THE AMBASSADOR

Paul says "We are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." (Second Corinthians 5/20).

The king acts and speaks for the Empire. The ambassador speaks and acts for the king. He represents the king personally. As does the king act for the Empire, so does the ambassador; as though he were the very person of the king; in fact the ambassador is the king—by proxy. The Empire cannot speak or act for itself. It must have a body, a voice, a proxy, through which the "I" may speak or act. When the king speaks, the Empire has spoken. The ambassador likewise. When he speaks it is the Empire speaking. He does not speak for himself, nor does the king. It is the spirit of the Empire speaking through the king or ambassador, or proxy. When the king says "My people" it is manifestly absurd in this day and age of freedom and liberty, to even think that the people belong to the king personally. He speaks for the Empire, and "My people" are the people of the Empire.

The writer is an ambassador of the Kingdom of God. So are you. So is everybody. He speaks for the Kingdom of God. If he speaks for himself, it is only the human mind speaking and at best uttering but platitudes, and so largely worthless; but if it be the Spirit speaking, then it is priceless. Jesus said "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing; it is my Father that glorifieth me; of whom ye say, that He is your God". The Kingdom of God cannot speak for itself, any more than could the earthly kingdom or Empire speak for itself. It too must have a proxy, a body, and a voice to express itself. He who is ambassador or king of the Kingdom of God expresses God's kingdom, or lets the Spirit speak through him. It is the voice of the Kingdom of God and not the voice of a person. Self must be out of the way. "The Principle of man, and not a person, produces all good" says Mrs. Eddy the revelator of the Kingdom of God to this age, in her earliest edition, the original revelation. One must

cease to express what he himself thinks, or get rid of personal sense, for this is always the human mind, and instead he must let the Spirit speak through him. "The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord", and "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." and yet again, "As for Me, this is My covenant with them, saith the Lord, 'My Spirit that is upon thee, and My words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and for ever more'." Always does the Spirit, this "I" or Ego, which is God or the Kingdom of God, speak through its proxy, its body, manifestation, king or ambassador. This Spirit of God's kingdom rests upon you, or the Christ arises in you, just to the exact degree that you drop self and act as ambassador or king, or let the "I" speak through you.

An ambassador has been known to imbibe too freely of "the cup that cheers", and so become intoxicated. Then "when the wine is in the wit is out" and he may forget his ambassadorial responsibilities and speak from the standpoint of self, uttering his own opinions, rather than the word of the country from which he is accredited, and when he does so he is liable to lose his office. Indeed the very moment he does this, he ceases to be ambassador. He must always be ambassador, and no longer his personal self. He forsakes self when he accepts the ambassadorship.

It is the same with the writer or whoever accepts the ambassadorship or kingship of the Kingdom of God. We are all made "kings and priests unto God" (Rev 1/6). It means the utter denial of self, and letting the Spirit speak or be expressed. Personal sense must be wholly denied, wholly repudiated, and only the viewpoint of the Kingdom of God be manifested. If the writer becomes intoxicated by imbibing the human mind by his own thinking, and so lets self come in, expressing his own opinions, rather than the Word of God, he too loses his office as ambassador or king, and thus auto-

matically dethrones himself. Isaiah says "They are drunken but not with wine, they stagger but not with strong drink.", so we become drunken with the human mind by thinking, just as another gets drunk with liquor by drinking, and then self or personal sense wrecks our career, even as the bestiality of him drunken with liquor wrecks his career.

Technically the ambassador is never out of his own kingdom or Empire which he represents, even if he be travelling. Himself, his family, his guests, his staff, and his property are all under the laws and protection of the Empire which he represents. He is not under the laws of the country to which he is accredited, and either he or those in or of his legation may break any or all the laws of the country in which he is stationed, and moreover may break them with utter impunity.

We too are never outside the Kingdom of God. This fact was revealed to Moses centuries ago when the Spirit of the Kingdom of God uttered itself in his consciousness and said "The place whereon thou standest is Holy Ground". Wherever he might be, he was in the Kingdom of God. We who are ambassadors or kings of the Kingdom of God, are never out of that Kingdom, for the place whereon we too stand is Holy Ground. With impunity we may break any or all of the laws of the mundane sphere or kingdom in which we appear to be now, even as the ambassador may break the laws of the country to which he is accredited, for we are not under the laws of matter, but in our own kingdom, the Kingdom of God, and subject only to the laws of the Kingdom of God.

Whoever may come into your consciousness, or into the Kingdom of God, for "the Kingdom of God is within you," is under the laws of the Kingdom of God, and is immune from any or all the laws of the material kingdom. This is "treatment", and the "treatment" is really set up by him who enters. No one bearing arms or carrying anything to be used against the Empire may enter therein until he be stripped of those evils, and similarly no evils may enter into the Kingdom of God, and whosoever enters therein is instantly under the protection of the Kingdom of God and free; but he must leave his diseases and other evils without, and so will find himself healthy, happy, and well. This is the healing.

Another fact is this. The ambassador or king is supplied with everything necessary to the fulfilling of the official position which he holds. He does not have to worry or take thought for, or pray about means to carry on. That is not his affair at all. It is the business of the Empire to furnish him liberally with funds and whatever else is necessary for him to function properly. He does not have to pray for supply, ask for it, or importune his country, or John Bull or Uncle Sam, for it, because he is liberally supplied by the Empire or country which he represents.

So in the Kingdom of God. Its ambassador or king is liberally supplied with whatever he may require to function properly. He does not have to pray for supply, ask for it, or importune the Kingdom of God for such. The Kingdom of God furnishes it all and abundantly. This is the business of the Kingdom of God, and not at all that of the ambassador or king. The ambassador or king goes about his business whatever it may be, and the Kingdom of God sees to it that everything necessary is bountifully supplied. He does his work, and if anything appears to him to go wrong, he simply claims his rights and presses his claim.

Be then an ambassador for Christ, and let nought but God or the Spirit speak through you, and so "be ye reconciled to God", or let the "I" go unto the Father. Be king in the Kingdom of God—represent, speak for, act for, be proxy for, the Kingdom of God.

You will then find out what was meant when the seventh seal of error was opened, and "there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour" (Rev 8/1), and why Jesus king of the Kingdom of God, said, "Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world (the human mind, the only devil there is or ever will be) cometh, and hath nothing in me." You will find that you too will not have much to say, for God Himself will speak through you, "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. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing'".

Try being an ambassador of the Kingdom of God. It is not so difficult, but it means a complete denial of self. And the reward is wonderful. It is eternal life and happiness, and you become im-

mune from all the laws of the mundane kingdom to which you are at present accredited, laws of diet, laws of limitation, laws of materia medica, laws of space and time, laws of heredity, laws of contagion—from all material laws of every sort or kind, and are governed by and only by the laws of Spirit, the laws of the Kingdom of God.