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The Virgin Mary was conceived in the endless abysses of my Merits, of my Divine Blood, and in the immense sea of my Pains. By virtue of them, She remained Immaculate, beautiful and pure. First She was conceived in Me, and then I was conceived in Her.

<u>Jesus said to me</u>: "To my little newborn I want to make known the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin, conceived without sin.

First you must know that my Divinity is one single act.

All acts concentrate into a single one.

This is what it means to be God – the greatest portent of Our Divine Essence: not to be subject to succession of acts.

And if to the creature it seems that We do now something, and now something else, it is, rather, that We make known what is present in that single act

In fact, since the creature is incapable of knowing it all at once, We make it known little by little.

Now, everything that I, Eternal Word, was to do in my assumed Humanity formed one single act with that single act which my Divinity contains.

Therefore, before this noble creature was conceived, everything that the Eternal Word was to do upon earth already existed

And so, in the act in which this Virgin was conceived, all my merits, my pains, my Blood - everything that the Life of a Man and God contained, lined up around Her conception.

And She was conceived in the endless abysses -of my merits, of my Divine Blood, and in the immense sea of my pains. By virtue of them, She remained Immaculate, beautiful and pure.

My incalculable merits barred the enemy's way, and he could do no harm to Her. It was right that the one who was to conceive the Son of a God, be first conceived in the works of this God, to be able to have the virtue of conceiving that Word who was to come to redeem mankind. So, *first She was conceived in Me, and then I was conceived in Her*.

There was nothing left but to make it known to creatures at the appropriate time. But in the Divinity it was as though already done.

Therefore, the one who most gathered the fruits of Redemption – or rather, who received Its complete fruit – was this excelling creature.

Having been conceived in It, She loved, esteemed and kept as Her own, everything that the Son of God did upon earth.

Oh, the Beauty of this tender little one!

She was a prodigy of grace, a portent of Our Divinity.

She grew up as Our Daughter. She was Our decorum, Our joy, Our honor and Our glory."