The God Seeker

(working title)

The Mystical Core and Origin of the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

Story Board

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Maureia 1522 - 2022

1. Der Augenblick ist herein

Bridge (Pont vell)
Bird's Eye View
Maureia 2022
River El Cardener
Camera moves down

Bridge - El Cardener
(Medium Shot)
camera pulls back

Wide Shot
Ignatius at the River

Ignatius
thoughtful sitting on a fallen tree
he is looking into the river

Shots 1-6 real action
Shot 7 - animation
OTIS
Ignatius looks into the river. His face is mirrored.

Cut back to close up real Ignatius.

Cut to mirrored face.

Dissolves into animation/cartoon style.

Camera pulls back: Manresa 1522. No streets or cars.
birds eye view
Mannesra 1522
El Cardener
Point Bell - bridge

St. Paul
Mannesra - much smaller
Ignatius
El Cardener

cut to
mirrored face
Ignatius, the ascetic:
shaggy hair, uncut
fingernails, unkempt beard
Camera pulls back
Ignatius looks run-down
he wears an old black cassock

Ignatius - the ascetic

... dissolves into
the Jesus - eikon (Vieuma)

Camera pulls back
eikon: Holy Trinity
Jesus = eikon Vieuma
... dissolves in a 5 year
old Jesus - face
dissolves into light

Same shape like the sun
match cut
Eikon trilogy → Sun
Camera moves around the Sun toward Earth

Earth: in the center middle east (Bethlehem)
Zoom in

Roman Empire
510 BC
Natural color: green/blue/yellow
Zoom in →
Roman Empire
320 BC
 chastise
 turning into
 red

270 BC
 more red

220 BC
 more red

BC
 more red
cut back to the eyes of Ignatius, the mirrored map of the Roman Empire in his eyes

the red fills both eyes, Ignatius blinks

flickering light like fire, some devil appears

dissolve to Hell
two devils at the entry, camera slowly dollies into Hell
Hell inside: a long endless hallway with the "seven deadly sins: Lust, Gluttony, Gluttony, devils with a sneering and glowing grin

sins: greed sloth

chains
Camera dollies slowly through hell...
33  
Wrath  Envy  

34  
Pride  

35  
The Rich  

36  
At the end: Lucifer the prince of darkness on its throne.
hell in wine (9) split screens

hell in 36 split screens

hell in 144 split screens

hell in 576 split screens
dissolves into
waves, still red

raindrops fall more
and more until
the color is water-
color / blue

the raindrops are the
tears of Ignatius

zoom in to
Ignatius face
dissolves into his
mirrored face
dissolves into the Jesus eikon → crying Jesus

Camera pulls back
Eikon: Holy Trinity
crying

close up
crying Jesus

morphs into
smiling Jesus
morph into Baby Jesus

Holy Family
Ignatius is in the frame (left)

Dissolve through blank:
Jesus baptism at the Jordan
(Ignatius is in the scene)

Dissolve through blank:
conci fixation
(Ignatius is in the scene)
dissolve through white: the empty tomb

Josef Maederer comments on the screen, he sits in front of the Jesus eikon
Mauresa 1522, SUNRISE
Ignatius still sits at the river El Cardener - he is asleep, birds fly in the sky.

The sunbeams wake him up, he opens his eyes, less shaggy hair than before, less unkempt beard, he is mirrored in the river, when Ignatius blinks with his eyes → cut to close up the sun hits his right side (Jerusalem) the shadow his left (Babylon) camera dollies in → eye-shot e.g. "Once Upon a time in the West" Sound: famous harmonica motif as a quote.
temple of Jerusalem
Sunny, light atmosphere
Banners yellow/white
of the Vatican (Jesus)
(moving in the wind)
The Tower of Babel (Pieter Bruegel the Elder)
Ishtar Gate
moonlight
dark, somber atmosphere
Banners dark blue/red
of Lucifer = the banners are sagging
palm trees

Coat of Arms of Pope Francis
Banners of Jesus
"Miserando atque eligendo"
of Mt 9:9-13 because he saw him through the eyes of mercy and chose him

Cow antlers
Banners of Lucifer

Palm Tree
Skull with a crown
Coat of arms of Lucifer
Jews with the 12 disciples and Maria Magdalena
12 disciples Jerusalem background temple
Lucifer with 12 demons (12)

Jews
12 disciples + Maria Magdalena
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Lucifer
12 demons
13 deadliest dictators throughout history
Hitler, Stalin, Mao Zedong...
Jesus
12 disciples + Mary Magdalene
14 Judas
16 men and women
background: temple, Jerusalem

 Lucifer

12 demons
13 deadliest dictators
15 more...

 Jesus
12 disciples + Maria Magdalene
14 Judas
16 men and women
18 more men and women

 Lucifer

12 demons

The deadliest dictators
13 15
and more
17 demons

some ordinary people
early afternoon; Ignatius sits in a shadow of a tree, Flanresa in the background
Cork oak
less shaggy hair than before in 37
less unkempt beard, he looks thoughtful
a hoopoe chirps in the tree - Ignatius looks up

hoopoe -> close up
Happy Iguanias he realizes the hoopoe has offerings

Iguanias looks at the blossom purple Roostefite

a caterpillar crawls up — late afternoon —
close up purple loosestrife

Ignatius smiles

a butterfly sits on the purple loosestrife

sun

sunset, wide shot

everything is mirrored in the river El Cardenal
The sun disappears in the river

It is getting dark

The starry sky is reflected in the river, one can easily recognize the zodiac sign Gemini.
Ignatius looks into the starry sky
the camera pulls back

the starry sky -
a shooting star falls

Ignatius prays

Narrator: Susana

Take, Lord, and receive all...

Ignatius as at the beginning, but now his appearance is normal and groomed

c.f. scene 6

the animation dissolves into

Mamatha today

Narration (Ignatius): He did not know how to explain these things, but he received a great clarity of mind, so that in the entire course of his life it seems to him beyond 62 years: If he were to count all the aids he had received from God...
Manresa Today

Ignatius is gone - camera moves up
- 'copter shot-
bird's eye view
2022

Ignatius later calls the month spent in Manresa
his early church.

In the young society of Jesus it is said that St. Ignatius had already lived through, and written down the core of his Spiritual Exercises in Manresa.
The Ignatian Spiritual Exercises are still today the spiritual foundation of all Jesuit worldwide and have shaped many people's lives.
Look-Table

Jesus’ Baptism & Resurrection

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Soccer Short Story: Pepe and Rolf

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