# And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart

The Virgin Mary is true daughter of Abraham, true daughter of Israel, true servant of the Lord. She is all of that for a true child of Abraham, a true child of Israel, a true child of Abraham is always and entirely from the Word of the Lord. In order to be always and entirely from the Word of his God and Lord, night and day he meditates his Law. A true servant of the Lord, he lives of Word for he nourishes himself with the Word. Here is how the Psalm describes the true servant of the God of Abraham, of Isaac, of Jacob: “*Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither whatever they do prospers. Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction*. *(Psal 1,1-6).* In order to be lived, the Word must be understood, one obeys it putting all our mind at her service, as the Law of the Lord commands: *“Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.” (Dt 6,4-5)*. What Word does the Mother of God listen to? That written in the Law, in the Prophets, in the Psalms; the Word the Lord turns to Her with angelic voice; the Word that reaches Her through the events of history. Even history is Word of God for a true servant of Israel, Word that must be meditated in the Holy Spirit, though, and acknowledged in the Holy Spirit and lived in the Holy Spirit with wisdom, understanding, fortitude, obeying to it entirely. Obedience, knowledge, wisdom, science must be only thing.

Eliu, wise man of God, asks Job not to fixate on his righteousness and his innocence, pretending an answer by the Lord that could explain the reasons of his suffering, although he was righteous and innocent. He suggests him to think in a different way, instead. How? Seeing history as true Word of God, Word to understand and therefore to meditate entirely, though. What does the Lord want to reveal, show, say through the history of suffering I am experiencing? Only this way it is possibile to put aside the certitudes coming from the conscience and begin a true path toward the entire truth that the Lord wants to reveal to us. Here some of the words of Eliu addressed to Job: *“For God does speak, perhaps once, or even twice, though one perceive it not. In a dream, in a vision of the night, (when deep sleep falls upon men) as they slumber in their beds, It is then he opens the ears of men and as a warning to them, terrifies them; By turning man from evil and keeping pride away from him, He withholds his soul from the pit and his life from passing to the grave. Or a man is chastened on his bed by pain and unceasing suffering within his frame, So that to his appetite food becomes repulsive, and his senses reject the choicest nourishment. His flesh is wasted so that it cannot be seen, and his bones, once invisible, appear; His soul draws near to the pit, his life to the place of the dead. If then there be for him an angel, one out of a thousand, a mediator, To show him what is right for him and bring the man back to justice, He will take pity on him and say, "Deliver him from going down to the pit; I have found him a ransom." Then his flesh shall become soft as a boy's; he shall be again as in the days of his youth. He shall pray and God will favor him; he shall see God's face with rejoicing. He shall sing before men and say, "I sinned and did wrong, yet he has not punished me accordingly. He delivered my soul from passing to the pit, and I behold the light of life." Lo, all these things God does, twice, or thrice, for a man, Bringing back his soul from the pit to the light, in the land of the living. Be attentive, O Job; listen to me! Be silent and I will speak. If you have aught to say, then answer me. Speak out! I should like to see you justified. If not, then do you listen to me; be silent while I teach you wisdom. (Jb 33,14-33).* Whoever reads the Book of Job knows that the trial of the great suffering was asked by Satan to God. God allowed him to be hit with inexpressible suffering for He was sure that Job would have never denied the Lord. He would have never turned against Him. Finally the Lord answers him. But how? Showing him that his entire creation is wrapped by a great mystery that he, Job, does not know. If he does not know the most elementary things of nature, might he ever know the mystery of his life? Job acknowledges and is silent. Here is his profession of faith: *“Then Job answered the LORD and said: I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be hindered. I have dealt with great things that I do not understand; things too wonderful for me, which I cannot know. I had heard of you by word of mouth, but now my eye has seen you. Therefore I disown what I have said, and repent in dust and ashes. (Jb 42,1-6)*. How infinitively foolish is man today! Not only does he pretend to have the entire nature in his hands, but he also even satanically and devilish dares being able to modify every mystery hidden in every single element of it. He even wants to transform man. From man created by God to a man created by his science. Man should always remember that: nature will never obey his devilish and satanic arrogance. It will always turn against him and will produce only death for man. The nature created by God is bearer of a mystery that one can only understand with the Holy Spirit. Nature and its mystery must always be respected by man. Man must always behave as a servant and never as a master before it. Even nature is voice of God for every man. Understanding its voice is true salvation. However, today the atheist man has become deaf before its cry. He understands nothing and this is why he is destroying it in its truth of creation. The damages of this destruction will be extremely monstrous.

The Word of Jesus, each of his deed, his entire life must also be kept in the heart. Jesus reveals this truth in the parable of the Sower: "*Hear then the parable of the sower. The seed sown on the path is the one who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it, and the evil one comes and steals away what was sown in his heart. The seed sown on rocky ground is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy. But he has no root and lasts only for a time. When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, he immediately falls away. The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold*." *(Mt 13,18-23). "This is the meaning of the parable. The seed is the word of God. Those on the path are the ones who have heard, but the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. Those on rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, but they have no root; they believe only for a time and fall away in time of trial. As for the seed that fell among thorns, they are the ones who have heard, but as they go along, they are choked by the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life, and they fail to produce mature fruit. But as for the seed that fell on rich soil, they are the ones who, when they have heard the word, embrace it with a generous and good heart, and bear fruit through perseverance. (Lk 8,11-15).* Reading the Gospel is not enough to understand it. The Gospel must be read in the Holy Spirit and understood in the Holy Spirit. This is why it is necessary that every disciple of Jesus grows in the Holy Spirit. The more the Spirit of the Lord grows in him, in his heart, and the truer the understanding of the Gospel will be. Today one reads the entire Divine Revelation without any growth of the Holy Spirit in our heart, one reads it from the sin, from disobedience, from transgression and this is the reason why one is reducing it to a lie. Instead of deducing the thought of God contained in it, one puts the thought of man in it and one announces it as thought of God. This decant of the thought of man into Divine Revelation and also into the Sound Doctrine is reducing the Church of Christ Jesus from Church from high to church from below, from hierarchical Church to church of assembly, from Church ruled by the Holy Spirit to church directed to people, from Church of holiness to church of sin.

The exhortation that is always current for every disciple of Jesus is that addressed by the Apostle Paul to Timothy, Bishop of the Church of God: “*O Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you. Avoid profane babbling and the absurdities of so-called knowledge. By professing it, some people have deviated from the faith. Grace be with all of you*.*” (1Tm 6,20-21). “On this account I am suffering these things; but I am not ashamed, for I know him in whom I have believed and am confident that he is able to guard what has been entrusted to me until that day. Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the holy Spirit that dwells within us.” (2Tm 1,12-14).*  Here is how one keeps the Word of Jesus and his entire life handed over and entrusted on us: with the Holy Spirit. If we do not grow in the Holy Spirit, every disappears from our heart. If the disciple of Jesus turns atheist, for he denies the truth of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, he will necessarily deny the entire Divine Revelation. Today might the Christian ever believe in the most pure truth of his God, if he has substituted Him with the unique God? Between the unique God and the God of Christ Jesus there is no point of contact.

Here is also what the Angel of the Lord recommends to the Apostle John and to those who are disciples of Jesus: *Then the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These words are true; they come from God." I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Don't! I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brothers who bear witness to Jesus. Worship God. Witness to Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." (Rev 19,9-10). “"Behold, I am coming soon."  Blessed is the one who keeps the prophetic message of this book. It is I, John, who heard and saw these things, and when I heard and saw them I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me. But he said to me, "Don't! I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brothers the prophets and of those who keep the message of this book. Worship God." (Rev 22,7-9).* Keeping in order to understand, meditating to know, reflecting to enter the purity and fullness of every Word the Lord turns to us is an obligation for whoever wants to obey his God and Lord with purity and fullness of obedience. Here is why the Virgin Mary keeps what She sees and listens. Her obedience must be perfect. Not even a tiny fragment of the Word of God must be wasted. Gathering the fragments also is a command of Christ Jesus to his disciples: *“When they had had their fill, he said to his disciples, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat.” (Jn 6,12-13)*. The beauty and magnificence of a Christian life is from its capacity of gathering every Word of Christ Jesus and also each of its fragment to give it full life in one’s body, in one’s spirit, in one’s soul. The Virgin Mary has done that. Every disciple must do that.

*When the angels went away from them to heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go, then, to Bethlehem to see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went in haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. (Lk 2,15-20).*

The Virgin Mary listens, the Virgin Mary sees, the Virgin Mary keeps, the Virgin Mary understands in the Holy Spirt, the Virgin Mary lives in fullness of obedience, the fullness of obedience is from the fullness of truth acknowledged in the Holy Spirit. Even in that, She is model for every disciple of Jesus who wants to live the Gospel in the fullness of truth and of light. Mother of God and our Mother let us imitate you and keep everything in our heart for all the days of our life.