



*"My grandfather was the last honest political leader in the world"*

### **Foreword by Richard Washborn Child, American Ambassador to Italy 1928**

**"In our time it may be shrewdly forecast that no man will exhibit dimensions of permanent greatness equal to those of Mussolini."**



**AN HONEST MAN  
IS THE NOBLEST  
WORK OF GOD**

*Alexander Pope  
1688-1744*

*Alessandra Mussolini  
Graduate degree of Medicine and Surgery  
Member of the Italian Parliament 1999*

**Admire him or not, approve his philosophies or not, concede the permanence of his success or not, consider him superman or not, as you may, he has put to a working test, on great and growing numbers of mankind, programmes, unknown before, in applied spirituality, in applied plans, in applied leadership, in applied doctrines, in the applied principle that contents are more important than labels on bottles. He has not only been able to secure and hold an almost universal following; he has built a new state upon a new concept of a state. He has not only been able to change the lives of human beings but he has changed their minds, their hearts, their spirits. He has not merely ruled a house; he has built a new house.**

**He has not merely put it on paper or into orations; he has laid the bricks.**

**It is one thing to administer a state. The one who does this well is called statesman. It is quite another thing to make a state. Mussolini has made a state. That is super-statesmanship. I knew him before the world at large, outside of Italy, had ever heard of him; I knew him before and after the moment he leaped into the saddle and in the days when he, almost single-handed, was clearing away chaos' own junk pile from Italy."**