



Maxim in Haiku 100

*Pray that the virtues
found in the final maxim
will flourish in us.*

**Purity of heart
mortification in all
full yielding to grace**

**true simplicity
surrender to providence
total detachment**

**peace and gentleness
time for solitude and prayer
love of the neighbor**

***We open ourselves
to the call of the maxims.
We respond – Amen!***

The virtues which will help you acquire and maintain this union and which will be a summary of your Little Institute are: a great and, I dare say, boundless purity of heart and of intention; a very profound and genuine humility in all things and in every situation; a perfect mortification of self-love, of judgement, of will, and even (with discretion) of the senses, which should go as far as emptying self of the slightest traces of natural inclination; a very faithful obedience to all the movements of grace; a sincere simplicity, accompanied nevertheless by a great prudence; a contempt of and total detachment from all creatures and a complete stripping of self; the peace and gentleness that endures and acts without anxiety and without overeagerness; the total self-abandonment into the hands of Providence with a dependence that is absolute; the love of solitude and of prayer, apart from the time set for the works of zeal; the very perfect love of neighbor, which loves every kind of person purely, constantly, and equally in God and for God; finally, the pure love of God which leads souls to dwell in thought of God and makes it difficult for them to live remote from his presence. Maxim 100