***The Mighty One has done great things for me***

**VISITATION OF THE B. V. MARY MAY 31 (Lk 1,39-56)**

The great things done by the Lord for the Virgin Mary are so sublime and beautiful that only through His wisdom, updated daily by the Holy Spirit, they can be contemplated and, in some way, understood. What the Book of Sirach says about creation is worth much more for the Mother of the Creator and our Lord Jesus Christ: *“All wisdom comes from the LORD and with him it remains forever. The sand of the seashore, the drops of rain, the days of eternity: who can number these? Heaven's height, earth's breadth, the depths of the abyss: who can explore these? Before all things else wisdom was created; and prudent understanding, from eternity. To whom has wisdom root been revealed? Who knows her subtleties?  There is but one, wise and truly awe-inspiring, seated upon his throne: It is the LORD; he created her, has seen her and taken note of her. He has poured her forth upon all his works, upon every living thing according to his bounty; he has lavished her upon his friends. Fear of the LORD is glory and splendor, gladness and a festive crown. Fear of the LORD warms the heart, giving gladness and joy and length of days. "(Sir 1, 1-10).*Whoever wants to know the mystery of the Virgin Mary must ask the Holy Spirit for wisdom and intelligence, not only once in life, but every day, without any interruption. Only the Holy Spirit knows according to truth the mystery of the Mother of God and only He can reveal it to the faithful and devoted heart.

*During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled. " And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior. For he has looked upon his handmaid's lowliness; behold, from now on will all ages call me blessed. The Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is from age to age to those who fear him. He has shown might with his arm, dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart. He has thrown down the rulers from their thrones but lifted up the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things; the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped Israel his servant, remembering his mercy, according to his promise to our fathers, to Abraham and to his descendants forever. " Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.*

Another truth that must be affirmed. Are foolish by nature those who contemplating the Virgin Mary do not see through her the greatness, the beauty, the omnipotence of the love lavished by the Lord in this Woman. What the Book of Wisdom says about creation, much more will have to be preached about the work of God's works: *"For all men were by nature foolish who were in ignorance of God, and who from the good things seen did not succeed in knowing him who is, and from studying the works did not discern the artisan; But either fire, or wind, or the swift air, or the circuit of the stars, or the mighty water, or the luminaries of heaven, the governors of the world, they considered gods. Now if out of joy in their beauty they thought them gods, let them know how far more excellent is the Lord than these; for the original source of beauty fashioned them. Or if they were struck by their might and energy, let them from these things realize how much more powerful is he who made them. "(Wis 13, 1-5). By* contemplating the Mother of God must rise in the heart the same song of blessing, glorification, exaltation of our God. Mary is the most sublime work created by the Lord. It surpasses in greatness and beauty all its visible and invisible creation, all the Angels and Saints. There is no magnificence and beauty comparable to the beauty and magnificence of the Mother of the Lord.

Angels, Saints, obtain for us all wisdom to contemplate the beauty of the Mother of God.