

that support is God alone. With God upholding him, he will easily overcome all obstacles, the storms of this world will leave him unscathed and its tempests will never submerge him. But if God be not with him, he will fall into the abyss of his impotency and return to his nothingness. Therefore, in wishing you, dear Readers, the possession of God, we wish you all happiness, happiness as complete as one can experience in this vale of sorrow. We wish you a Happy New Year, may God be with you !

*May God be with you*, may He be your life ! May He prolong your days of happiness, may He multiply your years of prosperity and joy ! May He preside over all your undertakings ; may His blessing succumb your pains, pacify your homes and protect your property. — When praising the just, Holy Scripture says : « And full days shall be found in them. » (Ps. LXXII.) That is to say, days passed in doing good, days replete with works performed through love for God. Well, the only works that fill our days are the works of faith. « The just shall live in his faith. » (Hab. 11) « The just man liveth by faith. » (Rom. 1.) And how can you live better than by believing that God's all-seeing eye is constantly watching every action, that He knows all your thoughts and aspirations. You will then be truly able to say with Saint Paul : « And I live, now not I : but Christ liveth in me. And that I live now in the flesh : I live in the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself for me. » (Galat.) May God be with you, may He be your life !

*May God be with you*, may He be the life of your homes ! Ah ! home should always be the family's sanctuary. But God should ever be present in a sanctuary ; when He is not there it is cold, and bleak, and lifeless. Yet, even this is preferable to that continual state of anarchy, of tyranny, of rebellion, of division. to be found in families where God has not His place at the fireside. May God, then, be in your homes, may His position therein be one of honor. Parents, you will thereby learn to love your children, and children, you will respect and obey the dear father and mother placed over you by Almighty God. May God be in the midst of your families, that sweet parental authority may always meet with loving, filial submission ! May God's grace surround your homes with that atmosphere of peace and holiness which pervaded His earthly home of Nazareth ! May God be with you, may He be the life of your homes !

*May God be with you !* May He hover round your parishes, your villages, your towns, your cities ! May His presence banish therefrom