Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter

Gospel text (*Jn* 10:22-30): (…) Jesus walked about in the temple area on the Portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered them, "I told you and you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify to me (…). The Father and I are one."

The Son of God

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Today, Jesus presents us with the boldest statement of all time: He and the Father are one. He reveals Himself as God and as the Son of God. Never before had any religious leader put forth such a claim. But Jesus performed "works" that only God could perform: He acts and speaks as God. His definitive "work" was His resurrection by His own power.

He really is the Son: He is Someone living who comes from another living Being (the Father), equal in nature (divine). He is pure Infinite-Affiliation: the Son is distinguished from the Father (for being the Son) and is fully identified, at the same time, with the Father (because He is infinite). He is the most perfect Image of the Father, for the Father —as a conscious Being— knows Himself and has an Image of Himself. Every man also has an image of himself, but in the case of God it is an infinitely perfect Image, as it is a divine Person: the Son proceeding from the Father by an intellectual "generation".

—Our Lord, I surrender to Your infinite beauty!