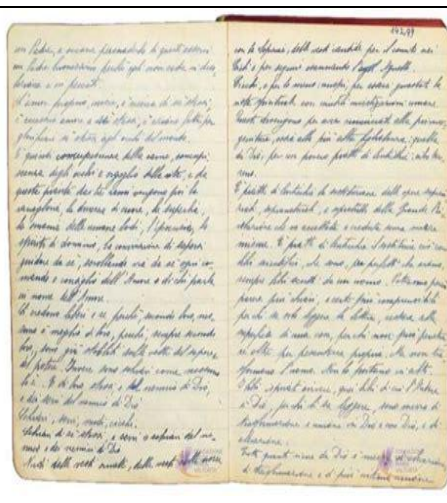


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THE BLESSED TRINITY



THE WORK



POPE PIUS XII

THE PURPOSE AND IMPORTANCE OF THE WORK

Seven Reasons For This Work

(To end this monumental gift -- Jesus dictates seven main reasons for giving us this major "Work")

(Jesus says:)

1. The most profound reason for the gift of this Work is that in the present time, when modernism, [which was] condemned by My holy Vicar Pius X, becomes corrupted in more and more harmful doctrines, the Church - represented by My Vicar - may have further material to fight against those who deny: the super naturalness of dogmas; the divinity of the Christ; the Truth of the Christ, God and Man, real and perfect both in the faith and in the history that has been handed down from Him (Gospel, Acts of the Apostles, Apostolic Letters, Tradition); and the doctrine of Paul...

2 To rouse a keen love for the Gospel and for everything pertaining to the Christ in Priests and in laymen. First of all, renewed love for My Mother, in whose prayers lies the secret of the salvation of the world. She, My Mother, is the Conqueress of the cursed Dragon. Assist Her power by means of your renewed love for Her and of your renewed faith and knowledge of what pertains to Her. Mary has given the Saviour to the world. The world will receive salvation again from Her.

3. To give spiritual masters and directors assistance in their ministry, by studying the different souls of the world in which I lived and the different methods used by Me to save them... I solemnly tell you that not even after reading and accepting this illustration of My public life will you know everything about Me. I would have killed My little John in the fatigue of reporting all the days of My ministry and all the actions performed on each day, if I had made [Maria] acquainted with everything so that she might transmit everything to you!

4. To reinstate, in their truth, the figures of the Son of Man and of Mary, true children of Adam by flesh and blood, but of an innocent Adam. The children of the Man were to be like us, if our First Parents had not depreciated their

perfect humanity... [...] And the purpose of this Work is also to clarify certain points that a number of circumstances has covered with darkness...

5. To have an exact knowledge of the complexity and duration of: My long passion that culminates in the sanguinary Passion accomplished in few hours, that had consumed Me in a daily torture that lasted for years and years, and that had increased more and more; and with the passion of My Mother, whose heart was pierced by the sword of sorrow for the same length of time. And I urge you, through this knowledge, to love Us more.

6. To show the power of My Word and its different effects according to whether the person receiving it belonged to the group of men of good will, or to those who had a sensual will, which is never righteous. Here are the two opposed examples: the Apostles and Judas. [...] Watch the evolution of the former in Good, and their ascent. Watch the evolution of the latter in Evil, and his descent. [...] Let those who examine the situation consider the manifold effects of My Word not only on the human man, but also on the spiritual man [...].

7. Finally: to make you acquainted with the mystery of Judas, that mystery which is the fall of a spirit that God had favoured in an extraordinary manner. A mystery that is repeated too often, and is the wound that aches in the Heart of your Jesus..."

(Poem Vol. 5, pp. 946-9; Gospel Vol. 10, pp. 542-8)

**"CHRIST SPEAKS ON PUBLISHING
 THE POEM OF THE MAN-GOD"
 QUADERNETTI - 17 April, 1948**

*One of Maria Valtorta's greatest desires was to see **The Poem of the Man-God** published with ecclesiastical approval before she died – not for her own glory but because she knew this Work to be authentically from Christ, and of immense importance for souls and for the modern Church. As it became increasingly evident that her desire would not be realised in her lifetime, she*

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offered to Jesus the renunciation of this desire to see it published before she died. We see Christ's response to Valtorta's offering.

(Valtorta says:) Immediately after Holy Communion [...], I say to Jesus: "I offer You also my life, and I renounce seeing the Work published - provided they, the Communists, do not triumph."

Jesus responds to me: I have always accepted every offering of yours and every sacrifice of yours. But this one, no. My Will is otherwise. These desires of yours go against My Will, and I cannot accept them. My Will is that the Work be published because, if it is true that the holocaust of one creature can do so much to keep the Antichrist from triumphing, My Word can do much more when spread it among the crowds...

You [Maria] could achieve one tenth, one hundredth, not even that... one thousandth, with your sacrifice. The Work—that is: I Myself who speak to the believers to fortify them, to the lukewarm to inflame them, to the incredulous to make believers of them, to the sinners to convert them, to those against God and to the uncertain wavering between being of God or against Him (who are often weaker and enslaved to certain doctrines by the cunning who are really against God or on the way to being so) to make them sons of God anew—can achieve one thousand times one thousand, and one thousand times ten thousand. Your sacrifice would be increased by your degree of glory. But I, I want many—now preys of Satan—to have celestial glory. It is for this that I have given the Work. I know that it means health—for whoever reads it with good will—to know Me. Just this alone. On the other hand [...] the wave advances. The wave of hate for the Teaching and Militant Church. And the war against the most holy liberty of man advances against those things which God Himself does not violate: free choice, freedom of conscience, and freedom of faith and action.

And yet, even this is needed because, in truth, all Earth is becoming the great whore, Babylon: mother of fornication and abominations. Too many put themselves at her service. She has become the Beast of the Abyss: seducing too many weak [souls], and persecuting too many who are strong: My Holy Confessors.

But in order that Satan, the Antichrist, and all the beasts of the Abyss may seduce less, and that My servants may be supported in the impending persecution—which will be always more extended and increased in power—I want the Work to go [out] to the crowds. I said when I was on Earth—though I am always among My Christians—and I repeat it now that I am in Heaven: "I have pity for this people" [Matt 15:32; Mk 8:2]. "If I do not give them food, they will faint." I say it also again now: "I have pity for this people. I want to give them the Word of Life, the Food that keeps them Living in the Faith, so they do not faint." Therefore, My secret apostle, I do not welcome your offering. If you want to offer Me a sacrifice according to your present intention, ask Me to make you die as soon as the Work is published, in Italy and in many other Nations—all needing the Words of eternal Life to be saved and to live. [This would be] without your having time to gather any praise, or to taste the joy of knowing My Will is accomplished—for the fulfillment of which you have struggled so much, you struggle now, and you will

struggle, by suffering always more. This I welcome. The other offerings—no. Because they are contrary to My Will. (From *Quadernetti* pp. 83-4, Translated by the Sitemaster of: A 20th Century Mystic: Maria Valtorta) Refer to <http://www.bardstown.com/~brchrs/PubPoem.html> for the full passage and footnotes.

THE ETERNAL FATHER TO POPE PIUS XII ON THE POEM & THE CHURCH QUADERNETTI - 23 December, 1948

*The following brief Dictation was given by God the Father Himself to Valtorta to give to the then reigning Pope Pius XII [...]. It seems to be a stern admonition to Pope Pius to believe in the Divine origin of Valtorta's masterwork, **The Poem of the Man-God**, and to accept the Work as a new gift of evangelization for the Church of our time.*

The Eternal Father To His Holiness Pope Pius XII:

'Invoke My Spirit and read. Read that which He, the Spirit, can illuminate for you. Read the words of those who saw a time [to come], and another time [to come], and yet another time: the time coming right after them. The time of My Word among men. Your own time. *This time*. Read and see. Hell advances. And in the Church (by "Church" understand the society of *all Catholic* Christians), in the Church of My Christ there is no longer that holiness which would spur the God of Victories to send His angels to defeat the demons.

The Church of My Christ, badly interpreting the word of her Divine Founder, believes herself so strong, so invulnerable, as not to care anymore—in the majority of her members, and even in her most chosen members—about the practice of those actions which would make God her friend. She presumes, she feels herself superior to each and to all. She says: "I am established. Nothing will prevail over me."

No. Learn how to understand the words of God. Do not fall back into the *intentional* errors of the ancient scribes who wanted to interpret the prophesies and promises of God in a way that pleased their foolish pride as a chosen People, believing they were established in such election until the end of time, whatever be their manner of life. Their error caused their fall, drew them toward extermination, to dispersion and to persecution. And for twenty centuries they are expiating the error which they wanted to embrace.

Hell will not prevail provided the Church be holy as her eternal High Priest charged her to be. Look back through the centuries. Times of spiritual decadence of the Mystical Body, especially of its teaching members, correspond to separation into factions, to the death of disciples. In the Church, Hell prevails in greater or smaller measure to the extent that she despoils herself of her holiness, and hence, of God's help. *Hell is always prevailing, even if it is not destroying*. And in her life in the world, the Church has never known a time like this of such lethargy: [even] there where there is no corruption, none of the threefold corruption [*cf. 1 Jn 2:16*]. Nor has she ever experienced such an assault by Hell. [...] Oh! Spirit of My Christ, perfect Spirit of the Most Perfect Shepherd, true life of His Church, how the will of men has been dissipated and suffocated in those for whom the law of the flesh is stronger than that of the spirit—infused in vain by God

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with the fullness of His gifts! [...] Oh! Wretched men! What are they without Me? How can they judge Me and My perfect Will, if they do not know how to judge themselves, and repent and be reborn in the Spirit of God?

Read, read, re-read, meditate, tremble, weep. The time of Shebna is imminent. A large part of the Church is already overwhelmed, hurled like a ball into the midst of the unbridled mobs. This I have already said for years to My messenger so that it might be told to You. This I say today to You, Vicar of My Christ and My servant [...].

You, you at least, do not be like too many others. Separate your will from theirs, so as not to make yourself their accomplice. You are My servant; but they are your servants, and You are the Supreme Head. Your word loosens and binds only in accordance with Mine which, since you serve Me in holiness and love, unites itself to yours *so that it may be God Who speaks with your lips as Pontiff*. In your hands is the rod, and in your spirit, Wisdom. I gave them to you when I chose you. Use that power and knowledge as befits you, and do not disgust your Lord Who has wanted to mark your Papacy with an extraordinary gift: the Good News newly evangelized, in order to reconfirm the Gospel that has come down through the ages, in order to help you, O Father of Christendom, and to help all Christianity against which the accursed Dragon advances.

Don't You, too, shake your head. Do not say: "There is no proportion between the gift and its hidden danger," as some say, and tempt you to say. Do not offend Me Who have begotten the Word. I, Who am the Mighty, and can do all if I will. I am a Father, and if a son obeys Me, I help him whatever be the size of the hidden danger that assails him.

Do not look at the instrument through which the gift of the Word comes to you, and which comes to the aid of those who believe, or those who have doubts, or even those who do not believe. The instrument has obeyed in serving the Word and the orders received from God. And therefore, she has directed herself to You, so that You may do what God wills. But if you reject the instrument, it is not so much her whom you strike and against whom, being blameless, you sin; as much as it is Me whom you strike, *Us—We Who are One God in Our marvelous Trinity*. And you sin against Love because Love, Our Triune Love, wants to give *this—the Word of God—to your Pontificate*. And if you resist My Will of love, you repeat the gesture of the Chief Priests, the Sanhedrin, the Pharisees, the Sadducees and Scribes, who did not bend to the evangelizing Charity. They persecuted Him and condemned Him before the hour marked for His Martyrdom [...].

And I, Who am the Lord, I say to You: "You, all of you, have far more need of My defence than did your predecessors or the lambs of the flock over these twenty centuries because first the Shepherds will be struck, and hence the flock will be scattered" [*Zech 13:7*]. Appease the Lord your God. You are able to. You are the Pontiff. You have no excuse for not doing so. Do not imitate Pilate, or yours will be the fate of Pilate, who was not justified by the symbolic washing of his hands. He failed in justice as much, and more, than if he had condemned without asking others to condemn in his stead. [He failed in justice] more because having the power and authority to do so, he should have known how

to silence sinful tongues. Do not fail to recognize Him Who speaks in the work. It would be a judgment upon You. And then recognizing Him, serve Him by making Him known. It will be Your glory

Do not spurn this warning, even if it comes to you by means of a creature. Other predecessors of yours listened to My instruments. And if the Church is still Roman, it is because a Pontiff surrendered himself to Catherine (of Siena). Be just, so that you may have your Lord as your ally against the Antichrist who advances.'

(From *Quadernetti pp. 165-70* Translated by the Sitemaster of A 20th Century Mystic: Maria Valtorta) Refer to <http://www.bardstown.com/~brchrys/PPiusXII.html> for the full passage and footnotes.

CHRIST SPEAKS ON THE WORK QUADERNETTI - 16 June, 1950,

Christ often refers to the great Poem of the Man-God as "The Work" and His "Gift" of Mercy and Love. He has also revealed the great importance and value He places on this Work as a "new evangelization" of the Gospel for our times. Hence, it is not surprising that both Christ and God the Father have expressed Their dismay and chagrin at the rejection and opposition by ecclesiastical authorities to the publication and diffusion of this great Work among the faithful.

(Jesus says:) 'Behold, infinite Charity, which is My attribute, has drawn from this most Merciful Heart a new gift of infinite Mercy, of divine Mercy for men: the Work. It was to serve to fortify the three Theological Virtues in their spirits, and the four Cardinal Virtues, and to give My Love the exact measure of Its dimension to those who are about to be overwhelmed by the hatred of Satan, of the Antichrist and of his servants.

And I gave the Work [to people] in time, before the dreadful appointment, so that it might be spread as manna and medicine for the multitudes so that they may not die [. So that they] may not lose their faith because of the events, or curse God or deny His Existence because they will say, if He existed, He would not have permitted these things—He Who, we were told, can do all things. I gave [the Work] in time, asking from My first Servants, the Priests, shepherds of souls, the very small, easy, just, and meritorious labor of granting its publication—a minuscule labor compared to My very great Gift and to your very great labor, Maria, accomplished in your physical and moral conditions. I gave it in time, I Who am Wisdom and know all, Who am Charity and do all for love, Who am All-seeing and know the right hour for every event or manifestation. I have spoken in every way, with prayers, with prophesies already accomplished, [and] with reprimands also for the Shepherds [who are] non-shepherds who, foolishly secure in their well-being, do not have the compassion to be real Shepherds for their lambs.

They have mocked, derided, trampled My Will of love. They have afflicted and condemned My servants to a long passion. They have acted according to their own will, by the decision they have taken, though not having even the least reason for acting as they do, thus depriving souls of My Gift. What are they waiting for? That a world-wide cataclysm may permit them to justify their evil actions, and to say: "Given the particular hour which besieges the world, it is as impossible for us, as it would be for others,

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to allow it to be printed!"? No. That reason is *not* valid because it is three years since I have finished [the Work] and asked that it be made available, so that many could turn to Me for those Words of Life. And for three years they have opposed it.

They oppose it by acting as they do, depriving souls of having consolation in the hours that shall soon come [upon the world]. If in a very near tomorrow, humanity should be overwhelmed in a new whirlwind of ferocity, compared to which the last one of 1940-1945 would be nothing, in your perishing amid hellish anxieties you would not have, My poor children—through the fault of those who have violated My Will, hindering the publication and spread of the Word—you would not have the consolation of those words, given so that you might not die of despair. And I, from Heaven, shall curse these men who arrogated to themselves the right of depriving you of that Gift which I have given for its supreme light and consolation in the terrible hour. I curse because I am hindered [...] who has every right to benefit His subjects—the Shepherd of shepherds amid My flock assailed by so many material, moral and spiritual enemies: [...] All these I curse and I will curse if they do not repent, if they do not repair their unjust action. These stubborn hard-headed, stiff-necked men who do not bend beneath the holy yoke of My Will as God. These hard-hearted men who have no pity on you, Maria, nor on the crowds needing the Bread of My Word. [...that God] preaches love and not hate. [...]

You see, O Maria, these blazing swords which go forth from the wounds that My love for men opened in Me: the Man-God, Savior and Redeemer? I am Mercy. But only for the good. For you. For those who, like you, are true children of their Father God. [...] Because zeal for My Father's House—and My Father's House is the assembly of all faithful Christians, adopted sons of God, reborn by My sacrifice to this level of adoption and to Grace, these bewildered, oppressed sons whom you [Priests of today] do *not* console, do *not* comfort, do *not* guide with all that I have given you for this purpose—as I well foresaw and preached to My first Priests—and worse still, you hinder Me from doing it with those pages of *true* Life: that zeal, I say, for My Father's House of His sons of adoption and [who are] brothers of Mine by human blood, whom all of you collaborate in dragging into discouragement and doubt about the truthfulness of the Gift and of My mercy: it is that zeal which inflames My indignation and consumes My Patience [...].

[16 December, 1950]

Divine arrangements concerning the Work.

(Jesus says:) Presented as it is in a way, the *only* way that men will be able to find, so that souls whom I love may have My Gift of love —[a Gift] which is literary—[the Work] should not be retouched in the future.

I, Myself, have made modifications in other places while leaving the lessons *intact*—and which should not be changed other than to remove the aspect that annoys those who censure My works, wanting to set limits, these servants, on their Lord. And what I have done should be left alone: now, a year from now, ten years from now, *forever*. To make a first, and later a second edition different from the first, would truly create confusion. In the second edition, which I concede, it could *at most* be said of it that one had been compelled to change and modify its form so as "*to make the work more attractive for those*

most in need of it," for those for whom I have the most pity because they are dispirited and gone astray. They are dying in their spirit and do not know it because they do not know Me. But nothing more than this.

I have told you for seven years, Maria, seven—a number sacred to Me and which I have imposed on you in many things—I have told you that you will not be a saint for having written the Work but for your sacrifice, for all your life of love and sacrifice. Love and the sacrifice is your accomplishment. The Work has been given by Me. It is My gift. Not any merit of yours. Hence, in order for you to be blissfully happy here, where I am, there is no need to present you as a seer. But as My servant. You serve Me also by publishing in a literary form. And you have double merit and double peace. And you desire peace, while you do not desire the praise of men, except for Mine.

Let this be made in triple copies. One to be joined to the work [written] in your own hand, one to be given to him who looks after it, one to be done with as you wish. My peace be in you.'

[17 May, 1953]

(Jesus says:) 'My Divine Mercy has given the Work out of mercy for infinite souls, lost or on the way to being lost—both lay and even consecrated souls—so that they would again have eternal Salvation. The Work was the practical application of the spiritual works of mercy which I have taught: "Instruct the ignorant, convert sinners..."

Those who have blocked it for years, unjustly and without a true reason—rather only for a blameworthy reason—have not understood its end, its aim, or the power of My Gift, and have profoundly wounded My Heart and made themselves responsible for the spiritual death of so many souls, and for a great lack of charity and justice toward you, Maria. I have already said in the second year of My Public Life: "Every soul which has gone astray or been led astray—and it is to lead astray by distorting for oneself and for others My Word and My Work, and to hinder its diffusion—[every such soul] causes harm to God in the souls who are being lost. And every soul that is lost causes a wound in Me: God and Savior." And since it is five years now that I have been wounded unceasingly with unjust actions toward the Work, I have halted the flow of Divine Wisdom which I wanted to pour again into you, [Maria]—My cistern of love and of grace for souls—by giving you the explanations of the Apocalypse, of the other Pauline Epistles, and of those of Peter, James and Jude of Apheus. All the apostolic letters.'

[30 May, 1953]

(Jesus says:) '[...] Why has there been for so long resentment and blindness against My great Gift of love and My dearly beloved instrument? [...] My great unknown apostle, if you saw how I suffer for this behavior toward Me, toward the Work, and toward you! I suffer from it as I suffered for the unjust, or rather diabolic action of Judas Iscariot, for the unjust trial against Me, the perfect Just One, and for the behavior of My People, always benefited by Me and [yet] who did not want Me—as they do not want you, My voice, My light, My weapon for the good of an infinite number of souls. [...] Farewell. My blessing on you and on all those who love Me.'

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