

you with as much lovingness as we know our earthly parents would have. We know, O Sacred Heart, that it is the greatest of insults to ask you to forgive any of our sins, for such an action would imply that you were vengeful and vindictive. We know, now, that you are ever pouring forth streams of loving mercy out to all your children, and that you look kindly upon their little mistakes and inflict pain that they may be led into better paths. O Sacred Heart, centre of all things, you are good, all good, and since all else in nature proceeds from you, we are good, all good; there is no evil. Our sins, pains, and troubles are all good in their own degree, and have an educational influence in the evolution of life. We learn by our mistakes, but let us not be so foolish as to make the same mistake too often.

We now see your divine nature shining in the Infinite Ocean of Life. We now see you as the very centre of our being. We now see that you are in us, and we in you, that the Universe is really one condition of Mind or Consciousness, and that every man has it within his power to attain this universal consciousness, when he shall know as he is known, when he shall be conscious of Divinity, and absorbed in the Light of God.

O Sacred Heart, let us see your divine radiance reflected in every child of man, and every animal, vegetable, and mineral around us. Let us have the consciousness to know that Nature is the garment of God, which we may, when purified, draw aside to gaze on the celestial beatific vision of Life. Let us know that we may become perfect without, even as our father within is perfect. Let us know that it is within man's power to change this earth into paradise; that perpetual youth in a body of flesh is possible to every child of man.