

Subject of Adoration

"All Is Consummated"

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Cum ergo accepisset Jesus acetum, dixit :
CONSUMMATUM EST !"

Jesus, therefore, when He had taken the vinegar, said :
IT IS CONSUMMATED !

Reparation.



ALL is consummated!" The Saviour has done for man all that He can do. He has obtained for him all the graces necessary for salvation. He has left him His example that he may imitate Him, His divine teaching that he may make them the rule of his life, His Sacraments that he may participate in them, His grace that he may constantly and worthily cooperate with it. All is, indeed, consummated on the part of the Saviour. But on man's side, is all accomplished.?

Why, then, after so many means of salvation, why after this glorious victory gained over Satan, do men still remain under the empire of the infernal monster and lose their souls? And yet, is it not God's will to save them? The only response to this enigma is, that if man loses his soul, it is only by his own wicked will. The means that God has so freely placed at his disposal, he may use or refuse. The graces necessary for his salvation have been acquired for him, but his own malice rejects them. It is, then, to himself, to himself alone, that damned soul can impute the irreparable misfortune of his eternal reprobation.

The Jews, who should have been converted by this word of Jesus, were only hardened in their crime. They obstinately refused to see in the life of the Crucified the realization of the picture the prophets of the Ancient Alliance had given of the Messiah. And how many Christians down through the ages will pass by like them at the foot of the Saviour's Cross and, hearing that cry from Calvary, will refuse to recognize in Jesus their God and their Saviour.

How have you profited up to this time by all Jesus' benefits, by all the means at your disposal for the furthering of your salvation? Let