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A Review of the Poem A Messiah of the Masses



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A Messiah of the Masses

-P. Laxmi Narayana

Dr. Bheemrao Ambedkar, a proud son of India The mud particles of this country are wet with your sweat and toil A mighty monarch of intellectual empire How the human world hideously divided on caste considerations And it is an awkward fragmentation into community compartments Where men are subhuman creatures— A dedicated thinker appears on the horizon Burning midnight oil to bring light into the endless darkness To liberate great masses of men and women from the clutches of untouchability A freedom from subjugation and slavery of the countries

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Accepting insult, injury and humiliation in a long drawn existential battle A brave warrior who never bowed down to the brutal assaults and attacks It was no less than Prime Minister Nehru inviting you to assume the highest office of chairman

You have created a historic humane document— the *Constitution of India* Now are we all, the most respected equals: free from exploitation and intimidation You are a great genius of unbounded intellectual sweep India owes you for the extraordinary work you have executed You are the patron of the poor and the torchbearer of the oppressed How a conservative land turns into a modern Indian State Let poverty and squalor pass off into the procession of time Millions of salutations to you— a hero who lives in the hearts and souls of this great nation!