When I encountered Christ, I discovered my humanity.

Caius Marius Victorinus

A LIFE-GIVING ENCOUNTER. The “I” awakens from its imprisonment in its original womb; it awakens from its tomb, from its sepulchre, from its closed situation of origin and as it were ‘resurrects,’ becomes aware of itself precisely in an encounter.

The outcome of an encounter is the kindling of the sense of the person. It is as if the person were being born: he is not born in the encounter, but there he becomes aware of himself, so he is born as personality. The whole adventure begins here, but it doesn’t end here.

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