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## **“The hidden marvel of the interior life”**

Until now you had not understood the message that we Christians bring to the rest of men: the hidden marvel of the interior life. What a wonderful new world you are placing in front of them.

(Furrow, 654)

October 17

How many new things you have discovered! And yet you are sometimes rather naive and think you have seen everything, that you

have found out everything already. As time goes by, you will be able to reach out and touch the unique and unfathomable treasures of the Lord, who will always show you new things, if you respond with love and sensitivity. Then you will realize that you are only beginning, because holiness consists in identifying oneself with God, with that God of ours who is infinite and inexhaustible. (Furrow, 655)

We should make no mistake. God is no shadowy or distant being who created us then abandoned us; nor is he a master who goes away and does not return. Though we do not perceive him with our senses, his existence is far more true than any of the realities which we touch and see. God is here with us, really present, living. He sees and hears us, He guides us, and knows our smallest deeds, our most hidden intentions. We believe this - but we live as if God

did not exist. For we do not have a thought or a word for him; for we do not obey him, nor try to control our passions; for we do not show that we love him, and we do not atone ... Are we going to continue living with a dead faith? (Furrow, 658)

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