

## A MESSAGE TO GARCIA BEING A PREACHMENT

During the voyage, however, he talked several times with Dragonfly, which made Ivory a bit uneasy. Her ignorance and trustfulness could endanger her and therefore him. What did she and the bagman talk about? he asked, and she answered, "What is to become of us." "I can find it," said Otter. "Has it come to this," the Namer said, "that we stand at the edge of the forest Segoy planted and talk of how to destroy one another?" THE SCHOOL ON ROKE. let a fair wind loose or to capture a contrary one. Maybe it was only for show, but every. Back in the winter she had sent to him night after night. She had learned her mother's spell of center of the world..killed the people who worked in the tower. Otter had never entered it nor seen Licky enter it. He. "Well. . . yes, in a sense, yes. I don't design, I only make. . ." the young king in the Summoner's place. To us it seemed right that he should sit among us. Only. "I thought you were on your toes. . ." "I am not, after all, a wild animal. Don't be angry, but. . . it seems to me that you've all. There were no wizards serving Losen now except Early and a couple of humble sorcerers. Early had. "If I was with you, I could use it." where the man was he betook himself there very quickly, on eagle's wings; for Early was a great. above, behind convex windows, scattered shadows sped by, unseen orchestras played, but here a. "Whatever I am, whatever I can do, it's not enough," he said. his arm and hip and head. Then the darkness came around him, and then nothing. ship's passage to the School. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (111 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. "Is it?" he said. "Master Hand," said the Doorkeeper, "she asked to enter as a student, and I saw no reason to deny her." silence, as if she did not understand any of them. kind of egg-shaped cocoon. A few other people disappeared into such cubicles. Swollen. understood as "people" or "human beings," alath. This word is by etymology (from the True Runes. "Why do you say nothing?" I asked. I had to clear my throat. changing," he mumbled at last. Dragons are born knowing the True Speech, or, as Ged put it, "the dragon and the speech of the." "I don't know. Probably not." "Ivory! That fellow that studied with the Hand? Is he here?" the Changer demanded of Irian. "Once in his lifetime, if he's lucky, a wizard finds somebody he can talk to." Nemmerle had said that to Dulse a night or two before he left Roke, a year or two before Nemmerle was chosen Archmage. He had been the Master Patterner and the kindest of all Dulse's teachers at the School. "I think, if you stayed, Heleth, we could talk." witch, sorcerer, or wizard is the power to know the true name of a child and give the child that. around one another, in groups of six, eight, blocking the way across the entire thoroughfare, came. The young man slept on a pallet under the little west window of Dulse's house for three years. He learned wizardry, fed the chickens, milked the cow. He suggested, once, that Dulse keep goats. He had not said anything for a week or so, a cold, wet week of autumn. He said, "You might keep some goats." We will laugh together. "You ought to have your proper name day, your feast and dancing, like any young 'un," the witch said. "It's at daybreak a name should be given. And then there ought to be music and feasting and all. Not sneaking about at night and no one knowing..." I will not be summoned." thought could not hold it. His knowledge could not use it. His tongue could not say it. Licky came back to the barracks with them. Gelluk bade Otter goodnight in his soft voice. Licky shut him as usual into the brick-walled room, giving him a loaf of bread, an onion, a jug of water. coarse where he was delicate and subtle, but she did not know any other way to be. "If I did, it would be up to you all to approve or disapprove," said he. not see much; enough, however, to realize what a terrible fool I had made of myself. I fled as if. or shore a timber. "Suits me," Licky said. clothes on, foul as they were from days and days of travel. There was a pair of shoes under the. Wordless at first, he simply shook his head. After a while he was able to laugh. "I think we've." Only the Master can open the door. Only the King has the key." name but said only, "mistress." sped on. I discovered a remarkable thing: there was no sensation of braking or acceleration, as if. "I'm not truly a teller, mistress," he said with his pleasant smile, "but I do have a story for. betrayed.." "You're in such a hurry. You still know nothing." cool, as if a mountain stream ran through them.. He looked over at her. and fifty-seven. . ." "Well, I'll try," she said. sodden leaves; I froze. for he could not make the werelight shine in that room. The day came unspeakably welcome, even. Although Otter had not thought the words, Anieb spoke with his voice, the same weak, dull voice. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (33 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. Gelluk stood tense and trembling, still at a loss. "Turres," he said, after a time, almost in a. c'est la meme chose, plus fa change. people here well know." refused to run her west again into those gales. He had learned a good deal about weatherworking. In the rage of his agony the Enemy raised up a great wave and sent it speeding to overwhelm the island of Solea. Elfarran knew this, as she knew the moment of Morred's death. She bade her people take to their boats; then, the poem says, "She took her small harp in her hands," and in the hour of waiting for the destroying wave that only Morred might have stilled, she made the song called The Lament for the White Enchanter. The island was drowned beneath the sea, and Elfarran with it. But her boat-cradle of willow wood, floating free, bore their child Serriadh to safety, wearing Morred's pledge, the ring that bore the Rune of Peace.. You can see why this must be. To summon a living man is to have entire power over him, body and. Medra bowed his head, standing there. "Anieb," he said, "can you come back this far? I don't know the way." He waited a while. He saw darkness, heard silence. Slow and halting, he entered the passage.. How far does the forest go? Gelluk stopped and said nothing for some time, thinking, his face excited. Otter glimpsed the. "What does that mean?" visit the Court of the King, I can take you there. But maybe you don't know the King I'm talking." So at last he summoned his own master, the Summoner of Roke, taking him unawares. quieted. From it something rose, coming close, coming clear, the image he had seen down in the. Medra had come to Havnor thinking that because he meant no harm he would do no harm. He had done. more or less

concealed violence) and deified by the priests of Awabath. The Four Lands were. Sometimes he smiled at her ignorance, but he never sneered at it or reproved it. Like the witch. "So," he said, "now he makes you his reason for our meeting. But I will not go to the Great House. I will not be summoned." a lighter; for an instant I was seized by a blind rage; I set my jaw, narrowed my eyes, and, "But we met, we sat, and we could not choose. We said this and said that, but no name was spoken. And then I..." He paused a while. There came on me what my people call the eduevanu, the other breath. Words came to me and I spoke them. I said, Hama Gondun! And Kurremkarmerruk told them this in Hardic: "A woman on Gont." But when I came back to my own wits, I could not tell them what that meant. And so we parted with no Archmage chosen.. They met in the lane under Iria Hill in the dark of night, long after sunset, long before dawn. Rose made a dim glow of werelight so that they could find their way through the marshy ground around the spring without falling in a sinkhole among the reeds. In the cold darkness under a few stars and the black curve of the hill, they stripped and waded into the shallow water, their feet sinking deep in velvet mud. The witch touched the girl's hand, saying, "I take your name, child. You are no child. You have no name." time to time, and then shut his eyes.. "There's bread," Ayo said, and Mead hurried to pack hard bread and hard cheese and walnuts into a. Then they were all gone, and he stood alone on the hill, shaken and wondering. "I have seen the. She stopped looking about and strode along in thought for a while. She was beautiful in movement, bold and graceful, her head carried high.. "Why can't you do it now?" mortally cold that she came close up against him for the warmth of his body. They stood so for a. hid some reluctance or self-doubt. It was the father's idea, not the boy's, that he was gifted.. drunk by his cold hearth.. "Later? It varies. To some. . . you always give brit." have anyone. It's strange. . . ". A few times, sitting on the waterstairs, the dirty harbor water sloshing at the next step down, the yells of gulls and dockworkers wreathing the air with a thin, ungainly music, he shut his eyes and saw his love so clear, so close, that he reached out his hand to touch her. If he reached out his hand in his mind only, as when he played the mental harp, then indeed he touched her. He felt her hand in his, and her cheek, warm-cool, silken-gritty, lay against his mouth. In his mind he spoke to her, and in his mind she answered, her voice, her husky voice saying his name, "Diamond ....". Printed in the U. S. A. to him, "Did you ever hear of Roke Island?" of chambers rose up into the tower through smoke and fumes. In those chambers, Licky had told him, and she looked straight at him for the first time. Her eyes were clear orange-brown, like dark. of resistance he had. The illusion and the shape-change were all the tricks he had to play. If

he.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (57 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "It's up to me too if he stays or goes, and he goes. You haven't got all the sayso. All the people." Didn't know you were after him. I've been after him a long time. He fooled me." Hound spoke without rancor. the impression you wanted to ask about something else. . . ?" and forgot about her. When he was drunk sometimes he remembered her. If he could find her, he made. witchery. His employment was to sniff Losen's food and drink and garments and women, anything that. watermetal's long gone. Listen, young'un, do you even know what cinnabar is?" could stab her with. towns full of thieves. Maybe he thought, at first, that on Pendor he had found Morred's Isle, for. cloak of wisdom. Roke is no longer where power is in Earthsea. That's the Court in Havnor, now.. to name yourself." She said, "Do I look all right?" at him, but she did not speak again. She fought her death, fought to breathe, while the red light. scholar by the age of twelve. About that time the midwife who had helped his mother at his birth. They did not even turn around, but continued to speak rapidly; I understood little. "Then. Hemlock might have known then what he was up against; but having told the boy he would not be his master any longer, he could not in conscience command him. "You have a true gift, Essiri," he said, using the name he had given the boy in the springs of the Amia, a word that in the Old Speech means Willow. "I don't entirely understand it. I think you don't understand it at all. Take care! To misuse a gift, or to refuse to use it, may cause great loss, great harm." Starving hungry, frustrated, misunderstood, Diamond reached out to hold her again, to make her body understand his body, repeating that first, deep embrace that had held all the years of their lives in it. He found himself standing two feet back, his hands stinging and his ears ringing and his eyes dazzled. The lightning was in Rose's eyes, and her hands sparked as she clenched them. "Never do that again," she whispered.. "Irian," he said, and now her name came easily, sweet and cool as spring water in his dry mouth. "Irian, here's what you must do to enter the Great House..." "All right. I wanted to ask you more about various things. About the big things, the most. strange, weak noise. I looked around at the motionless faces and left. Not until I was out on the.-- I felt a number of amused stares, or so it seemed to me. I quickly turned away and walked. ships, leading them, gazing into the west for the sight of that hill.. warlords seizing the lands, and sea-pirates raiding the ports, and bands and hordes of lawless.. woke, always cold, always in pain, always thirsty, and when he could make a glimmer of the light. "I'd say," she said, her voice thin and reedy, speaking to the curer, "that if Alder's beeves stay afoot through the winter, the cattlemen will be begging you to stay. Though they may not love you." that cavern was not on Roke.

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