Worcester F 80 Distinctiones

124 The good Master is Christ (*Magister bonus Christus*)

The good master is Christ, because he taught us the remedies of health as the good physician,

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Matt. 9[:11-13]: “Why does your master eat with publicans and sinners?” etc. up to “sinners,” etc. Isai. 22[:12]: “The Lord shall call to weeping and to mourning,” etc.

¶ Second, he taught us examples of holiness just as the painter portrays the image before his disciple, John 13[:14]: “If then I have washed your feet,” etc.

¶ Third, he taught the lessons of truth, Matt. 19[:16-17]: “Good master,” in truth you who said that “One is, God.” Again, [Mark] 13[:1]: “Master, behold what manner of stones,” etc. Therefore, he taught the truth concerning things belonging to God and to the world.

¶ Fourth, he taught the judgments of equity just as a prince teaches his son the laws and customs of the kingdom, Matt. 22[:16-17]: “Master, we know that you are true,” etc. up to “or not?”

¶ Fifth, he taught the counsels of perfection just as a good guide shows the secure path to the traveler, a healthy friend gives healthy counsel to his friend, Matt. 19[:16-21]: “Good master, what good shall I do that I may have life everlasting?” etc. up to “go sell what you have,” etc.

¶ Sixth, the works of piety, John 3[:2]: “We know that you are come a teacher from God.”

¶ Seventh, the rewards of dignity just as a teacher provides good discipline to the chair, Mark 4[:38]: “Master, does it not concern you that we perish.”