

ality, immediately and in person. However continuing to be diffused everywhere through His infinite being and the universal action of His power, He was nevertheless circumscribed as Jesus: He had a soul, a body, blood, a heart and human limbs, those of Jesus; He spoke and asked through the mouth and with the hands of Jesus. He was one of us, like unto us, born in poverty, from a mother, like unto us. He worked, wearied, was hungry and thirsty like unto us. He wrought miracles, put at the disposition of His goodness and compassion for our miseries, His marvellous omnipotence which commands sickness, afflictions and death and makes them retreat. He preached the truth for which human reason is so eager, the eternal truth unalloyed and unstained by error; he spoke of God, of His Majesty, His Goodness, His Mercifulness and our sublime destinies. Jesus was God come on earth, dwelling on it, trampling it under foot, bathing it in His sweat before bathing it in His Blood: He had come to reunite in Himself these two extremes, the man sinner and God justly irritated: and He reconciled the world with Himself, giving by His Presence and His benefits, the pledge of the most complete pardon, the assurance of a future of peace and happiness. This fact of the coming of God on earth had been expected, longed for by the tribulations and sufferings of the creature and of the entire world during more than forty centuries: it was the work of works, the gift of gifts, the masterpiece of the power of God and the greatest benefit of His goodness. Without this coming, the world would have rushed to eternal death through and dark paths of suffering, sin and despair. Therefore the Incarnation of the Word is the end and reason of every thing in the works of God.

Moreover, this great benefit, this matchless masterpiece is still being continued on earth by the Eucharist. By virtue of this Sacrament, God is Present in person, in body and in soul on all points of the globe: God is among us; God has dwellings; God can be seen, approached and addressed in prayer; He sees us with His eyes, hears us with His ears, loves us with His human heart like unto ours: and His Presence is not only at