

Present-day opinion is: who loves his neighbour loves GOD. No! Only if I love GOD, will I also be able to love all of His children – even those who are absolutely repugnant to me or are my enemies, that is to say, out of love for Him, their Creator. Being in love with GOD is absolutely necessary, only then will you work properly for GOD. In order for you to love GOD with your heart like a child – and adults can do it as well a child and a youth –, you must ask GOD for it without ceasing.

### Everything Comes from GOD

There is nothing in this world which does not have its origin in GOD. Yes, even evil was originally good and came out of GOD. So when you see something evil, you should not be annoyed at it, but it should hurt you in your heart that the good which GOD gave and gives, is being abused for evil purposes. That is why JESUS came down as a Man on the earth so that through Him we can make up for all evil.

The days of Christmas are days of such great grace, on which the Angels, I am almost inclined to say, are even more alert than usual. Even the smallest attempt to love GOD will sound a hallelujah in Heaven. Amen!

Excerpt from the sermons of the Sword-Bishop



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**Be blessed by GOD TRINITY,**

**the + FATHER and the + SON  
and the + HOLY GHOST. Amen!**

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### Advent – The Holy Pre-Christmas Season

Christmas – that was 2000 years ago, was it not? What is the use of celebrating such a feast again and again? What is it supposed to bring us? – Well, you should know that, when a grand event coming from Heaven has taken place, it will always remain a special day of grace, and whenever people celebrate this event in a special way, Heaven will open its floodgates and rain down graces upon graces.

GOD did not come riding on a high horse with a royal or imperial army. Had He come like that, man would have had to bow down before this Majesty, and this would have been against the free will of man, even if they had received Him willingly. Who would have dared to approach a ruler such as the Jews expected and say: „Son of David, have mercy on me!“ or: „My GOD, I love You dearly!“ What sinner would have dared to say that? If CHRIST had come in His divine Majesty, it would have been a Majesty which would have frightened and scared every majesty of the earth and caused it to tremble. Whereas people dare to go to this little Child in the manger. The little Child grew up to be the modest, merciful GOD-Man JESUS CHRIST.

### Simplicity is Sublimity

There are no words to explain the greatness, the All-Powerfulness of GOD. The supremely powerful GOD becomes a helpless little Creature, a Baby, born of the Virgin Mary, freezing in a stable. He assumes human flesh in order to make atonement for our sins before GOD the FATHER on our behalf. – It is GOD's love that made GOD so frail and little, yes, almost defenceless. That is love! They say: the simpler you come to be, the more perfect you will be before GOD. – How simple then must GOD be, who is perfection Himself?

Everywhere people talk about Beethoven, Bach and all these famous composers. But why was the unknown Franz Gruber with his song "Silent

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Night" more successful than all of these great composers? He was, indeed, but a simple organist and not a famous composer. Do you know why? Because he composed simple notes from the heart, which go into everyone's heart. Just as the SAVIOUR appeared, unassuming, modest, meek, speaking to the heart. Not everyone can understand the compositions of Mozart or Beethoven or even play or sing them. But "Silent Night, Holy Night" is sung as deeply touchingly by the littlest child as well as by the greatest theologian. Even men who are otherwise shy at singing will be softened hearing this song or they can be observed trying hard to hold back their feeling. It tugs at their heartstrings, moves them, even if it is but a childhood memory.

Simplicity is sublimity and has nothing to do with naivety or foolishness. CHRIST has given us an example in everything. Many great scholars such as Albertus Magnus, who was bishop of Aix-la-Chapelle and teacher of Thomas Aquinas, or St. Anthony of Padua and many others, were, though highly educated, so very modest and unassuming. Of what use is it to the priest if he preaches many beautiful words, using many foreign terms, which can be a treat for the ears of a linguistic scholar, but the simple listener does not understand him? They ought to speak in such way that the most simple, least educated person can understand because then the educated one should understand, too.

### **Your Heart – a Fireplace**

Consider: how are you going to visit the Infant JESUS in Bethlehem? As a child psychologist, a scholar, scientist, doctor or professor? Or do you go there, no matter what rank or position you hold, simply to adore the little Child with your heart? Consider: only if you speak to the Child with your heart, will the Child understand you. – By the way, who are you in GOD's eyes? A scholar who believes he knows what GOD is like and how He thinks? If you listen to the world, the theologians, psychologists and academics, you might think they knew. Yet they have no inkling what a measly little nothing they are before GOD. Only GOD's love for His human children and the respect GOD has for His creation is what makes us, human beings, so great before GOD. So learn, you adult, to speak to GOD with your heart. For you are His work of creation, His child!

If you want to talk, you will certainly have to use your brain, which, however, is very small compared to the heart. The HOLY SPIRIT dwells in your heart, and from the heart He enlightens and fertilises reason. You have to imagine it like this: your heart is like a fireplace and the fire is the fire of love of the HOLY SPIRIT. Over your heart, that is to say over this fire is a grill grate. On it you put the saucepan, filled with whatever your mind wants to prepare. Depending on what you want to cook, the fire of the HOLY SPIRIT, who dwells

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in your heart, will ignite. Now the menu will be tastefully and agreeably cooked and a delicious, appetising aroma – the working of the HOLY SPIRIT – will be spread, eagerly luring the hungry souls to the table. If you have finished cooking your menu by the fire of the HOLY SPIRIT, you can dish up your speech – it will produce wonderful fruits of the Spirit! Why? Because your words are permeated by the fire of the HOLY SPIRIT. All other things that do not come from the heart and which have not been fertilised by the HOLY SPIRIT, however well-spoken and well-chosen the words may be, are just human spirit, unable to produce any fruits.

### **Unless You Become like Children**

If you have the opportunity to go and spend only five minutes every day before the Most Blessed Sacrament for a month in order to contemplate with your heart, you can learn and experience more than if you studied theology for five years. Contemplation, however, does not mean that you should be continuously talking away at GOD, but it means: emptying yourself, allowing yourself to be filled with peace, with the promptings of your heart and with thoughts coming up. At university, the student cannot empty himself most of the time. He cannot open his heart because he has to keep his mind ready with great concentration for the doctrines of human professors. Unless someone teaches inspired by the HOLY SPIRIT. But if you enter a church alone and make your way before the Most Blessed Sacrament, and empty yourself, you are not going to be taught by human beings, but by the Professor of all professors: the HOLY SPIRIT.

The birth of JESUS shows us: you can only receive peace, joy, happiness, spiritual things, divine things if you become a child. „Unless you become like little children, you will never enter the Kingdom of Heaven!“ says JESUS. You will find GOD if you become little before Him. – If GOD talks to you, He does not need your adult intellectual mind, for He does not speak into your mind, but into your heart. Therefore, the "poor" privileged souls always have difficulty talking about what GOD tells them. Everyone who once was in love knows that you can hardly express what you feel in your heart in such moments. Only a childlike heart will be able to understand.

The Church must stop considering human scholarship as the highest principle. Everyone who has a title wants to show that they are still cleverer than the other! They deliver dialogue after dialogue, which are all futile because they only talk with human mind and skill, which is not fertilised by the HOLY SPIRIT. The leading men of the Church must fall in love with GOD again. The teaching must come from the heart again so that it may go to the heart. And this will happen when these leading men are once again zealous for GOD, striving for His greater glory instead of preferring human statutes as a first priority.

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