

All that we
love deeply
becomes
a part
of us.

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Some day, after we have mastered the winds, the tides, and gravity, we will harness for God the energies of love; and then for the second time in the history of the world man will have discovered fire!

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SOCIAL INQUIRY

Lord, why did you tell me to love all men, my brothers?
I have tried, but I come back to you, frightened. . . .

You have forced me to open my door.
Like a squall of rain in the face, the cry of men has awakened me.
Outside, men were lying in wait for me.
I did not know they were so near; in this house, in this street, in this office;
my neighbor, my colleague, my friend.
As soon as I started to open the door I saw them, with outstretched hands, anxious eyes, longing hearts, like beggars on Church steps. . . .

Don't worry, God says, you have gained all.
While men came in to you,
I, your father,
I, your God,
Slipped in among them.

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THE
KINGDOM
OF
GOD
BELONGS
TO THOSE
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SURRENDER
THEM-
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TO
LOVE.

ENOUGH LOVE

There is no difficulty that enough love will not conquer.

No disease that enough love will not heal;

No door that enough love will not open;

No gulf that enough love will not bridge;

No wall that enough love will not throw down;

No sin that enough love will not redeem;

It makes no difference how deeply seated may be the trouble,

How hopeless the outlook,

How muddled the tangle,

How great the mistake; a sufficient realization of love will dissolve it all . . . if only you could love enough you would be the happiest and most powerful being in the world.