

**MONTH # 3 JOSEPH'S OBEDIENCE**

**Opening Prayer:** Teach us Joseph

Teach us, Joseph,  
how not to be a protagonist,  
how to work without showing off,  
how to advance without trampling,  
how to collaborate without driving,  
how you love without claiming.

Tell us how to live  
being number two ... or three,  
how great things are done  
from a second place.  
Tell us how the vast majority  
of us have to occupy  
these places.

The second places,  
where our  
true and hidden greatness is found.  
Tell us how to live with elegance  
being not important.  
Convince us that we can be  
and must be useful, faithful, effective,  
even heroes,  
being "non- important".

Explain to us how to be great without showing off,  
how to fight without applause,  
how to progress without advertising,  
how to persevere and how to die  
without receiving  
tributes or statues of honor.

How to be helpful, positive, generous  
without needing to be "important" and even more difficult,  
how to give it all, without being the protagonist,  
and despite this, feel peace,  
deep happiness, and joy.  
Teach us, Joseph!



*Reflections for the year of Saint Joseph*

with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.