

CHAPTER XI : THE STORY OF JOB

The reason for referring to the two stories in the title of the previous chapter was to point out the similarity in character of both righteous men, but mainly because of the symbolism of the beasts mentioned therein. The beasts represent the energies in the **psychic** prana, cosmically, and in the individual whirl and flow of prana as chakras in the composite human makeup. The whale which swallowed up Jonah compares with the *Dragons of the Threshold* or *Makra* the great fish, in other Sacred Writings.

Chapter 41 in the book of Job gives a description of the Leviathan, a similar principle as the Whale in the story of Jonah. It symbolizes the psychic prana, or sex energy of the Brahma Chakra, in the Apan Tattwa of Water as its field of action. Jonah's Whale is a mild description when compared to this tremendous force, as the Dweller at the Threshold of Life, who guards the Tree of Life; the same as the Cherubim guard the gates of Paradise against all who would enter. In the book of Job, Jehovah Himself gives a good description of this energy, as a beast called the Leviathan (Job 41).

The interpreters make a plain crocodile out of Job's Leviathan, and hope to draw it out with a fish hook or pierce through the jaws in external prowess, as a physical feat. Eternal values lie within us; so also

the real dramas of life take place within. Externally, they are but passing incidents of accomplishment.

In this account of the story of Job we began with the end in order to clarify the mystery of the beasts. The first chapter in the book of Job indicates that he also was an upright man, feared God and could converse with Jehovah. He was very rich in the possession of animals and other material wealth. His spiritual stature of advancement was seven sons and three daughters-meaning seven positive gains in consciousness through inner meditation, minus three negative ones, as unconquered chakras. That brought Job up to the heart chakra, through his great devotion. But the Manipura Chakra was not entirely conquered, as is inferred by the many feasts his sons and daughters gave, which worried Job. (Job 1: 4-5).

The subsequent tests he went through confirmed his faith and gave him back his seven sons and three daughters, on a higher octave, as the fairest in the land. Then all the efforts in his concentration were more spiritually inclined than before, because of his experience in patience and humility. His steadfast faith, devotion and humility carried him through all of it. He then became twice as strong in the lower chakras; symbolized by the number of oxen, camels, sheep and she asses he was given. It is all symbolism, which endures longer than the accounts of any physical happening, because it is beyond the physical realm and symbolizes the conquest of the soul in a greater field of consciousness.

"As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous, therefore, and repent."

(Rev. 3:19)

A curious statement is made in chapter 1:6 to 13, which has puzzled many a firm believer and made him wonder; namely, that Satan presents himself among the sons of God, to Jehovah, and Jehovah talks to him and allows him to test and plague Job, His righteous devotee. Nothing is written in the entire Bible which could explain or clarify this action of Jehovah God. Only the teachings of the True Saints can throw light of this veiled mystery, to enrich the understanding of the Bible as a Mystic Text. This will be taken up in the next chapter, but it might be well to mention here that Satan doesn't have to pay much attention to the masses in order to keep them within his prison, because they do such a good job of it themselves by allowing the mind and senses to keep them enslaved and imprisoned; however, once the soul has cried out unto God and made the effort to literally work its way out, and has reached the threshold from where it may consciously tread the Path to Liberation, then Satan really gets to work, and only those who pass this test are actually ready to go up to the next step.

"Then entered Satan into Judas." (Luke 22: 3)

"Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not." (Luke 22: 31-32)

"Take ye heed, watch and pray : for ye know not when the time is." (Mark 13: 33)

Similar admonitions are given in (I. Thes. 5: 6-10), as well as in Job 29:23, etc. The struggle of the soul goes on.

To sum up the story of Job, let us state that he was a mystic who was devoted to God. He had done very well in all his progress of raising his consciousness upward on the Tree of Life within himself, and remained humble. But Satan, the mind principle, the tempter, assails all initiates, even as Jesus was tempted in the wilderness. That is when the real weakness shows up, if there is any left at all, whether it is to rule or to enjoy the possessions, or even to glory in good deeds, virtues or ascetic accomplishments. Temptation itself, is not a sin, but when we so much as **entertain** the thought, or succumb to it, that is the sin or weak spot which needs to be overcome by sublimation and central attention to Reality, through greater devotion to the Lord, the Savior or the Master in human form.

In the case of Jesus, the temptation proved His greatness, but in the case of Job, there were some old karmic debts to be paid and as a result, he suffered much in his renunciation and preparation for onward progress. His own mind fought him, as is illustrated by his friends who acted as his advisers. Three faculties of his own mind were against him; namely, his *manas* (the thinker or faculty of thinking; his *chit* (mind substance of memory); and his *ahankara* (the ego or "I" faculty were not yet conquered. Only his *buddhi* remained steadfast in reason and discrimination and lighted his way to the soul energies of humility, devotion, faith and complete surrender of the self. Because of this, he succeeded in his initiation and was rewarded and praised by Jehovah.

This is the true symbolism of a Mystic Initiation. It would fill all the requirements of an ideal devotee of any religion or creed. Of such a universal quality is the Truth of Mysticism. Faith, devotion, humility self-surrender and love make up the keynote. All

these qualities are in every person, if he but chooses to use them and work in the Father's Vineyard instead of that of his own ego.

Jesus said:

"For strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life and few there be that find it." (Mat. 7: 14)

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." (Mat. 7:21)

"For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Romans 8:13-14)

The Way of Life or the Path of Initiation is similar in principle in most religions and Sacred Texts. The factors which need uplifting or raising up in man are the same all over. The gates which must be lifted up are the doors of the chakras and the mind. The Saints refer to them as cups placed upside down, and which must be placed right side up before they can be filled with the Nectar of Nam and Shabd, the Holy Sound Current from above.

The everlasting doors are the soul energies. When raised up and joined to the Sound Current, the King of Glory enters into the consciousness of that devotee. The Holy Spirit is indeed the Lord of Hosts. (Psalms 24: 7 to end of chapter)

"For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: And though after my skin worms destroy this

body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me."

(Job 19:25, 26,27)

"I know that my redeemer liveth" said Job with a firm conviction, in all his trials. This was long before the Christian era. This is the knowledge of the Logos or the Holy Word which is the One Living Energy Current by which all things were created and involuted. It is also the One Current and River which flows out of the Throne of God and back to God:

"And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb." (Rev. 22: 1)

"So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off." (Isaiah 55: 11,12,13)

This mystery was known to devotees of the Lord in many lands throughout the ages. Jehovah himself talked to these devout souls, as stated in many places in the Scriptures, such as Ex. 33: 9; Deut. 5: 24; Ezekiel 3:22-25, etc

"Then the Lord answered Job out of the Whirlwind, and said," (Job, 38: 1)

The Spirit of Jehovah is this Holy Shabd Current, the Voice of God or the Word. It is the Eternal, Unfathomable Treasure. It is God's Decree and purpose of creation that It should be embodied by many souls as living temples and saints of the Lord. The soul longs for this Living Water and Nectar of God. The Saviors, Redeemers, Prophets and Messengers which the Lord sent into the world from time immemorial, were all embodiments of the Word or Logos, the Sound Current in various degrees of perfection, in different ages.

To limit God's creative energy current to one person only, is a mere mortal concept. Even Jesus said that he would send the Holy Ghost or Comforter which would teach the disciples all things.

"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever." (John 14:16)

"But the Comforter which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said unto you." (John 14:26) similarly, John 15:26

"He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." (John 14:12)

The gospel also teaches that we shall be like him when we see Him as He is:

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." (I. John. 3: 2)

"And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.' (Rev. 22:4)

So it is very evident that this Redeemer Energy Current is greater than any one person who embodies it. By it only can perfection be reached and salvation attained. Jesus said:

"Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."(Mat. 5: 45)

How else could this come about but by the Lord's own Essence?

Man can come to God through only this One Son, the Logos, the Word which is the Holy Shabd, the Holy Spirit, the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, the Gift of the Lord to creation. This is the greatest Treasure.

This Divine Energy Current of the Holy Word, the Holy Logos, is the Lamb of God slain from the very foundation of the world.

"All things (and worlds) were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men." (St. John 1:3, 4)

"This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other Name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4: 11, 12)

There are so many references to this Holy Spirit of God as the Name, the Word, the Holy Ghost, etc. that is surely must have been a Reality to the inspired writers of the Holy Scriptures. (See also *Psalms* 20: 1 & 5; 22:22; 72 : 17; 111: 9; 138 : 2; *Isaiah* 63: 12; *Zechariah* 14:9; *Micah* 4:5; *Hebrews* 2:12; etc., etc.)

The prophets in the Old Testament surely knew of this Well of Living Waters of their father, Abraham. It was also known in other lands and in other ages. Students of the Mysteries knew it as THE LOST WORD or THE LOST CHORD and symphony of life. Saints have always taught this Great Truth which was not limited to any one embodiment of this Holy Word or Shabd, the Eternal Sound Current also called the Logos.

He is the One in all.

What we are trying to attain by striving to build temples, pyramids, churches, mosques, etc., as dwelling places for God, has already been fulfilled by embodying His living Word Current as the One Redeemer Energy in each human form or body. This is the real Temple of God designed by Him for that one purpose only.

"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?" (I. Cor, 6: 19)

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" (I. Cor. 3 : 16)

"And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for 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." (II. Cor. 6: 16)

"Wherefore come out from among them, be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And will be a father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." (II. Cor. 6: 17, 18)

While the above quotations are from St. Paul in the New Testament, this deep mystic understanding was known to Job and other patriarchs in times of old. Truth is in the heart of things and beings. Pure like a mountain stream in the heights of devotion and Love, it loses that luster in the valley of the mind and sense consciousness. The mind's effort to purify itself and keep itself pure is a limitation to one person only, and even when achieved, the results cannot be lasting. But God's Love, Truth and all eternal verities cannot be limited by only one and, when realized, are everlasting. All God's children are in need of this Realization. It must be lived to be embodied and known consciously; even as a simple plant embodies the energy of the earth, the water, the air and the sunshine to grow to maturity and bring forth fruit, so do souls embody this Eternal Essence which is God's and is God, and thus only can they become perfect as He is

