



The Holy See

**MESSAGE OF PAUL VI
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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Dear people of the United States,

We are very happy to greet you today by means of this startling new communications satellite.

This modern world and its inventive genius continue to amaze Us with its striking discoveries. Who would have dreamt that such means of communication would be at Our disposal in Our time? The tremendous power of man's intellect is reflected in these astounding inventions and scientific advances. Would that all of these were dedicated exclusively to the benefit of men everywhere!

We pray to Almighty God that these marvelous discoveries will serve the cause of peace, and will make it possible for men to cooperate with each other in making this a better world and a happier place, where men grow and develop into the likeness of their Creator, and find fulfillment of their desires in so far as this is possible on this earth.

We invoke upon all of you an abundance of heavenly blessings and graces; may your grand nation prosper in peace and happiness.