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Dear Sister

I am delighted to see your openness of heart and your firm will to love your divine Spouse with all your might. With that generous determination you will go far; all the same, I must draw your attention to the fact that it is not always useful to pay close attention to the follies of the imagination and to recall to mind the objects of temptation. You must even completely drive out those contrary to the 6th commandment.

I also think I have observed that our good God wants to have you more humble, and it is for that reason that he allows the enemy to torment you with ideas contrary to holy purity. So always be courageous and humble, my dear Child, be cheerful and meek and you will become what I have predicted to you: a faithful Spouse tenderly loved by the meek and humble Spouse.

I am all yours in Our Lord Jesus Christ

Your spiritual Father

C. G. Van Crombrugghe

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