THE GRACE OF LOGOS

f any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. -St. James 1:26

It is excellent to be in proximity to grace. Having the tongue of grace is to be immortalized in the Archives of Holy Writ. The tongue of grace has come from mastery of the split tongue of criticizing and judgment.

To be harmless within the harmonics of the Coinciding, one must master the divided tongue, and move beyond harsh hardship-law judgments. Judgment is electrical. As sharp arrows electrified with non-mercy, those who judge become assailants of the grace.

There can be no virtue without charity in speech. This is the crowning virtue of self-expression. He who would be self-cultivated and self-enlightened must in all things speak with charity and with love.

That which was Truth in Jesus' speaking of the Maya realities of sin was a love-vajra for the world. A Truth-tongue absent from accusation is a knowing tongue which exorcises untruth for the sake of Truth.

Jesus, in seeing the evils in the temple, in the hypocrisies, in the cheating, in the evasions and twisting of the Law, spoke plainly against them. He spoke not as self-judging, saying, "Judge not, that ye be not judged" (St. Matthew 7:1). Jesus knew the true judgment was with God, yet He discerned darkness. He discerned it as evil standing against the Light, and therefore the cause of suffering. He forgave the sins of those who sought forgiveness. He forgave the sins of the world during His Passion.

Hypocrisy is created from the wolf-pack nature of man. Desiring to appear as a sheep rather than a wolf, one is hypocritical. Man supports his hypocrisy with the help of the wolf-pack instinct in his nature; he uses principle to display what he is not and uses ethic to exploit what he wills by his own willing. Each one on the Path of Initiation must learn the difference between principle offended and ethic exploited.

There is an evil silence, a separative silence between men of hypocritical instincts, saving their words or conversation for times or opportunities to communicate their self-seeingin-part natures. To explore Truth, one must come face to face with speech as right healing, right logos, right recognition.

Jesus warned all who would walk the Path to be sincere. Sincerity is the testing tool against the evils of the divided tongue. "God is not mocked" (Galatians 6:7). Neither can His Word be twisted.



The value of Truth-speaking is a logos-grace. It is a sacred jewel ever to be shining, ever to be polished, ever to be framed or centered in the spirit of love.

The preacher must propound the truth with unshrinking mind. He must have the power of persuasion rooted in virtue and in strict fidelity to his vows.

The preacher must not be prone to carp at others, or to blame other preachers, nor speak scandal, nor propagate bitter words. He must not mention by name other disciples to vituperate them and reproach their demeanor.

A preacher must be full of energy and cheerful hope, never tiring and never despairing of final success.

He must not take delight in quarrelsome disputations or engage in controversies so as to show the superiority of his talents, but be calm and composed.

No hostile feelings shall reside in his heart and he must never abandon the disposition of charity toward all beings.

So long as the people do not listen to the words of truth, the preacher knows that he has to dig deeper into their hearts, but when they begin to heed his words he apprehends that they will soon attain enlightenment.

-Buddha

