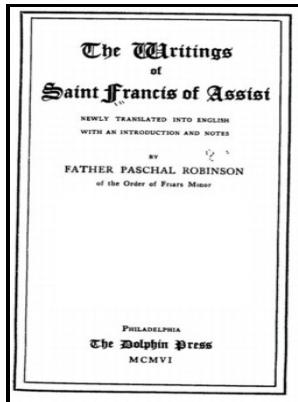


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## The Writings of St. Francis

Isidore's, Rome, and Ognissanti, Florence, have also been consulted, besides the editions of the Admonitions found in the Monumenta Ordinis Minorum Salamanca, 1511, tract. As he had at his other missions, Xavier adapted to local mores and arranged for the translation of religious texts. In the last few years of her life, Clare wrote the Rule for the Order of the Poor Sisters.

## Francis of Assisi Quotes (Author of The Little Flowers of St. Francis of Assisi)

All that can safely be asserted is that Francis and his companion left the Crusader camp for , from where they embarked for Italy in the latter half of 1220. Truly, said he, the theology of this holy Father is an eagle, which soars to a great height; it is raised up, as if with wings, by the purity of the heart, and by contemplation, while our knowledge is as that of animals which crawl on the ground.

## Saint Francis of Assisi

And let not the brothers say: This is another Rule; for this is a remembrance, a warning, and an exhortation and my Testament which I, little Brother Francis, make for you, my blessed brothers, in order that we may observe in a more Catholic way the Rule which we have promised to the Lord.

## Biography

For one eats of the tree of knowledge of good who appropriates to himself his own will and prides himself upon the goods which the Lord publishes and works in him and thus, through the suggestion of the devil and transgression of the commandment, he finds the apple of the knowledge of evil; wherefore, it behooves that he suffer punishment. I will speak thus: 'O Friar Francis, miserable sinner, think you that God will have mercy upon you, seeing that you have committed so many sins against the Father of Mercy? Therefore, I firmly advise you, my lords, to put aside all care and preoccupation and receive with joy the most holy Body and the most holy Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in holy remembrance of Him.'

## **Francisco Zurbaran: Spanish Religious Painter, Caravagist**

That evening he saw a marvelous palace with rooms full of weapons over which had been engraved the sign of the cross, and he seemed to have heard a voice that told him that those weapons belonged to him and his soldiers. Human prudence will not fail to say that he ought to have remained with his parents, to provide for their subsistence by his labor; but will it say that James and John, being called by Jesus Christ, ought not to have left Zebedee, their father, who was poor, and whom they maintained by their fishing? Francis tried to hide from the eyes of men the signs of the Passion of the Lord he had printed on his body.

### **Saint Francis & the Wolf**

And who can censure a man who is wholly religious, for expressing himself in a manner which is grounded on the first principles of religion? After, he moved to a small chapel named Porziuncula that belonged to the Benedictine Abbey of Mount Subasio. The sense of a lovelier and grander youth of the world seems simply lacking in the national temperament.

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