

*Luisa's Strength in her Littleness Snatches the Kingdom of the
Divine Fiat Upon Earth*

Gospel Reading for December 15, 2016

With Divine Will Truths

Saint Luke 7:24-30

When the messengers of John the Baptist had left, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John. "What did you go out to the desert to see--a reed swayed by the wind? Then what did you go out to see? Someone dressed in fine garments? Those who dress luxuriously and live sumptuously are found in royal palaces. Then what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.

This is the one about whom scripture says: 'Behold, I AM sending My messenger ahead of you, he will prepare your way before you.'

I tell you, among those born of women, no one is greater than John; yet the least in the Kingdom of God is greater than he."

(All the people who listened, including the tax collectors, and who were baptized with the baptism of John, acknowledged the righteousness of God; but the Pharisees and scholars of the law, who were not baptized by him, rejected the plan of God for themselves.)

II. The Mysteries of Jesus' Infancy and Hidden Life (CCC)

The preparations

523 *St. John the Baptist is the Lord's immediate precursor or forerunner, sent to prepare his way.¹⁹⁶ "Prophet of the Most High," John surpasses all the prophets, of whom he is the last.¹⁹⁷ He inaugurates the Gospel, already from his mother's womb welcomes the coming of Christ, and rejoices in being "the friend of the bridegroom," whom he points out as "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."¹⁹⁸ Going before Jesus "in the spirit and power of Elijah," John bears witness to Christ in his preaching, by his Baptism of conversion, and through his martyrdom.¹⁹⁹*

IV. The Spirit of Christ in the Fullness of Time

John, Precursor, Prophet, and Baptist

717 *"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John."⁸⁹ John was "filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb"⁹⁰ by Christ himself, whom the*

*Virgin Mary had just conceived by the Holy Spirit. Mary's visitation to Elizabeth thus became a visit from God to his people.*⁹¹

718 *John is "Elijah [who] must come."⁹² The fire of the Spirit dwells in him and makes him the forerunner of the coming Lord. In John, the precursor, the Holy Spirit completes the work of "[making] ready a people prepared for the Lord."⁹³*

719 *John the Baptist is "more than a prophet."⁹⁴ In him, the Holy Spirit concludes his speaking through the prophets. John completes the cycle of prophets begun by Elijah.⁹⁵ He proclaims the imminence of the consolation of Israel; he is the "voice" of the Consoler who is coming.⁹⁶ As the Spirit of truth will also do, John "came to bear witness to the light."⁹⁷ In John's sight, the Spirit thus brings to completion the careful search of the prophets and fulfills the longing of the angels.⁹⁸ "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit. And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God. . . . Behold, the Lamb of God."⁹⁹*

720 *Finally, with John the Baptist, the Holy Spirit begins the restoration to man of "the divine likeness," prefiguring what he would achieve with and in Christ. John's baptism was for repentance; baptism in water and the Spirit will be a new birth.*¹⁰⁰

From the Book of Heaven

V23 – Jan. 31, 1928 - *"My little daughter, Luisa, your littleness has such attraction as to draw the attention of All Heaven, to see what your littleness wants to do and can do. To see a grown-up person do great things does not earn attention, nor does it bring joy; but if one sees a little girl doing the same great thing, she causes such amazement and surprise, that all would want to see the great work of the tiny little one—which does not happen if the same work were done by a grown-up person.*

"If you knew how the Divine Gaze and that of the whole of Heaven Fixes on you, Luisa, in seeing you gather, All together, as though in a hurry, All the Works of the Divine Will in order to launch an Assault at your Creator, carrying His very Weapons to wage the Holy War on Him, to make Him Surrender His Kingdom. It can be said that your hurrying, your gathering Everything, is the True Smile of Heaven, it is the New Feast that your littleness brings to the Celestial Fatherland, and All await the Assault of the tiny little one.

"But do you want to know where lies the Secret of your Strength in your littleness—that while you remain lost, now in the light of the sun, now in the midst

of the stars, now inside My Seas and those of the Celestial Mama, your atom does not stop, it frees itself and enters the field again to make its recapitulation of all the works of the Divine Fiat? All the Secret is enclosed in It, as It Moves you, Invests you, Winds you, in order to make you go around and to make you enclose All of Its Acts, so that, It Itself, through your littleness, may have the Assault made at Itself, so as to be drawn to come to Reign upon earth.

“What can the atom Animated by My Will not do? It can do anything, because it becomes an Act in the Midst of All of Its Acts of Divine Will, and this is enough to be able to make of All Its Acts One Single Act, and say: ‘Everything is mine, and everything Must serve me in order to snatch the Kingdom of the Divine Fiat upon earth.’”

V23 – Feb. 9, 1928 - *“And, oh! how pleasing to Us did your repeated refrains in the wind, in the sun, in the water, under Our steps, reach Us upon the wings of Our Fiat: ‘I love You, I love You—let Your Kingdom come.’ It was Our Echo that We could hear in you, Luisa, as We Wanted Nothing but the Divine Will to Reign and be the Conqueror of All. Therefore, even from that time We Loved Our tiny little one, who asked for and wanted but what We Ourselves Wanted.”*

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