

God's Law is Law of Love
Gospel Reading for March 22, 2017
With Divine Will Truths

Matthew 5: 17-19

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, not one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven.'

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II. The Theological Virtues

Charity

1824 *Fruit of the Spirit and fullness of the Law, charity keeps the commandments of God and his Christ: "Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in My Love."*⁹⁹

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Article 4 JESUS CHRIST SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED AND WAS BURIED

I. Jesus and the Law

577 *At the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus issued a solemn warning in which he presented God's law, given on Sinai during the first covenant, in light of the grace of the New Covenant: Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets: I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law, until all is accomplished.*

*Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.*³²⁹

578 *Jesus, Israel's Messiah and therefore the greatest in the kingdom of heaven, was to fulfill the Law by keeping it in its all-embracing detail—*

according to his own words, down to "the least of these commandments."³³⁰ He is in fact the only one who could keep it perfectly.³³¹ On their own admission the Jews were never able to observe the Law in its entirety without violating the least of its precepts.³³² This is why every year on the Day of Atonement the children of Israel ask God's forgiveness for their transgressions of the Law. The Law indeed makes up one inseparable whole, and St. James recalls, "Whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it."³³³

579 This principle of integral observance of the Law not only in letter but in spirit was dear to the Pharisees. By giving Israel this principle they had led many Jews of Jesus' time to an extreme religious zeal.³³⁴ This zeal, were it not to lapse into "hypocritical" casuistry,³³⁵ could only prepare the People for the unprecedented intervention of God through the perfect fulfillment of the Law by the only Righteous One in place of all sinners.³³⁶

580 The perfect fulfillment of the Law could be the work of none but the divine legislator, born subject to the Law in the person of the Son.³³⁷ In Jesus, the Law no longer appears engraved on tables of stone but "upon the heart" of the Servant who becomes "a covenant to the people," because he will "faithfully bring forth justice."³³⁸ Jesus fulfills the Law to the point of taking upon himself "the curse of the Law" incurred by those who do not "abide by the things written in the book of the Law, and do them," for his death took place to redeem them "from the transgressions under the first covenant."³³⁹

From the Book of Heaven

V17 - June, 1924 - "My daughter, My Will is everything and contains everything, and then, It is the origin, the means and the end of man. This is why, in Creating him, I did not give him a law, nor did I institute Sacraments, but I gave man My Will alone, because It was sufficient for him - being in the Origin of It - to find all the means to reach, not a low Sanctity, but the Height of the Divine Sanctity, and therefore find himself at the Harbor of his end. This means that man was to need nothing but My Will, in which he was to find Everything, in a Surprising, Admirable and Easy way, to become Holy and Happy in time and Eternity. And if I gave him a law, after centuries and centuries of creation, it was because man had lost his Origin, and so he had lost Means and End.

Therefore, the law was not Origin, but means. But in seeing that, with all of My Law, man was getting lost, in coming upon earth I Instituted the Sacraments,

as Stronger and more Powerful means to save him. But how many abuses, how many profanations! How many use the Law and the very Sacraments, more to sin and to fall into hell! While with My Will alone, which is Origin, Means and End, the soul places herself in Safety, she Rises to Divine Sanctity; she reaches, in a Complete Manner, the Purpose for which she was Created, and there is no shadow of danger that she might offend Me. Therefore, the Safest Way is Only My Will. The very Sacraments, if they are not received in Order with My Will, can serve as means of condemnation and of ruin. This is why I Inculcate My Will so much – because, being the soul in her Origin, the Means will be Favorable to her, and she will receive the Fruits which they contain. On the other hand, without It, the Sacraments themselves may be a poison to her, leading her to eternal death."

V30 – March 27, 1932 – *“And each Truth of Mine has the virtue of occupying an Office in order to maintain Perfect Order, Perennial Peace. It will be the Echo of Heaven, and they will swim inside a Sea of Graces, of Happiness, under a Sun that knows no clouds; the Sky will always be serene. My Truths on My Divine Will shall be the only Laws that will Dominate the creatures who will enter to Live in this Kingdom—Laws, not of oppressions, but of Love, that will sweetly make themselves loved, because in them they will find the Strength, the Harmony, the Happiness, the Abundance of all Goods.”*

V30 – May 30, 1932 - *“Now Our Paternal Goodness, seeing that man always goes falling more, in order to give him a support, a help, It gave him the Law as the norm for his life, because in the Creation It gave him neither laws, nor other things, except that of My Divine Will, that by continuously giving him Life, gave him Our Divine Law naturally, in a way that he would feel to it in himself, as his own life, without having the need that We would tell and command him. Even more, because where My Will Reigns, there are neither laws, nor commands. Laws are for the servants, for the rebels, not for the children. Between Us and those who Live in Our Volition, everything is resolved in Love. But with all the law, man did not remake himself, and since Our Ideal for Creation had been Man, and only for him was everything done, therefore I wanted to come on earth into their midst. And in order to then give him more valid supports, more wholesome medicines, more secure means, more powerful helps, I instituted the Holy Sacraments. And these act in times and circumstances, according to the dispositions of creatures, as Effects and Works of My Divine Will.*

“But if with all this Great Good, the soul does not let the Divine Will enter into her as Life, she will always have her miseries, a life halfway, she will feel her passions alive. Sanctity, her very salvation, will always be in danger, because only My Will that gives Itself as continuous Life, forms the sweet Enchantment to the passions, to the miseries, and forms there the opposite acts of Sanctity, of Strength, of Light, of Love, in the evils of the creatures, in a way that the human volition, feeling the sweet Enchantment, feels flowing in its evils the Beautiful, the Good, the Holy of the continuous Act of Life that My Will gives to her under Its gentle and sweet Empire. And she lets It do what It wants, because a continuous Act that gives Perennial Life can never be reached through other acts, helps and means, for however strong and holy, to do the Good that a continuous Act can do.

“Therefore there is no greater evil that the creature can do to herself, nor greater wrong that she can do to Our Paternal Goodness, than not letting Our Will Reign in her. If she would remain in her power, she would induce Us to destroy the whole Creation, because the creature was made that she must be Our Dwelling. And not only her, but all created things, heavens, sun, earth, everything, being Works that came forth from Our Supreme Height, We hold the Right of Inhabiting them. And by inhabiting them, We conserve them with Decorum, Beautiful and always New, as in the Act in which We brought them forth to the Light.

V33 – May 14, 1935 – *“My sufferings, My Wounds, My Blood, everything is yours, such that you have no need of asking Me for them, but can take them in order to make use of them for your needs. This is so true, that in one in whom My Divine Will Reigns, she has no need of laws, but feels in herself her nature changed into Divine Law—as she naturally feels the strength of the breath, of the heartbeat, so she feels the strength of the Law as substantial part of her life. And since My Law is Law of Love, of Sanctity, of Order, therefore she feels in herself the nature of Love, of Sanctity, of Order. Where My Will Reigns, so much is Its Love, that It Transforms into nature the Goods that It wants to give to the creature so that she is owner of them, no one can take them away, and I Myself act as Guardian of the Gifts in nature granted to this creature.”*

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