

Secret Messages from the Saints

365 Cryptoquote Puzzles (Sample)

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Introduction

For as long as I can remember I have been fascinated by “cryptograms” and other secret word-code puzzles. There is something fun, exciting, secretive, and challenging about working to decipher the puzzle and reveal the message hidden within.

Unlike other cryptogram or cryptoquote books you may find, this book is more than simply a puzzle book. The messages contained within hold some 2000 years of Catholic wisdom and guidance for living our lives even to this day.

I encourage you to not only work to solve the puzzles but more importantly, meditate on each quote as you reveal it. These *Secret Messages from the Saints* can help you grow closer to the Lord and Our Lady. They can help you contemplate how God may be calling you to serve Him. Each quote was carefully selected with this goal in mind: to help you on your journey to become a saint!

The quotes are timeless, enlightening, challenging, and in some cases very funny. So find a quiet spot, grab a pencil (and probably an eraser), and start decoding these secret messages that are sure to help you grow in your Faith.

Making it Challenging

To make things a little challenging I have left out titles attributed to the individual that may make solving the puzzle too easy. Although all of the quotes are attributed to individuals who are either a Saint, Blessed, Venerable, Servant of God, etc., I have omitted those titles and/or their abbreviations (St., Bl., Ven., etc.).

Substitution Cyphers (How to Solve the Puzzles)

The puzzles within are considered substitution cyphers. Simply put, letters have been replaced by other letters. For instance, in the sentence “See spot run.”, the cryptogram

would read like this, “WQQ WOVR CXM.” In this example - W’s = S’s, Q’s = E’s, O’s = P’s, etc. (This would actually be a very difficult cryptogram!!)

Here’s another example :

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
O	O	O	O		O					O	O		O

15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	- QGDV
			O	O						O

In this example G=O. If you look at the 3rd word (LG) you see that it is two letters and ends in O. With this in mind, the word is most likely either SO or TO. So now, in your mind try replacing the L with S in other locations to see if it would logically fit. If both T and S would logically fit in you may want to look for another clue.

I typically try to find the letter E because often it is the most abundant letter in sentences. In the example code above, F is a very abundant letter like G, 11 times each. I will also look for common E patterns or locations. The code has the letter F, which we are guessing may be the actual letter E in common E locations like the end of a word or in the second to last letter location (ed, es). In this particular code my eye is drawn to the 23rd word where we see an F, another letter (I), followed by another F. This isn’t a common beginning E pattern except for words like: every, ever, eternal. So let’s try that.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
O	O	O	O	E	O			E	E	O	O		OE E

15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25			
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	- QGDV			
E	E	E		O	O	E		E	E	E		E	O

Continuing to look at word 23, I am guessing that “I” does not equal “S”. Since it most likely isn’t S I’ll now go back to the 2nd word and replace L with S.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
O	O	SO	O	E	E	O		E	E	SO	SO		OE E
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25			
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV		
E	E	ES		S	O		O	E	S		E	E	E

Those S’s look good so far. I now notice that word 12 is almost complete with SO_. This narrows it down to words like SOB, SOD, SON, SOP, SOY. Since this is a faith-based puzzle, I’ll try SON replacing all V’s with N’s.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
O	O	SO	O	E	E	O		E	E	SON	SON,		OE E
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25			
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV		
E	E	ES	N		S	O		NO	E	S		E	E

Now I see that word 19 is most likely NOT; replacing I with T. This also fits well in word 23 as I was guessing earlier. I’ll replace all the I’s with T’s.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
O	O	SO	O	E	T	E	O		T	T	E	E	S
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25			
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV		
E	E	ES	N		S	O		NOT	E	S		T	E

When placing my T's, I noticed that words 7 and 13 are the same. Both begin and end with T and so I'm going to guess that those words are the word THAT. I'll now replace all D's with H's and X's with A's.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC	
O	O	SO	O	E	THE	O	THAT	HE	A	E	H	S	ON	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25				
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV			
E	E	ES	N	H	SHO	NOT	E	SH	THA	E	ETE	NA	E	
											OHN			

Looking again at word 23 I see ETE_NA_. I'm going to guess that this is the word ETERNAL. So, I'll replace all of the C's with R's and U's with L's.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC		
OR	O	SO	LO	E	THE	ORL	THAT	HE	A	E	H	S	ONL		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25					
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV				
EL	E	ES	N	H	SHO	L	NOT	ER	SH	THA	E	ETERNAL	L		
											E	OHN			

Now looking at word 10 I can guess that S is the letter I making word 10 - HIS. I'll now replace all of the S's with I's.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
EGC	JGP	LG	UGYFP	IDF	HGCUP	IDXI	DF	JXYF	DSL	GVUZ	LGV,	IDXI	HDGFYFC
OR	O	SO	LO	E	THE	ORL	THAT	HE	A	E	HIS	ONL	SON,
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25			
TFUSFYFL	SV	DSA	LDGWUP	VGI	MFCSLD	TWI	DXYF	FIFCVXU	USEF.	-	QGDV		
ELIE	ES	IN	HI	SHO	L	NOT	ERISH	THA	E	ETERNAL	LI	E	OHN

At this point you should be able to solve the puzzle. If not, look at some of the partially completed words to guess what they might be. Word 24 is most likely LIFE meaning that

the letter E = F. If this is true, that would mean that word 1 is FOR. If you still can't get it, the answer can be found at John 3:16 in the Bible.

Hopefully you get the idea and this hasn't confused you. If you need another hint, check the hint section of the book where you will find one substitution answer for each puzzle. Just keep trying and before long you'll be solving these puzzles quickly. Don't give up, trust me, these quotes are well worth the effort

A few more hints

Many of our beloved saints are named after the places they come from or the area where they were most well known. Look for clues in their names. Many of them will be stated like this: Bob *of* Sweden, Bill *de* Denmark, Julie *de la* Nashville. They may also be listed like this Frank *the* Twenty-seventh. Also, look for dashes, apostrophes, commas, etc. to help you solve the puzzle.

Okay, I've said too much already. The great "cloud of witnesses" is anxious to watch you solve these puzzles and take their words to heart. Good luck!

All you Holy Saints, pray for us!

Puzzles

1. FEH VAMFWU HGES MA MFW HWUOGYMH, SA

TFGMWOWU FW MWRRH IAZ. - XRWHHWS

OEUCEY VGUI

2. CEAAEJ NFX OVHINO DXWVSOX NFE0X JFE

CEAAEJ NFXK JHAA NFXK0XAQX0 DXWEKX

OVHINO. - RERX WAXKXIN

3. ZMN KVEQFPVQ MFB ELLHGXBGMW

EXXMPNGWZ BM MFP WVVN. - UMCW

XCPAQMQBMK

4. GMS BHD GD PBZ? GMS ZC GD FJBAD OCZ?

DXRJP BFCLIZ RI QMD GCHJZ PC QMBQ QMD

GCHJZ GRJJ VBRJ QC PDZLND LP RIQC

JCXRIO RQ. - BLOLPQRID CV MRWWC

5. EW HS NIH IY IYXSR FRSIGRZ, HS HQPRM

MES QW URSINPGS - OGEMXSA QW NHSMSY

6. JB DICF JB JCFGH DOTGB, BLG

MICUOCQGB UI PG ULG SHQOUSQD NIULGH

IS NJCX QCLJRRX MLODWHGC. - KILC

MDONJMQB

7. EMM UILUMI ETI GLTQ EB LTFAFQEMB GDZ
JEQX SFI EB UPLZLVLUFIB. - VETMLB
EVDZFB

8. VQ XNL 'M BNKQ UZII DLCVIQOHQ NII NM
CLXQ. VQ TZFM FMNEM JG JQIPQKPLH;
MBQL NUMQEVNEOF VQ TNG JQ IQO CL MC
TNFMQE MBQ QKPOQLXQ UCE CZEFAQIKQF. -
MBCTNF NAZPLNF

9. PLR JRFUW KRECD LRECPD XS KUCR TUPL
WXFR XK VXJ. - OEPLRCUSR XK DURSE

10.AF AR MPB KPFD FM HAYL WIMTJ OMMXR;

LRELQAWHHD FM HAYL OD MTL OMMX, WTK W

YLBD MHK MTL. - UMNT NLTBD QWBKATWH

TLSIWT

11.VPET WHAOEOL WJ THDB ET LARKVRA VPKO

VPR QHABS TEOFR EV GHTRTTRT JHD, JHD

QPHW PRKZRO KOS RKAVP SH OHV FHOVKEO.

- WKALKARV HC FHAVHOK

12.TR WPGGCE OR PWWCNGERJ P WPETCIAW

HTC JCRU GCE PVMRR HAET ETR MCQPG

WTNMWT - DCDR VMRVCMS ETR URFRGET

13.ZTW WENTJAFBZ FB ZTW BJNAJIWQZ US

CUOW. FZ BFKQFSFWB CUOW. FZ MAUXENWB

CUOW. - ZTUIJB JHEFQJB

14.YV JRZ FZW IDD WOC DRPC RV IDD RV

WOC SRWOCTX YEWR REC OCITW, YW XWYDD

BRZDL ERW CMZID WOC DRPC RV WOC OCITW

RV SITJ VRT OCT NOYDLTCE. - DRZYX LC

SREWVRTW

15.XL IXH XPF TXPQCMA CF JPQ JQHU PYY

FCG. - WHYATPQW HJ FUAQGP

16.CMX LXYI YUVHG IM AVYXY HOYM PBIN
INV NVHQI, FVYBRVY INV OBUY; BJRVVR,
BJ DVQIHBJ DHYVY CMX LXYI YUVHG IM
NBL MJOC PBIN INV NVHQI. - UHRQV UBM

17.IJ OUBJOL. UPUOC FVC V WGIIWU. INGR
NVR IJ SU CJXO QJERIVEI IVRD GB CJX
OUVWWC HVEI IJ SUQJLU V RVGEI. -
TJRULVOGV URQOGPV

18.GWOUUOJ GO IRO QNHYI, CRS WSCONOJ
RYDUOWQ IS SHN QFDYUROJ UIFIO! -
OKRNFOD IRO UANYFT

19.J XKPU K NTUUG GFFGX BFZ NFCO KCM

IENJW. GXJN JN IV LFRJNX NJC. - DFXC

LKER GXU NUWFCM

20.ALT JLISJL LQN QCMQDN AQIOLA ALQA

QCC XIS YTFQFJT MBALXIA JLSBNA'N

YQNNBXF BN FXA MXSAL Q YTQ. - ALXVQN

VXST

21.PI QLM SZPBA IXLI WXLOTAB LOTARM

POIU BAEPRM; PI PM XFHPRPIV IXLI

HLJAM HAO LM LOTARM. - LFTFMIPOA UY

XPSSU

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& 3 Word Puzzles



With Hints and Answers



365 Cryptogram word puzzles from some of the most beloved
Saints, Teachers, and Doctors of the Church

Hints

1. G=A
2. N=T
3. K=M
4. Z=D
5. H=W
6. B=S
7. M=L
8. Z=U
9. J=D
10. L=E
11. O=N
12. E=T
13. F=I
14. D=L
15. F=S
16. C=Y
17. P=V
18. G=B
19. U=E
20. Q=A
21. T=G

Answers:

1. His mother said to the servants, do whatever he tells you.
2. Follow the saints because those who follow them will themselves become saints. - Pope Clement
3. God measures out affliction according to our need. - John Chrysostom
4. Why are we sad? Why do we blame God? Evils abound in the world so that the world will fail to seduce us into loving it. - Augustine of Hippo

5. If we saw an angel clearly, we would die of pleasure - Bridget of Sweden
6. As long as anger lives, she continues to be the fruitful mother of many unhappy children. - John Climacus
7. All people are born as originals but many die as photocopies. - Carlos Acutis
8. We can't have full knowledge all at once. We must start by believing; then afterwards we may be led on to master the evidence for ourselves. - Thomas Aquinas
9. The devil fears hearts on fire with love of God. - Catherine of Siena
10. It is our duty to live among books; especially to live by one book, and a very old one. - John Henry Cardinal Newman
11. This morning my soul is greater than the world since it possesses you, you whom heaven and earth do not contain. - Margaret of Cortona
12. He cannot be accounted a Catholic who does not agree with the Roman Church - Pope Gregory the Seventh
13. The Eucharist is the sacrament of Love. It signifies Love. It produces Love. - Thomas Aquinas
14. If you put all the love of all of the mothers into one heart, it still would not equal the love of the Heart of

Mary for her children. - Louis de
Montfort

15. He who has charity is far from all sin.

- Polycarp of Smyrna

16. You must speak to Jesus also with
the heart, besides the lips; indeed, in
certain cases you must speak to him
only with the heart. - Padre Pio

17. To reform. Every day a little. This
has to be your constant task if you
really want to become a saint. -

Josemaria Escriva

18. Blessed be the fruit, who lowered
himself to our famished state! -

Ephraem the Syrian

19. I have a sweet tooth for song and
music. This is my Polish sin. - John
Paul the Second

20. The Church has always taught that
all our penance without Christ's
passion is not worth a pea. -

Thomas More

21. It was pride that changed angels into
devils; it is humility that makes men
as angels. - Augustine of Hippo