

THE LIFE OF PRAYER – By Harriet Monsell

Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

Prayer, the approach of the Soul to God,
the Response of Grace.

The entrance of light into the Soul.

Spiritual illumination.

The Creature laying itself bare before God.

The utterance of contrition.

The communing with God as with a friend.

The expression of gratitude.

The secret revelation between the Soul and God.

The interaction of Love.

The pleading of the Soul with God for others

Union with the Intercession of Jesus.

The attaining to the Vision of God
the outburst of Joy.

The manifestation of the Divine Glory,
the entrance into Peace.

The Soul face to face with God,
Gazing into the unspeakable mysteries
of the Incarnation, Redemption,
the manifestation of the Sacraments.

The operation of the Holy Ghost revealing the attributes
of Wisdom, Holiness, Justice, Love,
of the Three in One.

The mystery of Life, of Death, of Glory,
the attainment of Union.