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Your Victory Should Be Your Concern!

To All Who Would Build:

Your victory should be your concern!

The endowment of man with individuality was and is the greatest conferment of the miraculous sense ever conceived by God. If you contemplate, if you meditate, if you invoke wisdom, you will always find His immortal purpose shining behind the mask of creation. And what joy can come to any man who will gaze upon the Plan behind the appearance!

Let man concede a sense of limitation—something within him, whether defined or undefined, springs up to affirm the law of survival and his real need to extinguish all thoughts that would extinguish him. You may not be able, beloved ones, to unravel every enigma of Life. You may find in the cosmic drama the deliberate draping of events which the Lords of Creation have decreed in order to veil the sacred mysteries from the profane; but if you are sincere in your pursuit of the things of the Spirit, if you have faith that God is leading you onward, you will not fail to apprehend the victory of divine purpose which often remains hidden behind the appearance world.

Boring situations may present themselves, frustration may chasten the mind of man, events may weigh upon the senses, and hope seem nigh extinction; but behind the appearance world, and even beyond the psyche of man above all outer manifestation, is to be found the comfort of the Holy Spirit. The fact that other men have not seen with their eyes or handled with their minds the true concepts of what God really is, of what spiritual power is, can do no more than temporarily hinder the manifestation of your own cosmic victory. And even this need not be if you reject the skepticism of the mass mind that palls the spiritual senses.

Victory is inherent within the universe. It is to be found in Matter as well as in Spirit, implanted there by the power of the Word, the Christ that nobly declared through the Master Jesus, "If these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out." <1> How great is the potential of your victory that remains fixed as the star of your own Christ-identity! The victory of nature is a miraculous one, but He who has concern for the elements also has concern for the consciousness of each individual man!

Will you stop right where you are, beloved ones? Stop whatever you are doing and ponder for a moment the victorious sense that can, if you will accept it, permeate your consciousness with a vital, essential, spiritual effulgence. Will you let the continuity of divine purpose bathe you right now with its omnipotent Light and imbue you with the sense of your own continuing victory? There is no need to struggle; for man is, by the grace of God, like unto a ball of fire welcoming a transcendent dawn. Hope presents itself in the rising sun. It is the miracle behind all nature, and it is the miracle behind man.

Although individuals have permitted themselves, through what we term a warp in consciousness, to entertain the sense of the bizarre, of doubt and astral confusion, there is no reason for you to permit them to encroach upon your own sense of the miraculous. Because He lives, you live. And in the consciousness of each man, through the Consciousness of Christ, the sense of victory can open up new doors that reveal the miracle of infinity momentarily caught in the net of time. Right here in the seeming emptiness of space the Light of the Holy Spirit that originates in the Consciousness behind the consciousness, fills the void with His Presence. For God is found on earth even as He is in heaven; and out of the lives of the many great souls who have served their fellowman through this unique perception has come the realization that without faith it is impossible to please God. <2>

What is it, beloved ones, that the carnal mind desires to foster upon mankind if it is not fear, doubt, and discouragement? For wherever there is a lack of faith, truly no great works are possible. <3> It is, then, by your sense of victory that your victory is won. When you permit your consciousness to be dragged down by the influences of others, by idle chatter in the marketplace, unfounded in fact, when you allow yourself to lose your perspective, it is then that you lose your momentum of the victorious sense. But when you understand that in reality it is God and He alone, it is Spirit and Spirit alone, which can strengthen your faith, you will see that your victory is not wedded to persons, places, conditions, or things.

You, then, will not seek to empty others of their temporary opinions or shallow-pan grasp of the true beauties of Life. Do they wallow in sham and deceit? Do they hold impure concepts? Leave them alone. Let not their concepts soil your consciousness. By the indomitable sense of universal victory anchored within yourself, you will find a new faith pervading your universe. It matters to others that the concepts they hold are weak and destructive. They will reap what they sow, <4> as all shall. But, ah, the mercy of God, the love of God, the strength of God! He who appoints the bounds of man's habitation <5> has also created the limitless Light; and, with the dawn of the New Year, the momentum of that Light shall continually pour forth its healing rays for the New Age.

There may be deceivers in the world, but the cast of their own minds shall create snares into which they shall fall. Ye shall know them by their fruits. <6> Hold above all the concept of God's healing love that has the power to change the world from darkness into Light. How can man die save he extinguish himself by the sense of sin? He must learn to draw strength from the reservoir of overcoming power which God placed in Jesus and in every one reborn in Christ. This is that divine power which abolishes sin by the law of perfection and love, by the law of victory that supplants death and defeat.

He who said "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again" <7> can be sought and found in the eternally recurring cycles. Man can be the master of cycles. By the victorious sense he can hold his mind firm in the certitude of God. His victory is not based on mortal opinion, but on the constancy of faith and good works. The grace of him who said "My reward is with me" <8> is sufficient for you unto this day. <9>

Not in dogma alone but in love do the winds of the Holy Spirit quiver the consciousness of the new heart. Central to the being of man is the concept of love; but the power of divine love is one glory, and the power of human love is another. Let men and women understand that even the most learned among them have needs they know not of. The sense of victory is electronic, vitalizing, healing, and faith-producing. It is an activity of perfection working in the walls of time; it is a leaven of ideas maturing and pulling the whole bent of the mind in their direction. Positive thoughts that expand are like flaming seeds that illumine the horizon of the mind; those who permit themselves to dwell in negativity have not the momentum to expand the victorious sense—the only means by which one's laurels can be won.

Recognizing with what hope some view the New Year and with what despair and apprehension others submit to the tides of human aggression, I must remind all that one can do no more for himself or his universe than he thinks he can. Out of the sense of victory, victory is born. Why will you not see that God is obtained through your own Christ-awareness as you invoke the fiats of the divine nature? Like a staccato burst of energy, they ripple across the mind and heart and then return to the peaceful flow of certitude, of calm soul-knowing.

Out of patience and steadfast devotion victory is born. And love and Light come to all who will aerate the mind and cleanse their consciousness of those distressing specters of the past. Fruitful endeavor carved out of plodding effort climbs the hills of victory into the domain of achievement that enriches not only the self but the entire universe. He who said "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work" <10> had long ago obtained the miraculous sense of victory, and he holds it still.

As each man realizes his intrinsic worth sealed by God within his being, he sees that He who made all things by Christ continues to frame each monad in the reference of pure love that nourishes the seeds of victory within his soul. Through the gift of free will, without which none could successfully meet the challenge of Life, man accepts the opportunity for self-mastery and ascends the ladder of initiation.

Now observe as hint after hint is released from Above through the forthcoming cadence of the year:

Cycle's door is still ajar—
Holds its memory from afar,
Trades the old for ever new,
Casts down fears and opens view.
This door ajar will carry far
If you'll remember who you are.

Out of the Light of your God Presence,
I remain

Victory

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1. Luke 19:40.
 2. Heb. 11:6.
 3. Matt. 13:58.
 4. Gal. 6:7.
 5. Acts 17:26.
 6. Matt. 7:16.
 7. Matt. 7:2.
 8. Rev. 22:12.
 9. II Cor. 12:9
 10. John 5:17.

The Externalization of Vision

Behold Perfection!

The transfer of a man's vision to its externalization, the transfer of a thought to its realization, can be accomplished by a most direct route. But if the individual would be the director of his own life pattern, the motive behind each vision and each thought must be carefully analyzed and approved by him before he attempts to carry it through.

To be given the control of one's life, to have the opportunity to take dominion over one's world, is a most generous gift. But it is in its correct use that the gift becomes invaluable. Thus the Masters have always directed their students to ask to be given the wisdom of right choice, to ask for God-direction in all that they would do; for they know that man triumphs in the arena of action proportionately as he obeys the admonishment "Ask, and ye shall receive." <1>

Great care should be exercised throughout the forthcoming year if one's resolutions are to be implemented by the determination toward God-given action. To receive when one has asked, blessed ones, shows forth the marvelous result of having set the cosmic law into motion in one's life. Many times all that the Law requires is a wise whisper of approbation nodding one's acceptance of the divine will to which the heart so readily consents.

Do not discount the words "Except ye become as a little child..." <2> or the admonishments that lead to what may appear to be ordinary manifestations. For the most profound gifts are to be found in the performance of those cosmically guided actions that are brooded over by the omnipresence of the Holy Spirit. If man only knew, if he would only realize that it is God's will that he should enjoy the abundant Life, that he should master all circumstances in his world, and that he can do so with divine approval, he would readily find the crisp and clear-cut answers to the journey of life which he professes to seek.

As one who by heavenly grace is a focus for the All-Seeing Eye of God, as one of the seven Spirits <3> that comprise the foundation stones of the throne of the Godhead, I am able to externalize at will, for those who trust me, the divine answer to life's problems. And the divine answer, precious ones, is the only answer that will create the necessary tie between vision and action that changes lives from darkness into Light. <4>

How true it is that the process of vision is an orderly one whereby those dramatic strides of the Great Law of infinite action are transferred through the blessed receptacle of the mind from the forcefields of Spirit into the domain of Matter. Will you understand how closely allied Spirit is to Matter and how the will of man is united through an act of grace with the will of God?

There simply is only one will in the universe. When individuals understand this fact, they will overcome the conflict of wills that seems to create a barrier between manifestation originating in and as a spiritual action and manifestation that rises solely from material causes and effects. When they realize that form is an extension of the Spirit and that their lives need not become a wasteland of endless struggle, but rather an ordered garden of the Holy Spirit that promotes constructivism in countless other lives, they will cast off their trivia and their fears that dry up the Divine Fount and prevent the very manifestations they seek.

God-seekers should realize that they need to know what they should ask for and what they should seek. Sometimes it is better to simply pray, "Thy will be done!" than to attempt to build a city without first formulating the plans and the purpose. From the moment a God-idea is developed enough to actively create a mental picture thereof, the beautiful cosmic forces of Light inherent

within the universe rush to fulfill its intent, so gloriously organizing and ordaining the future of individualized man that if people would perceive the strength of the gift of vision, they would immediately begin to use it.

So often we find that the very disorganization of men's thoughts and the apprehension that something not to their liking may occur in their lives are open doors to unwanted conditions. As Job lamented, "The thing which I greatly feared is come upon me." <5> Rejoice! The reversal of the negative becomes the positive magnet that attracts the desired results.

We want individuals to understand the great blessing that the Ascended Master Consciousness can bring to all, both as an instrument for the externalization of perfection in their lives and as the motivating force that solves each and every problem. It is true that there are many ways by which embodied humanity can achieve what appear to be the same results. But the more of God and the more of His pure intent to do well that man can absorb and then introduce with the fullness of faith into the motive and the concept that form the basis of his actions, the more spiritually perfect, the more intrinsically beautiful, and the more scientifically certain will be the achievement.

The world in its ignorance may presume that the Godhead will permit all things to continue as they are, but with the coming of each new year a new cycle is introduced. Some years portend great good to mankind or to the individual. Others are charged with fear, doubt, and destruction through the imminent descent of mankind's karma. The Karmic Lords—those who have been given the responsibility for the administration of universal justice to the earth—may well offer to men and women in the compartment of the forthcoming year the vital opportunity to choose whom they will serve. <6>

Wise, then, are those who this year, recognizing the earth as the Lord's and the fullness thereof, <7> will keep themselves in attunement with the Presence each day and each hour, never forgetting to sow the flame of gratitude as they plan with the Hierarchy to enrich mankind's lives with the knowledge of the Law and the vision of the Golden Age.

As The Brotherhood seeks to externalize for mankind the sublime purposes of the Godhead, the noble of heart will be desirous of entering into the fullest spirit of cooperation with them; this, they realize, becomes possible as the fruit of gratitude for cosmic graces flows abundantly into their lives. For gratitude is the power that shapes coming events in those wondrous images that, in developing the God-man individualized, cannot refrain from externalizing the collective good as it flows to all of humanity from the hand of the Universal Brotherhood.

That The Brotherhood exists ought to be a foregone conclusion to each one; therefore, man should welcome the opportunity to cooperate with it and thereby strengthen the plantings that will bring forth ripened fruit to the earth at the harvest of the year, not only in the lives of the students but also in the abundant good which the Hierarchy seeks to externalize on behalf of all who are striving for a better world.

What glorious news The Brotherhood publishes abroad in the world in its attempt to increase the measure of God-awareness among mankind and the sense of the infinite that makes heaven and heaven's emissaries not afar off, but very close at hand!

Will you, then, engage your energies in the direct action of pouring out your love and faith to God? For thereby will you be blessed with those unctions of the Spirit that enable you to receive each day, as you are able, a small or larger portion of the hopes of the angels for a struggling humanity. Descending upon the soul like the vision of gardens of flowers, their hopes will step up your determinations, your formulations of the will of God, your devotion to your fellowman, and your vision of heavenly goals. Then what to some might seem ordinary events will be transformed into those extraordinary spiritual matrices that turn every man from the human consciousness toward the Divine.

The heavenly Father, made personal through the living, individualized God Presence, is eager to release, in conjunction with the Holy Spirit, His energy, wisdom, and love into your lives and to turn the most drab life into the most beautiful. Through attunement with Him and with His Spirit, the Light that is in you will day by day continue to illumine your vision with the faith, the hope, and the charity that transform.

I AM and I remain your infinite servant,

Cyclopea

Elohim of the Fifth Ray

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1. John 16:24.
 2. Matt. 18:3.
 3. Rev. 1:4.
 4. Acts 26:18; I Pet. 2:9.
 5. Job 3:25.
 6. Josh. 24:15.
 7. Pss. 24:1.

The Quality of Thought and Feeling

Beloved Friends of Freedom,

If man could neither be influenced by nor influence another, he would still be capable of what we shall term self-influence. This being the case, the earnest student of Ascended Master law cannot fail to take into account the fact that the quality of his thoughts and feelings is absolutely vital not only to his freedom and God-happiness but also to his progress on the Path. Some say that there is a great chasm between the thoughts and feelings of man—that they are poles apart. But in reality they are one; and it is to this truth, so often ignored, that we would direct your attention in this *Pearl of Wisdom*.

Those who in their pursuit of freedom seek to understand the laws of God must realize that these laws, in their direct outreach into the world of man, have already established the bulwarks of freedom that their souls require in order to gain mastery over their thoughts and feelings. Will you understand, then, that each time a man thinks, there is effected a subtle yet tangible yoke between his thoughts and his feelings, and that each time he feels, there is a vital link established between his feelings and his thoughts. And if his thoughts were round, they could become elongated by the impact of his feelings; conversely, if his feelings were square, they could become distorted by the momentum of his thoughts.

I speak to you of these laws for your instruction in freedom, that you may understand that in the union of his thought and feeling mechanisms the gears of man's attention are totally engaged and that his entire psyche is affected thereby. Therefore, the startling fact of existence on this planetary home to which few pay heed is that no man is wholly free until he is wholly in control of his mental and emotional faculties.

In the Eye of God, in the orb of His immaculate Consciousness wherein perfection dwells, man can, if he will, revive those longings of the soul that were from the beginning one with the solar fires of the Mind of the Infinite One. The freedom that is so precious to mankind cannot be preserved unless men understand that they are to a greater or lesser extent bound by their thoughts and feelings and that they can find their freedom from this bondage only as they pursue the thoughts and feelings of God.

From time to time people become seized with the idea, perhaps true, perhaps not, that their individual rights are being trespassed upon; and it is with consummate passion that they dedicate their lives to the restoration and preservation of those rights. Would to God that they might pursue with equal passion their spiritual freedoms, which are daily, imperceptibly being encroached upon to the destruction of the soul! In the name of your immortal freedom, the divine rights of the monadic expression must be exalted! Not to the glorification of the lesser ego, which so often ensnares man in the most ludicrous circumstances, but to the expansion of the Greater Ego and the Sacred Fire burning in the chalice of the mind.

Being concerned that each individual monad retain his opportunity for dominion in the citadel of life, it is my wish, under the direction of the Holy Spirit and the Most High, to shed light upon the subject of freedom and yet refrain from becoming involved in needless controversy with those whose egos have forestalled their surrender of the ego. As an Elder Brother deeply concerned with the preservation of the fires of freedom upon earth, I must reiterate to the students of the Light that your greatest freedom lies in your own God Presence, in the divine intent that is a part of the Godhead, and in the gift of freedom that He has first given to you that you may so willingly give it to others.

There is a facet of man's identity that in his search for Reality may be temporarily lacking in the grasp of spiritual precepts or the conclusive awareness of the Great Law of Being. And until he makes greater attunement with the Divinity in himself, the monad may find that he is without his native ability to become one with premises and conclusions of the universal science affecting the entire Cosmos and his relationship therewith. Therefore, when man begins to surrender the personal self unto the great tides of the Divine Self and to the holy influences that transcend the ages, he should not expect to become possessed on the instant with the full faculties of his spirituality or the momentum of the eternal Theosophia. Having cut himself free from his moorings, he may find himself cast adrift upon what seems an endless and uncharted sea.

I do not say that Infinity has an end; but I do say that one can utilize in a most practical manner the sequences of Infinity—the compartments of God's eternality—to enhance his own personal spiritual development. Thus should be understood the relevance of Infinity to its own cycles as these release God's energy into the time-space continuum. Infinity contains within itself all that is of the finite realm—the depth, the breadth, the height, and the width thereof—and beyond. Although man may not understand the Infinite, he should develop the habit of putting together in consciousness the building blocks of his finite realm as segments of the Infinite; for the finite is to the Infinite as the part is to the Whole. And this knowledge is a key to man's inner development through his awareness of the eternal God active within the chalice of the monadic consciousness.

In the holy name of freedom, I urge upon all a renewed consecration to the purposes of immortal freedom right where you are in your development. You do not have to become an Ascended Being or an initiate of the highest degree to appreciate and apply the many gifts of Light which God has given to child-man evolving in the planes of Matter. Made available to man wherever he is found realizing his God Self-awareness, these gifts are intended to assist his spiritual unfoldment and to teach him how to initiate the spirals of individual freedom and ultimately become an initiator of the cycles of God-freedom.

You are not living in a hostile universe, but in a friendly one, where the powers of Light are prepared to give you that cosmic assistance which your souls require in order to rise upon the spirals of immortal freedom. Therefore, beloved ones, beware of identifying with feelings of hostility toward the Godhead, toward the self, or toward life; for as soon as you allow your feelings to flow with the world momentum of hostility, your thoughts will become energized by the same negative spiral, and this can be fatal to the purposes of your attainment.

To prolong feelings of guilt without taking steps toward self-correction can serve no worthwhile purpose. Self-condemnation (the condemnation of the lower self) that resists the alchemy of Self-realization (the realization of the Higher Self) will always deprive the soul of its inner glory and its fulfillment in the divine plan. Thus the delusions of incorrect thought and feeling keep man continually bound in a lesser state of consciousness and frustrate the growth of the soul.

To do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with one's God <1> is a requirement of the Law; yet this cannot be fulfilled while man wallows in past injustices, intolerances, and the wounds of his pride. The old man with his deeds must be forsaken ere the new man can be put on. <2> If the individual is to obtain here and now those assets of his immortal freedom which he well deserves, he must put behind him every implication of the darkened world consciousness that does not comprehend the nature of God's Light.

The eternal God, in being love, is in love with His creation. But of necessity He cannot involve Himself with man's imperfect sense of the creation, for He dwells totally in the glory of perfection and Truth with which He endowed it. Therefore, those in whom the sense of imperfection and untruth becomes corollary to their lives, those who continually behold the part instead of the Whole, inevitably lose their contact with the Godhead—their direct involvement with His Consciousness—through their partial and distorted view of Life.

As a karmic index to mankind that all is not right with the world and that something has gone awry with the individual, God permits His laws to exact their toll, chastising those whom He dearly loves. <3> Let men understand this attitude of the Godhead that is disposed to give to individual man the most marvelous gift—the gift of Life itself—and when the gift is not accepted, to produce out of the crucible of suffering the fruits of heavenly virtue that eventuate in man's freedom from pain. When you understand this divine be-attitude—this attitude of Be-ness—just a little more, your hearts will begin to assimilate the joybell majesty of the Cosmos. You will discover how the sense of the absolute can interpenetrate the sense of the relative, and you will experience your God-victorious deliverance from the mass mind.

Saint Paul said, “To be carnally minded is death.” <4> Indeed, those who are ego-minded cannot be Christ-minded; therefore they remain dead to the Real Self until they replace the ego with the Christ. They gravitate to a sense of failure and frustration that holds them bound to a round of carnal activities, of fears and doubts which readily assail them; thus they must recognize the need to shed these attitudes of 'not being' before they will be able to do so. Then shall they thrust them aside, not as into a vacuum, but into the transmuting flame of their own real God-identity. And as they accept the mantle of cosmic freedom and cosmic protection which the universal energies provide, they will be able to rise up the ladder of those spiritually initiatic processes which through the solicitude of The Brotherhood become a very real part of the life of each seeker.

I urge upon all of you, especially those of you just beginning on the Path, the recognition of the great tides of Life, the Light momentums that are already in the universe, generated by the Holy Spirit for your good and for your deliverance from evil. I ask those who are on higher rungs of the ladder but who berate their own rate of progress to in patience possess their souls. <5> Truly, with God all things are possible; <6> but time as it is balanced on the very finger of eternity must be apprehended. For life is a school; and passing of moments, of seconds, of minutes, of hours, of days, of years, of lifetimes is an activity of cyclic devotion which, when correctly understood, can assist the soul into its higher role. Believing this now and always to be an activity of universal love, I send to you that encouragement which I fully intend you to receive.

Out of the depth of the love of God's Heart I say, let this year and this day become God's year and God's day for you. Let them be a time when, through enlightenment and a sense of inner peace, your freedom becomes a banner of the soul that will ultimately translate you into that realm where death is not, but only the abundant Life prevails.

Devotedly, I remain

Saint Germain

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1. Mic. 6:8.
 2. Eph. 4:22-24.
 3. Heb. 12:6.
 4. Rom. 8:6.
 5. Luke 21:19.
 6. Matt. 19:26.

He Must Increase, but I Must Decrease

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

The dominant error influencing the attitudes of millions among humankind is their basic misunderstanding of the Divine Ego. Even those who ought to know better because they have been taught the cardinal truths concerning their Christ-identity and the laws of their Divine Selfhood remain locked in an old encrusted concept which prevents them from relating to the Real Self and identifying that Self with God. Instead, they relate to the human ego, believing it to be the Real Self and hence a candidate for Godhood. It is to this basic misconception that the Hierarchy would direct your attention, that it might stand corrected once and for all.

When Paul said, "To be carnally minded is death," <1> he revealed a great mystery to those who were able to understand it. Owing to the computerized nature of the subconscious and its assimilation of multifractioned concepts not in keeping with the immaculate concepts of the soul, and owing to the fact that the human identity is in the process of transmuting base error, it is not ready to assume the role of the living God in man or to put on the vestments of Reality. Nevertheless, it is a common fallacy for man to think that he can, even as it is a common practice for the human ego to masquerade as the Divine.

The Light perfection of the Godhead, in its magnificent outreach to humanity, emanates rays of cosmic assistance through the agency of the Holy Spirit. These weave a chalice in the waiting hearts of the many, a setting for the Diamond Shining Mind of God that quickens the consciousness, enabling man to understand and treasure the emanations of the Infinite. Oh, how many misfortunes are the product of misunderstanding, and how very easy it is for the most devoted disciple to misunderstand either the teacher or the teachings!

Some see the pathway to God as one strewn with flowers, a perpetual Palm Sunday festival in which the beautiful image of the Saviour relates each one to the triumphal glory of the Christ as he passes by. Those who thus envision the Way should understand that those who would share in the glory must also share in the sacrifice; they must, if necessary, be prepared to stand trial before the tribunals of the world and receive the judgment of the carnal mind. They should realize that there are many who would walk the victorious pathway but there are few who are willing to crucify the ego within themselves. Those who fail to comprehend the mystery of dying to the world <2>—as Paul said, "I die daily" <3>—will never comprehend the mystery of eternal Life in the resurrection of their own Christhood, nor will they enter into oneness with Him who is indeed one with the Father and one with every true disciple—the Christ of the ages.

Pondering the matter of the human ego and its relationship to the Divine Ego, man ultimately discovers that he has no need for the former when the latter is enthroned in the citadel of being. The surrender of the lesser to the Greater can be made, then, without struggle or the sense thereof. As the Higher Ego descends in a flame of fire upon the altar of a heart purged of the lower ego, the soul experiences the glorious fulfillment of the divine reunion: here in the very crucible of being it finds the key to victory through the ascension in the Light. Free of mortality and of the mortal ego, man is no longer subject unto the law of sin and death, <4> but only to the law of righteousness and truth as he walks in the footsteps of the immortals.

No mortal can bar the Real Self from entering into the regency of the Divine Image; the Christ of every man is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, <5> and no facet of human frailty, no expression of egocentricity, can ever be enthroned in that Image. The God in man cannot be traduced or harmed, punished or afflicted. While the ego continues to suffer until it surrenders, the Real Self

stands inviolate, triumphant in the pinnacle of perfection—the perfection of the Light of the I AM Presence.

To identify with God in His triumph is to identify with the triumph of the Christ in oneself and thus to attain Christhood at the personal level. It has been said that “the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.” <6> It is the goal of life to expand the Light of the soul “from glory unto glory” <7> until man's terrestrial experience becomes imbued with the radiance of the life celestial. The bounty of perfection that is within your own I AM Presence must be invoked, beloved ones. He who said, “Before Abraham was, I AM” <8> understood that the valor of the ages is to be found in the realm of the immortals and in the perfection of the Godhead that flows into the time-space reference points of Life, changing darkness into Light. <9>

He who said, “Let your Light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven” <10> perceived that the radiance inherent within Universal Perfection was also resident within himself; and he bore witness to the grand fact of creation: man is intended to be a chalice for God in which abides the Flame—the same Flame beheld by Moses in the bush that burned but was not consumed. <11> The consciousness of each individual was created to be a part of the universal treasure lode. In its common sharing of the triune Light, it does not lose its luster, but gains more. He who said, “He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father” <12> had already reckoned with the expansive nature of the Christic Light.

What a pity it is that men do not acquiesce to the teachings handed down from their own Divinity, the tutoring of the soul by the Spirit of the Lord, but choose instead, often without knowing what they are choosing, to chastise themselves by denying their Real Identity and the vestments thereof. The beauty and perfection of the living God, infused within the soul of man, are robed in flesh and encompassed about by the Holy Spirit. The outreach of that Spirit of unity and immortal Life fashions in man a vision of the ultimate perfection of God and those transcendent dreams that spin the substance of the future out of the energies of the present.

Nature, endowed by God as the living Light perfection of the Holy Spirit, blazes as a warming fire of hope upon the heart of man where the dulcet sounds of God's love are heard. Sweet are the souls mellowed by the Life-giving essence of the Holy Spirit—souls whose realization of the Source of their own and all mankind's supreme comfort enables them to drink freely of the waters of immortal Life. <13> The Comforter of all life moves with the stream of Whitsuntide, whose annual flow of regeneration recaptures for abundant hearts the perfection of the divine stream. And out of the cosmic memory of the Holy Spirit come forth untold delights of the Father-Mother God.

Jesus' communion with the Spirit enabled him to receive many gifts and graces, including the glory and the vision of the world to be. Thus he said: “In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you.” <14> When he spoke, he spoke literally; but the world, in its stultifying dogma, in its stereotyping of concepts of Reality and unreality, does not reckon with the triumphs of the ages, the victory of the Christ made manifest through the sons and daughters of God in a regenerate universe. Those who abide in consciousness with the immortals have the sense of victory that can be compared to a glimmer without reason. But that glimmer conveys the peace and comfort of universal reason, of the thoughts of God that are already recorded in akasha.

People cannot stop the work of the recording angels simply because they doubt their existence; they cannot, by their denials, prevent the hand of Heaven from functioning in its own domain. The shout of the Lord's triumph and the standard of the living God are heard and seen only in part upon this earth. But as a most beautiful planetary schoolroom, the earth can become a place where you and all mankind can fashion out of the fabric of the eternal Mind those garments of Christ-mastery which you may comfortably wear.

I urge upon each and every one the realizations of God that are inherent within the Divine Image, which is the Divine Ego. I urge upon you the understanding that the human consciousness, as long

as it is dominated by the carnal mind, is not able to comprehend the things of the Spirit; <15> for these can be understood only through the sweet influences of the Spirit that dwells in man.

How can men make unbelievers out of believers? How can they sway from the teachings those who already have the witness of the living Spirit of God within themselves? <16> For these know firsthand what God is and that He has prepared a wealth of abundant gifts to bestow upon His children—children of the sun of His love, of the brilliance of the Comforter, of the peace of the white dove descending into the chalice of consciousness. They know that He directs the steady, incessant flow of the divine plan into the hearts of worlds without end, and that within man the divine contact testifies to that which is already established in the universal order that man beholds all around him.

Directing the seal of God's Image, of His love, and of the Comforter's witness to those who are diligently preparing for the divine reunion, I am invoking the flame of God-victory, even as the Lord of Hosts is stepping up the tides of victory for each of you who can accept out of the mastery of God's love your victory here and now.

“He must increase, but I must decrease.” <17> Let these words of John the Baptist be our motto in the coming days; and let us acknowledge their inner meaning: the Divine Ego, together with all that is real, must increase, but the human ego and all that is unreal must decrease. In the flame of transmutation, the violet fire of Perfection's Image, the husks of the human consciousness are burned, and they vanish into nothingness. And the whole loaf thereof is leavened by the unity of our love in the Real Image.

Out of the universal passion of God's love I have spoken,

The Maha Chohan

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1. Rom 8:6.
 2. John 12:24.
 3. I Cor. 15:31.
 4. Rom. 8:2.
 5. I Tim. 6:15.
 6. I Cor. 15:40.
 7. II Cor. 3:18.
 8. John 8:58.
 9. Isa. 42:16.
 10. Matt. 5:16.
 11. Exod. 3:2.
 12. John 14:12.
 13. Rev. 21:6.
 14. John 14:2.

The Consciousness of Noncondemnation

Children of the East and the West:

Let not the mercy of God be forgotten! For mercy is a bond of great strength that is often overlooked in the marts of the world, in the teeming cities with all of their kaleidoscopic movement, and even in the forests wild where the fate of creatures great and small is meted by the weapon of the hunter.

We are concerned not only with the realm of outer manifestation, but also with the inner realm of the heart where man's peace is found as an extension of God's peace—if the hardness of the world has not already destroyed therein the tender ministrations of God's love. And it is to the remnant of the children of God upon earth that we dedicate ourselves, and to the preservation of the tender mercies of our God.

Strident voices ring throughout the land condemning mankind and even condemning God. Yet the Son of man came not into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. <1> We cannot say that there are not injustices upon earth which men should forthrightly denounce; for humanity's inhumanities are legion. But He who spoke long ago saying that men should love justice also said that they should love mercy. Just as mercy is to be found in divine justice, so divine justice is to be found in mercy.

When the transgressions of the world are tallied, when every jot and tittle of the law is fulfilled, <2> when the quietude of the Presence is born at last in the hearts of all, then will men possess that gift which wise men of old held above all: "With all thy getting get understanding." <3> In the Light of Christ, in the illumination of the Son of man, personal and planetary injustices are exposed and expelled; mankind's motives and acts are transformed in the effulgence of Truth; error is rebuked and the children of God, freed from the stain of sin by the only begotten of the Lord, are exalted in His Presence.

The qualities of tenderness and earnestness, together with that high standard of cosmic morality which is the fulfillment of spiritual law, are always a part of the divine nature of man. Yet the obvious, or that which appears to be the true character of the individual, should not become the sole basis for one's assessment of the person. Many times people judge one another according to surface appearances, whereas beneath the surface there is a divine motivation so beautifully woven in the fabric of the soul that God Himself is to be found in the threads thereof.

Lack of communion with the Source is often the result of a broken thread. The thread of contact establishes man's link with Hierarchy and with all Life, enabling him to bridge the gap between the human and the divine elements in his own being. When men are willing to understand the law of karma, they will know through the unbroken thread that they share a common debt of mercy to all Life. Yet how tragic it is that the memory contains within its folds not only the records of the benign and the beautiful, but also those of the sordid and the ugly of life's experiences.

I, Kuan Yin, plead then with the Karmic Lords and with the Eternal One for a dispensation for the mankind of earth providing for the mitigation of bad memories at both the personal and the planetary level. I recommend this action in order that the tender loves of our God and His mercies that abide forever <4> might be regenerated within the body of the world thought. How shall this be done? Can we not hide the universal perfection in those clay vessels which by reason of dedication belong unto the Most High? Wise is the providence of God that makes man the repository of His mercy. And above even His mercy is to be found the ritual of forgiveness.

As long as mankind are mindful of their sins and iniquities—of which God has said, “I will remember them no more...though they be as scarlet I will make them as white as snow” <5>—so long will they continue to relive those experiences which in the past have caused them so much grief. The relinquishing of the memory and consciousness of iniquity, the replacing of the penurious sense of sin with the abundant sense of virtue, the recognition of the Universal Image as the Reality of every man, meditation upon the Christ Consciousness, the purification of one's motives in the will of God—these rituals are sufficient for the rekindling of the magnificent mercies of God within the soul that will keep the consciousness free from the oppression of sin.

The sense of sin is not the scourge of God, nor is it the prompting of divine conscience. All too frequently it arises from subconscious realms, originating either in developed feelings of guilt or in undesirable impulses from the mental realm of which Paul spoke when he referred to the prince of the power of the air and the influences thereof working through the children of disobedience. <6>

Men and women of today should understand that each time they indulge in self-condemnation, each time they immerse themselves in feelings of frustrating guilt, whereby sin is sustained and nothing constructive is gained, there occurs an opaquing of the universal Light of the Christ and a temporary dwelling of the soul in the tents of wickedness. <7> Open-mindedness and openheartedness, together with that contriteness of conscience which washes away all sin in the stream of God's universal love, work together to effect a clarity of consciousness, a soul transparency that emits only the purity of the Christ in the communion chalice of being.

Through a renewed awareness of God's power to regenerate and wash white the robes of his consciousness, man comes to that wondrous place on the Path—as Saul did on the road to Damascus <8>—where his spiritual eyes are opened: he beholds the Real Image in himself and in his fellowman and he knows that that Image is the intent of God for every man. He sees all of the qualities of the Universal ever present in his True Self and in the Higher Selves of all whom he meets. It is God's will that they be there; therefore, he sets about learning how to awaken them, how to bring them to life, how to formulate designs of spiritual proficiency in every endeavor.

Thus he will one day earn the blessing of an acknowledged Son of the eternal Father of whom it is said, even if no man say it, “Joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.” <9> And the heavenly host will rejoice over the one lamb of the fold that returns to the Father's love, coming at last into the consciousness of the mercy of God and proclaiming for all eternity, “Thy mercy endureth forever!”

The mercy of God is a quality that is a permanent part of the Godhead. I know full well—having been appointed by divine decree as a member of The Karmic Board, that august body responsible for the administration of universal justice upon the planet—how easy it is for anyone to condemn himself or another. I have also examined the records of mankind's collective errors as well as their individual mistakes; I have seen how from time to time they have created in darkness rather than in Light, how the world has lain in wickedness <10> and walked in shadow and shame for many centuries. But neither myself nor any other member of the Board can accept the premise that goodness can come forth from evil, that darkness can be produced out of Light.

Therefore, it is in the Light of mercy and justice that we dedicate mankind this year to the consciousness of noncondemnation. For we realize that God in His manifold wisdom and love will not forever allow men's wickedness free rein upon earth. It is written, “My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh...” <11> Thus the banal actions of mankind and those attitudes that are so far beneath the standard of the Christ cannot be permitted to endure—even in the name of mercy. They must be dethroned, cast down, and destroyed, preferably through the alchemy of transmutation; and through the Light of reason and the re-creation of eternal mercy, mankind must come to the realization that life on earth is intended to be beautiful, but that this is possible only when everyone holds every experience as sacred.

In this my epistle on an aspect of mercy's flame, I trust that all will gain an awareness of its inherent virtue as it pertains to their own unfoldment. I trust they will see the wisdom in maintaining an attitude of noncondemnation toward themselves and their fellowman and of casting their entire being unto the mercy of God for safekeeping. Thus will the world begin to send forth a stream of avatars, men and women who are aware of their divine Sonship and of their kinship with all that lives. Thus shall we erase from the records of akasha mankind's injustices, practiced against both Creator and creation, which have prevented the pure and beautiful plans of God from ripening unto a harvest of spiritual fruition for all.

O beloved and beautiful souls, let the Light of God's Presence shine forth from your heart and mind and from your aura. Do not harbor feelings of resentment, callousness, or indifference. Cast them down in the name of God! Then shall the regenerate Christ Consciousness flood your being with Light, and the mercy of God be a beacon upon the hill that extends to all men and women the newness of hope realized in the divine plan fulfilled.

Devotedly, I AM and I remain

Kuan Yin

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1. John 3:17.
 2. Matt. 5:18.
 3. Prov. 4:7.
 4. Pss. 136.
 5. Heb. 8:12; Isa. 1:18.
 6. Eph. 2:2.
 7. Pss. 84:10.
 8. Acts 9:8.
 9. Luke 15:7.
 10. I John 5:19.
 11. Gen. 6:3.

The Rebirth of the Christ Consciousness in All Hearts

Hail, O Children of One Father!

With what radiant design did God purpose creation! The small fragment of that design that has been externalized by man limits the release of universal energy into the dimensions of time and space. Yet how cherished is the beautiful image of God that has proclaimed the fragrant portent of His perfect thought!

I come then this day to speak to myriad hearts of the birth of the tender love of God in the forcefield of human thought and feeling. Gazing upon outer manifestations, men are wont to admit that the world is a place of dire foreboding, that darkness does indeed cover the land. <1> Take heart! The perfection of the ages is to be found in the universal majesty of the eternal Christ.

Long ago when I appeared unto Mary and proclaimed the nativity that was to be, my annunciation was received by her as the wonder of God. <2> Thus, although that holy thing which was born of her was fully developed at inner levels of consciousness, the Son of God, once he became a native of Bethlehem of Judea, was in the eyes of men no different from other mortals. The child Jesus grew and waxed strong in spirit, <3> but his calling was known only to the few.

Even today, with the progress and enlightenment of the years, it is still true that men and women of the Spirit go unrecognized by those who are the offspring of the flesh. These, of course, are the children of mammon whose consciousness is wedded to the principle of the way that seemeth right. <4> In his ministry the Master Jesus spoke to these saying, "The Father Himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape. And ye have not His word abiding in you: for whom He hath sent, him ye believe not. Search the scriptures; for in them ye *think* ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." <5>

O beloved hearts of Light, whereas God's grace is everywhere apparent in the world, there has been much desecration of the Sacred Scriptures, much that has been changed of the written Word. Many, out of the dullness of their hearts, believe that God would intervene and prevent men's tampering with Holy Writ. Let all understand that were this the case, there would have been no need for the warning that appears in the Book of Revelation: "I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the Book of Life, and out of the Holy City, and from the things which are written in this book." <6>

If it were possible for the Lord's hosts to set aside cosmic law and enter into the affairs of men, then Heaven would indeed have stopped untold injustices from manifesting upon the planet by simply overriding humanity's free will. *This God has not done.* That which has transpired upon the planetary body has for the most part been subject to the will of man. And those who have sought to prove and disprove, to enter into argumentation and to defend dogma have often rent the living Truth without understanding that through analysis they have destroyed the delicate threads that comprise the tapestry of Life.

In declaring to the ages the need for the rebirth of the Christ Consciousness in all hearts, I, Gabriel, signify to mankind that the cause of much of their difficulty lies in their dogmatic presentations of religious Truth. Failing to take into account the justice and mercy of God that transcends all doctrine, they feed upon the fermentation of human infamy while contemplating the

damnation of “unbelievers”; and in their neglect of natural law, they bypass the Truth hidden within the realm of the heart, unspoken and unknown by either themselves or their contemporaries.

The teachings of Hierarchy given to initiates thousands of years ago, and even up until the time just prior to the birth of John the Baptist, foretold the procession of avatars who would be coming into embodiment. The gifts of the Holy Spirit were imparted to the children from their mother's knee. The principles and precepts of the Law of Life, drawn from the sacred temples of Egypt, were openly discussed in the households as well as in places of worship; and this included the true teachings on karma and reembodiment. Men knew that they were initiators of the law of their own being, that their lives were manifestations of shadow and Light according to their qualification of God's energy, and that above all they should cast the shadows of the past into the Sacred Fire and hold to the Light of the present and the future as they progressed on the Path. And they awaited the birth of John, believing he would be the ensoulment of the prophet Elijah, the forerunner of Jesus, who was destined to fulfill a magnificent mission for The Brotherhood under the Fatherhood of God.

I AM an Archangel. My role is to invoke purity and the immaculate concept on behalf of a planet and its evolutions. I come, then, to announce to humanity that if they will put away the weapons of destruction they presently harbor within their spirits—and that in complete contradiction to the teachings of Heaven—they may well find themselves drinking into the chalice of a New Age of enlightenment and hope. As the Word of the Lord was given to the prophet Isaiah, “They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more,” <7> so it is time for that prophecy to be fulfilled. As soon as mankind are willing to surrender their defenses, they will receive undreamed of assistance in solving the collective problems of the race, making way for a golden era of peace and abundant living.

The political persuasions of mankind are often far removed from the Golden Rule teachings of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, <8> who sought not to create strife between Gog and Magog <9> but to create a fusion of hearts whose faith in God and one another would be founded in the inner teachings of the law of infinite love.

Unfortunately, millions of men and women misunderstand the meaning of love. They presume to understand love but do not. Therefore, they say of those who truly are the manifestation of divine love that they are deceived and deceiving; and they say of those who are filled with hatred and despise—who have allowed their consciences to be seared with a hot iron <10> by continually disobeying the law that is written within their hearts—that they do the will of God. Thus Jesus said, “Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.” <11>

What contradictions abound in these times! In politics and in religion men say one thing and do another. How cleverly the powers of darkness have designed social schisms and economic instabilities! How cleverly they have succeeded in inculcating in man the very root of bitterness <12> and the seeds of division and disillusionment! Not in the letter of the law, beloved hearts, will Life emerge victorious, but in the Spirit which is God. <13>

In proclaiming to humanity the advent of the Christ Consciousness and the victory of the Flame of the World Mother, I send legions of angels to the planet earth—angels of purity, angels of the resurrection, angels from the temples of Light. And they shall bathe the planet and its people in the regenerate energies of the sundering tide of God's love that separates the darkness of mortal thought from the brightness of the triumphant Christ Consciousness.

Soon men everywhere will turn more and more to the advent of love. They will awaken from their long sleep, and they will know that wolves in sheep's clothing <14> have trifled with the very foundations of their spiritual endeavor and that the manipulators have adulterated universal Truth with their carnal reasoning that is incapable of grasping the things of the Spirit. <15> They

will see that the crystallized concepts of orthodoxy are a testimony to the work of the evil ones rather than to the teachings of Christ. And in their repudiation of doctrinal error, which need not be violent, but simply a turning-aside to greater Light, they will find at last the thundering energies of God speaking in their heart and conscience, as from the heights of Sinai and Horeb of old, advocating a return to the simple, childlike expression that is the fiat of the Golden Age: Except ye become as a little child, ye cannot enter in. <16>

For the little child that was to lead them <17> proclaimed in later years, “Before Abraham was, I AM,” <18> thus challenging the consciousness of each man and woman to rise a step higher on the stairway of cosmic justice—the justice of the Creator who has lovingly bestowed upon every son and daughter of God the opportunity to become the Christ. For the manchild that was to rule all nations with a rod of iron <19> knew that at a higher level they would discover the abundant consciousness of the Holy City and reunion with the living God through daily awareness of the Christ and the eternal recognition of the Divine Image in all.

“Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.” <20> The New Age dawneth—the age of joy and fulfillment in the Son of Righteousness and Truth—when the cry of the jackal and the wolf shall be heard no more in the land, when the Light of ten thousand suns shall blaze an annunciation trail unto every mother, speaking of her responsibility to every child of God, of her hopes for the future of all mankind, yea, of the eternal procession of worlds without end.

I AM one with the Light of the Archangels,

Gabriel

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1. Isa. 60:2
 2. Luke 1:26-38.
 3. Luke 2:40.
 4. Prov. 14:12.
 5. John 5:37-39.
 6. Rev. 22:18-19.
 7. Isa. 2:4.
 8. Rev. 17:14.
 9. Rev. 20:8.
 10. I Tim. 4:2.
 11. Luke 6:26.
 12. Heb. 12:15.
 13. II Cor. 3:6.
 14. Matt. 7:15.
 15. I Cor. 2:14.
 16. Matt. 18:3.

17. Isa. 11:6.

18. John 8:58.

19. Rev. 12:5.

20. Isa. 40:3.

The Matrix of Universal Love

To All Who Would Know the Meaning of Love:

We come to the subject of matrices. Just as Mater signifies Matter and the substance of the creation in the formed state, so do matrices, the molds of creation, reproduce in the world of Matter-form the designs impressed upon them by their creator man. The matrix of love is the matrix God has placed as the foundation of Cosmos and all that is contained therein. If man would derive the intended benefit from this original matrix, he must identify with the pulsations of love in nature and reattune the frequency of his consciousness in order to extract from the universe the essence of the Lord's Spirit that is locked in the matrix of love.

“Though I understand all mysteries and all knowledge,” wrote Saint Paul to the church at Corinth, “and have not charity [love], I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal... Charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,” <1> he observed. But the proud talkers in every age say, “See me, here am I,” without ever becoming instruments for the magnificent gifts of love which God has placed in nature, in Matter, and, I might add, in man.

Matrices are important. Nowhere is this more evident than in mass production, where the demands are such that out of an original mold an assembly line of endless articles must be manufactured—all exactly alike. Now there are matrices of thought and there are matrices of feeling. Those which are perfect are from Above; those which are imperfect are from below. The latter are mass-produced by mankind out of the almost infinite variety of concepts, precepts, and diverse feelings which they hold about persons, places, conditions, and things. The effect of these matrices upon his life, his environment, and his future is seldom fully realized by man.

Perhaps it would be clearer for some if I were to refer to matrices as patterns, for this is exactly what they are. Patterns that are pure may be defined as those which faithfully duplicate the blueprint of some aspect of the creation; these originate in the Mind of God and are re-created in the consciousness of the undefiled among His children. Patterns that are impure are defined as those which do not faithfully reproduce the archetypes of the Creator's thought; these originate in minds unperfected by the Mind which was in Christ Jesus. <2> It can be said that some of each—the pure and the impure—occupy the consciousness of unascended man.

Now there are patterns in the subconscious as well as the conscious mind of man just as there are ideas both latent and active in the Universal Mind. Many ideas of which man is momentarily or fragmentarily conscious descend into the realm of the subconscious, where, forgotten, they lie as dormant seeds until the release of energy into the mold produces for good or for ill after its kind.

Where constancy is extolled as the highest virtue—constancy to the pure forms and ideas of the Christ Mind—in the creation of thought, feeling, and action patterns, these will yield marvelous results, reproducing after their kind over and over again. Like rubber stamps of perfection retained at conscious and subconscious levels, these automatically qualify the descending energies of the Presence with the patterns of beauty, righteousness, and truth originally set up by man himself through the correct use of free will. Those who are careful in the manufacture of the original mold, in the planning of their thoughts and feelings according to the highest patterns which God has given to the universe and man, receive the reward of a just steward. Even patterns of sunshine and shadow are creations of the God of Nature. But matrices of idleness and boredom are the creations of man, who thus fulfills the edicts of his own lack of response to the spark of God inherent in nature and himself.

It is a strange mystery, the mystery of Life. Akin to the mystery of Love, it is not understood by the average man or woman, who have not beheld either the purpose of Life or the purpose of Love. Let us consider, then, that the plan of Universal Love, in conveying the mystery of Life to each individual ideation of God, is to enable the individual to respond of his own accord to the vibratory qualities of love found in the first magnificent gift of God—the only begotten Son, the Universal Christ.

Yet the Universal Christ is not understood until it becomes personified in one such as the Lord Jesus. To some the universal aspect of the Christ seems remote and impersonal because they find it easier to identify with the embodiment of a principle than with the principle itself—with a person than with a pattern; for this they can relate to their own personality. In reality, this lack of understanding, this limited perspective, prevents them from seeing the universal nature of the man Jesus—the *manifestation* of the Universal Christ. For he who perfectly embodies the universal and impersonal God becomes that which he is the embodiment of.

Therefore, if we have eyes to see and ears to hear, if we have the pure patterns already fixed in mind and heart, we will find in Jesus not only the personal Christ but also the impersonal God—not only the individual Christ but also the universal image of the Son of God. Seeing only the personal, man is deprived of the universal; thus he can know God only in part until he corrects his vision and his logic with perfected matrices. The personal image, although more relevant to the evolving monad at a certain stage of soul development, can express but a portion of the universal image.

It seems to me that in the matter of executing the symmetry of a perfect matrix, it would be helpful if man could understand the mystery of his own individuality and how that individuality relates to other individualities in the cosmic scheme. If he would gain this understanding, he must first be willing to relate to Love as the author and finisher of the creation. There is nothing wrong with a personal image if one sees it as the link to the universal image and as the open door to higher realms. Entering thereby into octaves of Light and the universal nature of the Christ, man experiences a greater manifestation of Cosmic Consciousness, a greater measure of the divine dispensation. And he finds that it is even possible for him to obey the admonishment of Paul “Let this [Universal] Mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus.” Thus Paul, in explaining the Universal Christ made personal through the life and works of the Master, spoke of him in this wise:

“Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” <3>

The Father symbolizes the Progenitor, the Eternal Creator, the Supreme One. By the power of the Word, the Universal Christ, He made all things that comprise the spiritual-material creation—the Macrocosm, the microcosm, worlds for countless evolutions, bodies to house the souls of billions of cherished lifestreams, minds to receive the impressions of His own—all as a ministry of love.

Beloved ones, the carnal mind never has and never will be able to understand the concept of Jesus being a divine incarnation in a physical body. Men look at their own physical bodies and fail to see how this body could be sanctified by the Holy Spirit and made the temple of the living God. They do not relate their own being to the power of Love that originally sent forth the only begotten Son. <4> When man understands the mystery of the Christ within Jesus, he is able to understand the mystery of the God within himself. And only then will he cease to create self-limiting matrices that cast him in the mold of mortality and prescribe the boundaries of his advancing thought or the cosmic progression of his being.

When God made man in the great image of His love, it was not His intent to confine man within a finite expression of Himself, but to give him the opportunity to master, and thus become, the limitless qualities of the Light itself in all of its ramifications. The Light denotes the Christ, and the Christ is the Light of the world, <5> the Light of man, the Light of Being; He is called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. <6> It may help you to understand that whereas God made all things by releasing the power of the Word through cosmic matrices, pressing the creative energies through the molds of His perfect thought, He placed within man a master blueprint, the archetypal pattern of the Christ Consciousness, like unto the original design by which the whole of creation was brought forth.

Man lacks nothing, for God saw to it that the power of His love and grace infused each individual spirit-spark with those radiant virtues which are very much a part of Himself. He made all things by Christ—by the Word which conveyed Life to the uttermost depths of the void. The Christ, then, was first the universal manifestation of the Father-Mother God and then the individualization of that manifestation. Begotten of God, a Spirit, He also is Spirit cast in His Image. Thus, each individualization of the Christ, each fragment of the Universal One in physical embodiment, is a spirit, hence a joint heir with Christ, <7> having within himself the potential of imitating in all of his thoughts and feelings and actions the original creation of the Father.

In the divine manifestation called man, there can be no limitation whatsoever; for there is no limitation in God, who is the original matrix for every *manifestation*. This concept, when accepted as a matrix within the consciousness of man, becomes regenerative; for it re-creates the great recycling patterns of Universal Love. The desire to create, inherent within the Godhead Himself, was the basis for the original creation. This desire resulted not only in the creation of man made in the image of the Deity but also in the bequeathing to man of the selfsame desire and the means to implement it as a co-creator with God.

As he enters into the realization of his creative potential, man must develop the sense of limitless being, the sense of the abundant Life. He must replace the treacherous spirit of competition, which seized the heart of Cain and still dominates the mass consciousness, with the all-pervading sense of the abundant Love. Love has created him; he is made in the image of Love. Love will sustain him; Love will guide him every step of the way; Love will produce in him the regeneration of the Christ; and all of Heaven will bow to the Light within him because he has enthroned the Christ within his heart and developed an inner rapport with the universal Presence of Love.

The marvelous sense of freedom that comes to the individual when he begins to realize that he can create, that he is destined to be a co-creator with God, and that he is already creating, whether he works in darkness or in Light, begets not only a feeling of responsibility to all of Cosmos and to one's fellowman but also the deep desire to successfully meet the challenges of that responsibility.

He concludes that the old familiar patterns which for centuries have generated sorrow and pain must now be cast aside; the totality of his individual creation must embrace, in a godlike manner, the patterns of the Infinite expressed through the Christ Mind. He knows that he is here for a reason—a grand and noble purpose—and he must assimilate the great lessons he is intended to learn in the planetary schoolroom and through his association with his classmates. Tenderness toward all Life and the balance of universal reason are become his master controls, and to these he readily consents; for now he understands that these controls are divine matrices, patterns of Universal Love outworking perfection in his life. He welcomes them not as chains of bondage, but as links of freedom; and he seeks to reestablish their divine hold in his consciousness and world.

It is up to man, then, at the great harvest of the seeds he has sown—at the great return of the matrices he has sent forth—to separate the sheep from the goats, <8> the Light from the darkness, the pure from the impure patterns he has created, and then to lift into the heaven world, into his own Causal Body where the gentle things of love abide, those permanent graces which he has outpictured and which the Creator desires to make a very real part of his consciousness.

Man must develop the heavenly consciousness in order to establish within himself a lodestone of infinite Love that will draw to him the fullness of the Godhead bodily that it might dwell in him <9> and that he might escape the errors of the past through the universal magnitude of the Cosmic Christ. Such attainment can in no way diminish the mission of Jesus or of any other avatar, but it only serves to prove that inherent within the gift of Life itself was the gift of free will whereby each man, in reestablishing the will of God for and within himself, becomes a replica of the selfsame grace—the Word by which the worlds were framed, <10> the Word that was made flesh and dwelt among us. <11>

It has never been the intent of God to create a slave creation, but one that would masterfully demonstrate the power of the beloved Son of God individualized in man. No higher honor can be paid to the Master Jesus than to become one with God and one with Christ. Unfortunately, down through the years men in their dogmas have promoted the idea that the man who establishes himself as a focus for God is detracting from the goodness of God or of Jesus. But Divine Love reveals the fallacy of their reasoning and gives to those who would know the Truth the pure logic of the Law. The true devotee of God and Christ knows that he is obliged to establish a focus of Father and Son within himself; and he feels a similar obligation, as the result of his own attunement with the higher frequencies of Life, to perform, free of the competitive sense, those acts that pay the highest tribute to God and man: the imitation of Christ.

To follow Him in the regeneration is to do the will of God—not only to name Him, not only to pray to Him, but also to establish Him in one's life as a permanent focus of the Sacred Fire. Thus is the matrix of Universal Love—of the only begotten Son of the Father full of grace and truth <12>—openly welcomed into the life of each individual; and through Him alone is the original cosmic blueprint established.

Is this not the loveliest valentine that any man or woman could receive—the realization that the flame within his heart is one with the Flame in the Heart of God; that his feelings are regenerating the patterns of the Ancient of Days; that his mind, imbued with the matrices of the Christ, is thinking the thoughts that beat in rhythm with the Heart of Universal Love, the Mind of Universal Love, and the Being of Universal Love!

Devoted to this eternal Principle, I remain

Paul the Venetian

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1. I Cor. 13:1-2, 4.
 2. Phil. 2:5.
 3. Phil. 2:6-11.
 4. John 3:16.
 5. John 8:12.
 6. Isa. 9:6.
 7. Rom. 8:17.
 8. Matt. 25-32.
 9. Col. 2:9.

10. Heb. 11:3.

11. John 1:14.

12. John 1:14.

The Symmetry of the Christ Mind

Followers of God's Beauty:

The symmetry inherent within the universe indicates to the seeking heart how carefully God has wrought, producing miracle after miracle, not only in manifest form but also in the unmanifest and the formless. Yet seldom in a lifetime do men touch upon the vastness of their own cosmic potential. It is essential, therefore, in the name of universal progress, that each man begin the realization of the magnificent miracle of Life which he holds within himself. With this goal in mind, we dedicate the instruction in this *Pearl of Wisdom* to all who hold dear the progressive revelations of The Brotherhood.

In a vital sense man can be compared to a flame—a moving flame that dances with progress. The energies of man that proceed from the flame are electrical. And the electricity of which I speak is a vital manifestation, both governing thought and being governed by thought. Those who would exercise greater self-control and greater control over their sense of the beautiful must first exercise dominion over the flame and all that comes forth from it. Then they will automatically have that faith in the beauties of both man and nature which is essential to the attainment of God-control over oneself and one's environment.

Some consider beauty to be sameness. Others see the great variety of expression that can be achieved within the bounds of beauty in the universal order. In reality, a tremendous variegation is possible as man expands his awareness of beauty. God has given to man a reasonable license in his exercise of the sense of the beautiful, expecting him to show a marked restraint when experimenting with new patterns, forms, and colors. He has also placed within his soul a mystical sense of the beautiful that allows him free range of thought and feeling to tune in with the grace of God's beauty available through his own inner awareness of the infinite beauties of macrocosmic and microcosmic worlds.

The spirit of competition, although considered by mankind to be the necessary stimulus of excellence, also poses certain problems. Men feel confined within the ranges of their thoughts. In seeking freedom from these confines, they enter into competition with each other; and in their attempts to outdo one another, they shut off, by the damper of selfishness, the interplay of the sacred flames of God that show forth the intricate beauties of His Diamond Shining Mind.

Those who would draw forth from that Mind the magnificent ideational patterns contained within the Alpha and Omega spirals require the freedom of expression enjoyed by a Cosmic Master, whose discipline in the Law, free from the competitive sense, would never allow him to go beyond the cosmic geometry to bring forth a masterpiece simply for the purpose of outdoing another Cosmic Master. Such a one seeks to complement his brother's achievements born out of his communion with Life. The thought of bettering his effort does not occur to him, for he knows that both are tapping the same Source and have equal opportunity to realize an angle new or old of the symmetry of Life. He is not ashamed to reproduce the qualities of sameness that carry the theme of the universal design; for he recognizes his opportunity to contribute various techniques that will enhance the same qualities which others have chosen to enhance with their techniques.

How tragic it is that men spend lifetime after lifetime playing their competitive games, deriving temporary satisfaction in topping one another's achievements instead of simply enjoying the abundant Life and the limitless sense that wells up from within the childlike heart—the sense that comes from the natural expression of the thoughts of God that unfold within the mind attuned to the Infinite.

Just as a flower joyously opens its petals according to its own preordained pattern, so man can release the energies of his consciousness into the blueprint of identity that marks the perfect concept and the patterned destiny—his very own from the beginning. Just as the etheric pattern of the flower is there—an electrical forcefield surrounding the bud with an aura of expectancy—so the design God has willed for each manifestation of Himself surrounds the evolving monad as a cocoon of Light, containing within itself all that man requires to fulfill his divine plan. As the flower unfolds, it follows the outline of the pattern which Nature has lovingly pressed upon its cellular structure. No resistance to the cosmic flow is here, but movement toward reunion with the Whole and a momentum of aeons, of Life evolving Life, begetting beauty and expanding the universal order. Thus Nature teaches man the Way; and if he would follow, his life, too, would be the outpicturing on earth of heaven's immortal loveliness.

The question of selecting a medium to express one's art is easily resolved when one recognizes that there is a pattern basic and unique to every thing, to every idea, to every desire. The very desire to express, inherent within every form of Life, creates and evolves its own progressive pattern which goes before it, providing the forcefield for its unfoldment. Naturalness in living—a quality which some seem to enjoy to the fullest and others, wrapped up as they are in an artificial existence, fail utterly to comprehend—is a state of nonresistance to the soul patterns inherent in man and nature. Naturalness in living, as a quality of freedom, is also a quality of beauty. But let men not confuse what we term the natural with the base elements of man's nature; for these are unnatural, whereas all that is pure and lovely, all that is of the Christ in man, is truly natural because it is the true nature with which he was endowed by God.

In the past as well as in the present, too many artists have felt compelled to use garish colors because these attract the attention of lifestreams whose lack of spiritual evolution causes them to have an affinity for the lower vibrations to which such colors correspond. But if the artist is true to his art, he will not display his work for the approval of the lower nature in man, but for the higher. He will strive to raise man from levels of mediocrity to a superior appreciation of Life. As the consciousness becomes more and more refined, the soul's appreciation of the qualities of the etheric plane are transferred to the outer consciousness, and man finds himself enjoying the more subtle expressions of light and color—the pastel hues and delicate shadings of sunlight as it plays upon Nature in all her glory.

Just as people point to the never-ending chain of cause and effect sequences in the riddle “Which came first, the chicken or the egg?” so we would point to the mutuality of influence that exists between a man and his art; just as cultural levels are influenced by society, so society is influenced by its culture. Just as a refined consciousness is aware of refined beauty, so those who are surrounded by the refinements of true culture tend to gain a refinement of consciousness. Until man refines the matrices of his consciousness at both conscious and subconscious levels, and until he gains mastery of the flow of thought and feeling ideations through the nexus of consciousness, he will inadvertently create discordantly.

The act of consciously creating after the patterns of things in the heavens <1> enables man to relate his consciousness with the Higher Mind. Thus he initiates a cause-effect sequence whereby he is influenced by the perfection of the creation even as he creates perfection in his art. This is the purpose of mandalas—geometric forms and designs used in meditation <2>—to draw the consciousness of man into the symmetry of the Christ Mind, that he might manifest that symmetry first in his form and consciousness and then in all his endeavors. Long ago Saint Paul spoke of this ritual of congruency as the girding-up of the loins of the mind. <3>

The rapport with nature which man establishes in his being and consciousness, his engrossment with the realm of material manifestation, and his perfecting of the technique of precipitation from Spirit to Matter are intended to draw him back to the realm of Spirit, the plane of First Cause. Here he contacts the fires of creation which imbue his mind with a higher inspiration; indeed, he is at the Source, and all that he wills into manifestation will bear the mark of perfection. As he makes a

habit of going to the God Presence for the outline of his work, he finds evolving in his consciousness the magnitude of the Father's love as his own creative potential. This is the gift of freedom the Lord of Creation intends all of his sons and daughters to have, that they might go forth to create, worlds without end, joyously, magnificently, after the patterns which God Himself employed.

It must be remembered that man's native drives to be and to create are originally derived from God—no matter how far they have departed from their pristine purity, muddied though they may be by the splatterings of darkness which have afflicted the race. Those who allow themselves to continue working from a false premise in the fields of art, music, and drama, or any area of creativity, thinking they can move from the base levels of the human consciousness to a progressive achievement of a “new art,” may find, upon contacting the teachings of the Ascended Masters which set forth the standard of perfection in every area of living, that the foundation of their experiments and the structure of their work based in imperfect matrices needs to be swept aside.

Saint Paul referred to this as the trial by fire. He said: “Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.” <4>

We submit all things to the judgment of the Law. We place the harvest of mankind's achievements upon the foundation of the living Word in order that what is made of straw might be consumed by the Sacred Fire. Even in the realm of spiritual art, where man is consciously working to externalize a facet of the cosmic design, unless he involves his consciousness in the universal spirals of creation, he may find himself stopped short of the desired goal and required by natural law to retrace his steps, to undo that which is imperfect, and to begin again with the original design.

At first this may seem to him to be a suffering of great loss. Do not his goodwill and his effort merit recognition even if his work is found wanting? He would almost rather continue as he is—so great is the momentum required to reverse his course—even though he knows his labor is in vain. But very soon he realizes that to continue upon his present course would deprive him of the opportunity for right action in all his endeavors—and still he would ultimately have to return to the original patterns. Wherefore he feels a great need to enter in spirit into the original creation that he might drink deeply of the thoughts of the Mind of God by which He framed the worlds. <5>

In the arts, as in every walk of life, it is sometimes necessary for individuals to take a seemingly backward step in order that a greater forward step might be taken. We cannot espouse those movements in art and literature, such as surrealism, which draw their form and content from the realm of the subconscious, unless that subconscious be sanctified by the Holy Ghost. We must advocate simplicity in design, pure geometric forms, and the depicting of those ideal qualities and images which originate in the Superconscious, or Christ, Mind. We recognize what we would call an expansion for living, through an expansion of Life, to be the purpose of all art. For art, to be worthy of the name, must raise the consciousness of a people into a higher understanding of the Life that is real—Life as God knows it and not as man has distorted it.

Remember, beloved hearts of Light—all who would create, all who would bring forth design in any field—that your work is the work of God and that you must strive to ensoul it with patterns that have a peaceful and benign effect upon the beholder. The statement that beauty is in the eye of the beholder <6> ought not to be forgotten. Therefore, if you desire to express beauty for others, to capture on canvas, in a poem, or in a musical composition some hieroglyph of cosmic worth, that those who behold your work may see beyond the physical into a realm of beauty not known before, you yourself must seek to embody in greater measure the divine ideals.

Seldom do those in the field of art realize the enormous effect that they exert upon their society by reason of the patterns of their own life which carry forth into their art. For the life, the thoughts, the

feelings, and the concepts that the individual has are an art in themselves. And a man's total personality is reflected in his work, which then becomes the expression of the inward art which he is. Thus through art, when it is used for the communication of noble ideas, as God intended, the forcefield of human thought becomes tethered to the divine.

The bounties of God's eternal grace are to be found everywhere; these are worthy to be preserved not in one, but in many art forms. Knowing this, artists and artisans ought to seek the Holy Spirit and the patterns thereof as a means of ensouling their work with the essence of the heavenly matrix and the power of the Sacred Word. Thus men will learn to transfer to their lives, as they have in their art, the expressions of a higher and more permanent beauty. And they will understand how to fashion their art of living after their art, even as their philosophy of living has shaped the media of their art. For in both they will have acquired the discipline of preserving only those precepts which are worthy to endure.

All intricacy of artistic expression is based upon the progressive reason of God, from the simplest to the most profound logic of the Word. The interaction of the deeper mysteries may then engage more of man's energies and being than he at first feels capable of. But as he moves through the divine art upward into the domain of cosmic reason—all his fears left behind, the dark elements of his world forsaken—he develops the confidence of a tightrope walker in a circus. Totally dependent upon the grace of God to secure the skills he has mastered, he knows that if he obeys the laws of the universe, by His mercy he shall proceed safely from chaos to order to accomplish a great and noble work for God and man. With this confidence, a sacred trust born of his friendship with the Lord of Life, and with faith in the nobility God has placed within his soul, he is able to fabricate according to the divine design.

The works which I accomplished during my embodiment as Paolo Veronese <7> were the manifestation of my absolute faith in God's ability to perform through me whatsoever He desired. It is this essential faith which each man or woman who espouses the noble cause of enriching the quality of life upon the planetary body must have in order to sustain the necessary matrix for the completion of his work.

It has been my experience that to be successful as an artist in the service of the Christ, one must imbue the figures and forms which he portrays on canvas with the qualities of faith, hope, and charity that quicken in all who see them the response that lifts the heart and propels it into spiritual dimensions. I would say that one must also endow his creation with his own momentum of creativity and that unless he espouse the cause of ennobling the souls of others as a part of his creative endeavor, he is not fulfilling his *raison d'être*.

Whatever the artist desires to communicate must be infused within his work at the time of its creation, for it is not possible to do so at a later date. If at that moment his thoughts and feelings are chaotic, his work will also be chaotic; if they are harmonious, his work will also be harmonious. Likewise, he who would perfect the technique of recording in Matter-form the ideas of God and man, of “making art” as we might say, should realize that he can never communicate to form and substance that which he has not first experienced within himself. Only by reaching up into a realm higher than himself, into the dwelling place of the angelic hosts, into the habitation of the Most High God, only by penetrating Cosmos and gaining proximity to those who have approximated the Consciousness of God, can the artist convey to others through his work the divine experience. This is what I would term the *religio* art experience, whereby all who look upon his work, no matter what their conviction, have a religious experience, a communion with an aspect of Being that is beyond themselves, an aspect which they would not contact under ordinary circumstances.

Thus the true work of art can be nothing more or less than a catalyst whereby the human transcends itself and becomes one with the Divine. The true work of art must convey a universal principle through the presentation of a personal and particular aspect of Life. It must take the individual from the specific to the general, from the personal to the impersonal, without binding his

consciousness to doctrine or dogma, without confining his soul to planes of consciousness not native to its own. The true work of art has many meanings for people of diverse backgrounds; allowing for the confluence of multifaceted ideas through the one Mind, it serves to integrate humanity into the Body of God, captivating souls at various points of the upward-moving spiral, the great godward cycle of individual initiation and fulfillment.

Each individual aspect of the grand mural of Life can also be tested according to these criteria so that every man and woman might know if his life is an outpicturing of the divine art. For although all men are not artists in the usual sense of the word, they are apprentices of the Master Artist, commissioned by the Lord God Himself to practice the divine art of refining their nature, their thoughts, their feelings, and their entire being, that they might make a unique contribution to the mural of Life. One might say that they become less and less of their former selves and more and more of the Greater Self they seek to be as they accept the role of being a contributing artist of the divine panorama and as they recognize that it is the acts of God through man, the works of art wrought by His Hand through the hands of man, that communicate the higher Life to all.

To follow the Christ in the regeneration, to follow His Star to the Throne of God, to be raised from the dead—these goals, set before man as hurdles of the Great Law, are the divine stimulus of excellence. In striving to attain them we are reminded of the strivings of others on the Path, such as Paul, who said, “I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.” <8>

Thus men must think and feel, know and be, and see and manifest that aspect of God's Consciousness which desires to communicate unto them newness of Life. For the divine art is waiting to be born in every man; the spirals of regeneration press upon his mind and heart, exacting the excellent manifestation of God in man. Man seeks to be a chalice. He already has a chalice—the chalice of his consciousness. True it is that the consciousness is in the formative state; and this is precisely the challenge of Life, the challenge of being an artist of the Spirit: the perfecting of the chalice through the mastering of the divine art.

There is an ongoingness about the divine art; there is a sense of progressive fulfillment that seizes the consciousness of the one who seizes it. Those who fail to apprehend the purpose of Life as an opportunity to engage their total being in the flow of the divine art soon lose that sense, and their creative faculties become stultified; thus man himself, by his failure to enter into the cosmic flow, stalls his own progress and stills the natural and progressive movement of the soul.

There are times when, by reason of an inner prompting, man engages in the necessary act of retrospection and introspection, when he ponders that which has transpired in his life—his losses and his gains, his forward and backward movements, his past and present levels of attainment, and just what he is and where he is as opposed to what and where he would like to be. By so doing man can assess his rate of progress and take steps to counteract all that detracts from his pursuit of primary goals. Not as a continuing process, but as a periodic self-evaluation, this examining of one's motives and acts, past and present, can be extremely useful as the disciple prepares himself for the progressive cycles of initiation which, sooner or later, come to everyone on the Path.

The transition of man from the spiritually inactive to the spiritually active state should be automated under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. When the pillar of fire or pillar of cloud <9> begins its forward movement before his consciousness by night or by day, man must be ready to follow. It does not matter what the world thinks; to the soul in pursuit of spiritual Reality, human opinion is of no consequence. His constant prayer is “Lead me from the unreal to the Real! Lead me from darkness to Light! Lead me from death to immortality!” <10> And always it is God who leads and man who follows.

It is the education of the young that I would speak of—not of the young in body, but of the young in heart and of the young in spirit. For they recognize that the Lord of Creation has appointed Elder

Bards of cosmic art to preside over the universal order and that, as Master Artists, they are eager and willing, under divine direction, to teach mankind how to realize their cosmic potential and to bequeath to them their own momentums of cosmic achievement.

Neither I nor any other Ascended Master has ever found fault with man's adoration of the Christ, whether this be of the Universal Christ or of Christ Jesus born in Bethlehem long ago. In his own expression of the depth, the height, and the riches of God, Jesus has said again and again, both to us and to his embodied disciples, "It behooves every man who would pursue the divine art to summon the original creative power which 'before Abraham was—I AM,' <11> the creative wisdom and the creative love which were inherent within the Mind of the Creator before form was."

Just as the Universal Christ is in us all, in every Master, in every angel and the blessed elementals who sustain the petals of a rose and the boughs of the pines in the forest, so Light and Life and Intelligence pervade all substance. Man should seek to communicate with these aspects of God's Consciousness with which He has endowed both the spiritual and the material creation. For even that which appears to be inert matter is imbued with the universal Christ Consciousness.

In accepting the form consciousness of the Master of Love who walked the shores of Galilee two thousand years ago, man often neglects to realize the imbuelement by the Lord of heaven and earth <12> of the entire creation with Light and its manifold reflections. But through the initiations leading to God-mastery, man discovers the penetrability of all substance and being by the Universal God, by the Universal Christ, by the person of the Christ in Jesus or in any man. For to be a joint heir with Him <13> means to be one with Him in thought, in word, and in deed.

The divine art is dynamic beyond the ken of mortal thought. Through the outreach of his consciousness, man comes to definite conclusions regarding his place in the great cosmic flow. Thus he achieves an ongoing expression of the divine symmetry; for art, both material and spiritual, is eternally progressive.

Devotedly, I AM

Paul the Venetian

1. Heb. 9:23

2. Webster's dictionary defines mandala as a Hindu or Buddhist graphic symbol of the universe: a circle enclosing a square with a deity on each side.

3. I Pet. 1:13.

4. I Cor. 3:13-15

5. Heb. 11:3.

6. Margaret Wolfe Hungerford, MOLLY BAWN.

7. Paolo Veronese (1528-1588), the name given to Paolo Caliari or Cagliari, the famous Italian painter of the Veronese and Venetian schools. Among his most celebrated paintings are MARRIAGE AT CANA, FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF SIMON THE PHARISEE, and SUPPER AT EMMAUS in the Louvre; THE MADONNA OF THE CUCINNA FAMILY and the ADORATION OF THE MAGI in the Dresden gallery; THE MARRIAGE OF ST. CATHERINE, CERES AND VENICE, and FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF LEVI in the Venetian academy; and THE FINDING OF MOSES in the Washington gallery.

8. Phil. 3:13-14.

9. Exod. 13:21.

10. BRIHADARANYAKA UPANISHAD.

11. John 8:58.

12. Acts 17:24.

13. Rom. 8:17.

Understanding the Kingdom of Self

To Those to Whom Is Given the Gift of Eternal Life:

In the midst of your existence, while Christ is being formed in you <1> that your days might become secure and eternal, I advocate the pursuit of a spiritual perspective through an honest introspection that neither condemns nor exalts the self unduly. And I suggest that through an objective self-evaluation you seek to establish the necessary guidelines that assure each man and woman an ongoing progress, which every son of God deserves.

But I would caution you concerning mankind's tendency to fall into the jaws of the trap of being puffed up with pride. This comes about through the accumulation of darkness simultaneously with Light. And each such folly indulged in by the seeker after godliness must become a reckoning point in his eventual emancipation from all darkness and his exaltation by grace into Light.

In the matter of bodily health, the state of the mind and spirit must be considered. How foolish it is for men to ignore the content of the mind and to fail to examine that which they allow to fall into it; for the mind can be a pit and a snare because it is of the earth, earthy. <2> Men should carefully watch the intake of their minds, for out of all that is absorbed therein are often compounded those animallike qualities which later appear "out of nowhere" to crush the evolving Christ Consciousness, both in its infancy and as it approaches a mature perfection. A man must consider how he becomes his own worst enemy. Unless this be done, his progress may be slow; for within the circle of his being, he will find lurking the most crafty of enemies.

There are many victims of maladies of the mind and spirit who attribute to outside forces the distortions which they themselves have taken into their world. Let us seek to cast out of each blessed monad the negativities that have entered there in order that the eyes may see with singleness of vision the beauty of the emerging Christ. For it is not enough to be called a follower of Christ, a follower of Buddha, or an adherent of any religion accredited by God or man; we must wash one another's feet and minister unto our Lord in all whom we meet.

The seamless garment worn by the Master Jesus tells us of the need for the consciousness that would become identified with the all-loving Father to exclude any and all divisive concepts or dogmatic presentations of the letter that result from the intake of fragmented ideas. Whatever does not hold the being of man to the seamless-garment consciousness, to the unity of the Holy Spirit, or to the sweetness of universal bliss whose cup of joy runneth over <3> throughout the universe, is not pure religion undefiled before God.

If man can become his own worst enemy, shall he not perceive how he can escape from the buffeting of this consciousness? Shall he not determine how he can cease to feed the Moloch of the human ego that so easily becomes the snare of his soul? Shall he not recognize the beauty of the Divine Ego? For, as it has been told in the story of Jacob and Esau, <4> man's spiritual birthright is mighty indeed and ought to be zealously guarded. The Divine Ego is the firstborn in every man; then comes the human ego into carnal manifestation. And of this men ought to beware. Esau, being the firstborn, was given the first opportunity to manifest Christ-dominion; but because victory is in spiritual election—in each man's free-will choice—Jacob, who more eagerly pursued identification with the Divine Ego, must in honor be preferred as the elect of God. Thus to him Esau, who identified with the wants and desires of the human ego, bowed and sold his birthright.

"So the last shall be first, and the first last... <5> "Howbeit," the Apostle declared: "that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man

is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven... As we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.” <6>

I believe that splinters of gross darkness are often found within the very life of the individual who seeks after righteousness but finds that it escapes him. The poison of asps <7> lies subtly concealed beneath the surface of the mind. Beloved, all bitterness should be cast out. Only then will the soul be truly free to build those concepts of Christ-reality which are akin to the Mind of God.

What more shall I say regarding the health of the body that proceeds from the health of the mind and spirit? So much remains hidden, even in feelings of hatred and mild dislike, which are actually masochistic tendencies in that they overthrow the peace of God in man. But this peace abides naturally within the mind that is unafraid to pursue an existence patterned after the plan which God first formed in the heavens.

Today, faced with all modern dilemmas, man must still look to the ancient covenant which the eternal Father made with the soul of each one and which is the most beautiful promise of hope that anyone can find anywhere. The strengthening of the bonds of love, the uprooting of the seeds of anxiety and fear, and the elimination of the sense of struggle are keys that open the door of individual happiness leading to the altar of mercy. Here man finds the peace of Heaven that provides progress and movement to the soul and removes the barriers of self-love that are always imposed by man upon himself.

To this direction I write, that this my epistle for twentieth-century man, issuing forth from the Heart of eternal Life, may set before him that measure of perfection which truly is his star. In following the pathway that leads to spiritual triumph, man should rejoice in his ability to recognize the plan of God and, above all, he should be unafraid to destroy those weeds of conflict in the garden of his mind and being that may lead him astray. Thus in casting out the darkness of the mind of the ego, he will see clearly how to cast out the enemy within and how to triumph over the enemy without.

Dedicated to a greater understanding of the kingdom of self, of man's true identity, and of the strength of the Spirit, I am extending my counsel as admonishment and as the revelation of the splendor of the ages, which by His grace I have seen wholly self-evident in Christ. The building of victory over the carnal man is accomplished through the clear seeing of the Holy Spirit, whose warmth and radiance of love becomes a mark of health unto the soul, making fat thy bones <8> and causing the body to glow according to the measure of perfection that lies within. And nowhere does perfection blossom more beautifully than where it is welcomed and cultured as a pearl of great price, <9> the gift of our God whose mercy endureth forever. <10>

In your getting of understanding <11> be unafraid to travel over the same road you have traveled before; for in the very things you may have overlooked, you will often find the manifestation of a grace undreamed of by the natural man. The things of the Spirit in their hallowed beauty pass unnoticed by those involved in self-centered and transient activities. Oh, how much they lose and how much the God-directed man gains of those fragile concepts of heaven which are able to bestow upon him permanent happiness. Thus does divine dominion reveal itself to be the thrust of eternal purpose.

I remain devoted to the integration of wholeness and strength within the Body of God upon earth. Truly you are as little children as you love one another and grow in grace and wisdom into His Consciousness that is within you.

Hilarion <12>

1. Gal. 4:19.

2. I Cor. 15:47.

3. Pss. 23:5.

4. Gen. 25:24-34.

5. Matt. 20:16.

6. I Cor. 15:46-47, 49.

7. Rom. 3:13.

8. Isa. 58:11.

9. Matt. 13:46.

10. Pss. 118.

11. Prov. 4:7.

12. The Ascended Master Hilarion, Chohan of the Fifth Ray of Science and Healing, was embodied as the Apostle Paul and made his ascension at the close of his final incarnation as Hilarion, the founder of Monasticism in Palestine. His retreat is in the etheric plane above the island of Crete.

Prayer Is a Two-Edged Sword

Beloved Followers of Truth,

There is a seeming conflict between that which is taught in the East and that which is taught in the West. And in all conflicts, whether real or imagined, there are destructive manifestations. Yet any instruction that is valid provides the natural conferment upon man of greater spiritual grace, of a higher measure of internal peace, and of that spiritual progress which signifies the consummation of acts of measured purpose.

It is my desire to call to the attention of mankind what may be termed the drift of circumstances in their lives. Those who think that events occur by chance should pause to consider the spiritual gain that can be made by all who are interested in the evolution of the soul through the implementation of God-direction from higher levels, or at least of that direction which comes from the exercise of the highest impetus of the mind. Remember that inherent within all—though it be overlaid with the mire of sense consciousness—is the seed which God implanted within the soul. And from that seed comes the supreme ordering of man's life. The man of happenstance who permits anything to happen in his life for the sake of experience, without attempting to direct the flow of events according to the higher direction of the Christ Mind or even the discrimination of his own better judgment, may find himself standing still rather than moving forward in the will of God.

In matters of initiation only the few in each age are able to receive the best gifts conferred by The Brotherhood; only the few actually make contact with our realm. The very thought that we do not exist, as long as it is held, has a tendency to annihilate our influence in the world of the individual who holds it. As it was said of old, without faith it is impossible to please God. <1> The consecration of one's personal faith to cooperation with the heavenly hosts, as an activity of communing with the saints, is an initiatic step that raises the disciple ever higher in the bestowal of the grace of God. And his life is beatified in many ways as he integrates his consciousness with the true culture of the Spirit which unfolds from the divine seed germinating within his being.

Unfortunately men often do not recognize the presence of the divine seed in their life. And only through recognition—the recognition of the germinal power of the Light—can the cultivation of spiritual qualities begin which leads, from glory unto glory, to those progressive changes that form a ladder of Light within oneself. The ladder is a symbol of man's potential, and the climbing of the ladder, the measured rising of the soul through those initiations which can come to all.

In reaching out to mankind through the veils of obscurity that they have spun with their thought and feeling processes, I continue in the name of The Brotherhood to pursue the awakening of men to the great potential that lies within them. If not within themselves, then within whom? Many are willing to consider great possibilities for others, but they deny them for themselves. They do not realize that self-depreciation is a subtle tool of darkness that prevents them from accepting from the Hand of God those magnificent concepts of self-appreciation which produce the uplifting changes after which their souls truly hunger.

It is not enough for men and women to simply ask in prayer; they must learn to act as though they had already received. Remembering the promise of the Lord “Before they call, I will answer,” <2> they must learn that the alchemy of self-transformation can produce in their lives, through the childlike attitude of expectancy, the manifestation of the Spirit of cosmic unity. For to expect an answer from God is part of the ancient system of Alchemy, the practice of which would greatly benefit modern man. <3>

It is a mistake for a man to pray for that which he ought not. Heaven is not blind; neither is divine justice. Yet the trust of God in the man whom He created is such that in conferring upon him the gift of free will, the Lord agreed to honor his creations and his covenants. If man makes a mistake and prays for that which he ought not, he still has, in the alchemy of his own free will, the power to manifest whatsoever he will. Nevertheless, those manifestations which are not the will of God eventually show forth his wrong decisions—just as those which are the will of God show forth his right decisions.

All should therefore pray first for the guidance of Heaven that they may ask correctly and receive according to the higher plan. And what a mistake man makes, placing the souls of many in peril, when he fails to do this very thing—to ask for divine intercession in the form of divine direction preceding his prayers for the fulfillment of his desires.

Wrong prayers—the invocation of that which is undesirable for oneself or others—may take the form of witchcraft or black magic. To ask God for wisdom, so beautifully phrased in the prayer of the Master Jesus “Not my will, but Thine be done,” <4> is not a fatalistic attitude; for there are more choices in the will of God than man is aware of. Out of the reservoir of God's supreme knowledge and by His guidance, man is able to select those noble ideas which fulfill the desire of both man and God and bring forth a uniform concept—a concept of you and I (*u-n-i* meaning *you and God*).

While one with God is a majority, the individual must not usurp his authority by invoking that which may grieve another part of Life. That union of spiritual consecration between God and man which always produces the answers to prayer correctly and speedily cannot fail to take into account the universal harmony of the brotherhood of man. What benefits one must ultimately benefit all, for the divine plan for one must necessarily include the divine plan for all.

In writing down for you these seemingly simple ideas, O men and women of the twentieth century, it is my desire, even as it is the desire of those who work with me, to reach those who hunger and thirst after righteousness. That they might be filled <5> is our prayer. The simple, childlike faith we confer upon you now is an offering of great value, and this you can appreciate if you will review the mistakes of those who do not possess it. As it has been said, more things are wrought by prayer—the prayer of absolute faith in the goodness of the will of God—than this world dreams of. <6>

Now I would make known to you the operation of certain laws which may at first seem strange. Because man has free will and somewhat to say concerning the manifestation in his world, through prayer he can invoke both good and evil; for prayer is a two-edged sword. Therefore, unless it be a conscious blending with the will of God and the desire for individual fulfillment in divine destiny, it may become, through impure motivation and a subconscious willing, the means to implement the plans of men rather than the plan of God. This often comes about through the misuse of free will, when men fail to begin and end their communiqués with the Deity with the words of Jesus “Not my will, but Thine be done.”

Retaining in consciousness the image of the desired object, man releases into this desire image—whether perfect or imperfect—the energy he receives from God in answer to his calls. And when his desires are thus fulfilled he says, “My prayers were answered; it must have been the will of God.” This, beloved ones, is wishful thinking. The fact is that his prayers were answered because they were the will of man; and right or wrong, the Great Law honors that will. Only thus can man learn the responsibilities of being a co-creator with God.

To each one is given a divine plan. That plan is perfect and complete. To call for the fulfillment of that plan is the best and safest means of bringing all to a higher measure of grace through the manifestation of the abundant Life.

Remember, O hearts of mankind, that each message from us is a penetration through the veil and that there are many people whom we seek to contact and many whom we do. There are times when

the blessing of a simple thought is to be desired; then again, a more complex statement of the Law may be required in order to convey a higher truth. Inasmuch as there are many positioned upon the ladder of life, both above and below each soul, you should understand our universal message as one that is destined sooner or later to reach all. There are different points that must be stressed in different ways that the measure of grace and sense of Reality which we would convey might bring to each one the genuine fruits of the Spirit. <7>

It is wise that men should be unafraid to be reborn. When the Master said to Nicodemus, “Ye must be born again,” <8> it was a statement of universal healing. For in man's daily rebirths into the higher way, the heart and mind are illumined, and the pages of the days record, step by step, that hopeful emergence into Light which removes the sting of death and darkness.

Unto all I confer the hope of initiation as a goal worthy to be sought. For as man becomes more and more one with God through Christ and solar awareness, the Flame of the everlasting Son burns more brightly within him. He follows the threads of self in that rightful dual sense that pays homage to the perfection of God right while recognizing the imperfections of man that can and shall be overcome. Being unafraid to accept the framework of change, man welcomes the acceptance of change in his own life—a change from a minor glory unto a major one.

By your faith you shall be made whole. <9>

Devoted to the unfoldment of the Light of the Eternal One, in the name of the living Christ, I AM

Maitreya

1. Heb. 11:6.

2. Isa. 65:24.

3. See STUDIES IN ALCHEMY, vols. 1 and 2, by Saint Germain, published by The Summit Lighthouse.

4. Luke 22:42.

5. Matt. 5:6.

6. Alfred Lord Tennyson, THE PASSING OF ARTHUR.

7. Gal. 5:22-23.

8. John 3:7.

9. Mark 5:34.

The Summit Lighthouse and the Messengers

Beloved Children of the Sun,

The bond of the Flame is pure. There is to be found no soot of darkness in it. It draws the Breath of God and sheds Light unto all mankind.

It is never the will of God to fragment His people, to cause division among brethren. There are many who, out of pure love for the Flame, work tirelessly for the perfectionment of the race. Regrettable yet expected are the attacks that come through the wolves in sheep's clothing <1> against those who love Truth and their God-conferred right to express it. Jesus said, "Offences will come: but woe unto him through whom they come!" <2>

As one approaches the sanctuary of perfection, the challenges of imperfection become greater at the point of qualification. Even the most devoted saints, as they approached the pathway to our abode, the very altar of the living God, still retained some darkness. This, too, is to be expected. For it is not always possible for man to shed the layers of his former thought before the Great Light draws him to the upper Path. Percentages must be reckoned with. If 3 or 5 percent of a man's consciousness is darkness, is this greater than the 95 or 97 percent of Light he emits? What kind of comparison is this? As we have said before: "Saint Francis and Saint Theresa were often ill. Pythagoras had heart disease. The best zurnas often lacked some strings." <3>

Those beginning upon the Path are at times like silly children. While the jackal of division opposes the triumph of the living God in man, they heap condemnation after condemnation upon the tried and the true who deliver unto humanity the very best gifts. This is the danger in being a servant of God. The prophets of old were subject to stonings and censure beyond belief. Is it surprising, then, that in these latter times some who come in the name of God should find fault with our Messengers?

The ritual of forgiveness may be in order, but the slings of the Masters are needed to guard the approach to the sanctuary of Truth. Thousands of right words recorded in the ancient writings may be apprehended in error due to the haughty spirit of the false prophets or the incorrect interpretations of the teachers. Neither God nor salvation is to be found in the letter, but both are revealed in the spirit <4> of the Lord's beautiful intent. Therefore Jesus mocked the pedants of his time saying, "Search the scriptures; for in them *ye think* ye have eternal Life." <5> How necessary it is, then, that the stamp of cosmic mastery come to all who prefer Truth above error.

Inasmuch as darkness is but an absence of Light, as the Saviour said, "If the Light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!" <6> men ought to perceive that as they wrongly judge one another, placing their attention upon distressing conditions and casting aspersions upon one another's service, they do despite to the spirit of grace and place themselves outside the pale of cosmic law. Yet the cosmic law remains to triumph and to judge a righteous judgment. <7> What men do unto others will one day return to them. At the precise moment when they feel they have escaped from error, they will come face to face with the redemption exacted by the law of return.

It has been said that the ancient writings present a commingling of truth and error. If this be true, then the best interpretation must come to man through the Holy Spirit and not through the intellect. Is it not well that men should be mindful of the rebuke of the Christ "Man shall not live by bread alone [the bread of the letter of the Law], but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God," <8> spoken when Satan challenged his authority, saying, "Command that these stones be made bread." The bread of the living Word is not a stone, but the compassionate victory which comes through the spirit of loving-kindness that ought to be extended to all.

What is the value of attempting to frighten mankind by dividing them on points of doctrine? There are so many things upon which they agree and so few in which they differ. The soul who garners faith in the living Word and in its correct interpretation through the Spirit of Truth can understand, simply by looking at the world around him, that the statements which went forth through another activity that there would be no discarnates upon the continent of America after 1939 and that all of the black magicians were removed from the earth in 1938 must be reexamined in the light of present knowledge and present experience.

What was not clarified at that time was the fact that the removal of these dark ones was the result of the clearing by the hosts of Light of a certain layer of human consciousness, a pocket of astral darkness which was their abode. But there are many such layers which remain to be cleared through the consecrated energies of the children of Light. Each era has its challenges for both ascended and unascended devotees. Each era has its devotees who are able to meet these challenges from ascended and unascended levels. As the Master said, "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." <9> Because mankind have free will, souls embodied and disembodied may at any time elect to take the lefthanded path, thereby joining the ranks of the black magicians. Moreover, as people having a low state of consciousness pass from the screen of life, because they lack the necessary momentum of Light to propel them to higher octaves they are counted among the discarnates who yet roam the astral belt.

Wise men of God understand that in these latter days the prophecy is being fulfilled: "The devil is come down unto you with great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." <10> By failing to be realistic about the furor of the dark forces and their attempts to divide mankind against one another, the students of Light become the dupes of the very perpetrators of darkness whose existence they deny.

The hand rule "By their fruits ye shall know them" <11> applies to organizations as well as to people. Its accuracy has been borne out in the lives of the many who have turned wholeheartedly unto God as the responsive chord from our octave was evoked from within them through The Summit Lighthouse activity. Some may say, and rightly so, that all activities of Light are actually an activity of the summit of God's Truth and His Light.

The unfortunate doings of men and women who should know better, who dedicate themselves and their energies to the destruction of our holy orders, are directed from the depths of darkness by those whose sole purpose is to divide and conquer by creating dissension and confusion among the Lightbearers. Truth cannot be divided against itself, and error is already separated from the fold by reason of its false premise.

Some, because they have been led to believe that there would be no other Messengers save those who went forth carrying our banner in the 1930s, have been disturbed by our most recent endeavor sponsored by The Darjeeling Council. By way of clarification, may I say that had the Golden Age come into manifestation speedily following the release of the knowledge of the I AM Presence and the violet flame and had mankind responded en masse to the intercession of great Cosmic Beings who came forth to assist Saint Germain in his magnificent service, there would have been no further need for Messengers to carry our words to a darkened world. The great tragedy of the age has not been the failure of Hierarchy or of our former efforts, but of humanity to accept the proffered gift of the emissaries of Light who came to elevate the race into the Christ Consciousness and the planet into an era of freedom, enlightenment, and peace. Time and again, due to the unpredictable nature of the human consciousness, Heaven has been forced to remold its thinking and its plans according to mankind's current needs as well as their current abuses of the Law.

Therefore, in 1958 I founded The Summit Lighthouse activity as an official organ of The Darjeeling Council for the express purpose of disseminating the teachings of The Great White Brotherhood. I named as its head my son and co-worker Mark L. Prophet whom I had trained as a Messenger for the Hierarchy. Later, with the full cooperation of Saint Germain, I drew to his side

his twin flame, the Lady Elizabeth, whose service to our Cause during many embodiments rendered her fit for the office of Co-Messenger.

Whatever is of God will stand, and whatever is of darkness will fall. Students of the Law need not expend their precious energies “blasting” the endeavors of those whom they consider unworthy to be representatives of our Brotherhood. We are, after all, quite capable of seeing to our own affairs and to our own representation in the world of form.

Beholding the chicanery of some who are presently heaping vilification and outrage upon the heads of our Messengers because they have not come under the jurisdiction of “their” organization, I am reminded of the spirit of rivalry that sought to divide the followers of Christ in the time of Jesus:

“Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us. But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part.”
<12>

The unfailing Light of God is a lamp unto the heart, the mind, and the being of man. Whatever his path may be, until the last barriers of the human consciousness are finally broken down, the Word lights his way <13> that he may follow the beckonings of the gentle yet victorious release of the Flame of the only begotten Son, full of grace and truth. <14>

The bond of faith shared by disciples on the Path is ever a source of great strength and the foundation of every noble effort. But the consciousness of those whose stock-in-trade becomes the line of schism can never contain the flowers of hope strewn before the devotees who are climbing the upward way. Without guile or envy, these long to see the beauty of Divine Love adorn the souls of all who pursue the higher calling.

Let every member of every religious organization and every soul devoted to divine doings understand clearly that those who have dwelt in darkness from the beginning, although they have attached themselves to our movements like barnacles to the hull of a ship, have always hated the Light. These are the betrayers who hang on just long enough to pervert the concepts of the holy innocents; and when their work is finished, they depart into the dark whence they came. These are the spoilers who, entering not in themselves, would hinder those who are. <15>

Let love be amplified in the hearts and minds of all. Let love be understood as the flame which unites brother with brother in the service of our God. The very founding principles of The Great White Brotherhood provide for unification of the children of God and never for the casting-down of those who seek earnestly to do His will. For the wings of Light that raise the souls of men into the domain of perfection are pinions of charity which cast no aspersion upon the lesser evolved upon the Pathway, but hold all in the immaculate embrace of the Divine Mother. Through Her clear seeing, the spiritual eyes and ears of man are opened, and a new vision and a new sound are seen and heard—the rolling tide of infinite love that echoes in the chambers of the heart and mind, eternally new, day after day.

“A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another.” <16> The hopes of the Lord of the First Ray that drive forth unto valor and victory for the earth remain with you as long as you uphold the principles of the brotherhood of man, of charity toward the followers of God, of understanding to those of differing persuasions all leading to the Open Door, and of peace that wells from within the heart dedicated to the service of the Light in all mankind.

I remain valiantly

El Morya

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1. Matt. 7:15.
 2. Luke 17:1.
 3. LEAVES OF MORYA'S GARDEN, published by the Agni Yoga Society, vol. 2, p. 13.
 4. II Cor. 3:6.
 5. John 5:39.
 6. Matt. 6:23.
 7. John 7:24.
 8. Matt. 4:4
 9. Matt. 6:34.
 10. Rev. 12:12.
 11. Matt. 7:20.
 12. Mark 9:38-40.
 13. Pss. 119:105.
 14. John 1:14.
 15. Luke 11:52.
 16. John 13:34

Christ and Antichrist

To Those Who Love Truth Above All:

As the current stage is set, wherever the immortal Light appears on earth, there darkness seems to opaque its radiance by a rancid and bitter shadow. Let the true students of the Light be not surprised that wherever Christ is preached, antichrists are also found. Once man has separated himself from heavenly principles, dwelling in the realm outside Eden where distortion rears its ugly head, he must expect to find compromise. Here on earth, where man is plagued by his uncertainties, he often casts aside the preponderance of triumph and unprecedented virtue to be moved by trifles from the very Truth which alone can set him free.

The students must remember that in the throes of Armageddon <1> the price of holding the Hand of God is diligence to the utmost. It is always easier to take the way of condemnation, which is the way of antichrist, even when it is founded on hearsay or derived from sinister plots designed to destroy and maim the image of the Christ in the servants of God. The criterion "By their fruits ye shall know them," <2> while it applies to children of the Light, is not always applicable to the children of darkness; for their masquerades are many.

The warning given by the Lord to Simon Peter "Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat" <3> should be heeded today even more by the advanced disciple than by the neophyte; for the dividing of the way between mortal opinion and immortal knowing requires great discrimination.

Beloved ones, ask yourself this question: What is the motive behind statements of condemnation made by one organization against another? Individuals who discredit those who are serving our Cause to the best of their ability are actually maligning the Body of God—the Body of Good Intent—upon the planet. No one is more invulnerable in the eyes of the seeker than the disciple who is unmoved in his devotion to Truth, whereas when he sees someone who criticizes the strongest links in the cosmic chain, he is bound to place him in the category of those who know not what they do. <4>

Great harm is done by those who declare themselves or their organization to be the only authentic channel through which God can work; for they not only thwart their own progress but also that of the entire Body of God evolving here. Moreover, they focus the attention of fellow students upon discord and disunity rather than upon harmony and togetherness. Observe from your own experience how easily the twisting of facts can occur and how quickly happiness flies out the window. Bear in mind that compassion and concord are of greater importance to the plan of Hierarchy than the exclusivity of spiritual pride.

To proclaim oneself the only doorway through which the Masters can walk, or one's teacher as the sole recipient of universal grace and Truth, is in effect to deny Father and Son as well as Holy Spirit unto mankind. *Om Tat Sat*. God is universal and must be looked for in the lesser manifestations as well as in the greater. I do not say there is not an ultimate; but in order to meet the human need, the understanding of instructors who themselves are yet upon the lower rungs of the ladder suffices for those who may be incapable of realizing the depth of the love of God and the deeper mysteries thereof.

It is enough. Great injuries occur by reason of little misunderstandings. Some who know the Law defend their criticisms on the basis that they are right and that those whom they are criticizing are wrong. And in their pursuit of God they would deny Him to those who refuse in one point or another to accept their interpretation of Truth.

Truth is not always found in the letter of the law, beloved ones, but in the spirit. <5> The sword of the Spirit <6> cuts both ways; and while it serves as the standard of a transcendent perfection, its sharp edge may not in a given moment be perceived by every individual who is a God-seeker.

Let men learn tolerance and the wit to create a winsome condition and a wholesome attitude that will not, while professing to adhere to Christ, destroy His purposes by false proclamations. It is far easier to anticipate globs of untruth in others than it is to recognize the sole Truth in oneself. The humble and the wise acknowledge the Truth as inherent in the very Spirit of God whose noble intents, as they are expressed in man, speak louder in divine actions than in the vain words of the hypocrites who boldly proclaim the virtue of the Law while flaunting its very manifestation in themselves.

It is to a right spirit—that motive which appears in the heart as a rising sun of hope—that I dedicate myself in the name of our Brotherhood. Through countless days that are past, happiness has flown from the mind and being of our students, and even from the consciousness of the masses, as the result of terrible distortions in their perception of Truth brought through malicious gossip and outright lies.

I do not choose to focus the attention of the student body upon these defections, but rather to secure a balanced judgment under God that prefers above all to set the captives free <7> and to pursue God-ideals that produce happiness in the lives of those who espouse them as surely as grossness and slander produce unhappiness.

While the Holy Spirit leads man into all Truth, <8> man requires patience both with himself and with others as he sifts the elements of truth and error within his consciousness. The living Word of God that when first perceived appears so brightly within is sooner or later seen to be the sword that cleaves the Real from the unreal in the very being of man. He who would remain under its protection must ever affirm, “Father, not my will, but Thine be done!” <9>

There are bound to be complications in the world of God-seeking; for man is born either of parents who proclaim themselves as the guardians of universal destiny or of those who are never sure of the veracity of anything. The great variance in human opinions and in the acceptance of truth and error makes difficult the sifting process. Yet what is most important—that men believe this or that dogmatic presentation of the Law or that they engage in the practice of loving one another? The answer should be obvious to all, but to some it is not. While performing a valiant service on behalf of their fellowman, men must be willing to submit to the winnowing process of the Spirit. For the increased sensitivity that is produced thereby gradually induces through the Christ Consciousness a greater awareness of the law of love that has a stabilizing influence upon the individual and society.

Whereas we advocate an herbivorous diet for the devotee and the avoidance of all that would make him a carnivore, we wink at his dietary indiscretions; for we know that ultimately, when he is ready, he will discover for himself that regime which is not only safe and sane but also conducive to his spiritual development and to his freedom from the bondage of the flesh. Neither do we favor those who have elected to follow the path of celibacy above the householder who has pledged to nourish and bring forth incoming souls to the glory of God. For both are needed if the kingdom of God is to become a reality on earth.

If God Himself is compassionate toward all of His children, can you not also be? Paul spoke to the early Christians regarding the evils of self-righteousness:

“Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him. Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand... But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one of us shall give account of

himself to God. Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother's way.” <10>

As balance is needed in body, mind, and spirit, so it is needed in those concepts that abide in the universal Christ Light. Man must be given the opportunity to learn the way of overcoming the darkness of self and of imbibing the more advanced teachings of cosmic law. Yet these, in making him the master of his world, also make him tolerant of those who have not yet approached his stage of development.

How skillfully the adversary points the finger, naming this or that organization which he would destroy as “pseudo.” Students of long standing who accept the lie and take up the banner of false accusation against other students make plain by their actions their failure to comprehend and obey the spirit of the Law. To make matters worse, there are organizations and individuals outside the fold who are openly dedicated to nefarious deeds and to the tearing-down of the image of the Christ. These defend their acts with the Machiavellian rationale of the end justifying the means. They ought not to be judged by the letter of the Law alone, but also by their practical application of its ethic. To know them, it is essential that men see beyond a glib tongue and a suave manner; for it is not what people say or pretend to do that counts, but what they accomplish in the name of God as the result of their inner faith in His will.

“Day unto day uttereth speech and night unto night sheweth knowledge”; <11> yet again and again when set upon by the rigors of the human intellect, men fail to grasp the true meaning of brotherhood. If the risen Christ is to be found, He must be sought within the domain of the heart as the brightest Light that challenges the grossest darkness in each one. The greed, effrontery, and false witness of the spoilers have not only destroyed men's faith but also the happiness they once knew in their fellowship with Hierarchy.

I say beware; for it is far better that the disciple be found stable in the basic Christ-concepts of the Law than that he allow himself to become obsessed with a fanatical pursuit of that which he imagines Truth to be when his hopes are pinned to false values. Love and a merciful compassion are to be desired above a frenzied zeal and a condescending air. Individuals who allow themselves to become talebearers, coarsened by the judgments handed down from the heads of personality cults, soon lose their discriminating faculties gained through a true knowledge of the Law and a close tie to the I AM Presence. These may do even more harm in the name of God than those who dogmatically search for doctrinal contradiction instead of accepting the oneness of God's law.

“Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one God.” <12> True monotheism steadfastly proclaims the union of hearts rather than the divisive schemes of those who while proclaiming the Christ do despite to His name by denying Him before men. “A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren” <13>—these are an abomination unto the Lord.

Morya urges caution in the search and the certitude of the never failing Light of God which declares that men must not do evil that good may come.¹⁴ Let them instead acknowledge our banner, which in its very flutter is unwavering in its purpose to extend divine happiness to all.

In the name of the grace of Christ-unity, I AM

Morya

1. Rev. 16:16.

2. Matt. 7:20.

3. Luke 22:31.
4. Luke 23:34.
5. II Cor. 3:6.
6. Eph. 6:17.
7. Isa. 61:1; Luke 4:18.
8. John 16:13.
9. Luke 22:42.
10. Rom. 14:3-4, 10-13.
11. Pss. 19:2.
12. Deut. 6:4.
13. Prov. 6:19.
14. Rom. 3:8.

Christ-Dimension for All

Hail, Living Word Incarnate in Man!

It is to thee and to the measurement of God's purposes upon earth that we proclaim Christ-dimension for all. Individual resurrection is a necessity, and it can occur daily as the gauge of the Law is applied to the seeking heart.

When I gave forth the teachings of The Brotherhood that have been handed down as the Sermon on the Mount, I stressed the need for the disciples to observe the laws on judgment and brotherhood. And if I were to address the multitudes on the hillsides of the world in this day and age, my sermon would be much the same: "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again... Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." <1>

Truly those who make the greatest progress Godward are those who are aware of the importance of being their brother's keeper. <2> By contrast, how strange it seems that men would worship me without understanding my presence in all parts of Life; for I AM in the prisons, in the marts of commerce, and in the high noon of man's busyness. In the face of the child or the adult is the realization that I am come to the meek and lowly and to those who need the wholeness of the Good Physician. <3>

The stigma that is attached to the man who strays from the "strait and narrow path" <4> may cause him to react with a certain conceit that in the stronghold of the ego often proclaims his liberty while in reality binding him to those wrong concepts which he has so readily allowed. The hem of our garment is yet with men, even with the lost sheep of the house of Israel; <5> and wise are those who understand the depths and the riches of our immortal love that restores the afflicted in mind and body to a state of wholeness.

We do not ask, "What virtue is this?" Nor do we dwell upon the lack of virtue that may exist momentarily in the life of man. The quality of spiritual ongoingness embodied by the unascended devotee, while at times appearing as a cross to those who have not known the joys of overcoming, does most assuredly raise him up the ladder toward his own God-perfection.

The diligence of the Law in heralding its own perfection conveys the miracle sense which moves men and nations to the fulfillment of the divine hope. O diligent ones who seek to do the will of God, perceive how sweetly the union of cosmic purpose is accomplished, how men are drawn together by that immutable bond that exalts peace within their hearts. How often we have warned mankind who look to the world for that peace which can only come from the Christ within: <6> "When they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape." <7>

The world cannot exist half slave and half free—half involved in those concepts of spiritual Truth which acknowledge the universal plan and half involved in mortal error which supposes life to be a rubble of fractioned energies. Through the mercy of God and the strength of immortal purpose, my mission continues to the present hour to unite hearts with their own Divine Presence. And as the Holy Spirit affirmed within me so long ago, "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away." <8>

I came to set the captives free, <9> and so shall it be both now and forever. In this world of delusion and despair, the multitudes wander upon the shores of life that are strewn with the blasted

hopes of yesterday. The few in every age who find the kingdom that is within feel their hearts swelling with joy as they discover their own life as a mission to uphold the faith and to bring my sheep into the fold of the Ascended Masters' teachings. <10>

The darkness of atheism is everywhere apparent. Men presuppose that they shall win through the doctrines of socialism, through submission to the mass pressures of mediocrity, or through worshipping our person without manifesting for themselves the law of universal love. That Spirit whom I glorified as my heavenly Father is alive today to raise mankind up, to lift him from the cross of man's inhumanity to man that makes countless thousands mourn, <11> and to reveal each soul either as a candidate for the ascension or as one to whom the path of righteousness must yet be revealed for my name's sake. <12>

The valley of the shadow is in itself purposeless unless it becomes a goad urging man to climb the peaks of Light. Only out of the sense of an indwelling faith can men light the fagot of their being with the torch of Omnipresence. In reality God is ever nigh; yea, He is at the very door of being. Yet He is denied entrée by man's own false momentums and by his yielding to the patterns of inertia which, if unchecked, will ultimately destroy him through the blight of boredom, doubt, and fear. The years show forth either fruitfulness or fruitlessness. The same taper that has burned for darkness can declare itself a taper of Light. A man's life, in moments of seeking, affirms itself to be either darkness or Light, and so it is; for as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. <13>

Man must overcome his own darkness by proclaiming his own Light, for the Father willed it so from the beginning. Never has the way of the cross been so challenging, the mockery and misunderstandings of men so blatant, the engines of destruction so bloated with viciousness. Never has the world been so divided, its communications so garbled with blocks of despair. These moments in history precede what could well be the proclamation of universal victory for mankind—a victory crowning the hill of our purpose revealed, burning new hope in the hearts of all who love me, and establishing by the Light of cosmic reason the lives of all in a new order of the ages.

What a pity that mankind do not see the need to stand steadfastly behind the purposes of the eternal Brotherhood. What a pity that they do not understand the fruit of our endeavor made manifest within our own triumph and made possible thereby to all mankind. They refuse to grasp the hands of faith and to walk into the Light; instead they turn toward the pall of the senses that defraud. Yet the Light is nigh them, even at the very door.

Greatly to be praised are the Spirit of the Resurrection and those miracle hopes that each one must obtain for himself. Those who become good Samaritans <14> and cosmic emissaries of our Light merit not only our friendship and our love but also our assistance in the darkening days that lie ahead while the new age is forming. For upon the rubble of the past God will build the stairway of a new hope whose rising majesty shall reveal the ascension as the goal of life for every man. The communication of faith to child hearts, unsullied by the world thought, can at any age pave the way for new approaches to God and make plain the wonders of heaven from which the very spirit of triumph over death and confusion emanates.

The serpent said to man, “Ye shall not surely die.” <15> I have proclaimed the Son of Righteousness who sheds new hope into the lives of all who admit His transfiguring radiance. But unless man earnestly seeks to rise, his natural momentums will deliver him to a gradual downfall.

Keep on keeping on! For the success of The Brotherhood's mission upon earth—of all that we have built in former days—appears to your vision now in a cosmic burst of our purpose. And the energies of that purpose, while resurrecting the individual, shall raise the whole wide world, until the glory and peace of universal Love shall cover the earth and preserve it according to the eternal plan.

Devoted to the unfoldment of the flowers of hope within you and that which is ever of good cheer, I remain

Your brother and friend eternally,

Jesus

1. Matt. 7:1-2, 12.
2. Gen. 4:9.
3. Matt. 9:12.
4. Matt. 7:14.
5. Matt. 10:6.
6. John 14:27.
7. I Thess. 5:3.
8. Mark 13:31.
9. Isa. 61:1; Luke 4:18.
10. John 10:16; 21:16.
11. Robert Burns, "Man Was Made to Mourn," stanza 1.
12. Pss. 23:3.
13. Prov. 23:7.
14. Luke 10:30-37.
15. Gen. 3:4.

The Security of the Holy Spirit

Blessed Followers of Truth,

Man's search for security in materiality is his greatest insecurity. The Holy Spirit in its magnificent outreach of comfort to mankind is the greatest security any man or woman can have.

Out of the holy strands of measured attunement, the soul by its own inner desire for devotion and service draws forth the divine magnetism of the Holy Spirit, who responds by giving to each individual so fortunate as to be possessed of the higher perspective the greatest opportunity of his or her life. The fact that individuals fail to recognize the greatness of this opportunity does not destroy its value to the soul who knows.

I write of soul-knowing, of inner attunement, of inner fortitude as though they were tangible; for in reality they are. The greatest tangibility is to be found through contact with that Great Regenerator the Holy Spirit, the essence personified of God's own love and Heart Flame.

Why should any man feel that the presence of that Flame is far from him when it is actually a fervent mission sent forth to inhabit the whole universe and yet to kindle the God Consciousness at the point of individualization? Thus at that focus of mind and being where the monad invokes its measured attunement with the Christ Self—the Divine Mediator—God is made manifest as man. Thus that fashion of the Flame made eternal in the heavens strengthens the Image of the Almighty in the midst of the human enigma, affording each soul the opportunity to realize his own deliverance from evil unto the goodness and mercy of the Law.

The challenges of life are many. But they do not always reveal themselves in advance. Neither do embodied individuals always act from an honest motive. Merely to be upon the spiritual Path or to engage one's attention in the divine search is no guarantee of fulfillment unto self or unto God. Where honesty of heart and noble effort go hand in hand, however, the results are certain. Nevertheless, the time is not always so; for the karmic patterns of individuals vary from time to time and person to person.

The Golden Rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," <1> has not always been observed. Individuals seem to feel that the flaunting of the Great Law is a mark of attainment, mistaking rash acts for spiritual boldness. The statement "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of My mouth" <2> is indicative of the urgent need for decisive action on the part of mankind. But when there is present in their worlds that fear which is reminiscent of the unprofitable servant who hid his talent in the earth, <3> it does not allow the flow of strength required for right effort which is to be found in the Holy Spirit. The bracing power of the comfort flame can become one's strongest ally in the service of freedom and in the building of giant goals useful forever as the devotee lays up treasures in heaven <4> through those acts that are consciously willed from day to day.

Carelessness in spiritual endeavor is a great fault leading men and women into byways of darkness. He whose eye is upon the righteous and whose ear is open unto their cry <5> is the best defense any man or woman can have. Therefore, let not your hearts be troubled, gentle ladies and men whose goals are spiritual; ye believe in God, believe also in me. <6>

Practice the action of harmlessness toward all parts of Life. Be not eager to engage in retributive acts; for all recompense that the Law may require of any man is delivered from the Hand of God through The Karmic Board, whose members, seven in number, are qualified by their own attainment of right vision and right action to share the judgment seat with the Christ Selves of all

mankind. Divine appointments are themselves magnificent to behold, inspiring all with that measure of comfort which kindles the fires of the soul and bids welcome to the spirit of grace which ought not to be despised.

Let men esteem the indwelling Presence of the Holy of Holies within their being. Let them not deny the munificent grace implanted there from the foundation of their own individualized consciousness. Let them affirm instead the wondrous Presence of God right within themselves. Let them hear the voice of the Son of God. Let them feel the thread of Life that is their own contact with the living and eternal Father. By allowing the consciousness to feed upon the nutrients of faith and intelligence, purity, and compassion, each one will at last sit under his own vine and fig tree; <7> his delight shall be in the Law of the Lord and in His Law shall he meditate day and night. <8>

Do harm to none. Do good to all. But be not brought under the power of evil in any. Uphold only good in self and others; and by the humility of ordered service, let the untrammelled aspects of Him who rules both land and sea, of Him who is found in the unfailing Light of your own I AM Presence, be ever your guide to lead you into all Truth.

In the name of the Omnipresence of God, I AM

The Maha Chohan

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1. Matt. 7:12; Luke 6:31.
 2. Rev. 3:16.
 3. Matt. 25:14-30.
 4. Matt. 6:20.
 5. Pss. 34:15.
 6. John 14:1.
 7. Micah 4:4.
 8. Pss. 1:2.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Paul the Venetian
given in Washington, D.C., June 24, 1962

The Spirit of God takes delight in the work of His own hands. He is joyous because of the perfection and the quality of perfection which manifests in that which He has created. This beautiful manifestation of God's perfection is a chalice of Light forever!

Speaking of chalices, I want to tell you that for a period of seventeen years I have been at work at inner levels in constructing a beautiful chalice to present to the Maha Chohan. And this very day it has been taken to him in his home in Ceylon. There it stands in his retreat.

The base of this magnificent chalice—which, incidentally, is snow-white in color—is set with three rings of precious stones, all resembling diamonds. One band, beloved ones, is pink; another is pale yellow; and the other is a radiant blue. These three concentric rings around the base of the chalice are charged with the wisdom of God, the will of God, and the love of God.

The symbol therein is this: The will of God can be a great comfort to those who understand it, for when the will of God is understood, men will say, “God is Good.” When the wisdom of God is understood, the “why” God has permitted this and the “why” God has permitted that will be answered in a manifestation of the great divine Law, flooding forth into the consciousness of men; and that, too, will be a chalice of comfort to them. For they will drink the comfort of divine wisdom. Could divine wisdom be comfortable? I challenge you, beloved ones, could it be? Then last, but not least, the radiance of divine love itself will be partaken of as a feeling—a feeling of infinite care, a care for each of the creatures of God, regardless of the size or dimension of that creature. The Father, in giving Life, has given Himself to all, and because He has given Himself, He gives the infinite possibility of expansion to all; and the leaven of the Christ Light poured out into the heart's chalice of each individual is the greatest comfort they shall ever have.

Although they may seek on land and sea; in husband, in wife or in home; in brother or in sister; in name and fame or fortune or place; wherever they will go they will never find any place so wonderful, so magnificent, and so comforting as their own heart. There the Life that God has created and sustained is flooding over the brim, hoping to express the perfection of which it is capable. It gives into the keeping of the stewardship of individual man the power to choose for himself, to walk through the narrow gate that leads to the fullness of his own God-identity, and the outpicturing upon the screen of Life of the verdured perfection of God, which manifests then for all time as a man of God—a **manifestation** of Liberty's flame—the fleur-de-lis of love, wisdom, and power—a **manifestation** of eternal comfort.

You will then be a being of beauty and a joy forever, for you will then have become an Ascended Being, a Christ—a Cosmic Christ—infinite in conscious action. You will rise in the arms of infinite Love until you, as the Maha Chohan does, will be able to render a service to a portion of Life everywhere. In the great perfection of Life that swells through this galaxy, flooding out through the grateful Cosmos, you will be a part of the Flame of omnipresent Life. That Flame, like music and perfume and Light, weaves upon the screen of cosmic law **all** of the unfolding mysteries of God made known to you from within and from without forever by the charge of divine love.

Now, my beloved ones, this beautiful cup, which I have worked on for so many years, has been given into the keeping of the Maha Chohan. I shall not further describe it to you today for a very special reason. The reason is that I ask those of you who are spiritually perceptive and love the Father to call unto God with fervor and determination until, while you sleep at night, God Himself shall direct your journey unto the Temple of Comfort in Ceylon; and your own eye shall behold the

work of my hand. And then I think that you will be grateful that I did not try to describe it for you in words, for you will see an Ascended Master jewel of perfection resting there. The Great Divine Director and the members of The Karmic Board who have all witnessed it have said that it is indeed a splendid thing.

I hope now that you, too, shall realize this day that you are a splendid thing, a **manifestation** of God—not a puny personality, not a human creation full of faults and flaws—but a child of Light, splendid in all your dimensions, the work of God's hands, the work of your own Divine Presence manifesting now and always joy forever, forever, and forever!

An Interlocking Responsibility Between Heaven and Earth

Gentle and Strong Hearts:

Each year there is a gradual lowering into the realm of imperfection of the sweet bonds of perfection from God's own Heart. So gentle is this lowering, often imperceptible to the human eye, that it is difficult for unascended beings to arrive at a full accounting of the cosmic energies invested by the heavenly ones in their service to humanity. In your moments of doubt and mistrust, be not overcome. Instead let the meditations of your heart be those in which God Himself may trust.

Throughout the centuries there has been much talk from embodied mankind about the responsibility of the Deity. All seems to depend upon God. In terms of power this may seem to be a just apprehension; in terms of wisdom this may also seem logical; but when it comes to love, the whole concept of accountability takes another turn. For if one will but look for the divine seed and meditate upon it, one can begin to perceive the germinal power of love which God has implanted within the self. This seed, because it is of God, the manifest power of the Word providing a spiritual impetus to each man, when rightly used is itself capable of assuming the mantle of accountability.

There is a great value in fixing one's gaze upon the universality of the Eternal One and upon the gentle yet powerful persuasions that He exerts upon embodied mankind. The flux of the Divine Nature seems scattered as seeds upon the wind; but when one begins to ponder the fruit that has already been delivered unto the consciousness of mankind, when one begins to comprehend the power of the seed active within the individual consciousness, each man can, if he will, perceive that God, as love, is already germinal within the forcefield of his own being.

“What a stupendous idea!” some may say. For it can cause the spirit to soar unto the heights of God's Consciousness and, above all, to mingle with the fold of those who can accept their spiritual responsibilities as well as their spiritual opportunities. Each embodied soul, then, is given marvelous tools not only for his own perfectionment but also for the perfectionment of all mankind.

There is an interlocking responsibility between Heaven and earth which is sometimes thrust upon mankind. To this we ask that you dedicate yourself in thought. To feel a definite responsibility toward mankind is the ideal of the enlightened ones who seek to alleviate human distresses. Yet in the great realities of God and in that perfect balance of the universal law of which I speak and in which I dwell, there is also a beautiful responsibility shared by every soul to assist the Divine One in His great outreach into the world of form. For it is here that self-mastery must be sought and won in order that the perfection which Heaven expects each of its children to become might be realized by reason of the indwelling seed.

Do you see, then, how marvelous this is—what a wonderful opportunity is given to all who will accept their responsibility to Heaven and earth, who will ponder it and then carry it out? Man is expected to serve the eternal purpose by assisting others in producing the miracle of God's Consciousness in themselves. To accomplish this it is not always necessary to carry out some specific worldly aim, some objective which can be seen. For in the unseen world of the Spirit there is a means available to all whereby they can assist the Divinity in intensifying at any point in space, including the point of man's individualization, the great love tides and the wisdom and the power that produce eternal change in that which seems so fragile simply because it is temporal.

Only by the eternal movement of the eternal Spirit can Matter truly come under the dominion of grace—the grace of the eternal dharma of the Spirit, which is the law of universal purpose

outworking perfection in all Life. How tragic it is that men pin the hopes of their destinies upon their past embodiments as if there were not the perfection of a greater design in the spiritual realm, though betimes unmanifest.

Material manifestations are important only as they are recognized by man as living proof of his mastery over material substance and as a glorification of the universal intent. Then when he is free from all shadow and shame, when he is ready to accept the higher calling of God, he is able to bring forth out of the meditations of his heart and mind those cords of cosmic Light that reach out from the Heart of God and the heart of man to embrace in the divine measure of God's plan fulfilled every soul upon the planetary body, excluding none.

How beautiful are these concepts which, while they do not work for some because of the barriers they erect in their own consciousness, do work for others. Man must strive harder for understanding than he strives for his daily bread. As Jesus said, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." <1> Let each one, then, following in the footsteps of the Universal Christ, be unafraid to reach for those meditative heights which are all-embracing and all-completing, fulfilling the perfectionment of God in all—in the self of each individual. Thus in the change from glory to glory <2> will the wisdom and power of the Universal God be seen as the mission of Love's purpose fulfilled because man wills it so.

Out of the gentle enfolding radiance of His love, I remain your brother from the East,

Gautama Buddha

1. John 5:17.

2. II Cor. 3:18.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Djwal Kul
given at the 1963 Freedom Class
held in Washington, D.C.

I am come tonight to bring to you the fresh winds of the Zuider Zee; and I begin with a tale of the land of the dikes.

There lived by the sea a gentle soul who was a miller. He and his wife served together to grind the grain for the people of their town. And it came to pass that in all the land there were no communities where so much happiness reigned as there. Their countrymen marveled and wondered, for they recognized that something unusual must have happened to make the members of this community so singularly wise and happy. And although the townsfolk themselves were born, grew up, matured to adulthood and passed from the screen of life within the community, never in all of their living were they able to understand the mystery.

Tonight I shall draw aside the curtain and tell you what made the people of this community so happy and prosperous, so joyous and wise.

It was the service of the miller and his wife and the love which they put into the flour. For this love was carried home in sacks of flour on the backs of those who patronized their mill and was then baked into their bread. At every meal the regenerative power of love from the miller and his wife was radiated around the table and it entered their physical bodies as they partook of the bread. Thus, like radioactive power, the energy of this vibrant love from the miller and his wife was spread throughout the community.

The neighbors did not know the reason for their happiness and none of the people were ever able to discover it. For sometimes—although they live side by side—mankind are unable to pry the most simple secrets about one another. And so the mysteries of divine love continue to defy probing by the human consciousness, but we of the Ascended Masters' octave occasionally choose to make them known to you by sharing these gems with you.

The instruction which I would bring to you tonight concerns physical properties and their power to retain the radiation of those who handle them. The food which you eat, beloved ones, when prepared by hands charged with divine love, enters into your physical body and creates a much greater degree of spiritual happiness than mankind would at first realize. Those who are wise will recognize the truth of what I am saying; and if they must partake of food from unknown sources, they will be certain that they have removed by the violet transmuting flame those undesirable momentums of human creation whose radiation can do no good to the individual who partakes thereof and much harm to him who is unwary and therefore unprotected.

Master of Mind and Circumstance

To Those Who Stand Fearless in the Flame of God:

The circumstance of fear must be cast out of the consciousness that would move forward with success. And God-success is always accompanied by a feeling of fearlessness and accomplishment.

It is not enough to be aware of one's involvement in the universe; one should also be master of the mind and of the circumstances that enmesh the mind in outer conditions but produce neither success nor the sense of accomplishment which success brings. This sense is akin to the feeling of progress, of soul movement, of victory over the web of illusion and those devices that sometimes engage the thoughts and feelings, accentuating the worst aspects of a man's nature without providing any tangible benefits to the soul.

I speak of the thousand and one lures of the senses, of the tragic sense of involvement in the world of maya <1> that becomes a winding of circumstances upon the staff of a man's being, erecting a prison house that cuts him off from the Light and air of God's wondrous mercy. How true it is that individuals, through fear and a sense of oppression, seem able to weigh themselves down with the weight of darkness right where the beauty and bounty of the Light should dwell.

Now, at a time when the attention of mankind is turning toward the East, looking for the wisdom to be found there, it is proper and just that men should enter into neither a wholesale condemnation of that which comes out of the East nor a wholesale approval of that which comes out of the West. The world is one. Good and bad men dwell everywhere upon the face of the landed earth; but none are so bad as those who allow their consciousness to dwell in the cups of darkness, dipping again and again into a spirit of hopelessness rather than into a spirit of joy.

It is to the general upliftment of the race, then, that I would recommend mankind's acceptance of the Good that cannot be measured by worldly thought or feeling but only by man's individualized sense of expansion. What a pity it would be if all men used different yardsticks. Yet this is exactly what they do when it comes to the things of the Spirit. Each one sets his own standard of divine or human values, especially of those which are difficult to measure by human means.

I advocate, then, that in order to effect a greater soul freedom and a greater emancipation of one's personal energies, the individual enter into the higher Consciousness of the Christ and its magnificent yet altogether dominant influences for God-Good. These may be evoked by a measure of the universal potential that is already active within all men if they will but open themselves unto the Divinity that is their true being.

Blessed ones, there is no need for clashes; there is no need for human struggles. And men ought not to pervert those values which have been clearly stated and made luminous for ages. There is too great a tendency in men to rationalize their acts and to adjust values according to their worldly desires. They do not perceive the richness of grace itself, which is inherent within the soul when it can drink deeply of the draught of eternal sweetness.

The root of human bitterness <2> is man's worst enemy, choking out the fruit of individual possibilities while destroying the lives of multitudes by its viciousness. I therefore advocate a willing relinquishment of those self-satisfying actions that are hurtful to others as well as to the self. I recommend instead the cultivation of the consciousness as though it were a great open temple beholding in the dome of heavenly manifestation its wondrous opportunity for expansion that is so beautifully governed by cosmic law. To obtain victory over oneself and then to offer oneself as a

conquered one ready for the imprint of the Light unto the eternal purpose—this is what truly makes life worth living.

I have watched for thousands of years the folly of man's misbehaviors, his engrossment in negative patterns and in destructive engines of darkness. In contrast I have also seen those qualifications and generosities which God has scattered amongst His children as jewels of His own hopes for man's eventual perfection as His kingdom is manifest upon earth. To these I advocate that man dedicate his energies; for the Universal Christ and eternal Logos, whose eyes are ever turned toward hopeful rays, scatters God's wondrous graces everywhere.

Let those who can hear and understand the beauty of simplicity, of mutual trust, of consecration, of mystery revealed share in the joy that you are and the joy that I AM. For out of the fount of our oneness in the pursuit of His knowledge shall we correctly offer the perfume of victory unto all.

Joy be with you always in the service of the living Flame.

Devotedly,

Confucius

1. Illusion

2. Heb. 12:15.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by John the Beloved

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, December 13, 1968

And as I speak to you now I would like to give you a little exercise that we learned from Jesus concerning his trip to India when he himself explored in the temples there the mystic teachings of that land. This is the exercise he gave to us. He said to us: "In India the lotus is revered; but as you know, all flowers are manifestations of genuine purity. And born out of their purity, descending from the Mind of God in that transient form is the fire of God's ideal. Therefore, the true lotus is a white flame; and if you would understand that, you would also understand that there is a lotus of the heart, a lotus of the mind, and a lotus of the hand."

And when he spoke to us thusly, he said: "Visualize the white-flame lotus around your heart; and as its glow begins to illumine your form and being, visualize the white-flame lotus rising from the heart to enfold the mind. Then as you reach out your hand in service, see resting upon it—upon the hand of God's servant—the pulsations of the white-flame lotus." And he said to us, "As you understand this, it shall become tangible unto you all; and when you envision the white-flame lotus around your heart, it will consume the dross that exists in consciousness and you shall understand what it means to be the pure in heart."

His words "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" <1> came to our minds. And then he spoke to us and said: "When the flaming lotus blazes around the mind, it will burn up the negative thoughts—the thoughts of darkness—and your hearts will rejoice as you behold the purification of the mind. And so there will arise from the heart a flaming thread connecting the heart to the mind and head, and there will arise from the mind an extension of the flame of the mind upon the hand in action. Thus the leap of the flame of purity will be given to other parts of Life—an endowment through yourselves and a power to heal, a power to resurrect, and a power to perfect by the laying on of hands." And as he went on speaking to us our hearts glowed as with a cosmic fire.

Tonight I have told you of this episode (which certain forces did not wish you to hear) in order that you might participate in that simple but exquisite ritual of his love memory, a bestowal from India to the children of the Sun in America in memory of the universal love of the living Christ.

"Lo," he said, "I AM with you always even unto the end." <2>

Peace be upon you;
Out of the depths of purity
The heart will speak;
Out of the depths of purity
The mind will seek;
Out of the depths of purity
The hand will move;
Out of the depths of purity
God's love will prove
Lo, I AM with you always.

1. Matt. 5:8.

2. Matt. 28:20.

Nature, a Living Treatise

To All Who Are One in Heart with the Boundless Love of Nature:

How pure and perfect are the designs inherent within the field of natural manifestation! How beautiful is the call in consciousness that evokes from all who are open to the purity of Life the flame of celestial gratitude captured in the joy of the flowers! What spurs man's joy in springtime if not the welcome he offers as a garland of hope to the renewal of each cycle?

Hope and peace often hide from embodied mankind while he allows his sense of Reality to become clouded with the delusions of contemporary life. Man does not always understand the potency of the human mind and feelings; he does not realize that there flows from his consciousness out into the world either a stream of Light, Life, and hope that renews in every part of Life the joy of cycles, or a stream of darkness that not only opaques the perfection of the eye but also produces the miasma of the appearance world.

Nature is a living treatise. The green bough waving in the gentle wind, exhibiting the miracle of its wonder in the splendor of the sun's golden, mellow rays, fructifies by the resurrection radiance the essence of Life in man. The past is gone; the darkness is no more. In its place the dawn of celestial Reality supplants even the outer manifestation, and suddenly that dawn is recognized by the eyes of the soul as inherent within embodied mankind.

But who placed this celestial sense within the eyes of the soul? Who gave to the inward man the ability to pass beyond the screen of appearances into that realm of thought and feeling where heavenly profundities are born and the soul is free at last to see the perfection already formed in the natural gardens of manifestation? A flower is so. The renewal of cycles is so. The one nods its head in the breezes releasing its essential Light, and the other releases the radiated Light of the sun—all simultaneously. But how few realize that there is within the realm of nature the glorious wonder of God that is emitted even during the night hours from the heart of a flower chalice, shedding abroad the distilled consciousness of the angelic perfume of Life.

I AM Amaryllis, to whom is given by Heaven the glorious task of coordinating the manifestations of springtime and youth and of the fires of the Sun in the soul of man. It is my wish that darkness should vanish from the hearts, minds, and beings of humanity and that in its place the universal heritage of the pure consciousness of the Christ should permeate the awareness of all.

How pitiful it is that man does not always see clearly! And how beautiful the power of perception in Reality is! This is a God-quality that each may claim as his own as the first step in magnifying the virtues of pure perception out of which the realities of consciousness are born. And these in turn amplify the torch of Life that draws upon the fabric of the soul and kindles within the inner being of man the universal purpose that has always existed but has not appeared because of the opaquing substance of human thought and feeling.

Little do mankind realize how they momentarily give birth to and nourish forms of darkness when they permit the alien vibrations of fear, of suspicion and distrust to cloud the mind of self and the Spirit of pure love that so longs to manifest in all. Wise is the man or woman who will forsake quickly the merchants of darkness who sell in the bazaars of the world those instruments of human hatred and ill will which, while seeming to be based upon elements of human justice, in Reality are not.

Long ago the Beloved Disciple of the Master Jesus said so simply and so sweetly, "God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved." If

only mankind today would recognize the great potential of Life that is within them and not seek to protest the action of the spiritual Hierarchy in drawing forth into the realm of contemporary man those strands of hope which need to be brought into view ere the Golden Age appear.

For the springtime of the Golden Age is at hand. It is to be seen in the magnificent pageantry of flowers, in the dance of the nature spirits which produce in the laboratories of nature the alchemical actions that manifest as the chalices of the angels. The colorations and vibratory rates of these matrices are a delight to the inner man, and on various occasions embodied mankind send them to one another as a thoughtful expression of their esteem and love.

How wonderful it would be if every man, recognizing his ability to be a conveyer of these cups of hope and promises of future victory, would perform the ritual of giving flowers as an act of universal love for the Christ personified in all. For by so doing they would eliminate those barriers of human thought and feeling which have been erected as individuals have accepted the dogmas that have been implanted in their consciousness supposedly as a thrust of devotion, but actually as a thrust of condemnation.

Now we seek to expand the natural senses in man in order to produce in him the Golden Age consciousness. Now we offer the flowers of our Brotherhood to all as an extravaganza of hope in the one Light of God that never fails and in the masterful presentation of the elements of a new age to be. And it is our hope that mankind will now feel free to garland the sacred relics of past and future ages. The wisdom of the ancients, the beauty and perfection of the glorious opportunity of today, and the fond hopes of a tomorrow that shall be born whether or not mankind wills it so—these are our floral offerings to each soul. And when time is no more, we shall behold in all that rendering of the Master Photographer's art which is the picture of the paradise of God within the domain of each living soul.

Oh, find your way, blessed ones,
Upon this beauteous star!
Cease to ponder and to wonder
Who you really are.
Instead just accept
The blessing on your head
Of Christ within the soul.
Feel free to be as God is—
Ever prone to see
A starry spark, a fiery shell
Of Purity's domain.

Thus each and all
Will heed the call
From darkness to refrain
And see at last within the self
Those elements divine
That claim for all the heritage:
“My Presence is all mine!”

In the sacred Name and Light of the living God, I AM the Mother of Spring,

Amaryllis

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Mighty Astrea
given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, November 21, 1971

I AM Astrea. Have you thought, beloved ones, that I am yourself? Have you thought, beloved ones, that each Ascended Being, each individualized manifestation of God, is in reality all one with every other manifestation of God? Will you, then, pay heed to what I speak unto you and understand that the compassion of God is involved with each individual to raise him up into that immaculate concept which God envisioned in the beginning for each creation of His Mind...

I AM Astrea; and I stand ready to draw my cosmic circle and sword of blue flame around all people; to lock my circle around them now by a spiritual means, swirling it as a universal counterpart of divine deliverance. Have you thought of how wondrous it is that God has created the counterpart in form of an idea that first existed in His own Mind?—that the beautiful cosmic circle and sword of blue flame which I wield is that counterpart manifesting for you in response to your invocation, in response to your plea for assistance?...

I tell you that embodied humanity are often subject to unwanted conditions that individuals little dream of; that certain thoughts flowing into their consciousness are of foreign origin, coming from the lowest type of human consciousness, from astral entities who magnify those dark and strange perceptions which have no part in the divine grace or in the forcefield of Light which God sends forth to every individual son and daughter who seeks to manifest His unfailing Light.

I AM Astrea. My Light beams this day. My Light beams forth a ray of hope, a shining shaft of God-magnificence to every child, to every man, to every woman in all times and all places. And as long as their manifestation is not in conflict with cosmic law, my shaft of Light beams forth, my circle and sword of blue flame remain the advocate of perfection from the spheres of Light, from the spheres of cosmic Truth, from the realm of cosmic Reality.

Will you accept, then, my cosmic circle and sword of blue flame as an instrument in your life for the deliverance of yourself from every unwanted condition? Will you accept in your life the power of my circle and sword of blue flame as the instrument of deliverance for others for whom you may invoke special assistance? Will you accept, then, our deliverance for the earth and our longing to provide that full measure and impetus of cosmic radiance to the earth that will in due time raise humanity in consciousness to the level of the kingdom of heaven? For there the beauty and perfection of that kingdom shall shine forth in all scientific as well as spiritual achievement so that humanity may at last find the great cosmic panacea to be the never-ending Light of God that pours out its radiance through the fires of the Holy Ghost, until, one and all, men perceive that the power of the Spirit is the power of God that rules their lives. That power may be invoked at any moment. A simple plea will bring results. Will you understand that? Will you accept this momentum of our God-freedom?

Well, beloved hearts of Light, I am bringing to you here and now a magnificent replica of my cosmic circle and sword of blue flame. I wish to place this in your third eye. I wish to place it there in your physical body as a spiritual focus from our octave of Light. Whenever you concentrate upon this replica and will it so, that circle and sword of blue flame within you shall magnetize the circle and sword of blue flame in the macrocosmic world, which will provide you tremendous assistance. I pledge to you that if you are sincere and deeply devoted to God in your heart, I will surely answer you; and assistance will be forthcoming—in some cases, even before you call.

Do you understand how great is this gift of love? Beloved hearts of Light, this replica is yours to use so long as you energize it and invoke its power consistently. If, for reasons of disuse, you shall

fail to exercise this privilege, I am certain that by cosmic law the replica will decay and fade away. It can only be made permanent as you use it, as you invoke the Light, and as you understand that this focus of my service to Life can bring a great release to humanity from all destructive action.

In ages to come, so long as this dictation shall endure or the pages of the written message shall remain, so long as these words are available to humanity, and even though they may not be physically available, wherever there is a beating heart that desires to sustain deliverance from evil, there do I pledge my flame. There my circle and sword of blue flame will go into action, delivering humanity into a state of awareness of the Christ where the beauty of the paradise of God and the highest consciousness of His Son shall come forth and take preeminence over all other outer conditions. For God wills it so.

I AM Astrea. I have spoken to you out of the circle- and-sword-of-blue-flame consciousness, which is the consciousness of protection to the divine domain. Use it! Assimilate this consciousness and be free! I thank you.

The Path That Leads Directly to God

Gracious Ladies and Gentlemen:

The marvelous and masterful order which permeates the universe is frequently overlooked by the most intelligent of men. There is inherent within nature and man a natural unfoldment of the divine plan. In the mandate "Take dominion over the earth!" <1> the Universal Father conveyed upon man the gift that can make him, if he will accept it, the master of his world.

The aspects of the twin egos, the one changing and the one changeless—the one human and the other divine—ought to provide man with greater insight concerning the gift of God-control that he may exercise over the energies of his life. It is unfortunate that so many men and women are caught up in the whimsical activities of the outer ego which tax the Life-force, the solar energies that are intended to secure for them the vitality which they require throughout their lives.

Man has been called a dual being, and in one sense he is; but at the same time he has been called a triune being. In reality, it is possible to subdivide the whole of his manifestation into a multiplicity of parts. These, however, should be understood to function as a unit; for they are so constituted. But because of the crosscurrents in the polarization of his consciousness and man's tendency to overemphasize certain aspects of his being while underemphasizing others, there is sometimes an imbalance in the outer manifestation which causes various forms of discomfort to the evolving soul.

Spiritual exercise is regarded by many, especially by those devoted to the worldly mind, as a waste of time. No falsehood could be greater. For once a man embarks upon a spiritual service, the ordering of that service comes under the Christ of his own being, which is a manifestation of the Universal Christ, the living Word, or Logos.

How can the Path that leads directly to God be considered a waste of time? The real problem is that the things of the Spirit are seldom understood by the natural man, who regards them as "foolishness" because, as Saint Paul explained, "they are spiritually discerned." <2> While mankind is embodied, it is necessary that he give consideration to both aspects of his being—the natural and the spiritual. But to neglect the spiritual entirely is to allow the very manifestation of essential wholeness to wither on the vine of Life.

I am convinced that the statement "To be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" <3> will have a special meaning for those who understand the words of the Christ to be the bread of Life. They will reveal that the inward functioning of man's being, in its search for reunion with the Divinity, is a blessed experience of hearing the voice of the living God echoing simultaneously in the chambers of the universe and in the chambers of the heart.

The benefits of reintegration, of the soul's at-one-ment with the Father, are magnificent to behold, producing the fruit of change not only in the inward parts of man but also in his outer affairs. Through the absorption of the energies of the Higher Self, the whole being of man is brought under divine dominion, and a speaking relationship with the spiritual world is established. I do not say that mankind do not engage in certain practices which in a relative sense are both ineffectual and contradictory. Yet it should always be understood by embodied humanity that God looks both upon the heart of man and upon the heart's motivation.

Above all, mankind should beware of the act of rationalization whereby the human intellect employs the logic of the serpent as a standard of judgment in determining right and wrong. If the truth were known, people would see that these rationalizations that seem so right to them ("there is

a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death”) <4> are actually tying up their energies in activities that are almost totally vain.

I cannot say that this is the case when individuals, out of generosity of heart and loving concern for others, offer their energies in the giving of prayers, decrees, and spiritual exercises. And when they preface these applications for assistance with the words “Thy will be done!” they make certain that those for whom they call will tread the path of a blessed cosmic rationality rather than the way which is indicated from the level of the carnal mind.

Blessed children of the dawn, regard the power of your own cosmic birthright and perceive how it anchors in your heart a steadfastness which declares “I shall not be moved!” Yet the quality of mercy must not be overlooked. Perfect balance, as an attribute of the universal law of love, will always thrust aside human stubbornness, indecision, and carnal judgment on behalf of mercy released from a heart of fiery love. However, that which mankind have called mercy is not mercy at all, but a frame of mind that is akin to that of a milksop!

The chastening of God is a steadfast activity of love which, functioning through karmic manifestation, returns to man that which he has sown in order that the universe may be brought into balance and that he may learn the true law of mercy. It is an act of mercy that the Deity provides mankind with the opportunity not only to learn to do well but also to love to do well. For only by learning the correct application of the Law will mankind learn how they can become the absolute masters of their destiny. Frightful indeed are the manifestations of human karma when mankind fail to adhere to the Law, for the return of energies misused is often a bitter pill to swallow. Thus sometime, somewhere each lifestream evolving upon this planetary body must learn the rightness of the Law and how he can employ that rightness to secure his own freedom. Do you see?

This very year certain activities of the Sacred Fire are being prepared for release to humanity as a forward impetus that will raise a select number of embodied individuals to a higher position of mastery so that they can function in closer cooperation with the cosmic Hierarchy. The blessings of this dispensation cannot be bestowed merely on the basis of mankind's desire to enter into a more direct relationship with the cosmic Hierarchy; for this release must be determined by the Lords of Karma. <5> Yet each one who applies can clearly see, if he will, that justice, together with mercy, permeates the universe.

If mankind expect to reap the rewards of Love, they must be endowed with Love's attributes. Upon the karmic screen are many manifestations of Love and its reflections. Yet human hatred, or dislike, which is a mild form of hatred, is also reflected on the screen of Life. The interplay of energies between human beings and the consequent sowing and reaping of karma by mankind are the underlying cause of much of the distress upon earth. The advanced chela will understand that even Heaven itself knows that infant humanity, by reason of their relatively low level of attainment, will inevitably reap the results of their own ineffectiveness in becoming overcomers.

Those of you who are a bit more advanced will understand that while we have worked tirelessly for mankind and for the Cause of the cosmic Hierarchy, most, if not all, of our seeming failures to reach mankind are the fault not of ourselves, but of the various opacities and blocks in the human consciousness that almost totally hide the Light of the spiritual Sun. The seekers who do make forward gain are the ones who are unafraid to reach up their hands in supplication to God, those who do not pin their hopes on human pride and human acceptance of their ego.

Well, won't you understand, then, that when we say “It's up to you!” our statement is based upon cosmic law which decrees that you yourself establish the cause-effect relationship between yourself and God? I want the students to understand what beautiful results can be forthcoming as they dedicate themselves in greater measure to the reestablishment of their relationship with God rather than remaining positioned, as the vast majority of embodied humanity are, in those self-chosen rounds which keep them bound to the things of this world.

It should be understood that vast numbers among mankind suffer from a banal ignorance that is almost a disease—and if not a disease, then the cause of most diseases. The thrust of El Morya's purpose, as it is infused with the first ray of the dawn, is magnificently expressed in the Solar Logos and in the Universal One. In those impersonal aspects of the Deity which hide behind the pulsations of the spiritual Sun, there is often found the most buoyant release of spiritual power which each individual may appropriate, thereby making the impersonal aspects personal, if he will, and transforming his life from day to day, from glory to glory, <6> even as the Spirit of God is itself working within all mankind.

The blessed fastening upon the human heart and mind of those applications of universal love which can truly be called God's love for you is likened unto the appliqué of garlands of floral offerings held by angel hands as you ascend the golden ladder of attainment. And so you may climb as cherubs in the confidence of Light's victory toward a greater measure of cooperation with our realm, knowing full well that we not only exist, but that we exist to assist and are doing so twenty-four hours a day!

O mankind, won't you try to extricate yourselves from those humanistic patterns which lead you to believe that your own rationality and intellectual concepts will deliver you from evil! Only by the impersonal yet omnipresent love of God that is the sweetest and most intimate contact any man can know will you be able to cast off the weaknesses of the carnal mind and replace them by the all-enfolding victory of the cosmic honor flame. For when invoked, this consuming fire of the Almighty bestows upon each soul evolving on the planetary body that ineffable love which begets justice and mercy, tolerance and brotherhood. And in the patience of that love divine, the soul of man becomes an anvil of purpose upon which the drama of ages is forged—right within your mind and heart.

Cast aside the doubts and trivialities, the confusions and the shadows of the world, and establish upon your heart's altar that forcefield and focus of our unswerving faith in God and loyalty to man that will draw millions of humanity into the great upswing of the ascension flame. For all parts of Life in whom we also trust, mindful of the inherent divine seed, shall rise with God-speed into those airy realms of mind and spirit where contact with God becomes a softening radiance, real and tangible, that will assist you in sealing your life in the love fires of Almighty God.

I pledge to you my heart, my head, and my hand in unadulterated service before the great victory of the Karmic Lords and the swift lightning of that Divine Love which ushers in the New Day of mankind's freedom.

I remain and I AM

Sanctus Germanus

1. Gen. 1:26.

2. I Cor. 2:14.

3. Rom. 8:6.

4. Prov. 14:12.

5. This seven-member board is composed of the Goddess of Liberty, the Great Divine Director, Beloved Portia, Lady Master Nada, Pallas Athena, Beloved Kwan Yin, and Beloved Cyclopea, who adjudicate mankind's karma and determine the rate of its return at personal and planetary levels. In

addition, they apportion dispensations of Light from the Godhead among those embodied representatives of The Brotherhood qualified to receive them.

6. II Cor. 3:18.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by the Elohim of Peace

“An Experience in the Pavilion of Peace,”*

given January 2, 1972**

I AM Peace. It has been decided that we would give you this day, by karmic grace, a spiritual experience of great depth. Will you take my hand in thought and come with me apart from ordinary experience realms into the world of cosmic dreams where we shall create an experience of peace in what we term the “Pavilion of Peace.”

By His grace there is created by the devas and the builders of form and great Cosmic Beings a pavilion of white alabaster through which shines the Light never seen on land or sea, the Light of ten thousand spiritual suns, the Light of the Eternal One. Through the walls of our alabaster Pavilion of Peace there gleams now this radiance. There are four sides to our pavilion and three magnificent domes on each side—two below and one above, forming a triad in memory of the threefold nature of man and of God. The gates of the pavilion are open, and six mighty seraphim stand at each gate to lead you upward to the Temple of Peace. The mighty organ which we call the organ of peace is radiating out that cosmic sound which is soundless but which rises to crescendos of peace...

Will you enter with me now the gates of the Temple of Peace and hear the sweet bells of heaven that ring out melodic joy that peace can prevail. Seven snow-white doves are carrying a banner in their bills and they flutter at the gateway as you enter; and the banner, in letters of gold, Old English gold, fluttering in a soft, gentle wind, reads “Peace.” For there is no other vibratory action that can come into our temple save peace. And yet the scene is not vacant, for there is a Light and a mystical joy in the air of this Pavilion of Peace.

Now we see the thirteenth dome—an inner spire rising and a beautiful brick mosaic formed within it. And there in gold, stamped within a Maltese cross of perfect balance, is the word “Peace.” It is as though the very physical heart wanted momentarily to pause and drink in the scene of peace. For seven rays come down from the center of the dome; these are the rays of the Holy Spirit. White at the point of blending, the gentlest of pastel hues are to be seen upon the floor where the reflected rays gently position themselves as though they were seven votive flames from the altar of God's Heart...

I AM the Elohim of Peace. I radiate out into the world domain the vibratory action of infinite peace—a consuming fire to those who radiate out the awful vibratory action of hatred, war, and destruction and the influences of the carnal mind, but a fire of hope, a shining diadem of our love to all who see the beauty of our temple. We offer to each of you a gift this day: a miniature replica of the Temple of Peace, a symbol of your journey which we place in a golden acorn. Siva! It is done! To each soul let there be an encapsulated golden acorn. Within that acorn, reduced to microscopic size and placed within the ventricle of the heart so as not to interfere in any way with the flow of the Life-force, do we place the gift—the focus of the Elohim of Peace, my focus, thy focus, God's focus, a universal focus. It belongs to the world, to the universe; it is a part of creativity, of the fiat of creation...

I tell you of a truth, the gift I give you today is a point of contact with universal peace. If you will, it can summon within you at will the great Cosmic Genie, the Figure Form, the symbolic Angel of your own individualized Presence, who will on the instant bring you into the realm of peace. And so I shall tell you of the power of this talisman which I place within those of you who will accept it. I will never impose it upon any. If you have once accepted it, however, I should tell you now, it

becomes anchored there forever. And all you have to do when all around you is turbulent and you are in distress and in confusion is to visualize in miniature the Pavilion of Peace, call unto me and unto your individualized God Presence and say:

“I need Thee every hour, O Elohim of Peace and Beloved Mighty I AM Presence! Show forth Thy Light!” And with the words “Show forth Thy Light,” I will come again and create the vibratory action of my peace.

In the name of the Prince of Peace I say, “Peace be unto you.”

* The Retreat of the Elohim of the Sixth Ray, Peace and Aloha, is on the etheric plane over the Hawaiian Islands.

** The complete dictation is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters’ April Tape MTR7204 and Cassette MTR 7209 from The Summit Lighthouse.

Cause-Effect Relationships

To Men Who Seek Peace:

Just as there is a physical envelope, or mantle, which mankind identify as the earth, just as there exist an atmosphere and the manifestations of water and fire, so there exists the fiery realm of cause. To this realm all mankind contribute their thoughts and energies; to this realm the Ascended Hosts also contribute the patterns of their creations. These are reflected in the realm of natural manifestation which reveals a series of cause-effect relationships, both harmful and beneficent, that, if perceived by mortal men, would be stunning, to say the least.

Now we would speak of the lightness of the natural manifestations of nature reflected in the elements from the realm of cause. Perceiving also the nightmarish effects of the kaleidoscopic impressions of the carnal mind and the overwhelming emotional torrents which stem from mankind's acceptance and rejection of political or theological issues and even his mental and emotional involvement in technological and ecological turmoil, we are in a position to warn you of the dangers of misqualification.

If you were but able to envision the causative realm where there is a mingling of the benign and the most offensive of human nature, you would more easily perceive man's need to return to the pristine beauty of his Source. For only by so doing can he extricate himself from the tendency to become so deeply enmeshed in the human maelstrom that he can no longer see what is really taking place in his world—what influences are affecting him more for evil than for good.

It is the wish of the cosmic Hierarchy to disseminate throughout the forcefield of the seekers' consciousness the understanding that is so vital to their release from the cause-effect pressures that are often seen as effects but seldom as causes. The differences among humanity so apparent in the world arena—differences which involve racial conflict and tensions and strife between peoples—that are compounded by the influences of atheism and agnosticism and the attempts of various vested interest groups to influence others, have resulted in much suffering. From this we would set the seeker free. From this we would set the world free.

Yet we are aware of deep-seated and deep-dyed hatreds that have been perpetuated on a world scale and of mankind's momentums that rekindle vendettas and ancestral thirsts for vengeance, such as those we now see in Ireland. These momentums, through the revival of age-old struggles in each decade or century, add to the weight of human misery. Often forgotten are the delicate manifestations of soul consciousness—of solar awareness—that, through a sense of the Firstborn from the Heart of God, does manifest those qualities which are of the nature of the eternal Spirit.

Those who are willing to be guided by The Brotherhood are ever able to understand with the mind of a child and the vision of a sage the life plan of the universe as it was intended from the beginning. Truly many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first. <1> Unless the seeker guards his precious crown treasure which focuses his divine birthright, the sweet sophistications that are so glamorous to the mortal mind will lock him up in the prison of his own false sense of Reality.

We would set the captives free <2> to enjoy the spume of the sea, the dancing of the air, the crackling blaze of consuming fires, and the solidity of earth itself as factors upon which man can depend. John said, "The whole world lieth in wickedness." <3> Today most of the world lies in the wickedness of the manipulators and their manipulative techniques. Those who manipulate others are often manipulated themselves by their peers; thus the banner of struggle is raised over the world,

a symbol of the awful weight of oppression sustained by those committed to the insatiable desires of the ego.

He who said, "I AM come that they might have Life, and that they might have it more abundantly" <4> was an exponent of true freedom who served in order that man's spiritual senses might be enlarged, that his understanding might be broadened and his devotion increased. He worked to see the fibers of man's soul knit together and made whole so that it might be integrated at inner levels with the network of The Brotherhood which has ever sought to produce the fruit of spiritual abundance in all and whose language requires that man's spiritual sense be developed and perfected.

Yet cosmic law cannot be altered: "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." <5> We are alerting many now, not to the alluring, mystical sense of a "mystery," but to the true spiritual understanding that each man is a part of God and that he has a life plan, a central direction to his life. This we are doing so that the world order will not be unnecessarily chastened by the cataclysmic return of world karma.

Not apparent is the miracle behind the release of our sacred words, our instruction, and our watchful concern which we are giving to you now and which has been given in the past by many members of the Hierarchy. There is no intent on our part to confound mankind, but only to register our approval of universal Truth and our disapproval of those binding elements of the human consciousness which down through the centuries have prevented the manifestation of mankind's spiritual progress.

Try to let register in your consciousness, O beloved mankind, that regardless of what era you live in, the same laws apply. You will find your freedom through obedience to these laws, through your understanding of these laws, and through your indomitable God-determination to allow nothing to interfere with your spiritual progress while you are embodied in a physical form.

The Christ Consciousness is a spiritual manifestation which functions through the chalice of the mind. The mind which you believe to be completely identified with your physical form is in reality separate therefrom and may roam the universe untethered. Yet it is wise for all mankind who embark on the spiritual Path to learn to enjoy the scenery in the foreground as that which is closer to the present moment rather than to wander afar in the horizons of time and space. The reason for this can be apparent, blessed ones, if you will try to understand that your fellow passengers on the ship of time, though they may manifest varying states of consciousness, are still functioning within the practicality of a moment—and so must you if you would deal effectively with them.

One of the great tragedies that has occurred in connection with mankind's search for God is that religious men and women have allowed the unfortunate spirit of condemnation, criticism, and judgment to occupy the platform of their mind and emotions. Whereas they may seek to justify their denunciation of one another, saying that it is a matter of theological dogma, actually it is often a matter of spiritual pride; moreover, they are beset with that negative magnetism which allows spirits of diversity to use their consciousness rather than the one Spirit of God.

Quite frequently the charges they bring to bear upon one another involve the very things which they themselves are doing, while those whom they accuse may be wholly innocent. Judgment is never wise. Unfortunately, those who practice it are usually karmically guilty of attempting to destroy, either directly or indirectly, the reputation of those whom they fear or of those of whom they are jealous. Sometimes they act in good faith but in poor judgment.

Wise is the disciple at any point upon the spiritual Path who remains unmoved by those condemnation techniques which are actually extensions of the powers of darkness, moving at times even through those who have performed spiritual utterances or who have achieved a reputation as a spiritual teacher.

The enemy, in the process of separating man from God, utilizes the most devious methods. The human personality is always involved. Beware then of those who are quick to accuse; and

remember that “the accuser of our brethren,” according to the ancient writings, “is cast down [into the earth plane], which accused them before our God day and night.” <6>

Spiritual discrimination is a natural faculty of the soul that is attuned to the Christ Consciousness and will eventually prove the way that leads to the abundant Life and cooperation with the cosmic Hierarchy. The spiritual Path is wonderful! It is a manifestation of universal delight, the overflowing cup of God-happiness.

Instead of critically scanning those you meet and allowing yourself to have your happiness disturbed, seek to convey a blessing upon all. Greet all with the love of the God Flame that is within and proceed, if you can, to let that Flame work the change in mankind that is wholly constructive. If, however, the peace and the love which you send to others in the name of The Brotherhood is rejected by them, your energy will return to you and you will find that peace and love manifesting within your own soul as they proceed to set up the matrices of those tests which will one day show them the error of their ways.

Be not unduly concerned over those who seek to make you uncomfortable or to disturb the peace of your soul. Know that the laws of God are inexorable; they cannot be broken. Each violation must one day be adjusted. Just see to it, beloved ones, that the peace of a right attitude—not that of self-righteousness, but that of divine righteousness—remains upon your heart's altar, a flame that no human emotion can quench, a spark of universal joy that spreads the panacea of cosmic healing everywhere throughout the universe.

I AM and I remain the advocate of that peace which governs the emotional tides of life and manifests the victory of the Christ,

Cuzco

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1. Matt. 19:30.
 2. Isa. 61:1.
 3. I John 5:19.
 4. John 10:10.
 5. Gal. 6:7.
 6. Rev. 12:10.

The Miracle of the Thrust

To All Savants of Good Will:

The miracle of the thrust is the assembly of purpose, the utterly marvelous manipulation of events by the power of the divine will that translates darkness into Light, failure into success, and defeat into victory!

Those deplorable states of consciousness that some men allow to occupy their minds are reflected in the state of their lives. We speak not to condemn, but to affirm the glory of victory and the perfect performance that does overcome darkness with Light. The ease with which some men detour others from the right Path by the subtle action of false accusation and those involvements of the human consciousness that corrupt rather than develop character is astonishing. Such activities are often found in places one would least expect, places that in the past have provided a forum of Truth for humanity.

It would seem that when one goes to the oil market, one should be able to buy oil in safety and without interference. Yet such is frequently not the case, for men have perverted their own standards as well as the standards of others both in the marts of commerce and in the marts of religion. Thus the buyer must beware and the seeker must exercise great care in the pursuit of God lest he be destroyed by those who profess to do divine works, promising liberty while they themselves are the servants of corruption. <1>

Wise is the man or woman who can separate Truth from error and decipher those mechanical manipulations of the mass mind whose stereotypes are so often nothing but the machinations of the savants of darkness who seek to divide men from one another and from Truth itself. It is necessary for men to engage the teeth of a valiant spirit in divine and cosmic ideals; but if their ideals are warped and twisted by wrong thought processes and wrong motives that would destroy the character of others, then the will of God is not being served. Instead the powers of darkness enjoy a field day in their activities to create unhappiness in countless lives.

The excellence of the Divine Image must be portrayed by the faithful through daily living. It is never enough to merely profess belief; belief must be translated into action in the world order. How grateful we are to know that men love Truth above personality. This is an indication of their magnetization to the Most High. Yet it is not His will that men should become adept in smear tactics, that they should take advantage of the trust people have vested in them or use the power of their public and private offices to deny to any part of Life that reputation in excellence which it is hoped each one will desire to keep for himself.

He who said, "By their fruits ye shall know them" <2> spake perennial truths. There is no reason why those who profess to seek God should resort to tactics of public outcry or private poisoning of character against those servants of humanity who do the best they can as they see fit. When they themselves were younger, did they have the same grasp of Life which they now apply to their own understanding? And do they suppose that physical age or a hoary head is any guarantee of their living in greater Truth? Do they not also assume the right to expand their understanding if the Universal Spirit gives them a new outlook on an old and cherished truth? What a pity that men by their pomposity play the hypocrite, smiling sweetly while secretly assassinating the character of the righteous!

Men should remember to leave room for new understanding about old and firmly established spiritual teachings; otherwise they will stop their spiritual progress by falling into a slot which, because of their own rigidity, will hold them back. Yet great care must be exercised in the approach

to spiritual matters, for there are fixed laws governing man's relationship to God. Truth innate and inherent lies at the very core of reasonable ideals. The knowledge of these laws will enable men who desire to serve the needs of mankind to also stand fast both on the record of recorded truth and in that certitude of soul-knowing which originates in the proper perception of Principle. By this men need never stray from the Path of those whom God has taught.

Such as these will not feel the need stemming from a misplaced zeal or a fierce jealousy to impugn the character of others, seeing all men do show forth their own Light. And whether they will it or not, Heaven has made provision for all in universal providence that permits each one to change his mind and to evolve in those areas in which his perceptions may have erred. Heaven has provided for the opening of mankind's hearts and minds to the glorious tones of cosmic Truth which spells naught else but progress.

Those spirits that have nothing to hide, that are blithe and gay, a youthful reminder to the powers of Love that in truth they are little children seeking to mature, do not make the karma of shedding discord upon countless lives. In the very act of receiving one another, they manifest a quality of graciousness that precludes that stiff defensive positioning of the consciousness which has already excluded from its domain all who do not agree with it.

What a pity that in a time when so much sincere teaching is needed to correct the doubts, fears, and misapprehensions of men, those who prefer the alphabet of divine righteousness and living Truth to doctrinal error should come under the rod of the spoiler. Yet I am persuaded that ultimately Justice and Truth shall triumph, as we have witnessed again and again. Those who say from the lofty height of world acclaim that our offerings in the *Pearls* are astral mutterings shall one day fall on their knees to acknowledge the error of their ways.

Let us pursue the straight and uplifting course that leads beyond the years into the eternal domain, for "greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world." <3> And greater than darkness is the unswerving Light of God's purpose in which we are revealed and which we reveal.

"Woe unto you when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets." <4> Faithful words of the Master bring the comfort of a deepening faith to those who, moving onward to perfection, cherish each gem we send forth weekly as a beacon of hope upon the Path of mankind's struggle to know himself even as he is known. <5>

Devotedly,

El Morya

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1. II Pet. 2:19.
 2. Matt. 7:20.
 3. I John 4:4.
 4. Luke 6:26.
 5. I Cor. 13:12.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by the Goddess of Light

“Light: Symbol of the Creative Word,”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, June 6, 1971

What is the destiny of man
If it is not to understand
The infinite plans of God,
To recognize the beauty
That is within himself
And to say:

I will drink Light.
I will feel Light.
I will be imbued with Light.
I AM Light and Light is my domain!
I will not walk in darkness,
For the hallowed circle of cosmic fire
Blends around me and fills my radiant aura
With the manifestation of the divine intent.
I AM a being divine in principle,
Created by God in the divine image
And stamped with a cosmic mold
Rather than the earthly mold.
Behold, Light is mine to command!
And by Light I command all things.
I take dominion o'er the earth
And I take dominion first
Over the realm of my own choosing,
The realm of my own individuality,
The realm of my own musing
Where cosmic fancy seizes me by day
And cosmic fancy fills my heart by night.
The loom of heaven
Weaves a garment now pure Light.
I AM the radiant fire,
Circle of living flame.
Behold, around me God is!
I live in His own name!

Note: The complete dictation of the Goddess of Light is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MTR 7107, The Summit Lighthouse.

Life Beyond the Veil

To the Earnest Seeker and to All Others:

The contemporary world in which you live is full of danger and delight—danger to all who, either through ignorance or disregard of cosmic laws, pursue the fashions of the times, and delight for those who lift their consciousness out of the levels of human thought that cause them to subscribe to human limitations. So long as man or woman is content to dwell in the veil of limitation, so long will the conditions of the veil be to the detriment of the immortal spark of God-Reality which is at the core of Being.

We grant that there remains much waving of arms and wagging of tongues in derision of those actions of thought and feeling which are intended to do honor to the Godhead. And there is a great tendency on the part of mankind to pay homage to mortal companions whose sole claim to fame and friendship is that they happen to be questionably alive and well on the planetary platform at the same moment in history.

It is important that people cease to confine their concept of the living and the real to the flesh-and-blood creation while they regard the consciousness that has departed from the body, abiding in the unknown realm, as dead. We recognize the dangers and deathlike emanations native to the astral realm that have been intensified through the practice of necromancy, which we abhor. But we refuse to be buffeted by human opinion which declares that the brotherhood of Ascended Masters, spiritual beings, and even contemporary men and women who have departed the screen of life are either dangerous or dead. For the selfsame immortal Spirit that fired body, mind, and soul in the physical chalice is eternally alive, benign, and victorious within the cosmic community.

It is time that people recognize that a greater portion of Reality can be perceived by the consciousness that is attuned to spiritual realms. From these realms the Heavenly Brothers can reach out to mankind with ennobling concepts when their minds are free from the mundane distractions of the physical realm. It is totally unwise to discount the Presence of the great company of saints who have risen triumphant from the Veil; for thereby one denies himself the blessing of cosmic truths that can be proven to mankind whether they are in the body or out of the body. <1> These truths are taught by teachers who manifest both in and out of the body to those who give a receptive ear and recognize spiritual accomplishments even as they recognize physical ones.

Most people on earth regard as foolishness those things which they do not perceive with their physical senses. I earnestly pray that embodied mankind might swiftly be shown the gravity of their mistake. One of these days when they find themselves out of the body and perchance aware of higher levels, they may yearn for our friendship and find that whereas upon earth the Law allows the cosmic teacher to go in search of that which is lost, once the crystal cord is broken <2> and the soul of man rises to higher octaves, he must have an invitation and he must be able to receive it. He must be able to look up and listen to the Master's voice if he would enter the retreats of The Brotherhood. Should he have gained little or no knowledge of our octave before his passing, it will be more difficult for us to orient him to the higher domain and its inhabitants; for both will be totally foreign to his limited outreach.

The first thought which comes to the individual once his consciousness becomes accustomed to life on the next plane is to fulfill the same desires and pursue the same activities in which he was engaged upon earth. You have heard it said, “He which is filthy, let him be filthy still...and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” <3> The nature of man in his present realm of activity determines

what he will be in future realms and whether or not he will be receptive to Truth, to our octave, and to those beautiful and bountiful levels of consciousness which we inhabit.

“Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.” <4> Let all who are wise make their attunement now with the things of the Spirit <5> and at least become acquainted with our octaves and our teachings. Then it will be easier for them to bridge the gap between planes of awareness and to provide a way for those who on the eve of their departure must prepare either for a succeeding embodiment of the highest constructive effort or for the initiations of the Ascension Temple. A little effort on this side will assist them immeasurably on the other side, both to work out the patterns of their karma and to make those karmic adjustments which are necessary if they are one day to receive the great boon of the ascension which was accorded the Master Jesus.

I write these words in order that mankind might be given this counsel and this consolation here rather than hereafter and thereby ready themselves for that greater opportunity for which God has already provided.

The cosmic Hierarchy salutes you. Let none fear to do well, for the rewards of the Infinite are both infinitely and finitely profitable.

Devotedly yours, I AM

Kuthumi

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1. II Cor. 12:2.
 2. Eccles. 12:6.
 3. Rev. 22:11.
 4. II Cor. 6:2.
 5. Rom. 8:5.

Having Vowed unto God, Man Is Expected to Fulfill

O Beloved Mankind of Earth,

The placing of man's thoughts upon the cosmic designs fresh from the Heart of God assures humanity that the Spirit of the Prince of Peace <1> is by divine ordination purifying the mind and heart from all that would destroy the world order and oppose its ultimate spiritual victory.

As God is, so man is—providing he will release his consciousness into the cosmic flow and divest his body of all tension and his mind of the sense of lack that is the basic problem of mortal insecurity. So long as mankind accept in their mental and feeling worlds the idea that their manifestation is less than the Divine Image, so long will they grovel in self-limiting matrices—all the way from the degradation of self-belittlement to the exaltation of self-aggrandizement—which place them either above or below their peers in standard and accomplishment.

What a pity this is! For wherever there is condemnation of man by man, the spirit of man is often cast down by the weight of human hatred and human effluvia, and all too frequently his opportunities for spiritual attainment are aborted. Whereas the very nature of God is imbued with the divine sense of abundance, His cosmic generosity is easily transferred, blessed ones, unto you and unto all mankind. If only they will surrender their human sense of limitation and recognize that the fullness of the Godhead that dwells in Christ bodily <2> is also within the seed of Sacred Fire that He implanted within their own heart!

Karmic recompense may momentarily cloud the issues that are before humanity, but the surrender of oneself into the total keeping of God by an absolute faith in His omnipresence allows one to work out the retributive factors of one's life while moving steadfastly toward Perfection's goal. While this faith might appear to some as a manifestation of utter delusion or an unfortunate hypocrisy, their own doubts prevent them from the clear seeing that would give them the inner peace of soul-knowing. This peace, when called into action, enables all who receive it to understand in part and to know in part. <3>

The faith that abides in the soul who is receptive to the master plan always exalts the true nature of man. Thus by faith man rises steadfastly out of the mortal socket of revolution into the spiritual standard of evolution, never compromising any thing or any quality of the Godhead in order to receive those temporary satisfactions of the flesh which in their emptiness have often prevented the manifestation of the very spirituality men seek.

I am a cosmic mother; and I am concerned with the progress of the faithful, or those who long so to be, providing they are willing in their commitment unto immortality to appropriate that grace which God and the cosmic Hierarchy are already bestowing upon mankind in preparation for the Golden Age now incoming. Many men and women are too selfish to recognize the preventative action that the Hierarchy take from time to time over the affairs of the individual as an automated safeguard which protects those who are so deeply sincere from creating in depth that negative karma which could become their nemesis. These must understand that by the grace of God the inflowing of the Holy Spirit into their lives, while it may seem to be a manifestation of the rod of chastisement, is a staff of divine support upholding the best gifts and the best endeavors of all who truly keep the faith. <4>

The role of the Cosmic Mother is one with which many can easily identify when first they hear of it, as though they were witnessing the fulfillment of the revelations given to Beloved John concerning the “Woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.” <5> But there is often a gulf between human aspirations and divine

attainment, as was indicated to John when he asked the angel of the Lord for the “little book.” For he said, “Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.” <6>

Therefore, the wise ones who perceive the need for perpetual striving will not negate their divine opportunities, but enhance them. It is necessary that mankind should move steadfastly toward Perfection even while those cosmic drives of the Spirit to which they ought to become subject are moving them forward into higher and higher states of cosmic bliss. The challenge of striving is in the summoning of the best energies which mankind already have within them from the divine order of Selfhood.

Too few are they who are willing to understand and apply the teaching of Paul “the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.” <7> Too many are those who are buffeted about by the desire to enhance the setting of the ego at the same time that they recognize the ego to be their greatest enemy.

We realize full well how difficult it is for individuals at certain points in their spiritual evolution to maintain the constant state of listening grace in mind and heart that is required in order to fulfill cosmic contracts. For having vowed unto God, man is expected to fulfill. And if he does not, he who sows the wind shall reap the whirlwind. <8> Cosmic energies held in the ascendancy are ever to be commended as the guiding link that will fructify in man the noblest of his aspirations.

It is not customary from divine standards for the representatives of the Holy Spirit, or any who are linked with us in the net of higher aspiration, to function in a condemnatory manner against any lifestream. Rather should they, as we do, seek to remember that the faculties and frailties of the human spirit must be nurtured through periods of common distress, not in support of man's failures or his unrighteousness, but rather for the purpose of strengthening those divine elements which are truly a part of the Divine Self of every man. If it were not possible for man to attain perfection, Heaven would long ago have revealed it unto the seeking mind and heart.

I AM Mary, a mother who has become a cosmic mother—one who seeks to produce the fruit of peace on earth, goodwill to men; <9> but I am aware that there are some among mankind who yet dwell in the sense of mortal failure. This unfortunate state of consciousness—this tarrying in the tents of darkness—can and should be cast down. For out of the Light comes the fullness of that strength which overthrows the darkness in every man.

The wise son of God, aware of his own failures as well as the darkening perceptions of life that are the common lot of ordinary mankind, is willing to surrender the energies of his mind and heart in that unspoken adoration of the shining cosmic Principle which will soon become his own. Thus are born those attitudes of mind and heart which are inductive of the New Age. And these will surely produce the fruit of the Spirit in all who will conform to the great cosmic Law as it is revealed by those magnificent God-free Beings who are striving together even now for the spiritual development of mankind.

Out of the balm of Hierarchy comes the ruling, God-victorious power over all of nature; and all manifestation comes from the recognition of that power in man. This is the power that coordinates the affairs of men and releases mankind from the tension that mounts with struggle into the free-flowing movement of the Holy Spirit. Like a pillar of fire or a pillar of cloud, <10> the Spirit of the Lord strengthens the bond between hearts who truly love God, creating a mutual burden of glory that is bestowed when the humble of heart bring the fruit of their striving to the feet of the Lord.

I AM your servant and mother, persevering with you in cosmic Truth, Light, Love, and Illumination,

Mary

1. Isa. 9:6.
2. Col. 2:9.
3. I Cor. 13:12.
4. II Tim 4:7.
5. Rev. 12:1.
6. Rev. 10:9.
7. Gal. 5:22-24.
8. Hos. 8:7.
9. Luke 2:14.
10. Exod. 13:21.

Take Dominion by Divine Free Will

Beloved Hearts Who Seek the Flame of Truth:

Your human free will is misnamed and should be called instead your divine free will. For albeit from the first moment of their individual creation mankind are given by God the right to choose, that right, guaranteed by cosmic law, can never be abrogated; nevertheless, it is limited by those bounds which predetermine the range of man's experience according to cosmic law. Whereas all are judged, then, according to the same Law, it follows as a consequence of that Law that those who advance along the spiritual Path will find opening up to them a wider vista in which to express that free will which by right choices they have made divine.

Mankind should search diligently to understand the law of free will. For the right to choose is a divine prerogative. When embodied in mortal form, individuals may exercise this prerogative to choose evil; and they retain that right while they are out of the body yet in a state that is less than perfection. To choose only good is to choose only God. Yet this too is subject to the exercise of free will. The accretion of greater knowledge by a lifestream is the result of his rightly choosing to expand his consciousness into cosmic domains through spiritual development and by a willingness to be obedient to the fiat of Life.

You will remember that when I was embodied as Paul I spoke these words concerning Jesus: "Being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name." <1> Mankind today have not understood the gift of their divine Sonship nor the Christ-emanation thereof. They do not understand the universality of Christ Jesus. They do not realize that in reality God has no favorite son but exalts the universal Christ Reality into which each man can drink and become thereby a co-server with the Universal Christ.

One who surrenders completely unto God and whose childlike attitude is acceptable in His sight cannot fail ultimately to attain Christ-mastery in the true spirit of oneness. When a man or woman has attained to this level of God Reality through the universality of the Holy Spirit, there is no longer any differential between his or her soul and the Spirit of God. Souls who advance to this place in the spiritual realm automatically rise "from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." <2>

This oneness—this blending of the energies of mind and heart with the Cosmic Consciousness that is God—in no way marks the cessation of mankind's free will; for at any point along the way to the center of the Godhead man can, if he will, withdraw from his God-appointed spiritual initiations which are programmed for the advancement of his soul. Yet the one who has surrendered his free will to the will of God knows deep within his heart that it would be folly to do so; and therefore he does not.

The greatest danger on the Path, however, arises just prior to mankind's realization of his final victory. Spiral upon spiral, God transfers to those among mankind who are progressing spiritually greater and greater measures of His authority, until at last He is prepared to transfer the maximum authority that is the heritage of those who have attained oneness with the Godhead. After having received this authority, Jesus declared, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." <3> Thus once he has passed the danger by passing the tests which the danger portends, mankind finds himself in all succeeding cosmic manifestations face to face with the tapestry of his own everlasting enlightenment.

When he is ready for the highest cosmic honors, invariably three great temptations come to man to test his mastery of the energies of the Threefold Flame. These were symbolized in the wilderness experiences of Christ Jesus. They involve (1) the desires of the flesh, <4> (2) pride of the intellect, <5> and (3) political power and worldly acclaim. <6>

It is written that Jesus was an hungered. <7> This signifies that the physical body of man, because human desire patterns are anchored therein, may express a great need to satisfy these human desires. His reply to the tempter who suggested he “command that these stones be made bread” <8> was “It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” <9> By this statement of cosmic law the Master refuted the lie which was the basis of the first temptation.

“Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.” <10> In the divine awareness of his spiritual authority, of his complete oneness with the Father which he retained even during his temptation in the wilderness, Jesus refused to succumb to that measure of human weakness which in the “natural man” <11> would have yielded to the outer manifestation with its attendant desires and to the intellect with all of its pride and pomposity.

“Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.” <12>

Human desires, rationalized by the carnal mind and thrust into prominence by the ego's craving for recognition, can be accentuated until their importance is out of all proportion to Reality. This phenomenon was in evidence in the story of Jacob and Esau when the latter sold his birthright for a mess of pottage. <13> Mankind should understand once and for all that the physical side of Life originates in the spiritual side of Life. This means that the finite is but a facet of the Infinite and must remain wholly subject thereto if the Christ is to be “formed in you.” <14>

Yet negative forces functioning within the framework of time and space attempt to distort man's view of himself in relation to his universe—of the positioning of the microcosm within the macrocosm—so that he will fail to understand the interchange of energies between the manifestation of Life Above and below. Through his acceptance of this warping of his comprehension of the Whole, man finds himself in a quandary from which he cannot extricate himself without divine assistance.

Every student of the Light should recognize in the gift of free will the right to choose evil as well as good at the same time that they recognize the insistence on the part of the Christ Mind that man choose only that which is right, just, and pure in the eyes of God. The fact that mankind today still retain the gift of free will refutes the claim that God periodically revokes that gift and causes certain conditions to be brought about that are in conflict with humanity's will. On the contrary, God has allowed mankind to exercise their human will within their own domain and to create, in defiance of karmic law, circumstances which are a complete travesty of the science of universal justice.

Thus delays in bringing in the kingdom of God upon earth or a state of higher consciousness to man are always indications of the presence of interference with the will of God. This occurs through the subjection of the individual's mind and world to those acts or choices which are reflections of his own will. Man, then—although it is clearly stated in the Scriptures that his days are likened unto the grass <15> which passes away—during the tenure of his occupancy of the planet, has every right to take dominion over the earth plane and subdue it.

Yet his dominion is best realized through the acceptance of the sacred will of God. The teaching of the false prophets who declare that Heaven is literally taking earth by force is just as dangerous as that of those who proclaim that mankind ought to take Heaven by force. <16> Neither approach is satisfactory; for only by yielding to the divine will can mankind achieve, both in this world and in that which is to come, the most blessed experiences of the Most High that they are intended to share.

What a blessing mankind have received in the gift of free choice; for when they do accept the will of God, it is purely their own choice. So do men align themselves with Heaven, with the Christ Consciousness, and with that determination which fortifies the man of the Spirit against the temptations of wickedness and wicked desires.

Men should always bear in mind that God has never created evil, but only all good. Through this realization they can joyously choose to externalize and accept that good which God is. Therefore the ultimate end of mankind will be decided by his choosing spiritual victory for the race. Without question each man must choose thusly for himself; and out of the proper exercise of his free-will choice there shall arise upon the planetary body a great number of advanced souls who will have achieved those spiritual initiations which assure them a level of consciousness that is on a par with that of the Universal Christ. This is God's intent, not to bring just one son into the captivity of His divine will but the many; thus should all souls rejoice in those convocations of the heart, the mind, and the infinite planning of the Father of all for His whole creation.

The kingdom of heaven may have suffered violence and the violent may have taken it by force; but now is the hour of preparedness when the sons of God, through the recognition of their own inheritance and the acceptance of immortality and a heavenly reason, have embraced the fiat of that reason and established it upon earth. The kingdom of God, then, is born as a result of the expansion of the flame of hope in the hearts of all. One day this which God has already established in heaven will be done upon earth. To hasten the day, mankind must rejoice in those choices and opportunities which are reflective of the grace and will of God.

I, Hilarion, release this *Pearl of Wisdom* with the full realization that through the study of these words mankind may become free of all dogma to be instructed in righteousness by the Lord Himself. Thus shall the trump of God overtake the world in all its infirmities and establish the unquestionable law of cosmic economy upon earth. By a little touch of the magnificence of heaven, that which has been sown in dishonor is indeed raised in honor <17> by the cosmic honor flame of universal purpose brought to view.

Devotedly, I AM

Hilarion

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1. Phil. 2:8-9
 2. II Cor. 3:18.
 3. Matt. 28:18.
 4. The perversion of the pink plume of divine love.
 5. The perversion of the yellow plume of divine wisdom.
 6. The perversion of the blue plume of divine power.

7. Matt. 4:2.
8. Matt. 4:3.
9. Matt. 4:4
10. Matt. 4:5-7.
11. I Cor. 2:14.
12. Matt. 4:8-11.
13. Gen. 25:27-34.
14. Gal. 4:19.
15. Pss. 103:15.
16. Matt. 11:12.
17. I Cor. 15:43.

The Immortal Rendering of Peace

Blessed Are the Peacemakers!

Men cry peace when there is no peace <1> because their consciousness vibrates at a level which is both a betrayal and a mockery of their words by their spirit.

Here in the Pacific where a once great continent stretched forth through her verdure an opportunity to men for evolvment, here atop the remnants of what was once a high mountain, remains the last concentration of the beauty of Lemuria, called the Motherland of Mu. The effects of the ancient culture upon modern man speak of influences that stem from the far distant past beyond contemporary history. These show clearly to those who have eyes to see how environment is fashioned by the use of the soul just as environment also molds the shape of the soul personality of individualized man.

In this hour when humanity seek to understand peace, let them realize the price of true peace as well as the meaning thereof. Peace defined as a mere cessation of activity, as an absence of war or conflict, produces little more than a form of euphoria, a tranquillity bordering on sleep itself. Men and women ought to decipher the meaning of life and perceive the karmic web as an interwoven manifestation connecting the soul of each embodied individual with the web of the universe. Life's opportunities, then, are not only to create and embody ideals, but also to resolve ancient involvements in the light of universal reason and justice.

It has been said that mankind do not favor justice. If this be true, it is because they do not understand it. Each effect has its cause, but heavenly mercy endureth forever. <2> The achievement of balance by mankind is not without effort, a reasonable effort toward the promotion of a true and correct understanding of life.

Simply because mankind affirm a thing to be so does not make it so. Those who seek a scientific basis for all circumstances must likewise understand how the measure of those circumstances is prescribed by universal law. If universal law be heeded, it is a certainty that peace will eventually be produced among the entire family of nations and between the universe and the individual soul.

The strange statement attributed to Jesus Christ two thousand years ago "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword" <3> has been greatly misunderstood. The sword is one of discrimination that enables men to properly evaluate the enmity of the serpentine mind with the Christ Mind. <4> The intellect that depends upon questionable facts which afford stability to the surface mind often fails to take into account the quotient of the unknown together with the known.

The purposes of life are not vulgar, but expansive, requiring that man override those chaotic forces which are causative of surface appearances that create in the world of form disillusionment, boredom, and every other manifestation that is less than the perfection of Life. It is true that many men do not see behind the veil of historical appearances. From their contemporary viewing, they are not able to read the hieroglyphs of the ancient mysteries still in physical manifestation; they are not able to summon faith in cosmic possibilities, but choose instead to remain behind the veil of human ignorance and what they term a factual presentation.

As one who sees, may I say to men who see in part, as well as to those who are blind, that when the vast story of Cosmos is ultimately revealed, all will know it. But blessed are those who are able to summon peace within their soul, not in a spirit of complacency, but in a spirit of true peace. Blessed are those who let their consciousness rest in the certainty that Divine Providence has

created from the beginning those elements of universal peace which will ultimately produce fruit after its kind. That people do not know true peace today is due to man's failure to open the gates of his understanding and to decipher not only the ancient mysteries of the lost continents and lost civilizations, but also of the lost heritage that is inherent within each man.

To the end that they may create the divine corollary, I, Aloha, send forth the mighty vibration of peace both to the world and to the center of mankind's souls. Our purpose is that the petals of their unfoldment might become charged with that cosmic discrimination which will enable them, one and all, to rise above karmic record—cause, effect, and memory—and speedily sunder those contacts, whether traditional or unorthodox, which are not founded in the transcendent search for Truth. For only the Truth can make you free, <5> and only the Truth can anchor within your souls those gracious reminiscences of your personal relationship with the divine Creator of all that lives.

Let His perfect love cast out every fear <6> from your being and hold constant in the embrace of your soul the certainty that His knowledge, which shall cover the earth and fill every man with the transcendent Light of the ages, is breaking forth today as the dawn of a new day for all. Each supporting expansion of this Light is a step forward in the development of man as envisioned by God. For only the divine vision will succeed; and with each acceptance of the divine vision by any element of creation, the whole Body of God, the whole garment of creation, is rendered a co-worker in the Light of God that never fails. Do you see how simple this is?

Beloved ones, each of you can if you will, through your own self-externalization of God-virtue, succeed in raising your own past, present, and future so that they are clearly visible upon the altar of Light where all things transcend themselves. Then the peace of God that remains will keep your minds and hearts valiant functionaries of His holy will and the manifestation of certainty that can never be denied.

I remain and I AM your servant and guardian of the immortal rendering of peace,

Aloha

Note: Beloved Aloha is the Divine Complement of Peace, the Elohim of the Sixth Ray, whose retreat is over the Hawaiian Islands.

1. Jer. 6:14.
2. Pss. 136.
3. Matt. 10:34.
4. Rom. 8:7.
5. John 8:32.
6. I John 4:18.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Meta

“Confess God's Purpose by Your Life in Action”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, May 16, 1971

I come then this day, Meta, the daughter of Sanat Kumara, who long held for humanity upon this earth the broad expanse of plain and sky that was the cosmic adventure drawing nigh to man even then, expressing the Opportunity.

When man is able to perceive perfection, he will be able to become perfection. For he already is, in the beautiful mother-of-pearl-like radiance of his soul, filled with electronic, cosmic abundance that maketh whole, that draws him nigh, completing the goal of the divine, of the Light in man. It is time now to behold the Plan, to see at last and grasp the fullness of all that heaven has for you. Each man, each woman, each child upon the planetary body has a master plan, an opportunity, even as a seed holds the portent of the covering tree that becomes a haven for the birds of heaven to nest in. So the consciousness of each one is intertwined purposefully with the magnificent God-intent that makes man to realize:

I AM the fullness of God's purpose!
I AM the fullness of God's Light!
I AM the vitality of the Central Sun!
I AM the mastery of every electron,
of every atom of my being!
I AM Life indomitable!
I AM Life overwhelming,
Grasping principles and flooding them forth
As the Being of God in finite form—
I AM Infinity coalescing its radiance
With the finite realm
And lifting it on wings of purpose
Into the fullness of the Lord
Who has said through His prophets,
“The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof!”

Peace be upon you!
As the mantle of purpose
Falls from our domain,
Electric and investing,
So do I say:

Confess, O soul, the purpose of God
By your life in action here
Bold and strong, without fear.
Man cannot affect your purpose:
Only God can seal it
In the electric Flame of the Holy Spirit.
I AM that purpose within you:
You are that which I AM.

Peace, Peace, Peace!

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Meta is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MTR 7107, The Summit Lighthouse.

The Subject of Momentums

To Those Who Would Pursue the Momentums of God's Will:

The subject of momentums is brought to mind by the great need for every student of Ascended Master law to recognize that the stream of time which he sometimes so carelessly allows to slip through his fingers is in reality God's energy allotted to his lifestream for a specific purpose. He is accountable for his expenditure of time and can, through the release from his Christ Self that descends as a magnificent stream of Light and energy, apply a certain portion of that Light and energy to the freeing of his world from those emotional burdens which consume his time, his attention, and his energy in fruitless manifestation.

It is important that each individual should begin to pursue the correct use of the commodity of time. The idle mind has been called various things, the "devil's workshop" being among them. The human ego, as it continually torments itself with visions of human misapprehensions, of human statements made against one's lifestream, of the sharp cutting of criticism, condemnation, and judgment, can play no other role in life, beloved ones, except to consume God's energy fruitlessly. Not only are such activities not constructive, but they are used deliberately to introduce destructive trends in thought and feeling.

Now the subject of momentums is closely related to the use of time; for it is ever true that the more mankind indulges in the habit of consuming his energy in the hapless activities of the ego, the more he is apt to continue to do so. Thus he builds a negative momentum. And this applies to every human tendency, constructive as well as destructive. Let the student, then, learn the power of habit. For it is through bad habit that man becomes the victim of negatively qualified energy; and it is through constructive effort, which results in positive momentums, that mankind becomes the conqueror of the negative patterns which he himself has either created or permitted to invade the otherwise happy precinct of his mind.

The mind of man should become an altar upon which the thoughts of God may be projected. If by His thoughts and will God created in the universe the manifestation of every lovely star, of a diamond or a rose, does it not follow that the mind that becomes the altar of God in sweet and gentle surrender is a creative mind whose play of creativity intrudes itself directly upon every area of that individual's life, producing God-happiness, God-control, and good fruit?

Who, beloved ones, determines what thoughts shall use your mind if it is not yourself? Oh, we are aware of the interplay of forces, some of which, while they are constructive on this planet and in many environmental situations, can and do become destructive through misuse. We are aware of the need for the student of Light to invoke his tube of Light, putting it firmly in place around his every thought and feeling, and to seal himself in God's magnificent violet fire and the feeling of mercy and compassion that it engenders. This he must do at the same time that he is building a continuous momentum of those thoughts that will eventuate in the happiness-producing vibratory qualities of divine loveliness.

It is not only wise man who takes advantage of the correct use of momentums but also a host of Divine Beings, including *God* Himself. Therefore, do not be afraid or unwilling to invoke in your behalf any or all of God's laws in the balance of perfection that can and will produce miracles in manifestation as the result of the wise use of those laws.

It would be very nice if all life could be taught the correct use of momentums, but unfortunately many are still in the position of learning how to employ not only the laws of God but His energy as well. It is necessary that people should begin to understand that while some, from the standpoint of

development, are in the colleges and universities of the Spirit, others are very busy being delighted with the kindergarten manifestations of God's beauty. To them the simplest laws require explanation. Wise, then, is the individual who does not consider himself to be above reviewing those precious aspects of the Law that, when properly applied, lead on to self-mastery and God-control.

In reality The Brotherhood is taking every part of Life forward according to its own gait and ability to receive. But this forward movement of the soul can only be assimilated by the outer consciousness through the correct use of thought and feeling and by the correct application of free will. After all, beloved ones, what are you from the standpoint of your personal self if you are not in effect living in your thoughts and feelings as the very expression thereof? Watching the quality of those thoughts and feelings, guarding against the manifestation of negative momentums and establishing in their place those positive actions which Jesus exemplified—this will provide you with a godly determination for your future and for the future of all mankind. And this is the most cosmic action you can possibly take to produce upon the screen of your heart and mind the thoughts and feelings of the Christ.

Sometime, somewhere you must learn to guard against the development of negative momentums! Sometime, somewhere you must learn to school yourselves in the development of those benign momentums which, like a giant wave of tidal intensity, will sweep you with the greatest of ease over all human barriers and those destructive trends which dominate humanity today.

In the interest of humanity's well-being and the progress of the students of the Light, I have released these thoughts to you today that you may think about them and recognize the great truth contained in these simple statements. By your acceptance and practice of these principles, your own good momentums will rise and propel you forward upon the spiritual Path until those former actions which brought so much distress into your worlds will seem as chaff before a hurricane.

Trusting for the glory of God and the development of true Selfhood that you will pay heed to what I have spoken, I, Kuthumi, seal you in the gentle, unpretentious momentum of devotion to the wisdom of God that in its practical manifestation enfolds you now as you summon the will to make your world a world of cosmic generosity unto yourselves and humanity.

In the name of the abundant Life of thoughts and feelings dedicated to Him, and under the burden and blessing of God-control, I remain

Lovingly,

Kuthumi

THE RADIANT WORD

“The Gold Is Being Refined”

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Chananda
given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, December 31, 1971

I AM Chananda of The Great White Brotherhood of The Indian Council; and I extend to you the passions of eternity, the understanding that it is wise to be moved by the Divine Sea and to find nestling within the heart of being, even within the heart of the great shell, the beauty and iridescence of the pearl of great price—your contact with God, your contact with your true Self...

Beloved ones, there are those who have passed the initiation called the obscure night, or the dark night of the soul. These understand that even if God cared nothing for them, they still must kindle within themselves, within and upon the altar of being, the flame of love for Him and for others. For only then can God be born within them. When they are willing to forsake, to relinquish even the thought of someone's concern for themselves, in the brightness and illumination that God must be born as the Christ-spark upon the heart's altar in the darkest night, the beautiful Light appears. Each must be God-born and God-ordained. Will you understand the meaning of that bubbling fountain of joy that the world feels as a part of the via dolorosa—“My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me? <1>—as the impassioned plea of one passing through the dark night of the soul portrayed in the writings of Saint John of the Cross?

Our Brotherhood desires to strip mankind of the concept of self-attention, of self-fear, of self-doubt. Man who says, “I cannot do it, I cannot!” must learn to say “I can by God's grace to do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me!” <2> And the full fashion and measure of the Law is the extension of infinite love into the domain of each individual, lifting that individual and casting him not down into the depths of his own well of despair. Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. <3> But can man see himself as God? Nay, through the sea of selfhood man drowns and is no more. For self-love will not truly bring you emancipation, or the bounty of freedom, or the strength for the years ahead. But God's love will. Drawing with a power of infinite magnetism into the very fibers of the soul, the strength of eternity does flow...

O beloved ones, above all I urge upon you then this night that you shed the skin, the horrible snakeskin, of discouragement and cast it to the wind! Consume it in the violet transmuting flame if you are able, and denude yourself of everything that is not joy and hope and peace. For born out of joy and hope and peace and out of the Spirit Most Holy comes the sense of man's real identity—the fashion of cosmic times that bypasses all of the cycles of men's lives that have gone on before and produces the miracle of cosmic devotion within the crucible of mankind's experience, leading him at last into those holy and cosmic passions out of which is born a Christ in the garden of Gethsemane—able, then, to extend his hands, and even facing the very extinction of his life from a momentary standpoint to cry out “Not my will, but Thine be done! O my Father, if it be Thy will, let this cup pass from me!” <4>...

Move forward, then, into the Light of your Presence. Rise upward, then, in the strength of ten thousand suns. Behold the newness of life that is before you as your own. Together there is strength, and yet in oneness there is greater strength; for the oneness is one of Spirit, and the togetherness of the flesh may not endure except it be cemented with the power of the eternal love of Spirit.

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Chananda is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MTR 7203, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. Matt. 27:46.

2. Phil. 4:13.

3. Pss. 48:1.

4. Matt. 26:42.

The Violet Transmuting Flame

To All Devotees of the Violet Flame's Perfection I Address Myself:

Seldom do mankind realize the glorious wisdom of the Mind of God that has contrived the violet transmuting flame in all of its cosmic unfolding glory. It is difficult for the world in its present state of development to fully comprehend from the level of the human consciousness or through the power of the human mind those momentous, invisible actions and activities of the Sacred Fires of God.

You are not dealing with a figment of your imagination when you deal with the violet transmuting flame. When you gaze at mass accumulations of vapor floating lazily in the sky and producing the constantly changing panorama of cloud capers, you are able to conceive that on the spur of the moment what seems a billowing froth of air may become a turbulence of unforeseen destruction.

When the average individual calls the violet transmuting flame into action, he does not have the power to perceive the dancing stream of electrons which perform on the stage of his consciousness, nor is he aware of the tremendous cosmic energy involved therein. Even some of you do not realize this great potential that transcends both time and space and produces in the now of your life's adventure a blessed action of transmutation or cosmic change that moves you a step forward on the Path. This is accomplished as the flame consumes the negative storehouses of energy that reside in your subconscious world and produce those disquieting manifestations which you have often lamented. Thus the flame prepares the way through the divine leveling process for the erection in their place of the most benign and constructive endeavors which your heart may desire.

It is difficult for humanity to pray or even to aspire to cosmic heights of thought and service when there is no established precedent in the forcefield of the individual mind to act as a guideline for developing in man the quality of asking for what he ought to ask. In this *Pearl* of instruction I am setting forth before you the fact that in reality there are in the subconscious world of even the greatest of saints hidden chambers of astral horror which require transmutation. In an unguarded moment these can and often do break forth upon the surface of being into a state of alignment with the most vicious and destructive negative forces on the planet.

Just as mankind who are wise seek a catharsis in their physical as well as their emotional body to purge them from residual substance, so it is essential that they purify their entire consciousness through calling into action the blessed violet flame which focuses the forgiving, transmuting power of God. Many devotees, unbeknownst to themselves, succeed in invoking the violet flame through the power of intercessory prayer and do call forth those activities of the Sacred Fire of God which in the West are usually termed the action of the Holy Spirit and which in the East are related to the destruction of all that is unreal and the purification of the veil of maya by Lord Siva.

Always remember, beloved ones, that exposure to the divine flames or the invocation of spiritual power, wisdom, and love in your world can never alter or harm any part of your being that is a manifestation of universal perfection. All that can be exposed or brought down are the forcefields of human thought and feeling which reinforce the strongholds of Satan and the seeds of Lucifer in the individual mind and heart.

Let us take for example a manifestation of that which is often prevalent in orthodox churches: self-righteousness and the defense of that righteousness. The followers of various religions do not hesitate to level at one another the most vile accusations involving twists of human doctrine and justifications of their own pet version of the will of God. They fight and spat like feline creatures and cast out of the window of their lives gentle thoughts of forgiving love as well as the opportunity

for increased understanding. Can you not see how silly this is for mankind who profess to do the will of God, to espouse the cause of brotherhood and the healing ministry of the Christ to allow themselves to enter into a frame of mind wherein they consider heaven itself unable to defend the living Truth?

Take great care, then, beloved ones, to hold yourselves in a sweet and childlike spirit of obedience to the will of God, to be not overly inclined to rush to the defense of Truth; for Truth is its own best defense—not that we do not appreciate loyalty, but we have an equal appreciation for good behavior.

Mankind's indoctrination with the Luciferian spirit of rebellion is no part of the instruction of the living God. The force of rebellion is chaotic and robs man of his peace. How glorious it is when mankind pursue the outworking of the harmony of inner spheres in their lives and in their associations with others. Then they are able to clear the way before their own advancement in life and to perceive the universal intent as it manifests perfection's die. Thus are stamped upon the human image those aspects of the Divine that carry man back to his own Eden of perfection, at the same time propelling him forward in those adroit manifestations of life that show forth the self-mastery of the adept.

From time to time we have actually toyed with the idea of developing in man greater power over the elements and over the manifestations of nature. We have thought in effect to teach the neophyte how to bend the will of the universe in such a manner as to give him greater mastery that he might hasten the victory of mankind. Whenever we have given serious consideration to this question, we have sought, as is our custom, the advice of The Karmic Board and of those universal intelligences who are beyond us in the cosmic evolutionary scale. And in every case we have been admonished to search the akashic records and perceive that mankind in their lack of understanding have always misused such power when it was given to them.

In the name of heaven, blessed ones, the record clearly shows that humanity have misused their spiritual powers and forfeited their adeptship in its embryonic state even when they had great spiritual knowledge. Hence we have asked that the consciousness of mankind should be satisfied—especially those who revere the will of God—with the development in themselves of the beauty of wisdom's ray so that there might take place, along with their spiritual development, an adherence to wisdom's ray right while their latent spiritual powers are literally exploding.

In the past many among mankind have sought to develop their spiritual powers long before they developed their spiritual wisdom. When people do this it becomes necessary for the Karmic Lords to fling them back upon the shores of life until such a time as they are able to follow the prescribed Path. Therefore, I urge you, one and all, not to overlook at any stage in your development the use of the violet transmuting flame. For through the flame much can be consumed upon the altar of being that will thereby be deprived of the opportunity of acting in your world. Embodied mankind will find, if they will take the time to experiment with this law, that they will be able to curb the manifestation of negative karma in their life by invoking the consuming power of the Holy Spirit in this most direct and specific application to man's needs that clears the way for the unfoldment of his latent spiritual powers.

By commending yourselves unto the Good Shepherd of Righteousness, by commending yourselves unto the laws of infinite perfection manifesting in your finite realms, you begin the process of correctly using the highest laws that are outworking perfection so beautifully in our sphere.

May I extend to you divine felicitations upon the Path even as I pray that you will ever keep open the doorways of mind and heart to the unfoldment of both the universal will and the universal purpose. Thus a God Star born in your heart as a miniature focus of The Great Central Sun will become the Diamond Shining Mind of God through the impartation of those points of awareness that are so closely identified with the cosmic compass of universal purpose.

I am striving with you for your development upon the pathway of devotion and service to the causes of The Brotherhood and the one Cause of God which we seek to glorify.

Devotedly, your servant

Sanctus Germanus

The Awakening of the Soul

To Those Who Would Pursue the Infinite Joys of True Seeing:

The vastness of the universe is in reality contained within the fabric of the True Self, all things being an extension of that Self in its unifying magnificence. What folly it is for men to allow themselves to suppose that they are separate from God and from one another and therefore capable of being defrauded by the universe of any grace of the Godhead!

In dealing with embodied mankind it is easier to illustrate the great hidden realities of Life by using form concepts, which are plainly visible to their eyes. In contrast with the archetypes of Truth which place patterns of divine wholeness before the evolving consciousness of mankind, the thought and feeling creations coming forth from humanity today are charged with suspicion, hatred, greed, and their momentums of pleasure-seeking, and they are directly involved with the traps of separation spawned by the carnal mind. These creations, which are disgorged upon the mental and feeling belts from the undisciplined activities of the masses, perpetuate in the collective subconscious of the race the illusion that man exists outside his Creator and independently of his fellowman.

When the individual first experiences the awakening of the soul, the quest for Reality that his soul directs carries him through the channels of time and space and those experiences which are calculated to give him a greater vision of that which he really is. Watching with tender regard, the heavenly hosts fully understand the difficulty mankind encounter as they seek to arrange the many facets of life into a comprehensive whole; for they know that the structuring of their individual identity is perhaps the hardest task mankind will ever face.

The Master Jesus' statement "He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it" <1> provides the solution to not one, but many of life's problems. Unfortunately, individuals think that this saying relates solely to the personality of Jesus without understanding that losing one's life "for my sake" is accomplished as one relinquishes the human mold for the divine pattern of the Christ. Throughout his work Jesus emphasized the need to forsake all for the oneness of God and man and those unifying principles of Heaven which are to be found in the very breath of God, in the movement of the wind in the leafy branches, and in the omnipresence of His Spirit in all of nature.

What a pity that mankind engage in sense meanderings without perceiving the stability and direction of the universal plan! But everyone who seeks to the best of his ability to purify himself, clothed with humility and imbued with love for the universe, receives in himself that recompense which is the true vision of God for all mankind and for the universe at large.

Actually, the universe in all of its vastness is a giant bubble of God's Light energy congealed in time and space for the fulfilling of the functional aspects of man's being that flow across the diode of consciousness. It is apparent from the differing visions men share of the same comprehensible whole that the power of their vision requires stabilizing. This is best achieved through the agency of the Holy Spirit and through the Ascended Master Consciousness to which in the past many embodied men and women have risen by their attunement with the Real Self.

It is God's gift to man in the regency of his own blessed Christhood that sanctifies in him and in all of his faculties the strengthening bonds of Life that free him to do the Father's work. He who said, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work" <2> intended all to receive the gift of his Christ-identity in the full range of its healing power and infinite joy. Man, body-bound and tethered to a world order that is the product of the human intellect, is a limited manifestation of God. Seen through the

single-eyed vision of the Christ that integrates all things into the oneness of Selfhood, man finds that he shares the joys of the Creator as he becomes a co-creator, and that he is involved in the rites of creation and the drama of being not only through the Presence of God in nature, but through the penetrating power of the Christ in the realm of his own mind and spirit.

The establishment in man of the divine flow is a thrust of that power which was revealed to Moses as the "I AM that I AM." <3> When viewed by the finite mind, this power becomes a weight of oppression simply because that mind has not understood who and what is real. It is this false vision that corrupts the thinking processes and makes men to fear that in seeking God or the heavenly hosts who inhabit the "invisible realm" they may lose out on temporal pleasures. Let me assure all that it is the Father's good pleasure not only to give mankind the kingdom, <4> but also to increase the scope of his happiness and blessedness thereby.

Those who have perverted God's purposes the most are those who have misunderstood the approach to God. Seeing the pathway to God as a burden, they have called it religion; but they have failed to apprehend that the function of true religion is to provide the means whereby the soul of man becomes wedded to the Spirit of God. Needless to say, true religion is the only doorway by which the eyes of man can be opened, by which he can increase the power both of the mind and of his appreciation of Life. Only when the seemingly endless struggle about religion is ended will mankind be able to enter into that joyful peace, that inner knowing which comes from true seeing, which was the original intent of God for every man.

From the level of the Elohim <5> I have expressed some thoughts based upon the divine logic, together with those concepts whereby man can obtain greater understanding and thus greater freedom. Becoming a little child in consciousness, man obtains the resurrection of the Universal Christ which permeates every area of his life.

Divinest of blessings, I AM

Cyclopea

1. Matt. 10:39.

2. John 5:17.

3. Exod. 3:14.

4. Luke 12:32.

5. See the table "The Seven Rays and the Seven Chakras and the Beings Who Ensoul Them" on pages 472-73 of CLIMB THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN by Mark and Elizabeth Prophet, published by The Summit Lighthouse, for a list of the Seven Elohim, their Divine Complements, and their retreats.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Cyclopea

“I Would Know Thee as Thou Art”

given January 1, 1972 at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral

From the heart of the Sun I AM come into your midst this day with a specific purpose at hand. I come to break the tyranny of the human consciousness of self-love and dual vision. I come to quicken the All-Seeing Eye of God in the foreheads of all mankind that they might return to the Edenic Consciousness that comes forth from the Tree of Life....

What is selfishness, beloved hearts? It is attachment to the person, to the ego, to its history, to its likes and dislikes. And therefore the answer lies in nonattachment, in desirelessness. Take your cloaks, your consciousness of the human, your two-eyed vision—take it from you this hour; put it aside. That is how you put aside selfishness. Do not act out of sympathy for your wants and the desires of the little self. Act out of compassion for the soul that yearns to breathe free; act out of compassion for the God within you. Set the God free; set the Christ free within you; release into the Fire now all momentums of personal attachment. Be neither attached to your own human self or to the human selves of others; and you will know a freedom, a dominion, and a power that can come to you in no other way....

I carry a flaming sword of the emerald ray like unto the sword that was placed eastward in Eden to keep the way of the Tree of Life. This is the sword that you may also invoke; and my legions shall place it before the third eye to protect the coming and the going of the thoughts of God's Consciousness as they spiral into your mind, are adorned by your love, and sent back to Him.

See that you do not descend, for it is more difficult to rise from the pit than to remain at the heights of the mountaintop. Do not go down into the valleys of the world or be tempted by its follies, its astral allure. It holds nothing—no promise whatsoever—but only desolation, decay, and death. How strange that the forces of night make death so glamorous as to intrigue millions in the maya of the human consciousness. They toil in their death-making and they know not that they are dying; they know that they are already dead.

So goes the world. And if you would build a brighter tomorrow, you must be against the tide of the world. Do you think that is easy? It is only difficult if you regard it as a human task, if you regard it as a sacrifice. But with the Whole-Eye Vision of God, seeing yourself as the Christ, what is that to thee? There is no pull, there is nothing there. The world holds nothing for you, and therefore you rise and you go against the entire tide of human creation. It is almost effortless because you are buoyed up by the legions of Light, the entire hosts of heaven and the victorious ones who have gone before.

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To Call a Halt to Condemnation!

To Those Who Would Exalt the Power of God in the Ennoblement of Man:

The state of the world continues in grossness. Dark are the doings of many. Ignorance prevails even in places of Light, and the solar flares flash forth.

The wise ones walk not in the path of despair, but in the pathway of hope. The shadowy cracks in the world order that appear on the surface of life shall be melted as though by a fervent heat and be no more as the white face of cosmic Reality blazes its dazzling noontide example, holding to the infinite faith that shines through both corporeal and incorporeal nature.

Wise is he who keeps constant the fountain of the heart, not as one who spews forth the drivel of the carnal mind and the distortions thereof, but as one who understands the man of the Spirit and perceives the hand of The Brotherhood even in the most minute situation as capable of extending the will of God into the domain of man. And what a comforting thought it is that through the omnipresence of God, rising above mortal conflicts and distresses, man can continually pursue the Path that leads to our abode, the realm of true peace.

It is mortal condemnation and the awful weight of karma connected therewith that has sundered the very soul of many God-seekers who do not seem to accept the simple truth voiced by the Christ "For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved." <1> The historical stream will clearly show to those who will honestly read that again and again the advocates of living Truth in the manifold religions and religious activities of the world have not understood that condemnation of wrongs, whether real or imagined, with its sharp and cutting vibration, opens the door to the dark forces to flow through their consciousness its insidious spirals of destruction.

Any number of Ascended Masters have written and spoken against condemnation. Warnings have sounded forth repeatedly. And now I shall personally make an appeal to The Karmic Board that the action of returning karma shall swiftly bring to those who reek with stinging condemnation against the servants of our noblest efforts the full-gathered momentum of that which they have sent out.

It is time to call a halt to all activities of condemnation upon this planet engaged in by individuals who profess to truly love God! What a pity that beautiful faces are spoiled by a sneer, that simply because individuals themselves were not the doorway for a certain activity of glory in the name of God, they cannot permit mankind to enjoy it with that relish of the Spirit which would add further grace, the grace of God, to mankind. The subtle ones, the gray ones—those who have lost their God-identification—have time and again moved against individual God-seekers, especially those who are young in years, to stop them from accepting the greatest truths by slinging mud upon the faces of personalities that God has chosen to use.

Beloved ones, it is not the cup that one should consider, but the great cosmic truths contained therein as the water of Life. I shall not in this case defend our servants; for to their own Master God Presence do they live, stand, or fall. Instead I shall establish for time immemorial this swift returning action of karma which The Karmic Board has granted, insuring that those who practice the awful dark doings of gossip, spreading destructive lies and vicious falsehoods, shall ere the day pass receive the full momentum of that which they have sent forth. Those who interfere with the souls of others upon the Path when they could just as well engage in prayer for those about whom they speak—if they honestly consider that these individuals, whoever they may be, have need of such prayer—shall find themselves losing their very crown of Life for having pointed the finger of accusation.

It is time also for organizations to understand that they too can and do come under the karmic hammer of the Law. It is time for them to understand that as they sow, so shall they reap! <2> The sin of division shall be made known to mankind. The exposure of the crookedness of mankind shall soon come forth in an unprecedented manner, for the hour for the fulfillment of the prophecy is at hand: “Whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.” <3>

The true man of God cannot be bribed, is not a victim of mankind's fears, and values his spiritual life more than his physical life. The Light that dances upon the water is the Light of far-off worlds; though its reflection be a dying one, the Source of its Light burns on forever. It is an unquenchable Flame; and in that immortal hope men reckon with the glory of the eternal Light, not the mere reflection of human emotions momentarily cast upon the changing wave patterns. Truth shall ever stand and no man shall gainsay it, albeit many will try.

What humanity needs today is the understanding that while they need not cast aside all tradition, they can peer behind the curtain thereof and find the pure Light shining in its greatest strength. We deplore unnecessary dogma. We deplore the sin of condemnation. We earnestly solicit the aid of the students of the Light, the teachers of Truth, the lovers of God, the men and women of compassion, the men and women of understanding in this our forthright effort to cast down the destructive momentums mankind have builded. These have risen out of jealousy and human pique or out of their own weak-willed momentums—the turning of their fickle minds first forward and then backward because of the availability of various sources of Truth.

It is usually not the dilettante who makes it to our abode. The successful spiritual voyager is ever the man or woman of constancy who continues out of the fountain of a sincere heart to pour forth praise for all that which has been of good. How frequently mankind gaze upon a mountain of grace and cast it aside as though it were a speck of dust, while amplifying the speck of dust until it becomes a mountain of dust and corruption.

Let men learn straight knowledge. Let them espouse virtue, not only in others but also in themselves. And let them understand that as they see virtue potential in others, so shall it expand within themselves until Light shall indeed cover the earth.

I remain a sorrowful advocate of the love of the will of God in the face of cosmic unity and the unity of purpose that leads all activities of the Light into the Light even as He is in the Light. That the divine fellowship found in the Universal Spirit may come speedily unto all is our hope.

El Morya

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1. John 3:17.
 2. Gal. 6:7.
 3. Luke 12:3.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Cyclopea

“I Would Know Thee as Thou Art”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, January 1, 1972

Continued from “The Radiant Word” of July 2, 1972

You are buoyed up by the legions of Light, the entire hosts of heaven, the victorious ones who have gone before. Their momentum is your momentum. You walk upon the water and you are not drawn down by it; you do not sink beneath the waves, because you have been taught the mastery of the water element. You raise your right hand and say: “Peace, be still in the name of the Christ! Peace, be still in the name of the Christ! Peace, be still in the name of the Christ!” And the elements obey. You may form whatever pattern of God-design you so desire within the wave, within the heart of the earth, within the fire; and you may draw it upon the continents of the air, for you have become a master of the elements and a master of cycles.

All power in heaven and earth is given unto me this day and I give it unto you. Remain tethered to the consciousness of the Elohim and you will literally walk upon the clouds; you will not know what it is to feel the weight of your body or your feet touching the earth. Take dominion, precious hearts. God in you is greater than all the threats of self-annihilation and self-love. The God within the individual is the Master of Cosmos. Can you not then master this planet? Can you not then master your four lower bodies? Why do you tarry when you have the knowledge of the Law? Why do you tarry I say? The God of very gods looks down upon you, upon all the gifts that have been bestowed upon humanity. Why are you waiting for your victory? Why are you waiting to take dominion? Why are you fooled by the world?

O precious hearts, know you not that demons lurk at every corner to outsmart your consciousness? Will you allow yourselves to be outwitted by those who have long since departed from the Mind of God, who have no basic source of intelligence of the Christ Mind as you do—those dim-witted, dull-witted ones who put out a foot in order that you would stumble upon your pathway? How long will you be fooled?

When you have the vision, you have the Christ and the God in you. Go forth, I say! This day the Lord giveth unto thee the earth. Take it and rejoice, and command the God-destiny to be fulfilled. Not in numbers, but in the majority of the Godhead is the victory won. And I say if only this group would remain steadfast to the Light for one year, you would find an entire reversing of the tide. Can you not make that vow before the Almighty? Have you not played long enough—for thousands and thousands of years upon this blessed planet—without even so much as uttering a word of gratitude? Can you not this day pledge this embodiment—if only one embodiment—to the Light?

You know there is a time to play and there is a time to work. Heaven is a playground; and if you safely arrive there, you will find that you have millions of years to do all the things that you would like to do—to learn all those musical instruments and subjects of human knowledge and divine knowledge. But now it is time to be up and doing; to be about the Lord's business; to put aside the trivia of the world; to look neither to the right nor to the left nor behind; to put aside family, friends as well as enemies; and to say:

“This day I AM consecrating every erg of energy within my being in the service of the Light. And I shall not be moved; I shall not turn back. I shall have my victory, and the planet shall have its victory!”

Such is the dedication of those who are now Cosmic Beings, those who have overcome the world. And this is the dedication and constancy of the emerald sword. I place that sword upon your heads now. If you will say within your heart how much dedication you would like to have as a momentum from my heart, the sword will convey it to you now. All that you ask for is your own to use; I give it to you freely. But if you misuse it, I must take back tenfold. Therefore, take care that you are not cast upon the shores of life, naked and bereft of God because of your floundering in the consciousness of selfishness. Your vow must be a permanent one, and it must be made with absolute determination....

All power in heaven and earth is given unto me, and I give it to whomsoever I will. Forget not the All-Seeing Eye. Forget not your wholeness, for in your single-eyed vision is your victory.

I thank you.

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The Temple of Understanding

I

To the Freeborn and Those Who Would Be:

Each day many among mankind awaken from their sleep plagued with uncertainty. Their concerns extend to the Christian church, to their nation, to their children and members of their society. They fear what is coming upon earth. Is the population of the world increasing too rapidly or too slowly? Why is there such tremendous violence upon the planetary body?

Why, in this beautiful world that can be filled with the hope of the Divine Mother and the carefree attitude of the holy innocents which many have experienced in childhood, do sophisticated mankind fail to comprehend the meaning of life's experiences? Let it be made clear that human struggle is the result of humanity's selfishness, of their failure to appropriate the divine abundance and to apprehend the universal purpose. Seeing life then in its smallest dimensions, they are not able to grasp the perspective of the overall picture; for they have already circumscribed the potential of their life with their own sense of limitation.

Long before there was a compendium of the Law known as the Christian Bible, combining the ancient writings of the prophets of Israel with the followers of Christ who set forth the New Testament, there existed at the time of Enoch <1> prior to the Flood mere fragments of what could be called a sacred scripture. Yet the bible of nature, the recording of the Law in engrams of Light, was then and has always been present within the very atoms of the earth itself. Just as man today does not build without a blueprint, so Cosmos was designed after that universal perfection which God was from the beginning and is forever.

Don't you see then, inasmuch as perfection is ever the divine lot, how easy it would have been had mankind chosen to walk within the confines of the Great Law to perpetuate perfection throughout the world? Yet in the dispensation of free will as it is held by embodied mankind today, there is a chastening that comes from man's inherent freedom to create imperfectly and to live in error. Among the errors which mankind have perpetuated are errors of dogma adhered to by countless individuals who are the blind leading the blind that all mankind may fall into the ditch. <2>

Now there has come before the Karmic Lords the question of what shall be done about modern man and his behavior patterns, his violations of cosmic law, the torment he has inflicted upon nature and upon his fellowmen. All of Life is offended, and that mortally so, beloved ones. Whereas the Karmic Board and the hosts of heaven have sought to stave off the karmic recompense which should long ago have been loosed upon mankind, they have persistently held back the onslaught of the world's misqualified energies in the fond hope that the terrible inhumanities practiced against God and man by the people of the earth would cease and the trend toward more and more evil be checked.

Men are prone to believe in a personal savior—one who can deliver them from their sins as well as from those circumstances which cause them pain and suffering. Then there is the tendency toward radicalism, which engenders human hatred against those who either in politics or religion are not as radical as the radicals think they ought to be. There is human self-righteousness and spiritual pride that has become a terrible weight swung upon the thread of mankind's oppressive sense of foreboding and the desire to inflict punishment upon one another. This has caused untold sorrow in spiritual realms as well as hardship upon earth. Like a sword of Damocles, humanity's damning indictments of one another's faith in God and in Christ hang over their heads as an indictment of their own sinful consciousness, while their challenges of the universality of divine purpose and the

beauty of the pure in heart continue to reinforce the brutal walls mankind have erected among themselves.

I, who sought so often and so earnestly in past lives as well as during my embodiment as the mother of Jesus to be a peacemaker, have much to give to those who would pour oil upon the troubled waters of mankind's consciousness. Contrary to the opinions of some, the early disciples and apostles often squabbled as do disciples of Christ today. It was no easy task to show them the error of their ways and to place in perspective the little concerns that they so frequently voiced, which were not nearly as important as the state of the altar of being, the chalice of the heart, and mankind's attunement with the purposes of God.

Men have often strained at a gnat and swallowed a camel; <3> and how they still need with all their getting, even of things spiritual, to get understanding <4> and compassion. It is not enough for men to be bold in their search for Truth; for all require that bountiful humility which, like a great magnet of cosmic love, draws the love of God through the whole net and fiber of creation, infusing it with the glow of cosmic intent and true spiritual compassion.

Why is it that from time to time in my numerous appearances to many among the faithful, as at Fatima and Garabandal, I have often sought to warn? It is because in reality in mankind's free will there is an element of divine grace which can be called into action, a focus of great love and understanding that can remove the hardness of heart with which mankind have so frequently cloaked their activities. Sometimes it appears to us as though man does not really understand the power that God wields. In the universal, macrocosmic sense, the all-power of God is the "all power in heaven and in earth" <5> which is given to those who attain Christ-mastery and their joint heirship with God <6> through the reality of the Universal Son.

What a pity it is that self-righteousness is such a barrier to divine Reality and to the teachings of the Holy Spirit. For the Holy Spirit guides all men into all Truth. <7> And Truth, beloved mankind, is not just the letter of the Law as it is interpreted by various groups, which may well differ in their comprehension of sacred scripture and still be composed of hearts that truly seek the Light. To have love without the illumination of the Christ Mind and the power to rightly divide the Word <8> is often not enough to promote the universal righteousness of God-activity within the consciousness of the individual that brings divine justice to all.

That the perfect balance of the Holy Trinity may permeate the consciousness of the true followers of God is our prayer. For truly the will of God that is above ought to be done below. <9> But as long as men allow themselves to be hung on the various pegs of their human concepts—or even those of their divine concepts as they understand them—when those concepts are not rightly divided by the Spirit, so long will they remain in separate camps. In reality there is one cosmic purpose; and that purpose, which is the ultimate merging of the flames of God and man, will one day reveal itself to all by the Light of the one Spirit. <10>

I call for your consideration of these matters, even in an elementary way. For if thought will not provide easement to humanity's struggles, then prayer will. Therefore I urge all to pray with me and with the Masters of Light and Love that the Christian world be stripped of the elements of hardness of heart and cruelty toward those it regards as nonbelievers or heretics, of its shouting-forth of charge and countercharge, of its sense of struggle that is like the thrashing of a dying animal.

Truly darkness shall be overcome, but it shall ever be overcome by Light. For darkness cannot overcome itself. And when the Light that is in man is darkness, <11> that is, when his Light is misqualified by darkness, its fruit cannot bring about a Christ-victory either for humanity or for the little monad of self. We await that greater understanding which descends upon the world as a giant curtain of Light and enfolds the hearts of those who would follow God as dear children.

Devotedly, I remain

Mary

1. Gen. 5:18-24.
2. Matt. 15:14.
3. Matt. 23:24.
4. Prov. 4:7.
5. Matt. 28:18.
6. Rom. 8:17.
7. John 16:13.
8. II Tim. 2:15.
9. Matt. 6:10.
10. I Cor. 12:13; Eph. 4:4.
11. Matt. 6:23.

The Temple of Understanding

II

Beloved Children of the Sun,

When you greet the morning's first light, which continually appears somewhere upon the planetary body as the great cosmic clock rolls the love tide of the dawn round the giant ball of the world, will you try to realize that each planetary center, like a human being or an individual, is constantly being bathed in the light of the physical sun. At the same time that the physical light is shed abroad upon the earth, a spiritual radiation and divine presence, a divine omnipresence, floods forth through the physical light of the sun. It is the Sun behind the sun. This is the Reality of God that engenders spiritual resurrections which overcome the temporary consciousness of mankind's death and dying and bring about the eternal sense of living.

When spiritually minded men and women contemplate the true significance of the Angelus, they are able to feel the holy peace that comes with sweet prayer engaged in by the soul who is unashamed to extend from the cathedral of the heart the magnificent afflatus of love born of holy communion with God. The waning light of the sun as it recedes from the place where the petitioner stands is aware of the fruit of the day, of the beautiful blessings of the Light that has shone not only upon the one but upon countless others. Hopefully, receptive souls have used its cosmic energies to bring forth a day of achievement, a day that is not without fruit, a day that is not without love.

Whereas we recognize that there are many kinds of love, the love of which we speak is ever the love of God that is broken in the bread of those who serve mankind and understand that it is not just physical bread alone that they dispense, meeting their physical needs, but also the bread of the Spirit that nourishes their souls. Will you consider then the beauty of the whole loaf of the Christ Consciousness whose qualities are focused in each tiny crumb as it falls from the Lord's table, the Eucharist that gives unto all that impartation of spiritual unity whereby all are enfolded in His love?

The senses of mankind ought to be correctly used and never abused; for they are indexes to the consciousness of self whereby the individual experiences the conditions of his environment and his relationship to them—where he is, what he is doing, how he lives and breathes and functions through his four lower bodies. It is just as easy for the trained soul who has applied his heart unto God to use these senses to reach up out of the deep well of the human consciousness into the abundance of the water of Life that flows from the Source that is above into the vessel that is below.

At no time should men fear to expand their consciousness under the domain of the Father's love; for His love, when it covers the altar of man's true consciousness, is like the covering Cherubim keeping their vigil over the mercy seat. <1> In reality man can make a secret covenant with God which is far above the prying eyes of the profane. Accomplishing this through total surrender, he finds coming into manifestation on the altar of his heart a sense of the omnipresence of God and of his own unity with that Presence. When others also feel this selfsame calmness within the abundant sense that is born of dedication to the practice of the laws of God, they are made aware that surging within their own being is the very power that is native to the whole universe. And wherever they go they recognize that the Lord inhabits space and that He hallows and blesses it. With this awareness of the Presence of God, it is more difficult for mankind to become involved in those subtle pressures of condemnation against which both Saint Germain and El Morya have spoken.

It is in the hope of bringing into the world community—the religious as well as the secular—a greater sense of purpose in God, of dedication to the Christ, and of inner striving for unity with the Great Law that I speak. For so long as mankind continue to involve themselves in karmic patterns

of destructivity, so long will they reflect destruction in their actions and the peace of my Son be manifest only in part. Wrong action is a barrier to mankind's manifestation of that perfect love which casts out all fear. <2>

Be aware, then, of the hopes that blaze throughout the pores of space awaiting an opening into the doorway of the heart of each man that he may truly honor the Father's laws according to his highest understanding. God often winks at man's ignorance; and the Masterful Ones who walk as servant-sons in the footsteps of the great heartbeat of Life will never add to the weight of the world's condemnation, but will serve instead to lift mankind out of darkness into Light. As Jesus said to the adulterous woman, "Neither do I condemn thee, go and sin no more," <3> so shall compassion expand its wings of healing joy over the earth through mercy and forgiving love and the Angelus of peace crown each day with the sense of divine achievement.

I am a peacemaker as well as a mother; and as we meet on the road of life, there shall come through all measures of mutual striving the finalizing activity that will free each son to accept the fullness of the love of God in Christ Jesus.

With increasing blessing, I AM

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1. Exod. 25:20.
 2. I John 4:18.
 3. John 8:11.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by John the Beloved

“I Knew Him Then, and I Know Him Now”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, October 4, 1970

I knew him then and I know him now—still the same buoyant, joyous godly personality infused with the Deity who could declare “I and my Father are one.” <1> Let all understand the sweet simplicity embodied in his thought, in his feeling, in his joy, in the wonder of his love. Let all understand the tenderness that he bore. Yet withal he had the courage to speak his convictions, to be cast down, to be crowned with thorns, to be afflicted when he was conscious of the Lord of the whole earth, conscious of the power and preeminence of God within his life.

Yes, I knew him then and I know him still. And I revere him among men as very great. Truly this man was the Son of God. But I yearn today as he yearns still to accomplish in the lives of all a realization of who they are, a realization of the blazing noontide of Reality that is within themselves, of the Christ Consciousness.

There are many frustrations that come; there are many feelings and many attacks that come to humankind to cause them to part company with the Light temporarily, to obscure it, to make them feel belittled. But I say to all of you of the Light, beloved ones: Understand clearly that God has called you; and if He has called you, He has also called them; and if He has called them, He has also called the whole world. Yet they have not heeded. One by one they come through the door; one by one they are established in the forcefield of the Reality of themselves.

And we wait patiently through the centuries; we have waited for many centuries. We have waited for them to awaken; we have waited for the quickening moment to come. Yet when it has, they have brushed it aside but lightly. They are willing to go so near and yet not completely near; they are willing to be partially awakened yet not completely awakened; they are ready to have their eyes opened but not completely opened.

And therefore we urge upon all a sense of the surrender unto God's will that the Masters have again and again epitomized to you as the fruit of their own lives. And it is an abundant fruit; it is a joyous fruit; it is a fruit that brings forth. Yet so many come so close and yet are just as far in a way as they were before they started; for they have established limitations upon their consciousness, upon their thoughts, upon their ideas. The unlimited sense must not be obscured by outer conditions....

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1. John 10:30.

The Temple of Understanding

III

Beloved Sons and Daughters Who Consciously Recognize Your Divine Origin:

The hopes of God lie in mankind's conscious, willing acceptance of universal harmony, which must first be established in each one.

You cannot manifest the harmony of God if you continually allow yourself to be drawn into worldly situations through the play of your emotions. In truth, all of creation was brought forth in its primordial Reality by the spark of God's desire made manifest through the agency of the Holy Spirit. This desire of the Creator to amplify the qualities of perfection is closely related to the desire nature of man which is expressed through his emotional or feeling world. Therefore when you permit your feelings to be ruffled, the surge of emotional energy which passes through your feeling world has a detrimental effect upon the harmony of self and is counter to the love, the peace, the wisdom, and the joy of the Holy Spirit.

How simple it is for even a child to disturb the emotional world of any among mankind, save those who have established themselves in the determined, fruitful intent to guard the vehicles of the mind and feelings so that they remain tethered solely to the operations of the Holy Spirit. This is not easy, beloved ones. We fully recognize that the mind accustomed to ordinary thoughts and feelings is easily caught up in the revolving of the mundane and the amplification of the mass consciousness. In effect man has become a reactor both to his environment and to the haphazard activities of his companions, and his energies are almost totally engaged in the human situations that arise in his world from day to day. And like the rising and falling of a surging sea, his emotional energies are maneuvered by his reactions from one disturbing condition to the next.

The image of their own Christ Self commanding the emotional waves and saying "Peace, be still!" is needed by mankind in every walk of life; for there are none in the world that are not subject to trying conditions. When people let their thoughts and feelings become reactive, triggered by the words and deeds of others, the flow of their precious energies becomes subject to whimsy.

But there is one great danger that often arises when individuals on the Path first begin to apply the laws of harmony; this I should like to point out to the students of the Light. It is the danger of insulating oneself against the doings and attitudes of others whereby one becomes hardhearted, cold, and sterile in the attempt to implement the great desire to maintain harmony in his world. Under these circumstances the individual is not even willing to respond favorably to others—all in the guise of maintaining harmony.

Men should learn to stand within the citadel of being, insulated by the currents of the Holy Ghost but capable of reaching out in mercy's name with the response that is dictated by their own inner God nature. They should lovingly place themselves upon the ladder of availability, going up or down so that their awareness can coincide momentarily with the ups and downs of others as the elevatorlike consciousness of humanity rises and falls. Thus the compassionate ones, taking no thought for their lives, <1> descend to the level of greatest need to raise up the downtrodden to a higher response. They do not leave them where they find them, at the level of reaction to the lower nature, but provide a way of escape through the door of the Christ Self—I AM the open door which no man can shut. <2>

How does all this fit in with the great struggles going on in religious movements today? Politics and religion, which are intended to show forth the standards of the governing of the world and the

governing of the self under divine ordinances, have been misused to promote discord and dissension among the masses, providing a smokescreen for the manipulators. And where is the fruit of the Spirit? <3> It is far from being a manifest reality.

Oh, how quickly mankind turn from a face of smiles to one of frowns and fears as they enter into a defense of their pet theories and personal dogmas or as they discuss the darkening aspects of their lives—all in the name of Christ. Frequently men search the Scriptures looking only for a justification of their questionable conduct without understanding that the seat of mercy and understanding dwells also in the soul and that humility is the great expanding magnet of the soul that unerringly draws God's energy into one's world, making each one in effect a child of the Light.

It is almost as though men themselves had created the religious tenets to which they adhere, and by and by their loyalty to their own beliefs transcends their loyalty to God. But God is above mankind's religion; He is even above those doctrines which they have come to accept, wherever these differ with the true aspects of Love.

I wonder if mankind have ever mused upon what would happen in the world if all men professing to work for God were really doing so. Their loyalties, then, would be to Him rather than to their egos, to the bringing-in of the kingdom rather than to the building of a Tower of Babel, to the establishment of the joys of God in the lives of others rather than to the indulgence of their appetites and passions. That adherence to cosmic law which only waits as a beast of prey ready to pounce upon some statement of the Law that one of us has made which will support their own desires and desire patterns is not religion pure and undefiled. <4>

Don't you understand, beloved ones, that the harmony of the whole is of far greater importance than the temporary satisfaction of a part, even allowing that the part might be momentarily correct in its application of a tenet of the Law? Oh, the Law—how beautiful it is! And how wonderful it is when mankind can reach out to the Law and see it as the counterpart of love and mercy that will establish the unifying power of the Holy Spirit upon earth! Then much of the chastening of the children of God will become unnecessary, for they will be one with the Law even as we are one with Him. <5>

Never at any time were the admonishments of the apostles or of my Son intended to be wrongly divided. Yet how frequently the Word—which is both a sword to divide good from evil and a shield to protect eternal Truth from the onslaught of error's divisive ways—is misunderstood in the realm of applications. We know full well that there are many tenets of cosmic law recorded in Scripture that ought to be regarded as the living Word of God. But of a truth, theologians who are part of orthodox movements have overlooked many concepts that are the pure teachings of the Spirit because of false premises injected into the printed word in the early centuries of the Christian dispensation and into later interpretations thereof.

I know the great difficulty mankind have in departing from tradition that has become accepted as divine decree. I also know how easily they wrest the laws of God to their own destruction. <6> But it is wrong to forsake one's faith in God in those moments when being true to oneself means going against orthodox tradition. For unless the Spirit of God is permitted to lead man into the laws of Truth, even that progressive Truth which defies tradition and the warps of the carnal mind, the present generation may well continue to be divided on both fundamental and disputed points of the Law.

Above all, men should understand and apply the law of brotherhood and not be so hasty in their judgments of one another. For in many cases, right when we have sought to establish a very special assistance to one whose prayers evoked that assistance, his own dogmatism and loyalty to traditional concepts have become the enemy of all Truth, barring him from receiving our intercession.

So deeply dyed is the consciousness of mankind with many wrong concepts about God and Spirit's intent that they have failed to apprehend the basic laws of the universe so apparent in man and nature. The reason we continue to discuss the problems of religious bigotry is that the spiritual progress of the world will be effectively stayed until the people rise above the level of their dogmatic interpretations of life, their ego-centered logic, and their sense of thralldom—as some might say, above the world, the flesh, and the devil. For it is those who deify evil through the instating of spiritual wickedness in high places <7> who are guilty of perpetuating darkness in the world, even more so than that which is the result of what men have called pure evil. And so the liar is often more deadly than the lie.

We long to see the effect of the divine level of understanding upon mankind, for we know that only through understanding will the nations promote true brotherhood in place of their brittle intellectual concepts and human conquests. So many the world over still move in the realms of mortal thought and feeling wherein they desire to be thought well of, without realizing that this in itself is a reflection of their own inadequacy, their own feelings of inferiority and insufficiency.

With God all things are possible! <8> And by Him the true divine nature will be established within the hearts of all. Thus there will be a natural blending of the Flame that is below in man with the Fire that is above in God.

I remain devoted to your divine sonship.

Your Mother,

Mary

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1. Rev. 12:11.
 2. Rev. 3:8.
 3. Gal. 5:22-23.
 4. James 1:27.
 5. John 17:11.
 6. II Pet. 3:16.
 7. Eph. 6:12.
 8. Matt. 19:26.

The Temple of Understanding

IV

To the Timeless Children of My Heart:

Have you thought upon the grace that can be called timeless, the infinite grace that God has had from the origin of all things which He has extended not only to the end of cycles, but also to the end of each sosophoric round, to the end of each manvantara, and to the eternal beginning of each fresh cycle of ever ascending regeneration?

It is not the purpose of God to thwart the progress of the ages, but rather to enhance it. The current snarl of mankind's entanglement in those struggles of mind and spirit that cause him to become enmeshed in the mechanics of civilization has already created frustration piled on frustration. And the spirit of man, as well as the mind of man, becomes wearied with the endless sense of struggle that is intended to divide and conquer his very soul.

Your beloved Saint Germain has often said, "It is the sense of struggle that makes the struggle." Can you understand, blessed ones, how easy it is to relinquish your fears and your awareness of humanly contrived bondage—bondage to hatred and the creations of hatred and to the mental and emotional burdens that constantly cry out "I cannot! I will not!"—seeing that the unity of Life and of all that lives can be summoned as an act of grace to intervene at any point in time or space to alter those conditions within yourself which need to be changed so that the fullness of the Godhead may dwell in you bodily <1> as it did and does in my Son, Christ Jesus?

Your True Self can never be removed from the valedictory manifestations of the ages, from the spirit of achievement that is inherent within the Godhead and the universe. Chaos and confusion are no part of God! For the sifting and sorting process within the natural order, when it is allowed to function according to the natural selection of the Holy Spirit—that is, the natural elevation of the divine qualities in man—without that interference which mankind by wrong thoughts and feelings continue to thrust upon the universe, is pure victory on the move. In accordance with the universal plan, Nature herself is a beautiful selector of grace on man's behalf, contriving to adorn his being with the highest and noblest forms of Christ-mastery.

Surely, beloved ones, somewhere along the line of even your human thought and reasoning you must have recognized that imperfection which *appears* to manifest and that perfection which you know within your hearts and souls *is* the very nature of God. Can you not see, then, that due to the presence of imperfection in the appearance world the letter of the Law is far more subject to human manipulation than the spirit thereof, which remains inviolate in the world of perfection? <2> Yet it is to the letter of the Law that so many adhere rather than to the spirit. But God, in all of His power and wisdom, still looks at the motivation of the heart. <3>

Ah yes, we are fully aware of those changes in the interpretation of both the letter and the spirit that occur betwixt the dark and the daylight of the human consciousness, even as we are aware of those transformations of the human consciousness that occur in the sunlight of God's love and Christ-illumination. While mankind persist in engaging in those dreary activities of the mind that burden the soul in every age, they can look upon the drama of religious nonfulfillment without ever recognizing that what their blind leaders have passed off as genuine religion has very little to do with God. Yet the spiritual founders of religious movements, working hand in hand with those who have sustained a momentum of great hope for the salvation of the world and served the needs of the multitudes, cannot be expected to continue to bear the burden of humanity when that humanity allows its misunderstanding of the letter of the Law to interfere with its spiritual outreach.

Just as man is intended to be his brother's keeper, <4> so he is also intended to be the keeper of the domain of his destiny proclaimed in the fiat "Take dominion over the earth!" <5> His acceptance of this twofold responsibility constantly creates newness of life and recreates the spirit of justice in all the earth. Now the spirit of justice is a part of the spirit of divine love, for all things of God agree in one. It is never permissible for anyone at any station in life or point of advancement in spiritual service to indulge in any action which would create further bondage to forms of hatred or result in a lack of the true expression of divine love.

What a pity it is that humanity can allow themselves in the name of righteousness, in the name of Truth, to crucify one another over their disagreements on moot points of the Law or to allow their misunderstandings mixed with their understanding thereof to thwart their united effort. When we speak of humanity's need to espouse the virtue of God-control, it is because we know that this quality of Christ-mastery will bind the mankind of earth into one common body of Light-servers; thus we emphasize the flow of Christ-reality, of regeneration in the unity of the purpose of the Fatherhood and Motherhood of God.

I represent the Motherhood of God, as every woman can; and I seek to affirm and reaffirm those precepts of divine safety within the conscious awareness of each evolving monad so that in the hour of trial only Light shall prevail. Past ages of failure or success are no guarantee of what shall prevail today; for each day is sufficient unto itself. <6> If man, then, desires to do the will of God and to hold fast to that which is good, <7> he must do so oblivious of all momentums of human destruction which have ever manifested in his world; for these have no power to perpetuate themselves except the power man gives to them.

Mankind speak of the current age as though it were unique. So is each precious moment. But just how unique mankind little dreams of; for at any time, at any moment in the history of the earth, man could have either failed or succeeded. The elements of God-reality have always been there as the great pondering of the Mind of God to produce the fruit of His holy will in the consciousness of man. How fragile are moments in time as opportunities for the perfectionment of eternity! Their use, however, depends upon the sensitivity of men's souls and to what measure they can hold firmly to the great realities of God.

Stay with the dream of God, then, and shut out the clamoring wakefulness of the outer mind, whether in self or others, never losing touch with the components of Reality in all parts of Life; and you will succeed beyond your farthest dreams, for

The house of divine sonship
Holds open still the door.
The darkness of the mortal mind
Cannot, shall not, be anymore.

For just beyond the mortal sunset
Lies the Light's immortal dawn,
Trembling on the face of morning,
Shining promise from now on.

Day of Life's immortal gladness
Echoes from the dim-lit past,
Shimmering freshness of the Daystar,
Crystal diamonds in the grass.

Like a dewdrop ever fairer
You reveal the bright new day;
In the fervor ever nearer
Christ's own face is seen today.

Like a gossamer veil atremble
With the thunder of the sun,
Beauteous doorway of forever
Swings wide open for each one!

Devotedly, I AM

Mary

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1. Col. 2:9.
 2. II Cor. 3:6.
 3. I Sam. 16:7.
 4. Gen. 4:9.
 5. Gen. 1:28.
 6. Matt. 6:34.
 7. I Thess. 5:21.

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V

To All Who Seek Knowledge That the Infinite God Be Glorified:

Some men rejoice in the fact that the fashion of the world passeth away. <1> But remember, blessed hearts of love, that it is your victory won right within the framework of your experiences that skims off the dross of human misbehavior and produces the divine alchemy of purification. This is the trial by fire <2> that separates your darkness from your Light.

Man should understand that one day all qualification, both good and evil, must receive its reward. Through the great mercy of God, the karma of a planet and its people has again and again been withheld that new opportunities for experience might continue to come to all. This is that aspect of the Law which allows little children maturing through the round of experience to find the emancipation that reveals the grace of God to those whose eyes are open to His benign bestowal and to His desire to create out of the substance of opportunity the best possible gifts to Life in all of its manifold parts. It is the Mother Aspect of God that can examine human hurts with the eye of understanding and then yield the heart back to God with total surrender.

Now in examining the fabric of what in this age has been called a Christian civilization, we cannot stop with just the present era, but must reach back into the pages of history where we find manifesting the oh so frequent barbarities that have been brought forth upon humanity in the name of my Son, Christ Jesus. It is a great pity that today's smug and conceited Christianity often fails to utilize the honest eyes of the heart and soul to extract a valued lesson from both present and past church history.

It is the yielding of the heart to the beat of joy in every situation that purifies the understanding of man that it might one day become a repository of strength to those who are willing to surrender unto God all human desires and their need for self-importance. This does not mean, O hearts of Light, the extinguishing of man's Life or Light; rather it brings about an intensification of its shine, for the intensifying power of the Christ does descend from the Godhead into the chalice of individual lives.

It should always be a joy to contribute thoughts of dignity and worth into the flowing stream of energy which constitutes Life. How often men sit on the bank of the river of Life and watch it flow, taking from it all that they possibly can, yet contributing nothing to its course or movement. Surely justice and mercy must follow man, <3> both contemporary man and man to come. Surely all shall come to understand one day that it is only that which is yielded unto God through love that endures. As Saint Paul said long ago, "Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." <4>

You who read my words through the *Pearls of Wisdom* should understand that these are not written for the glorification of the human ego, but for the exaltation of the soul in the divine Flame and Light. Thus one day mankind will come to know and to understand how beautiful and complete the Light is because he will have added to that Light the best gifts of his own Self-realization, intensifying them in the filaments of his being so that he too may let his Light shine. <5> It is the energy of God that glorifies the soul of each one. And when the electrifying concepts of His grace are made known to the world, the right use of both His masculinity and His femininity will be adhered to and the androgynous Being of God seen at last in fuller measure in the stature of the Christ.

Mankind often say that it is a tragedy that greater understanding does not prevent wars, rumors of wars, <6> and the darkening attitudes of the race of men. But after all, beloved ones, it is to high places in human thought rather than to high places in divine thought that mankind aspire. Is it any wonder, then, that they yield themselves so easily to self-glorification and self-righteousness? Is it any wonder, then, that they are prone to error almost from the beginning of their mistaken monadic expressions, which are in reality no part of the Divine Monad, but are of the synthesized personality they have come to regard as the Real Self? When the Real Self of man is perceived as the Universal Spirit, all-flowing and all-enfolding, the power of love comes to be realized to such a marked degree as to produce the profoundest of changes in the nature of man. And if these changes be produced in the individual, must they not then permeate all substance and structuring?

“Let not your heart be troubled,” my Son declared. “Ye believe in God, believe also in Me.” <7> Why, in the name of heaven, if all men were really created by God, should they deem it an unworthy act to hold, in addition to self-esteem, esteem for other parts of Life? Certainly we do not say that mankind should respect evil or those things which are hurtful to men. But there is enough virtue in the soul of man which God so lovingly placed there that those who look can surely perceive that virtue in man and, seeing it, amplify it so that all may partake of the sacred Eucharist, the tiny wafer of Life by which they are made aware of their unity in Christ.

The world today lives in a time of the great depreciation of values, in a time of the deterioration of a sense of their own worth and hence of the worth of others. Because of this and because mankind do not understand true religion nor the fact that the world has produced saints in the past as well as in the present, they seem to look askance at all who hold fast to good. <8> There is a trend today to expose all action of a truly divine nature as if it were fraudulent, as if it were deceptive. I am sure that more shall be said on this subject, but let mankind perceive how seldom men really do believe in motives of worth in others.

Little do they dream of what is in the heart, for we perceive the virtue of God in the hearts of many. But by the same token, we also observe in the temporary strands of human petulance and greed the tendency on the part of many to condemn others for the same thing that they themselves desire to do, but in some cases have not done and in other cases have done. It is dangerous for mankind to point an accusing finger at others when many times they are not aware of their own imperfect patterns from past ages. They do not foresee what they will one day do as a result of the very trends they are now creating.

O mankind, how lovely you are in your God Identity! And so it is with our prayer for the redemption of all that is beautiful and real about you that in this hour of mounting human affliction and distress the hearts of many will turn to my Son as a part of their Real Self, as a part of their God Identity. His mission in life was not for self-glorification, but for the eternal glory of God. If men are able to perceive this glory in all, then all will find themselves identifying with such perfection as has never come to earth before and the divine genius native to man will let fly out the window of life never to be anymore those elements of human distress that presently conceal the face of God from a weary and a hungry world.

Christ said so long ago, “Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled.” <9> The moments of that infilling are thrilling beyond belief! The soul gasps in individualized mankind that it might receive a breath of this Reality, that it might perceive the infinite Hand of God reaching through all experience and beckoning all to move onward into the universal Light without fear and with the fullest of confidence.

I remain ever your Mother in the service of the Universal Christ,

Mary

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1. I John 2:17.
 2. I Cor. 3:13.
 3. Pss. 23:6.
 4. I Cor. 13:13.
 5. Matt. 5:16.
 6. Matt. 24:6.
 7. John 14:1.
 8. I Thess. 5:21.
 9. Matt. 5:6.

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VI

To Men of Good Will in All Lands:

The physical framework of the world, consisting of the planetary platform of mountains and plain, of the strata of the rock and the verdure of nature, including the torrid regions of the earth and the snow-capped mountain heights, reflects but a rock-ribbed dignity, a plane for human endeavors, a world stage upon which events array themselves.

Man possessed with his God-given right of mobility moves to and fro upon the earth just as his consciousness traverses the realm of manifold experience. But wherever he goes, he utilizes the one Consciousness, the one Flow of the generosity of God which gives to embodied mankind the gift of access to the Mind of God, to the Mind of Christ. And it is through the Mind of God and the Mind of Christ that he is able to achieve at last the perspective that enables him to rule the kingdom of nature as well as the realm of selfhood.

Do you not realize, O blessed mankind, that the fabric and outreach of the mind are a specific endowment of God which is given to mankind in order that he may integrate his consciousness with the Holy Spirit in nature and in man? What folly it is then for mankind to play the peacock and strut about as though his endowment were greater than that of another. All should come to the humble realization of the grace of God shining in the face of nature and behind the screens of the human monad with all of its selfishness and deceit. For of old and to the present day the greatest grief is brought to mankind, as well as an outpouring of the vials <1> of his own karma, strictly because of his unending tolerance of human greed within heart and mind.

Is it not recorded that the *love* of money is the root of all evil? <2> The summation of the propensity to love money can be perceived in world commerce and world thought. It is not necessary that mankind despise that medium of exchange which they have called money, but rather that they learn its correct use as my Son taught it two thousand years ago. <3> For through the correct use of money mankind will understand that money is but a little part of the abundance of God. It is a medium of exchange between nations and peoples, intended never to be manipulated but always to be expanded as a breaking of the loaf <4> of God's substance by the action of the flame of God-maturity among men, that the crumbs that fall from the Master's table <5> should be given to all as a part of the whole loaf of universal abundance.

When individuals allow themselves to be attached to mortal things, when they permit their mind and consciousness to become involved in elements of human greed until all other considerations of life are excluded, they will most certainly lose sight of the abundant Life. All fleshly gain should be seen in the light of the statement "Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away." <6> For unless man understands that all that can be attached to his being, to his soul, to his individuality is grace, he will not understand the proper use of either money or the energies of Life.

The reason the Brotherhood deems it desirable to call these matters to the attention of the students at this time is to avoid their becoming a part of the world struggle for the control of money and the economies of the nations. Money of itself would be of little value if men were an hungred and could find no bread, if they were in need of shelter and could find no home. What is needed then by all is a correct understanding of Life and its abundance.

Some men may ask why it is that I choose to discourse on the love of money and its effect on monetary releases. Don't you see, beloved ones, how important it is to the evolution of humanity that men understand, not only in words but also in spirit, the need to establish themselves in God and His goodness? The fashions of the times change and men are no sooner born than the process of decay sets in. They no sooner acquire a vast storehouse of worldly wisdom, of nomenclature and much superficial knowledge of all things than they are borne from the world to which they have become attached.

Freedom from the love of money, which is the root of all evil, will free men from those attachments which have created such a quantity of discord and darkness in the world. Furthermore, it will bring to everyone who is able to free himself from this love, from this attachment, from this grossness, the refining and ennoblement of his spirit. The reason it is so wrong for humanity to become attached to the love of money is that the quality of possessiveness of things deprives humanity of the promise of the Christ "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." <7> Indeed it is God's good pleasure to give to mankind all dominion, all power, and all glory once he has demonstrated his willingness to use these gifts as a wise steward of the grace of God.

In gazing at the record of mankind's doings through the ages, ever and anon the love of money has shown its ugly head as the serpentine force which creates in the labyrinth of human life those tortuous movements which enslave mankind the world around. Thus the love of money prevents mankind from entering into the kingdom simply because the very things that God would so gladly give to all are denied to the many because this or that one desires to keep, to retain, to hold in esteem the things of the world above the things of the kingdom of God.

In this series I have felt it necessary to touch the heart of heaven in order that I might also learn what specific quality of understanding or assistance can be imparted unto mankind that will enable him to move with the avant-garde into the advancing era of the kingdom of God.

For me to say that the churches of the world have not over the centuries involved themselves or allowed themselves to be involved in the activities of human greed and injustice would be sheer falsehood. In my Son's name, in my name, and in the name of Heaven acts have been committed again and again which are a perversity of the Spirit, which have denied bread to the hungry while erecting altars of gold and silver. Yet in the eyes of Heaven there is some justification for the adorning of the temples of God and the honoring of the hosts of heaven with the abundance of God that the matrix of His supply might be expanded for all upon the altar of the Lord.

Therefore, in dividing the word of righteousness men must understand that condemnation of any act of man must be tempered not only by justice and mercy, but also by the higher criticism of the Divine Logos. Men must love God above all things. For in loving God first, they will come to love all things, all men, all the adornments of nature and the graces of life, both seen and unseen, as the manifestation of God; and they will be free of the desire to covet. Hence, wise is the man who does not judge his neighbor but understands the nature of service to his God, to his home, to his church, and to his fellowmen.

By spreading abroad the sense of the abundance of God as attainable by every man—"but my God shall supply all your need" <8>—each man is imbued with the fire of sacred trust whereby he sees the world as an abode of usefulness where dwell the Spirit of God and the spirit of usefulness and the harmony of the artisans that can work together and spread the balm of the true kingdom everywhere.

Let perish from your mind, then, the thoughts of darkness, of greed, and the condemnation of human greed. For by the illuminating sense that gives to each one the true knowledge of the right attitudes of the spiritual thoughts that are the thoughts of Christ, man can at last ascend in consciousness to the place where true Christhood does manifest.

Devotedly, I AM

Mary

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1. Rev. 16.
 2. I Tim. 6:10.
 3. Matt. 25:15.
 4. John 6:1-14.
 5. Matt. 15:27.
 6. Job 1:21.
 7. Luke 12:32.
 8. Phil. 4:19.

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VII

Men and Women of the Hour:

The shafts of Light that penetrate the world darkness and maya must be seized upon hourly by embodied mankind. They cannot afford to continue to ally themselves with cherished institutions which have ceased to serve the purposes for which they were founded; they cannot deny the reality of perspective that is conveyed to the soul when the soul attains that perfection of attunement which reveals the reality of God.

It is not our wish to destroy those human instruments and traditional organizations which have in some measure served the divine plan. Nevertheless, they are already self-destroyed; and those remnants of their followers that remain as confused sheep that cannot find their pasture do not yet realize that through the greater power of The Great White Brotherhood and the greater dedication of the Ascended Masters of Wisdom there have been preserved in the heavens by divine decree and through divine intervention the standards of sublime grace that are sufficient for all mankind's needs.

As the old has exhibited its failures again and again, as those who profess to represent the Deity have shown themselves to be lovers of gold more than lovers of God, the divisive attempts of the brothers of the shadow have removed from view the real images of Divinity in the true spiritual leaders of the race and supplanted them by those human warps and distortions which indeed reflect the abomination of desolation standing in the holy place where it ought not. <1>

We have said before and we say again that the world is in grave danger; but we cite as evidence of the eternal presence of hope the manifestations of nature—the trees, the rocks, and the so-called inert aspects thereof—that endure long after the physical body of man. I say they endure in order to once again become a part of a planetary platform for the hopeful appearance of Life regenerate.

The statements made by my Son have been added to and in many cases enhanced by the spiritual experiences of men who in the centuries following his mission have entered into divine association with the heavenly hosts. As the great patriarch Athanasius said, “For He was made Man that we might be made God.” <2> But the rising turbulence of human emotion generated in wars and rumors of wars <3> and in all manner of strife does not indicate that this process of man's rapprochement with the Deity is being accelerated.

The perceptive, who see not merely the speck of the moment but the grandeur of the accumulations of the spark of God within the heart and soul of mankind, are refreshed with the hope which, regardless of human appearances, is summoning from far-off worlds those valiant spirits that are even now approaching the planetary body to increase mankind's awareness of grace. They are determined by the invincible Light of cosmic victory to fasten together the loose-knit strands of a new culture and to weave the understanding within the heart's chalice and the mind's altar of mankind's own Christ-awareness.

Blatant have been the chatterings of those mortal magpies that have always sought to carry from nest to nest the burdens of carnal commentaries framed by those who are known to us as the destroyers of the cult of the Mother. But one day their opportunity shall pass; for they will reap the reward of having separated themselves into levels of sensuality that while extinguishing the Flame of God within the souls of their victims also blot out the very best possibilities for themselves.

Now is the time for the elect to determine so to be! I cannot say in cosmic honor that many orthodox institutions are serving aught else than the causes of Satan. That they have summoned some appearance of goodness yet have denied the power thereof in no way provides them with a valid excuse in the eyes of the living God.

How deep has been our heart's grief to see in this age the repudiation of Christ-wholeness that would have knit the Body of God upon earth into a solid spiritual organism that could well have assured humanity that the hour of the Second Coming was indeed now. Daily the conceptions of antichrist are thrust upon the world religious scene; and daily the religious leaders, as well as our students, have failed to distinguish between the Christ and the appearances of antichrist which proclaims itself to be that which it is not. Those who claim to be the allness of God must understand that the spark is only the allness when the spark is merged with the Flame.

They have not understood that whereas the spark can and should increase its size and magnificence, achieving within its own framework of identity a greater measure of the Godhead, it is only in the progressive movement of concerted action in harmony with the universe that the great rotation of the cosmic spheres is served. Hence those who proclaim themselves Light but are filled with darkness should look to the Christ-hope of universal dimension whereby they can at last be free from all that is less than perfection within themselves.

Man is indeed a being of mingled Light and darkness. His Light is the Christ Light; his darkness is that to which he has been subjected and that which he has accepted of that which opaquely Light. Let all understand, then, that the purging of the self, which may excite many tests and trials and may well provide elements of chastisement, is still the most valiant way whereby individuals may come at last to a state of purification and a greater extension of the Light of God through the clear pane of their own crystal awareness.

I AM devoted to the expansion of the kingdom of heaven upon earth.

Mary

1. Dan. 11:31; Mark 13:14.

2. St. Athanasius, ON THE INCARNATION OF THE WORD OF GOD, 54, 4th cent.

3. Matt. 24:6.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Mother Mary

“Go Forth to Challenge the Night!”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, October 13, 1972

Pray therefore that ye enter not into temptation <1> in the final hours of testing and of the battle won. In those hours, when those denizens of darkness rise to stir the dust and create the fray, to opaque the vow, to ride in upon the delicate threads of your consciousness, remember the vow that was made in the beginning before the world was of the fulfillment of the Divinity of God in the humanity of man. Remember that you came forth with great courage, great determination, saying to the Lord of Hosts: “Yea, Lord, I will go! Send me also; send me in the name of the risen Christ.” And the Lord answered and said: “As thou wilt. So go forth, sons and daughters, sons and daughters of dominion. Go forth to challenge the night, the darkness, the discord, and the fray.”

I seal within your hearts this day the divine memory of the divine vow. I seal it there so that at the hour of the final testing, of the battle won, the divine memory shall appear as a giant screen of Light to play again before your eyes that scene where you stood before the Most High God.

The courage of action, the courage to do battle when all the world is set against thee, must be evoked from the very heart of hearts. And prayer without ceasing must accompany the devotee who would win over the human consciousness with all of its deception, with all of its illusion, with all of its attempts to preserve itself against the day of the appearance of the Christ. For in the hour of the Second Coming as the thief that cometh in the night, <2> the human consciousness is dissipated; it is scattered; it is no more. That very human consciousness anticipates the coming of the great Light of the Son of God; and so it attempts by devious methods and means, by all sorts of ruses and insanities, to preserve that last straw of identity.

Quicken the heart, quicken the mind, and quicken the determination, beloved ones, to slay the last foe! For the hour is indeed five minutes before twelve. It is the hour when the tail of the great dragon Tiamat swings as a backlash against the sons and daughters of God and against the holy innocents. It is the hour of victory for those who are ready to draw forth the Light and challenge the tail of the great dragon—the challenge of the misuse of the Sacred Fire and the tail of man's own carnality.

Do you not perceive, precious hearts, the warning that was given to you in the thoughtform for the year? Do you not realize that this is the year of the supreme effort of the darkness to retaliate, to take its revenge upon the Divine Woman and Her Seed? Do you not realize then that the defense of the Mother Flame and of the Divine Manchild appearing in all humanity is the supreme watch of the hour? This is the watch of Christ. “Could ye not watch with me one hour?” <3>

And as we are in now the final quadrant of the year, will you summon the vision of the All-Seeing Eye of God to clear the pathway before you unto the victory over all manifestations in the physical plane that are less than the perfection of Almighty God? This is the supreme moment of opportunity to challenge all spirals and cycles initiated by yourselves and by mankind in the first three quadrants in the year. There is still time, still opportunity, to say to that proud wave, “Thus far and no farther. Halt! I challenge you in the name of the living God.”

You see, until the spiral becomes physical, it can be reversed. That is why Jesus said to Judas, “That which thou doest, do quickly.” <4> For until the malice becomes tangible as the physical action, the karmic recompense cannot be meted out and the return cycles begin and a new day then commence. And so you see, all that has begun at the etheric level of the memory, at the mental

plane of thought, at the feeling place of desire—all this can yet be reversed if you challenge it ere it becomes physical. I say then, it is your moment of triumph or your moment of submission. In the name of Almighty God you have the authority in the name of Jesus the Christ to challenge every cycle of negation, every spiral of darkness that is released against you like a boomerang, like a tail of a serpent, like the forces of the night.

This is your hour of victory, blessed hearts. And I have come this morning to tell you that there are indeed many cycles that must be challenged by you if the earth is to come to the place on New Year's Eve that it can receive the opportunities and the benedictions that are contemplated by the Lords of Karma. Thus you might say it is an act of divine mercy in advance that I have been permitted to come before you this day to tell you that there are few upon the planetary body who understand the laws of God as you do, who understand the authority of the Sons and Daughters of Dominion, who call in the name of Jesus the Christ for the victory.

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Mother Mary is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MT 7211, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. Matt. 26:41.
2. Matt. 24:43-44.
3. Matt. 26:40.
4. John 13:27.

The Temple of Understanding

VIII

Children of the Sacred Chalice:

As you ride through the busy streets of life, do you stop long enough to consider the reality of your being tied to the chalice of your heart? Your consciousness is a sacred connection; when it is correctly used, it can, like a giant beam of a searchlight, pierce the gloom of human night and nebulosity and then involve itself in unerring contact with the Presence of God or with those divine emissaries to whom He has assigned specific functions in the universe.

Have you thought, beloved ones, of the multitudinous manifestations of Life, of how here in the physical world there are so many diverse manifestations as to almost dazzle the eyes of the mind? In a spiritual sense there are even more manifestations, yet all are manifestations of the One. It is vital that man should cease to allow himself to be confused by human interpretations of dogma which seek to separate the creations of heaven or earth from the Lord that hath made all things. <1> Men choose so frequently to honor Him with their lips and by supposedly directing their consciousness toward God alone; but while they seek to honor Him, they exclude all of the functional and beautiful manifestations which He has made and charged with specific uses to the glory of the Light in man.

How many there are in the world today who always seek to reach the Christ on the throne without understanding that the tiniest grain of sand or blade of grass and the smallest individual from the standpoint of human esteem is also by God's decree a manifestation of that Universal Christ. Won't you try to understand that it is only an activity of darkness that attempts to separate humanity into segments, allowing individuals to think that this lesser manifestation is the all of God, whereas there are higher manifestations which all can find through the attainment of the Christ Consciousness. Through the schemes of false esteem, through the improper placement of values, mankind reject God in Matter, or they reject God in the temple of the heart's chalice, or they reject God in all of the secondary phases of His expression save the Central Sun or what they consider to be the central Reality of creation.

This is not pleasing to God; it is direct disobedience to the principles of "Love one another." <2> For it is by loving Life free the changes in mankind's actions will take place which will bring in the Golden Age. It is so vital that the great pressures of love of the very Godhead itself be transmitted into the chalice of the heart, the focal point of the individual's consciousness, and then sent out to love every manifestation of God that is bound and blinded by human dogmas and human greed to free them all-free at last.

Don't you see that life is not intended to be an orgy that demoralizes, degrades, and destroys the central theme of Love's purpose, which has ever in view the harmony of the sacred spheres and that work which Jesus referred to so long ago when he said, "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work"? <3> One day as all advance in their spiritual consciousness through the chalice of their own heart, they will come to the similitude of God, to the place where they will understand the work of God, the labors of His love, the labors of His creativity, the labors in which all are intended to share.

From the first dawn of creation it was God's hope that man, made in His own image, <4> would learn how to be one with Him <5> and elect so to be; thus the Father foreknew that many blessed souls would enjoy the spirit of wholeness through imbibing the spiritual gnosis of Life. By this process they would be able to bring their consciousness into complete harmony with the

Consciousness of God through the ministration of the Holy Spirit and through the complete acceptance of the Reality of God.

It is recorded in the Scriptures that “every knee should bow at the name of Jesus” <6> and that “the Son [should] also himself be subject unto Him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.” <7> Let all understand, then, the nature of the office of Mediator, the office held by the Christ of every man, not as one of worldly position and pomposity, but a one of humility before God and authority before man.

My Son, whose identity became totally merged with the Christ, long ago rejected the temporal crown upon the celebration of Palm Sunday. He desired only the crown of service in the kingdom of God and to bring many sons into captivity to the will of God. Don't you see, then, that it is not the worship of his person that he craves, but the identification of every son and daughter with the inner Christ-radiance which God placed within the chalice of being of man?

Through utter devotion man will one day be able to understand that true worship is the worship of God as Spirit, <8> both in its universal aspect and in its specific individualization in hearts abiding in the dimensions of Matter. Thus the diadem of lives lived in and for Him may indeed provide the encircling crown of the World Mother which she may hold in her hands and offer unto God. For Spirit is one; and though, as has been said, there be gods many and lords many, “there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in Him.” <9>

To Him be “blessing, and honour, and glory, and power.” <10> Let the temples of individual lives, the temples of the world, and the varying religions of the world learn to understand this cardinal truth that they may cease in their warrings and begin to express universal compassion.

Devotedly, I AM

Mary

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1. Acts 17:24.
 2. John 15:17.
 3. John 5:17.
 4. Gen. 1:27.
 5. John 10:30.
 6. Phil. 2:10.
 7. I Cor. 15:28.
 8. John 4:24.
 9. I Cor. 8:5-6.
 10. Rev. 5:13.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Mother Mary

“Go Forth to Challenge the Night!”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, October 13, 1972

Continued from “The Radiant Word” of August 27, 1972

I say then, it is up to this handful of people gathered here and those [throughout the world] who will respond to analyze the year's events beginning January 1, 1972, to see those things which have transpired in every nation upon earth and to call in the name of my Son and in the name of the Divine Mother that all activities not in keeping with the divine will or the divine plan for this earth be checked, be consumed, be held in abeyance during this final cycle. For only if you thus systematically follow these trends and untangle the labyrinth of mankind's thoughts and feelings and actions will you be able to prepare the way for the Golden Age cycles that are to be released on New Year's Eve.

I have seen in the past the prayers that you have mustered, the long hours you have spent in decrees. I have seen the faith, the worthiness, the response of the student body; and there is not a shadow of doubt in my consciousness that you will not respond this day. I know that you shall, for I know that you have done so in the past; and I behold the Immaculate Conception of your Divinity.

I place my hand then upon your foreheads this morning to seal within the All-Seeing Eye of God focus there the Immaculate Conception of your own Divinity; and I say, let that image of the cosmic city foursquare, the temple beautiful of your own individuality, your own individuated identity, appear now for the victory, parting the way, parting the Red Sea of your own human consciousness and providing the pathway into the Promised Land of the Golden Age and the new heaven and the new earth.

I, then, will stand with you. And if you will call to me asking in the name of the Christ that I show you what things you ought to call for, how ye ought to pray, I will certainly show you. Heaven is not beyond the methods of research that are pursued by your scientists and scholars today, for Heaven also keeps its records and has its libraries. The Keeper of the Scrolls, that great being who sends forth his legions of angels to keep the record of every man, woman, and child upon this planet, will draw forth from the Book of Life in your behalf, if you will call to him and to the Lords of Karma, those pages that require seeing and examination if you are to make the proper calls.

I say to you, beloved hearts, be not weary in well-doing. <1> If it is necessary to go to your libraries to examine the events of the years, then do so. Then look and listen and learn, for I have spoken. I have shown you this day that it is possible for a dedicated humanity to transmute not only present but past turmoil, past discord, past records of darkness and of death. By transmuting the past before it is able to be written upon the pages of the future, the devotees can spare mankind the holocaust and the cataclysm of their own returning karma.

Do you not see, then, that the mercy of the Great Law is retroactive—past, present, and future? The beacon of mercy turns round and round, circular in motion, in the great lighthouse of the world. Mercy is the beacon, the lamp that is placed there now by the Hand of Almighty God. Seize it, then! Withhold not the last measure of devotion.

These are they who love not their lives unto the death. <2> These are they, O Lord; these are they which stand before you this day and plead on behalf of an ignorant and blighted humanity. These are they who are willing to do penance that the Law might be satisfied, that the Law might be fulfilled. These are they who know that the suffering of the human consciousness prepares the way

for the glory, the **glow-ray** of the Christ Consciousness to come into manifestation in the planes of Mater, of the Divine Mother.

O Lord, have mercy! O Lord, have mercy! O Lord, have mercy upon their souls! I, Mary, stand before the Most High God this day to intercede on behalf of humanity everywhere—those who call to me, those who spurn me, those who know me not. From the least unto the greatest, all are the children of my heart. And I stand with my heart bleeding, as it were, as the sword of mankind's disobedience pierces the heart of the Mother once again. I, too, am willing to bear the pain of the travail of giving birth to the Divine Manchild, the travail of a planet overcoming the darkness and the night. For I AM a cosmic mother; and I know that when the dawn appears, the dawn of the great Golden Age, so the Christ Child shall be born in everyone. Every man, woman, and child upon this planet shall give birth to the Divine Son; and this shall mark the Golden Age.

This is the beginning of the new order of the ages. This is the Second Appearing. This is the hour when the capstone is placed upon the pyramid of each man's identity. For the All-Seeing Eye is the eye of the Immaculate Conception of the Christ; and when He shall appear, we shall see Him as He is <3> in manifestation in man, in woman, in all Life. By the authority of the Holy Spirit and the Divine Mother, who is the bride of the Holy Spirit, I seal you in my love, in my protection, and in the divine memory of the vows you have taken to serve until every last one has the opportunity for the victory and the ascension in the Light.

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1. II Thess. 3:13.
2. Rev. 12:11.
3. I John 3:2.

The Temple of Understanding

IX

To All Who Love God—To All Who Profess to Love God:

I now make a plea for the avoidance of harshness in human life. How much suffering there is in the world order because of human selfishness and a lack of understanding between people! And O mankind of earth, how much suffering occurs each day in the various countries of the world simply because of carelessness and human cruelty.

If individuals only knew the Law! For it is impossible to do harm to anyone without receiving the last jot and tittle of recompense, <1> whether in this world or in the world to come. It is folly to think that men will escape the result of their own acts. In accordance with the consistency of cosmic law, it is ever true that as men sow, so shall they reap. <2> The fact that the mercy of Heaven has extended pardon to men again and again is no sign that in matters of human relations where mankind fail to express a reasonable kindness to one another they are not forging a yoke of drudgery around their own necks.

But then I think of how true it is that this is not the will of God. I think also of His great mercies which endure forever, <3> because those who are the recipients of the greatest mercy are those who receive eternal Life. Mankind gaze at the spectacle of their years as though they were entitled to eternity in their present state. Certainly it ought to be apparent to the discerning thinker that God could not limit His creation or the measure of its progress to the confusing aspects of life that are in the world today. It is never the intent of God to neglect His creation and its marvelous opportunity to progress.

Let every heart pause to reflect upon the goodness of God, to realize His care and consideration not only in this year but in all past times, and to behold the hand of His grace extending itself into the whole domain of the future for all. Worlds aborning and worlds adying are simply the fulfillment of infinite Law which governs the cycles of Life in all parts of Cosmos. In a like manner, the process of metamorphosis and the entire spectrum of change in human life are intended to follow the measured cadences of God's care.

It is in receiving comfort from the Holy Spirit that mankind are imbued with the sense of complete peace and rest; yet how marvelous is the balance that enables them to see once and for all that peace is not a cessation of activities, but a blessed expansion of God at rest in service, as Being is intended to be God in action. For both manifestations are necessary polarities of His grace.

If men and women would only recognize the creative motions of the universe as their own, as a part of their spiritual heritage, they would see quite plainly that the present regime of struggle against confusion and against false management of the lives of others by diverse forms of tyranny is only a darkening cloud that, like burned-out cinders, clogs the atmosphere of man's consciousness. The infamous history of human tyrants and ungodly people involves far too great a percentage of human life when one considers the multitudes who have mimicked the wickedness of both their lords and their peers. Only the few have understood the true meaning of life not as a continuing struggle, but as a pulling-together for a higher glory than that of the human ego; these have held out the hand of faith to the purposes of Deity.

Men who witness the magnificence of God and of His Spirit could in the name of pure reason scarcely believe Him incapable of dominating all mankind. The fact that He does not shows that He has placed a contract of life in the hands of embodied mankind. It is up to them as they pursue the

highest goal in the universe, oneness with God, to find those regenerative faculties of Light and hope for themselves that their hearts might thereby bow low in reverent gratitude to God for the gift of Himself. While flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, <4> the triumph of the soul arrayed in its divine vestments is one of mastery over all man's darkness by the expansion and acknowledgment of His Light.

Have you thought how closely Christ identifies with this magnificent outpouring that I refer to as Light? Christ is Light; and the Christ within you, each one, is Light. I make an impassioned plea to humanity, before it is too late and the karmic vials are poured out upon the earth, to seek to alleviate harshness, to repudiate it in all of its forms by the action of their thoughts powerfully centered in God. For man's inhumanity to man and his failure to meet the human need with divine love, whenever and wherever it appears, are often the result of hardness of heart, <5> which must be challenged by fervent supplication and the careful doing of the will of God.

Only by the grace of God can the world order be moved forward into the domain of divine kindness and all people find at last the great possibilities of the kingdom envisioned so long ago by my Son, Jesus Christ, by others before him, <6> and by the All-Father from the first page of the cycle unto the present.

That the anointing of God be sought, that His Spirit be encouraged to do its mighty work among men to alter the structure of weakness and bind up the wounds of humanity is my prayer.

Devotedly,

Mary

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1. Matt. 5:18.
 2. Gal. 6:7.
 3. Pss. 136.
 4. I Cor. 15:50.
 5. Exod. 8:15; Matt. 19:8.
 6. Luke 2:25-26.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Serapis Bey

“Persevere! And You Shall Win!”

given at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral, February 20, 1966

Gracious ones, persevere! And you shall win! The challenge to every chela, every would-be initiate, to all who would come under our disciplines is given herewith. Persevere! And you shall win!

The thought of merger with the Divine ought to be a blessed goal wherein all can shine. Competition and the vain spirit of egocentricity have no place in our disciplines; for one must work unswervingly for a purpose and devote oneself to the fulfillment of that purpose. The power to see the Promised Land vouchsafed of old to Moses as he came out of Egyptian bondage is one which to modern-day men and women must report the challenges of the times and make them aware of the need to persevere—to persevere in all that is of the past so that the untransmuted and banal aspects thereof may become vanquished in the name of victory; to persevere in the present hour when the drabness of appearances and the seeming slowness of pace does not temper the zeal of the fire of the heart; to persevere in the future by a glorious hope that refuses to leave the screen of the mind; to persevere at all times and to win.

There are those whose beings, like bones bleached upon the desert, strew the landscape because they did not persevere. They thirsted when no water was available and they could not find within their souls the power to seek it although it may have been nigh, even at hand. There are those whose steadfastness wanes when victory is at the very door. There are those who do not understand the mercy of God. It has been said, “His mercy endureth forever”; <1> and if we are to act the part of those who believe in the rewards of the Most High God, we must see His mercy as enduring for us, a flame of compassion that tempers circumstance to ability and power to manifest the law of victory for each one.

If you could see at inner levels, as we do, the power of holy example as it was made known to The Karmic Board where individuals surmounted most frightful circumstances to become victors, you would recognize that often, by comparison measurement, your own struggles are but those of an ant seeking to reach a nearby anthill. Men and women of today, recognize that the challenges of the past in a chameleon form are with you still. There is no difference between the challenges of this hour and those of the past save that you have a greater comfort for your physical being. The weaknesses brought upon mankind by soft living this past century have framed for him a weaker physical body in many cases and a mind that could not have endured the struggles which your forebears did. Yet there are challenges before you which they did not know.

We are aware of the changes in the times, yet the psyche of man, the soul, remains the same. You are you; and it is your destiny to climb upward on the walls so perpendicular and slippery as to be impossible to a mountain climber, so that you can climb up out of the cup of mortal density and a lack of realization, until as you peer over the brim and behold the mighty Cosmos whose throbbing heart is all around you, you will not be staggered by the vision which you see but will say, “I as God will win and persevere!”

You must rest in the arms of Almighty Bliss. You must be consumed by the fires of victory and be willing to relinquish your hold upon that parcel of ground which you claim as your own. You must see the vast sky of infinity stretching boundless in all directions. You must see there a perfection of great care, and loving and watchful service whereby, although it does not always seem to be to your mortal mind and to appearances, there is a compassionate and watchful eye over you

every hour of the day and the night, and the wings of the morning are spread in their eternal brightness upon the mountains. And 'neath those wings there is a glow-ray that casts its glow upon the terrain beneath; and as you behold those wings, the raising power of the great sun may in some cases remember the lofty and ancient Egyptian call "Holy art Thou, O Aton, Thou God of Oneness!"

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Serapis Bey is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MTR 6604, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. Pss. 136.

The Temple of Understanding

X

O Cherished Ones,

The fashion of the times changes, but the kingdom of God changes not. Think! This which is within you, this beautiful focus you call soul, made in the image of God, <1> is intended to endow your consciousness with its fragrances, its passion for delight, its outreach into Reality.

What shall I say then of the synthetic overlay fed by the constant drippings of human dreariness? Long ago Paul said, "Let us not be weary in well doing." <2> There is a human tendency, which the scientists understand as inherent within metal, for the very atoms of substance to rebel against the constant outpicturing of sameness. Hence as a result of their rebellion, there sets in what is known as metal fatigue, the weariness of the particles of substance of their continual manifestation within the matrix of a specific object or activity.

When men understand Life better, they will see that unless the joyous, dancing electrons of which substance is composed were able to express spontaneously the beauties and perfection of the ongoingness of God, they could not possibly bear the burden through the millenniums of those undesirable forms and endowments of the human consciousness which are such an abomination to the progress of Life.

O hearts of Light, the shadows of the world are not of God! The fact that they are permitted at all is a manifestation of law and forward movement. It is ever God's hope that men will do better, that men will accept the great legacy of Life which He has so generously given to all, and that they will restrain themselves from dipping into those caldrons of seething human emotion which regurgitate upon the screen of Life those awful manifestations of pain and hardship which are no part of the Reality of God.

When we urge men to recognize the perfection of God, there are times when for purposes of contrast we unveil those unfortunate astral sequences and scenarios of half existence which offer a shadowland of enticement to the human monad. We pray that men will swiftly learn to discern the differences between the glamor of astral existence and the brilliance of real living that frees man to rise into the arms of God with the balm of sweet surrender that lends serenity to the soul moving onward.

If you stop and think about it, no one can hold riches or fame or family name generation after generation with any degree of certitude. One day the lesser aspect of man must joyously relinquish the little stairsteps upon which he has climbed to enter into the magnetic pull of his God Presence. Rising then into his essential greatness, the soul claims at last all that God envisioned for it. Heaven conspires to give every advantage to the individual monad and remembers his iniquities no more, <3> casting them aside as though they had never existed.

How true it is that men are prone to honor that which is traditional and to look askance upon even the highest Reality when it does not appear through traditional channels. Would it not be wise, then, if embodied mankind began to consider the accuracy of their reason and the integrity of their own souls and to attune with the blessed focus of the eternal coal of fire upon the altar of being?

By being Self-true, men are able to see what is real instead of relying upon the words of men. Can't you see, beloved ones, that we are simply trying to give you a greater measure of perspective? Be careful that you do not use this perspective to reject what is real; but do learn to discern, and that well. The fact that many men accept a certain idea as being correct does not mean that it is, nor

does it mean that it is not. Hence out of the crucible of experience, trial and error, continual faith, and a determination to know God will man come at last to the place where he will know himself *as* God.

To be a god of your own universe does not defeat the plan of the eternal Father. His greatest desire is to see that perfection which He has placed in all Life realized by man. As His offspring, all men are expected to follow the stream of the Law as it pertains to the perfect life. It is not as though men cannot; it is so frequently that they will not. And for what purpose do men despise the higher law of their being when by adhering to it they can, once the negative momentums of life are overcome, walk with less effort into the dominion of their spiritual treasure, the bounty of the Christ Consciousness that overcomes the world, and into that perfect Life which is God?

Oh, I know how the enemy has sown the tares <4> that despise even the hearing of His name or the affirmation of His Being. They can hardly stand the concept of His existence. Well, don't you think, beloved ones, that it is a little foolish for them to muster all this opposition against a God whose existence they deny?

One day humanity will perceive en masse the goal of Life after they emerge from the crucible of their self-created trials to that position where they will summon that great measure of understanding which will make of all men the Universal Christ in consciousness. What some do not understand is that the days of man's travail can be shortened, that it is the will of God to shorten those days wherever possible. <5> The elect are usually those who elect to pursue the higher Path. This means that they have chosen even as they were chosen, and their generated response precedes them upon the Path that leads to regeneration.

The Universal Mother would gather men and women from the four corners of the earth into the court of the Temple of Understanding, which is a spiritual temple built out of the giant hopes of God. No lilliputian world is this, but a world of experience in beauty, in the divine arts, in the divine sciences, and in the recognition of man's opportunity to create and to enjoy his creation. The pities of life must go down under the triumphs; but so long as men ally themselves with darkness and with their failure to exert upon life the pressures of their own understanding, they will continue to manifest in the mirror of consciousness those warps and waves of imperfection in which they dwell.

We would see men who have been lifted out of the socket of mortal density accept the fullness of their God-endowment and decide here and now that the quality of life upon earth shall be as it is in heaven. Don't you know, beloved mankind, how many powers of a spiritual nature are yours for the asking? Don't you know that the more they are correctly used, the greater the talent endowment becomes? "Choose you this day whom ye will serve," <6> for His is the Light of beginning.

Like the pale and pastel morning,
The dawn of Life appears to all
Expressing warning.
The shadow of the years,
In its essence bright and shining,
Contains the strands eternally
That are the substance
Of the morning
Grasping all eternity.

Devoted to the fire mist of creative essence within your heart, I AM

Mary

1. Gen. 1:26.

2. Gal. 6:9.

3. Jer. 31:34.

4. Matt. 13:25.

5. Matt. 24:22.

6. Josh. 24:15.

THE RADIANT WORD

Excerpt from a Dictation by Beloved Serapis Bey

“Persevere! And You Shall Win!”

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In the concept of monotheism the greatness of the Most High was spread abroad throughout the land; and the gods and demigods of the past fell as ashes. We are reminded of the great test of Baal when the call went forth unto God on high and the fire came down and licked the altars at the request of the great prophet. <1> Now we say unto you all, the time has come when the fires of heaven must be kindled anew in this age, that the age be not dust and ashes, that the drabness of the challenges of science and knowledge depart from men in a pursuit of the understanding of the great purposes of Being which framed the worlds.

The world was not framed for better motors, for more efficient machines, for more deliberate diplomatic manipulations. The world was not framed for individuals to exert the power of mastery over other lives by subtle controls and hypnotism, by the hypnotic influences of the advertising marts and those who study how they may control mankind. The world was framed not only for a destiny that transcends this world, this earth, this great terrestrial globe turning 'neath the sun; but it was framed for an immortal ascendancy of all phases of Life into the great cosmic purposes that shall dawn one by one as manifest markers upon the miles of progress for all.

The very solar system in which you live was intended to raise itself into new dimensions of cosmic progress; and Light upon the mountains was intended to be transmuted and translated as the fire of the individual's heart whereby the great magnet of the ascension in the Christ Consciousness as a halo of great white-fire Light around that one would raise the physical form, the mind, the soul, the breath, the allness of individuality into the arms of the Central Sun—not to be alone and to abide there, but to abide with others, with brothers, with sisters, with the Holy One within.

Pause to reflect; pause to direct; pause to control; pause for the goal. In the interval between thy acts, pause to consider their effect upon others. Pause not to trample upon hallowed Life beneath thy feet. The power of ahimsa may be impossible for many, and harmlessness may not be the forte of all. And perhaps 'tis true that it does not matter for some of these million few insects scattered beneath the feet whether or not they remain in form for a time or then are born again in other clime; for they belong to a different evolution. But nevertheless, the concept translated into higher dimensions would say:

Tread thou not upon thy brother's feet,
Nor cause him to stumble or fall;
But show compassion to all
Wherever it lies within thy power;
And thus thou shalt enhance the beauty of each hour
By godliness poured out in reins controlled
To manifest the power, the sacred goal,
And be ascended now in consciousness
To act as God, confessing all to Him
And committing all to Him,
Thus to persevere and win!

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Serapis Bey is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MTR 6604, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. I Kings 18:38.

The Temple of Understanding

XI

Children of the Living God:

To understand from the divine level is totally different than to understand from the level of the human consciousness. The first vision is of all perfection; the second varies greatly in its comprehensions of Life. Yet surely all can understand, if they will, that Life's purposes were woven into the universal fabric of creative opportunity and that in the beginning every soul was given the same opportunity, the same radiant goal.

It is often difficult to convince men and women of the temporal power they wield. They do not understand why they cannot seem to make contact with God. All hindrances, inasmuch as they do not emanate from the Godhead or from the divine plan, must of necessity come from another source. As there is only one Source of power, wisdom, and love in the universe, only one Godhead and one radiant emanation of that Godhead extending itself throughout the whole domain of time and space, hindrances must originate outside of Being itself, beyond the hallowed circle of Reality.

If you stop and think about it, it is a change in the frequency of your thoughts and feelings, in the attunement of mind and heart, that cuts out the great God-controls which would otherwise make you so effective in mastering your world and taking command of your life. Instead of giving you the victory of your Divine Presence, this step-down in vibration causes you to become attuned with the lower vibrations of defeat and defeatism that are already in the world. These releases do not come from nowhere; therefore they have to come from somewhere. Where is it that they come from if not from the misqualification of Light and consciousness by someone? And when individuals engage in the misqualification of energy, they automatically place themselves at that moment within the bounds of unreality.

Is it possible that men and women can be so simple that they fail to understand that misunderstandings are often compounded as one person catches the ball of someone's misunderstanding and then passes it to another, having added his own misunderstanding to it? As inaccuracies pile up layer upon layer in the minds of people, they retain an electrical impulse that can be transmitted to other minds of a similar frequency. Those who remain constant with their mind fixed on God and the purposes of Love are unmoved by the subtle influences that abound in the mass consciousness; but those who adjust the frequency of their thoughts to negative manifestations rather than to the perfection of their God Presence easily become the victims of all types of human thought and feeling.

It is with a view to showing mankind the way to deliverance that I speak. Unless people are able to escape those thoughts and feelings that are not to their liking, they will be affected to a greater or lesser degree by the thoughts and feelings of others. How easy it is through the generation of excitement to attract mankind's attention and then lead him where you want him to go. It is not that we recommend that individuals always hold to thoughts of suspicion; it is simply that a certain amount of soul vigilance is required in order for men to achieve the goal of spiritual discernment lest they be swept out of the way by a flood of human opinions.

The greatest tragedies of life have arisen from those dogmas that through the years have aborted mankind's true sense of Reality—ideas, for example, that create feelings of distrust, doubt, and fear. In the matter of reembodiment, how frequently those in orthodox circles, whose fathers and forefathers before them have leaned upon what they term Christian traditions, feel that any instruction on the subject is a dividing of the way. They but pinpoint the fact that their devotion to

my Son and to his great example is secondary to their devotion to a false teaching based upon the doctrines of those who have proved themselves to be lovers of man rather than lovers of God. This is a great misfortune; for when individuals have believed a certain thing for many years, their feelings gradually intensify concerning the absoluteness of their belief. This often prevents a clear seeing of the structures of Life.

Some base their rejection of a teaching upon a single tenet or an idea taken out of context without understanding the need to “try the spirits” <1> and to “in patience possess their souls.” <2> When I consider the numbers of wars that have been fought and the conflicts that have been engaged in by mortal men in defense of political or religious ideals, I pray that more men and women will develop that strength of character which will afford them a greater degree of tolerance for one another's views and their right to hold them and thus bring about a state of peace on earth with good will to all. <3>

The concept of reembodyment is one of the ancient truths which were handed down by men of God long before the Christian era. The way of life of the majority of the world's population was at one time completely oriented around this idea. They understood the continuity of existence—that God had not planned for souls to come into the world with one chance for salvation and then to be either accepted or rejected at the hour of judgment. Don't you see how in keeping with the mercy of God the divine plan is, as renewed opportunity for self-mastery is given to the soul lifetime after lifetime? For each embodiment is like a day in itself. It is an epoch during which the individual is expected to master certain aspects of life, to understand how he can gain spiritual stature and at the same time convey peace and harmony to his fellowmen.

Because of world conflicts and the generation of a sense of conflict within the human consciousness, I urge upon all the understanding that the mind of man in reality need not be so vulnerable that those who have pursued God for years will allow themselves to be cast down and destroyed by a sudden wind of doctrine or some new religious philosophy. For men can submit their hearts to God without necessarily submitting their minds to dogma. Dogma is like unto dead letter; it does not contain in and of itself the spiritual potential, which man himself must invoke, of bringing comfort and understanding to humanity. The Holy Spirit does. The Presence of God does. Therefore let men learn to be in contact with the living essence of the Spirit of Truth rather than with the manifestation of the letter that killeth. <4>

What a pity it is that through the years so many conflicts have raged concerning so many things. If men would only realize that a fair consideration, an objective analysis, of what some have termed the hidden side of life is not wrong. There are those who feel that if a man even contemplates an idea that is foreign to his established beliefs or accepted tradition, he is consorting with evil. Oh, how many more evil things there are in the world than that! There is far greater potential for evil in mankind's associations with one another—the way in which they live, their behavior toward and regard for their fellowman. A man's actions remain the supreme test of his philosophy; and these are far more important than his meat or his drink, what he concedes in his mind or what he does not.

For all is well
If all will tell
The soul perfection within them
To express, to unfold,
To release, to behold
A new heaven and a new earth, <5>
A new mind and a new heart,
Cleansed by the ongoing of the Spirit
That leads and guides men
Into all Truth. <6>

Nevertheless, it is very necessary in the disciplining of the mind and the tethering of the heart's devotion to the Law for men to adhere to some form of ritual and certain tenets of faith. It is almost impossible to think that man in this day and age would have no religious teaching whatever; but his consideration of the gentle activities of cosmic law, as they unfold within his understanding, should help him more through the open door that leads to Reality than through the closed door that signifies a closed understanding and a search that ended before it was begun.

Will you think about that razor's edge, that fine line which enables you to contemplate the nature of Truth, to understand the precepts of the Law, and ask God to lead you into the paths of righteousness for His name's sake? <7>

How mighty indeed would be our thrust for Light's purpose if men would bring themselves into harmony with the universe and with one another! When they see each meeting as a confrontation between opposing philosophies, a testing of egos, when they transfer thoughts of fear and failure to one another, they lose the balance of the Middle Way and quite frequently do not recover their loss in the space of a lifetime. Would it not be better, rather than sparring with the world, if men sought to please God and to know Him—not to know Him merely through the eyes of mentors and friends, but to know Him for themselves, that they may be justified by the Holy Spirit that is even now leading the race into all Truth?

For the glory of peace in the religious world, I remain

Your Mother

Mary

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1. I John 4:1.
 2. Luke 21:19.
 3. Luke 2:14.
 4. 2 Cor. 3:6.
 5. Rev. 21:1.
 6. John 16:13.
 7. Pss. 23:3.

The Temple of Understanding

XII

To All Who Would Understand:

How strange it is that men are so often caught up in the glamor of economic station or social position. They do not seem to understand the greatness that God has placed within the heart of the Divine Seed which He has also placed within them. They do not seem to understand the great brand of cosmic equality that does not favor one son of God over another, that places the same potential within the grasp of all.

The image of God is the highest rung upon the ladder. It is the rung of perfection. Whereas individuals may differ in their comprehensions of Life and in the speed with which they grasp divine principles or even human principles, men should understand, as in the fable of the Hare and the Tortoise, <1> that what is important is that they arrive at the place where the knowledge of God has meaning to them and where their faith is anchored in that magnificent achievement of divine perfection which will one day manifest as fruit upon their Tree of Life.

Individuals are prone to either undersell or oversell themselves. They think that balance is not within their grasp simply because of aberrations in the human consciousness that swing to the left or to the right of the Christ Mind. In reality, even a middle-of-the-road position is not the desired goal when it is sought from the level of the human ego, for the perfection of God is more than a human standard: it is a tangible reality that comprises the whole spectrum of man's divinity. This reality can never be subject to human opinion as it moves from the right to the center or to the left of any position. For God's outreach is involved solely with the allness of Himself, which includes the total manifestation of Christed man.

There are many problems facing the world today that should be the direct concern of all of humanity. God Himself has given a great deal of thought to mankind's problems, and He has placed within man's grasp the ability to cope with current conditions even though it does not seem that He has. The best position for any man to take, then, is one of trust whereby he recognizes the holy concern of the Comforter <2> that does not necessarily involve itself with human problems and human solutions, but rather inculcates within the consciousness of embodied humanity an inner sense of God's Reality that adapts itself freely to meet the needs of any situation. Thus if man will let Him, God who is in His heaven will ultimately produce through man's own consciousness right action in the world of material form.

How difficult it seems for people to maintain their patience, their fortitude, and their perspective long enough to keep their hands off the ark of God. <3> But if they would have the perfect solution to every problem, they must be willing to wait for the salvation of our God and the moving of His Spirit upon the troubled waters. Surprisingly, there is a tendency for men to feel that they are better able to deal with problems in the physical realm than God. It is almost as if they thought that the perfection of God does not possess the ability to invade the world of man's imperfection!

Man's trust in God creates a bond between Father and son that produces perfection wherever it is realized and affirmed. Men are seldom willing to admit that the fault of their failure lies within their own domain. But when they tamper with that which ought to be left to the powers of Heaven, they set up various interference patterns, astral grids and forcefields, which block the ray of the perfect solution from cycling into manifestation from higher levels of consciousness to lower levels of being.

You have heard the saying that man proposes but God disposes, <4> and this is correct according to the principles of cosmic law. But when the individual submits himself into the keeping of God as Jesus did when he said, "Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit," <5> God gives His angels the authority to immediately move in and take dominion over those conditions in the individual's world that do not conform to the true nature of his being. Because that which is beneath the allness of God has willingly forfeited its position of the temporal disposition of its own affairs in an attitude of complete trust that the allness of God possesses both the means and the end to produce perfection, it becomes the immediate benefactor of the divine intercession.

The line between the rights of man and the right of God is very fine. When man acts with the authority of God, he can say "*Dieu et mon droit*"; <6> but only when he becomes the Christ incarnate has he the right to say "*L'état, c'est moi!*" <7> We who walk upon the spiritual pathway as surely as you do upon the physical retain within our Causal Body and etheric consciousness the memory of earthly experiences from our past lives and from the continuity of Life which was ours between embodiments. Through examining the memory of the unascended state from our present perspective, we have a better understanding of life on earth than we did when we were in physical embodiment.

I know it is difficult on your side of the veil to realize the certitude and naturalness of the divine unfoldment which originates in the inner planes. As you now "see through a glass darkly," when one day you enter this realm, you will see "face to face" <8> with the clearness of divine Reality. Until you do, I suggest that you relinquish, ever so gladly, those elements of life which pertain to the outer realm of experience and which seem right unto men and yet lead to death and destruction. <9>

This is an activity of pruning the Tree of Life that you and you alone can perform through self-surrender and self-effacement. This may seem hard at first; but when you call God into action in each human problem, His response can result in a perfect outpicturing of the divine ideals for you. This attitude of letting God in and letting the human out is the best means of achieving greater peace of mind and greater involvement in your affairs by the Godhead and those powers whom He has assigned to be your guardians and protectors.

We who are on the other side of the veil want you to understand the uses of as well as the meaning of perfection. We want you to understand how you can cope with each of life's problems and receive the comfort of the Holy Spirit that will make you a very real part of the intent of the Godhead for the earth as well as for yourselves. It does not matter if mankind do not perceive God's care and consideration for them released through you and countless others who are so dedicated. In a very real way, you who possess this understanding are keeping the Flame of your Divinity and maintaining a greater closeness to your Divine Self in your daily life; and for the millions who know not the workings of cosmic law, you are also holding a focus of the Flame.

In the days of old, Sanat Kumara and his retinue kept the Flame at Shamballa on behalf of embodied mankind who had lost the thread of contact with their Divinity. Little did humanity at large realize by what a slender thread the destiny of the planet was held—the thread of one Master's consciousness attuned with God. Yet surely this was a giant thread of throbbing compassion! For the infinite love of God which these avatars retained in their hearts was a love that extended itself to all mankind.

Today with many more to carry the Flame—the many who have followed in the way of his great sacrifice—with many more whose examples are arousing divine sentiments in the hearts of the many, kindling faith and giving assurance of the divine purpose unto the family of nations, embodied mankind are in a position to have greater trust—trust in the God Flame expanding from within, trust in the God Spirit expanding from without—even as the Hierarchy is in a position to have greater trust in mankind because some among them are steadfastly keeping the Flame.

Albeit many among mankind neither know nor understand cosmic law as it has been given unto the devotees to know and understand, they have been given an inner assurance within their souls that is strengthened and intensified by each effort of the devotees to keep the Flame. Therefore trust is God working within you and within your hearts. Trust is the chalice of the Divine Mother and the Divine Father. Trust is the beneficent activity of the Christ Selves of all mankind.

Trust is a universal blessing to the planet, producing the bonanza of the Holy Spirit's manifestation of comfort to all. The Spirit teaches them that the Lords of Karma and those who govern the affairs of the world from both a human and a divine level are able to summon the elect from the four corners of the earth and to bestow upon them compassion and a correct knowledge of the use of energy which will day by day advance the human race into all right knowledge.

How unfortunate it is that men and women will hold organizations or individuals responsible for their own failures. Often just at the hour of victory they are ready to separate themselves from an activity which God Himself has ordained as one great doorway to His Heart. If they would only understand that it is God whom they are actually serving in every part of Life—if they would only understand that it is His grace by which they serve other parts of Life—they would not need to feel the pressure upon their being which causes them to become restless of heart and to long for other times and other climes.

Right in the midst of a service that requires the greatest constancy, they suddenly become unwilling to submit their being and consciousness to that great cosmic law which requires every man, woman, and child upon the planet to balance every erg of energy they have misused. Paul <10> stated it thusly: “Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.” <11> And Jesus said: “Verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the Law, till all be fulfilled.” <12>

What a pity it is that men do not understand the depth of the spiritual wisdom that is within them, that they feel the need to dogmatize and then to peddle their dogmatizations without understanding the magnetization of cosmic love that attracts people to the true wisdom of the heart. The magnetization of cosmic love in itself gives new courage to the mind, strengthens the bond of spiritual Reality, and reveals at last those hidden mysteries which the soul has ever understood.

Men do not always understand how these mysteries are conveyed from the Spirit of God to the soul of man. This is because they intrude a barrier of human thought and feeling patterns which positions itself between the divine revelation and the human monadic expression. Thus they defeat cosmic purpose with the limitations they have superimposed upon the variables of their own evolving consciousness. But when the barrier is finally removed, the matrix of perfection, which is God-ordained, removes the last vestiges of opacity in the minds of men and reestablishes that clear realization of the realities of Life which the Mind of Christ, as one with the Mind of God, is always able to do.

Beloved hearts,

Be slow to condemn, be swift to love,
Be firm in your endeavors and look above!
The way of hope He does make plain—
The rule of Christ fore'er to reign.
For 'tis His hand removes all pain
And lifts men to the heart of love
Where Life reveals the God of love
And casts down idols, sense of blame,
As man becomes a living Flame.

Devoted to the expansion of your Light, I AM

Mother Mary

1. Aesop's Fables, THE HARE AND THE TORTOISE.
2. John 14:26.
3. 2 Sam. 6:6-7.
4. Thomas à Kempis, THE IMITATION OF CHRIST, bk. 1, chap. 19.
5. Luke 23:46.
6. "God and my right," Richard I.
7. "The state, it is I!", Louis XIV.
8. I Cor. 13:12.
9. Prov. 14:12.
10. The Apostle Paul in a letter to the Galatians.
11. Gal. 6:7.
12. Matt. 5:18.

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Gracious ones, as I myself pause to consider the aspects of mortal discouragement, I am reminded again and again how each Ascended One has overcome. I am reminded how each Ascended One has longed to find release from that which binds—

To know, to do, to dare;
To hold communion's sacred prayer
With God alone in towers strong,
Shut out all wrong
And be alone with Him.
Thus will all mortal clamor die,
Confusion fly,
And peace be born that day, that morn.
Rejoice! Mourn no more,
For Life at hand defies
All that which is unreal.
Life demands you feel
The beat of sovereign heart;
The feet of Christ impart
The power to cleave the mountains apart
And be that which you see.

I AM the Lord thy God.
His word is Law, His rod is power;
His word by grace will sin devour.
His power reaches out to win
Beyond doubt the ascension flame,
Flashing forth now in act, in vow,
In compassion as you plow a furrow straight,
Parting the land for fruit and flower
And hope beyond debate.
You must hold that vision fair,
That holy vision flashing through the air
That shows that Heaven's here,
Not far away.
O grateful ones, you run this day
To win, to persevere!

I thank you and I commend you
Into the watchful care of the Holy One
Who shall neither slumber nor sleep
But shall keep you 'neath His feet

That raised you may be
Up through the air in spiral fair
To hold His hands in Reality's prayer—
A goal that's won, a spark to Sun
Applied as Light that ends all night,
And brightness shines forevermore!

I thank you.

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The Temple of Understanding

XIII

Beloved Children of the Precipitation upon Earth of God's Will:

How generous is the Heart of God! Yet how many have failed to concede this fact because they see Him only through their own eyes and through the limited aperture of their own mind. Hence they see only the limitations of those eyes and of a mind that holds a focus of limitation and never relinquishes it—no, not even for a moment. O embodied mankind, won't you allow within the domain of your thought and feelings a penetration of the mercy flame of God, of the flame of His universal compassion for each child—each child of His Heart?

I know how easy it is for individuals sitting within the frame of a body of limitation, a body of concepts, a body of opinions, to look upon other individuals and to make a judgment without in any way attuning with their souls or attempting to understand the weight of human problems that beset them. From this position of limitation, of seeming separation from God and man, though mindful of the weight of their own human problems, people fail to practice the ritual of mercy toward other parts of Life. If they would only permit barriers between hearts to be set aflame by the Holy Spirit, how quickly would human problems melt away in a great gust of divine love!

For after all, is not God's love also a very important expression of His will? And is not His will, by reason of its very nature, the highest intent for the universe as a whole as well as for every individual? No matter how long I pondered in my embodiment as the Mother of Jesus, I could never conceive of anything more precious than Heaven's will. It was with this thought in mind that I mused hour after hour upon the rightness of the divine intent, upon the supremacy of universal purpose and the means to exercise that intent and that purpose within the framework of my own life.

The trivial tasks of the day seemed at times far apart from me. At first I sat as one dazed, for the necessary duties seemed but to consume the precious substance of which the day was made—as though material things resembled a hole of darkness, a yawning chasm which would devour the hours. Light and perfection was the allness of that which was real; hence, to those around me I seemed frequently to dwell in a state of contemplation of the other side of Life, the divine side.

I must admit that at first this preoccupation also seemed impractical to me; but gradually, through the ritual of contemplation, the obscurities were dissolved and I was able to see those elements of divine grace which are not always real to the average person, but rather dimly perceived if at all. Much later I came to realize that I could dwell both in the Consciousness of God and in the consciousness of man, which must of necessity be involved in the practical aspects of living in the world and in the community.

One of the more difficult matters confronting the seeker after spiritual grace is the resolving of those problems of an emotional nature which arise between people as the result of their misunderstandings. Quite frankly, much human difficulty is involved with human jealousy and with patterns of resentment of the achievements of others. We have found it of great help for those who desire to overcome this type of situation to recognize achievement as God's.

For when men perceive all human achievement as the mark of wonder upon the page of the ages, when they begin to understand that their achievement can be greatly enhanced through calls to God for assistance, when they understand that true greatness is the greatness of God made manifest in man, they will not resent the achievement of others nearly as much. They will look behind the

screen of the human monad and behold the hand of divine grace helping to mold a better world, a world of understanding in preparation for the coming of the kingdom.

The tearing-down of the old city of Jerusalem was not only an act of prophecy but also a leveling of man's false concepts of himself, of those limiting concepts which in the old man had a tendency to go unrecognized because each man sought to exalt himself. Once the destruction of the human ego with its false set of values takes place, the New Jerusalem, <1> symbolizing the spiritual recognition of all achievement as God's, comes into view in individual man. When man's energy is not expended in a manifestation of carnal-mindedness, when he is able to retain the perspective of the working-together of mankind for the achievement of universal values to the end that all may share in those values, he is able to sunder his connection with those nefarious acts of karma in his own life that have held him back for so long.

Even in the world order, the purposeless dissipation of energies that occurs as one segment of Life does battle with another invariably uses up the resources that ought to be directed to the overcoming of all human problems. What a beautiful world can be built as the amplification of those Christic values which are the Light of the Foursquare City <2> kindle the imagination of the many! History has clearly shown that mankind have been inspired by the few, whereas the many, like lost sheep, wander thither and yon subject to every wind of man's discord that has been spread abroad over the whole earth as a network of destruction.

Now as we look for a time of greater harmony, of greater dialogue, of greater assessment of man's position in the world of form—as we look not from the standpoint of man alone, but from a realization of the loftiness of God's compassion and His grace—we are certain that great changes can be wrought upon earth and that these changes will be as Above, so below.

For man himself, in the domain of his expanding consciousness, is the City of God. The human monad is intended to reflect the ultimate grace of God, of the Divine Monad. For born out of the oneness of God is the oneness of man's union with God—"I and my Father are one." <3> How beautifully did my Son express this concept! How complete is the work of the City Foursquare, the New Jerusalem which is lowered into every man's consciousness as he becomes one with the foundations of perfection. These Heaven is ready to convey to each monadic expression as that expression determines to have and to hold its eternal oneness in the never failing Light of God.

I AM and I remain a servant of the Cosmic Mother of all,

Mary

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1. Rev. 3:12.
 2. Rev. 21:16.
 3. John 10:30.

THE RADIANT WORD

“Torrents of Divine Love”

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Part I

How precious is the opportunity for men to express the fullness of the God-beauty that is the infinite design held for them by the immaculate Heart of their Presence—the fullness of all that is the beauty of God retained forever and released at the invocation of the Sacred Fire from within the center of each one's being. As I speak to you today, I am flooding forth torrents of divine love to wash away all that is human accumulation, all that is discord, all that is a threat to the manifestation of the purity of that God-design.

Beloved ones, the Light of God that never fails holds inviolate for each one this immaculate image. Individuals throughout the day and throughout the night are ever so frequently gazing upon patterns of human discord and hearing about matters which are a far cry from the peace of heaven and the wonders of paradise. But as the eyes of the prophet of old were opened by the Spirit of Life, so I come to you today to open your eyes that you may behold in this universe the infinite wonders and perfections of God-harmony.

When individuals are within the center of a seething maelstrom, it is difficult for them to envision the calmness of the sea. Nevertheless, I would like to bring to the attention of the students that there is always complete calmness within the center of the Heart of God; and this is a haven of refuge which is not so far distant from any individual that he cannot go there.

I would like to bring to your attention the fact that beloved Jesus, when he knelt in the Garden of Gethsemane, did travel in his exalted consciousness to the very Heart of God to commune with that Father, that Master Presence of His being. By the perfect example, then, of this great exemplar, each of you are able to do likewise. Every son of God is able to enter that peace and quiescence which constitutes the Heart of God, the Heart of Creation. There is never any need to let disturbances rage—especially within the center of your being. There within the center of your being, there should be a citadel and there should be an established fortress which is guarded by the very Presence of Life.

It is ever a mistake to permit the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune <1> to penetrate into the inner being of you. You must stand guard there and see that no discord touches your world. The best way that you can do this is to follow the admonishments of beloved Saint Germain and maintain a firm decree for the wondrous tube of Light to be established invulnerably against the inroads of human imperfection.

But in addition to doing that, there are also a number of other things which you can do. Chief among them is that when you behold discord acting on the outside, you say to your own God Presence: “Mighty I AM Presence, You are the **only** Presence that is acting here! Take command and control of this situation and see that it has no power to disturb me or any part of Life.”

Blessed ones, this teaching may be familiar to some of you; but to others it is not. Therefore I am repeating it today for the sake of those students who may perhaps not realize that they have the power to take dominion over their own world and also over the world of another to the extent of commanding peace. It is not necessary for the students to permit the turmoil of the outer world to rule them. They were intended to be a god within the center of their own being, to have command

of their own universe, and to hold a forcefield that is charged with all of the essence of the Sacred Fire.

Through wandering away from the center of your being—for the kingdom of God is within you—you have come to think upon yourself as separate and apart from God. And in this thought of separation, the Light that is within you has been cut off, as it were, by the accumulation of that admitted human discord which, as tarry substance, clogs the very pores of your being and prohibits the expansion of the Sacred Fire—just as when a damper or a draft is cut off from a grate, the fire slows down its action and does not brightly blaze. So when an individual has clogged the pores of his being, of his mental body, of his physical body, and of all his four lower bodies with discordant substance, there is then a slowing-down of the spiritual processes whereby that individual enters into a state of density and a proneness to both error and illness.

1. William Shakespeare, *Hamlet*, act 3, sc. 1, l. 58.

The Refuge of the Consciousness of God

To Men Living on the Cusp of Time:

The thrust of regeneration shatters matrices of dense desire, the fumings of centuries of misapplication. Diligence pursues Truth. Eucharist is Reality. Men imbibe the sacred cup and eat the one crumb from the loaf of universal purpose. Darkness disappears in a sunburst of Light, and the magnificent power of hope exalts the soul.

What shall I say then of those whose lack of diligence permits them, oh, sad moments when they become lost in the morass of personality, when they stress the import of another's thoughts and acts and hold the Deity guilty for those acts? Let the bounty of universal mercy be shown also to the Selfhood of every man. Let him learn the law of accountability lest he blame the Deity out of a warped perception and find himself enmeshed in the snarls of human degeneration.

I cannot say that the error of men's perceptions brings them any degree of hope or comfort. I cannot say that the universal purpose is served by those unguents which men have mislabeled beauty. For in the veil of time the perfection of the Absolute is dimly perceived. Men create illusions as a substitute for their lack of perception of the perfection of God. Yet they do not understand that a counterthrust on their part can bring about the release of mankind from the clutches of antichrist.

All that is not the perfection of God may be seen by some as Reality; but when men view the sordid with an honest heart, they must see that it is short of the mark; they must shave from it that sense of personal involvement which would otherwise hold them in bondage. I want all to understand that human subtlety identifies with the serpent symbol and the carnal mind. The Mind of Christ must be sought diligently; for it is difficult to discern the aperture of the Christ Mind inasmuch as it also must function through the cerebrum and cerebellum, as does the carnal mind, although it retains an entirely different vibration from the outer mind and the intellect.

Our purposes remain to reflect the maturity of God. The monstrous human shadows of past karma, of men's gross thoughts, of their fears and uncertainties are shadows reflected upon their path. When they turn away from the Light, the Reality of the Light shines upon those shadowed shapes of their human creation and creates patterns of human discord from which they then seek to escape. When they face the Light, these are not so easily perceived. For the clarity of the Light and the renewal of hope that is engendered within them as they feel the penetration of the Light and sense its proximity exalts the consciousness and solidifies their pathway.

Thus shall it ever be, for each contact with the Light is a cleansing and exalting one by reason of the nature of the Light. What folly it is for men to assume that their divine contact can produce sordid thoughts in their minds! Either these thoughts are residual or they are the penetration of the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, <1> the projections that fly by day or the pestilence that walketh in darkness. <2>

Let all understand the refuge of the Consciousness of God, the impenetrability of the Christ Mind, the radiance of the holy drama enacted and reenacted as the cycles of life turn. Needless to say, the excuses of men are drawn from the supine and the sickly who presume in the stun they experience through their own callousness that Heaven will heed their excuse-mongering.

I tell you no! For in reality the Law is the law of each man's being; and he writes it not because the divine side of himself, the exalted Reality of his true Consciousness, is not able to send right direction. It is sending right direction continuously. But man himself creates the laws of his own

universe by the causes he sets in motion. What must be clearly understood, then, is the importance of accepting right direction, of being desirous to know the Truth with the understanding that only the Truth can free. <3>

How strange are men's weaknesses! They attract greater weakness. But then, what of their strength? To the strong belongs the victory. And who cannot be strong? Only those who allow themselves to be engrossed in feelings of weakness or unwillingness. Character is of God when that character is godlike. The world cannot have character unless it acquires it.

The acquisition of heavenly gifts is the storing-up in the treasure house of consciousness of the necessary momentums that will lead the soul to victory. It is easier to slide downhill than to climb upward to exaltation. States of consciousness must be preserved. They are the thrust of God's purposes. Those who identify with those purposes are seekers for that which must be sought.

Disabuse your minds of the idea that all things come swiftly to him who waits. <4> To preserve intact the consciousness is an effort of each moment. It is a struggle against insidiousness, against mediocrity, against boredom, against the tiredness and fatigue of the human consciousness.

Now in centers of Light we encourage the divine maelstrom. Whirling around mankind's being and consciousness are those eddying tides of cosmic energy which press men upward into greater Light. They should understand that the Light goes where it is invited and welcomed and that these eddying tides come out of vast cosmic complexes, stellar radiances, and the foam of the sun regurgitating its own great delight.

Life is a momentum. It requires diligence. Consciousness requires effort and sorting. The guards must stand effectively protecting the bastions of immortality. The great beyond is now. The channels of space await man's receptivity. The lustre of the mind is a diamond in which are reflected and refracted the drama scenes of millenniums.

Sparkling wit, divine delight
To outwit each man's fright,
Putting out dimness by the Light,
Thrashing vanities dim or bright,
Trembling honor, wholesome might!
Each will find his own Christ Light
Within the soul—its measureless goal
Flashing dreams of victory's goal,
Ordaining Reality!

Devotedly, I AM

El Morya

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1. William Shakespeare, HAMLET, act 3, scene 1.
 2. Pss. 91:6.
 3. John 8:32.
 4. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, TALES OF A WAYSIDE INN, THE STUDENT'S TALE.

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When individuals who would follow this Light desire to escape from the powers of the outer, they will enter into the Heart of the Sacred Fire within and demand an expansion of that Sacred Fire; and they will remove by cosmic decree and by calls to their own mighty I AM Presence all discordant substance from their own world. By the removal of this impediment, the pure and precious Spirit called the Holy Spirit will rush in to fan the flame to feed the Sacred Fire within man and to regenerate not only the physical form but also the mental body of man and the etheric body, to revive there the memory of those powers which have been stored there from the time before the world was, before the decadent civilizations and the errors of past infamy were ever known. Therefore, as men pass back to that beginning which is the source of their God-power, they will be able to have restored to them those powers and dominions which were known on Atlantis and Lemuria at the time when the Sacred Fire teachings went forth without human impediments and without human ideas intruding into the teachings.

The purity of any religion and the purity of any teaching must be expressed by the members of that teaching in their daily life and it must be used. Applied knowledge is the only knowledge that counts, dear ones. And therefore those of you who know me as a Manu will understand why it is so essential that I call to the attention of the students the need to continue to make their application even after the time comes when a manifestation of a specific condition for which they called has been made manifest. You must often continue to keep on calling for a situation to manifest even after it is objectified, until it is completely anchored in your world and nothing disturbing can wrest it from you.

Beloved ones of the Light, I remind you that God is the Lord of the Harvest. I remind you that each grain of wheat springs forth because of divine energy. And as the Christ reminded them that the very hairs of their head were numbered, <1> so I say to you today, bear in mind that each one of you is a living, immortal manifestation of God. In order to realize this, you must drink into it and begin from day to day to increasingly think of yourselves as a manifestation of God.

It is extremely unfortunate, but countless numbers of individuals have for so long thought upon themselves as a separate mortal individual that it has become difficult for them to keep the fires of Life burning within their physical form. But all illness and all mental problems must yield to the One Supreme Mind of God. And when that One Supreme Mind of God is called into action, it is a manifestation of the Sacred Fire; for God's Mind is a part of the Sacred Fire Breath from His very own Heart. And it therefore will assist the student immeasurably in removing from his world those unwanted qualities and vibratory actions which are less than the perfection and purity of God.

Some individuals may have wondered why it is that they are not harmonious with other individuals. Well, dear hearts, this inharmony does not stem from the Sacred Fire element within their being; it stems from the ash of human misconceptions which remains untransmuted and ought to be transmuted completely. And as long as there are inharmonious vibratory actions in anyone's world whatsoever, if it happens to vibrate to a certain pattern or a certain tone and another individual has an untransmuted element that vibrates to another tone, those individuals may clash just as two discordant keys may on a piano. But if harmony is maintained and a skillful musician is operating the piano, there are no discordant notes sounded.

And so individuals must understand how important it is to transmute within their own worlds all inharmony and not to look at others with a critical mind. As they do this and transmute within the forcefield of their own being each appearance of discord, they will be enhancing their opportunities for harmony with all Life and they will suddenly find that all discord comes from the same source—from human creation—that it is not divinely created at all and that it never could be. Therefore they will shun it as they would the plague and they will recognize the need to enter into a constant spirit of harmony.

1. Matt. 10:30.

Freedom, How Beautiful Is Thy Name!

Pilgrims Still upon the Path:

What joy is contemplated by the many today as they reflect upon the passage of time and the binding-together of the historical pages into the Book of Life. The celebration of Thanksgiving has always held a fascination for those whose hearts hold dear their opportunity to praise the greater Source of abundance. What struggles occurred in the early colonial days in America and what struggles are occurring today in the emerging nations! How dearly won is the gift of freedom and how it ought to be cherished!

History seems to verify, although it does not justify, the fact that freedom as a goal looms large before the minds of men until they have attained it. But after it is won, when its enshrining should become of even greater import, the initial impetus seems to give way to self-seeking and the cult of success. In their search for personal freedom and personal happiness, those who are but the heirs of a freedom hard won often fail to capture the vision of their forebears and they permit the banner of freedom to be trampled in the dust as the universal rights which it symbolizes are eroded one by one from the screen of man's future opportunity.

This need not be—it could not be if men had caught the vision of the eternal principle of freedom. Therefore it is our wish today, mindful of the early colonists and their festivities commemorating their freedom and their raising of the banner thereof, to remind you that the hosts of heaven have not forsaken mankind now nor will they ever forsake mankind, for they played and continue to play a very important role in the fashioning of the image of freedom.

In the early days the attention of the colonists flowed from mind and heart one-pointedly toward freedom as a goal they had not fully achieved. Alas, no more than a century passed before the attention of their descendants was diverted into worldly channels! There is something stultifying about the concept of attainment. It is as though with attainment the wheels of progress stopped—as though there were no longer any need to struggle or to fashion anew, for all is done. There are times that we believe that man's sense of the requirement for continuing achievement is lost proportionately as he gains the vision of fulfilled needs; thus the more he acquires of freedom, of opportunity, and of this world's goods, the more he fails to see how much remains to be achieved and how mightily he can yet recover the balance of spiritual power, wisdom, and love which through neglect he has lost.

It is greed that permeates the social structure in a world where so many materialistic goals seem to be achieved, where so many opportunities for physical enjoyment seem to be fulfilled for so many. In this world bristling with communication, there is little compassion or even awareness of the needs of others, especially of the need for all to be free to participate in the rituals of their own emancipation. People forget that rule by law is also rule by love. In their offering of thanks unto God, they forget to thank for opportunities yet unborn or for understandings yet to be given. They forget to invoke those opportunities and those understandings without which they cannot continue to retain either that which has been won or that which can be won.

I am mindful of the many organizations in the world whose purposes are wholly constructive—many who make plain and strive to attain that which I advocate in the continuing preservation of the flame of liberty. I am also aware of the strength of those organizations which have espoused the holy cause of freedom and of those individuals within them who fill them up with the fashions of great strengths.

On the other hand, I know that the energies which mankind put into failure and the pointing-out of the failures of others would constitute another world of opportunity if they were packaged all together side by side with the constructive efforts of humanity. Thus the strength of their united effort would help to yield a more abundant harvest—a harvest of more abundant opportunity. It is perspective that individuals need; for without perspective they cannot fulfill their objectives, and their goals will remain shortsighted whether they seek to achieve individually or collectively.

Achievement is brought about by a drawing-together of the skeins of human thought and the fires, as El Morya has said, of human hearts. God has first acted and He remains a willing potential for those who will harness Him as they expect Him to be harnessed to their objectives. A senseless dissipation of man's energies through cross purposes and oppositional factors, a sense of struggle and a futile jealousy have far too long taken their toll of the world mind; and thus accomplishments have been more sparse rather than more abundant.

As I see before me the enormous bursts of energy released by mankind in the giving of thanks, I am cognizant that these energies can be harnessed for good because they accrue to the credit of a grateful humanity and can be shared by all. We speak about a common gift and a tangible intelligence. The frontiers of life are to be found in the crossroads of commerce and industry. They are to be found wherever people are, and they remain a vibrant spark to elucidate purpose and secure for all posterity the successful meeting of each and every challenge. Above all in your gratitude, be grateful for that sense which will not allow you to give up as the holy strands of eternal compassion continue to feed personal, world, and cosmic needs.

The hills and the valleys are alive with the color and movement that portray the recycling patterns of nature, the wonders of universal change in the cycles, and the tremendous outpouring of the activity of the Holy Spirit. And in the swift descent of the year, humanity may catch the glimmer of the Light and hold it close within their embrace. For it is in the inner vision of the mind and heart and the uplifting of the spirit that men of great courage and renown will go forth to accomplish in God's name that which has never been completed, that which will always remain the avant-garde activity of each day.

To some the summit goals of the hills are only glimmers. Others see only brown or blackened earth—lifeless hills lacking compassion in the universe. Some who see the glint of God falling everywhere recognize that it is human hearts and human minds that must follow in their search for freedom this hidden yet manifest Light. This is the Light that creates the balm of right action and a strengthening of those bonds between organizations and peoples that amplify the power of love and deny wrong action, whether of the past, present, or future. These behold not a universe of rejection, but one in which there is a radiant perfection in manifestation. This they seek in mind and heart; this they enshrine in their symbolic thanks as in the tangible platitudes of their festivities.

How beautiful is freedom as it is seen upon the crest of the fire of the sun of universal purpose! Without it, all of us would be but burned-out cinders of purposeless ash. Through the fires of freedom and hope which we now seek to fan, many hearts will come at last into the domain of purpose. In taking dominion over the earth, <1> these will also behold an unrealized virtue made manifest, the virtue of that which God Himself has used and uses of His own freedom to create a man in whom diligence is more than a word—a man in whom freedom is an ever cycling round of motive transcendent, seizing for tomorrow as for today renewal, resurrection, and ascension in the crown of hope that is the laurel of all worlds.

Freedom, <2> how beautiful is thy name!

Saint Germain

1. Gen. 1:28.

2. Freedom is free dominion.

The Redemption of Humanity through the Violet Spectrum

Hail, Sons and Daughters of Valor!

Inherent within Light is a total spectrum of such scientific and godly wonder as to make even the feelings of an Archangel those of intense joy and beatification. Have you thought upon yourself as a divine being? Or is it possible that the world's thought of you and your own has conspired to drive from you the awareness of who and what you are, of why you were created, and by whom?

I know how easy it is for mankind to settle down into a ditch of human blindness and to accept thoughts of limitation and human discord as though these were a natural manifestation of their true being, when this in fact is not the case. We deny it from our level for and on behalf of all among mankind who will accept our denial; and we affirm the power of cosmic Truth that is not only latent but victorious within right thought, even as the infinite power of God is within all Life.

One day humanity will realize that which was already taking place long before the turn of the century and has continued in a most marvelous manner ever since. For with the year 1900, great changes took place in man's use of God's energy, of God's Light. And ever since, new discoveries released by the Lords of Karma have been hailed as though they were the natural outcropping of human concepts and human accomplishment.

I tell you that all of man's creativity is a manifestation of God's creativity which, through diligence and application, man has earned the right to share. It is the all-power of God that has created the magnificent qualities and opportunities to master the physical universe that are inherent within Light itself. For He has placed them there, right within the spectrum of Light, color, and frequency. They hold His secrets which mankind gradually wrest from the Hand of the Universal, but which will surely return to the Universal unused unless people begin to understand more about the grand purposes that are not only inherent in Life but can also be perceived even in the world of Matter on the periphery of the universal intelligence and intent.

I AM Zadkiel. I am concerned with man's correct use of the magnificent power of the violet spectrum. This is my forte. It represents man's power to forgive others and to receive forgiveness from them. It represents mankind's power to be forgiven by God for errors they have made and also to drop their accusative sense that seems almost to indict the Godhead Himself for having sought to give them in the gift of Life the gift of Himself.

O mankind of earth, beware! Be wary of those states of mind that seem to blame any part of Life. Have you thought why blame exists? Is it not primarily because of man's failure to see what opportunity he has been given and because of his failure to recognize and exercise that opportunity? Is it really such a very small thing, after all, that mankind should take their energy and hold it as a jagged concept of human hatred and ill will to any part of Life? I do not think so, nor do the Karmic Lords, nor does God Himself.

It is our opinion that mankind should long ago have overcome those aspects of human hatred which center on various human polarities. After all, in their ignorance individuals do embrace certain aspects of politics, religion, science—yea, and of their own life. Holding to different poles of Reality and unreality, who among mankind today possesses the ability to discern good and evil, which is a fruit not of the Tree of Life, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? <1>

That sense of good which includes the sense of evil has always driven mankind from Eden. The preference for a knowledge of relative good rather than the knowledge of absolute Good has

always denied mankind the opportunity to eat of the fruit of the Tree of Life and to live forever <2> as a Cosmic Being. Through man's sense of limitation, through his criticism, condemnation, and judgment of others, he has denied to himself the right to be godlike; and thus he has allowed himself to fall asleep unto his Father and to fall into the selfsame pits that humanity have fallen into throughout the millenniums.

It has never been God's will to deny the abundant Life to any of His children. Through the consciousness of the living Christ by whom all things were created, <3> man has been liberally endowed with the anointing of the Holy Spirit which, had he accepted it, would long ago have removed from him those impediments that have irked his consciousness along the way and prevented him from manifesting harmony and perfection in the physical domain.

Today, through the use of the violet transmuting flame, through man's awareness of the inborn Christ that stands victoriously enshrined in Life but is denied by embodied humanity, the world can at last welcome the perfection of the New Age, the Golden Age of Truth, like unto the Golden Age of Pericles, that shall come once again to those who look for it.

And the early stirrings of that age of victory shall be found in those forward-looking hearts that are willing to make a break with a past that has never fulfilled either their dreams or the dreams of God. These look to a future in which the kingdom of heaven can become a reality—not because they witness Christ in the garb of their own human opinions of how He ought to manifest and with what body He ought to appear, <4> but because they are willing to accept Him and to “see Him as He is.” <5>

With this sense of victory and hope as the year comes to a close, holding the portent of the beautiful holiday season before man's childheart, I urge upon all that inward participation with cosmic law, and especially with the law of love, which shall create a balm of forgiveness not only for those who need the quality of mercy and have it not, but also for one's own advancement. That forgiveness may be extended to all parts of the world as a cosmic laver in which all may bathe is my prayer, for I assure you that it is not above the service of an Archangel to pray.

I hold near and dear the redemption of humanity through their understanding of the power of the violet transmuting flame—not only through its use, but also through man's individual awareness of its tremendous action and power as a part of that spectrum of Light which is so important to mankind although they do not see it in all of its ramifications.

I AM Zadkiel. My retreat over Cuba continues to be active. It is a focus of the violet transmuting flame that long ago drew Christopher Columbus to the shores of what you call America. Today my legions are still actively drawing the souls of mankind to the higher realms above our island; and we shall ultimately restore freedom and justice to all in the physical octave. We shall enhance the power of freedom in every country upon this earth until the family of nations, the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ. <6>

I, Zadkiel, in the name of the living God, have spoken.

Abundantly for the expansion of the violet flame in all nations,

I AM

Zadkiel

2. Gen. 3:22.
3. Col. 1:16.
4. I Cor. 15:35.
5. I John 3:2.
6. Rev. 11:15.

The Mercy of the Law: Every Man Is Responsible for His Own Actions

To the Quality of Mercy Itself:

While mankind yearn to see mercy operative in all areas of life, while they deplore acts of violence and destruction, the outpouring of human venom continues in the world order in an unprecedented manner. Have you thought of what would happen if mankind were to rise up en masse to challenge these disturbing activities? And if you think that the concerted action of humanity is impractical at the physical level, have you considered what spiritual power can be mustered to turn the tide of tyranny through the united prayer force of millions who still believe that life can be beautiful?

Such a binding-together of hearts in joyous, praiseful invocation would create a climate of harmony toward all peoples, enabling little children to rejoice inwardly even as today they so frequently suffer pangs of disillusionment in a world that continues “half slave and half free” <1> as souls cry out for mercy from the living God. Even as the Christmas season approaches when “peace on earth, good will toward men” <2> should be uppermost in men's minds, their pure and tender regard is defiled by manifestations that bring great harm to the purposes of the Universal Christ and to the purposes of Infinite Love.

Whenever I am called upon to speak to embodied mankind, I cannot refrain from recalling for them those moments of harmony which they once knew within the Heart of God as the only activity of Life in all of His creative essence. If you will think about it, you will realize that by reason of the Divine Nature, only the quality of mercy and the tenderness of the creative nature of God could have been sustained within His Mind in those epochs when the worlds were framed. Then too, the domain of the heart and the mind with which He endowed man contained only peace, purity, victory, and that progressive radiation which in going forth would always produce after its kind.

From whence came those concepts that have caused so much distress in the physical realm and in the outer consciousness of mankind? I do not wish you to dwell upon it, but I must give answer to those who storm the gates of heaven with charges and countercharges that belie the quality of mercy—as though God would have been able to thwart human inharmonies and distresses even if He had chosen to do so, as though (seeing He is the only creator, as it has been declared) evil as well as good had stemmed from His Hand. God in His great mercy will never depart from the Law which makes every man, as a co-creator with Him, responsible for his actions. Thus out of a supreme sense of cosmic justice He cannot—will not—thwart the course of man's inhumanity to man—unless His intervention is invoked and acted upon.

How untrue is the concept that God created good and evil. For only as potential good and as potential evil, as these are present in man's free will, could elements that are lacking in mercy have ever existed. And where did that potential lie? Not within the domain of the Creator, but within the tree of potential, the tree of the human knowledge of good and evil. <3> It was man's misuse of Life and free will and his entertaining in thought and feeling of those possibilities that resemble not God but only misapplied opportunity which have created an exaggerated appearance of evil upon the screen of Life.

The most merciful thing that humanity could ever do is to forget those episodes of personal and planetary history that have caused such distress to Life and to release their hatreds and their desires for revenge into the flame of forgiveness. By acknowledging that all past injustices were but human misapplications of the Law and human misunderstanding of the correct use of the gift of Life stirred up by mankind's selfishness and rebellion, people will learn to forgive themselves and to forget the

shortcomings and shortsightedness of others which might well have been their own. Hence, through what might be termed a cosmic jealousy, those who originally were spiritual beings have been denied their opportunity to serve by which they would have magnificently enhanced the forward movement of the Cosmos.

You cannot possibly bring forth, O mankind, any saving grace, any quality of restoration, either from the fount of evil or from the sense of evil and foreboding. It will always create after itself; for it is a human endowment of human jangle, discord, and rebellion against the precepts of the Law. It is not wrong for individuals to understand intellectually how these conditions came to be, but you should not endow them with any power of continuity. One day the prophecy shall be fulfilled as it was stated long ago, "Never shalt thou be any more." <4> Therefore, one day the great mercy inherent in the universe will see to it that all that is darkness shall be dissipated by the radiant and vibrant Light of God that never fails.

Won't you try, then, in a childlike manner, to understand that it is not a pollyanna attitude, or what you have called "goody-goody," that is going to deliver humanity into the arms of a greater understanding, but it is the prevailing power of Good as God within the individual soul that will give man his ultimate enlightenment? By this he will behold the most merciful drama humanity can enact—the amplification of all goodness and all worthy purpose into the bringing-in of the kingdom of heaven. Don't you see that the hills will then cry out, that all nature, the elementals, the angels, and every part of Life will express themselves with paeans of rejoicing because the power of Truth that is the creative essence of the universe has at last prevailed in the domain of the human mind and heart as it was originally intended to do?

I want you to think of this. I want you to recognize it. But there is one danger you must watch for, and that is the condemnation of those parts of Life that have not yet come to the fullness of this understanding. Bear with them. They eat yet of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, while to you is given to mercifully partake of the Tree of Life. Do it with love and with compassion as a vital activity of the Sacred Fire. Thus goodness and mercy shall overflow the banks of your individual life and bring you into the realm of universal ideation, of universal activity, of universal Christhood, and of universal mercy. Thus does God prevail.

Devoted to your Light and its expansion—O flame of mercy, expand!—I AM

Kuan Yin

(Ye have called me the Goddess of Mercy.)

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1. Abraham Lincoln, Speech at Republican State Convention, Springfield, Illinois, June 16, 1858.
 2. Luke 2:14.
 3. Gen. 2:9.
 4. Ezek. 28:19.

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Some of you may wonder concerning the length of decrees given today. Well, I wish to point out to all of you that the decrees that were given today have assisted millions of people, and therefore the energy which you have offered has been of vast and tremendous assistance in balancing world affairs. If it seems that perhaps you have spent a great deal of time in this service, let me remind you that we spend twenty-four hours out of every day in the service of the Most High God, and we do not even consider rendering any other service except a service to the Light.

Inasmuch as almost all religions throughout the world have as their solitary aim the entering of individuals into the Consciousness of Heaven and an abiding within the Consciousness of Heaven, I think that it is not unreasonable for them to consider the need to express their love one, two, three, or even seven days a week for a few hours each day. Certainly this will bear fruit that will bless your own lifestream in addition to blessing the lifestream of others.

That which is wrong with civilizations is a lack of attunement with their Great God Source. We are completely out of the sphere of human identification; and if you have any questions as to why this is so, realize that it is because we made our application. Realize that it is because we devoted our time to those purposes God intended us to, and therefore we have won our eternal freedom.

Now, precious ones of the Light, I do not intend, as an Ascended Being, to criticize any of you because of a thought that may flicker across your mind or even one you may retain for some time. But I am here to assist you in a way that is very benign from the standpoint of cutting you loose from those conditions which have far too long given you difficulty. Do you see then that it is necessary for me to comment on some of those conditions which have bound the students so that they do not enjoy the fullness of their freedom? I only do so that you may become more alert and by your alertness realize that the human consciousness must not take dominion in your worlds.

In the name of Almighty God, I stand here before you today as the Manu of a race in order that I might comfort the hearts of all who live upon this precious planet. We, beloved ones of the Light, have saturated ourselves with so much of the essence of the Father that every pore is charged at the core with the very Heart Fire of God from out the Great Central Sun; and therefore, if we were to manifest in our fiery bodies before many of the chelas, they would be, as Saint Paul was, blinded and unable to see for some period of time.

You will recall how Paul was on the road to Damascus when a vision of the Christ appeared to him. <1> Well, let me tell you—those of you who have called for a manifestation of the Ascended Masters in your own world—we are not unwilling to appear; we are simply awaiting a manifestation within you of those divine qualities which will make our appearance of the greatest benefit to you. And when that occurs, I am certain that each one of you will take the fullest advantage of that appearance and will extract therefrom some benefit of permanent value to your lifestream.

Were we to appear merely to satisfy a craving of some individual who might have some curiosity about just how spiritual acts are performed, it would serve no worthy purpose but would be consuming a tremendous quantity of energy. Nevertheless, we have, as you have been told before, made individual appearances to some of the students at various times—sometimes so that they were able to behold us physically, at other times in visions or dreams.

But the most important thing for the students to always remember is that their Presence is sane and balanced and will mold and shape them in His own image, the perfection of God. Therefore, individuals ought not to consider strange practices or to consider those things which are far off the beaten trail of divine reason. They ought to consider applying their hearts to those things that are reasonable, that they may on a safe platform walk into the Spirit of Light.

1. Acts. 9:3.

The Capacity for Positive and Negative Action within the Human Potential

Minds of Right Thought:

From the thread of peace the cocoon of true peace is spun. Let all realize the salient truth that just as the capacity for misbehavior and violence exists within the human potential, so there also exists the capacity for positive action and peace through the mighty reservoir of spiritual strength that is in the citadel of the heart. Those who are inclined to exercise wrong choice have just as much of the potential for peace within them as those who are inclined to exercise right choice. It is a matter of adaptability, of a man's motivation and his determined effort to select and express those exalting qualities of the Christ-nature which create hidden strengths in the motif of his life weavings.

Try to realize that your life is being spun from the domain of your thoughts and feelings into a covering garment that will affect not only your future but also the future of all mankind. With the ascendancy of goals such as these, man will find it much easier to prevent the flow of interfering thoughts; and with the passing of time, he will be able to effectively transmute all interferences with his divine plan into more generous impulses, toward both himself and his fellowman.

I would like to speak of the preconditioning of the mind and emotions which compels man to react according to patterns that have become ingrained within the nervous system through hereditary and environmental influences. Thus instead of utilizing the flow of the divine energy that beats man's heart to initiate new cycles of perfection, he reacts according to the modes of his former experience when he attempted to resolve similar situations and problems from the standpoint of imperfection. While he remains in this state, his personal progress is hampered proportionately as he indulges what psychologists have called his "conditioned reflexes."

How delightful it would be if you would bypass those reflexes and attitudes that originated in an awareness of imperfection, if you would exercise your freedom of choice and your freedom to espouse perfection! Then you would carefully examine every circumstance you encounter with both your heart and your head and base each decision you make upon the reflection of your highest purpose rather than on a reaction to your lowest motivations. How easy it is for individuals to function in a manner that seems to satisfy the irritated sensibilities that man mistakes for his Real Self. But if they would pause to reflect upon the manner in which their Divine Self would deal with conditions of imperfection, they would find themselves not lacking in spiritual resources at all, but instead possessing undreamed-of capacities that are actually within the range of their own consciousness.

Won't you think about the fact that no man except yourself can actually defraud you of the beautiful storehouse of infinite wisdom that is right within your being, having been placed there by God? There are men of varying capabilities, it is true; but in addition to those capabilities that can be called lesser and greater, they also have a far greater spiritual capacity than they realize. The Law simply allows for people of different levels of human achievement—those who are well educated and those whose academic experience is meager—to draw forth the same divine potential of Christ-conduct. This can happen if they are willing to pursue that conduct and if they realize that the divine potential is ever ready and waiting to assist them in the highest manifestation of purpose and if, when confronted by the opposite, they remember to pause a moment, as the saying goes, to count to nine before acting.

If, in spinning the substance of their personal history and writing it upon the pages of their life, individuals would reach beyond the level of reaction to one of original insight in keeping with the goals of Christian conduct, they would be simply amazed at what they can accomplish in the span

of a year. What a difference those three hundred and sixty-five days can mean to those who are determined to conquer the purposeless trends of the human consciousness!

Now we are aware of the multitude of the involvements of thought and feeling that beset mankind—of the struggles that bear a similitude in the lives of all, regardless of the level of their sophistication. Yes, each man is an individual; and it seems at times that his personal dreams isolate him from his peers more than they unite him with them. But from the range of our experience and from a calm viewing of the purposes of Life and the attitudes of the mankind of earth, we of the Hierarchy believe that greater thought upon the common lot of each individual evolving upon the planet will not cheapen individual life but rather enrich it.

Surely those who look at life in a universal sense see the outworking of universal purpose even when individuals fall short of the perfect outpicturing of that plan. These failures should not be dwelt upon, but a moment's reflection upon them will show those who have a proper attitude how an honest reckoning of personal failures can be an incentive to future success.

Some say what a tragedy it is that some people make so little progress in the course of a lifetime. Beloved hearts of gold surrounded with the golden flame of illumination, be wise! In the hidden recesses of man's heart there are often recognitions that do not readily appear upon the surface. Progress is not measured by man but by the Karmic Board, those Intelligences that God has placed in the structure of universal Life for the specific purpose of making the correct assessments that will help individuals and society to make their mark upon the pages of each age. Life is not a tragedy or a comedy, but an ongoingness which, from the domain of their own limitation, individuals often view sparsely.

Christ came to spread abroad the abundant Life <1> and the sense thereof. When man consciously removes himself from the socket of individual or collective failure, he will witness the steadfast, forward movement of Life that runs like a thread throughout the universe. Through his sense of integration with Cosmos, man will suddenly discover what was not readily apparent to him; for now he is willing to discover it. The blacks and whites of life, as well as the grey tones, will be seen not so much in their checkered patterns; but little by little they will come to represent a progressive thinning of what is without doubt a nebulous veil and a removal from the consciousness of those opacities of life which render the true image unclear. Thus a new cut, a new cross section of Life, will appear; and the Hand of God will be seen in those places where it was least expected to show itself.

The Hierarchy of Light can also be subtle; it can also function where it is not recognized; it can and it does act ceaselessly in the fulfillment of divine and universal purpose, strengthening the bonds of love upon earth and acting in the life of each individual to produce a great and beautiful blessing. The fact that the eyes do not behold what they expect to see does not mean that God has not worked, that Heaven has not provided the answer.

Learn to chastise yourselves less and to trust your Higher Self more. And watch how this will help to bring a greater sense of peace, and with it a prosperity of soul that will enable each day to become a rung upon a ladder—a ladder of compassion, a ladder of unification, a ladder of cosmic integration.

The Hierarchy awaits the hand of its workers. The labors of love that are consciously given are cosmically appreciated, and all whose efforts together swing the pendulum of the worlds Godward are welcome. Those whose efforts form a pattern that is less apparent seldom see the overall purposes that are being accomplished through them; nevertheless, they will also receive their reward. Only those who hinder the plan of Divine Love may tremble.

Devoted to the filling-in of the great sketch of the Universal Architect and the materialization together with the spiritualization of His design which remains a stream of outgoing purpose that forever appears,

I remain your Servant in Christ,

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1. John 10:10.

A Manifesto of Liberty

Hail, Sons and Daughters of Liberty!

What a magnificent world mankind will have when every man can proclaim his own manifesto of liberty! Have you thought about this, beloved ones? Liberty is the opportunity to give the gift of freedom to others. Your acceptance of this opportunity means that you have accepted mankind's right to pursue those goals which bring about the greatest development of soul and consciousness.

If you will stop to think about it, the pursuit of those goals which enhance the gift of freedom must of necessity deal wholly with constructive activities. There can be no permanent freedom for any man while he gives his energies to destructive activities. For these always culminate in the extinction of individuality—first through unhappiness and then by the rebellion of the very elements of body and consciousness. It is not possible for man to be truly happy when he is engaged in any activity that denies to others Life, liberty, or the pursuit of happiness.

It is a foregone conclusion, blessed ones, that when mankind give liberty to others, they are committing them to the highest goals without in any way hampering their freedom of choice. Freedom and liberty are evasive when men do not comprehend what the goals of freedom and liberty really are. Paul declared long ago, “Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.” <1> As the Goddess of Liberty, I AM to be found where the will and the Spirit of God are honored and adored. Thus it is seen that the goals of freedom and liberty are to attain to the Presence of the Holy Spirit through surrender to the will of God.

Frequently individuals separate themselves from those with whom they differ on certain esoteric subjects, whether it be God or the subconscious level of the human mind. If individuals would only be patient, they would soon perceive that man is desperately trying to evolve out of his limitations, that he is desperately seeking to find the Spirit of God, the freedom that accompanies it, and that magnificent achievement which can be identified with his spiritual aims.

All that people do in the pursuit of darkness fails to satisfy them; for in reality the great expectations of their inner being are for the Light, and these are seldom fulfilled in the world but always sought after. The chastisement that mankind heap upon their own heads often takes the form of a masochism of which they are unaware. When the jaws of this psychological trap close in upon them, they do not see the way to escape, <2> even though that way be simple. It is as though they were frozen to a magnetization neither of their making nor their choosing, unable to respond to the outstretched hand of the Savior.

If you would only know it, beloved ones, in most cases it simply takes an act of will and a sincere desire to express freedom. You are not on a roller coaster that must continue its wild ride until the end. You were given dominion over your world and you are the authority for your life. You can exercise it to transmit your application for help to the higher powers of Light anywhere in the universe and then know with certitude that the divine answer is and will be forthcoming.

It is the prerogative of Heaven to either provide an immediate solution to your problems or to begin the process that will lead to the solution—almost as though it were a game of chess with you as one player and Heaven as the other. I think that the reason for this is that mankind have often given false promises and appearances to the heavenly hosts, only to return to the old pathway of struggle and doubt upon receiving their deliverance.

Now by a slower rate of interchange, Heaven is able to trade smaller increments of its precious treasures and gifts in exchange for man's obedience, that as man receives these gifts he may also

grow step by step in grace and understanding. Heaven ought not to be blamed for embarking upon this course of action; for the Hierarchy is wholly justified in committing only a relative portion of itself, which may be small by standards of comparison but which will enlarge as man's faith increases, causing him to give a greater measure of obedience that he may receive his permanent reward.

O mankind, if you would only understand the gentle facts of cosmic law that clearly proclaim that waiting for you right now this very minute is the fullness of your God-joy! If you would only recognize that the revelation of this truth concerning yourself, the thinning of the veil that opaques the very God-good that was intended to be yours, can be accomplished without any human commotion—by an act of faith and the willing removal of your consciousness from the strains of doubt and fear into a receptive attitude.

Won't you try to acknowledge the existence of what can be called the domain of the other side? Frequently individuals get caught up in the net of their metaphysical conceptions involving the law of supply—the multiplication of the loaves and fishes through the law of service, of love, of faith, of magnification—without ever realizing the great practicality of the heavenly view. Simply stated, the call compels the answer!

Sometimes individuals find themselves engaging their energies and attention with organizations that advocate such a high level of impersonality as to almost destroy the human ego and then, by this brittle impersonality, offer nothing in return to those seeking the Truth. Thus bereft of both the old and the new, the neophyte sees the universe as a hostile place where he can find no warmth, but only what could be called the cold shoulder of Heaven upon which to cry.

Nothing could be farther from the truth. Neither tears nor anguish are needed in order to draw forth the magnificence of God-joy provided by the blessed advocate of the Holy Spirit, the Maha Chohan. When you understand that man can draw forth the abundance of godly virtue through His emissaries, you will perceive the reason for the existence of the Ascended Master Consciousness. You will realize why various individualities who have ascended into the Godhead choose to offer their very special assistance to embodied mankind. You will see that the expression of the impersonal law without the balance of the personal law does not afford the warmth that raises souls Godward through the realization that men and women of God, exalted by His grace to His table and service, love them even where they are and will help them to feel the genuine warmth of divine love.

Not only can the fires of Heaven and the compassion of its hosts be realized, but they can provide an ever-present help that will direct the souls and minds of men to that spiritual nourishment which will enable them to expand their Light thousands and thousands of times until the Flame of the Holy Spirit burns up human darkness and all is pure Light.

As a mother serving those who are momentarily exiled from heaven's glow, let me intensify within you, as is my desire, a realization of those beacon lights that, while beckoning from afar, draw nigh unto man as he draws nigh unto them. The Light of compassion that flows into you may also flow out from you. You can intensify that outflow and beam it far and wide unto human beings caught in the nets of limitation, expanding the senses of the soul which contribute to the whole domain of heavenly awareness and weave together with eternal bonds the universal compassion that sets men free.

One of the problems that separates men from one another and from God is their tendency to magnify their discernment of what is acting in people's worlds that is not the compassion of God. Let all understand, then, that even though individuals may not measure up to one's standard, even though they may not seem to be all that one would desire for them, it is still necessary to keep the Light of compassion and love flowing. Through the divine magnetism of love, men and organizations are drawn closer to that goal which is the merging of all Light into the torch of man's freedom.

With the advent of yuletide, men attune with the love of Christ more than at any other time of year. Through this attunement and their charitable regard for Life, they feel a closer bond with one another. It is their tendency to compartmentalize the year and the expression of their devotion, to part company with the Spirit of Christmas which they feel is a thing of the past, that causes them to cast aside the joys of the holy season once the new year has begun. Thus they begin to re-create in their everyday routine their jangle and their discord, their pleasures and their sorrows, which register as inharmony upon the screen of life.

Let us rather resolve together to let the glowing torch of our fervor express itself the year around as well as the world around. Thus shall the circle of our hallowed love shine forth the everlasting joys of God that shall be to all people <3> as all people enter into the Light and the determination to banish darkness by the magnificence of real love.

Devotedly, your Cosmic Mother of Liberty, I AM

The Goddess of Liberty

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1. 2 Cor. 3:17.
 2. I Cor. 10:13.
 3. Luke 2:10.

“Be Glad, for the Song of the Lord Sings in Thee!”

Children of the Sun:

When within your soul you commune with nature, it can be a triumph in realization that remains with you always. How fortunate are mankind that they do not make permanent every thought that passes through their mind. How fortunate that only that which is real, only that which is a stairstep into the full realization of God, can and ought to be made permanent.

While the existence of darkness, of that which is not real, provides a backdrop of contrast upon which Light may project itself, man should realize that he is seeing something upon nothing and that the spaces in his vision are the media that provide a contrast by reason of the existence of Light as something and of darkness as nothing. Yet form, when it is perceived, is only a conglomerate mass of spiritual Light shining from other worlds of higher dimension. That perfection and beauty which is in the Lord Christ, by whom all things were made and by whom all things are sustained, <1> shall one day be completed through His glorious work of finishing the new creation of hope in every mind and every heart.

Surely the millstone of disobedience, conjecture, disbelief, and human byways of failure and regret, of arrogance and intemperance will pull the being of man downward into the degradation of the carnal mind to the place where he is submerged in the sea of human thoughts and feelings. Then one day he will cry out in the midst of the awful oppression as he perceives the turbulence and grossness of his own consciousness densifying all around him; and he will raise his voice in the night to be relieved of the weight of the millstone of his own rejection of the mercies of God. Then he will beg in mercy's name to be freed from the patterns of his own density and their constant swirl and weight until he is finally relieved of the conditions which he himself created through his misuse of the gift of free will.

The benefits of heaven are denied him by reason of his failure to keep the faith in the eternal Star glowing in the firmament of universal order, dominion, power, triumph, and ultimate victory. We cannot conceive how man can allow the appearance world to become the burden of his soul that prevents him from perceiving the way of the Tree of Life. <2> Here the blind lead the blind and both fall into the ditch. <3> Here the walking upon the pathway becomes a tragedy where it could be a triumph.

Sweet savor of cosmic loveliness, how art thou captured behind all the outer symbolism! The kind words, the resolutions are all soon forgotten. This is because of the hypocrisy of mortal men who constantly disbelieve in the goodness God has placed within the fabric of every soul. O sweet loveliness of the Christ-robe, swaddling garments of creation perceived in the dramas of nature, in the toil of the sincere, in the ministration of angels, how beautiful is the work of summoning the grace of Heaven toward earth, of saying unto Life, “Be glad, for the song of the Lord sings in thee!” How beautiful is the action of communing with one another and of sending forth the radiation that beholds His grace, that beholds Reality and retains it as the markings upon the soul.

Love is like a branding iron that inflicts no hurt as it places the mark of the Universal Christ upon the soul. As has been said, “I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts.” <4> By Heaven's grace I am steadfast in witnessing the very marvelous results of pursuing the spiritual Path and of not deigning to fall within the patterns so many monads express that are prideful and vindictive, even toward those who are without spot and blameless. <5>

The tragedy is always with the souls who engage in conflict; for as Herod sought the young child to destroy him and put him to the sword, <6> so do men today malign those who search for God,

those who seek the honor of His name. The torment in which they shall one day find their souls shall bring about a realization within them that they have not only erred, but they have also piled up unnecessary karma. As they have sown, so shall they reap. <7> Let all then seize the opportunity to extend freedom and grace unto countless lives, for one day perfection must reign in all that the Christ in all may reign over all lesser manifestation.

Yet the thousand years of mercy that appears as one day unto Heaven <8> when viewed from the human domain may seem to be ageless. Therefore be quick to do what thou doest “if sin lieth at the door” <9> of thy consciousness. As Christ said unto Judas Iscariot, “That thou doest, do quickly,” <10> that by the reaping of thy karma thou mayest go forward with the business of God and with the perfectionment of thy soul. There is no need for any to be lost, but for all to be saved from the dragons that enmesh man in mortal thought and feeling that are without action—dragons that prolong the day of his salvation.

The star of the diamond of Christ-reality blazes in every grain of Matter. The voice of the Logos is heard in the sky, in the song of the angels, and in the purity God has sown in man that he might reap the reward of the Christ-passions of care for mankind. And the justice, perfection, and grace of eternal love shall surely sparkle in the fabric of thy soul as the most meaningful expressions of Heaven so that none may be lost, that all be redeemed <11> by the Divine Redeemer.

Devoted to the glory and comfort of the immortal essence within you, I remain

Orion

The Old Man of the Hills

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1. Col. 1:16-17.
 2. Gen. 2:9.
 3. Matt. 15:14.
 4. Heb. 8:10.
 5. 2 Pet. 3:14.
 6. Matt. 2:16.
 7. Gal. 6:7.
 8. Pss. 90:4; 2 Pet. 3:8.
 9. Gen. 4:7.
 10. John 13:27.
 11. 2 Pet. 3:9.

THE RADIANT WORD

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There are many vain and unruly teachers who have gone out into the world, as the apostles have told you, who teach many things for the sake of their own living. But you, dear ones, must understand that Truth is ever virtuous, that Truth will exalt you, that Truth will purify you, and that Truth is based upon the great laws of Life—the universal laws.

The Law of your own Mighty I AM Presence was not created by any man. The Law of your own Mighty I AM Presence was not even created by beloved Saint Germain. The Law of your own Mighty I AM Presence is the Law of Eternal Being; and when you pay allegiance to it, you are paying allegiance to God. There is no longer any question whatsoever in the minds of the sincere that this is true; for they find no difficulty accepting this fact, and yet they continue to make their application in contacting that Presence and having its mighty Light rays assist them immeasurably in walking among men and obtaining for themselves wondrous opportunities of unfoldment. O blessed hearts, the unfoldment of the vestments of the Christ is a wondrous opportunity for all!

You have heard it spoken of in times past that men ought to be crucified with the Christ, that they ought to be buried with the Christ, and that they ought to be raised with Him. <1> Some have not understood the full meaning of those statements. But through meditation you will be able to understand that you must put off the human creation and therefore you must, if necessary, walk the way of the cross in that particular respect; that you must be buried with the Christ during a period of gestation during which certain initiations will come to you to purify your world; and that in the stillness in the heart of the earth, the spirit of resurrection will be stirring until the fullness of that time comes which was signified as three days <2> in the drama of the Christ. Then the angel of your being will roll away the stone of impediments from before the tomb and the dazzling Christ Image of yourself will stand forth revealed, resurrected, and prepared for its ascension in the Light.

This is the goal of every man—to attain his ascension in the Light. But the ascension in the Light, while it is a gift to every man, requires some application. The Great Cosmic Law has at various times given the ascension to those who did not have the full training in this particular activity. Some of you are familiar with Cardinal Bonzano and you realize that he made his ascension in the Light. But nevertheless, this particular and specific teaching, the invocation of the Sacred Fire by decrees, is calculated by the Ascended Masters to provide immeasurable success and opportunity to those who will practice its teachings and principles.

While individuals may occasionally make their ascension from outside this activity, that does not mean that this way is not swift, valuable, and priceless. And therefore I urge you by all the love of the Ascended Masters, by all the love of the Spirit of the Great White Brotherhood, to cherish this opportunity to hear our words, to walk in this Light, and to expand the Light Flame within you until in harmony with the universal oneness of God it becomes at peace with the universal harmony present within all.

But all must expand it for themselves; all must know for themselves. Over the temples of old the words “Man, know thyself!” were engraved. Well, precious ones, each one today must enter that door for himself. No one can do it for him. Each one must therefore cherish the Truth; each one must love the Truth. And thereby they shall find their eternal freedom.

In the holy name of God, I thank you and bless you now with a charge of violet fire released from my eyes.

Thank you, and good afternoon.

1. Rom. 6:4-6.

2. Matt. 12:40.

The Divine Union

Beloved Savants of the Balanced Cross,

To retain your perfection when the leaks of human distress would drive from you spiritual fruitfulness, alter the cast of the mind, and allure the senses into a state of distrust and misjudgment, is to keep the way of the Tree of Life and to keep the flame of holy purpose alive within your heart.

Each year as the cycle of the cosmic clock approaches winter solstice, mankind celebrate the traditional feasts that have never marred from the divine standpoint but have ever married the spirit to its true Christ-kindling. Thus the soul feels the warmth of the heart as it contemplates the descent of the holy bridegroom, of the holy church, of the holy order of sacred souls married but not marred by the approach of their divinity.

The divine union is a consummate glory that, approaching as a thief in the night, <1> steals hearts away from their cups and idle dreams until at last the elements of the Sacred Fire inherent within man stir the passions of his soul and the flame of the mind to redemption, to reunion as the prodigal of old. The divine union comes about as the result of much diligence on Heaven's part.

But if the world would have its way,
If the carnal mind would ever hold sway,
Man with all potential dreams
Would ne'er become that which he seems
At times to approach.

The invocation of love—
Angel songs from above,
The Flame within the heart,
Gentle wing of a dove
Conveying below a song to and fro
'TwiXt heaven and earth—
Forever does glow.
Captured almost in the heavenly toast
“Merry Christmas to all,
O blest Holy Ghost!”

So gentle is the dream of God
It captures fancies of child-minds.
And then come the doubts of what we may term
Sour and dour sophistication—
A nonclassic rendering
Of all men's frustration,
A density in bone,
In heart, and in mind,
The failure of each one
To really be kind.
And so as the years go,
Blind mankind does bind—himself.

Won't you recognize these deeper facts within yourself? Won't you understand how all of Life is yours to command? Won't you recognize that it is the Flame in the point of contact with those of us who have overcome, who have entered into the heart of a One, that will convey you there also? Then the holy triumph that is such a beautiful hieroglyph will become at last the cradle of your aspirations into which the infant Messiah may be placed, expand, and grow.

If you will understand it aright, the whole mystery of the divine incarnation is to be found in yourself. The mystery of the Christ is within every heart. He is the firstborn of God by whom all things were created. <2> In Him was the dawn of triumph from the beginning, a triumph that could know no defeat. Yet individuals know defeat because their minds are turned inside out. They flout regeneration, perceiving it only as Christ Universal victory and not as the triumph of themselves.

If man was made in the divine image, then in heaven's name is there any desecration today in mankind being kind unto themselves and not kicking against the pricks <3> of Truth? They need not wait for any other proof save the Dayspring from on high that has visited them <4> within the chambers of their heart. No man is an island <5> without contact in the vast solar sea with those who have higher and still higher contact until at last the souls of all are joined unto God.

What beauty is ours to behold
As this very year we are told
Once again of His love
That casts out every fear, <6>
Producing the flame of immortality within.

I AM

Saint Germain

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1. 1 Thess. 5:2.
 2. Col. 1:15-16.
 3. Acts 9:5.
 4. Luke 1:78.
 5. Francis Bacon, Essays, "Of Goodness and Goodness of Nature"; John Donne, Devotions XVII.
 6. 1 John 4:18.

The Handmaid of God

Beloved Hearts of Mankind,

Through interstellar space, from far-off worlds I came long ago unto Mary, a holy child known of Heaven and prepared to be truly the handmaid of the Lord. <1> How does an Archangel approach one who, albeit prepared to receive the highest Truth, is stirred yet by those elements of awareness that involve themselves with the mundane, with the necessities of life, with those things that so often steal away the very time of God to approach the soul?

Fortunately, however, I came to one who retained within her the memory of spiritual worlds and higher realms, of those tones of love and Truth that created a willingness within her to be the handmaid of God. And of a truth, how few mothers in every time have really been willing to devote themselves to bring forth that holy thing which shall be born of thee, which shall be called the Son of God. <2>

So then, it ought to come as no surprise to the mankind of earth that many today desire only to duplicate themselves, to produce a creation of limitation, of habit, one that is bound to the outer domain rather than to dominion. Therefore, whereas heavenly hosts would and could so often come to those who today invoke the immaculate conception, they do not because their salutation is not heard and their intercession is not heeded by the majority of the women of the world. Nevertheless, there are many who desire with all their heart to be mother to a son of God without fear of human psychic persecution and accusation and to retain that contact with our realm and that state of mind which is a new hope not only to the angelic hosts but also to God Himself.

The preparation for motherhood is one of astute sweetness. And the knowledge that is inwardly conveyed to those who aspire to this high calling is the knowledge of the Holy Spirit, the knowledge of higher realms that hover so frequently near unto the earth. Why, the whole beautiful drama of cosmic Christhood stands ready and waiting to repeat the triumph of the holy Christ Child again and again!

To aspire to bring forth the Divine Manchild in a holy family union is no desecration of Jesus, Mary, or Joseph, but rather a fulfilling of the law of God which they outpictured as an example for all. The young Master said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." <3> Does this sound, O blessed mankind, as though Heaven did not intend the whole beautiful triumph of the Christ to be engendered in every heart?

I AM Gabriel. And whether or not man can accept this truth—that of my ability to reach embodied mankind today—the fact remains that I can, that I do, and that I will. And if it seems strange or contrived that I am able to bring forth these my living words, then hold the immaculate concept also for those of us whose hearts would never desecrate one iota of the dream of God, but only embellish it by further contact, by further intensification of God's love in man, the same love that sang long ago with the angels in the soundless sound of heaven's cosmic fire.

What is it like to be in our realm, O mankind of earth, which is not so different from your own? Our consciousness and realization of Life is wholly divine; yet we are able to retain the cause, effect, record, and memory of all of the thoughts of God at the same time that the divine mediatorship is extended in part through us, as through Jesus the Christ and the Christ Selves of all mankind, as we serve to make your world more fruitful and less barren.

Salvation is of the Spirit, not of the flesh, O mankind. And when you stop and think upon this, you will realize that it is only souls that require bodies. Hopefully, there are those who are able to perceive correctly the need that some must hold and guard well the flame of a living soul made flesh that it may be made Spirit. First it is Spirit; then it is made flesh; and then once again it is made Spirit in that conscious awareness that retains the memory of all the gifts and triumphs that the individual soul must share in as it approaches the throne of cosmic grace.

Yes, there is “a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted”; <4> but all things are designed toward permanency. That which is flesh and blood, that which is of the dust of the earth, returns to the dust <5> until the dust itself is freed to pass into spiritual Reality. But then the physical envelope, the mortal body of man, can be raised through the ascension process. Those who are able to accept the scientific reality of this know that every atom of body, mind, and soul, every erg of energy can be made whole, whiter than fuller's earth, until the soul in God-delight sheds its own beams through human night and all is purest Light.

The triumph of regeneration, of resurrection, of ascension, the triumph of immortality over mortality, is within you. As this Light of the Christ expands, the world will be set aflame by the divine love not only of roving angel bands but of God Himself. And who is greater? The triumph of Christ-reality is yours that you may be born again not only after the flesh but also after the Spirit.

O my beloved friends of Light, recipients of the annunciation of Gabriel, <6> accept that Christ be born in thee a spiritual creation. And accept that thou be born in Him. For He too has prepared a manger of His own love and fashioned it to help all, to heal all, to love all, that all triumph in His name.

Devotedly,

I AM a flaming Archangel of God's band,

Gabriel

Note: Gabriel is the Archangel of the Fourth Ray of Purity. His divine complement is the Archeia Hope. Their retreat is on the etheric plane between Sacramento and Mount Shasta, California.

1. Luke 1:38.
2. Luke 1:35.
3. John 14:12.
4. Eccles. 3:2.
5. Gen. 3:19.
6. Luke 1:26-33.

THE RADIANT WORD

“Hear Now the Word of the Lord!”

by Beloved Helios

given November 19, 1972 at the Retreat of the Resurrection Spiral

Part I

I AM Helios of the dawn. Hear the Word of the living God! Behold, the earth is Mine and the fullness thereof. <1> The hour has come and now is when My children shall be gathered together from the four corners of the earth and shall respond to the ministrations of the Good Shepherd of humanity, when they shall understand in a manner never before possible the meaning of infinite love.

I say unto all, Awake, thou that sleepest, and rise from the dead! that you may receive the Light of the Universal Christ. <2> Lo and behold, the Eucharist of the dawn is breaking; and the particles thereof, as the Sacred Flame substance of immortality, are being dispensed unto those hearts waiting to receive the living bread of God that is the Word. Hear, then, the living Word; for the great humanities of the living God shall be made manifest to all who are hungering and thirsting after righteousness. Our prayer is that they may be filled! <3>

Understand, then, that the domain of the heart is Mine; and I claim it! Understand now that the domain of the soul is Mine, and I claim it! Understand now that I AM the Lord thy God that, as a living Flame of Fire, visited thee and established in thee the pillars of eternity that thou shouldst understand My Law that is written in thy heart and in thy mind. <4>

Now is the hour of My appearing—the hour of trembling and the hour of My radiance, the hour when the diamond of My Mind appears in the cup of Life as that shining Reality which assembled all atoms of substance as a portion, a goodly portion, of cosmic purpose revealed to view. Yet there are those who have not seen, who do not understand, who do not perceive, whose hearts are darkened, whose consciousness remains in that nether world of human folly. I say then, let them remain there. For I have said, My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh. <5> He is as a vapor that appears upon the window, the pane of Life, the plane of Life, for a time and then vanisheth away.

Hear now the Word of the Lord. The hour has come when darkness and confusion must recede as the manifestation of the Christ Light appears to all. Lo, I come with power and glory. Lo, I come! Lo, I come with clouds, and every eye shall see Me—yea, even those which pierced Me. <6> And then shall men also know that not only do those pierce Me who pierced My Son Christ Jesus, but also those who have pierced My purposes by denying them. Having lived, then, in sundry times and various manifestations according to the rituals of the flesh, they continue so to do and fail to recognize the power and preeminence of the spirit of faith that is within their hearts and the power and grace of the world to come.

And therefore I will bring a great earthquake to pass upon this world; and the world shall find, with the presence of this earthquake, that I the Lord God live! And behold, it shall come to pass that many shall perish; for they have not heard My Word. Behold, the wickedness of mankind today is as the wickedness of Sodom and Gomorrah; <7> and behold, I shall shake the pillars of the earth. And surely, saith the Lord, an earthquake shall come, and no man shall be able to stop it or to stay it! For behold, My wrath is kindled against mankind's continual involvement in human discord and inharmony and their failure to acknowledge the power of God which is in the heavens above and also upon the earth beneath and in the waters and underneath the earth.

Behold, I AM the Lord thy God; and surely this thing shall be. And it shall be in My season <8> and in My time as I shall direct it. And it shall be as a result of mankind's own karmic justice which they have established. The patterns that they have brought forth shall also come upon them. And surely I the Lord God will visit this earth, and it shall come to pass; and I the Lord have spoken it! Behold, the time when men's hearts are failing for fear has come upon the earth. And behold, it shall intensify; for yea, they have deserved it. Yea, they have surfeited themselves. They have thought to glorify themselves and exalt themselves unto the mountains; and behold, the hour of My appearing is at hand. Behold, I shall surely visit the family of nations, and I shall render unto all according to their just deserts.

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Helios is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MT 7301, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. Pss. 24:1.
2. Eph. 5:14.
3. Matt. 5:6.
4. Heb. 8:10.
5. Gen. 6:3.
6. Rev. 1:7.
7. Gen. 18:20; 19:24-28.
8. The earthquake that was predicted took place in Managua, Nicaragua, on December 23, 1972 in His season.

The Role of Karma and Grace

Men of Day and Night, Awake!

The dawn of years is at hand. Out of millenniums of darkness, out of cycles of hopelessness, hope lives. The ineffable transparency of hope may not always appear to all, may not always be seen; but there is no drama in darkness.

Dust is not a swaddling garment for our Lord. His temples, His celestial cities, His triumphs in thought, in reason, in the fire of the heart—they are all captivated by the spiritual domain. And so delicately is that spiritual domain intertwined with arms of compassion and beauty in the outer creation that it seems to us from inner levels as though we cannot quite understand man's failure to fully apprehend. But darkness shall cease. It shall be banished by Light and tranquillity prevail over the shoddiness of violence, of carelessness, of confusion, and of failure.

Some have said what a pity that the world has muddied itself, creating stain upon stain. But let them see the cosmic stream as it really is—a stream of gushing triumph, a fire of Light that eliminates darkness and the barren hopes with which some men palliate themselves as though failures and a doomsday consciousness will convey to them those benefits that span the millenniums. How short-lived are the dreams of those linked not to Hierarchy but rather to those fantasies of the human imagination that convey nothing—zero, a hole in eternity.

The meting-out of human karma seems to some to be a grisly business, as though man were placed on the chopping block of heaven and dissected anatomically. I say this is untrue. Man is lashed for two reasons: first, that those whom God loves may be chastised <1> and learn to do well; second, that the lessons that have been brought forth by the Headmaster of the school but have not been assimilated in any other form may now also be mastered.

It is useless to deny the role of karma. It must be seen as commingling the good and bad which men create. But when the stern disciplines are disregarded, is all to appear as a miracle that is the triumph of God? And if so, why does not God redeem all rather than the chosen few? And who are the chosen few?

If man is predestined and has no control over his own energy, is he goaded by naught? I think not—naught save his own determination to be and to do as God wills it. Man's salvation, then, is not in predestination, but in the choosing of the will of God—the choosing of the will of God precluding all other possibilities and securing to man the safety and good conduct of the heavenly hosts.

It may seem strange to some that I choose to speak of this at this season of the year. But is there a more fitting time? For when men fail to recognize the meaning of their own personal triumph Godward, they deny the living Christ that brought them Life, liberty, and the pursuit of hope.

I think also that the time has come when more among mankind ought to settle down not into the domain of complacency, but into the striving toward the production of the greatest bond of hope—the Mind and will of God. There is no need to struggle against it; for sooner or later—and I would to God it were sooner for many—pain and uncertainty can cease in the realization that the certitude of God's love is apparent in Christ if anywhere apparent. It is apparent in Christ today as the hope of the world—a hope that is not solely to be regarded in the fruitful idea of the coming-forth of the Son of God in Bethlehem, but also in His coming-forth in the heart of the world and in the heart of the individual. There change can be wrought and destiny forged as immutable.

It is not necessary for individuals to be constantly condemned either by themselves or by past events. In heaven's name, if there is no redemption in the Heart and Mind of God for the lost sheep,

whether of Israel or of the Gentiles, <2> then how can any man expect to scale the stars alone? And if, recognizing divine grace, he perceives at last that that grace is sufficient for him, <3> is he to be traduced because in the past he has erred? I think not. The very mercy of Heaven speaks otherwise. It is a matter of acceptance rather than rejection.

The world loves to prate over their nonsensical interpretation of the statement of Paul “There is none righteous, no not one,” <4> without understanding that he was speaking of the natural man—the one of whom it was said, “The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God.” <5> So people take his words to refute the eternal logic that man was created in God's image. <6>

Man as the pristine idea which God brought forth is triumphant and leading onward toward resurrection. The drama of the life of Christ stands before all, the cup of which all may drink, of which all *shall* drink if they ever realize the fullness of God.

Through the platitudes which they have created out of their traditional interpretations of the Scriptures, they do exactly as the Master said long ago, “Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal Life: and they are they which testify of me.” <7> It does no good for man to merely lean upon the staff of the Lord without understanding that the staff of the Lord also leans upon him as he is able to become a pillar in the temple of God. <8>

When man supports the cardinal truths of creation, he finds them to be dawning concepts. They yield the buoyant fruit of heaven. They levitate the spirit of man until he is able to approach the very *throne* (the *three-in-one*) of God, for himself and by himself.

He who said, “Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God” <9> spake plainly. And as man comes to accept this, he can today accept the risen Christ, the ascended Christ, and the Word that goeth forth, “Lo, I AM with you alway, even unto the end of the world.” <10> This man has achieved Christ-realization. This man is restored to the immortal image. This man loves God; this man God loves. This man comprises the cosmic star, the cosmic song, the cosmic grace.

Can any among mankind be so vain and so hopeless as to allow other thoughts to distract their focalization upon the reality of the Self? This is what maketh sacred the name “I AM.” This is the true name of the living God, the “AUM” sound of the universal omnipresence thereof.

If dogma is to be held at all, let it be the dogma of the living God. Man has become destitute in his devotion to the Christ Child and too commercialized, too crass in his interpretation of the most sacred hieroglyphs of all the ages that have ever been or that ever will be. And to succeed now, he must recognize the failures of traditional religion and orthodoxy that, in the midst of many benign and devout followers of Christ, have withheld his teaching on the sacred purposes of Life and the meaning of attainment. To know how is perhaps just as important as to know why.

And so I say this holy season, let grace abound and mercy be multiplied and Light expand infinitely within you.

Devoted to your unflinching progress in the never-failing Light of God and the joy within His Star, I AM and I remain a Magus of old,

El Morya

Note: El Morya was embodied as Melchior, one of the three Magi. As an Ascended Being, he holds the position of Chohan (Lord) of the First Ray of God's Will. He is Chief of the Darjeeling Council of the Great White Brotherhood, and his Retreat of God's Will is located on the etheric plane above Darjeeling, India.

1. Heb. 12:6.
2. Matt. 10:5-6; 15:24.
3. 2 Cor. 12:9.
4. Rom. 3:10.
5. 1 Cor. 2:14.
6. Gen. 1:27.
7. John 5:39.
8. Rev. 3:12.
9. Phil. 2:5-6.
10. Matt. 28:20.

The Nativity of Your Own Christ Child

Beloved Mankind,

My delight is in the Law of God. My meditations are upon His Heart. <1> Those who idly dream that God is not real sunder their tie to that which is real and universal, to that which is already complete within itself. It cannot be that Life shall cease; for as David said of Him who from the very beginning in His dreams was providing the outpicturing of His laws within the human heart, within the human mind, within the human chalice, “Thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt Thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.” <2>

The greatest dream of God fulfilled in me and in every avatar—in every elder brother who has ever walked the planet—has been the dream of loving God enough to understand Him and of finding a relevant tie to the meaning of creation. Is it any wonder then that mankind through the years have sought to understand themselves, whether psychologically, philosophically, or through the Scriptures, in order to find the Way, the Path, and the spiritual domain of the ascent?

Life is not tiny, as mankind have thought, though at times it seems to be. For they have gazed upon what they have deemed their human frailties; they have thought in terms of their limitations and of stringencies imposed from without and of the contracting elements of the world's conditioning that seem to expand in the days of their youth and then, with the cynicism of later years, to contract more and more until they learn to live within the domain of the narrowing room of self. Their thoughts of vanity caused the Preacher long ago to say “Vanity of vanities, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.” <3> This could not be when applied to Him who long ago uttered through David: “The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul.” <4>

O lost sheep of every tribe and of none at all, you to whom grace is extended, will you understand the deeper meaning of our love, of the extension of hope to produce a bond whereby God be won? At times it is as though individuals by their cynicism and human wit would alter the structure of the universe to conform to their own image thereof. But I say unto you today, the Image of God is real and it is apart from the dreams of man insofar as what form Heaven may take or what consciousness God may be.

Let there come to you now the gift of the Holy Spirit and the compassion of that Spirit. It is like unto a solar wind <5> that penetrates and cuts mankind free from his own misshapen dreams of God, from the misshapen conceptions which he has produced with his natural mind. The sweetest dreams of life are found when man recognizes that he has not always clearly defined the nature of God or his own nature.

When the chalice of the manger appears to you this year to rekindle the glorious concept of my own nativity, let it be with a hope upon hope that the nativity of your own Christ Child is at stake and being accomplished. See, then, that your nativity is in God. It does not matter when, where, or how, nor even why. Just be that which you truly are—one of the only begotten sons of God.

How strange it seems to some who deny it that there are many only begotten sons. They do not understand that all were brought forth with the Only Begotten Son, the Universal Christ, from the very beginning. They do not understand, as El Morya has so often said, that “from the beginning we were winning.” They do not understand that the Brotherhood has forever manifested on the whole hierarchical ladder—all the way from Bethel, the place where God revealed Himself to Jacob <6> in his dream of the ascent and descent of angelic beings, to Peniel, where he wrestled with the

angel until the breaking of the day. <7> They do not understand how angels ministered unto me in Gethsemane. <8>

Therefore let them understand that in their moments of need God will minister unto them with the selfsame delight that He had when He ministered unto me. When I said long ago, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," <9> it was to underscore the impartiality of the Law and of the saving grace of Heaven. In the name of heaven, do you really think that God is concerned more with anyone's person than with another's, with my outer person in my life as the Nazarene carpenter, or with the prisoner on Pilate's docket? <10> Do you really think that in the eyes of divine justice Heaven was more inclined to crucify the malefactors? <11> I tell you nay. For it is and was always and will forever be God's will to free all men from pain and from the stains of life, to wash them as white as snow though their sins be as scarlet. <12>

There is hope for all in the Christ-dream and in each man's own entrée into that dream. The point is, beloved hearts, you cannot go part of the way and then stop. Once you start upon the spiritual Path, you should determine to triumph all the way. This is what is called following me in the regeneration.

What a tragedy it is that through the years mankind have utterly failed to understand the simple mysteries that make plain to all what the meaning of Christ-regeneration is or what the meaning of Christ-regeneration can be. I am not content merely to gather a holy twelve <13> or a holy seventy <14> or even a church <15> unto myself; but I want to see, as God does, the triumph of the whole universe, that all might be saved, that none be lost. <16>

There are those who are never satisfied unless they can discuss the ultimate triumph of evil as though it would come to pass on the morrow. But evil cannot triumph. For even if it were to succeed, as it does at times, in perverting the mind of man, in subverting his intent to do the will of God and his knowledge of God's laws, its effects can only be temporary. Those who engage their minds in the strands of evil, of condemning others for not teaching Truth, whereas in actuality they may be very much engaged in teaching Truth, will one day find that the frailty of their consciousness creates a tenuous thread which eventually thins itself out until it snaps.

It is impossible, in reality, for God to create evil. Hence evil is an illusion; it is maya; it is that which seems to be, but will one day seem to be no longer. And as each one passes through the doorway from unreality to Reality, he perceives the separation of Truth and error. As each one is restored to the hands of the Master Potter, he knows whence he came and whither his soul goeth. Whether or not the Master Potter, as the Eternal Father, is always able to preserve all elements of Life, of Truth, and of hope within man—for man retains that blessed element of free will which is of God—still he knows his origin and his destiny.

Then don't you see that hope springs eternal within the Heart of God? That which is of descent, of darkness, and of death cannot survive. But that which is of Light and Love and the lifting power of eternity will ever produce fruit after its kind. This is the law of Love. This is the hope of the ages.

I remain your Elder Brother and Eternal Friend of Light,

Jesus the Christ

1. Note: Jesus, along with Kuthumi, serves in the office of World Teacher. Together they serve the Cosmic Christ to expand the wisdom of the Law in behalf of the evolutions of earth. His retreat is

the Resurrection Temple, located in the etheric realm over the Holy Land; he also serves in the Arabian Retreat in the Arabian Desert northeast of the Red Sea.

1. Pss. 1:2; 19:14.
2. Pss. 16:10.
3. Eccles. 1:2.
4. Pss. 23:1-3.
5. Acts 2:2.
6. Gen. 28:10-15.
7. Gen. 32:24-32.
8. Luke 22:43.
9. Matt. 25:40.
10. Matt. 27:15-23.
11. Luke 23:32-33.
12. Isa. 1:8.
13. Matt. 10:1.
14. Luke 10:1.
15. Matt. 16:18.
16. John 17:12.

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Part II

Behold, it shall come to pass, and nothing shall stop it; for I the Lord God have made up My mind. As I determine to create, so shall I in due course of time destroy that which mankind have also interfered with in their own desire to usurp the powers of creation. And instead I shall build a new heaven and a new earth, <1> and the former things shall be passed away. For behold, that which is righteous shall endure, and that which is unrighteous shall be cast down.

I AM the Lord thy God. Behold, I shall establish perfection in the hearts of the faithful; and I shall consume imperfection everywhere upon the planet; and I shall visit the family of nations; and I shall establish upon all men the judgment of My laws. For the time has come, and I tell you that nothing shall be able to stay My Hand. I AM the Lord thy God. Behold, it shall be done. Behold the witness of the north wind. Behold the witness of the south wind. Behold the witness of the west wind. Behold the witness of the east wind. For surely My Spirit shall do this thing, and karmic recompense shall come to pass.

But now I say unto all, the radiance of My perfection must be adhered to. Mankind must turn their hearts from a heart of stone to a heart of flesh. <2> They must understand the meaning of being a new creature. <3> Perfection must reign in every heart, and mankind must seek Me as never before. They must understand the laws of perfection as never before. They must search out to see the laws of Helios, the laws of the dawn—the dawn of the Golden Age.

For the time has come when the Golden Age temples shall appear, when the hearts of men that shake also in fear shall come to understand and respect My laws, when mankind shall turn en masse unto Me and shall understand how I love all and would extend My love as the boundaries of My kingdom of the ages out unto all people, unto all kingdoms, and unto the waters, that the waters may speak as a voice of thunder with one accord saying: “Lo, O Lamb of God! Lo, O all-beautiful white purity of the Presence of Perfection! We understand the need for Thy Law in order to lead us from death unto Life. And we respond by casting our crowns, our consciousness of Thy starry perfection before Thee who only art holy, the wholeness of all that manifest everywhere.”

And all that is darkness and degradation shall perish from the earth; and all that is Light and Life and love and purity shall remain. And behold, I will draw My children into My kingdom and they shall behold My glory and the glory which many knew with Me before the world was; <4> they shall behold it and enter into it. Behold, the time of the satanists and black magicians is at an end. For behold, I this day have raised the sword; and behold, it shall smite those among mankind that insist upon the degradation of all that is holy, turning it toward wickedness and destructivity. Behold, they shall perish from the earth and be no more!

I AM the Lord thy God, and My law of perfection and love shall draw all who love righteousness into My kingdom, and there they shall shine as the Sun in His strength. <5> And darkness shall be no more! But only Light shall remain and the triumph of Light speak to every heart saying, This is the triumph of thy God! For behold, I will function in all who invite Me. I will sup with all who will commune with Me. I will give love to all who understand its meaning.

We cannot allow a continual presence of imperfection in the world, for this could never be in the immortality and eternality of My Presence. And therefore these things shall pass away in order that

the New Day of perfection may appear and that there may be established in the world an understanding of perfection's triumph and perfection's reality forever established.

I AM the Lord thy God. I have spoken. And surely as I live, thou shalt see these things come to pass.

Note: The complete dictation of Beloved Helios is available to Keepers of the Flame on the Ascended Masters' Tape Recording MT 7301, The Summit Lighthouse.

1. Rev. 21:1.
2. Ezek. 36:26.
3. 2 Cor. 5:17.
4. John 17:5.
5. Matt. 13:43.

**The Forces of the Lord Shall Descend:
Special Dispensations for the People of Russia and China**

Friends of Hope:

As mankind stand at the portal of the new year, they await brighter hours.

In the world today dwell many who, solely by reason of family and training, are atheists and nonbelievers. Predominating in Russia and China, these atheists and their godless society seem to thrive. I tell you, all that seems to be is not. For there is alive in many hearts in the Orient, as well as in Russia herself, a great desire for divine worship and the finding of the pathway that leads to God, to divine compassion, and to Home.

Hence in the forthcoming year, we of the Hierarchy shall capitalize upon this for God. We shall respond in a more than ordinary way to hearts that seek us the world around. We shall show them that the pathway to universal Christ-realization is the only path that leads to the triumph of all nations in one beautiful kingdom of universal hope.

If they prevent us from disseminating this information directly, we ourselves will go underground. We ourselves will work with those who still call upon the name of the Lord in secret, stepping through the veil, if necessary, in masterful identities capable of maneuvering any divinely approved effort to bring a ray of Light and hope to the Communist nations.

We shall even go backward in time if necessary, summoning souls from other systems of worlds that have previously been identified with Russia and China. We shall ask special dispensations that they too may step through the veil and assume masked personalities that will not be seen for what they are but will have the power to appear and disappear at will and to evade all authority. These shall walk the earth as Apollonius of Tyana did, coming and going in the courts and marts, producing miracles that may not always be readily apparent but shall have their certain effect upon civilization. These beings shall lead some of the inner neophytes as well as advanced disciples of our Brotherhood into levels of triumph that shall eventually revolutionize the Revolution and produce in its place in the hearts and minds of the people the type of receptivity that shall help them to overcome the dread threats that mankind currently face.

I do not say that none of these threats shall materialize, for mankind have free will. But surely the preponderance of our energy shall come forward now on behalf of the mankind of earth and enter into the spiritual fight, the battle of Armageddon. <1> And that battle shall not be won by those who have gained temporary control over the communications media, the press, and the publishing industries of the world or by those who would maneuver the governments and political parties, the textbooks and the schools, and every function of society.

I say unto you in God's name, the forces of the Lord shall descend. As Enoch said long ago, "Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him." <2> Therefore these things shall be. And as beloved Helios said earlier this year, "Nothing shall be able to stay My Hand." <3>

And so the next year shall indeed be one of struggle; yet out of the chalice of the year, perfection shall ultimately come.

I AM your servant,

Igor

1. Rev. 16:16.

2. Jude 14-15.

3. Helios, Tape Recording MT 7301, The Summit Lighthouse

THE RADIANT WORD

“The Drama of One Life Touched by God”

by the Unknown Master

given March 25, 1967 at Colorado Springs

The question arose in my heart as to what is meekness; and as I pondered long and hard upon it, it came to pass that I perceived that the meek were not without strength. For it was given unto them to inherit the earth, <1> and I knew that those to whom God gave the gift of inheritance would necessarily be strong.

I gazed upon the pageant of man and I saw that in metaphor, dispensing with time and space, we could see all men as coming forth from the sun of God's love, a vast parade, a pageant, a drama so full of poignant memories—some benign, some which revealed much suffering—that I pondered upon this also. I came to realize that one's country had meaning; for after all, the segmentation of men and women into nations is symbolical of a certain divine intent.

The classification of peoples is also the creation of many sheepfolds. But I understood that the Master of masters desired one sheepfold. <2> If this could not come all at once but little by little, then men would be able to externalize the knowledge of science, the knowledge of genetics, the knowledge of humanity, the knowledge of Life, the knowledge of Spirit, the knowledge of universal lore. All of the multitude of components that make up the conglomerate creation must be assembled in consciousness. That they exist in substance is not enough, for each must run the fingers of his mind over the anomalies of manifestation.

O Mother Russia, thou art the mother of so many souls, even as China and the masses thereof; and you have brought into manifestation many children. Their Slavic ways are not always the ways of emancipation. Searchers for liberty are they; and the icons on the walls, together with the bubbling pots, the tea, the cakes, the peasants, the struggle, the mighty life waves—all compose a vast evolution which seeks for liberty and yet creates bondage.

I saw this great manifestation as a child; and as I gazed upon it, I froze in the wonder of it all and my mind refused to accept it. I cast aside reason as to the winds, and I opened my heart to the simple oneness of God, and I spake unto Him. I communed with Him who is beyond the stars and I said unto Him:

“O Lord, there is too much in manifestation; I cannot grasp it all. Come unto me and help me, for the world is a wilderness peopled with dark shapes and distortions. And I must of necessity have Thy power and Thy glory; for surely Thou who hast created all this—Thou who hast an Eye to see it and behold it—surely Thy Mind can comprehend it if mine cannot.”

As I spake unto Him, I cast myself upon Him; and as a child I received an answer: A very beautiful Being of Light was sent to me in my room. This beautiful Being of Light was he who is known to you as Archangel Gabriel. He came unto me and he said:

“Hail, Igor! God has heard thy prayer and He has sent me unto thee. Know then that I will guide thee throughout thy life and I will be to thee a friend.

“I will seek to produce in thee the manifestation of the wonderful consciousness of Jesus which his Mother Mary held for him, and I will be as a father unto thee and as a mother. And thy troubled heart will be comforted this day. Thou shalt find that

God will open up understanding unto thee and little by little impart unto thee His grace.

“And thou shalt no longer be just as a peasant boy called Igor, but thou shalt be a son of the Most High God; for in thee God has generated a Flame this day. It is the Flame of thy I AM Presence, the Flame of thy being that appeared to Moses in the burning bush. <3> And God is no respecter of men's persons, but in every age and time listens to the heart calls of the children of men. Know then that God hath heard thy call and I AM sent to do His will.”

With that moment Archangel Gabriel and I became fast friends, and there were many visitations from him from time to time. I was taken by him out of the body even during the night hours, and I communed with many of the members of the Brotherhood throughout the world in the great temples of Light. But as I passed over the cities of Moscow and Kiev and many of the other great cities of Russia, the plain country, and the mountains, my heart was always touched with the ruggedness of the land and with the great struggle in the hearts of the people; and I felt as though they were a sleeping giant that one day would awaken and trouble the peoples of the world.

When we were aware of the coming destruction of the czar and his family and we realized that the red dragon would march across the nation, I spent hours upon my knees imploring God to provide some measure of assistance. I remember then that one evening, a very special evening, there came to me a manifestation of the beautiful Lady of Fátima. She came to me and she discussed also the terror of the red dragon. She said that the world would be viciously troubled by it and that only by a great struggle and repudiation of this fraudulent desecration of the Light would mankind ever be able to roll back the hordes of materialistic darkness and shadow.

I remember that I clutched her robe in my hands; and as Jacob wrestled with the Angel, <4> I would not let her go. I remember that she lingered with me for many an hour beyond her intent and I said:

“O Mother of God, will you help me to help these people? I cannot bear it; I cannot bear the bloodshed, the ideas of terror, and the awful grasping in the hearts of these people. I ask you to help me. What can I do? I will give my life if it will save these people.” She patted me gently on the head and said:

“Igor, there have been others before you who have offered their lives to God to assuage the awful torment of material life. But there are karmic circumstances and situations beyond mortal control, even beyond the control of God; for He has put His laws into operation and entrusted certain dominions to lesser forms of consciousness, and they have free will. By the misuse of their free will, they have wrought all this destruction; and only when their free will turns to seek the things of the Spirit will they truly make the world to be free.”

I accepted her love and her wisdom and my heart was comforted, but the terror burned on. Throughout my life as I sought to be a pilgrim in a strange country, I aspired to attain something higher than I might free men. By and by, through the solemn ritual of the sacred mantra of my devotion toward God and through my one-pointedness, it came to pass that I was finally made ready for the moment of my ascension. And when it was given to me, it was not with mortal witnesses. I went up alone but quickly found that I was not alone, for around me were many bright Beings; and I knew that at last I had gone Home.

Beloved ones, the Messenger thought that I would tell you my name and he paused, hoping that I would; and I think that I shall reveal it in some future time. I prefer for the moment to remain one whom you call the Unknown Master. I want you to have my feeling of devotion to world good, to the plan of God. And thus, I have brought you this day not so much my wisdom as my feeling, my devotion, my love for God, who has made all things so lovely and so well.

If you choose to accept me and to understand my devotion, if you choose to make it a part of your life, I AM certain that it will please God. For then I know that sacrifices will not be so hard for thee. You will understand, one and all, that your Divine Presence is your eternal Home, even as it was the Source of your Life.

Peace be with you.

1. 1 Thess. 5:2.

2. Col. 1:15-16.

3. Acts 9:5.

4. Luke 1:78.

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For Healing of the Body of Terminal Diseases, and building Health and Vitality in General

Note: The importance of having a healthy, cleansed, and balanced 4 lower bodies (physical, emotional, mental, and etheric, or higher memory body) was continually emphasized and taught about in the Summit Lighthouse and CUT. The best resources that were available, to the knowledge of the Summit Lighthouse, and Church, were always utilized.

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A very brief summary of Dr. Richard Schulze:

Began his healing journey at age 16, when both his parents had died of a heart attack. Medical doctors told him that he would be dead by age 20, if he didn't get an open heart surgery, because he had a "genetic heart deformity". He walked out on them, and began trying to learn everything he could, to try and get well. He did, and he went on to study under numerous great natural healers, learning everything he could. He studied under greats like Dr. John R. Christopher, Dr. Bernard Jensen, and Pavvo Ariola.

He ran an underground clinic for 20 years, treating over 20,000 patients. The majority of these were what he called the "walking dead". They were the worst of the worst – the worst terminal cases, as well as people with disease ranging from A-Z -- including all of the so-called "incurable disease", and basket cases (e.g. bone cancer in 80% of the marrow). Many of his patients were not believers in natural healing, and were coming to him as a last resort, having been through the conventional medical gauntlet, and given a hopeless prognosis.

The government shut him down for the last time in the 90s, and he escaped a prison sentence on a technicality. Since then, the government has limited him in what he has been allowed to say and sell, while shutting down his clinical practice, which, single-handedly, threatened the entire Medical and Pharmaceutical Industry, which thrives on people being sick and diseased.

In 1992, he was interviewed by a man named Sam Biser, who produced a series of 12 video tapes, interviewing Schulze to get his knowledge and story. He also produced, through mail and phone interviews with Richard Schulze, a 600 page manual. Since then, Biser has stopped selling these materials, refuses to release the copyright, and it is said, on the internet forums, that he even refused to allow Dr. Schulze (who gave Biser 100s of hours of his time, freely) – to even borrow the content. Furthermore, the materials also discuss things not approved by the FDA, and AMA, such as talking about how to heal the body of terminal diseases – without any help from the medical doctors, or pharmaceuticals – or without anyone with letters after their name. It also covers forbidden topics, such as healing the body of so-called incurable diseases.

The tapes are now only occasionally available on Ebay, and I have seen some sets going for hundreds of dollars, at times.

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