

The following is from a book titled "When the Divine Will Reigns in Souls" -Book of Heaven- by Luisa Piccarreta. This particular page was written in 1909.

The first paragraph is Luisa's thoughts, the second paragraph is Jesus speaking to her, and the one that I found most profound.

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### **The Why.**

Continuing in my usual state, I found myself outside myself; and I seemed to see a soul from Purgatory whom I knew; and I said to her: "Tell me, what is my state before God? I am so afraid, especially for the state in which I find myself." She said to me: "You need to know very little to know if you are in a good or a bad state: if you value suffering, you are in a good state; if you do not value it, you are in a bad state. Because he who values suffering, values God; and valuing Him, he can never make Him unhappy. For the things that are valued are esteemed and guarded with care, more than oneself. And can it be possible that one would wish himself evil? So then, by valuing God, it is impossible for you to make Him unhappy."

After this, Blessed Jesus came and said to me:

"Daughter, in almost all the events that happen, creatures repeat and always say: And why? And why? And Why? Why this sickness? Why this state of soul? Why this punishment? And so many other why's. The explanation of the why is not written on earth but in Heaven, and there all shall read it. Do you know what the why is? It is egoism which gives continual food to self-love. Do you know where the why was created? In Hell. Who was the first to pronounce it? A devil. The effects that the first why produced were the loss of innocence in Eden itself, the war of the implacable passions, the ruin of many souls and all the evils of life. The history of the why is very long. It is sufficient to tell you that there is no evil in the world that does not bear the mark of the why. The why is the destruction of Divine Wisdom in souls. Do you know where the why will be buried? In Hell, to make all the lost souls restless forever, without ever giving them peace. The artful ingenuity and deceptiveness of the why is to wage war against souls, without ever giving them rest."

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