A Review of the Poem *A Messiah of the Masses*

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*-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
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!