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Here is a “very clear witness (of the Resurrection from the dead) if we accept the arguments of many scientists!”<sup>1</sup>.

*“For some time now, hundreds of scholars and researchers have analysed the Shroud of Turin from every possible scientific point of view.”<sup>12</sup> (The Shroud of Turin, according to Christian tradition, is the burial cloth within which Jesus Christ was resurrected after death in body and soul.). These continuous analyses try “to answer a question that seems to never have found an answer:*

***Is the Shroud really authentic?"***<sup>3</sup>

\* - Only a hasty analysis of the carbon (C14) has called its antiquity into doubt; a doubt that was later dismissed, thanks also to some ““analyses of the Russian scientist, Dimitri Kouznetsov (**Lenin prize winner**) who dated the age of the Shroud to the first century””<sup>4</sup>, that is, to the time of Christ.

\* - *"If it were false, – concluded professor Luigi Gonella (scientific advisor of Cardinal A. Ballestrero) "we would have to rewrite the entire history of technology, because, to make it this way, people more than a thousand years ago would have to have known techniques that we today have not yet discovered."*<sup>5</sup>

\* - In addition, an American lawyer, Michael Minor, concluded: 'the circumstantial evidence that supports the authenticity of the Shroud of Turin is incontestable and satisfies the strictest inquiries of law courts beyond every reasonable doubt!'"<sup>6</sup>.

\* - In addition, the anatomist Hoevelacque, sent to judge a study by the distinguished surgeon Pier Barbet, admitted: *"My friend, if things are as you have written, then 'Christ has truly Risen!'"*<sup>7</sup>.

\* - In addition, regarding this: Prof. Bruno Barbiers, a mathematician of the University of Turin, evaluating the possibility of these events, calculated that there are 200 billion possibilities favourable (with only one contrary) to the man on the Shroud really being Jesus Christ the Nazarene.<sup>8</sup>

*"It is reasonable to admit that 'when the evidence multiplies and agrees, and converges on a conclusion, a reasonable certainty emerges'"*<sup>9</sup>...A probability model has been constructed, able to evaluate as a whole the results of the research performed on the Holy Shroud, which are these:

***“According to mathematical calculations, it is more probable that the same number will appear 52 consecutive times in the game of roulette than that the Shroud is not authentic.”<sup>10</sup>...***

***"The research made leaves no doubts:***

*The Shroud is 100% authentic with absolutely negligible uncertainty. The calculation of probabilities leads unequivocally to this reasonable certainty. In all respects, the Shroud must be considered a relic. And not only a relic in the broad sense, because it touched the body of Christ. But, also, in the strict sense, because it is spotted with his blood (and blood is part of the body).*

There is more: the Holy Shroud of Turin also shows us his image, an impressive “photographic” imprint which is “the irradiation of his glory and the mark of his substance” (Heb 1:3)”<sup>11</sup> and which even today leaves us amazed - like the Apostle John, who, before this emptied-out sheet in the sepulcher of Jerusalem, “saw and believed!” The Shroud, therefore, is an unprecedented witness to the morning of Easter, and is the object closest to the key event of our Christian faith: (namely) the death and the Resurrection of Christ; but it is also an inconvenient object which some try to deprive of its meaning. Without a doubt, this sacred linen can be a very cumbersome presence, not only to unbelievers, but also to those who are afraid to fully live the Christian message. The Man-God, beaten, naked, and bloody, reminds us of pain, the cross, and death: realities deliberately hidden in a society that has made wealth, beauty, and wellbeing the greatest aspirations and the goals to be achieved by every means and at every cost. The visual message of the Shroud, realistic and powerful in its raw reality, is a **“direct testimony... (to the Resurrection of Jesus)”**<sup>12</sup>; and, therefore, a pledge of a future reward that is unique and eternal: that is, a celestial, angelic, and immortal body, with all its mysterious and heavenly surroundings. (cf. 1Cor 15:35-53; Luke 20:34-36). Therefore, “The Shroud, an unexpected gift, allows us to contemplate and to courageously announce this to all humanity.”<sup>13</sup>

<sup>1</sup> JOHN PAUL II, *Omelia in occasione della Visita pastorale alla Diocesi di Torino*, April 13th, 1980, in: Vatican.va, (accessed 01.18.23); <sup>2</sup> GIULIO FANTI, *Cento prove sulla Sindone. Un giudizio probabilistico sull'autenticità*, Ediz. Messaggero P., Padova, 1999, p. 7; <sup>3</sup> *Ibidem*; <sup>4</sup> *Ivi*, pp. 54-55; <sup>5</sup> cfr. LUIGI GONELLA, *Evidenza di un amore*, in: *Sito Unione Catechisti*, <http://www.unionecatechisti.it/Testi/Unione/Docum/EvAmore/20.htm> (accessed 12.28.2022); <sup>6</sup> EMANUELA MARINELLI, *Sindone. Un'immagine "impossibile"*, Ediz. San Paolo, Cinisello Balsamo 1996, p. 128; <sup>7</sup> PIERRE BARBET, *A Doctor at Calvary*, Ediz. Image Books, Garden City 1963, pp. 29-30; <sup>8</sup> E. MARINELLI, *Op.cit.*, p. 62; <sup>9</sup> G. FANTI, *Op.cit.*, p. 8; <sup>10</sup> *Ivi*, back cover; <sup>11</sup> cf. *Ivi*, p. 18; <sup>12</sup> *Ibidem*; <sup>13</sup> *Ibidem*.

## WHAT DO THESE MYSTERIOUS AND HEAVENLY SURROUNDINGS CONSIST OF?

St. Thomas Aquinas says that they consist “*of the perfect satisfaction of desire. In fact, every blessed person will have more than he desired or hoped for. The reason is that, in this life, no one can totally satisfy his desires, and no created thing is able to fulfil man’s aspirations. Only God can satisfy him, or rather go infinitely beyond [his desires]...; ...everything that can provide happiness is present there, and in the highest degree. If we look for pleasures, there we will find the highest and most absolute pleasure, because one draws from the supreme good, which is God.*”<sup>14</sup>

So, seeing what is at stake – not just a great thing, but the greatest – we have only to try to put this “Sacred Licence” into practice; otherwise, we risk being failures for eternity!

<sup>14</sup> ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, *Credo in Deum*, in: *The Liturgy of the hours*, IV, Catholic Book Publishing Corp, N.Y., 1975, pp. 563-564.



**Open your eyes, ‘An immortal light’ shines for you in three distinct mysteries, perfectly equal in truthful substance. This is a triple challenge to the minds of all humanity and to all philosophical, scientific and theological points of view.**

## The image of OUR LADY

## The Virgin of Guadalupe

According to popular Christian devotion, this “painting” is not the work of men, but of angels: it is the portrait of our Lady, the Mother of God, the Temple of the Holy Spirit. According to science, there is no valid argument to the contrary; quite the opposite! This image is full of fascinating mysteries which makes one reflect seriously. Here are some of the many mysteries:

Richard Khun (Chemist and Nobel Prize winner 1938) examined this coloured image. To his great surprise, he found no trace of colouring - neither animal, vegetable, nor mineral.<sup>15</sup>

One might also ask how it would've been possible, 500 years ago, for someone to paint such a complex scene (of the Bishop and his men) in such a tiny space (smaller than a square centimetre) within the reflection of the image's eye! A reflection which is repeated in the left eye according to the optical law of Purkinje-Sanson. These studies have been brought forward through electronic processing by José Aste Tonsmann...<sup>16</sup>

Mario Rojas has also discovered a correlation between the stars on the Virgin's mantle and those of the sky on the winter solstice of 1531. The constellations and the main stars on the mantle just happen to fall in significant positions: the Boreal Crown on her forehead; Virgo (the Virgin) on her joined hands; Leo (the Lion) on her pregnant womb; etc.<sup>17</sup>

<sup>15</sup> Cf. RICHARD KUHN, in: *Sito Unione Cristiani Cattolici Razionali*, <https://www.uccronline.it/2013/01/06/nuova-singolare-scoperta-sulla-tilma-di-guadalupe/> (accessed 12.29.22).

<sup>16</sup> Cf. JOSÉ A. TONSMANN, in: *Website Frammenti di Pace*, <http://www.frammentidipace.it/Pages/Spiritualita%20NegliocchidellaMadonnadiGuadalupeunmessaggioprofeticoperlafamiglia> (accessed 12.29.22).

<sup>17</sup> Cf. MARIO ROJAS, in: *Website Basilica Santa Teresa di Gesù Bambino*, <https://www.santateresaverona.it/gli-occhi-della-guadalupeana/> (accessed 12.29.22).



The Body  
of CHRIST in  
(Lanciano)

See also the  
Eucharistic miracle  
in Siena, etc...

Flesh, blood, and incorruptibility are scientifically present in the Catholic Eucharist. About 12 centuries ago, a monastic priest had the doubt that the Consecrated Host was really the Body and Blood of Christ, the Son of God, while celebrating the Mass. When saying the words of Consecration, he – together with all those around him – saw the host transform into flesh and the wine into blood.<sup>18</sup> At Lanciano, therefore, the words spoken by Jesus, “take and eat...this is my body. Take and drink...this is my blood,” (cf. *Mat* 26:26-28), are verified through this extraordinary sign – and through the “authoritative seal” of highly accredited medical science, which confirms that the announced substance is present. The Emanuel (that is, God-with-us) is certainly everywhere, but His Body is in the Catholic Church. Whoever does not eat his flesh and drink his blood will not have eternal life. And let no one delude himself, for **this is the Truth**, Jesus said it! It is written: **“In truth, in truth I tell you: unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you will not have life in you.”** (cf. *John* 6:53). To put it simply, the baptized who go to the Catholic Mass, confess their sins to the Priest, (cf. *John* 20:22-23), and eat and drink the Body and Blood of Christ (that is, Holy Communion), will be *fully saved* from sin. Otherwise, they will be condemned (cf. *Mark* 16:16) to pay off – or even to suffer forever for – their sins, because they refused the Truth which had been announced and confirmed by the Lord Jesus, Head and Body! (cf. *Col* 1:18,24)

<sup>18</sup> Cf. ANTONIO TARALLO, in: *Website San Francesco*, <https://www.sanfrancescopatronoditalia.it/notizie/fede/miracoli-eucaristici-un-viaggio-per-l-italia-43211> (accessed 01.16.23).

## The image of OUR LORD on The Sacred Shroud of Turin

A fascinating and mysterious image is inexplicably impressed on a very ancient sheet. For those who might have doubts about the identity of the man depicted on the Shroud, some writings have been found (using extremely sophisticated electronic instruments) near the face, which say: «*NNACEM: go to death*». «*NNAZAPE(N)NUS: Nazarene*», «*ΙΗΣΟΥΣ: Jeshua (Jesus in Hebrew)*» and «*IC: Iesus Christus*»<sup>19</sup>.

What you see is most likely the face of Jesus, an “icon of the Father,” electronically created by the largest computer in the world that belongs to NASA. *“Different theories ascribe the formation of the (original) image on the Shroud to an energetic flash of light, lasting some hundredths of a second, which occurred during the Resurrection of Jesus. The Russian physicist, Alexander V. Belyakov, hypothesizes that the resurrected body of Jesus is made of light; such a body would radiate light from all of its volume, not only from the surface (a hypothesis made plausible by his theoretical calculations)”*<sup>20</sup>. The energy of such a flash is comparable to a lightning bolt of 90 thousand volts, and its luminous glow is comparable to that of the atomic bomb. We hope and pray, therefore, that this luminous and immortal “flash” may shine into the eyes and hearts of atheists who have slept for a long time in the sleep of death. Wake up, unbeliever! This icon, which you see, is the circumstantial evidence of the Resurrection of Jesus – if we believe the arguments of many scientists. And so, reflect and pray intensely and with uprightness (Ps 84:12) while there is still time and *“Christ will illuminate you”!* (Eph 5:14)

<sup>19</sup> GIULIO FANTI. *Op. cit.* n. 141.

<sup>20</sup> Cf. *Ivi*, p. 39.



***“Fools hate knowledge...”*** (Prov 1:22).      ***“Wise men store up knowledge...”*** (Prov 10:14).