# In Adoration



**Testimony of Catalina** 

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## **IMPRIMATUR**

This publication "IN ADORATION" is a new contribution to meditation about our faith and the Eucharist.

In everything that is written here, I find nothing contrary to Sacred Scripture or the teachings of the Magisterium or the Tradition of the Church. It is my sincere belief that it is a testimony of sublime teaching on the love in the Eucharist and the Mercy of the Lord.

I recommend the reading of it to every child of God for whom this marvelous Gift was explicitly created.

Mons. Cristóbal Biaiasik Bishop of the Dioceses of ORURO, BOLIVIA

Given in the city of Oruro, the 21st of November, 2007, the day of the Presentation of the Most Holy Virgin Mary.



# To Nourish Our Faith

T he Church teaches us that the apostolate can only be fully effective through a solid, diverse and thorough formation, and that when lay associations participate in the mission of the Church, they should foster that formation with care and diligence. (Cf. Vatican Council II. Present Apostolic Decree No. 28-30).

Encouraged by the final exhortation of the said document which "earnestly beseeches in the Lord, all those lay people who joyfully respond, with generosity and with a heart disposed to the voice of Christ, and who unite themselves more and more to Him, and who join His saving mission" (Cf. Idem No. 33) and with a view to contributing to that process of formation, so necessary especially for the laity, we offer you the following printed pages.

God willing, may they interest you, may you be able to read them and profit personally by them, and as a work of spiritual mercy, may you help us distribute them among your acquaintances, for the greater Glory of God.

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# **PROLOGUE**

The present book gathers further personal testimony of Catalina Rivas, published and shared now for a duel purpose: that of transmitting to the reader a deep perspective with regard to the Adoration of the Eucharistic Christ – the Living Mystery of our Redemption; and that of inviting you to meditate on the infinite amount of graces which the soul receives when in the unique presence of the Sacramental Jesus.

We were told by John Paul II in his encyclical, *Ecclesia de Eucharistía*: "The worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass is of inestimable value in the life of the Church." Further on, in his deeply moving and highly personal tone, he adds:

"It is beautiful to be with Him, and leaning back on His bosom, like His favorite disciple (Cf. Jn. 13:25), and to feel the infinite love of His heart.

"If Christianity is to be visible in our times, above all for the 'art of prayer', how is it possible not to feel a renewed need to spend long periods of time in spiritual conversation, in silent adoration, and in an attitude of love, before Christ present in the Most Blessed Sacrament? How often, my sisters and brothers, have I experienced this, and while doing it, have I found strength, consolation and support!" (John Paul II: *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, *N*° 25)

Which one of us could possibly say that they do not need strength and support... and often the consolation of God...? And yet how difficult it might seem to get ourselves to go directly to Him when problems overwhelm us! And how even more difficult it is for us to approach Him to simply say to Him, "thank you", when everything is going well...!

In the following pages, we will find a great many spiritual riches offered lovingly through the dialogues, locutions, visions and meditations of this writer herself.

Through these writings, Jesus tells us, "When all of you contemplate Me in the Eucharist, your eyes touch Me and with even just a single glance from you filled with love and faith, you enter into Communion with Me immediately," And then He adds:

"It is in the Tabernacle and in the holy Monstrance where I await you, in order to have you participate in the celebration of the Glory of My Father, in order for you to receive the flames of the Holy Spirit, in order to speak in loving words about the Heaven that awaits you, about the

Love that is in store for you, and about the happiness that I promise you and that I give you."

His Holiness Benedict XVI expresses these words to us: "The prime reality of Eucharistic faith is the very mystery of God, Trinitarian love. In the Eucharist, Jesus does not give us "something" but gives us His very self. He offers His body and sheds His blood. Thus He gives up His whole life, by manifesting the original source of this divine love.

"...It is a question of a gift which is absolutely free, which owes itself only to the promises of God, fulfilled beyond measure [...] The "mystery of faith." is the mystery of Trinitarian love, in which through grace, we are called to participate. Therefore, we also have to exclaim with Saint Augustine: 'You see the Trinity if you see love.'" (Benedict XVI: Apostolic Exhortation Sacramentum Caritas Nos. 7 and 8)

We know that faith is an ineffable gift from God, but we have also managed to understand, particularly those of us who did not have that gift for a long time in the course of our lives, that it is a question of a gift which the Lord is anxious to distribute among all His children. You only have to know how to ask for it!

We Catholics believe that Christ is the Bread come down from Heaven, and with deep and authentic ecumenical love, we lament its sacramental absence among Christian churches of different denominations, but we scarcely understand that that Bread remained among us only "for it to be eaten."

Saint Augustine said, "No one eats of this flesh without adoring it first [...] we would sin if we did not adore it." [Cf. Enarrationes in Psalmos (Narrations in Psalms) 98.9 CCLXXXIX 1385].

In the same chapter where the Sovereign Pontiff uses this quotation in his Apostolic Exhortation, he concludes by telling us: "Adoration outside of the Holy Mass prolongs and intensifies all that takes place during the liturgical celebration itself [...] 'only in adoration can a profound and genuine reception mature. And it is precisely this personal encounter with the Lord that then strengthens the social mission contained in the Eucharist which seeks to break down not only the walls that separate the Lord from ourselves but also and especially the walls that separate us from one another.'" (S.C., No. 66).

We hope, dear reader, that through the reading of this book, you may be able to find sufficient motivation for you to break those barriers, through frequent adoration of the Eucharistic Christ who awaits us every day, overflowing with tenderness, in all the Tabernacles of the world.

With gratitude to God for the infinite gift of the Body and Blood of Christ, we who now have the pleasure of editing this little book, ask the Lord of Life, with faith and hope, that your reading will help you to follow Him more closely, so that like the Apostle John and John Paul II, you may joyfully "touch the infinite love of His heart" while you contemplate Him in the Sacred Host, made captive by His own love for you and for humankind.

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# IN ADORATION

"We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us. God is Love and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him." (1 John 4:16)

TESTIMONY OF CATALINA

Lord Jesus,

When I started on this path at Your side, I remained in Your Presence for a long time, repeating interiorly, inside myself a hymn which is sung at the time of the Offertory of the Mass:

"A child approached You that afternoon, gave You his five loaves of bread to help You, and you both made the hungry satisfied. I also wish to place on Your table, my five loaves of bread which are a promise to give you all my love and my poverty."

Today, I find no better way today to tell you "Thank you, Lord", for Your infinite Love and Your gift, in allowing me to hand my five loaves of bread to You.

> November 25, 2007 Feast of Christ the King of the Universe



# **DEDICATION**

### To His Holiness, Benedict XVI

Whose pontificate carries the Eucharist as a seal, with deep respect and admiration for his perseverance in his effort to dignify the Altars of Jesus.

### To His Excellency

### Reverend Monsignor René Fernández Apaza Archbishop Emeritus of Cochabamba, Bolivia

Faithful guardian of the Eucharistic spirituality of the ANE on the tenth anniversary of the VI Eucharistic-Marian Congress of the Bolivarian Countries, held in his Archdiocese.

### To His Excellency Reverend Monsignor Crisóbal Bialasik SVD Bishop of Oruro, Bolivia

And fervent defender of life and of the family. Thank you for being a man of faith, Pastor, father and friend of your flock.

### To His Excellency Reverend Monsignor Ramón Castro C. Bishop of Campeche, Mexico

A reflection of Jesus in charity, generosity, courage and cheerful service. A teacher as witnessed by your work, seeking only to do the Will of God. May the Lord continue to bless your homilies for the good of your people.

### To His Excellency Reverent Monsignor Rafael Palma Capetillo Auxiliary Bishop of Yucatán

For your goodness, patience, joy and humility, attributes of the just man who loves God, and who has obtained the love of his faithful. Precious gift for any who aspire to be like Christ, the Good Shepherd.



# **MY GRATITUDE**

### To Monsignor Abel Costas Montaño Bishop emeritus of Tarija, Bolivia

Indefatigable teacher of generations of young people, and courageous defender of the truth. For having given spiritual guidance to the young ladies who are going to consecrate their lives to the Lord within our Apostolate.

May the Lord reward and sustain you.

#### To Father Alfredo Cirerol Ojeda

Rector of the Sanctuary of the Lord of Divine Mercy and zealous guardian of the Chapel of the Most Blessed Sacrament, for your support, your teachings, your friendship and your hymns. Because in times of suffering your presence has been important.

### To Father Álvaro Tejada Coca First priest of ANE

For your devotion and your Fiat to God. May Jesus guide your steps and mold your heart to His own image, and may you therefore be an example for so many more young people.

### To Father Ricardo De León Ecclesiastical Advisor of ANE in Yucatán

For your devotion to, your guidance of, and your affection for this Work of God. May the Lord abundantly reward your faith.

### To the "Institute Stella Maris" M.L.C.E.J.

Organization conceived in the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, daughters, sisters, companions and an important part in my life: remember that my only legacy will be the love of "Love".

#### **To all Priests**

Who worthily celebrate the Eucharist and make it possible for everyone else to encounter God, face to face, especially those from whose hands I have received the Sacrament of Jesus at any time.

### To all our material and spiritual benefactors

For whom we pray unceasingly. May the generosity of God continue to bless your temporal lives and reward you with eternal life.

# To the "supports" which the Lord gave me, and in whom I rest:

Father Renzo, Father Jenaro, Hugo, Ricardo, Francisco and Tatiana, David and Martha, Mireya, Octavio, Cecilias, Richis, Miguel and Elenita.

Thank you for being close to me, whether near or far.

# To the people of God who come as pilgrims to Mérida, Yucatán

As homage of gratitude for these seven years spent among you. May the Lord reward your hospitality and shed abundant blessings on your Parishes and Chapels, so that soon this will be the "City of Jesus and Mary".

# To all of you, the whole family of the Apostolate of the New Evangelization

You who knew how to respond to the call that Jesus made to you from His Altars. Never forget that our spirituality finds its strength before the Tabernacles.

#### And to you, dear reader

Whom I would like to embrace after your reading of this Testimony, asking you for your prayers and promising you mine.

In the Merciful Love of Jesus,

Catalina Lay missionary of the Lucharistic Heart of Jesus

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# INTRODUCTION – JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD

A few years ago, we were invited to a Marian Conference in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, USA. These conferences takes place every year and many personalities from different Marian groups the whole world over are invited.

It was not too long after we had begun to preach abroad, so when I saw so many people in a huge auditorium, I felt quite nervous.

Whatever little of the presentations that I managed to hear in passing [this conference was not in Catalina's native language, Spanish], demonstrated to me the personal experiences or the knowledge of the participants, as well as their expertise in this field. All this was very intimidating for me since I did not have any particular subject [to speak on through a translator] except my testimony of conversion which I felt was not appropriate for that audience because of its humble nature. So I began praying and beseeching the Holy Spirit for help.

My team was made up of a group of people who were all well prepared in their fields: scientists, priests, some other people in the group and of course, me.

During the Holy Mass which was celebrated precisely before the final talk that our group was to make, I asked the Lord what it was that He wanted to say to the people through me and that He should let me know what was the purpose of my being there.

Practically all three thousand people attending the Mass received Holy Communion. We were the first to do so because we were seated closest to where we had to go up for Communion. I received the Holy Eucharist and kneeled down near my seat. At that moment I beheld something like a screen inside

myself, a huge screen in which I saw an enormous field. There were green places, small hills with plants, wooded areas, and a very large lake... It was a very lovely place.

But in the middle of that whole field, there was a large uncultivated plot which looked very ugly, all full of thorns and dirt, something which was not in keeping with that magic scene.

There, in the middle of all those thorns was a little white sheep and you could not see much of its skin because it was covered with blood. There were many wounds on its little paws and its body, and it was weeping painfully and unceasingly. It was trying to escape from there, but was unable to do so. It would take two steps and the thorns would begin to grow and wound it even more.

The sky was dark and there were many large storm clouds in that place. There was thunder and lightning and a foul wind blowing made the scene uglier and frightened the little animal even more.

Suddenly I saw a woman with Her back to me, dressed in blue and with a white veil. I knew immediately that it was the Most Holy Virgin. She was extending Her hands and calling the little sheep to approach Her, but the frightened little sheep was trying to find its way out by another path, receding further and further in the distance because the thorns were growing quickly. It was trying to escape from the thorns and at the same time, from the hands that were calling it. It was so desperately afraid that it did not know in which direction to run. It was slipping and falling; fresh bleeding wounds were opening up on its flesh.

For a moment, the Virgin turned around and I managed to see Her profile which was so beautiful and so sweet. She gazed at a point in the distance, as if She were searching for someone with Her glance and then She disappeared.

At that moment there appeared before my eyes a man who was tall and strong, dressed in a bright pearl white colored tunic. He was wearing sandals and was holding a tall staff. His dark chestnut colored hair fell somewhat to his shoulders. His arms and the part of his neck that became visible when the wind stirred His hair, revealed his bronze colored skin. His arms were strong like those of a worker.

My heart was bursting with emotion: it was Jesus who without even thinking, got in among the thorns. Three or four times He beat back the tall thorns with His staff and made the plants break. Yet what was left of the thorns lacerated His skin too, tearing His

tunic which got caught on them, but it did not seem to matter to Him that His garments were getting torn or that the thorns were lacerating His skin.

He hastened to enter and I saw how the blood was dripping from His feet, ankles and legs, splattering the ground wherever He went. The little sheep was getting deeper and deeper into more thickets of thorns and was already nothing but a single bloodstained mass when Jesus stooped down, took it in His arms and began to move out of the field. He was no longer even noticing the thorns which seemed to be attacking Him, lacerating His skin. His attention was focused solely on the little animal He was carrying in His arms.

He emerged from that field walking towards a spot where I could see Him facing me. He was weeping together with the little sheep. It was trembling in His arms which were getting stained with blood and it was looking at Him as if seeking consolation from Him. Jesus pressed it to His breast.

Suddenly He glanced toward Heaven. His expression hardened a trifle in seconds, enough time for all the dark clouds to rapidly disappear and for the sun to begin to come out. His eyes were filled with tears which were running down His cheeks.

Jesus began to kiss the little lamb and there where each one of His tears was falling or where He was kissing it, suddenly the wounds of the little animal were closing and white wool was appearing.

The tenderness and Love of Jesus were so great that it seemed as if that little animal were everything He possessed. The moment arrived when He was kissing the lamb's little head and it was licking His hand while the tears of both intermingled and they wept together, that Jesus smiled and the little lamb bleated faintly.

A moment later, I saw Jesus walking slowly as if He were waiting for His little companion. His bearing was noble. In spite of His simple garments, He was majestic like a King and the happy little lamb, her head held very high, now healed, was running after Him, bleating now even more strongly and occasionally licking the tips of the fingers of His hand. For a moment He patted her little head, responding to her tenderness.

Like in a series of images, I then saw Jesus seated on a rock. He was talking and the little sheep was sitting on her haunches, like dogs sit, listening attentively to Him. From time to time, He took her head in His hands and laughingly kissed her. Then she licked Jesus' feet and the wounds of the Lord were healing.

You could see all His wounds closed that way, and even Jesus' tunic looked new.

There was no longer any trace of so much blood and pain. It was a very beautiful scene. There were no more clouds, and the sun was shedding its golden rays upon the Shepherd's head. There was a fresh breeze that stirred His hair and He was smiling.

Another pitiful bleat was heard and I saw Jesus hurriedly walking again in the direction of the field of thorns. There was an expression of sadness and worry on His face. Once again, He was headed in search of another sheep, but this time the sheep that was already healed got ahead of the Lord and ran in search of the one that was now moaning.

As if it was an expert, it entered by the steepest paths. It was certainly hurting itself, but it was as if it mattered not to it, or else it was not causing it much pain because it was running along looking for its companion and guiding it towards the strong, safe arms of the Lord where He was standing.

At that moment, I was brought back to the celebration of the Mass when the Priest said, "Let us pray..." Greatly pained by the fact that such a beautiful vision had come to an end, I looked around me at all those people. My face was bathed in tears and even a sigh escaped me. Then Jesus spoke to me sweetly saying the words: "There is your subject. Tell the story of your conversion, because that first little sheep was you."

While the other people who came before me were talking, I no longer felt any fear about speaking. I hardly heard what each one was saying or any of the applause. It was as if I were listening from far away. I closed my eyes and I could see the beautiful Face of Jesus, now weeping, now smiling, and that completely filled my heart.

I know that was one of my best talks because I put my whole heart into describing to the people what the Lord had permitted me to experience a moment before. When the lights went on and I could see the audience, many people were weeping, perhaps identifying with the little lamb that had been rescued from the thorny field of the world, and had been healed with the tears and the blood of the Infinite Love of Jesus.

Several years have gone by, maybe eight or nine since that day, and while I am recording that experience in writing, the Lord has permitted me to live it again incredibly clearly and sharply. Since that time I have had an image of the Good Shepherd at home opposite my bed, so that I may never forget the place from where I was rescued, and so as to always keep in mind the mission that God has assigned me, one of His flock. In that way, I am able to overcome the fear or discomfort that might prevent me from going out in search of other souls in need of Jesus... In order to be able to look to the future with hope and complete confidence in His Divine Will: all in a hymn of gratitude which each day and night I place, with a heart full of love, at the feet of my Good Shepherd.



Why that whole story for an introduction? Perhaps because those who have not read any of the other testimonies or who know nothing of the character of the woman who today is sharing with them the wonders worked by the Almighty in each one of us, might think that this is about some very pious person who spent her life before the Tabernacle, adoring Jesus in the Sacrament.

Nothing could be further from the truth. I am a woman who experienced conversion, touched by the Mercy of God when I was already mature. Conscious of my wretchedness and my many sins, I try to make up for that in the eyes of Jesus, with just my love.

One day, the Lord said that there were too many teachers and not enough witnesses in the world. That statement was the reason why our Apostolate assumed the New Evangelization as its main charism, seeking for its members to take on the duty of forming themselves IN the Lord, through a life in Grace and frequent reception of the Sacraments, to be witnesses for the world with the very testimony of their lives, of the Infinite Love and Mercy of God and of His transforming power.

Every good step that I have been able to take during these years, I have taken, impelled by the Lord and His Most Holy Mother, who has not failed to protect this Work with Her motherly tenderness.

It is They who are truly the authors of all these books, and who have charitably made use of this "hollow reed" in order to pour Their infinite Graces on today's men and women.



# CHAPTER I - THE THRONE OF GOD

One day in the month of April, 2006, I was once again favored by the Grace of the Lord, Who willed that the teachings about what I will share with you today should begin. They have to do with a Holy Hour to which I was invited by Jesus, "so that we can regale the world the gift of a new testimony... a few lessons more on your favorite subject, within the School of Love, which this Teacher wishes to impart to them," said the Lord gently to me.

- <sup>2)</sup> At the hour agreed upon, I made my way to a very pretty Church near home where there is a tiny little chapel which has Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- <sup>3)</sup> For those who do not know what this is about possibly because of living in places far removed or because of having gotten away from pious Catholic devotions Perpetual Adoration is the permanent exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, both night and day, in such a way that people take turns at the Adoration of the Eucharist at those Tabernacles so that Jesus is never left alone. It is a marvelous devotion which should be established in every Parish.
- <sup>4)</sup> As I approached the Chapel, I saw that there was much more light than usual and I even thought, stupidly, that it might have been better for the place to have less light, or a less intense light, to create a more intimate atmosphere for the adoration of the Lord.
- <sup>5)</sup>There was also music, because before I arrived at the Church, I heard first from very far away and then as I came nearer, more loudly, the voices of a great many people, like a polyphonic choir composed of children, women and men who were intoning hymns in a melody that I seemed to have heard before.
- <sup>6)</sup> That music was very special to me and my whole body trembled for a fraction of a second, at the memory of another moment previously experienced.
- <sup>7)</sup> The voices were intermingled with sounds like water cascading over a waterfall, with violins, organs or pianos, harps and flutes and from time to time when the voices were silent for a few seconds, some little bells ringing in harmony that seemed to me like a summons to Mass, perhaps because of memories of my childhood, in the small cities and little towns of my native land, where at different hours of the day

and from different places, the call to Holy Mass could be heard.

- <sup>8)</sup> Immediately I thought that it must be a recording from a CD that someone must have brought to accompany their Adoration with hymns of praise.
- <sup>9)</sup> When I was almost at the entrance door to the Chapel, I saw that the light was diminishing, but at the same time, the place was becoming inexplicably brighter... At this moment, it is difficult to explain, but I think that soon I will be able to make myself understood.
- <sup>10)</sup> When I went in, I saw a middle-aged man kneeling on a kneeler opposite the Monstrance containing the Divine Host. The Light that was coming from the Monstrance bathed the whole place, as if rays of Light were coming from it which were spreading and covering every place in that Holy enclosure.
- <sup>11)</sup> I kneeled down to greet the Lord, but almost immediately, He instructed me to be seated so as to silently contemplate what was occurring. *I knew* that that day would also be another special one.
- <sup>12)</sup> I had hardly kneeled when the Altar and the walls behind it vanished and before my eyes, Heaven opened up, so to speak, although perhaps this is using speech that is too earthly...
- <sup>13)</sup> In place of the altar there was a huge throne. I cannot say now for sure whether it was covered with gold or silver, but I do know that it was filled with light, and on it the beautiful Monstrance was resting. The throne was inlaid in many places with what looked like precious stones that were enormous. They were shining and glittering as if they possessed a light of their own, that is, as if the light was emerging from inside of them.
- <sup>14)</sup> I lowered my head for a second and then I raised my eyes. Thus, I managed to see that there were three seats connected, forming the same throne. There was a figure of Jesus sitting on each seat, or let us say, the same Lord but in triplicate if I may use that term to make myself understood but there were three perfectly identical persons...
- <sup>15)</sup> There was no difference at all between the three of them, apart from their clothing. One was wearing a beautiful white tunic; another was dressed in one that was all in gold, and the third in red. It is hard to describe it, but those were the colors that predominated in their clothing, although a radiant light emanated from the three garments.
- <sup>16)</sup> I heard the voice of the Lord saying to me: "Where will you find help on earth to describe Me, the

- Indescribable? Now that you are conveyers, where will you find your support to scale to My Height? No one and nothing will ever be capable of attaining and explaining completely My sweet Essence of God Triune and One. No one will comprehend the infinite Life that animates My whole Being.
- <sup>17)</sup> "Raise your hearts and your minds on high, because I wish to correct your impaired vision and to delight you with the brilliant appearance of even a single one of Us. Oh, glorious bond, sweet Son, You who leave the Father and deliver Love to human beings gone astray who walk the earth filled with grief.
- <sup>18)</sup> "Children, My Creatures, poor humans who cannot go further, and since their research into the knowledge of Me is never ending, they will always be happy to discover infinite and dazzling aspects of Me... Come to the bosom of My Divinity and stay with Us as eternal guests.
- <sup>19)</sup> "Learn more about Divine Love and stop putting up any inner and outer resistance in yourselves, so that Our Infinite Peace may enter your hearts and confirm to you that I want you with Me, and with that, I want to reveal Myself to you and give you My Love, eternal life and the unending holiness of My Being."
- <sup>20)</sup> I remained overcome because even now it is hard for me to bring myself to think that it was the Father, through the Word in the Holy Spirit who spoke to me...
- <sup>21)</sup> To the right of the throne stood the Most Blessed Virgin, more beautiful than ever. Her hands were joined in prayer and Her serene Face was very radiant. She was wearing a crown with many-colored precious stones that seemed more like colored lights, like those from the throne.
- <sup>22)</sup> Beside the Virgin there was a very elegant and manly person with a small beard and a stance which showed humility and serenity at the same time and also exuded authority. A dignity never seen before radiated from all this... I knew it was Saint Joseph.
- <sup>23)</sup> Immediately behind the Throne there were some men. I could not count them and the truth is that it did not even occur to me to do so. Then much further back in a kind of recessed area you could see hundreds of people like those whom I describe in the book on [my] Testimony about "The Holy Mass". Once again I saw the whole of Heaven before my eyes, thousands and thousands of Angels. It was they

who intoned the hymns that I had been hearing when I approached the Chapel!

<sup>24)</sup> It was music praising God and of course, I know it will remain in my hearing and in my mind as long as I live, but I would be unable to repeat it today. Yet, since that day every time I begin praising the Lord, I hear those voices accompanying me as long as my humble prayer of praise lasts.

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# CHAPTER II - FOR WHOM TO PRAY

I do not know exactly when I closed my eyes, but when I opened them again, I was lying prostrate on the ground, in adoration, before that magnificent vision which had even made me think that I might be dead... although I understood then that unfortunately, it was not so.

- <sup>2)</sup> In a second, almost everything disappeared. Only Jesus remained with His splendid golden garments. He was wearing a lovely crown, and was holding a golden scepter in His left hand. He was standing on something that looked like a cloud, green in color...
- <sup>3)</sup> "Be seated, little daughter," He told me very gently. I obeyed and then I realized that the man who was kneeling there had neither seen nor heard anything of what was happening.
- <sup>4)</sup> The Lord said to me, "First of all, I want you to pray for the priest who made this meeting between you and Me possible, for the one who consecrated this Host." I did as He said.
- <sup>5)</sup> Then He said to me, "Pray for the people who worked together to build this place set aside for these meetings. Yes, pray for them because there are many people who do so with the greatest devotion, and they are the first to receive My blessings from this place. There are those who labor and work together in building My House, but who do not do so for My sake, but for themselves, and not so that I will shine, but for them to shine.
- <sup>6)</sup> "There are so many others who certainly do so out of love for Me, but who are not capable of coming to visit Me. They are the ones who honor Me with their lips but not with their hearts.
- 7) "Pray for the Parishes and Chapels where responsible persons and the community have

undertaken to perform the hours of Eucharistic Adoration.

- 8) "Pray for those who close their hearts when I call them... For those who oppose the people that come to Me... For those who sully and offend My Presence by their lack of respect, their lack of reverence or lack of modesty in the way they dress. Observe..."
- <sup>9)</sup> At that moment, I turned my head to look where Jesus was looking and I managed to see the Main Altar of the Church (not the altar of the small chapel where I was then). The Most Blessed Sacrament was exposed and there were quite a few people in the place. Many people were kneeling in prayer, but there were others who from behind the pews were passing before His Throne, chatting amongst themselves, eating something or chewing candy and gum as if there was no one there.
- <sup>10)</sup> Some of them were making just a superficial gesture for the Sign of the Cross, and others, not even that. There followed a series of images (I understand they were of different occasions) of people whom I could observe, seated to one side of where I was. Some were whispering to each other while others were sitting with their legs crossed, both men and women, talking to each other or incessantly swinging one foot back and forth as if they were at an informal gathering...
- <sup>11)</sup> They disappeared from my sight and immediately some couples came in and seated themselves very close to each other, but away from the other couples. I was embarrassed to see how they were openly exchanging gestures of affection with each other, in front of the Most Blessed Sacrament which was exposed. That was truly shameful, as if they were in some place reserved just for them.
- Those people vanished before my eyes and something even worse followed. Some young and not so young women came in, dressed so inappropriately that they looked more like they were going to the beach, to a discotheque or who knows where. Parts of their bodies were uncovered like all those young little girls who did not seem to have any parents and who walk around wearing clothes that look two sizes smaller than they should be, and who call that "being in style"... How ashamed I was and how sorrowful I felt in the presence of the Lord who was looking at all those people with such a great deal of sadness!
- <sup>13)</sup> Yes, I felt sorrow, but at the same time I felt like pushing them out of there like I have felt other times

when by chance, I attend some wedding celebration, graduation Mass or a Mass for little girls celebrating their Fifteenth Birthday [a Latin American custom called "Quinceanos"].

- <sup>14)</sup> On many of those occasions, I have felt ashamed for others when I saw the way some of the female guests at those events came into the Church. As if it were such a big deal throwing a stole around their shoulders to conceal a low-cut neckline and their bare arms and shoulders just for the few minutes they will be in Church!
- <sup>15)</sup> And finally, while they are waiting for the celebration to begin, they all begin to chat as if they were already at the reception. The silence that they should observe in the House of the Lord is lost and with it, every trace of the spiritual preparation that each one of those ceremonies entails.
- <sup>16)</sup> I want to make use of this occasion: to ask my lay brothers and sisters not to be afraid to take the microphone to ask those present to keep silent out of respect for the place where they are; and to ask ladies to cover themselves up when they go into Church, out of respect for the Lord, the priest, those attending and their own selves, because anyone seeing a woman dressed in a suggestive way in the House of God, immediately thinks that she is someone who has no respect for herself.
- 17) How fine it would be for anyone who is brave enough to take the microphone, to invite the faithful to say a prayer for the future bride and groom, or those graduating from high school, as the case may be, or to utter a prayer of intercession for the young girl for whom the celebration is to take place. In that way, we would help our brothers and sisters, by teaching them the respect due to the Church, and at the same time, we would fulfill what the Church asks us to do: to pray for each other... Much more so on occasions like those!
- <sup>18)</sup> We are called to build and yet we do our utmost to squander the good things from God, the dynamism of Grace, the fruitfulness of the Spirit, because we are afraid to proclaim a living God, and even more, to ask for due respect for His House.
- <sup>19)</sup> I turned my eyes towards Jesus and tearfully begged His pardon, for those people who caused Him pain, and for us who are supposedly "conscious" of the place where we are, but who demonstrate cowardliness when it comes to instructing our neighbors. I felt ashamed for those feelings of anger that also crossed my mind.

- <sup>20)</sup> Then Jesus said to me, "Little daughter, it is so difficult for human beings today to change their patterns of comfort. Yet I assure you that through these testimonies, many simple people are learning to know Me, and to know about Me in words that are also simple. Do not become discouraged when we are just beginning.
- <sup>21)</sup> "Look, I brought to the world a revolution of ideas that should amaze a weak humanity, so easily inclined to comfort itself, getting bogged down in old habits, not giving up a comfortable way of life because it does not go against its self love, which is the main counselor of its evil.
- <sup>22)</sup> "Do not feel badly [referring back to Catalina's last comment]. I was direct and did not use neutral terms, precisely to clearly eliminate sensitivities and misrepresentations.
- <sup>23)</sup> "Human beings are ungrateful. I provide for all and all live in Me. According to their dispositions, I endow some of them with a greater capacity to imitate Me and others with a lesser capacity. Yet, it would seem that I do not give them any guarantee of being interested in their sufferings, decisions, trials and much more than would a loving father."

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# CHAPTER III - THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

The Lord allowed images of political campaigns to pass quickly through my mind. Illuminated scenes with large numbers of people all worked up and shouting. Some were at a ball game, some at a concert of some fashionable artist or singer, some at a political rally, paying tribute to earthen vessels. And the King of Kings, the Lord of all humanity was seated on a gorgeous Throne illuminated by His own Light and abandoned, waiting for us. Only very few people were pausing there before Him.

- <sup>2)</sup> When I observed them, I realized that they could not see Him as I was gazing at Him, surrounded by all the beautiful, radiant beings that dwell in Heaven. But they saw His earthly throne, that is, the place where He was, in an immaculate Host, inside of a beautiful Monstrance.
- <sup>3)</sup> Among the people who entered and knelt before Jesus, there was respect and desire to adore Him. A great deal of sorrow and sadness was written on some

- of their faces, and some displayed fear and fright, while a few showed a great deal of love.
- <sup>4)</sup> When one person entered, Jesus looked at her and extended His hand. The person knelt or sat down and suddenly the other people disappeared. It was as if only Jesus and that person were there. Then He embraced her and kissed the person's cheek, but doing everything with great tenderness, like someone who is in love receives his beloved, or like a father with a happy and joyful Welcome.
- <sup>5)</sup> The person began to speak to Him and at first, Jesus listened to her intently, but then, He whispered some Words into the person's ear, and finally, raising His eyes, almost half-closing them, He raised His arms to Heaven.
- <sup>6)</sup> Finally He blessed the person and remained gazing at her with a look of love, as if she were the only human being in the world...
- <sup>7)</sup> There was so much Light coming from Jesus and illuminating the whole place! There was so much reverence and respect, adoration and love around Him, from a great many Saints and Angels and an enormous amount of people who seemed to possess their own light too, because of the happiness that was reflected in their faces...! This image, like that of the Most Holy Mother and Saint Joseph, appeared and disappeared from my sight from time to time.
- <sup>8)</sup> The Lord was teaching me that we all need to open our eyes in order to be able to better contemplate the things of God, because frequently, our eyes are either closed or become dull when it comes to observing the things of the Spirit.
- <sup>9)</sup> The Lord said to me, "Remember that in Psalm 24: 4-6, you are warned that in order to see the things of God, you need to have a clean heart, that is, purity of vision, purity of heart, uprightness of conscience, and purity of intention, to be able some day to arrive at the knowledge of My Divine secrets...
- <sup>10)</sup> "Learn from other human beings who came before you and who are Saints today! For them, the best resting place was in My hands, the best medicine and the most gentle relief was in having recourse to My Body in the Sacrament, seeking My company and conversation with Me.
- <sup>11)</sup> "For that reason, they spent time in prolonged prayer, and from that period of time spent in adoration, they derived a renewed strength and greater energy to face life and all its sufferings, sorrows and humiliations, particular to their own situation, which would serve later for their crown of glory.

- 12) "It is essential that human beings be taught that it is not enough to confess their sins and come and receive Me, and then commit the same sins again and confess them again... They must be united to Me in thought, feeling, and will, that is, in body and soul... with the heart.
- 13) "That is how your human life succeeds in sharing My Divine Life, so that I myself will be the one who guides your being, along the journey that leads towards Eternal Delights.
- <sup>14)</sup> "Do not forget that the greater your surrender to My Will, the greater are the Graces you will receive in the course of your visit to My Eucharistic Presence."
- <sup>15)</sup> How deprived are those souls that remain far from the places where the Most Blessed Sacrament is Adored! There is so much ignorance and spiritual blindness that hinder us from believing in this absolute truth...
- <sup>16)</sup> Humanity, what are we doing when we allow and even encourage immoral entertainment, depravity among our young people and the destruction of the planet, and do not run towards the Living God to beg His Mercy?



- <sup>17)</sup> That night, I could hardly sleep. I felt guilty for staying there in my bed, so far and yet so near to Jesus. Far because I was no longer contemplating that which He had permitted me to experience, and near because it seemed that my pulse, my own heartbeat, was not mine, but His, that is, I felt Jesus' Heart upon my heart.
- <sup>18)</sup> Then I promised Jesus that from that moment on, that every time that I should awake in the night, I would utter a Praise to Jesus in the Sacrament, to greet Him... And thanks to God, I awake several times and so I can say something like this: "In Heaven, on earth and everywhere, may the Divine Heart of Jesus in the Sacrament be blessed and praised forever" or "Blessed be Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar and the Virgin conceived without original sin."
- <sup>19)</sup> On other occasions, I place myself mentally and spiritually before a Tabernacle in some Church that I have known, and there, from my bed, I utter a prayer as if I were prostrate before His Divine Presence and I ask Him to allow me to accompany Him in thought and in heart.
- <sup>20)</sup> How many sick people, to whom I have taught this type of adoration and keeping our Lord company from their places of confinement, have said that they

have felt Jesus' loving Presence at their bedside! It is that the generous response of the Love of God never allows itself to be outdone..!

- <sup>21)</sup> Almost when I woke up, Jesus allowed me to be present in spirit in a Church in my city which has a lovely Altar with an imposing Tabernacle. There I prostrated myself to adore Him. At a certain moment, I heard...
- <sup>22)</sup> "When you contemplate Me in the Eucharist, your eyes already touch Me, with a single glance, full of love and faith, and you enter immediately into communion with Me.
- <sup>23)</sup> "But if you feed yourselves with My Body and Blood, you experience the very life of God; you dwell in a foretaste of life in Heaven...! Because you gaze at Me with the eyes of faith while you wait to see Me, face to face, in the light of Glory.
- <sup>24)</sup> "Those who truly feed themselves with My Body with a living faith, and are moved to practice charity towards their brothers and sisters, will enjoy eternal life since they will have arrived at the end of their lives, by yielding to a different way of life on earth...
- <sup>25)</sup> "How much greater perfection will those achieve who give up all worldly things in order to possess everything. That is, those who give up everything that was created, in order to possess Me, the uncreated.
- <sup>26)</sup> "An object of My delight is the one who is prepared to lose everything in order to gain God; to die so as to live then With and In everything...
- <sup>27)</sup> "I do not tire of inviting all you whom I love to the fountain to refresh yourselves from the immense thirst that you experience, thirst for the love that I have placed in you for your own good.
- <sup>28)</sup> "Can you possibly believe that I am in the Tabernacles or the Monstrances, just quiet and inactive, without providing you with the knowledge that I am the Life that is holy and everlasting? I am here in order to make Myself desired by you, so that when you come to receive My Body and My Blood as food at Communion, you hear Me say to you, 'Carry Me away in your heart because it is warmth that I seek, and I am not satisfied if I remain forgotten by you.'
- <sup>29)</sup> "I remain on earth in order to provide easy access to Myself as food for those who do not forget Me, who know what I delight in, and who provide Me with those delights by receiving Me with holy love, joyfully, humbly and fervently.

- <sup>30)</sup> "Tell My beloved to come to the One Who truly loves them, to come to feed themselves, not only with My Body and Blood, but with My Presence, because the hunger that they experience is a Gift of Mine, a hunger for Me, although it is hidden and disguised by so many confused yearnings.
- <sup>31)</sup> "Here, together with the Mother that I have given them, and with all their brothers and sisters in Heaven, I await those who do not reject Me but who seek Me and can so easily find Me, hidden and alive, in order to offer them the sweet Trinity that I Myself carry. I await them blazing with hope to see them near Me in order to cast upon them many rays of flaming light; to hold them close to Me so as to share with them doses of My own Holiness.
- <sup>32)</sup> "It is in the Tabernacle and in the holy Monstrance that I await them so as to have them share in the celebration of the Glory of My Father so that they may receive the flames of the Holy Spirit, and to speak with loving words about the Heaven and the Love that awaits them, about the happiness that I promise and will give them."



# CHAPTER IV - OFFENCES AGAINST OUR REDEEMER

Several days went by after that communication when at daybreak, the Lord awoke me sometime between 5:00 and 6:00 o'clock in the early morning. He asked me to engage in prayer for those people who had profaned the Tabernacles, committing sacrileges and stealing His Precious Presence in the Consecrated Hosts.

- <sup>2)</sup> I began to weep from merely thinking about it and then I was filled with terror. There began to pass before my eyes scenes of people who were destroying the Tabernacles. They were breaking into them and removing the Consecrated Hosts with their filthy hands; they were throwing them into some boxes or bags, destroying them and stepping on them.
- <sup>3)</sup> They were human beings but emanating a nauseating odor, their bodies and hands covered with hair, like dark wool and they walked grimly like four-footed animals when they walk on their hind legs, half bow-legged.
- <sup>4)</sup> I am unable to describe the evil that I felt at that moment, but it was horrible, physically and

- spiritually. I thought I was going to die of sorrow. The powerlessness and futility of asking forgiveness of the Lord, to make reparation in some way for those horrible sins, overwhelmed me and I truly felt my heart leaping from my breast. I felt my pulse beating in my whole head. I was suffocating and I was gasping for oxygen.
- <sup>5)</sup> I leaped out of bed and threw myself down on my knees begging forgiveness of God for such dreadful crimes and I realized that this could only be the work of Satan, through his followers, ignorant and stupid people who let themselves get involved in Satanic groups. Only the devil can inspire committing such vile sacrilege.
- <sup>6)</sup> The only thing that occurred to me while praying, was to ask the Lord, "Please, Jesus, remove Your adorable presence from those Hosts; please, Lord, do not permit them to hurt You again. I beg You with all the love of my heart.
- <sup>7)</sup> "I know it is little, but it is everything I can offer You: this poor love which wishes to make reparation for everything those savages are doing. Take me and put me in that place so that they may do to me everything they intend to do to Your Most Sacred Body. You can do everything. Please, Lord, depart from there and lift Yourself up to Your Glorious Throne. Do not remain in those Hosts..."
- <sup>8)</sup> In a moment I felt that I was not the only one sobbing. Someone else was weeping with me, and then it was not only the deep sobbing of one human being but also of several persons which was gradually becoming louder and louder. I realized that it was Jesus Himself who was sobbing for sorrow when He saw the sin of His children, and near Him, the Most Holy Virgin and all the Saints... I ran to put something on and went to the little chapel of the Most Blessed Sacrament to be with my beloved.
- <sup>9)</sup> He was there in the Consecrated Host and I could see His Face as if imprinted on the Wafer, like the head with the Divine Face sorrowing, with the Crown of Thorns, clearly outlined on His adorable head. I thought of Judas, of the sorrow of Jesus and of the Father when His Son was going to be handed over, and at that moment the voice of Jesus reached me:
- 10) "Never forget, My daughter, that charity, the Love of Agape, is confirmed with works. The charity of the Father materialized in a gift: 'For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son' (Jn 3:16). And in turn, I, the Son, surrender My Life to show My Love.

- 11) "Do not forget this moment or this teaching. When I came into the world, I changed in form from God to Man and then to slave when I washed the feet of My Apostles.
- 12) "Know that the Word incarnate from then on, never strayed from that attitude of service. I told you, 'I am among you as the One who serves', and My program of humble abandon was to bring that about even to the shedding of blood.
- <sup>13)</sup> "Today I am also among you as the One who serves, but yet in a more exalted form, because I surrender My Body, My Blood and Divinity to you, to feed you, to strengthen you and to heal you.
- <sup>14)</sup> "I struggled so much against the spirit of the Jews of My own time, against the Ministers of the Temple of Israel, and I ended up as you know. And even today, there are many who should be ashamed, knowing that My most cruel enemies purchase or steal the consecrated Hosts in order to perform infernal things with them.
- 15) "In this way, My enemies believe in My Eucharistic Presence while My friends deny as usual by their words and deeds, the continuance, this Presence of Mine in the Host duly Transubstantiated... Oh, what an enormous piece of cruelty! Tell Me, what have I done to them...? Tell Me, why do they align themselves with My enemy?
- <sup>16)</sup> "You who rebel and yet belong to My Church, why do you not return to My Altars the dignity that you have stolen?
- <sup>17)</sup> "I urge you to engage in fewer digressions, in more faithfulness, in more prayer and in less talk, more obedience, less critical spirit, more discipline and less evasiveness.
- <sup>18)</sup> "Daughter, pray also for those bad children who come and ask Me for things that are inappropriate for another person, for the works of God and for their own souls. They selfishly think of themselves, of their possessions or of their comfort, and sometimes they do not know the good that person is bringing to their lives...
- <sup>19)</sup> "Yes, pray for them, because at the hour they least expect, Divine justice will be turned against them, acting on their own beloved. What they wished for another is what they sowed and they will reap the consequences."



- <sup>20)</sup> Kneeling before Him, I allowed a stream of tears to flow from my eyes. I did not restrain myself as on other occasions.
- <sup>21)</sup> It was like a profound need to cleanse my sorrow, my guilt... Yes, I felt guilty for being part of the Church and keeping silent about all that, for not going out courageously to the streets, the high schools, everywhere, to tell the world that Jesus is there in that Consecrated Host, waiting for all of us.
- <sup>22)</sup> I felt anguish over my guilt, over allowing prejudices and "the prudence" not to upset some persons with my testimonies, for having kept silent on so many occasions.
- <sup>23)</sup> I experienced guilt as a lay person, because if the world were truly educated, if we taught what the Presence of the Living Jesus means in the Glory of each Consecrated Host, a great many lay persons would be keeping vigil at the Churches and Chapels, and preventing evil demons from profaning the greatest Sacrament of Love.
- <sup>24)</sup> I prayed with all my strength to Jesus for Him to permit with His Grace, the testimony in the little book of "*The Holy Mass*" to circulate throughout the world, in order to educate lay people, to touch all the persons that He wanted and that He should truly make me a Missionary of His Eucharistic Heart through that little testimony.
- <sup>25)</sup> That His Power should carry the little book to all the countries which I could not reach, and to all the persons that He wished to touch with His Grace. After a few months, that testimony had gone around the world and today, for the greater Glory of the One who is All powerful, it is translated into more than 12 languages without us having to lift a finger.
- <sup>26)</sup> When I went into my room later, lying on my bed, I was gazing at the image that I have on the opposite wall that represents Jesus as the Good Shepherd, looking and smiling at the little black sheep in His arms. Then Jesus' very gentle voice reached me:
- <sup>27)</sup> "You know that sheep are marked so that changes are not introduced into the different flocks. You too, like little sheep, are marked by My Father who wishes to offer you to Me.
- <sup>28)</sup> "If you could see that Divine sign My Father has imprinted on your foreheads, you would have no doubts about definitively entering through My gateway.

- <sup>29)</sup> "You are My little sheep, because besides dying for you, I am always showing you that I take care of you, purify you, feed you and protect you. I block the disturbing actions that My enemy, who hates you and Me, scatters among you. Be careful, for that wolf is always attempting to repeat his destructive works, and I am the One who blocks them.
- <sup>30)</sup> "Because of all that, I ask you to follow Me obediently and without giving up; to come to Me in order to know the gentleness of this your Shepherd who has been made to shed His blood for the purpose of saving you from death..."
- <sup>31)</sup> Then I remembered the talk I had given at that Marian conference, and the Lord said to me, "One day you are going to have to transcribe that talk, to be able to insert it in a book."
- <sup>32)</sup> Today I have finished transcribing it, and out of obedience to Jesus and to a priest, who for the past three months has been helping me through his letters and whom I truly and greatly esteem, I have inserted it at the beginning of this book by way of an introduction, always seeking the greater glory of God and the good of other little sheep.

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# CHAPTER V - THE MYSTERIES OF THE KINGDOM

A few weeks after the first vision, one evening when it was raining a great deal and I was keeping the Lord company, the Altar displaying the Monstrance became much brighter, as if rays of the sun were shining through some window. It could not have been a flash of lightning, because if it were, it would have lasted only briefly, and this light kept on shining. I had just sat back, but when I saw the light, I knelt down again on the kneeler.

- <sup>2)</sup> Then I saw two huge Angels with large wings. With hands clasped [in prayer], they were kneeling on either side of the Monstrance where Jesus was in the Eucharist. Their garments, very light silver colored, seemed to be of some velvet material.
- <sup>3)</sup> They were so majestic and beautiful that their presence made me realize that those Creatures are in Heaven in the Presence of God, like so many other mirrors where the infinite purity of the Lord is reflected. That God of Love enjoys the fact that the Angels have a likeness similar to His, because their

likeness is a reflection of the most pure Light of His Spirit.

- <sup>4)</sup> I realized that from earth, we admire in the Angels, not exactly themselves, but God, at the same time as we reach out to Him by means of them. And just like the Angels, everything that is from God, attracts us.
- <sup>5)</sup> As on other occasions, I did not know what was happening to me. It was as if I had read some book very quickly, as if a light had penetrated my mind. To express it another way, I "discovered" that angelic light is the purity of the eternal God, given to the heavenly spirits for His delight and for the immense delight of those creatures.
- <sup>6)</sup> In the case of guardian angels, their work is pleasing to God because through it, they lead us in a delightful manner to the light of heavenly Love, possessed by them in different degrees, but in absolute and total purity.
- <sup>7)</sup> Yet we do not follow their work, but instead, we often hinder it with plenty of burdens and enormous and diverse dark things.
- <sup>8)</sup> At that moment, the Angels disappeared and I felt the need to give thanks to Jesus for my Guardian Angel whom I truly love and whose powerful help and intercession I feel every moment.
- <sup>9)</sup> Then there began once again that music intermingled with little bells and the sound of water falling. Yet instead of distracting me, that melody was penetrating my being, during the contemplation of my prayer and dialogue with the Lord. That lasted the whole time of my encounter with Jesus and I know that the message was: "The choirs of Angels accompany us when we are at adoration."
- <sup>10)</sup> That evening Jesus gently taught me about the benefits of receiving Him in our Holy Communion when properly disposed, and while He was speaking, I again felt that blaze of gratitude within me.
- <sup>11)</sup> He was saying: "When you ask Me for something, while meditating on My Passion or during Holy Mass, you move My Heart, because you ask Me for it while keeping My Mother and John company at the foot of the Cross, for there are few whose prayer is steadfast. For that reason, the petitions vary in accordance with the way you pray and the hope you place in your petitions.
- <sup>12)</sup> "Your prayer at the foot of the Cross should be humble but firm, peaceful but fervent, filled with compassion for My sufferings and gratitude for My Resurrection.

- <sup>13)</sup> "Pause to meditate and to better experience the Martyrdom and renewal that I offer you in the Eucharist, by inviting you to be united with the Celebrant, and by removing your distractions. Be attentive to the one who renews My sufferings and prays with Me to the Father.
- <sup>14)</sup> "I submit Myself. I am at the will of the Priest during his time and prayer, and you are so often distracted, absent and yet physically present at the Celebration. How hard it is for you to keep your minds continuously on the prayers and the spirit that moves My Church...!
- 15) "When you receive Communion, I Myself grant to your soul the elements which it requires to transform it and lead it to a path of greater holiness. Thus, you resemble Me more and more in your manner of thinking, feeling, reacting, and living...
- <sup>16)</sup> "It is the Sacrament of union with Me and with your brothers and sisters. Therefore, the fewer obstacles I find in a soul for this union to be more perfect, the greater will be the Graces that you will receive from this encounter."
- <sup>17)</sup> In a second I understood, though I myself could not fathom how, that when the priest says the words "The Body of Christ" to us, he is telling us, "Here is the food that will nourish you during your life and will save you at the hour of death". And our answer, "Amen" is the "Yes, I wish to save myself", or "May it be done to me according to Your word." Yes, that "Amen" is our "Fiat", and certainly this will not attract the attention of any priests because they are aware of it and they know it. But for us ordinary lay persons, all this is something new and an important part of the "Good News."
- <sup>18)</sup> That surrender of the soul to the Lord and to His Divine Will is the disposition that makes it possible for Him to work wonders in it, with all His power and with all His Graces, to help us correct the course of our lives, to strengthen us and to love us.
- <sup>19)</sup> I heard the voice of my Jesus: "How much love will the One Who formed you, have for you, the One who must remain hidden in order to save you! And I do it that way in order to prevent you from being blinded by My Majesty, in order that My Glory may not drown your desire of Me, and I do that with everyone. You do not know what it is to love this way without My Love being understood, accepted, and responded to.
- <sup>20)</sup> "You do not know how holy, how misunderstood and how maltreated is that unique Sacrament in which I give Myself to you.

- <sup>21)</sup> "That is the reason for these books called "Testimonies" [i.e., the series of these Testimonies of Catalina], because a large part of the laity in My Church, are ignorant of so many things that for the other part are common and even ordinary.
- <sup>22)</sup> "In a simple and loving encounter through these writings, I wish to make lay persons into beings who, by possessing knowledge of the Mysteries of the Kingdom and of things that by their nature they have had no education about or access to, may raise their hearts towards the encounter with Heaven.
- <sup>23)</sup> "Tell people to come to Me here, for I AM, the Almighty, the Infinite. Tell them to allow My Angels to bring them before My Presence and that one puff of air is enough for Me to blow away the dust harboring within you."
- <sup>24)</sup> At that moment I managed to make out in the distance a person approaching the Chapel of the Most Blessed Sacrament, but not walking alone. There were four Angels, one in front, one behind and one on each side of the person. Those on either side of him and the one behind him were surrounded by a silvery light and the one that was walking (or rather gliding) in front of the person was enveloped in golden lights. "That is the Guardian Angel", the voice of Jesus explained to me.
- <sup>25)</sup> At that moment, I understood why He was saying "we should allow ourselves to be lead before His Presence by the Angels". It is they who are permanently inviting us to visit Jesus in the Sacrament, and when we listen to their invitations, they themselves accompany us. The reason for the other three angels, I still do not know.
- <sup>26)</sup> Often when I have just received Jesus in Holy Communion, I think about the fact that I do not know how it is that I am still alive, and how it is that I have not died in the face of the wonder of possessing the certainty that I am united in that way to my Lord and my God, to the Being whom I love above all things, to that Being who loves me with a Love without boundaries, to the point of forgiving me from time to time for every offence and omission of my daily life.
- <sup>27)</sup> Then a wave of love surges up and envelopes me, causing me to emerge in some way like an eddy of fresh, golden water, embraced by Him, or dancing for Him up to the surface where everything is filled with that feeling that emanates from the heart and penetrates it at the same time. They are the moments of "I love You with all my being; thank you Jesus, thank you my Lord".

- <sup>28)</sup> It is that wish that no one should speak to you, draw near, or say anything, that desire to remain united to Jesus waiting for a word from Him, a new gesture, a sigh, or a silence that speaks volumes...
- <sup>29)</sup> On several occasions, during adoration I have only repeated the prayer that the Angel of Fatima gave to the three little shepherd children: "Oh Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I offer You the most precious Body, and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the Tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He is offended. And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg You for the conversion of poor sinners. Amen."
- <sup>30)</sup> On other occasions, when I feel so inhibited by the loving Presence of Jesus, I can only repeat to Him that I love Him, that I want to love Him more, that I want to be the way He wants me to be and then I keep silent, while noting that I am blushing like an adolescent girl in front of the boy who is looking affectionately at her.
- <sup>31)</sup> How great it is to note that it is for Him, for the beloved, for our Jesus, that everything survives, and that going to Him, being at His side, uniting ourselves to Him, signifies meeting, earning, possessing the Love of that One for Whom we as well as the entire Universe exist. Like the saints, we should desire to be in the place of the Angels, because the Angels remain surrounding the Tabernacles.

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# CHAPTER VI - GOD DESIRES TO DWELL IN US

One morning at daybreak the Lord asked me to remain completely silent after speaking to me about the deep and silent encounter with God. He told me that to reach that state when the soul is inhabited by its Creator, is the greatest thing that souls seeking union with Him aspire to.

- <sup>2)</sup> He explained to me that many things have been written about this, but that even those who have written about these capacities of the soul, have not been able to go beyond the point where their natural reason has led them.
- <sup>3)</sup> There was absolute silence and within moments I became so tense trying to hear any sound that I could hear even the sound of my own breathing while

trying to breathe more softly. Then in an instant, I do not know if I was inside my body or not, my eyes were closed and I no longer felt or heard anything. I do not know how much time I passed in this way.

- <sup>4)</sup> When I opened my eyes, there was an immense light in front of me which made me blink two or three times. It was not a dazzling light, but it powerfully attracted me. It penetrated me through my eyes, my nose, my mouth, and through every pore of my skin, leaving me submerged in an indescribable peace...
- <sup>5)</sup> For a few seconds, a silence even much more profound than the previous one that invaded me, and then, inside me I felt something like the beginning of a murmur, then like a wind and immediately a voice said: "My own, I love you"... Then the light and the voice vanished inside me.
- <sup>6)</sup> Once again I was in front of my Jesus in the Eucharist, in the Monstrance, in the immaculate white Host, but I experienced such great peace and joy that I felt like laughing and crying at the same time... and I think I did so. It was a timid smile and then a broad smile mixed with my sobbing which was gentle, joyful and grateful.
- <sup>7)</sup> There was a book on top of the kneeler and Jesus told me to take it and read where it was marked. It was the *Prayer after Communion* in the Liturgy of the Church for a Sunday in Ordinary Time, and it read like this: "May the grace of this communion, Lord, penetrate our body and spirit in order that it should be your strength, not our feeling, that moves our life."
- <sup>8)</sup> I discovered that what Jesus was asking me to do at that moment, was to meditate on the conditions necessary for receiving His Most Holy Body, not only on the normal dispositions requested by our Church, but on the interior dispositions of the soul, to receive the greatest amount of Graces possible from this marvelous gift of God.
- <sup>9)</sup> I know nothing about theology, but as a simple housewife, I think that if we are sure that Jesus is Present in the Consecrated Host, the very least we can bring to Him is our gratitude, our trust, our will, our love, and the desire for intimacy to know Him and to remain united to Him
- <sup>10)</sup> Why? So that He can make use of us as His instruments. God does not deposit some certain amount of power in human beings. He retains the power in Himself. Infinite resources are found only in Him.
- <sup>11)</sup> It is only when we are united to Him, when we are accessible to Him and permit Him to work within us

and through us, that we can succeed in seeing the great and powerful things that He does. It is only in that way that "His strength and not our feelings, is what moves our life."

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# CHAPTER VII - "COME TO ME ALL YOU WHO ARE BURDENED..."

How often do we deprive ourselves of walking in that marvelous Company, because we do not know first of all, how to fill ourselves with Him and allow ourselves "to be gilded" by the Sun of His Eucharistic Presence.

- <sup>2)</sup> We deprive ourselves of His continuous protection, of being able to see the abundance of fruits in our lives, in good moments and especially in bad, because it is in critical moments that it is possible to see if the fruits that we bear are permanent.
- <sup>3)</sup>What a pity for those persons who receive the Lord in a humdrum routine manner, without the wonder of telling Jesus something new, but always using the same tiresome words, or even worse, not saying anything to Him, or feeling anything, as if they were actually receiving just a piece of bread.
- <sup>4)</sup> Jesus said: "How can you possibly be surprised at the laity if the majority of them are scarcely aware of My Presence in the Eucharist, and are just beginning to believe that I am here alive...
- <sup>5)</sup> "How can you possibly be surprised if on many occasions I prove in My own brothers and sisters, that the lessons I have tried to give them through so many Eucharistic Miracles have rolled right off their souls without penetrating them.
- 6) "How sad it is to see that so many of My own, from the moment of their ordination have still not acquired My Spirit, My feelings, and My plan for life: to rescue human beings through My absolute surrender, to lower Myself to the point of making Myself into bread and to raise them from their lowliness to My Divinity so as to confer on them My own inheritance.
- <sup>7)</sup> "My children, a person would be deceived who only saw in this plan a spectacular and fleeting gesture, nothing more than an ingenious lesson by an incomparable educator.

- 8) "On earth, I played a role in which I surrendered Myself entirely. The will to serve sprang from My very core, because the decision made by God to annihilate Himself, to humble Himself and to sacrifice Himself has always been alive for all of eternity, in the very depths of Me, the Word.
- <sup>9)</sup> "It is difficult to understand the scope of My gesture, if I am not placed in the perspective of the redemptive Incarnation.
- <sup>10)</sup> "Understand why you must carry your cross every day. Just as it was impossible to share in My society beyond, if I did not humble Myself and did not pay My ransom of pain, in the same way it is impossible to collaborate here below in the work of salvation if those who follow Me do not conform themselves to the Will of God. The two ideas are bound together.
- <sup>11)</sup> "For you are not attracted to the metamorphosis that I demand of My Apostles even nowadays. Authority implies service. I, the Son of God, assumed the nature of a slave. Yet, I did not divest Myself of My Divine personality, while still serving My own servants. I lowered Myself without losing My rank. I did not give up My privileges.
- <sup>12)</sup> "My mission par excellence has always been to expose the void in mankind, the moral vacuum that My Divine Love came to fill in the hearts of Creatures.
- 13) "My Divine task is to produce in the hardened and insensitive hearts of human beings the impression of their misery, and to make them turn to the God of every Grace, to the God that many of them reject, in order to be saved from their ruin and to be forgiven and justified.
- <sup>14)</sup> "That is the marvelous work that I have fulfilled in this world, and that I still fulfill through My Words and the working of the Holy Spirit. If the Light uncovers their sins, Love is also there, ready to cover them.
- 15) "Bring human beings to My Altars. They do not know the things that are lost by not coming before My Presence to learn how to ask for them. They have financial concerns and they turn to Banks or lenders; they have health problems and they go to one doctor or another in search of the remedy for healing; they have problems with their children and they seek institutions and professional people to help them to contend with them. Almost all of them have spiritual problems, yet look at this Chapel, built so that My children may come and tell Me their sorrows, their joys and no one hardly ever comes."
- <sup>16)</sup> (The Lord was referring to a chapel in a South American country where I was at that time and which was built for the

- purpose of holding many hours of monthly Eucharistic Adoration.)
- <sup>17)</sup> I began to weep, while telling Jesus that He knew how often and in what ways I had insisted that this should be carried out. Apart from one day per week when a Holy Bishop goes to celebrate Holy Mass and after Mass he exposes the Most Blessed Sacrament for Adoration, rare are the persons who come in order to accompany the Lord during the day.
- <sup>18)</sup> With His usual gentleness, He consoled me by telling me that those persons who came there were heard with special attention, since they did so with love, without wishing to be seen by any other persons except Jesus Himself, and that this compensated for the lack of love of those who only attended large Churches when they were filled with people, to get the attention of priests or to take the pulpit and direct the prayers which were recited more for the purpose of being heard by human beings than by God.
- 19) He went on to say: "That is how things are nowadays, little daughter. Everyone will tell you that they have no time, but they all have problems. There are so many who wait for "an opportune moment" to concern themselves with the things of God and the needs of their souls, a moment that never comes. Then there are those who entrust those concerns to other human beings established for carrying out that duty; and there is no shortage of those who have had to betray religion and their moral principles, like those who sell any article for which the market has more than enough.
- <sup>20)</sup> "And when people are in need or are ill, they willingly accept a little religion to appease their consciences when it comes to their responsibility as creatures before God, yet not enough to silence the petition that their heart is requesting.
- <sup>21)</sup> "How I should like for all to be like Nicodemus, in the sense that he was not saved by knowledge or by his religion, but by his simple faith in My works, for even if he did not fully understand them, he trusted in them, knowing that his salvation did not come from him, but only from God.
- <sup>22)</sup> "How I should like for all to respond to that powerful Grace that is offered to them with Love. Those who are wise and famous among their peers, succeed in understanding that the work of salvation is something impossible for them to carry out by themselves. But they also learn that God has intervened to free them from their state of ruin and perdition.
- <sup>23)</sup> "It was in the presence of his Savior that the doctor of Israel discovered the desperate state of his

soul. In no other place would he have been able to discover that the Light and the Divine Love had carried out their work of salvation."

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# CHAPTER VIII - THE PROOFS OF HIS PRESENCE

On one occasion, we had gone to preach in a maximum security prison, and when we came out, the guard accompanying us said to me, "Thank you for coming, madam. I hope your words have reached the prisoners because they need them." I asked him what he had thought of my words. He said, "Well, but you were preaching to the inmates of the prison, not to us." I told him that I had preached about the Love of Jesus to all those who heard me and that he and all the guards needed that Love as much as the prisoners, and that everyone of us needs the Gospel and the Love of God because those benefits cannot be found anywhere else or in any other person.

- <sup>2)</sup> It was Holy Thursday and Jesus had poured Himself out, full of Mercy that afternoon, at the pavilion of "the punished" where many were afraid to enter. We felt that Jesus Himself had opened the prison bars for us when we arrived there, and that He was our Host.
- <sup>3)</sup> It was so, because there were a great many who went to confession. My spiritual director was hearing confessions while a choir sang between my preaching and prayers. From five to ten o'clock at night, tough men filed through the confessional box enjoying in an unforgettable way, the brokenness that is experienced when one has returned to life after twenty or even fifty years. They had a new label on their chests: instead of a number, now they had the word "Forgiven."
- <sup>4)</sup> In the presence of Jesus, at the beautiful Monstrance of the little chapel, I was thinking that day about those people, and about how Jesus must feel every year on Holy Thursdays, and what He must have felt when He washed the feet of His disciples.
- <sup>5)</sup> "Little daughter, I want there to remain engraved in your memory and carved on your heart, all the details of the scene that I relive before your eyes.
- 6) "On that Thursday, everyone was full of enthusiasm. I was thoroughly acquainted with

- those men whose feet I was kneeling before, and I read their hearts without any need of being informed by them about the secrets of their souls.
- 7) "I was not unaware, in particular, that one of them, like a rabid animal that bites the hand of the master that feeds it, was plotting and preparing a satanic plan against Me."
- <sup>8)</sup> I buried my face in my hands, sobbing because of the sadness that I felt in the voice of my Lord. When I looked again, I saw Jesus and some men (His Apostles) reclining around a table. Jesus arose from the table and removing His cloak, dressed only in His white tunic, took a piece of cloth and tied it around His waist.
- <sup>9)</sup> Already on other occasions, the Lord had granted me the immense gift of allowing me to contemplate scenes like this one. But they always acquire a different shade, something different for me to dwell upon.
- <sup>10)</sup> On this occasion, my attention was attracted by the sight of Him clad so poorly without His beautiful cloak. Jesus went on with His story: "They were the garments of a slave, of any servant at all who was not from the tribe of Israel, because they were exempt from that service.
- <sup>11)</sup> "In My hands, I held sovereign power, that universal authority that the Father in His goodness had communicated to Me.
- 12) "At that precise moment, My gaze penetrated them and I tried to forestall the crisis that would shake the unselfishness of My Apostles. They were all on fire, like a flame and promised to follow Me to the death, but the enthusiasm of the spirit does not remove the weakness of the flesh, and I was looking into the future.
- 13) "A mystery surrounds My whole human life: I spent My existence loving those who were Mine. As a Man and for mankind, the Son, the exegete of God offered thus, the definition of the Father: 'God is Love.'
- 14) "That is why it is in My Heart that you should seek the sense and the importance of that supreme hour: I, who had consumed My Life in Loving, was reserving for them a supreme testimony of My charity. The height of Love at the end of My life!
- <sup>15)</sup> "I experienced then, with extraordinary strength, the feeling that your beloved mother and all those who pass away in Grace acknowledged, knowing that life is scarcely a passage to the House of the Father, and that the prospect of

separation enlivens the affection for those who pass away on the part of those who remain.

- <sup>16)</sup> "My children, ask Me to instruct you and clothe you in My natural grandeur and My voluntary acts of abasement, so that at least in your natural littleness, you will have no difficulty in stepping down from your lowly pedestal and in serving your brothers and sisters.
- <sup>17)</sup> "It is not the Tabernacles that are closed, but your hearts. For very few succeed in understanding how I, who am hidden and enclosed, have the freedom to reveal Myself, to make My living presence felt, there in the Host which every one of those Tabernacles encloses.
- <sup>18)</sup> "My Presence can be noticed if you have open minds, hearts and souls. Whoever comes to Me receives the proofs of My Eucharistic Presence, since I cause that marvelous miracle, precisely in order to approach you, welcome you, and console you who suffer from the life that is passing."
- <sup>19)</sup> How stupid are we men and women, not to think about all of this. At the moment when Jesus goes to surrender Himself to the Will of the Father in order to save us, knowing everything that He had been for eternity, in the Present and what He was going to be forever and ever, after His Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven, His Love has reached the peak and He expresses it, not by embracing them but instead, *He began to wash the feet of His disciples and to dry them with the towel He had around His waist.*
- <sup>20)</sup> The Lord went on to say: "And you will tell My People to pray for their authorities, especially for the authorities of the Church, because of the fact that the powerful with the greatest of ambition seek honor and glory, that humans run after external titles to have themselves called 'Benefactors' or 'Saviors', and that monarchs impose their power on their subordinates, which is what humans normally expect, because they are glories that come from humans.
- <sup>21)</sup> "But within My Church, among the ecclesiastic communities, this should never, never happen. The Church authorities have the strict duty of bowing in devotion to carrying out the exclusive wish of the Glory of God.
- <sup>22)</sup> "Transubstantiation is not some fanciful miracle; it is a lasting miracle. It is to summon Me, to announce Myself to you, and it is not just some bread that has been blessed. Transubstantiation does not take place by leaving the bread as mere bread, because in that way there would be no change of substance.

- <sup>23)</sup> "I have said: 'This is My Body,' and this statement carries the force of My Omnipotence, if it is proclaimed by My authentic Ministers.
- <sup>24)</sup> "Poor and unfortunate are the Ministers who place My Words in doubt and they do so much damage to souls...
- <sup>25)</sup> "I allow Myself to bleed in many Hosts, before your eyes, so that you will be certain that Miracles keep on occurring before your unbelief, today like yesterday or before yesterday. Will the donkey have to humble human beings again, by kneeling before My Eucharistic Presence? [Note: the donkey reference is explained below.]
- <sup>26)</sup> "Convey to them that I try through every means, to snatch from the clutches of My adversary, any soul already compromised.
- <sup>27)</sup> "That I struggle indefatigably right until the end, that I show it (the soul) the greatest tactfulness and limitless patience. Internally and externally, I make it aware of the fact that nothing escapes Me of the drama developing in its heart or mind, in its soul or senses. I put everything into it and I only request that which they are least disposed, to give Me: their will."
- <sup>28)</sup> In view of the fact that Jesus spoke to me about a donkey, and that I did not know what He was referring to, I consulted a Theologian and he explained to me that He is referring to a passage from the life of Saint Anthony of Padua which must be well known to every priest and nun, but not to the majority of lay persons, or at least to those lay persons whom the Lord wishes to reach with this little book. Therefore, I consider it important to transcribe the text that this Father made available to me:
  - <sup>29)</sup> "In the life of Saint Anthony of Padua, a surprising event occurred which is known by all. There was a heretic called Guillardo who did not believe in the real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist in spite of the numerous conversions that took place through the preaching of Saint Anthony. This heretic went around confusing people with his errors.
  - 30) "One day, Saint Anthony engaged in a public discussion with Guillardo and the latter was humiliated, not knowing what to reply to the masterful defense made by the Saint. So in order to get out of the matter, he asked the Saint to perform a miracle for the purpose of belief in the Real Presence of the Eucharist, proposing the following to him: 'I have a mule which I will deprive of food for three days, and if after those days he refuses the food that I will offer him to adore instead the consecrated Host that you present to him and in which you say the substance of Christ

# truly and really exists, then I will fully embrace the doctrine of the Catholic Church.'

- 31) "Saint Anthony, moved by God, accepted the proposal and spent those three days in devout prayer and penance. At the end of the third day, Anthony celebrated Holy Mass and then without removing his sacred vestments, he took the Consecrated Host, and accompanied by a crowd of the faithful, he went to the middle of the square. Guillardo took the hungry mule from the stable and placed fodder before it. Then the Saint addressing the mule, said to him: 'In the name of your Creator, whom I hold in my hands, I order you to prostrate yourself immediately before Him so that heretics will know that the whole of creation is subject to the Lamb that sacrifices Himself on our altars.'
- <sup>32)</sup> "Before the admiration of all those present, the mule who was hungry, completely ignoring his food offered to him by Guillardo, went to the Most Blessed Sacrament held by the Saint and bending his hind legs, remained prostrate and motionless, in an attitude of profound reverence. This event caused the conversion not only of Guillardo but of many heretics who were present at the challenge.
- <sup>33)</sup> "Because news of this event spread rapidly throughout the whole world, Saint Anthony received the title of 'Hammer of the Heretics'. This is a true historic testimony publicly acknowledged."

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# CHAPTER IX - KNOW YOURSELF IN ORDER TO CHANGE

How could we possibly live eternal life if we do not rise from the dead with Jesus? The Lord said, "those who eat My flesh and drink My blood have life everlasting." Today, this carries the same meaning: Those who eat the Bread of life today "live eternal life" and are risen from the dead in body and soul. This is a Mystery of Faith.

<sup>2)</sup> And that faith when it is genuine and solid, urges us to give up everything in order to have EVERYTHING, as the Lord said previously. And we can be sure that we have to experience hardship and troubles, but those things are needed for our own purification. To attain the resurrection, suffering, sorrow or the passion is necessary. This and only this is the true path of the Christian.

- <sup>3)</sup> One day, during Communion, He told me, "I will cleanse you with My Blood and I Myself will completely satisfy you, because I desire you to be so united to Me that it will be very easy to love Me on earth, in Heaven and wherever I am hidden, covering Myself completely with the Bread and the Wine. Always come to My flame; I am the Love that is eternal and invincible; I am your God.
- <sup>4)</sup> That day I learned something else: that when He gives Himself in Communion, Jesus bestows His Spirit on us, and He does so by transmitting that evangelical Love that He desires us to keep enkindled in our hearts.
- <sup>5)</sup> That Love is not earthly or limited, but it is universal like that of the Father, who no matter what we do, "makes the rain fall and the sun shine on all of us, on the good as well as the bad" according to the words of Sacred Scripture.
- <sup>6)</sup> It is a Love that does not live by hoping for something from others, because it always takes the initiative, and because it is the first to love. It is a feeling that it becomes one with all in order to suffer and to rejoice with each one of us. It is a Love that is concerned for all, and that waits for all; the kind of Love that is not just sentimental, but a Love made obvious not just in word but in deed.
- <sup>7)</sup> We all need for Jesus to bestow His Spirit on us. There are so many people, especially at this time, who perhaps because of their little faith or knowledge of God, suffer from illnesses that wither their spirit and prevent them from carrying out positive spiritual works.
- <sup>8)</sup> We are in need of the Holy Spirit. Those who receive the Spirit of God enter into a process of conversion, since His mission is to transform "believers" into disciples and disciples into witnesses of Jesus Christ.
- <sup>9)</sup> How pitiful to see so many people who come punctually to Sunday Mass and are spiritually inactive, as if too lethargic from all their worry to grow spiritually, and from getting to know their faith a little better.
- <sup>10)</sup> You see them there, sunken in an alarming state of passivity, not only with no concern for improving their spiritual life, but also unable to do any good works, as if their spirit were ill and on the point of listlessness. It is as if they did not know or believe that Jesus came precisely to bring about the ability of human beings to rise up against themselves, by penetrating their innermost being in order to destroy that which is old and ugly within themselves.

<sup>11)</sup> It is as if they did not understand that Jesus is still here among us to make each one of us flourish in whatever qualities we possess that are admirable and beautiful. He is among us so that humans may be capable of separating from themselves the chains of their selfishness that transform them into people around whom the planet revolves., and so that men and women may be capable of feeling that they are not only children of the Most High but also brothers and sisters of the rest of humankind.

<sup>12)</sup> Yet I am not saying that those people are not in the state of grace. No. Certainly Grace is there, but it is inactive and purposeless...

<sup>13)</sup> I believe that true knowledge of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist should encourage us to lean completely on that Christ who wishes to extract us from that state of spiritual listlessness, because He has promised to be with us until the end of our days. We need to warm our hearts with the fire of the Holy Spirit in order to heal our despondency.

<sup>14)</sup> If our faith is weak, the Eucharist is that source which we need in order to nourish it. In the Person of Christ we encounter relief for our ills. It is His contact in Communion and dialogue during the hours of Eucharistic Adoration that free our lives from the effects of dangerous spiritual illnesses.

<sup>15)</sup> Where there is one of the Persons of the Most Holy Trinity, there are the other Two. It is there that we should adore and give thanks to the Father and receive the Holy Spirit. Many of us have filled ourselves not with the flame, but with artificial lights, but we need the light, the warmth and the flame of God in order to exist, to grow, to receive, to understand, to transform ourselves and to help others travel this same path. We need to pray to Him, who speaks in the silence of the soul, to give us a spirit of recollection, in order to understand what God desires of us, and to give us the strength, to encourage us to carry it out.

<sup>16)</sup> Jesus said, "... ask the Holy Spirit to dwell in you so that you will always recognize the footprints of God, so that He will unveil to you the magnificent plan that the Father has for each one of you... so that He will work in your hearts by shielding them from every lowly ambition, from appearances, from superficiality, and from cowardliness...

<sup>17)</sup> "Every person should know how to develop their capabilities. So instead of focusing on the defects of others, disciples are those who learn to focus on their own defects and they should ask the Holy

Spirit to teach them to be fruitful in their personal and family lives, and as members of the Church."

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# CHAPTER X - THE MERCY OF THE LORD

Four years ago, I asked the Lord, that if it was His Will, He should meet me no matter where I was, at exactly three o'clock in the afternoon, on a day when the Church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. I have lived before through some experiences on that day and at that hour, but today I want to tell what happened this year.

<sup>2)</sup> As I have done through all these years, I try to make a good confession, prepare my documents and arrange my belongings, closets and everything before that day. This time it was no different, except for the great consolation of having our [ANE] founding father with us for reasons of health. While yet convalescing, he celebrated Holy Mass at two thirty in the afternoon.

<sup>3)</sup> When we got to the Offertory, I closed my eyes, handing My offering to my Angel, for him to take to the Altar, but a light illuminated my eyes and my mind. I opened my eyes again and saw Jesus, or that is, the outline of Jesus, the silhouette of the Lord of Divine Mercy and the rays that radiated from His breast, which were shedding a strong light on me. I gave a start which Father Renzo noticed and mentioned to me later.

<sup>4)</sup> Jesus spoke to my heart asking me to surrender myself to Him. I closed my eyes and immediately saw myself before the Throne that I have been allowed to see so many times. I saw someone, a being filled with silvery light and I realized that it was God the Father. I thought, "I have died" and I saw Jesus before me, dressed as the Merciful Jesus.

<sup>5)</sup> Suddenly I saw myself enveloped in some hoops like red and white rings, but they were loose, as if I were covered with a barrel, but I was aware that I was naked below and I began to feel badly, and ashamed because I was afraid that God the Father would realize this. I raised my eyes, seeking Jesus on my left, but in front of me on the other side of Jesus, on my right, there was a being clothed in a flame, but a flame that was reddish gold. I was not frightened but on the contrary, it made me feel very well.

<sup>6)</sup> It was at that moment that I realized... I was presenting myself before God the Father, before the Most Blessed Trinity, and I was clothed only in the colors of Divine Mercy... I understood that the only thing that can possibly make us worthy to present ourselves before the Throne of God is the Mercy of Jesus and that we must have recourse to It.

<sup>7)</sup> I gazed at that Being filled with light and I was able to make out His eyes, enormous eyes like those of my Jesus, but with a look of tenderness in them: wise, mature, and loving, as if they were inviting me to trust and not fear him. There was a "smile" in that gaze and I could see nothing more. Everything was light, but those eyes, or rather that gaze I saw clearly. Joining many voices, I repeated: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." We repeated it three times.

<sup>8)</sup> A very sweet voice which I immediately recognized as the voice of my dear Holy Mother, said, "Holy God"... and my eyes looked towards God the Father. Then the Virgin said, "Holy Mighty One" and my eyes looked towards the Being clothed in a flame. When the Virgin said, "Holy Immortal One" my eyes searched for Jesus. That was it! God the Father is the Holy One; the Almighty One is the Holy Spirit, and the Immortal One, the one who has conquered death, is Jesus...!

<sup>9)</sup> My mind was being opened up to things that undoubtedly may be well known during the formation of a priest, a nun, and a lay person doing religious studies, but for us ordinary lay persons, for me, it was a revelation. The Voice of Jesus said – but I knew it was the Father who was speaking to me: "With the knowledge that you have received now, tell the world to repeat this prayer."

<sup>10)</sup> At that moment I realized that I was not dead, that the Lord was giving me more time, and that He was assigning me a new mission: to prepare human beings so that their encounter with God at the hour of their death, would be clothed in His Mercy, in the Infinite Merits of Jesus, since it is the only "clothing" that we can wear to present ourselves before the Throne of God in order to be judged...

<sup>11)</sup> I was pulled from there by a force that absorbed me, and I saw myself, as if I were floating in the sky (surely like what a parachutist sees). It was a place with mountains, but I was slowly descending, passing through the clouds above a plain.

<sup>12)</sup> I thought, "this is certainly a cold place because there are mountains." As I descended lower, I could make out some men and women, more men than women,

dressed in black and holding hands, one beside the other. As I was descending, I felt a force requesting me to say the prayer, and I began: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world." Suddenly, some persons among them vanished and I ascended a little. Again I repeated the prayer and the same thing happened. Then, I began to repeat it over and over again. I ascended, I ascended and the people were vanishing until I lost them from sight and I heard the voice of the priest continuing with the Celebration.

<sup>13)</sup> I began to cry; I could not help it. On the one hand, I felt sorrow and pain for having left that majestic place and that vision, but I was happy, too, because the Lord had entrusted another mission to me.

<sup>14)</sup> The celebration was hardly over when I requested that we should pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy before Jesus in the Sacrament, and when I repeated the prayer of "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world", I heard and felt within myself many voices were joining ours in accompaniment.

<sup>15)</sup> Then I realized that the vision I had had, suspended in the air with all those beings below, as if they were waiting for something, was a vision of the souls that were going to die and were waiting for a prayer on their behalf.

<sup>16)</sup> I have related this because I want to ask all those who may kindly accompany me in this apostolate for the dying, to repeat this prayer every time they remember, presenting to the Lord all those who are going to die in the course of that day, so that the Grace and the Mercy of God will reach them at the moment of their death, and so that they may unite themselves to our prayers through their guardian angels and ours, whom we will ask to whisper the words [of the prayer] into the ears of those who are dying, so that they may repeat the prayer, even if only once, and thus be saved.

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# CHAPTER XI - A BALSAM AND TWELVE PROMISES

There are many ways to encounter God, but there is a unique, privileged moment like no other, when we can nourish ourselves with His Presence. It is when we are before the Most Blessed Sacrament. Without perceiving anything

else but that white Host, we can pray and go deeply in search of that direct relationship with Jesus.

<sup>2)</sup> To accomplish this, it is enough to collect ourselves and silently search first for the Holy Spirit of God, that source that is inside of us and from which there begins to spring forth, little by little, the Heavenly water: Jesus. He who is before us but is entering through His Love, His Tenderness, His Words or His whispering, until the flow of water from the spring becomes heavier, as if the abundance of water is increasing in order to quench our thirst, to water the dryness of our thoughts and feelings, until we can reach the point of sensing Jesus in complete union with us, (in true Communion), so that we are no longer He and I, but "You in me and I in You."

<sup>3)</sup>One afternoon the images of "the three figures of Jesus" or the Most Blessed Trinity with three identical persons came to my mind. Being reminded of that vision which I have previously related, Jesus spoke to my Heart from the Monstrance:

4) "When I said: 'I am the Way and the Truth and the Life'; 'No one comes to the Father except through Me'; 'If you know Me, My Father will know you also'; 'From now on you do know Him and have seen Him'... I did so in order for you to know that it is not possible to know Me without also knowing the Father, to see the one without [seeing] the other, to hear My words and to contemplate My works without becoming aware of the words and the works of the Father.

- <sup>5)</sup> This dialogue with Saint Thomas should lead you into a lengthy meditation. Under the guidance of My Holy Spirit, it should lead you to examine the depths that one day also caused many saints to be transported to heights inaccessible to the natural intelligence, that is, towards the dizzying peaks of the Gospel that contains so many pinnacles!
- 6) "My children, never has human language enunciated more sublime realities. In flowing and concise language, I proclaimed decisive rulings; yet human language is ignorant of the fullness of them.
- 7) "I desire that you know Me, not like My Apostles knew Me one day, according to the flesh. It is an incentive for you to penetrate beyond appearances so that you acquire a loving contemplation, superior to the abstract and speculative knowledge of many philosophers.

- 8) "You who visit Me at My Altars, should know that you are already treading the soil of the gardens of Paradise because even if it is true that Heaven is at the end, you are now more certain that it is your inheritance because through your faith, you are assured of real victory during your trials, tribulations and doubts."
- <sup>9)</sup>One day during my meditation, I thought of how disconcerting it is to see the resistance of the world to the Good News, and their harsh opposition to the message of life and joy. It might seem as if a bitter resentment were mounting against Love...
- <sup>10)</sup> Then I thought, how can one defend oneself against the aggressor?
- <sup>11)</sup> How often we clash with ignorance and indifference which often seem worse than aggression...
- <sup>12)</sup> Many times it upsets us to think that when we seek to bring the world close to the Love of God, instead of success, we receive persecution and so often we feel, like a heavy burden, the sensation of having failed in the undertaking...
- worries: "Through this union, I want to teach you not to give way to setbacks and fruitless lamenting, but rather to face the hatred of the world in an atmosphere of calm and joy, with the soul of a conqueror.
- <sup>14)</sup> "And do not be afraid. It was and always will be that way. Rather, rejoice the more you are persecuted because each time that the world abuses its victims, the latter penetrate further in their knowledge of Me and in their understanding of the cross.
- <sup>15)</sup> "I want to strengthen you in the faith, that you may learn to Love Me even more, through your visits, the secrets you confide, and your dialogues with Me, even though often you do not perceive them as such.
- 16) "The soul that tends to be righteous, that is obedient to interior grace, opens itself fully to the light of the Spirit. It does not happen that way with souls that are selfish and unfaithful, because steeped in their knowledge and obstinate about being right, their glances become darkened, fleeing from the light of faith. It is the sin of darkness against the light.
- 17) "Those words that I uttered: 'Come to Me' were and are directed to all souls without exception; to all those who suffer and carry burdens or traumas

very difficult for them to shoulder. They are the words that promise them the most genuine consolation for their sufferings, and the most efficacious relief for their trials.

<sup>18)</sup> "But you should know, My little children, that trials and sufferings accepted as having come from the hand of God and looked upon with supernatural judgment, open to you the doors of Heaven.

<sup>19)</sup> "You understand all this when you spend moments in prayer before Me, and that is because I speak to your soul. Yet even though most of the time you are not aware of it, you leave those encounters with renewed energy and increased strength to face life with all its sufferings and humiliations."

<sup>20)</sup> On several occasions, Jesus made known that the path to Heaven was difficult and filled with self-sacrifices, that the life of human beings is a continual struggle, and that the gate to Heaven is narrow. On the other hand, from His Eucharistic Presence He now informs us that all that can be changed into something easy and smooth, "provided that we do so with Him, and assisted by Him."

<sup>21)</sup> On one occasion, while I was witnessing one of our brothers of the Apostolate visiting Jesus in the Sacrament, the Lord explained to me that the prime benefit of those visits is the granting of His peace to us, so that every difficult moment of our days may be faced with serenity. He said that He rewards the soul that responds to His invitation with countless earthly and spiritual benefits.

<sup>22)</sup> I recognized that indeed that person had changed a great deal since his visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament. Effectively, I confirmed how it was that the person, only by going to visit Jesus, goes on transforming his life.

<sup>23)</sup> Suddenly I saw that person as if in a globe of light, and I saw that while he was praying, the globe of light was growing, extending and reaching his wife and family. Suddenly I saw a car traveling at high speed. I saw it colliding and being destroyed. But the person who got out of the car was uninjured and surrounded by a halo a little brighter than the one enveloping the man who was praying before the Lord.

<sup>24)</sup> I realized that the Lord wanted to show me that God protects those beings that one loves. Prayer has so much value for Jesus, as well as the company that human beings willingly keep with Him at the tabernacle, that as a reward, He takes charge of

their loved ones and of everything pertaining to

<sup>25)</sup> Late one Thursday afternoon, in another chapel, a priest was directing Eucharistic Adoration with his faithful. There were plenty of people in the Church. I was watching from outside and I saw a globe emerge, similar to the one previously described, but with red and white lights surrounding the entire periphery of the chapel. The people were praying with the priest, and those lights, like shock waves, were extending out to one or two city blocks, and then, to yet another and another block...

<sup>26)</sup> I looked in a different direction and managed to see two chapels relatively close to each other. From each of them those red and white waves were emerging and extending to the point where the rays from each chapel joined each other.

<sup>27)</sup> "My God," I thought. "that is the way a city and all its people are protected."

<sup>28)</sup> Jesus came to my help and said to me, "write down these promises that I am telling you today:

<sup>29)</sup> "I promise to the soul that visits Me frequently in this Sacrament of Love, that I will receive it affectionately together with all the Blessed and the Angels in Heaven, and that each of its visits will be written down in the Book of its Life and I will grant to it:

- 1) Every petition that is presented before the Altar of God in favor of the Church, the Pope and consecrated souls.
- 2) The annulment of Satan's power over its person and its loved ones.
- 3) Special protection in case of earthquakes, hurricanes and other natural disasters which otherwise would affect it.
- 4) It will be lovingly withdrawn from the world and its attractions, which are the cause of perdition.
- 5) The elevation of its soul, desiring to attain sanctification, in virtuous eternal contemplation of My Face.
- 6) Relief of its loved ones from the pains of Purgatory.
- 7) My blessing on every material and spiritual project it undertakes, if they are for the good of its own soul.
- 8) The receiving of My visit in company with My Mother at the moment of its death.

- 9) To listen to and to look after the needs of the persons for whom it prays.
- 10) The intercession of the Saints and Angels at the hour of its death, in order to diminish temporal punishment.
- 11) That My Love will cause holy vocations consecrated to God among its loved ones and friends.
- 12) That the soul which preserves a genuine devotion to My Presence in the Eucharist will not be condemned or die without the Sacraments of the Church.
- <sup>30)</sup> "To the priests and nuns that propagate the devotion of Adoration, I will grant many special graces, the complete recognition of their sins and the Grace to amend them. I will help them to form communities of devout and holy faithful, and they will attain many privileges.
- <sup>31)</sup> I promise these things to all persons, under only two conditions which are the fruit of genuine love towards My Real Presence in the Eucharist, and which are absolutely indispensable for My promises to become a reality in their lives:
- a) That they strive to preserve the dignity of My Altars.
- b) That they be merciful towards their neighbor."

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# CHAPTER XII - JOHN PAUL NEAR THE THRONE

A long time before the visions inserted in this little book began, the Lord permitted me to experience something very beautiful, made known to very few people previously. He wishes that I should be the one to record that experience in writing, here and now. I am only obeying because I know Jesus has a special reason for asking me to do so.

- <sup>2)</sup> Early in the morning of the third of April, 2005, a short while after the death of His Holiness John Paul II had been announced, it is very difficult for me to describe the emotions that overcame my heart. I was in front of the Most Blessed Sacrament, praying all the decades of the Rosary.
- <sup>3)</sup> When I got to the moment of praying for the intentions of the Holy Father, I broke down right there. I felt the bereavement that millions of Catholics would be experiencing, a feeling that was with me

- during the following days, until His Holiness Benedict XVI was nominated. Every time I prayed the Rosary, I said: My God, we have no one to pray for! And I know that there will probably be many responses, but that was how I felt.
- <sup>4)</sup> I wept a great deal. In less than two months time, my spiritual director had to leave my side in order to comply with his new obedience [i.e., a new assignment in his religious order], after having guided me for more than eight years, and now our spiritual Father whom I deeply loved, had just died.
- <sup>5)</sup> I gazed at Jesus, begging compassion for that feeling of loneliness, for that sensation of dangling on a rope that was swinging dangerously, because the devil was stirring up a great deal of wind and filth.
- <sup>6)</sup> Several hours went by and it was already morning when, almost finished with my prayers, I saw the wall at the back of the chapel disappear and the left side was greatly illuminated, attracting my eyes towards it. It was the Most Holy Virgin, clothed in white, wearing a long very light heavenly-blue veil, and a golden crown with many lights like diamonds in it. She looked beautiful and majestic, with that characteristic dignity of hers...
- <sup>7)</sup> She was smiling and while gazing to one side, she spoke these words gently to me: "Daughter, do not weep. My beloved son is already with Me". A few steps behind Her, the place was also illuminated and I saw the Holy Father, John Paul II, very erect and a great deal younger, like he looked fifteen or twenty years before his death. He was smiling and clothed in a white tunic with a cape and something that appeared below his cape, at the height of his waist, like a golden cord. His face was filled with light, and he was smiling and very happy.
- <sup>8)</sup> The vision vanished and I was left with a feeling of very great happiness and immense peace. When I looked again at Jesus in the Eucharist in front of me, I thanked Him with all my heart for that enormous gift.



- <sup>9)</sup> I am convinced that if we still have brothers and sisters who are forsaking our Church, it is obviously because we are not witnessing in their presence. And we cannot be witnesses if we do not know the meaning of the deep Love of Jesus who wants to lower Himself to our miserable humanity, to give Himself as spiritual food and to live with us in the Holy Eucharist.
- <sup>10)</sup> It is not necessary to read great treatises, although that would be the ideal thing for every Christian to

do, but the Eucharistic legacy left to us by John Paul II is of enormous value. And now we even have the gift that Jesus has permitted: that of his successor, our present Pope Benedict XVI, being a man whose heart and thought are deeply rooted in the Eucharist.

<sup>11)</sup> To read something about what they have written and have said about this marvelous and unique Sacrament, to study the Word of God and to remain for a few minutes periodically, in meditating before His Divine Presence is enough to get to know what it is to live near a God who gazes at you from close by, listens to you, speaks to you, kisses you, wipes your tears away and smiles during your happy moments.

<sup>12)</sup> Let us know how to react and run to Him, before it is too late. We have only one life and it is not a rehearsal. It is the only performance of the play that continues with eternal life.

<sup>13)</sup> Beloved brothers and sisters, the moment has arrived for us to say "farewell". I want you to know that there is a Eucharistic community that will pray for you, for each one of you, the readers of this writing. Thanks only to these encounters with the Lord, there has there come to birth an Institute of consecrated life which makes intercession for all these testimonies to join many other testimonies of holy lives, for the Glory of God and the good of our Church.

<sup>14)</sup> I want to say "farewell" to you with a prayer of the one who endured every suffering and emerged from it strengthened and victorious. His strength came to birth in front of the Tabernacle, and with the loving hand of Mary; he walked to the cross, while guiding like the Good Shepherd, all the people of God.

<sup>15)</sup> For God and Heaven, there is no time or distance. For that reason, I invite you join me at this moment in placing yourself in the Presence of Jesus and of John Paul II, in order for us to raise this prayer together. God knows that it will be in full communion...



# PRAYER OF THE SERVANT OF GOD: HIS HOLINESS JOHN PAUL II

#### Lord Jesus:

We come before you knowing that you call us and that you love us just as we are.

You have the words of eternal life and we have believed and acknowledged that you are the Son of God." (Jn. 6:69). Your presence in the Eucharist has begun with the sacrifice at the Last Supper, and it continues as communion and the giving of all that you are.

Increase our FAITH.

Through you and in the Holy Spirit who communicates to us, we want to reach the Father to say our YES to Him united to yours.

With you, we can now say: Our Father.

By following you, "the way, the truth and the life", we want to penetrate the apparent "silence" and "absence" of God, by tearing the cloud at Tabor in order to hear the voice of the Father who tells us: "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am pleased: Listen to him." (Mt. 17:5)

With this FAITH, born of contemplative listening, we will know how to shed light on our personal situations, as well as the different areas of our family and social life.

You are our HOPE, our peace, our mediator, friend and brother. Our heart is filled with hope and joy knowing that you live "forever interceding for us." (Heb. 7:5).

Our hope translates into trust, the joy of Easter and a quick path with you towards the Father. We want to feel as you do and value things as you value them. For you are the center, the beginning and the end of everything.

Supported in this HOPE, we want to infuse in the world this scale of evangelical values through which God and His salvific gifts occupy the prime place in the heart and in the activities of real life.

We want to LOVE LIKE YOU, who give life and make known everything that you are. We would like to say like Saint Paul: "My life is Christ" (Phil. 1:21).

Our lives make no sense without you. We want to learn to "be with the One whom we know loves us" because "with such a good friend present, every suffering can be endured." In you, we will learn to unite ourselves to the will of the Father, because during prayer "it is love that speaks" (St. Teresa).

Entering into intimacy with you, we want to adopt basic resolutions and attitudes, make hard decisions, and fundamental choices according to our very own Christian vocation.

BELIEVING, HOPING AND LOVING, WE ADORE YOU with an attitude of simple presence, silence and hope that will also be reparation, in response to your words: "Stay here and watch with Me" (Mt. 26:38).

You overcome the poverty of our thoughts, words and feelings; for that reason, we want to learn to adore by

admiring the mystery, loving it just as it is, and maintaining a friendly silence, with a generous presence.

The Holy Spirit that you have instilled in our hearts, helps us to utter those "inexpressible groanings" (Rom. 8:26) which translate into a simple and thankful attitude, and into the filial gesture of one who is now content with just your presence, your love and your word.

During our nights, physically and morally, if you are present and you love us and speak to us, that is already enough for us although often, we will not experience your consolation.

By learning this further dimension of ADORATION, we will be intimately in you, or in the "mystery" of you. Then our prayer will be translated into respect towards the "mystery" of every brother and sister, and of every event, in order to insert ourselves in our family and social

atmosphere and to build history with this active and fruitful silence which is born of contemplation.

Thanks to you, our capacity for silence and adoration will change into a capacity to LOVE and to SERVE.

You have given us your Mother as ours, for Her to teach us to meditate and adore in our hearts. By receiving the Word and putting it into practice, She became the most perfect Mother.

Help us to be your missionary Church which knows how to meditate by adoring and loving your Word, in order to transform it into life and convey it to all brothers and sisters.

Amen.

John Paul II



# **APPENDIX A**

# THE CHURCH DECREE COMMISSIONING THE APOSTOLATE OF THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Translated from the original official document in Spanish:

### ARCHDIOCESE OF COCHABAMBA

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### MONSGR. RENÉ FERNÁNDEZ APAZA ARCHBISHOP OF COCHABAMBA

Considering that the founders of "the Apostolate of the New Evangelization" (A.N.E.) have applied with the following documentation for formation as a private catholic association.

That the goals and objectives of "the Apostolate of the New Evangelization" concur with the directives for the lay apostolate as per the Second Vatican Council and the Magisterium of the Catholic Church.

That according to the Code of Canon Law the rightful Church authority to form an association of a private nature for the faithful and to grant it legal solicitorship is the diocesan Bishop within its territory (c.312).

#### WE DECREE

Article 1. To approve the constitution of "the Apostolate of the New Evangelization" (A.N.E.) as a private Catholic association, with eclesiastic legal solicitorship in accordance to the Code of Canon Law (cc. 113-123, 298-329) and other standard appropriateness.

Article 2. To consider reviewed the statute of "the Apostolate of the New Evangelization," attached to this decree.

We strongly urge the founders, directors, and members of the A.N.E. to faithfully comply with the goals of the association and to promote the New Evangelization under the guidance of the Church magisterial and its legitimate pastors.

/signed/

[seal of Archdiocese]

### + MONSGR. RENÉ FERNÁNDEZ A. ARCHBISHOP OF COCHABAMBA

BY ORDER OF THE ARCHBISHOP

/signed/ ENRIQUE JIMENEZ CHANCELLOR

# **APPENDIX B**

# WHAT IS THE ANE AND ITS MINISTRIES?

We are a lay apostolic movement who have listened to the call of the Lord, and we have decided to place ourselves at His service.

We try to carry the Good News of the Gospel to all our sisters and brothers, in order to contribute to establishing the Kingdom of God among men and women.

Committed to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church, we respond to the call of John Paul, II as he insistently declared in his three most often repeated phrases during the course of his pontificate:

"Be saints"; "This is the time for the laity"; and "Let us promote the New Evangelization of the world". We assume responsibility for working with energy and creativity on the New Evangelization, by attempting to utilize effective strategies and methods to call to conversion men and women of our times.

#### **Our Goals**

To spread among men and women the living presence of our Lord Jesus Christ and to help them to live their faith in accordance with the Gospel, united to Mary in prayer.

To establish small church communities "Little Houses of Prayer" where we are formed in prayer and knowledge of the Gospel, within the lines set out by the Magisterium of the Church, attempting to give witness to a life that is consistent with the teachings of Jesus.

To promote the spiritual and human growth of those who join the Apostolate, motivating the sacramental life of each one of them and facilitating the study of Sacred Scriptures, documents of the Church, lives of Saints and ANE's own bibliographical material.

Members of ANE have the duty to evangelize each other, and to evangelize and assist and help those most in need, which is nothing more than "evangelizing" through their witness and example.

#### **Our Ministries**

"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me drink, a stranger and you welcomed Me, naked and you clothed Me, ill and you

cared for Me, in prison and you visited Me... Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of Mine, you did for Me." (Mt 25, 34-35. 40)

Among those Ministries, the following are the most outstanding:

Caring for the Sick: Spiritually assisting the sick and their family members, especially in hospitals and other health centers: a) Helping those sisters and brothers who go before us, to have a "good death", through prayer and frequent receiving of the Sacraments; b) Consoling and strengthening in God, family members of the sick; c) Encouraging those who are temporarily sick to offer their suffering to the Lord and to draw near Him by using whatever circumstance they are living through.

**Support for the Church:** Seeking the resources to be able to work together with people who need material help: Parishes, nuns and priests, seminaries, marginal families and in general, those with scant resources.

**Ministry of Communication:** Producing the messages of evangelization intended for wide distribution, whether through radio, television, videos, daily papers, our magazine, the Internet, audio tapes and CD's.

**Catechesis:** Planning, coordinating and supervising catechetical formation of those working for ANE as well as the contents of the Catechism during the carrying out of evangelization.

**Penitential Work:** Accompanying those sisters and brothers who have suffered the misfortune of temporarily losing their freedom by inviting them to experience liberation of soul through the Lord, by reminding them that there is a reality which is different from that harsh environment that surrounds them and that our true hope must be placed in God. In the Prison at Mérida, our Apostolate is in charge of the section of those suffering from AIDS.

**ANE Pro-Life:** Unceasingly working to spread campaigns for the defense of life and responsible fatherhood, and against abortion, euthanasia and cloning.

**ANE Homes:** "Centers of Assistance from the Apostolate of New Evangelization". Helping in a direct way those most in need through meals and clothing for people, medical dispensaries, catechesis and

evangelization programs, rehabilitation programs, literacy planning, delivery of provisions, and counseling services.

**Small Houses of Prayer:** Coordinating the work for the orderly development of the structure of ANE and promoting the link between the different groups which make up our Apostolate.

Apostolate of the New Evangelization

# **APPENDIX C**

## NOTE FROM THE ANE

The books of "The Great Crusade" make up a collection of volumes, which are already more than 15 in number [in Spanish], and its teachings convey the spirituality of the Apostolate of the New Evangelization (ANE), which is based on Sacred Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

The ANE is a Catholic lay movement, which arises in response to the insistent call of John Paul II to all the baptized, to commit themselves to the task of promoting the Good News, that Christ has died and risen again in order to save us from sin.

As Catholics that we are, we fully abide by the Magisterium of the Catholic Church, which states the following in regards to the matter of private revelations:

<u>Canon 66</u>: "The Christian economy, therefore, since it is the new and definitive Covenant, will never pass away; and no new public revelation is to be expected before the glorious manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Vatican Council II, Dogmatic Constitution 'Dei Verbum' 3 AAS 58)

Yet even if Revelation is already complete, it has not been made completely explicit; it remains for Christian faith gradually to grasp its full significance over the course of the centuries."

<u>Canon 67</u>: "Throughout the ages, there have been so-called "private" revelations, some of which have been recognized by the authority of the Church. They do not belong, however, to the deposit of faith. It is not their role to improve or complete Christ's definitive Revelation, but to help live more fully by it in a certain period of history.

Guided by the Magisterium of the Church, the sensus fidelium knows how to discern and welcome in these revelations whatever constitutes an authentic call of Christ or his saints to the Church.

Christian faith cannot accept 'revelations' that claim to surpass or correct the Revelation of which Christ is the fulfillment, as is the case in certain non-Christian religions and also in certain recent sects which base themselves on such 'revelations'."

> Catechism of the Catholic Church Canons 66 & 67

You will notice on the inside page of our books the stamp or "IMPRIMATUR" granted by the Bishops of the Catholic Church, of the Latin and Chaldean Rites. Some have been translated into more than eight languages and have been recommended by several bishops who judge that the reading of them will facilitate spiritual growth among faithful Catholics.

The first books of the "Great Crusade" series were not printed with "offset" but were distributed by photocopies taken directly from the first original transcriptions.

With the passage of time, certain persons –clearly with the best of intentions– collaborated in "a second transcription and formatting of the texts" to photocopy them, given the fact that "the copies of the copies" turned out to be illegible in some cases. Unfortunately, in the process, there were so many spelling and typographical errors committed, that the meaning of the texts was altered and many problems were created.

Precisely for that reason, the Apostolate of New Evangelization, at the suggestion of some priests and bishops, took the decision to request that readers should not make any further transcriptions of these texts, for any reason or under any circumstance, without the strict surveillance and the due authorization of our Director General.

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# **APPENDIX D**

# **HELP THE ANE TO HELP**

All these books constitute a true gift from God for people who desire to grow spiritually, and it is for that reason that the sale price barely covers the cost of their printing and distribution.

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If you, the reader of this book find within yourself the desire to help us in the building of the Kingdom, please get in contact with us through the addresses and telephone numbers at the end of this Appendix. The harvest is great, but the workers will always be few.

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# **APPENDIX E**

# LOVE AND MERCY PUBLICATIONS BOOKS & VIDEOS

Love and Mercy Publications is part of a non-profit (IRS 501c approved), religious, educational organization dedicated to the dissemination of books, videos and other religious materials concerning the great Love and Mercy of God. As part of its mission, this organization distributes with permission the books containing messages dictated by Jesus and the Virgin Mary to Catalina (Katya) Rivas as well as other related materials. The contents of these have been reviewed by Catholic Church authorities and found to be consistent with the faith and teachings of the Church. Further information on this can the found at the beginning of each book.

The books are available in the original Spanish, in English and some other languages at no cost on the Internet at: www.LoveAndMercy.org . As English translations are made on remaining books, they will posted on this web site and available to read and/or print. Also, they will be available to order as printed books for the price that will be on the web site order form. The books and booklets currently available (and in the near future) from Love and Mercy Publications are as follows:

#### **Testimonial & Devotional Books**

The Holy Mass: A profound teaching with an Imprimatur on the Holy Mass containing visions at the Mass and messages dictated by the Virgin Mary and Jesus to Catalina that can deepen one's spiritual experience at the Divine Liturgy. This is the most widely read of Catalina's books.

Holy Hour: A beautiful devotion with an Imprimatur to read and pray before the Blessed Sacrament that was dictated by the Virgin Mary to Catalina and includes traditional prayers and verses from the Bible. A reader can see and experience the great love that the Mother of God has for this most blessed of Sacraments.

The Passion: Reflections on the mystery of Jesus' suffering and the value that it has on Redemption as dictated by Jesus, God the Father and the Virgin Mary to Catalina. This is truly a profound account of the Passion of the Christ with an Imprimatur that will deeply touch and change hearts, increasing one's love for Jesus.

The Stations of the Cross: The meditations on the Passion of the Christ in this booklet were almost all extracted from "The Passion", a book that was dictated by Jesus to Catalina, and the remainder was from the Bible. The mediations are organized to follow the traditional Stations of the Cross and will provide the reader with a very moving spiritual experience of walking with Jesus and hearing Him describe and explain His Passion as it transpired.

Divine Providence: A profound teaching on death and reconciliation including visions and messages dictated by Jesus to Catalina as well as her personal account coinciding with and concerning the deaths of her mother and brother within days of each other in June 2003. This book has a formal recommendation from the Archbishop Emeritus of Cochabamba. This book can give much hope and comfort to all people, for all experience during life the death of loved ones and all will ultimately experience death and a birth to eternal life. A reader of the book can also gain a deeper understanding of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick.

From Sinai to Calvary: Profound visions and teachings that were dictated by Jesus to Catalina concerning His seven last words during His Passion that were given to Catalina in December 2003-January 2004 time period. Completed in 2004 with an Imprimatur.

My Broken Christ Walks over the Waters: Catalina's testimony on the written work of Fr. Ramón Cué, SJ, "My Broken Christ". Completed in 2005 with an Imprimatur.

The Visible Face of an Invisible God: A testimony that speaks to us about the importance of living our Christianity consciously and of deepening our conversion. It invites us to rediscover the commitment that we, being baptized, have acquired, so that we can assume this responsibility with the befitting seriousness. The Spanish text was completed in 2005 with an Imprimatur. The English translation began in mid-2009.

In Adoration: A new contribution for the meditation about our faith and the Eucharist. It is a testimony of sublime teaching on the love in the Eucharist and the Mercy of the Lord. The Spanish text was completed in 2007 with an Imprimatur.

I Have Given My Life for You: A compilation of messages given by Jesus to Catalina during the Lents of 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, and at the beginning of Lent in 2009 and then published in Spanish. Their beautiful content is a new call of the Lord to each reader, to unite to Him in the dramatic moments in which He prepared to surrender His Life for the salvation of humanity. The English translation began in mid-2009.

Praying the Rosary: At the beginning of "The Holy Mass", Catalina referred to the Lord and the Virgin Mary providing instructions to her on how to pray the Rosary, instructions in messages that have been published in several books, all of which received an Imprimatur. This booklet is a compilation by Love and Mercy Publications of a number of those messages.

Catalina continues to receive messages. Please visit www.LoveAndMercy.org to check on current availability of the books of Catalina.

#### **Books of Formational Teachings**

The initial books of teachings dictated by Jesus and Mary to Catalina from 1993 to 1998:

The Great Crusade of Love & The Door to Heaven: Catalina received a large number of profound teachings dictated by Jesus, the Virgin Mary and some saints from the Fall of 1993 to the Spring of 1998. These are two of the six books with those teachings. The translations of the other four books are completed in draft form and are being reviewed. They are: Springs of Mercy; Ark of the New Covenant; The Great Crusade of Mercy and The Great Crusade of Salvation. All these books have an Imprimatur.

#### Other Recommended Books & Videos

Related Book - "Reason to Believe": A statue weeps and bleeds in the same city that Catalina Rivas, writes profound teachings she says are dictated by Christ. Elsewhere, a communion host (bread) changes to living flesh. Are these claims true? What does Science have to say? This is a fascinating journey of Australian lawyer, Ron Tesoriero, in pursuit of answers. On the way he invites a well-known and highly respected journalist Mike Willesee to join him. What they discover will confront the mind and heart of every reader.

#### Video - A Plea to Humanity

This video documents recent remarkable supernatural events in Bolivia. The video was produced by the Australian attorney and documentary producer, Ron Tesoriero. The video also includes footage from the 2-hour, prime-time, FOX TV broadcast, "Signs from God - Science Tests Faith," on the bleeding statue of Christ and on Catalina's messages.

### Video - The Eucharist - In Communion with Me

This documentary is an educational and evangelical instrument to acquaint people with this most important Sacrament. It also deals briefly with certain Eucharistic miracles approved by the Catholic Church. These are powerful reminders of the true presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. This documentary was produced by Michael Willessee and Ron Tesoriero.

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# n this Testimony, Jesus tells Catalina:

"It is in the Tabernacle and in the holy Monstrance that I await them so as to have them share in the celebration of the Glory of My Father, so that they may receive the flames of the Holy Spirit; to speak with loving words about the Heaven and the Love that awaits them, about the happiness that I promise and will give them." [Chapter III, last paragraph]

"You who visit Me at My Altars, should know that you are already treading the soil of the gardens of Paradise because even if it is true that Heaven is at the end, you are now more certain that it is your inheritance because through your faith, you are assured of real victory during your trials, tribulations and doubts." [Chapter XI, 8<sup>th</sup> paragraph]

"I want to strengthen you in the faith, that you may learn to Love Me even more, through your visits, the secrets you confide, and your dialogues with Me, even though often you do not perceive them as such." [Chapter XI, 16<sup>th</sup> paragraph]

"Those words that I uttered: 'Come to Me' were and are directed to all souls without exception; to all those who suffer and carry burdens or traumas very difficult for them to shoulder. They are the words that promise them the most genuine consolation for their sufferings, and the most efficacious relief for their trials." [Chapter XI, 18<sup>th</sup> paragraph]

And Jesus then gives Promises including the granting of 12 special graces to souls who visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament.

