

Of Patience

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And this species of the divine patience indeed being, as it were, at a distance, may perhaps be esteemed as among things too high for us; but what is that which, in a certain way, has been grasped by hand among men openly on the Earth? God suffers himself to be conceived in a mother's womb, and awaits the time for birth; and, when born, bears the delay of growing up; and, when grown up, is not eager to be recognized, but is furthermore contumelious to himself, and is baptized by his own servant; and repels with words alone the assaults of the tempter; while from being lord he becomes master, teaching man to escape death, having been trained to the exercise of the absolute forbearance of offended patience.

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