, lead us to a real commitment to the Kingdom of God, to His Church, and to our brothers and sisters.

Let us surrender our hearts to Christ and ask Him that His reign may come to us so that we may find the fullness of our lives.

May Mary, Most Holy Mother of Love, obtain this blessing for us.