

“Male and female created He them” signals an order to creation. The miracle that the same Lord and God created two genders, lies in the degrees in the chain of creation running through both, but offset by one step. If you think of a staircase, good is a platform, and truth is the riser. The male begins with a platform and goes down the next riser; and female starts with a riser and comes down to a platform. The higher truth is always joined to a lower good, all the way down. Although the male and the female stand on the same ground, spiritually, couples access each other, higher to higher, lower-to-lower, higher to lower. All these relationships are described in the work *Conjugal Love*. These movements are only perceived as lateral movements, which can become a source of “colds” and some argument in marriage. However, knowing these doctrines allows both singles and couples to be aware of degrees of height in the human soul: the masculine need to see a point most high and lofty, and the feminine need to fly even higher with her affection for that same point. The truth both see is from the Lord, and joins them forever.

### BE PERFECT

The Lord said, “Therefore you shall be perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect” (Matthew 5:48).

Since creation is finite, it cannot be perfect. Only the infinite Lord God is perfect. Why then does the Lord command us to “be perfect”? It is because it has a spiritual meaning. Literally, it is impossible, but the spiritual meaning is quite possible: “They are ‘perfect’ when the Lord is in them” (*Doctrine of Life* 84). Simple, we are perfect, when the Lord can be in us.

Even though we are still finite and imperfect, the Lord can be in us when we turn to Him, or when we have overcome evils on our own, and thanked the Lord for the victory. The good that we then do has the Lord in it, because genuine good does not seek any reward or praise. We do it unselfconsciously, in charity. We are “perfect,” but only because we then lose the power of reflecting on the good that we do. The more regenerated a person