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FATAL AMBITION, NOBLE AMBITION

Ambition a Prime Necessity to a Successful Life.

Two Notable Examples in the Bible, of Right and Wrong Ambitions—A Mis-translated Text—Its True Import—A Glorious Life and Prospect Ruined by Wrong Ambitions—In Contrast, Another Glorious Life Enhanced in Eternal Glory by Following Right Ambitions—The Lesson to the Church of Christ—Incidental Lessons to All and to Angels.



Washington, D. C., November 2.—Of Pastor Russell's two discourses here to-day, we report one. He took for his text Philippians 2:6, 7, but corrected the translation, declaring that he had the support of scholarship in rendering it thus:

"Who, being in the form of God, did not meditate a usurpation to be on an equality with God, but [contrariwise] made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant."

The Pastor declared that whoever has no ambition has not properly begun to live. Ambition implies appreciation of life's value—a fixed determination to reach the goal decided upon. He urged parents and teachers to assist young people in forming noble ideals and in determining which goal they will bend life's energies to reach. He also reminded them that many of those successful in life often declare how much they owe to noble instructors.

Many Woe-Begone Faces.

Then the Pastor commented on the fact that in a crowd of a thousand people less than a hundred show by their faces and energy that they are pursuing an ideal, an ambition. In other words, nine-tenths of poor, fallen humanity lack the very mainspring of life.

This lack of proper ambition, said he, makes life a drudgery and also is a menace to our social fabric. According to the Bible, it is this nine-tenths of humanity that will pull down our civilization in a kind of blind fury—the awakening of an ambition which, not knowing how to exercise itself, will bring trouble upon all.

The Pastor then showed that the ambitions tenth of humanity turn the wheels of progress by not only keeping their own minds occupied, but by giving employment to others. Men of ambition leading on to genius have helped mankind to larger conceptions of life and wider possibilities. Granting the necessity for legislation in restraining combinations of brains and money, let us never forget how much we owe to the ambitious men whom we seek to restrain from crushing those of less ambition and capacity.

The Lesson of the Text.

The Pastor said that while the Apostle does not specify Satan in contrast with Jesus, yet between the lines of our text we may read that he had this thought in mind. Then the speaker traced Satan's career as set forth in the Scriptures. Lucifer, one of the most glorious spirit beings, became possessed of a sinful ambition. Instead of the righteous ambition to serve and honor his Creator, he thought to have an empire of his own and improve upon the Divine order of things.

Lucifer's ambition led him to attempt to carry out his program in connection with mankind. Henceforth he was known as Satan, God's adversary. He has been permitted to show the evil results of his chosen course. But soon he is to be restrained a thousand years, while Messiah's Kingdom gives all an opportunity to return to harmony with God and to attain everlasting life. Ultimately Satan will be destroyed, together with all having his spirit.

The Logos Humbled Himself.

Then the Pastor contrasted the course of the Logos, the Only Begotten Son of God. He was the very personification of obedience and self-abnegation. Instead of meditating a usurpation of Divine authority, He declared, "My Father is greater than I."

Man's fall brought opportunity to manifest loving obedience. As a perfect man was condemned to death, so man's redemption must be accomplished by the death of a perfect man. Hence the Divine proposal that the Logos become a man, taking the sinner's nature, but not the sinner's weaknesses and sin, that He might become the Redeemer.

Attached to this proposal was the promise of a great reward—exaltation to the Divine nature, glory, honor and immortality. Jesus declared that by His faithfulness He had been rewarded with a place in the Father's Throne.

The Lesson of Humility.

Pastor Russell showed that the Apostle was seeking to impress the lesson of humility. Our Lord Jesus exemplified this in His course, not meditating for an instant to grasp Divine honor and association in His Father's Throne. And behold God's wonderful grace in exalting Him to His own right hand.

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