

Litany of Humility

by Cardinal Merry del Val

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, hear me!
From the desire of being esteemed, *deliver me, Jesus*
From the desire of being loved, ...
From the desire of being extolled, ...
From the desire of being honoured, ...
From the desire of being praised, ...
From the desire of being preferred, ...
From the desire of being consulted, ...
From the desire of being approved, ...
From the fear of being humiliated, ...
From the fear of being despised, ...
From the fear of suffering rebukes, ...
From the fear of being calumniated, ...
From the fear of being forgotten, ...
From the fear of being ridiculed, ...
From the fear of being wronged, ...
From the fear of being suspected, ...
That others may be loved more than I, *Jesus, grant me
the grace to desire it*
That others may be more esteemed than I, ...
That in the opinion of the world, others may increase,
and I may decrease, ...
That others may be chosen and I set aside, ...
That others may be praised and I unnoticed, ...
That others may be preferred to me in everything, ...
That others may become holier than I, provided that I
may become as holy as I should,
Amen.