

as God wants them and while He wants them; in a spirit of calmness, doing things in due order, one after another, without any haste or impatience: . . . never performing your work as a matter of duty to someone, full of preoccupation and stress. Strive to do your work well and completely and not merely to get rid of it as soon as possible so that you can rush on to another of your many duties. If this is the way you live, you will never be at rest.

- (3) The third rule is to live a trifle more in God as your center, and nothing will oppress or distract you; for then you will feel the presence of God Who quickens and sees everything. Your actions will instinctively all be done for and in the service of God.

Give yourself entirely to Our Lord as He gives himself entirely to you. Let there be no reserve in your gift, no division in your heart, no other center than His adorable and ever-loving Will. The work that stands before you to be done is a good reflection of the Holy Will of God. He whose only possession is Our Lord Jesus is very rich, indeed. Do not consider yourself in the mirror of self-love, for you will frighten your own self; neither in the mirror of creatures, for they will intimidate you. Do not consider yourself on the scales of personal merit and holiness, for your destitution will tilt the scales against you. Never look at the false light of human words for you will always be deceived. Rather, consider yourself in the Heart of Jesus, and take close note of His loving kindnesses, and you will never have cause to fear.

Do not keep an account of what you give to your good Master, nor make an estimate of what you lack. The one who truly loves does not go about keeping records of what he does for the beloved. His only concern is to give ever more and more. He has no time for record keeping.

*The best sacrifice to offer to Our Lord is you EGO — your personality. The best homage to render to Jesus is your heart.*

Let your love for God be the test of duty, of virtue, of charity. Especially should you allow your love for God be the sacred scale of values by which to regulate all your judgements, your appraisals, your dislikes, your desires, and your conflicts. □