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# THE CONCURRENCE

## This Week's Consideration of a Famous Opinion



¶ We have been told to consider seriously the responsibility, the power, and the opportunities to be given us as members of the double hierarchy of the Order and of the world. Also, we have been asked to give thought to our worthiness and readiness to assist in the elevation of mankind. Participation in the silent activities of the invisible empire is, indeed, a privilege, a great responsibility, and an obligation. The following lines may assist us in our consideration of this matter.



*Real knowledge of the nature and destiny of man, has first to be discovered, then recovered, and possessed. To become available, it must be simplified, formulated, and finally promulgated in some form, so as to reach those ready and capable of receiving it.*

*It must be sought earnestly and deservedly. The candidate must demonstrate that he is duly and truly prepared, worthy, and well qualified. Every step in advance is determined by his understanding and use of what he has hitherto received.*

*The real possession of this sublime wisdom is an evolution from within and not something communicated from without. . . .*

*To discover, possess, exemplify, and promulgate this knowledge, this higher evolution of the Individual Intelligence, in the face of all obstacles and difficulties, has been known and designated for ages as the Magnum Opus, the "Great Work." It is, indeed, the greatest work either known, permitted or possible to man. . . .*

—J. D. BUCK, M. D., 1838-1916

To the Members of the Esoteric Hierarchy, Greetings!

If you have thought seriously during the past week of the responsibility that will be placed upon you, the power that will be placed in your hands, and the opportunities that will be afforded you in days to come to assist in the elevation of humanity as a whole, you have begun as well to examine into your own worthiness and readiness as members of this double hierarchy of the Order and of the world.

Doubtless, if each of you could have your way as the real empire builders of the future, and could assemble at one great convention to express your opinions and lay down the laws that are in your hearts and minds, you would do away with wars, strife and contest. You would do away with the differences in religion, in class, and in political terms and limitations. You would unite all human beings in the brotherhood of man, under the fatherhood of God. You would bring peace and harmony into the world, and all forms of destruction, dissension and contention would be ended.

Your work nevertheless is being done in perhaps a more potent and subtle manner through silent activities. The mass of human beings who think that they should control themselves, and regulate others at the same time, would establish false principles and ideals based upon the changing and vacillating emotions of their primitive natures. They would object to any convention for the purpose of laying down laws and limitations for the mass of mankind. Therefore, it is better that the real empire builders remain unknown to the mass of mankind. They should meet secretly, sending out constructive thoughts in reference to education and whatever else is needed throughout the world without identifying themselves, or coming together in a convention or congress and labeling their great work.

These mystic empire builders with creative power and the knowledge of how to use it, have existed in all past ages. They have always enabled civilization to advance, and have led the way as pioneers toward improved conditions. They were able to dream of the things that should be and through visualization turn their visions into realities. They created mentally and psychically before they created physically and materially. They had various methods and processes of their own which they kept secret from the mass of mankind. They constituted the mysterious power in every country and nation, and in every cycle of time.

The knowledge which they possessed came to them through Cosmic revelation, through carefully guided instruction, and through practice and sincere application. What they learned and knew as secret laws were preserved, and are still available to those worthy to be leaders and workers today. It is through these secret esoteric practices that you will accomplish great things not



only for yourself, but also for the building of a better country, a better nation, and for directing the future destiny of the present-day civilization.

Beginning with the first of these new esoteric principles that are very old and very sacred to the Rosicrucians, I want to call your attention to the fact that many of these principles have already been touched on in a vague and elementary way in the earlier Degrees in certain practices and exercises to enable members gradually to awaken certain psychic centers and make themselves ready for Cosmic work.

One of those exercises or processes, dealt with what is called the Principle of Assumption. Some exercises were given to you that you might test the fundamental law back of this great esoteric principle. The member who read between the lines and deliberately practiced the exercises discovered many interesting things about it. Some of our members seemed to feel that the Principle of Assumption was perfectly understandable; in fact, something they had sometimes practiced in past years in a more or less unconscious manner without being aware that it was a mystical principle. These members took it for granted that the law would work, and that it was something to be used perhaps when found necessary. You may have been one of those who gave little attention to the Principle at the time it was included in the lessons, or tried it only in a casual way, feeling that it was something to serve only a special purpose sometime in the future.

I wish each of you could see the letters from those who found the application of the principle of practical value. Sometimes during a serious accident or illness, a member suddenly realized that through the Law of Assumption he could accomplish quick and definite results. In cases where persons were wrongly brought into legal entanglements, and needed to defend themselves, they found that they could cause the attorney to sense the justice and truth of their claims and discontinue his action. In other cases, the law was used to assist employers or men in important positions to get the right viewpoint and to understand the real motives in a person's mind in appealing for help, employment, or an improvement in position. It is very evident from the letters we have received that this Law of Assumption has been used by hundreds of our members in important and critical situations with excellent results.

In regard to the ethics of using the Law of Assumption, some may argue that it is improper for a person to attempt to move the mind of another, probably against his will. The Law of Assumption, however, cannot be used to influence a person AGAINST HIS WILL. When a person's mind is willfully made up, or he has reached a decision, or is using his will power to insist upon his viewpoint, there is little likelihood of any mental influence changing his mind or will.



The Law of Assumption works most perfectly and efficiently in cases where persons are in doubt, are hesitating over a decision, or have merely a temporary belief based upon something they have heard or misunderstood. In such a case, the Law of Assumption enables an individual to transmit to the doubtful, or hesitant mind, a picture or an idea that gives it a different viewpoint. In other words, it is a method whereby the TRUTH can be transmitted to the mind of another so as to cause him to see and understand, and therefore act accordingly. If such a person is malicious and willfully intending to ignore the truth and support falsehood, the Law of Assumption will do little good. Such a person will refuse to act in accordance with the truth even when it is presented to him. Therefore, it cannot be claimed that any improper influence is being used on such persons. If such a person, however, supporting falsehood or untruth, is induced in some mental or psychic way to follow the truth instead of falsehood, certainly this method of aiding a proper decision cannot be said to be improper.

Psychic law will not permit an individual to transmit an untruth, a falsehood, a deception, a deceit, an ulterior motive or unfair attitude to another. It will simply carry to the other person a sensation that something is amiss, and that the facts are deceptive. You should keep in mind that in the Law of Assumption it is your true attitude, your true knowledge that is being transmitted. If you have in mind certain facts that you know are true, and certain others that you know are false, and you separate them and try to send the false ideas or false facts to another, you will find that all the while your own mind is saying, "This is true and this is untrue; this is correct and this is incorrect." In such a case your true mental attitude as well as the facts both true and false reach the other person. He is plainly impressed with the idea that truth and falsehood are reviewing themselves in his consciousness, and he has the right and the privilege of selecting one or the other, and acting accordingly.

You must remember that you cannot deceive yourself in such a situation. You cannot build up a false claim or a false statement in your mind, or invent untruths without your own realization of the fact that they are false, and without the realization that the opposite facts are true. When you are practicing the Law of Assumption everything that is in your own consciousness or in your own mind regarding the matter at hand is transferred to the other person. Therefore, any deception in your mind, or any wrong motive, is transmitted along with the ideas that you want the other person to believe. It is as though your lips were telling him what you want him to believe, but your eyes were telling him the truth. When, however, the matter that you want to transmit to the other is only the truth with no deception, no scheming, unfairness or maliciousness in your consciousness, only justice and truth are associated with what you want to transmit. The impression which the other person receives



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is only of truth, of fairness and correctness; therefore he is not deceived by what you are transmitting. If he chooses to act upon these truthful impressions only good can result, and so there can be no unethical or unfair advantage taken by you in such a situation.

This Law of Assumption is the principle of exchanging your personality with the personality of another, but it does not take anything from the other. It rather adds your personality to his. For the moment, he is harmonized and attuned with you, and you with him, both thinking alike, feeling alike, understanding alike. On your part, however, you are deliberately projecting your mind and consciousness to the other person and making yourself feel that you are the other person.

Do not discuss this matter with members of the lower Degrees, or with anyone not a member of this Degree and receiving this same lesson, but practice it during the coming week. Try it on some friend you want to telephone you. A person who has done you an injury, has become unfriendly, or has not talked to you for quite a while, would make an excellent subject, for you could implant in his mind the thought of calling and saying he is sorry or that he wanted to correct the error.

If someone owes you a bill, try the thought that he should call you and adjust the matter, make a partial payment, or something of that kind. Do not try to impress upon him that he should do something physically, mentally, or psychically impossible at the time, for you will only defeat your own purpose. The more reasonable, rational, kindly, and considerate you are in your attitude, the more will the other cooperate, and the more satisfactory will be the result.

May Peace Profound abide with each of you.

Fraternally,

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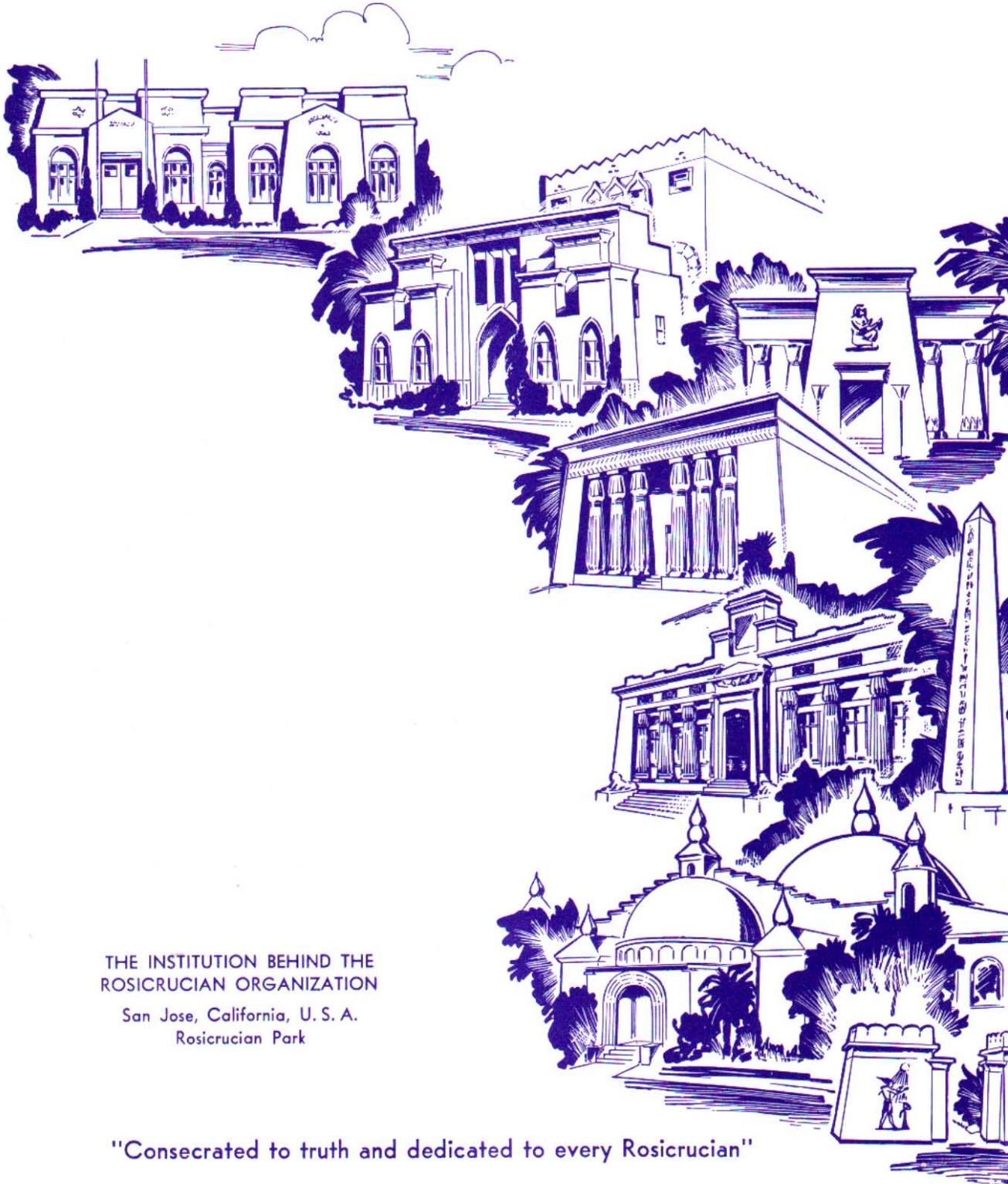


## Summary of This Monograph



Below is a summary of the important principles of this monograph. It contains the essential statements which you should not forget. After you have carefully read the complete monograph, try to recall as many as you can of the important points you read. Then read this summary and see if you have forgotten any. Also refer to this summary during the ensuing week to refresh your memory.

- ¶ The work of the invisible empire must be accomplished through silent activities.
- ¶ These mystic empire builders have existed in all past ages. Through visualization, they turned their visions into realities, creating mentally and psychically before creating physically and materially.
- ¶ Their knowledge was received through Cosmic revelation, through carefully guided instruction, and through practice and application. The secret laws they learned and used are still available to those worthy to be leaders and workers.
- ¶ The Law of Assumption, touched upon in an elementary way in an earlier Degree, is a great esoteric principle of practical value. It works most perfectly and efficiently in cases where persons are in doubt, hesitant, or through misconception or misunderstanding have adopted an erroneous viewpoint.
- ¶ Psychic law will not permit the transmission of an untruth, an ulterior motive or unfair attitude. Only your *true attitude*, your true knowledge, may be transmitted. For this reason, the Law of Assumption may be utilized ethically.
- ¶ The Law of Assumption is the principle of exchanging your personality with the personality of another, adding your personality to his and temporarily making yourself that other person.



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