

Excerpt from Christ Our Pascha

2. The Consequences of the Fall

As a consequence of sin, the human will to choose good was weakened and the inclination toward evil increased. Through sin, we found ourselves in a state of interior division, as the *law of sin* within us opposed the *law of God*. Then, as the holy apostle Paul teaches, we do not do the good that we love, but rather the evil that we hate (see *Rom* 7:19-21). "Instead of the visible Eve, I have the Eve of the mind: the passionate thought in my flesh, showing me what seems sweet; whenever I taste from it, I find bitter." (#150)