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Amid the greatest torments, I fix the gaze of my soul upon Jesus Crucified; I do not expect help from people, but place my trust in God. In His unfathomable mercy lies all my hope.

And I understood that the greatest attribute of God is love and mercy. It unites the creature with the Creator. This immense love and abyss of mercy are made known in the Incarnation of the Word and in the Redemption, and it is here that I saw this as the greatest of all God's attributes.

Suffering is a great grace; through suffering; the soul becomes like the Savior; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering the purer the love.

Jesus told me that I please Him best by meditating on His sorrowful Passion, and by such meditation much light falls upon the soul.

True love is measured by the thermometer of suffering.

O Jesus, when I consider the great price of Your Blood, I rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners.

I have found that the greatest power is hidden patience. I see that patience always leads to victory, although not immediately; but that victory will become manifest after many years. Patience is linked to meekness.

I know well that the greater and more beautiful the work is, the more terrible will be the storms that rage against it.

The more a soul humbles itself, the greater the kindness with which the Lord approaches it.

The Lord gave me to know how displeased He is with a talkative soul. He said, 'I find no rest in such a soul. The constant din tires Me, and in the midst of it the soul cannot discern My voice.

Let all my desires, even the holiest, noblest and most beautiful, take always the last place and Your holy will, the very first.

Patience, prayer and silence—these are what give strength to the soul.

Faithful submission to the will of God, always and everywhere, in all events and circumstances of life, gives great glory to God. Such submission to the will of God carries more weight with Him than long fasts, mortifications and the most severe penances.

Sweeter to me are the torments, sufferings, persecutions and all manner of adversities by divine will than popularity, praise and esteem by my own will.