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SEVENTH DAY

Our Lord Christ Jesus
King of universe
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Our Lord Christ Jesus, King of universe

Pilates wants to know from Jesus if it is true that He is the King of the Jews. Jesus replies that He is King, but He is not King of this world. He is not a king of here below according to customs and the traditions of earth. His history attests and reveals it. He has no soldier, no army, no fortress. He is King, but a singular, particular, unique King. He is the King who came in this world to give testimony to truth. The truth is His Father, it is the Holy Spirit, Himself. This is his truth: He is God from God, Light from Light, generated, not created, of the same substance as the Father. He is the Only Begotten Son of the Father, his Eternal Word, who made himself flesh and came to dwell among us, filled with grace and with truth. Every man, becoming participant of his divine nature in Him, is generated truth of God among men. Whoever lets himself be made in Him truth of his truth, that is from the eternal truth of the Father, listens to his voice. It is the great mystery Jesus proclaims. It is beyond every created mind. It is true divine and eternal mystery.

Pilates understands nothing of what Jesus has just revealed and that is why he wonders: "What is

the truth?" The truth is that Person who is before him and who was sent by God to bring back in Him, with Him, for Him, every man in the divine and eternal truth, at the image of which man has been created. First man was at image of the divine nature. In Christ, he becomes participant of the divine nature and he knows his nature through nature turned into divine nature. This participation for transformation makes man capable of carrying out all the good. This is the abyssal difference reigning between a baptised and a non-baptised, between a son of Adam and an adoptive of God in Christ Jesus. The adoptive son of God is ontologically truth and he must bear testimony to the truth that is his nature, by producing

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the fruits according to the Spirit. Instead, the son of Adam, since he remains nature corrupted by the sin and turned into darkness will always produce fruits from his flesh. It urges that the Christian is convinced of this most high difference and shows it to the world with his life. May the Mother of God, the Woman who is most pure truth with no shadow of falsity, help us.



LAMP UNTO MY FEET

The supreme good of the Christian

If one asked a Christian: "What is the supreme good?" His reply will have to be only one: "My supreme good is not Christ, it is not the Father, it is not the Holy Spirit, it is not the Virgin Mary, not the Gospel, it is not my eternal salvation. Nothing of this is my supreme good. My supreme good is the body of Christ. For the body of Christ I am called to live and to die, I must hand my entire life over to the body of Christ. I am called to form, grow, sanctify. I must show the body of Christ in his most high moral and spiritual elevation. I might do this if the entire love of God Father, the entire grace of Christ Jesus, the entire power of the communion in the Holy Spirit, all my filial handover to the Virgin Mary live in me." If this is the supreme good of the Christian, he will operate so that no evil, neither great nor little, is caused for his word, his works, his thoughts, his desires, his omissions to the body of Christ. The one who lacerates, who divides, who causes even the smallest damage, the one who creates sins, the one who says ignorant words, who insults, who offends, who despises the body of Christ, attests of not being a true disciple of Jesus. He is a false, hypocrite, foolish, ignorant, arrogant, overpowering, unwise

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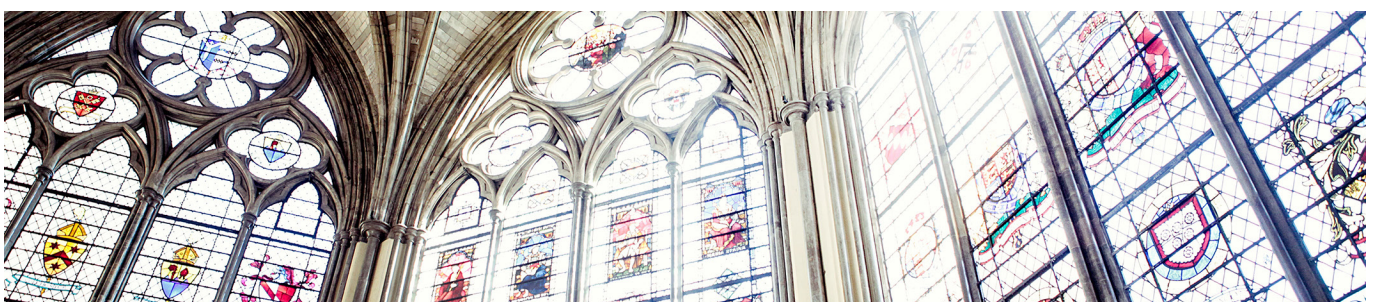
disciple. He does not know that an evil caused to the body of Christ is an evil caused to his person, to his mission, to his ministry, to the charisma he says to live and according to which he affirms to operate.

Whoever thinks of obtaining a personal victory disgraces the body of Christ, and, putting it to the derision of the entire world, acts as a true foolish and ignorant. He does not know that he is the body of Christ. Being him the body of Christ, it is himself who disgraces and exposes to the vilification, to the derision, to the media pillory, to the mockery, to despise. By exposing himself to all these great evils, what Gospel might he ever preach, what truth teach, what wisdom give, if wisdom, the first wisdom, is his handover even to death so that the body of Christ is raised in the highest light and shines of the highest

holiness in the world? The one who despises and insults the body of Christ despises and insults himself. A personal success against the body of Christ is the great failure against ourselves. What advantage do I earn if with my life I show an arrogant, overpowering, foolish, unwise, envious, jealous body of Christ or

if I disgrace the body of Christ with every slander, lie, calumny, false testimony, rash judgement, gossip?

If I show a body of Christ covered under a mountain of sin, I demean my being body of Christ. My personal success, put to nourish my foolishness and the emptiness of Christ that is in my heart is the greatest shame for me. When I preach the Gospel, no one will believe me. By despising the body of Christ, it is myself who despise and calumniating the body of Christ it is myself who calumniate. Every evil caused to the body of Christ is an evil I cause to my ministry and to my mission as disciple of Jesus. No one will believe in the Church, body of Christ, if the Christian shows the world the face of the body of Christ lacerated and devoured by its sin. That is why it is necessary that one sacrifices our entire life to the body of Christ and one sacrifices it if one reject will, thoughts, desires. To give life to the body of Christ, everyone is called to die for it, in the same way as, to make his Church beautiful, Christ Jesus died on the cross.



IF YOU LISTEN...

He has shown might with his arm

The arm of the Lord is of mercy, forgiveness, reconciliation, salvation, blessing, liberation, since it is arm of true creation, true new creation but also most pure justice. If we wish to enter the purest truth of the arm of the Lord, we must read a passage of the Book of Wisdom. The Holy Spirit is the one who offers the truth in his highest and holiest purity: "But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things; and you overlook the sins of men that they may repent. Therefore you rebuke offenders little by little, warn them, and remind them of the sins they are committing, that they may abandon their wickedness and believe in you, O LORD!" (Wis 11, 17-22, 2) The arm of the Lord is his divine and eternal omnipotence. However, it is not an arbitrary, despotic, unjust, irrational, instinctive, reactive omnipotence. Instead, it is omnipotence ruled by the divine and eternal wisdom of the Holy Spirit. It is always in the Holy Spirit and in his wisdom that the Father exercises his omnipotence. What does the Holy Spirit want in his wisdom? He wants every sinner

to abandon the way of sin and of false prophecy, leading to idolatry and that he converts to his Word, to his Gospel. We may affirm that everything in history happens for our greater conversion.

History is not below the rule of the powerful, of the arrogant, of the rich, of the lord of this world. It is only and always under the omnipotent rule of the Lord. The life of the poor, of the hungry, of the suffering, of the persecuted because of the name of Christ Jesus is entirely in the hands of the Father, who is their perennial Providence. The life of the rich and of the connoisseurs, of the arrogant and of the powerful is in their hands that are made of chaff the wind will disperse. To each one the responsibility of the decision: choosing to put one's life in one's own hands, made of chaff the wind disperses, or putting it entirely in the hands of the Lord, whose arm is omnipotent and holy. The prophecy of the Virgin Mary is most pure voice of confirmation of every Word uttered by God the Lord in the Law, in the Prophets, in the Psalms. Jesus

says in the Gospel of Matthew that he did not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets, but to give them fulfilment. The same truth must be proclaimed for the Virgin Mary. In her Magnificat, She does not abolish the Word previously given by God, She gives most pure fulfilment to it. Mother of God, come to our rescue. Let us fulfil every Word of your Son, as well.

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FROM JACOB'S WELL

Whoever wants to live with no sin must be perennially planted in the Word of Christ Jesus. The Word must be the oxygen and the nourishment of every cell of his soul, of his spirit, of his body. To the Word, should one give his full, uninterrupted, perennial obedience. So that this happens, one must always nourish himself of Christ the Eucharist. By eating Him, one eats Him truth, Him grace, Him light, Him eternal life, Him dwelling in the heart of the Father and of the Holy Spirit, Him that is eternal holiness, Him that is immaculate and most pure, Him that has never known the sin, Him that held all the sins of the world and expiated them on the Golgotha by letting himself be crucified by them. We too, if we want to live with no sin, must let ourselves be crucified by them.

IN SPIRIT AND TRUTH

Responses of Faith

The disciple of Jesus has a very high mission to fulfil: always walking with the thoughts of God in his heart. How is it possible?

There are two thoughts of God. The first thought is that revealed by the Holy Scripture. The one going from the first truth revealed by the Genesis and ending in the last truth manifested by the Apocalypse of the Apostle John is a thought of God. Only this thought is enough and we must already affirm that we do not walk with the thoughts of God. We do not believe in the God Creator and Lord today, in the unique God living and true that is the only Lord and the only Creator of heaven and earth. We do not believe that everything that exists, out of God, both visible and invisible, is his work, fruit of his Omnipotent Word. But we do not even believe in the eternal separation among those who operated the good and all those who died in the injustice since they let themselves be ruled by their instincts, fruit in them of sin, of foolishness, of ignorance, of idolatry.

We walk with feelings with no truth and our thought is turned in absolute truth. What we think is truth. What God said to us for us is no longer The second thought of God is in the heart of the Holy Spirit and He is the one who reveals to every man. The first thought of the Holy Spirit is his will that every man comes to the knowledge of Christ Jesus, the only truth of salvation and of redemption given by the Father to every man.

So that the Holy Spirit reveals his thought to every heart he need the voice of the body of Christ, voice of every member of this most holy body. If the Christian subtracts his voice to the Holy Spirit, this thought is not manifested and man remains in the falsity of his thoughts that may lead to every immorality and idolatry. So that every member of the body of Christ may proclaim the thought of the Holy Spirit according to purity of truth and of doctrine it is necessary that he lives as true body of Christ by obeying each of his Word. The obedience to every Word is also necessary so that one may live every gift, charisma, ministry, vocation, mission. If a tree is not planted in the soil, it might never live according to his particular nature. The body of Christ is the instrument of the Holy Spirit so that the body of Christ is formed and so that one lives his entire will in the world and in the body of Christ itself. The responsibility of the body of Christ is great. This is why one carries out every obedience.

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