

must say unto himself : " I see the Saviour directly working for my salvation ; I feel Him effecting it in me, I must then truly be the object of His solicitude, of His works, I must therefore be sure of my salvation if I give myself up to His divine operations."

Oh ! touching assurance ! convincing proof, invincible demonstration of the love, the ardour, the zeal with which Christ the Saviour wishes me to be saved !

Follow within yourself and admire the beauty, the goodness, the merciful condescension, the indefatigable perseverance of the salutary work Jesus effects in you by His Sacrament, in order to return thanks, and you will be overcome with gratitude towards this devoted Saviour.

PROPITIATION.

During His life the Saviour bitterly reproached the Jews with resisting His offers and His entreaties, refusing the salvation He was offering them and incurring thereby eternal death and punishment, the more terrible because they were rejecting the Saviour Himself at the moment when He was bringing them salvation. What must be said about those who resist the love, the offers, the solicitations, the sacrifices of the same Saviour in the Eucharist ?

What ! He perseveres in remaining among us, multiplying His places of abode, and we seek to ignore Him ? He renews every day upon thousands of altars at once, the sacrifice of His life, and we do not want to take this fact into consideration. He makes Himself the indispensable nourishment of our life, the viaticum of our pilgrimage, the consolation of our afflictions, and the remedy for all our evils in order to reach us and prevail over us, and yet we scornfully reject Him. We condemn the Saviour to the torture of being rejected and refused by those to whom through all the centuries He has extended His loving arms that they might find life in Him.

Oh ! what a terrible crime ! What ingratitude, what unaccountable hard-heartedness ! what madness ! The Saviour can say as He said of the stubborn people of His time and with more reason : " If I had not come, and