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ALL SOULS DAY - THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS

"You cannot drink the Cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the Table of the Lord and the table of demons" (I Corinthians 10.21)



A Poisoned Cup and a Wreath of Dead Roses

You cannot put Christ aside ... ever

You cannot, in your subtleties, profess Christ today — and disavow Him tomorrow.

You cannot, with the same hands, quaff the Blood of Christ — and spill the blood of children.

You cannot, on the same tongue, receive His Sacred Body — and crucify it again in His little ones.

You cannot, with the same lips profess Christ — and then deny Him.

You cannot with the same voice affirm life — and clamor for death.

You cannot with the same ears profess to hear the cry of the poor — and be deaf to the cry of the unborn.

You cannot inscribe your name in the Book of Life — as you enroll children in the Book of Death.

"YOU CANNOT DRINK THE CUP OF THE LORD AND THE CUP OF DEMONS."

You think that you can equivocate with God and broker your own salvation on terms of your choosing, because you have equivocated with the world and leveraged your power against the little and the innocent.

You make God to be a fool.

That is a terrible pronouncement.

Do you think that what you do this day will not "echo in eternity"? It will echo endlessly, it will multiply itself into the lives — *and deaths* – of countless generations ... that *you* have been such a fool!

... but not for Christ.

A cup is set before you today. And a wreath, a laurel, of victory.

You must choose the cup and the victory: life over death — or death over life.

Today choose Christ. Choose the *Crown of Life*, the *Cup of Salvation*. Be a fool for Him.

Better a jester in the Court of God, than a King in a Court of Fools.

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