
THE TEMPLE OF GOD

“Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?” (First Cor 3/16); and “Ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said ‘I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people’ ” (Second Cor 6/16); and “What! know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?” (First Cor 6/19).

Study your Bible and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures regularly and constantly. They certify to your entrance into the Kingdom of God, for they are the guide books, compiled by those who have been there before you, and who have placed on record the things of the Kingdom of God as they have observed them and experienced them. Then when you, travelling the road which they have already traversed, are aware of the fact that they have seen and experienced the very things which you are now beholding and experiencing, it will be evident to you that you too have attained the Kingdom of God, for you are actually seeing and experiencing the things which serve to identify the Kingdom of God.

Continue to praise and glorify God, and to cultivate the giving of thanks to the Father at all times, until it becomes a habit, and thus you will find that your body is the temple of the living God, and He will speak in you, walk in you, and act in you, and “the Spirit of God dwell in you.”

Your body is the temple of the English language, and of the principle of mathematics, consequently you are a linguist and a mathematician. When the writer was a young man he was known to his friends as “the personification of ‘hope springs eternal in the human breast.’ ” Why? Because he expressed hope, lived hope, talked hope, was ever hopeful—he embodied hope, or his body was the temple of hope. Likewise do you embody or personify mathematics and language. You may not be an Einstein nor a Shake-

speare, but you are nevertheless a linguist and a mathematician; and so is anyone who has grasped the fundamentals of language and mathematics. This however does not prohibit others from being the same, nor limit the unlimited mathematics or language, neither does it put the unlimited into the limited. Not at all. Anyone may be a temple of mathematics or of language, and have as much of each as he will, while there remains abundance for others.

You are the temple of the living God. You embody God. You personify God. Everyone and everything does so in some measure. Jesus embodied God without measure. You may not be Jesus, but because Jesus did so and without measure, it is evident that it is possible for anyone to do so, and so he said.

How is this accomplished?

How did you become a linguist or a mathematician? How did you embody or personify those things? How did your body become the temple of language or mathematics? By constantly turning to them, by living them, working in them, playing in them, by constant iteration and reiteration and re-reiteration of them. Then after a while you knew the fundamentals "by heart" as we say, a something deeper and more lasting than mere memory. You knew them unthoughtfully, without taking thought. Jesus said "Take no thought . . . for your body."

If you are a good linguist or a good mathematician the words and figures and combinations of words and figures flow easily and unthinkingly, automatically fitting themselves or being fitted into the frame-work of the subject matter whatever it may be, or into the problem of mathematics whatever it is. You have become the temple of mathematics or of language; you are personifying them, embodying them, they have actually become a part of your being, and are as readily available to you as other parts of your body, your fingers and toes, your legs and arms, and other members and organs. You do not think consciously about how to use your legs and arms when you walk or run; and if one does so, one soon finds that he loses the perfect synchronization which he ought to have. It is the same with other organs of the body, they act unthinkingly and normally, and if one thinks about them, they act abnormally, and trouble ensues. All the members and organs of the body per-

form their different functions unthoughtfully and in perfect co-ordination, and do whatever they have to do in order to carry out the purpose to which end they were set in motion.

This being so, become the temple of the living God similarly. Turn constantly to God, thank Him, love Him, glorify Him, obey Him, talk Him, eat Him, drink Him, etc., etc. Said the Christ "He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him." (John 6/56). "Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel . . . 'Obey My voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be My people; and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.'" (Jeremiah 7) and in Deuteronomy 6 Moses decreed "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might, and these words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart (know them by heart) and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up, and thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes, and thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates," and then even as your body has become the temple of mathematics and of the English language, or as you have personified those things, so shall your body become the temple of the Holy Ghost, the temple of the living God, and you will personify those just as did Jesus, the Great Master, and God will walk in you, talk in you, and "The Spirit of God dwell in you."