

and, though the meekest of the children of men, He chastises the money-changers.

Jesus wrought the most striking miracles, in order to convince incredulous minds ; He goes to meet sinners, devotes Himself to them in a thousand ways ; and for the salvation of the world, He died upon the cross. Yet, His zeal did not stop at His death. By a miracle of His infinite power, He has multiplied His presence on our altars, and will remain with us even to the consummation of the world. The holy tabernacle is the centre where all hearts come to receive warmth, and to be enflamed with zeal. From the day on which Jesus pronounced those memorable words : *To teach all nations*, apostles have never been wanting in the bosom of the church ; and the hearts of the faithful have become penetrated with this heavenly teaching : *God has confided to each of us, the care of his neighbor.*

All who are animated with the true spirit of Jesus Christ, desire to extend His heavenly kingdom, to gain souls, and to form of humanity, a family of which Jesus is the Father. When our adorable Saviour fully ascended the mountain of Calvary, bearing a cross made heavy by the weight of our iniquities, when panting and exhausted, He fell three times, weighed down by His sufferings, had we been the witnesses of His Passion, how gladly would we have listened to that Divine pleading, as fixing upon us His beseeching glance, He had said : " O men, My brothers, help Me to climb this mountain ; aid Me, in bearing this cross which is weighing Me down ; render this slight service to your Saviour, who goes to die for you." Would not all hearts have been touched with a holy and generous compassion ? Who would not lovingly have taken up the cross of Jesus ? Who would not gladly have been another Simon, the Cyrenean,—or at least, like Veronica, have tenderly wiped that Adorable Face ?

The sentiments of Jesus remain unchanged. He desires us to help Him in bearing His cross, that is to say, to assist