

"Death, you will be death no longer - but Life!"

Gospel Reading for July 10, 2017

With Divine Will Truths

Matthew 9: 18-26

While Jesus was speaking, an official came forward, knelt down before Him, and said, "My daughter has just died. But come, lay Your Hand on her, and she will live."

Jesus rose and followed him, and so did His disciples. A woman suffering hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind Him and touched the tassel on his cloak. She said to herself, "If only I can touch his cloak, I shall be cured."

Jesus turned around and saw her, and said, "Courage, daughter! Your faith has saved you." And from that hour the woman was cured. When Jesus arrived at the official's house and saw the flute players and the crowd who were making a commotion, he said, "Go away! The girl is not dead but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him. When the crowd was put out, He came and took her by the hand, and the little girl arose. And news of this spread throughout all that land.

I. Christ's Resurrection and Ours

How do the dead rise?

998 *Who will rise? All the dead will rise, "those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment."*⁵⁵²

999 *How? Christ is raised with His Own Body: "See My Hands and My Feet, that it is I Myself";⁵⁵³ but He did not return to an earthly life. So, in Him, "all of them will rise again with their own bodies which they now bear," but Christ "will change our lowly body to be like His glorious Body," into a "spiritual body":⁵⁵⁴ But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" You foolish man! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And what you sow is not the body which is to be, but a bare kernel What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. . . . The dead will be raised imperishable. . . . For this perishable nature must put on the imperishable, and this mortal nature must put on immortality.⁵⁵⁵*

From the Virgin Mary in the Kingdom of the Divine Will

Day Twenty-Eight

Lesson of the Desolate Queen and Mother: *"...My dear Jesus Triumphed over death, saying: "Death, you will be death no longer - but Life!"*

With this Act of Triumph, He placed the Seal on the fact that He was Man and God; and with His Resurrection, He confirmed the Gospel, His Miracles, the Life of the Sacraments, and the whole Life of the Church. And not only this, but He obtained Triumph over the human wills, weakened and almost extinguished to True Good, to let Triumph over them the Life of that Divine Will which was to bring the Fullness of Sanctity and of all goods to creatures. And at the same time, by Virtue of His Resurrection, He Sowed into the bodies the Seed of Resurrection to Everlasting glory. My child, the Resurrection of My Son encloses everything, says everything, confirms everything, and is the most Solemn Act that He did for Love of creatures."

From the Book of Heaven

V9 – June 2, 1910 - *As I was feeling very bad and as if everything was over, I was lamenting to Jesus about this total abandonment by Him, and Jesus told me: "My daughter, these are Divine Ways – to die and to rise again continuously. See, nature itself is subject to these deaths and to these risings: the flower is born and dies - but to rise again more beautiful; while if it never died, it would grow old, it would lose the liveliness of its complexion, the fragrance of its scent... And here is also the simile with My Being, which is Ever Old and Ever New. The seed is sowed under the earth, as though buried so as to make it die; and in fact it dies, to the point of being pulverized, but then it rises again, more beautiful – even more, multiplied; and so with all the rest. If this happens in the natural order, much more in the Spiritual Order must the soul be subject to these deaths and to these risings, such that while it seems that she has triumphed over everything and abounds in Fervor, in Graces, in Union with Me, in Virtues, and that she has acquired as many New Lives in Everything, I hide Myself and it seems that everything dies around her. I give strokes of a True Master, helping to make everything die for her; and when it appears to Me that everything has died for her, like sun, I come out – I unveil Myself, and with Me everything Rises again, more Beautiful, more Vigorous, more Faithful, more Grateful, more Humble, in such a way that, if there was anything human, death has destroyed it, making everything Rise again to New Life."*

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