

(E5 - Sr. S.M.S.)

# "The finding of Jesus in the Temple"...

# FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - LUKE-:

"The boy remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it... After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions." (Luke 2:43, 46)<sup>1</sup>

### MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Lord help us to search for You again and again in the brightness of the Catholic Church, where the glory of God and the immortal light of the resurrection of the dead (cf. Ezek 37:13) shine and are reflected as in a mirror (cf. CCC 97), giving a full meaning and significance to our short life! (cf. Ps 90:10, 12).

(cf. SP, p. 54)

## FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to searching for Christ in the Catholic Church, the *Omnibus of Franciscan Sources* explains: "Francis thought that the faith of the Holy Roman Church was by all means to be preserved, honored, and imitated, that faith in which alone is found [full] salvation [cf. UR 3]."

(THOMAS OF CELANO, First Life, Ch. XXII, n. 62, in: St. Francis of Assisi. Writings and Early Biographies. English Omnibus of the Sources for the Life of St. Francis, I, edited by M. A. Habig, Franciscan Press, Quincy [IL] 1991, p. 281)

<sup>1</sup>NABRE (USCCB)

#### FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

(for a personal contribution to give to those who listen):

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Then follows ...

- 1 Our Father ...
- 5 Hail Mary
- 1 Glory be to the Father ... (Sung)
- Praised be,,, O my Jesus, forgive us...
- Mary, Queen of Peace ...
- Then, a quick song relevant to the mystery / or one sings: "Aveeeee, Aveeeee, Ave Maria ...."