

tion, upon which there is no room to enter. It was he who cheered on the desert pilgrims when they fainted, reproved them when they murmured, and interceded for them when they sinned. Moses it was who gave them laws and appointed them institutions ; and though he crossed not with them into Canaan, he lent them the inspiration of his mighty name, which became to them a tower of strength for conquering the land ; yea, and all through their history as a people there arose not a prophet like unto Moses, who talked with the Almighty face to face, as a man talketh with his friend. His was the name of most potent influence in Israel, until the Prophet like unto him, but greater than he, arose—the Messiah of Israel and Saviour of the world, of whom he was but a dim earthly shadow. Nor though Christ has come has the lustre of Moses' name declined. Rather, because Christ came to be, and to illustrate all that Moses taught, that lustre increased, and will keep on increasing, being now so inseparably bound up with that of Christ that it may almost be said of him as it is of Christ, "His name shall endure for ever : his name shall be continued as long as the sun ;" yea, when the sun itself shall have grown old and feeble, and shall have disappeared for ever from the firmament of heaven, the name of Moses will be discerned, shining with a brilliance which eternity will not dim ; for it is written, that when the blood-washed host shall have crossed the narrow Jordan of death, and been gathered into their rest and inheritance upon the other side in the heavenly Canaan, they shall sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb.

The lesson of the whole may be stated in the counsel given by Jeremiah to his amanuensis Baruch, "Seeketh thou great things for thyself? Seek them not ;" or in the words of our Lord to His disciples, "Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister ; and whosoever will be chief, let him be servant of all." The road to fame and influence among men lies not along the path of ambition, but along that of self-sacrifice and devotion to the good of others. "Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased ; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

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