

## ADORO TE DEVOTE

1. Devoutly I adore thee, hidden Godhead, who truly stayest hidden under these forms:  
to thee doth my whole heart subject itself, because, in contemplating thee, everything [else] is  
found lacking.
2. Sight, touch, taste fail with regard to thee, but only by hearing does one believe surely;  
I believe whatever God's Son said: nothing is truer than the word of Truth.
3. On the Cross the Godhead alone was hidden, but here, hidden too is the humanity.  
However, believing and confessing both, I ask what the penitent thief asked.
4. I do not immediately gaze on wounds, as Thomas did; yet nonetheless I confess thee my God.  
Make me believe in thee more and more, [make me] put my hope in thee, love thee.
5. O memorial of the Lord's death! Living bread, granting life to man!  
Grant to me always to live from thee and that thou mayest always taste sweet to me.
6. Kindly pelican, Lord Jesus, cleanse me, the unclean one, in thy blood,  
of which [just] one drop can save the entire world of all crime.
7. Jesus, whom now I behold under a veil, I pray that that for which I so thirst may come to pass:  
that, looking intently upon thy unveiled face, I may be blessed with the sight of thy glory.

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