

Blessed Maria of Jesus Crucified

1846-1878

The extraordinary spiritual experience of Blessed Maria of Jesus Crucified is fully narrated by the earliest biographers. From the 21st of July to the 3rd of September 1868 she underwent diabolical possession, at the end of which an Angel purified her from within.

Here is the direct account of those days: “The nuns were convinced that now it was an Angel who possessed the body of Sister Maria, so affable were her words, her gestures and her facial expression was so calm, they continued their rites of purification of the people and places from the signs left by Satan during the forty days of possession, while the celestial conversations were repeated between Sister Maria and the Holy protectors of the

almost not be able to obey and she will not want to receive Communion any more. In these moments she will write to you, because she will need someone to help her and sustain her, and when you come visit, encourage her, but always humbling her, because the Good Lord requests much of the *little nothing*, and never tell her that you come specially for her.”

Sister Maria also spoke to the Superior about the lack of faith and humility that afflicted



Order, in particular St. Teresa of Avila. Meanwhile, the Superior of the monastery wanted to personally understand what was going on in the soul of Sister Maria, who as soon as she saw him, she greeted him and said that the Virgin blessed him and that he too would enter into the promise of Our Lord regarding Paradise. Then, turning directly to the priest, revealed to him certain detailed events that were going to occur in her life: ‘Pastor, the Blessed Virgin gives you this *little nothing* for a short while, and Jesus will reward you in Heaven. Later on she will complete the work of God as she will want to do, but after these four days of happiness, the *little nothing* will be grievously tempted for three years, she will not have even a quarter of an hour of consolation, she will feel only sadness, boredom, you will not see in her anything other than sin and once in a while her punishments will be severe, she will be immersed by such temptations and by such a frightening night that she will

the souls of everybody – bishops, priests, religious; and of the lack of faith that was about to lead many to ruin, as Satan wished. “Such will be those who will desert their vocations, who will commit apostasy, but Mother Teresa (of Avila) said that if her daughters are faithful to Jesus, despite everything, they can be in Heaven, even in a higher place than her, because now times have changed and there is not as much faith as when she was on the earth, and to remain faithful, it is necessary to be as martyrs for the faith. Even the Virgin says that it is necessary to test the novices a lot because, if you do not test them, they will test you.” Sister Maria continued instructing her Superior about issues of the spirit and prophesizing about future events: “My Father, in a short while the war will take place, but it is for the triumph of the Church.” To these words the priest asked her if the Pope (Pius IX) had seen her and Sister Maria replied to him that: “He was born for the Cross...”