

He alone, indeed, can teach us the truth, can reveal to us the great mysteries of the life of God and, in a palpable manner, that of the divine filiation. He alone can authoritatively speak to us of our origin, our end, our relations with God. He is truly the voice that teaches, that points out to us the way of eternal life. Beautiful mission fulfilled by Jesus in the most admirable manner ! May He be forever blessed ! How often has Jesus filled toward me in the Blessed Sacrament this role of revealer ! What supernatural lights the Eucharistic Christ daily bears into the kingdom of souls ! And who are His subjects ? Who are they over whom He really reigns ? "*Every one that is of the truth.*" He says, "*heareth My voice !*"

And Thou, O Divine Saviour, instead of profiting by the good dispositions of the Procurator in Thy regard to plead Thy own cause, dost think only of enlightening his soul to the eternal truths. Thou dost hold out to him the possibility of entering into Thy kingdom without ceasing to be a Roman. I thank Thee for this great benefit. I thank Thee for all those souls whom Thou hast enlightened and introduced into the kingdom of Thy truth and grace, and afterward into that of Thy glory.

I myself have been called to be one of Thy subjects. I became a naturalized citizen of Thy kingdom at the sacred font of regeneration. There I acquired certain rights : the liberty of the children of God, deliverance from the slavery of the devil, the possession of spiritual riches, and the claim to an immense inheritance. Without previous merit, I was incorporated in this chosen race, this holy nation, this redeemed people, this spiritual kingdom of which Jesus is the King and the Master.

I thank Thee for having conferred on me this signal favour by calling me to the Faith in spite of my unworthiness. How can I show my gratitude to Thee ? Up to the present moment, I have so little responded to all Thy loving advances ! With Thy assistance, I desire henceforth to be one of Thy best subjects. My principal care will be to seek Thy good pleasure in all things. O my Divine King, whom I have the happiness of possessing in the Eucharist, I wish to love Thee alone and all others only for Thee. I will perform all my studies and labors for Thy glory. My life, O adorable King and Master, shall belong to Thee alone. Happy kingdom, happy subjects of such a King, to serve whom is to reign !

III. — Reparation.

What a humiliation for the Incarnate Word to behold Himself cited before the tribunal of Pilate ! The Judge of the living and the dead appearing before an earthly judge to be interrogated and condemned ! What confusion for Jesus ! Nevertheless, the greatest sorrow that filled His Divine Heart at this moment was less at