

Central: Mystery of Red Cross
(Red. through the Cross)

Meaning of marriage is that mystery
Fascination
Response

(3 ~~others~~): dedication to Christ
through
with (straight personal)

universal love : "open"

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apostolic readiness

concern
spir. attitude
not so much done

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"Amor do Coração Verde"
a Igreja, o amor que
é de universal



→ The love of
the Cross

B) the community

→ the fulfillment of the person in the com, the need of the com. for it

→ the com. built on love, on the service rendered at the level of the immediate needs as well as the most spiritual ones

→ the solitude of the person

→ the creation of a true spiritual com. as an exemplar of all the human communities

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Relationship with the material things:

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| → as a means of satisf. | → idem |
| → the <u>normal</u> channel for the fulfilment of the vocation of marriage | → the giving up, using them as if they wouldn't exist |
| → going to the extreme reality of things, plunging in them, "drinking" and "eating" them | → approaching things <u>only</u> (?) as signs or symbols |

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In the sign of the Cross

antinomy { Sacrifice + joy
death + life
renunciation + fulfillment

→ retentissement
"naturel" de la joie et
de la vie

→ meaning of
sacrifice as closer
unity with Christ

≠ accent put on each term of the
antinomy

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"Our womanly vocation for the Kingdom of God" — it is a way of expressing the Christian vocation, way which is rooted on the actual "situation" of woman in the world.

Woman recognizes her specificity in her way of being, establishes a special relationship with the other, has a deep and characteristic awareness of being with others in the world.



When we speak of marriage and virginity, we do speak of religious attitudes and situations which are taken by the individual as the expression of God's will and which represent

in the whole of the Church
essential values - in which
~~Christ~~ all Christian people
have to share.

Every woman sharing
in those essential values.

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Relationship with God:

• primacy of worship and prayer

→ the family as the basic com. of soc. confesses God

→ work of education achieved, having its climax in the education of the religious attitude; mainly prayer

→ the sacramentality of all natural life, marriage being of this kind

→ set-apart

→ the prayer of atonement

→ the exemplar, the reminder of the things to come

(the importance of being a continuous witness of the presence of God, a reference made out of the privacy of the spiritual habit and of the prayer due to God)

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Relationship with the others!

A) the person

→ the compassion, the sheltering

→ the person is all her human aspects, as a "citizen" of this world (not an abstraction, not a pure ghost)

→ the limited scope

→ the person is its uniqueness, because it is a person

→ points out to the value of the person as a chain between generations, as a step in the fulfillment of a better man, a better world

→ the pulling up, the demanding (...)

→ the person as part of the Kingdom

→ the unlimited

→ idem, whatever may be her situation in life

→ points out to the supreme value of the person in itself, independently of the past and future

