

The Love of Eternal Wisdom
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Meeting Days: 3 Sundays – April 30, May 7, May 21 from 3pm-5pm
Place: Family Learning Center Room 1101

Instructions:

April 30 Read pages 1-36 (Foreword – Chapter 6)
May 7 Read pages 37 – 87 (Chapter 7-Chapter 13)
May 21 Read pages 88- 139 (Chapter 14 – Spiritual Maxims)

FOR DISCUSSION GROUPS:

April 30

Admonitions of Eternal Wisdom

Seek After God

“For the beginning of her is the most true desire of discipline. And the care of discipline is love. And love is the keeping of the laws. And the keeping of the laws is the firm foundation of incorruption. Incorruption bringeth near to God. Therefore the delight of wisdom bringeth to the everlasting kingdom.”

- In your daily life, how are you working towards the attainment of Divine Wisdom?
- Describe your struggles in your choices. Times when you chose God over the world and vice versa.

Chapter 1

To Love and Seek Eternal Wisdom, it is Necessary to Know Him

“He contains in Himself all the plenitude of the Divinity and of humanity, all that is great in heaven and on earth, all creatures, visible and invisible, spiritual and corporeal.”

“This is the most noble of all sciences because its object, the uncreated and Incarnate Wisdom is most noble and Sublime.

“To know Jesus Christ, Eternal Wisdom is to know enough. To know everything and not to know Him is to know nothing. All else is void of meaning, absurd and a waste of time.

- Why is the Science of Jesus the most noble, the most consoling and the most useful and necessary of all sciences?
- What do we do when we encounter Divine Wisdom?
- Have you been touched by the Eternal Wisdom? Describe how this has affected you and how it changed your life.
- What are the 3 kinds of wisdom?

Chapter 2

The Origin and Excellence of Eternal Wisdom

“In Eternal Wisdom, we behold Him Who is illustrious, high, immense, infinite and older than the universe.”

“ In the beginning was the Word (the Son of God, Eternal Wisdom) and the Word was with God and the Word was God.”

“Divine Wisdom now exhorts all men to forsake everything and desire Him alone.

- How much time do you spend in your day seeking the Eternal Wisdom?
- What are the 3 degrees of Piety?
- How have you practiced piety?
- What are the states occupations and virtues of souls?

Chapter 3

The Wonderful Power of Divine Wisdom in the Creation of the World and of Man

“I was with God ordering all things at once with such perfect accuracy attractive variety that, as if at a game I was playing to divert myself and to divert my Father.”

- How has sin destroyed man?

Chapter 4

The Wonderful Goodness and Mercy of Eternal Wisdom before His Incarnation

“Drawn by an unheard of and incomprehensible excess of love, this lovable and sovereign prince offers Himself in sacrifice to His Father in order to satisfy Divine justice, to calm Divine anger, and to redeem us from the slavery of the devil and the flames of hell and merit for us eternal happiness.”

- What proofs has the Eternal Wisdom shown of His friendship and great desire to grant favors and converse with man?
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Chapter 5

The Wonderful Excellence of Eternal Wisdom

- Describe the excellence of Eternal Wisdom
- How should one seek the treasure of Wisdom?
- What riches does Eternal Wisdom give you?
- How can we acquire Eternal Wisdom?
- Describe what the Holy Spirit says in the Book of Wisdom regarding the Excellence of Eternal Wisdom:

Chapter 6

The Eager Desire of Divine Wisdom to Communicate Himself to Man

“Wisdom is for Man and Man is for Wisdom”

- What has the Eternal Wisdom done to show His love for us?