visited us in the bowels of His mercy: He has enlightened with a ray of joy and hope those who were in the darkness of iniquity and already in the shadow of death."

The poor and miserable are generally better disposed and more easily touch God's heart and remembering this will comfort many a sad life heart. On the contrary the rich, the great, the proud are often abandoned and left alone at the last moment; they know not how to implore God's mercy for themselves and through mistaken consideration no one tells them their imminent danger.

Let us briefly sum up the practical point of these re-

flections.

Jesus daily renews in our midst and in our favor the wonders of His love and the first benefits of His earthly life. Well then! In thanksgiving: "prepare the way;" in order that He may visit at least at their last hour those near and dear to us. I say near and dear, though I am positive you would not let any Christian for whom you could procure that favor die without communion, or at least without confession, and rest assured if you are always loyal and diligent in this regard Jesus will reward you, and many a poor soul will owe its eternal salvation under God to you.

Moreover every time the occasion presents itself, every times Jesus renews for some poor invalid His blessed Visitation, be faithful to the pious custom of accompanying the Blessed Sacrament. If you could have mingled with the Angels and escorted the Blessed Virgin, you would have done so with joy; why then, when you can should you refrain from following in the steps of her divine Son and acting as His escort: Faithful adorer of the Eucharistic Christ if your well-beloved leaves His abidingplace to console the dying, accompany Him and He will pour on you His choicest blessings.

Be not cold or indifferent towards Jesus in the Eucharist. Spread His love, work for His reign, advance His interests, be at all times His loyal champion. And when your own hour comes and you can no longer go to Him He will come to you to ease your sorrow and suffering, to take you to His beautiful home, to the eternal enjoyment

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of His celestial peace and joy for evermore.