

time to work so many wonders, could have averted this danger had He so willed, but He had not so willed. And Mary and Joseph bowed submissively before the Wisdom and justice of the divine decrees. In the midst of their sorrow they were comforted by the knowledge that God was watching over them; that He was with them; and as their journey proceeded, they witnessed a striking manifestation of the divinity of the Child whom their hurried flight was destined to save. Travelling slowly onward in the midst of suffering and hardships, driven



by remorseless enemies, the very life of their precious charge hourly threatened, it would seem that their cup of humiliation was full. But the God-Man was with them, and as they passed the Egyptian temples the images of the idols fell shattered on the ground.

The lesson which our Blessed Mother teaches us today is one of which we are too often forgetful: "The Lord is with us." He leads us on through life in ways that are known to Him, and in which His wisdom sees how to guide us. But we in our blindness and ignorance