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0\ UHDFWLRQ ZDV LQVWDQW QRW WKRXJKW RXW EXW YLVFHU  
WR WKLW ,I \RX DVNHG' WHKDW HWKDL W LPW W, KDRX QGQ <HDU.V RI  
KDG JLYHQ PH D YRFDEXODU\ WR DSSO\ WR LW %XW WKH LQM>  
W *Kathral law* , NQHZ ZKDW , NQHZ

7KH UHVW RI P\ OLIH KDV EHHQ VSHQW ORRNQJ RXW DW WKH  
QDWXUDO WR XV 6RPHWKLQJ WKDW ZKHQ ZH VHH YLRODWHG  
,Q WKH V , IRXQG P\VHOI LQYROYHG LQ D ORW RI SROLWLF  
DQG ZDV E\ WKLW WLPH OLYLQJ LQ &DOLIRUQLD , ZDV LQYROY  
WKDW DUH QRZ HVWDEOLVKHG ,W RFFXSLHG P\ OLIH WKH JU  
ZKDW , EHOLHYHG EXW , EHOLHYHG DQG ZDV SDVVLRQDWH

2QH GD\ DIWHU JRLQJ WR GHPRQVWUDWLRQV ZLWK GLIIHUHQW  
ZHUH WDONLQJ DERXW ZKHQ WKH UHYROXWLRQ FRPHV DQG ZK  
WKHUH ZLOO EH QR PRUH UDFLDO LQM XVWLFH WKHUH ZLOO E  
PRUH VH[LVP QR PRUH ZDU (YHU\ ERQG ZHKDWU BU RQ QW LW QHF B  
KDS.S'H: QHQ P\ WXUQ FDPH , ZDQWHG< MMR VQS ZKHHQ VQ Q UHY, RV  
DOO JRLQJ WR VKRS DW \*XFFL

7KHUH ZDV VLOHQFH LQ WKH URRP.. D\0DUJHLQ W V, L WWWUQH: QDWRV K



\$QLPDOW GRSHULHQFH WKLV \$QLPDOV DUH SK\VLFDQ EHLQJV  
SK\VLFDOLW\ DQG E\ WKHLU LQVWLQFW <BN BRGH, WKBQQWWDW  
ERXQG WR WKH PDWHULDO ZRUOG E\ WKHLU LQVWLQFW EXW  
\$Q DQLPDO KDV FRQVFLRXVQHVV EXW DQ DQLPDO GRHV QRW  
FRQWHPSODWH LWVHOI FRQWHPSODWLQJ LWVHOI +XPDQ EHL  
FDSDFLW\ WR XVH UHDVRQ WR WKLQN DERXW RXUVHOYHV WKL  
EXLOG GDPV DQG URELQV EXLOG QHVWV EXW QR EHDYHU KDV  
EHDYHUV \$QLPDOV GR QRW EXLOG FLYLOL]DWLRQV  
7KHUHRPHWKLQJ GLIIHUHQW DERXW WKH KXPDO SHUVRQ ,W L  
UHDFKHV ULJKW WR WKH FRUH RI HFRQRPLFV ZK\ WKH KXPDO  
WKH KXPDO SHUVRQ LV WKH UHDVRQ IRU HFRQRPLF FUHDWLYL  
,W LV WKDW ZH FDQ VHH UHVRXUFHV WUDQVIRUPHG :H FDQ L  
DELOLW\ WR UHDVRQ ZH FDQ GUDZ RXW IURP WKH PDWHULD  
WUDQVIRUP WKHP  
:HDOWK GRHV QRW H[LVW LQ QDWXUDO UHVRXUFHV ,I ZHDOW  
DQG -DSDQ ZRXOG EH SRRU \$IULFD LV ODGHQ ZLWK QDWXUD  
UHJLRQV HLWKHU DOORZ RU GLVDOORZ SHRSOH WR PDNH XVH  
SHWUROHXP H[LVWHG DV D QDWXUDO UHVRXUFH WKDW KDG QR  
LV HVVHQWLDQ\ WKH WUDQVIRUPDWLRQV SHRSOH E\ WXQGWXUDFH U  
GLVSRVDO RI WKH SHRSOH ZH XVH SHRSOH WDDQG , ZLOO WU  
ZDQW LI \RX ZLOO WUDGH ZKDW FHVWKHPW 7R WKH SDHFLQJ' RI W  
EHHQ WUDQVIRUPHG DW WKH GLVSRVDO RI RWKHUV  
7R DFFRPSOLVK WKDW ZH PXVW EH DEOH WR XVH UHDVRQ DQ  
DQG WR GUDZ RXW IURP QDWXUH WKLQJV WKDW FDQ EH WUD  
JUHDW OHDGHU\ WR RQ RXV\ DQHDW\ GW UHVRXUFH  
,W QRW UHVRXUFHV WKDW H[LVW WKDW QRERG\ NQRZV ZKDW  
PLQG WR WUDQVIRUP WKRVH UHVRXUFHV IRU KXPDO EHWWHUP  
... ,W LPSRUWDQW ZKHQ ZH WKLQN RI HFRQRPLFV WKDW ZH WKL  
LQWURGXFHG WKH ZKROH QRWLRQ RI D PRUDO VHQVLELOLW\  
ZRUOGLHZ WKDW LQIRWPLW XXQGERXW\ DQGLQJ WKH GLJQLW\ R  
SULYDWH SURSHUW\ WKH QHFHVVLW\ WR HQJDJH LQ KRQHVV  
HPHUUHG IURP WKH :HVW FUHDWHG WKH IUHHVW PRVW OLEHU  
:H OLYH LQ WKH ULFKHVW VRFLHW\ WKDW KDV HYHU HFRZVGR  
ZH JHW HQRXJK"

7KLV EULQJV XV WR WKH TXHVWLRQ RI ZKDW ZH GR ZLWK WKLV  
DQG PDWHULDO GLPHQVLRQV IURP WKH WUDQVFHQGHQW LWWKH  
HWKLF WHDFKHV XV KRZ WR QRWHEHJDQWHV RKHVHYWQDQJLQ,WH  
HDUWKO\ JRRG :H KDYH WR WDNH LQWR DFFRXQW ERWK GLPH  
WKDW ZH KDYH DQ REOLJDWLRQ WR WKRVH ZKR VXIIHU LQM XV  
..., OHDUQHG IURP WKH V WKDW LW LV QRW HQRXJK WR KD  
HQRXJK "WRWV KHU", WLV LQDFG  
KRZ WR EXLOG EDNHULHV DQG LQG XVWULHV WKDW FDQ SURGX  
3HUKDSV RQH RI WKH PRVW GLVDSSRLQWLQJ XQURPDQWLF WK  
EHFDXVH RI RXU FKDULW\ &KDULW\ LV PRUDOO\ LQFXPEHQW R