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THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

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TO THEE, BELOVED BROTHER JESUS

THE ASCENDED HOST, the Angelic Host and mankind extend their gratitude for the magnificent accomplishment of the resurrection and the ascension into the light of eternal freedom.

As the attention of all life is drawn to the recurrent miracle of the resurrection through nature, and as the seekers after truth and freedom ponder again the hope and promise of the Easter Season, we ask that your full Ascended Jesus Christ Consciousness may enter the world, experience and individual consciousness of every member of the human race. Through the acceptance of the all-power within that victorious consciousness, may every man, woman and child on the planet and all those awaiting the opportunity of re-embodiment know, experience and manifest the God-mastery which remains your gift to the evolutions progressing upon the planet Earth.

The obedience to the FIAT of RESURRECTION obeyed so beautifully through nature SHALL NOW BE MANIFEST THROUGH THE SOULS OF MEN AS WELL! So be it!

Thomas Printz

The Homes and Retreats of the Masters of Wisdom TEMPLE OF MERCY, PEIPING, CHINA April 15 through May 14, 1954

The Temples of Mercy, Forgiveness and Compassion, guarded and sustained by the beloved Kwan Yin, Goddess of Mercy, are designated by the beloved Sanat Kumara as the center to which the Spiritual Hierarchy and those interested in forwarding the will of God will turn their attention in this thirty-day cycle.

The great Temple of Mercy stands in the center of twelve lesser temples, all of whose domes incline slightly toward the main temple in silent honor and respect to the focus of the Mercy Flame. Upon its presence does all life depend for its redemption and restoration to Godperfection when the desires, appetites and passions of the senses have spent themselves and the soul arises again filled with determination to find and sustain the divine pattern and plan for itself.

When mankind first drew the use of the free will into the qualification of pure life, according to the desires of the separate self, the need for a Flame of Forgiveness and Transmutation arose. Some way had to be devised by which the soul, weary and spent, might purify those energies consciously charged with impurity, weaving out of those redeemed energies the garment of immortality. Compassion, forgiveness and mercy, being the nature of God, had existence and being long before the need for such qualities was demanded on the earth.

To draw forth those God-qualities and to bring them to Earth, required the voluntary contribution of some God-free intelligences, who chose to embody that activity, that nature of God. Acting as a step-down transformer, they drew that radiation, that nature into the lower atmosphere, where it might be felt, experienced and shared by any and all the sons and daughters of heaven who felt within themselves the desire to return home, to fulfill their individual destinies, and, generally, to purify the miscreations of the past and make things right.

The beloved Lord Gautama Buddha offered to draw forth that Flame of Forgiveness, charge through it his own life essence and expand that quality for mankind. In such service, he was the Chohan of the Seventh Ray, wherein the mystic power of divine alchemy was made available to all who would apply for it and choose to embody it through the energies of their own lifestream. The beloved Kwan Yin succeeded him in this service, and she, in turn, has been succeeded by the present Chohan of the Seventh Ray, our blessed Master Saint Germain.

The radiation of mercy is amplified by every intelligence who chooses

to visit the Mercy Temples and give of the primal essence of his own being to expanding the sphere of influence of such a temple. Thus, while the entire Spiritual Hierarchy is present in this retreat, the combined energies of all their lives is poured into this Flame of Mercy, Forgiveness and Compassion, and thus there is made available a much greater pressure and momentum of mercy for the blessings of mankind at this time.

Each gentle reader who desires to see mankind free of the limitations, the distresses, and the shadows in which they presently abide, is invited to enter the Mercy Temple and there pour forth their own life force, in expanding the sphere of influence of the retreat. As the reader endeavors to cultivate within himself the FEELING of divine mercy and compassion, and to radiate that, through this thirty-day period, so does such a one become an outpost of beloved Kwan Yin's gift to life.

For a further description of this retreat, you are recommended to read the supplement to February 1953 issue of "The Bridge to Freedom."

THE THREE FLAMES I USED Address by beloved Jesus

It is not numbers, but quality of consciousness, which determines the efficacy of the power of God released.

You now return into your personal orbits, into your homes, your businesses, your temple worship. Will you bring with you a realization of the ever-presence of God? It has been my message since I took my final incarnation. You and all men, women and children belonging to our evolution live in the presence of God, that great harmonizing, healing, purifying presence that fills all space. It is but the vibratory action of your own mental and feeling worlds that has short-circuited your consciousness for that realization and acceptance. It is merely the conscious changing of the quality of your energy that will re-connect you with that Ever-Presence.

Beloved ones, experiment now with the realization that the changing of the quality of your energy means the connecting of your light with the ever-present God, which is all health, all beauty, all supply, all harmony. There is only ONE POWER that conducts energy into your world and that is THE QUALITY OF FEELING. The control of your own energy, so that at any instant it connects with the full power of God, makes you master. It is the exact same application which I used, and which made me a conductor for seeming miraculous power. The meeting of the vibratory ac-

tion of my own energies with the ever-presence of God and then the connection of my energy through the mental and feeling world of the supplicant, raising their energy to a point where I might conduct through myself, into them, the specific requirement of the moment, is the Law scientifically, mathematically accurate. There was nothing mysterious, nothing occult, in this service and THERE WERE NO SPECIAL POWERS ENDOWED UPON ME. You are conductors of energy, consciously or unconsciously. You are either short-circuited, living in a world of separateness, or you are in tune and in harmony with the infinite Ever-Presence.

Have you contemplated recently the phrase you use so freely, "Beloved Presence of God" IF THE PRESENCE OF GOD IS WITH YOU, where is the appearance which seems to limit? Please ponder upon these things!

Three great flames I used in my ministry-flames and activities of the Sacred Fire, which were given to me by my teacher, which enabled me to control the energies of my world. The first was the Resurrection Flame, which guickened the vibratory action of my physical and inner bodies, making each tiny electron, spinning around its own central pole, move more rapidly and throwing off the vibratory action of Earth, connected my vibration with that of this Ever-Presence. The second was the Flame of Transfiguration, enabling the Sacred Fire within me to expand more powerfully than the atomic pressure of the outer world. The third flame I used was the great Ascension Flame which, surging through my physical, mental, emotional and etheric bodies, carried the energies of my world upward into connection and contact with my own Christ Self and the Father-Mother God of this universe. Those flames are still in existence. They have grown and intensified in power in the thousands of years since I availed myself of their presence. You, beloved ones, have opportunity now as you enter this brand new shining year to use the Resurrection, Transfiguration and Ascension Flames to make of your energy a harmonious conductor of the gifts and powers of this Ever-Present One.

We stand at the threshold of new opportunity. The peoples of Earth have been bathed in the Violet Flame of Mercy and Compassion. Every mistake and error that has been committed without definite intent to do wrong has been melted and transmuted—cause, effect, record and memory. Your inner bodies and your flesh are lighter this day than they have been since January 1st of the preceding year. You have less of a pressure upon you, so avail yourselves before you begin to weave anew. Avail yourselves of the inner freedom which has been yours through this mercy and through the grant of the Karmic Board, which has melted so much of the human veil, enabling you, if you choose, to realize the ever-

presence of your God and the master powers of the universe.

Have you thought that you and I both stand today at the same threshold? Sanat Kumara, Saint Germain, Lord Maitreya, each and every one, Ascended and unascended, applicants to the storehouse of the universal, drawing the same light, facing the same opportunity to qualify energy! What shall you make of your days, your months and your years? We are dedicated to making of ours the externalization of the Kingdom of Heaven and the glory of that Father. You are dedicated in spirit to the same service or you would not be here present with us this hour. The simple, homely illustration that in the manifestation of control of your energy in the harmony of your feelings is your connection with the cosmic power of God the Father, or any Perfected Being, should give you a feeling of comfort and mastery that you are NOT alone, except as you short-circuit your own personal life through discord.

There is no life outside of yourselves that can maintain the control of your energy, because free will is your gift from the Universal First Cause, but if you choose to maintain and sustain a vibratory action through your feeling world that connects with the Kingdom of Heaven and its inhabitants, at any instant our powers and gifts are yours, and THROUGH YOU may be conducted into the lives of others.

THE SEVEN BODIES AND THE SPHERE THEY FUNCTION IN By Beloved Kwan Yin

February, 1954

The ceremonial activity of life, of course, has concerned me for many centuries. I held the office as Chohan of the Seventh Ray prior to our illustrious brother, the beloved Saint Germain. In that service to life, I was privileged, in many ages, not only in China, but in the great civilizations all over the world, to teach those interested in mastering energy the inner significance behind all the seeming intricacies of ceremonial life, in church, in home and in person.

You might be interested to know that the first Chohans were the seven great Archangels to whom you are now giving such honor and opportunity to serve in the world of form. They were, for the Elohim, the magnetizing centers of the powers of the seven rays through the early Golden Ages. They were the radiating centers of those powers in those ages also, until there could be raised up from among the guardian spirits, and later from among the Earth people themselves, lifestreams qualified

to represent those rays.

After the great Archangels relinquished their responsibility, many among us took over those offices. The Gautama Buddha, whom you know, officiated before myself on the Seventh Ray, although his activity and service now is on the Second Ray.

We are joined together in a tremendous bond and affinity, which is the result of ages of common interest, and that is why we have great love for each other, which enables us to work cooperatively in our realm to serve life. (Editors' note: See return of Lord Buddha, "Bulletin," February 23, 1953).

In Peiping, for many, many centuries, I have focused an activity of healing, and within the retreat, I offer the chelas seven initiations. They are concerned primarily with the development and mastery of the seven bodies, which make up the instrument of each I AM Presence. Each one of your bodies, beloved hearts, should have full freedom and a natural service to life in one of the Seven Spheres. The consciousness by right should be able to function in any one of those seven bodies as freely as the master of the house performs his service in any one of the rooms that make up his mansion.

The "fall of man," as it has been termed, incapacitated the conscious mind to function and to bring back the remembrance of the activities in higher spheres and for the most part made inaccessible the conscious use of the Holy Christ Self, the Causal and Electronic Bodies of the people.

The four lower bodies were drawn down by the senses into the substrata of the etheric plane, and even they do not function in their natural spiritual habitat.

The alignment of the seven bodies, returning them to their own sphere and enabling the conscious mind to function in each sphere in an alert, awakened capacity and to draw back the gifts the activities of it into the world of form, is the purpose of the retreat at Peiping and my service in the healing of minds and of bodies.

The Electronic Presence and the Unfed Flame are functioning primarily, or are supposed to, in the First Realm, in the heart of God Himself, where the great ideas and the causative centers of the Universal First Cause are freely accessible. The Causal Body was destined to function in the Second Realm, where ideas were clothed in form, where they took on specific and definite outline, and where the Causal Body of the consciousness was enabled to fashion clothing, so to speak, for some portion

of the divine plan.

The Holy Christ Self originally functioned in the Third Sphere, and the etheric body, which functions now mostly in the psychic and astral realm, originally held the divine pattern in the Fourth Sphere, where the Holy Christ Selves presently abide.

The mental body functioned in the Fifth Sphere where the dedication of the energies and the drawing forth of the plan enabled the lifestream to cooperate both with the inner realm and the realm without. It was the activity of drawing the great services of the inner realms into form. The emotional body was to function in the Sixth Sphere, the realm of ministration presently under the direction of the Master Jesus and its service was to pour forth the qualities of the Godhead, the nature of the Godhead.

The physical body then, of course, was to function in the Seventh Sphere. That is why Saint Germain is beginning, through the contact of the outer consciousness, through the physical body, in the Seventh Sphere to help that consciousness work its way back into the heart of God. Do you see?

The seven ganglionic centers in the flesh body are a focus or connection with each one of the seven spheres also and the connection into your physical form of the activities of each inner sphere. It is a most detailed service, and yet if you understand it fully, you can enter into the necessary personal application to develop your conscious awareness within these inner spheres, placing your bodies again at the disposal of the soul and the Self, and using them as they were intended. When they are in perfect alignment with the silver cord running through them, you have the Master Presence, functioning freely, knowing the will of God; working in the world of form from the consciousness of the Causal Body, and then lowering into physical expression the divine ceremony of manifesting that will in every activity of your daily life.

These temples in Peiping enable us to draw initiates and people interested in realigning themselves and awakening the higher consciousness from the world of form. Here we teach them first the control of the physical body; the proper eating and breathing habits. Then we develop within them an understanding of the ganglionic centers, their color and the connection with each center and the body which it represents. When they are well-versed master physicians, we take them into the mental, emotional, etheric and finally the higher mental world and on up into the Causal Body. Then you have a real "messenger of light" who can function

in the Electronic Body, who can contact the Masters at will. They can also act in the capacity of the mediator, or step-down transformer, not only for the word but also for the qualified energy of any Master Presence in the universe.

It is a beautiful service to life and it is one that, if it interests you, I will choose to develop and give to you, so you may embody some of the application and endeavor to find a way to align your blessed vehicles again, developing them, maturing them, and making them your servants.

You know there is so much to any one facet of service. Each one of us has served for thousands of years, hundreds of thousands, sometimes millions, in developing and maturing and perfecting one particular service to life. Then we are given thirty or forty minutes in which to present our activity to the earnest and yet, ofttimes, confused outer mind.

It is difficult, in the extreme, to restrain ourselves and to give you just some simple, workable knowledge, which can alleviate your present distresses. Yet, that must come first, because there must be a modicum of peace in mind, body and affairs before the deeper activities of the Law can sufficiently hold your interest and energies, so you may prove them in fact.

I come to bring you the blessings of the Seventh Ray, whose Chohan you have served and which ray you have served so selflessly through this embodiment, to bring you the blessings of its great Chohan, that being whose next two thousand years of activity in the physical world will be proof to every man, woman and child on the planet of LOVE indescribable, to bring you the blessings and the feeling of my mercy and forgiveness to life, which does melt away at inner levels every vibratory action which is a cause of distress.

These I give to you and anchor through you. I invite you to come into the heart of Peiping and into the heart of our temples, where you might perchance pick up something that will be pleasing to you and of workable, practical knowledge in the application of the Law. I thank you.

MARY FROM THE REALMS OF GLORY

Mary from the realms of glory, Spread your light o'er all the Earth. You, who held the Christ-child Image, Giving our dear Jesus birth. CHORUS Come and help us! Come and help us! Help us now fulfill God's plan.

Mary, Queen of all the angels, Mother of Immanuel. God has made you our new sponsor, With the mighty Morya El.

Jesus, from the realms of glory, Immaculately conceived. Blessed Mary, gently guarded, Till your victory was achieved.

Hymn tune: "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Beloved Ascended Master Kuthumi

Explanatory Note—The "Guru" is the divine teacher, the "Chela" is the disciple.

CHELA—Beloved Master, how can I individually contribute to the light of the world?

GURU—Blessed disciple! Our Lord, Sanat Kumara, has said that light is primarily released through the feeling world (the emotional body). The cultivation of those qualities of feeling which are like unto the nature of God himself—peace, purity, harmony, balance, love, tolerance, kindness, compassion, mercy and understanding—makes your feeling world emit light. The endeavor to transfer and convey your feelings of hope, faith, confidence and loyalty to God into the consciousness and feelings of all you contact makes you thus not only a light shining in the darkness, but also a light conductor, igniting the souls of men to like endeavor.

CHELA—Beloved Master, how can one control the feelings, which rise unbidden from the undisciplined soul and rush forth to add to the shadows of this earth plane?

GURU—Blessed disciple! There is but ONE POWER by which you can

accomplish anything. That is the power of God that flows through your own individualized Presence and gives the life to your feeling world. When you return the authority for the qualification of that life to your Presence, and refuse to allow your feeling world the license to which it is accustomed in the seizing and misqualifying of pure God life, then that beautiful Presence controls FOR you and through YOU your emotions.

CHELA—Beloved Master! I feel that the emotional body is an enemy to spiritual progress. Like Saint Augustine, I am torn between what I know is right and what I constantly do in the generation of discord, which is wrong. "The good I would, I do not, and that which I would not, that I do." (St. Augustine)

GURU—Blessed disciple! This is not a correct attitude. It creates a rebellion in your feeling world. Your emotional body was created by God for a definite purpose. The emotional body was designed to emulate the feelings of God and to expand the qualities of the God-nature in whatever sphere the individual consciousness is functioning. The mental body was designed to create form, the feeling body to nourish that form with qualified life. It is primarily a gift of the Holy Spirit and when one sins in feeling, he commits the "sin against the Holy Ghost," which the orthodox world has described as unforgivable.

CHELA—Beloved Master! Is there, then, such a thing as an "unfor-givable" sin of thought, feeling or action?

GURU—Blessed disciple! No, because only perfection is eternal. Every mistake, no matter how great, is transitory and passing. The very Law of Compassion and Mercy, which is the gift of the Seventh Ray, is the manifest proof that all sins, mistakes and error can and will be wiped out, when the individual chooses to apply for the way and means to do so.

The sins of the feeling nature, however, are the most difficult to overcome, because the emotional body of mankind has ruled the mind and senses for many centuries. The emotional body is also the recipient of over 80% of the energies of the lifestream released through the silver cord into the use and control of the outer consciousness. It is, therefore, the most powerful of the instruments through which the soul seeks expression and ultimate mastery over energy, substance and vibration. It is a better friend and servant than adversary.

CHELA—Beloved Master! How then may I make my emotional body my friend and servant?

GURU—Blessed disciple! By understanding that all your bodies, mental, emotional, physical and etheric, are the servants of the Holy Presence which made you and which gives you life, intelligence and being.

Return, then, the authority for the use of those bodies to that Presence and check your thoughts, feelings and actions daily with what your conscience and heart tells you would be the thoughts, feelings and actions of your own Christ. Gradually they will be trained in serving Him.

The Masters Of Wisdom Speak THE MIRACLE OF RESURRECTION

MAHA CHOHAN

Within life itself is the power of resurrection, of renewal, of survival and resuscitation. The kingdom of nature, through which I am privileged to serve, lives in obedience to this natural gift and power. By its use, every species sustains itself for the blessing, nourishment and benefit of the human kingdom. The glorious flowers, the verdant life-pulse manifest in the Springtime are the proof of the "possibility" of resurrection. May mankind soon awaken sufficiently to this self evident truth written across the face of the Earth they inhabit, and may they draw the resurrection currents through their own souls to recreate the glory, the perfection, the beauty and mastery which they had in the beginning before the world was.

EL MORYA

As the seed holds within itself the pattern of the full flower, so does the sacred heart of man hold within itself the pattern of his divinity. The forces of nature and the seasons of the year blend their gifts and powers to the development, expansion and sustenance of that pattern through nature. Thus also do spiritual forces, powers, activities and intelligent God-beings pour forth definite, specific blessings, which are an impetus to the development of the divine pattern within mankind at certain rhythmic seasons. When the Resurrection Flame is directed through nature by the Lord Maha Chohan, mankind may magnetize its life-giving essence and draw it through the latent God-powers within his own soul, IF HE WILL.

КИТНИМІ

As the wise gardener and farmer do all within their power to prepare the earth, and open their hopeful plantings to the life-giving forces of nature, so do we endeavor always to create and sustain through the consciousness of mankind the most beneficial atmosphere and then await the flowing of the spiritual currents which stimulate the awakening of the dormant God-nature and its ultimate fulfillment in God-mastery and freedom. We are but the tending guardians, relying on the GOD POWER TO DO THE ACTUAL WORK.

THE VENETIAN

There is only one power by which man may develop and mature his divine pattern, and that power is of God. Even the great brother, whose name and service we honor at this holy season, has said, "I, of myself, can do nothing. It is the Father within who doeth the works." The guardian spirits, the angelic host, the Cosmic Beings, and the Spiritual Hierarchy BUT PREPARE THE SOUL TO RECEIVE THE IMPETUS FROM THE GOD WHO MADE IT. As the farmer does not claim to have CREATED THE harvest, neither does the Hierarchy claim to have CREATED the God-free beings, but rather to have worked in the Father's vineyard, tending the souls, within whose very selves lies the pattern of divinity. We can, and do, create the AURA where sanctity is developed. We can, and do, stimulate the soul to MAGNETIZE the God-currents. We can, and do, form a pattern of what each intelligence may, in himself, express. That is as far as the Ascended Master service goes. It is the "inward search" of the self that yields the harvest of manifest works.

SERAPIS BEY

The man who applies to a seat of learning in order to become proficient in some art, science or other highly-specialized skill, recognizes the self-evident truth that those who have already mastered the natural laws governing such developed talents and capacities are the natural teachers, from whom he can benefit. He does not worship the teacher, but shares the teacher's consciousness, makes of it his own, and working through the shared instruction comes to like proficiency. It is equally true of the student upon the spiritual path. When he applies for more knowledge than the world can give, the Law opens the door by which he may enter into association with those who are Masters of the particular phase of spiritual endeavor which has drawn his interest. The Master will at all times turn the student back to the development of his own consciousness. He will share the understanding by which he attained, but he will never allow the student to lean upon him for accomplishment of his own individual development. Such a student loves, reveres and honors his teacher but worships only and always the God that lives within him.

HILARION

When a man desires to expand the divine pattern through his own soul, he magnetizes spiritual currents, which nourish and develop those slumbering spiritual centers and arouse them to active expression through the outer consciousness. I well remember the response of the Christ to the magnetized energies of my world, as I walked the road to Damascus, intent on doing RIGHT as I saw it. The sincerity of my motive invoked the presence of the living Jesus Christ, and in an instant, I saw RIGHT, and seeing, my soul embraced that presence and it became for me the stimulus to the development of my own Christ in like manner. Thus through the spiritual sun of Jesus' presence, my own God-pattern was stimulated, developed and externalized, AND SO MAY IT BE FOR YOU! (One of beloved Hilarion's embodiments was the apostle, Paul.)

JESUS

Through the kind and gracious assistance of our Lord Maha Chohan, I was enabled to magnetize the spiritual currents of the resurrection, which flow through the Earth and resurrect the nature kingdom in the Springtime. These same currents are EQUALLY AVAILABLE to mankind desiring to make his soul MAGNIFY THE LORD. It is pitiful, indeed, that the fragrant, gloriously-colored blossoms upon the fruit tree DO MAGNIFY the spirit of life, and the souls of men pass through each Easter Season with so little of the new life expressed through their nature and their presence in this world of form.

SAINT GERMAIN

Every man has his own Easter, when the soul— awakening from its long sleep— stretches its arms out toward Its God and invokes the Lifegiving currents of the resurrection to re-vitalize the divine pattern that has lain dormant through the centuries. As surely as the fruit tree shares in the miracle of a new birth, so surely does every soul so invoking the Resurrection Flame share in the SECOND BIRTH and become a full flower in the garden of the spiritually elect, the God-free spirits who are externalizing the will of God through flesh— and through spirit. I have known that Easter, and you shall know it too, one day when the longing of the soul for light is greater than the clamor of the personal self for survival at the cost of delayed mastery.

THE LIFE OF JESUS by Beloved Mary

(Continued from March, 1954 issue)

To hold the divine picture for yourself is pleasant, for every man and woman and child instinctively can accept a divine picture for the ego, but to hold that divine picture for someone else is a discipline, and this is the service I will ask you to render to life. Each of you see the rest of the world through your consciousness and your senses, and the recording is not always either pleasing to you nor comfortable—but, there is a shining Presence, a starry-eyed God or Goddess waiting to externalize through every human form. If you cannot yet yourself hold that concept, if you will ask me I will help you to picturize the perfection for another. Then hold that, as I held the picture for my son against the disintegrating forces of gossip, of suggestion, and all the many constant thoughts, feelings and words that are directed by the outer consciousness toward the human race.

If you had a sculptured piece of marble and it were constantly chipped by a sharp instrument, in the course of a week you would have a distortion. Yet that is what men and women do one to another. When something displeases, and when something is seemingly out of order, they drive their feelings into the concept they hold, and charge it strongly into the world of the other.

Those now who desire to hold this immaculate concept with me, have opportunity. we used to say, Jesus and I, many times, "How blessed are the peacemakers." We had peacemakers in our small community, and we had dissenters. It is always thus, but the lifestream who covers the faults and failings of another in the cloak of the silence, the lifestream who endeavors to understand the motive behind seemingly unnecessary passions, the lifestream who pours oil on the troubled waters, is most truly a blessing, particularly to those who are trying to render service to the masses.

This morning (December 8), millions of men and women knelt, and their songs and prayers rose to my heart from every continent upon this terrestrial globe. It was a magnificent outpouring. The energies that came into my use and consciousness have exceeded my own heart's fondest dreams. All of this energy I have qualified with the power to be released through the Holy Christ Self, to give that immaculate concept to every lifestream. It is returning now in Blue Flame into your minds, and into the minds of the great orthodox masses, who call mostly for help, seldom for illumination, and almost never for understanding of the way to become that which I am.

Beloved children, I am grateful for this opportunity, for as I speak to you I send forth this flame and ray to every lifestream who might choose to understand my service to life. May I say, blessed are you who endeavor to find your Presence. Blessed are you who are strong enough to charge the perfection of your Presence into your fellowmen. Blessed are you who desire to be peacemakers, for the world is already too filled with the dissentions which rise from discontent.

In the name of my beloved son, in my own name, and in the name of Saint Germain, I bless your families. Family life has always been my particular interest, the mothers, the fathers, and the children. As I am given opportunity through the Cosmic Law, and as the great sponsor for 1954— the Master Morya— has asked me to assist him, I shall endeavor to make family life, throughout the world, something of which to be proud, something that is a unit which gives confidence, security, strength and peace to the individuals who share it, something that makes the home a place that is eagerly sought—a grail in which the new strength is gathered, that the lifestream going forth again into the world may be the stronger and the purer because of the sanctity of that home.

The home is the temple of the family unit. It was builded to be a grail and a sanctuary. It was builded to be a cooperative focus of concentrated power, from which every member could drink, where their bodies might lie asleep at night in perfect security and peace, where their inner selves might find stimulus to go forth again into the world of form, where each person might find the others standing behind them with a feeling of confidence and faith in their ability to perform some service for the good of the race.

The family was made as a unit to draw the powers of the Sacred Fire and the blessing of God, in concentrative and cooperative prayer. The family unit is not understood by even the students, as a concentrated focus, a grail through which the gifts of God should enrich and strengthen each member. That is why your communistic doctrine is impossible, even looking at it from a socialistic standpoint, because to take great numbers of children, great numbers of grown people, and impersonally train them, is to deny them the focus of love which can be found only in a divine and holy family. Oh, schools, yes, are beautiful and they will render a great service in the new age, but the holy family which gives the young people an opportunity to grow, to mature and to go forth, will be re-established.

Kwan Yin and myself, the beloved Meta, and the ladies of heaven have determined to give this understanding to those who choose to accept it. I am hoping that you who are blessed this morning, may accept my mantle around your shoulders, hold my concept of your perfection in your own consciousness, and choose to dedicate and consecrate your eyes to see perfection.

Where imperfection is, see only opportunity. Let your lips fashion only words that bring confidence, hope and comfort, and not convey to another's mind a distorted concept of any part of life. Your ears should hear the signal of the Master, his word, and his message and should also hear the call of your fellowman. Your hands should bless, should be a grasp of friendship, a pat on the shoulder, a helping hand through which your life may make it easier for another. Your feet should be consecrated to carry your body forward to render service to life, and your whole vehicle should be an instrument through which God may further himself.

This is the service of consecration which we performed in the temple every day from the time I was three years of age, when Anne and Joachim took me and left me with those who were to guide my spiritual training until I became ready to enter the greater service with Joseph. I cannot ask that you consecrate your life— BUT I CAN HOPE THAT YOU WILL.

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION OF THE FLAME April 17, 1954

Beloved Children Of God:

Without mercy no unascended being could know redemption or reinstatement into his own divine pattern as a God-being. Great intelligences have held the Cosmic Flame of Mercy and Compassion in the atmosphere of this Earth for many centuries. This center from whence flows the river of mercy and love is located in China. The great Goddess of Mercy, Kwan Yin, and her SPIRITUAL COURT, invite the Ascended Host and the children of Earth to be their guests during this period when the mercy of Life is amplified and sent forth in great healing waves to envelop the planet and all life evolving in, through and around it.

While you turn your attention to the gift of mercy, to God as the great giver, and to the beloved Kwan Yin and her spiritual court, as the guardian presences of mercy, allow your consciousness first to generate mercy, compassion and forgiveness to all life which may have injured you, back unto the beginning of time. Experience in your FEELINGS the activity of forgiveness. You are then prepared to RECEIVE forgiveness as you have GIVEN IT FORTH.

The color of the quality of forgiveness and mercy is deep royal purple. As you breathe that essence into your being, feel the Transmutation Flame raising, purifying and balancing the energies of your physical and inner bodies, flowing through your worlds, and into the atmosphere, environment and life of all you contact, all who are within your sphere of influence. Then feel your sphere of influence as a conductor of mercy, forgiveness and divine alchemy to your entire locality, your nation and the Earth.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION OF THE FLAME April 17, 1954

Beloved Merciful Friends Of Mankind:

God bless you! In the name, the love and eternal authority of the Almighty Presence of God which beats your heart and mine, I greet you as a fellow-traveler on the path of light which takes each one home to the heart of the Father-Mother God. I call the beloved Kwan Yin into dynamic action to hermetically seal you and your world and all you love in a gigantic FIERY FOCUS of her purple heart of mercy's Flame, saturating all the energy of your being and world with that flaming essence, bringing and holding all into perfect, divine order through divine love, in everexpanding power until your eternal victory is attained. We consciously accept this DONE RIGHT NOW with full power!

This 30-day period again we have such magnificent opportunity to FREE OURSELVES more quickly through calling forth this Violet Fire of Mercy's Forgiving Love for all life and, particularly, for all you love. No one, unascended, realizes just how much of their outer limitations, pain and unhappiness are caused by old thought and feeling forms in the mental and feeling worlds, condensed energy charged with hurt and resentful feelings because of injustices (real or imagined) from some part of life in the past, sometimes many, many centuries ago. The beloved Violet Fire of divine love, forgiveness and compassion is God's way of balancing energy and "making all things right," and THE ONLY WAY to permanently remove THE CAUSE OF ALL MANKIND'S DISTRESS.

Pain, lack and all the humanly-created distresses (which a great God of love NEVER INTENDED TO BE) can be repressed and repelled by force of will from outer expression FOR A TIME, BUT TO BE PERMANENTLY FREE

FROM THEIR EFFECTS, THE CAUSE MUST BE TRANSMUTED at the inner levels of thought and feeling. This Violet Fire is a rate of vibration which actually dissolves these hard, unyielding forms of substance in the mental and feeling worlds of the individual (when used personally and from the atmosphere of Earth when called forth for general use). One of the most transcendent blessings of the use of the Violet Fire is that it not only transmutes that which should not be, but it always leaves in the place of that which was consumed, some of the substance of itself, so that each time it is called forth there is less opportunity to create the undesirable. As the old adage goes, "The proof of the pudding is in the eating." If you will faithfully give these few simple decrees herewith at least twice every day (3 times if possible), for this 30-day period, you will have ample proof in your own feelings of the truth we give you.

The color of the Transmission Flame this time is, of course, deep, royal purple, the keynote melody is "In a Monastery Garden," and the statement to be used is as follows:

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
- I AM inbreathing th'forgiving feeling of mercy's love from beloved Kwan Yin

(Repeat this statement. Substitute "absorbing, expanding and projecting" for "inbreathing")

Joyously and victoriously in the light, I AM, Frances K. Ekey

Healing Contemplation and Meditation

Beloved Christ Presence within my heart, illumine my consciousness with the light of thy truth and the flaming essence of God's forgiveness, mercy and divine healing. I AM illumined by my God-consciousness and I now humbly set forth upon the pathway of liberation and full freedom!

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

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TO OUR GENTLE READERS, IN THE NAME OF THE BELOVED GOD OF MERCY AND COMPASSION! GREETINGS

Through mercy and forgiveness, every soul who has passed through the portals of birth and has experienced the privilege of using the creative power of thought and feeling, shall know redemption, restoration to the God-estate, and finally FREEDOM from every appearance of shadow, limitation and distress!

Without mercy, as the good Shakespeare has so truly said, "none of us should have seen salvation." Let us then, in this holy month of May, honor the presence of mercy, forgiveness and compassion. Through the gift of its grace, every lifestream who ascended accomplished the resuscitation of the spiritual nature and the transmutation of the human nature. These gifts of grace made such ascension possible. By the invocation and application of the Law of Forgiveness, every lifestream yet awaiting freedom shall experience in the energies of his own world, individual redemption and individual resurrection of the God-nature so long submerged in the human nature.

To honor any quality in another individual—human or divine —is good. TO BECOME, in the feelings, a generating and radiating center of that same quality of qualified energy IN YOURSELF is MASTERY. Let those who honor mercy BECOME THE joyous, loving, forgiving presence of mercy through their own natures to all they contact. Let the "admiration" of virtue now be replaced by the "activation" of virtue through each man and woman who desires to experience freedom in every sense of the word!

Thomas Printz, Editor

GROUP INSTRUCTION FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

May, 1954

Beloved Friends of Freedom

Do you know what that word "friend" really means when you accept the responsibility of being a friend to a God-quality and to the Master who is its embodied radiation? It means, in essence, that you are willing to give your life to amplify that quality, to further that cause, to assist that friend. Giving one's life for a friend does not necessarily mean "laying down" one's life. Rather, is it the constant qualification of the pure, primal substance that forms the silver cord by which you live, move and have your being, with the quality of freedom. It means the consecration of that life each morning, to serve freedom. It means the dedication of your thoughts, feelings, and actions to the development of interest in that cause, the radiation of the feelings that give freedom to all life you contact, and the constant contemplation of the great Master whom you have called "friend."

As we enter the heart of the Transylvanian Retreat, we are reminded that here two short years ago was born the Transmission Flame Activity. Here the first initial impulse of the Freedom Flame was focused and directed into the receptive consciousness of unascended beings. Again, as all through the centuries, a great universal blessing was born in this retreat. The full import, significance and cosmic benefit of this Transmission Flame is not yet apparent in the world of form. Yet to those of us who witness the transformation of the inner atmosphere of Earth, this anniversary is a cause for thanksgiving, gratitude and praise to the God of Life for the idea which promulgated the activity, for the Masters who presented it to the students, and to you, the unascended members of the human race, who accepted and developed and nourished the idea and made of it a practical blessing to the race. The report of Lord Michael on New Year's Day is ample proof to the discerning, of what is being accomplished through this world-wide transmission of the sphere of influence of the holy retreats.

I ask you then, on this anniversary, to be conscious of the deep Purple Flame of Freedom, held within the Maltese cross, in honor of the beloved Saint Germain, and as you honor that flame and accept it, join your praise to ours for its presence in the universe, for it is the only hope of redemption, resuscitation and resurrection for any soul unascended today.

Love and blessings,

Maha Chohan

GROUP INSTRUCTION FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Beloved Heart Friend of Freedom:

May 1, 1954

God bless you! I call into dynamic action, RIGHT NOW and forever sustained and ever expanding, OCEANS of the Violet Consuming Flame from beloved Saint Germain and his glorious retreat in Transylvania, his heart flame of everlasting freedom to sweep in, through and around you and all you love, possessing, controlling and ruling all instantly, compelling your eternal freedom from all that binds or limits your soul. I command the fiery essence to fulfill the divine plan of your lifestream this instant and forever. LET IT BLAZE! Acknowledge it several times a day CONSCIOUSLY. Stop every so often, whatever you are doing, and think of that Violet Flame surging up, in through and around you for a distance of about 9 ft. at least, in every direction. In your feelings, CONSCIOUSLY accept and rejoice that IT HAS THE POWER AND DETERMINATION to keep right on in its dynamic action until you are completely and eternally free. THIS IS TRUE!

Think on this! There is really no such thing as an "accident", taking that word to mean "an effect without a previous cause sent forth." That could never be in a universe completely, eternally and minutely run on absolute Law and Order. Everything has a CAUSE. You and I and all mankind had a CAUSE. We came forth from the heart and mind of God because he chose we should, because he created us through his own thought and feeling, sending us out into the universe to create and expand more of his perfection.

Our present conditions of limitations and distress have a CAUSE! It is our forgetfulness of Him, the SOURCE from which we sprung, and in so forgetting, we neglected to look back to the pattern of perfection, so as to be able to reproduce it everywhere. If the inner consciousness of spiritual love and perfection is not allowed to create according to God's plan, then the outer consciousness MUST, since "perpetual motion" is one of the laws of life. It has been a long time since the outer consciousness of most people have remembered the SOURCE of their being and therefore, looking away from perfection for their design, much has been created that is not only useless to the lifestream, but extremely disturbing and destructive, causing much suffering.

GOD'S GLORIOUS AND BEAUTIFUL FLAME OF COSMIC CHRIST MERCY, DIVINE LOVE AND COMPASSION, the Violet Consuming Flame, was created by God's great forgiving heart, and is now directed by the great GOD FREEDOM, the beloved Ascended Master Saint Germain. The conscious use of this flame at least twice a day, morning and evening, uninterrupted (and, if possible, in the middle of the day) will dissolve and consume

that which was never created by love, that which was NEVER MEANT TO BE. However, it does require your consistent and regular attention and according to the amount of FEELING you put into it will it require a longer or shorter time to consume that which we have drawn about us in ignorance and forgetfulness. Begin to use it and PERSIST! PERSIST! You did not accumulate all your troubles in one day and probably will not get rid of all of them that quickly either! GIVE IT YOUR ATTENTION, YOUR LOVE AND GRATITUDE for the service it is rendering you and YOU MUST HAVE RESULTS that will prove Its reality and efficacy to you.

The color of the flame is the deep royal purple, the musical keynote of this retreat is the beauty of the Strauss waltzes which were originally inspired by our beloved Saint Germain.

The statement to be used in the transmission of the flame is:

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I AM	inbreathing	the Freedom	Flame	of love's	forgivene	ss from	Transylvania
I AM	absorbing	"	"	"	"	"	44
I AM	expanding	"	"	"	"	"	44
I AM	projecting	44	"	"	"		"

Joyously and victoriously in the light, FRANCES K. EKEY

SUGGESTED DECREES FOR THE 30-DAY PERIOD May 15th through June 15th, 1954

NOTE: We refer you to the short decree on the "enjoyment of forgiving" in the April issue of the *Bridge to Freedom*. Most people cannot ENJOY forgiving because of the resentment against injustice which they hold in their feelings. However, at your command, in the name of the "I AM," this can and will be consumed as you persist, and you will feel tremendous relief from pressures of feeling you did not know were in your world. Try it and see.

Oh Beloved Violet Fire of merciful freedom's forgiving love, I love you! I earnestly and most sincerely call you into dynamic action NOW in through and around my entire being and world, knowing your healing presence can never bring me anything but happiness and release from that which never should have been for me or for any part of life anywhere. Saturate my entire being and world with your heavenly presence, substance and power of LIGHT, which as surely as it is called forth, just automatically BEGINS to bring my world into perfect, divine order through divine love and hold it thus forever, FOR WHERE THOU ART, noth-

ing but GOD CAN LIVE! In your great wisdom, release to and through me now and forever ALL THE POWER OF YOUR ACTION you see my world can use. Make and keep me as free as you are, NOW AND FOREVER! I thank you for your presence in the universe and your willingness to set me free.

DEAR FRIEND, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THIS CALL TO FAIL. If you doubt its efficacy, remember this, you are somewhat familiar with the LAW OF GRAVITY, are you not? If you throw something up, it must come down to Earth. Well, THE LAW OF YOUR BEING is such that when you call to an intelligence greater than your outer mind, IT IS COMPELLED TO ANSWER YOU, just as surely as that which you sent up came down. Think this through! (It is a simple, but COSMIC TRUTH!)

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0! Thou beloved presence of God, I AM in me, oh thou beloved Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within our hearts! Beloved Saint Germain and Jesus and all Great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light, angels and activities of the Sacred Fire, In the name of the presence of God which I AM and by the magnetic power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I decree:

Blaze & sustain God's Violet Flame through all my world today*

Belov'd I AM! (3)

By Freedom's Hand! (3)

Give quick release! (3)

Bring instant peace! (3)

By Sacred Fire! (3)

It's God's desire! (3)

Dissolve the human! (3)

My world illumine! (3)

I command it done today!

I command it done to stay!

I command it done God's way!

Belov'd I AM! (3)

*(repeat before each line)

HEALING CONTEMPLATIONS

I AM THE CHRIST PRESENCE within me, drawing me, through the magnetic power of its love, into the full realization and acceptance of my divinity. I do now abide within that Presence and I AM its full manifestation of perfection right now!

My mortal consciousness is now centered within the Sacred Fire within my heart and there I AM at one with the divine concept of my own perfection, which shall now be made manifest through me.

The Sacred Fire within my heart is now expanding, with full power, in all It's beauty and perfection, through every center within my body and I shall now attain full use and mastery over all the inner faculties and their centers of force within me.

The Homes and Retreats of the Masters of Wisdom THE RETREAT OF THE MASTER SAINT GERMAIN, IN TRANSYLVANIA May 15th through June 14th, 1954

In central Europe, in the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains, stands the manor house of the beloved Master whose spiritual activities and services are to be the predominant pattern for the next two-thousand-year cycle, dedicated to the externalization of freedom in every activity of life. He is known as The Master Saint Germain, and his love for freedom stretches back through many ages. Looking upon the presence of God, himself, the beloved Saint Germain desired to embody the nature of freedom which, of course, is one of the manifold expressions of divinity. For ages, he contemplated the Freedom Flame and drew it through his consciousness, serving the cause of freedom in every embodiment which he took.

In time, he drew around himself many students and chelas with like interest and these spiritual pioneers embodied in every nation on the face of the Earth, leaving as their heritage at the close of each embodiment, a little more freedom in some one or many of the lines of endeavor in which they served. Finally, under the directions of his own great Master, Saint Germain was enabled to found the spiritual House of Rakoczy, as a focus for initiates and students who desired to embody freedom and carry it through their own lives into the world of men.

The focus for this spiritual home of freedom was established in Transylvania and here it remains to the present day. Lovers of freedom in

every age have made their way thither, bathed in the concentrated radiation of this retreat, and gone forth recharged with the necessary enthusiasm to kindle the fires of freedom wheresoever their individual life path should take them. Here was born the impetus and stimulus that drove Marco Polo East and Columbus West, the inspiration of Roger Bacon, the religious fervor of the middle-century saints, the renaissance of art and music after the Dark Ages, the strength of the Pilgrim fathers, the wave of patriotism that crowned the French and American Revolutions with political freedom, and the more mystic interests that activate the seekers for spiritual mastery through the divine alchemy of love divine. For further details on this retreat, please see "Bridge to Freedom," July 1952; July, 1953.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: In my association with the Ascended Masters, how may I avoid breaking the first commandment?

GURU— Beloved Chela: Walking on the spiritual path requires the utmost discrimination and balance. The development of this balance is the duty and responsibility of each chela. Every TRUE Master will turn the consciousness of the chela BACK toward the God that made them both. When an individual, visible or invisible, tends to encourage the student to lean upon a consciousness outside of himself, beware!

CHELA—Beloved Master: When the curtain has been drawn aside and we are privileged to know a little something of the perfection and beauty of the Ascended Masters, it is difficult for us not to worship that expression!

GURU—Beloved Chela: Even the Master Jesus was required to admonish his followers from time to time in the words, "Call not me good," and in the further reminder, "It is not I, it is the Father (God) within that doeth the works." It is right and proper to love, reverence and have faith in one's teacher. It is the proper balance for the instruction and blessings received. The Master, however, must be looked upon as a PATTERN which the student must DUPLICATE, not ADMIRE.

CHELA— Beloved Master: As you have become that which we desire to be, it is our desire to do that which you would have us do, be what you would have us become, imitate you in all our ways.

GURU— Beloved Chela: The Ascended Master has become one with

the will of God. He, therefore, will never desire for you anything but that which your own Holy Christ Self desires to manifest through you. The advantage of the counsel and instruction of the Ascended Master is your protection and guidance during the time when you may not yet be able to discern from within yourself just exactly what the Christ Self may desire to do through you.

There are two roads open before the chela. He may prefer to rely only upon that contact which he can develop from entering the silence and communing there with his indwelling Christ, relying upon his intuition and capacity to discern between the Voice of the Silence and the voice of his "many selves." Or, he may accept the assistance of the Ascended Master, who has already full access to the Christ Mind. This Master may suggest (when invited) a course of action which will be beneficial to the spiritual development of the chela. A REAL MASTER will never ORDER nor COMPEL, through superstition or fear, a course of action which a chela should follow. All cooperation with the Great White Brotherhood is VOL-UNTARY and proceeds from a desire upon the part of the chela to know how to proceed up the mount of attainment more quickly.

The students on the path may be divided generally into two groups, those who accept the assistance and superior wisdom of guides who have gone the way before and who, by such acceptance, strike straight up the mountain, and those who prefer to set their own pace and proceed around the mountain without the assistance of such volunteers from above. Either course is safe, either is sure, but the bold who grasp the hands of the Master find attainment more quickly, although the arduous climb may sometimes tell on their spirits before they stand on the summit.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We must then only worship and love the God that beats your hearts and our own. We must reverence you for service and example. This is the law?

GURU—Beloved disciple: The pointing of the chela into the Secret Place of the Most High, the developing of the chela's capacity to find and draw forth his own God nature, the enjoyment of sharing the chela's development of his own divine plan through giving him a "method of application" (but not applying the Law for him), the protecting of the chela by wise counsel from the "pitfalls on the path", the enfolding of the chela in the substance and radiation of divine love, which enters the chela's world through association with the Master in mind and feeling, the constant spurring on of the chela's endeavors to find the highest expression through his own self-conscious endeavors, the watching and waiting,

the fanning of the spiritual embers by the presence of love, the active companionship upon the path—these are the services of the Ascended Masters.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it true that when you accept an unascended being as a chela, you guarantee to the Cosmic Law that the energy you invest in such a chela will be amplified by good works performed through the self-conscious endeavors of such a chela?

GURU—Beloved Chela: Yes, that is true! Life is a gift of God, whether it is used by a Master, an angel, an elemental or a man and for every spark of the life force used, all must render an accounting, above as well as below. When an intelligence accepts the responsibility of qualifying life, he accepts the obligation to use that life to expand perfection. When a Master, therefore, invests his time, energy, counsel, love, and companionship in the development of a chela's consciousness, if that chela does not live up to his light, the Master must balance the investment of his energy in a poor project to the Cosmic Law. It would be better not to 'court' association with a Master unless one expects to serve mankind and the evolution of the planet as a balance for the pleasure of such association.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it true then, that the Master chooses the chela, or may a chela by effort of will 'force' an association with a Master?

GURU—Beloved Chela: For the most part, the Master has chosen the chela centuries before the chela is even aware that there are Ascended Masters. The Master, through past association, or particular momentums gathered into the Causal Body of a chela, will choose to prepare certain lifestreams for an association in ages yet unborn from the womb of time. Thus, the love of the Master is the overshadowing presence that finally causes the chela to awaken to an interest in a particular Master, to respond to his name, and to feel a complementary vibration through his inner bodies when working upon a particular ray.

There are occasions, however, when a bold son or daughter of man proceeds to "force" an association. By doing good in the name of a Master, by drawing his blessings through the lifestream, by meditating upon him and touching the hem of his spiritual garments (his aura), such an one draws the Master's attention by the law of magnetic attraction. An association is then born, stemming out of the unascended being's ambitions. This is a more difficult association, because like "incubated" flowers, anything forced requires more attention and care than that which develops through natural merit and momentums.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can we find the particular Master who is our sponsor, our guide, our Guru?

GURU—Beloved Chela: When the pupil is ready, the Master appears! Until this hour, beware the subtle projections from the 'many selves' which seek to glorify the ego. The natural development of your own spiritual nature will release a warm, pleasant, relaxed 'glow' when you are under the radiation of 'your' Master. Be careful that personality is not exalted in the meditations of your heart. The Master will mute self and glorify God. Blessings on you, child. —More next time.

The Masters Of Wisdom Speak THE WESAK FESTIVAL

EDITOR'S NOTE: Once a year, on the night of the full moon in the month of May, the beloved Lord Gautama Buddha appears to the children of Earth and pours the benediction of his presence through the assemblage gathered together in one of the valleys of northern India. The Great White Brotherhood are always present at this outpouring, as are many spiritually-minded men and women who, in their finer bodies, attend this visitation. From all over the East, pilgrims gather in their physical bodies to share in the blessing as well. Any who choose to attend while their physical bodies sleep may direct their consciousness before entering sleep on the night of May 17 to the Valley of the Wesak.

MAHA CHOHAN

The embodiment of the virtues, (their very nature), and the qualities of God, by self-conscious intelligences, is the Law by which God multiplies, externalizes, and increases himself through all kingdoms and in all spheres. Such embodiment of the blessings of God enables individual intelligences to carry forth that radiation and modify its glory for the enjoyment and benefit of those lower on the ladder of evolution. Thus is the God-nature "stepped down" from sphere to sphere in its outward journey toward the periphery of the universe. One such radiating center of God's love is Gautama Buddha, whose benediction we all share on the anniversary of his ascension, which falls this year on May 17th.

EL MORYA

Order is the first law of heaven! The light of the great parent sun, itself, is so brilliant, so dazzling, so potent, so mystical that its glory is mercifully "softened" by the lesser suns of each universe. Each lesser sun, receiving the full light from the parent sun, transforms and condenses the light and life from that sun to a rate of vibration which can be absorbed and digested by the planets of its system and the evolutions progressing thereon. So is the love of God drawn into the living bodies of great beings and radiated through them in such a manner that can be felt, understood and assimilated by the particular evolutions who are to be the beneficiaries of such "graded" radiation.

To enable the mankind of Earth to receive the spiritual blessings that are so easily absorbed by the consciousness of the Buddha in the realms of light, far, far beyond the reach of the consciousness of even the Ascended Masters, Lord Buddha offered once each year to lower the vibratory action of his inner bodies, his Cosmic Christ Consciousness and his very self, into the atmosphere of Earth. The radiation of such a presence becomes an active, tangible, potent force through the entire consciousness of the human race. Because he has returned into the atmosphere of Earth in response to the calls for mercy from unascended beings, his tangible presence at the Feast of the Wesak makes more potent and powerful than ever, the benediction and blessing that become the heritage of the people at this mystical celebration this year.

KUTHUMI

Observation of the transference of the wealth of one consciousness to another, in the field of education, leads the alert to realization that the reception and conference of radiation is the natural order of evolution. Always, the one further upon the pathway of knowledge, attainment, self-mastery, stands closer to the throne of the Eternal. Such an one is obligated to proffer the blessings received to those below him on the ladder of evolution and progress. Thus, for God, himself, there are "step down transformers," even as in school the sum total of knowledge in the university is channeled through many consciousnesses (teachers) and stepped down into the receptive consciousnesses of the students. Those who carry the radiation of God and his word are messengers who come in his name. Greatest among these is our Lord Gautama Buddha, who has volunteered to prepare for the assumption of the service of beloved Sanat Kumara at the close of this present cycle of change.

PAUL - THE VENETIAN MASTER

In March, the pilgrims of Asia begin to respond to the magnetic power of love divine and turn their attention toward the spiritual currents set up by the Great White Brotherhood in preparation for the visitation of Lord Gautama Buddha at the Wesak Festival, on the night of the full moon, in the mystic month of May. There is no definite place which is set for the celebration of this cosmic event. Each year, the valley chosen is known only to the Brotherhood. The light in the heart of the pilgrims, the sincerity of their motives, and the tenacity of their endeavors determine whether or not they will arrive in the chosen valley and receive the added benediction through their physical garments as well as their inner vehicles, which naturally gravitate toward the celebration through the power of the attention, when the physical body sleeps. For all these earnest and prayerful pilgrims, let us whisper together a prayer, "Lead, kindly light, their feet to this holy shrine!"

HILARION

God needs a body, a vehicle of expression, in order to externalize himself on every plane. For instance, ABSTRACT beauty is only enjoyed by the physical sight of men when embodied in a flowering bush, a blossomed tree, a shimmering lake, a majestic snow-crowned mountain. So, too, the divine nature of love is enjoyed when embodied as a friend, a mother, a sweetheart, a Guru. In a much greater capacity, the spiritual essence of God's presence is embodied in great God-intelligences who have the power to absorb, radiate and re-create, on a lower plane, the full nature of God. These God-intelligences are as much in accord with the system of manifesting the abstract, as is the flower, the bird song, the laden tree.

Such a one is Lord Gautama Buddha, who has earned the right to sit in the living presence of the God of this universe, embody his nature, and intensify that nature by his own qualified life. As a voluntary service to mankind, the angelic host and the elemental kingdom presently evolving in and around the planet Earth, he chooses once each year to lower into the atmosphere of Earth this radiation, which he has drawn into himself and which otherwise would remain in the sphere where God and his spiritual court abide.

SERAPIS BEY

The great seraphic legions serve primarily as messengers of the Most High. They, together with the cherubim, live in the presence of God, himself. Their bodies are batteries of his virtue. At his decree, they sweep through the universe, emitting from their radiant bodies that qualified light and life, which becomes a perfume, a spiritual impetus, a benediction in every sphere through which, like lightning, they pass. The seraphim and cherubim of love accompany Lord Buddha, and from India they carry the sweetness of his blessings around the world, going north, south, east and west, blanketing the planet with the essence of divinity.

JESUS

I am one who chose to embody the nature of God. When I said, "He who has seen me, has seen the Father," I presented this truth. It is now the opportunity for each one eager to expand the borders of the Father's kingdom, to likewise partake of the nature of God and embody that nature through the feelings, through the mental processes, and through the transfigured flesh!

SAINT GERMAIN

Freedom is the particular virtue that I have always loved when contemplating the beautiful nature of God. From admiration of that quality as expressed through the divine Father and Mother, and through the beloved Archangels and God-beings who live but to express that nature, I was finally drawn to the realization that "embodiment" of that quality through my very self would be the proper service to life. To admire a virtue is a beautiful thing. Blessed is the consciousness whose perceptions are so developed that he can even SENSE virtue. It is the first step on the path. There comes, then, the day when the Guru suggests that admiration MUST BECOME ACTION. Action requires the self-conscious decision of the individual unit.

Editor's Note: The office of Chohan of each ray is like the office of king, Pope, or president. This office is filled by different intelligences, who qualify to perform the services required through that particular office. Thus, in the long history of evolution of the race, the office of Chohan of the Seventh Ray, presently held by the Master Saint Germain, was previously held by other Godintelligences who have since graduated to superior positions in the Spiritual Hierarchy. We present, herewith, excerpts from recent addresses by beings who have, from time to time, held the office of Chohan of the Seventh Ray, and wielded the power of divine alchemy, transmutation of substance and energy,

and, through the Violet Ray, assisted in the redemption of the race. The first Chohan of the Seventh Ray was the beloved Archangel Zadkiel. He was followed in successive order by beloved Sanat Kumara, the Lord Gautama Buddha, the Goddess of Mercy, Kwan Yin, and the beloved Saint Germain. In like manner, initiates are now training and preparing for the opportunity of assuming this office when the Master Saint Germain is called to greater service in the near future.

Your Editor, Thomas Printz

Excerpts from an Address by BELOVED LORD GAUTAMA

June, 1953

When I stood in the court of Sanat Kumara and offered to take upon myself the necessary disciplines to become the embodiment of love for a planet, the angelic host, the devic and the elemental kingdoms, I realized that I would have to MAKE SACRED through this flame (the Sacred Fire of Mercy and Compassion) in my heart all of the energies that I had used in all the incarnations I had known. When you once understand that, it becomes a joy, because you become centered in this Fire of Purification and all the energy that is returning to you through the experiences of the day. You sanctify, by welcoming it, transmuting it, and returning it to your Causal Body, so that it may go out no more. Some of you have felt the recoil of this energy and you have resented it and battled over it, and you have become depressed over it and wept over it, when there is no need. Know that it is an opportunity to sanctify the energy of your life in preparation for the days that are yet ahead.

Oh, that wonderful Law of the Circle! The outgoing energy passing through the Sacred Flame of which I spoke, taking on the qualities of your various bodies through the centuries that have been— and now, by the magnetic pull of your own Holy Christ Self, being called HOME, not to lash or punish or discourage you, but because through the doors of your own heart that energy might find freedom. From your heart it came, and through your heart let it pass back into the Great Eternal. You have now learned NOT to invoke those energies to injure life. You have learned HOW to become harmless. However, those PREVIOUSLY-QUALIFIED energies must yet return home . . . It is the law of your life. Here is a comforting thought, you can stop the rapid returning flow of that energy in a

moment and allow its return for redemption to proceed more slowly. You do not have to make sacred all your life energies so quickly, to make the great sacrifice, as I did, if you do not choose to do so.

You stood before the Lord of the World and said, "I shall sanctify the circle of my life through love." Let me refer for a moment to your beautiful Violet Transmuting Flame. In the East, we have called it "the Flame of Compassion and Mercy." It is of such tremendous assistance in this redemption of energy.

I wonder if there has been pointed out to you the approach required of the individual soul before the flame is set into action! This is the flame by which you intend to purify your own miscreations when it is joyously and vigorously employed, BUT FIRST YOU MUST SET YOUR OWN HOUSE IN ORDER. Forgive and balance your own energies toward life before you use it. My son has said "Forgive us our trespasses as WE forgive those who trespass against us."

Great numbers have gathered together and in the power of that flame have asked for release, but how many have first entered into the secret heart chamber and forgiven ALL of life? That is the efficacy in Its use for you, my dear, sweet, earnest and lovely flowers in God's kingdom! It shall be done unto you according as you do unto others, and this Violet Transmuting Flame has not been manifested in its full efficacy by any of my beloved Saint Germain's children, because the lifestream has not taken time to BECOME the Mercy Flame FIRST, in FEELING and in THOUGHT.

Excerpts from an Address by BELOVED SAINT GERMAIN

1953

If the students in their earnest desire to receive forgiveness and to experience the full efficacy of the Violet Fire of Divine Compassion in wiping out their own mistakes and that of all mankind, would ask to FEEL the intelligent consciousness of the Violet Fire, itself, they would greatly accelerate the power of divine alchemy in their worlds and affairs. The intelligence within the Violet Transmuting Fire is known as beloved Holy Amethyst. Her first activity, when called into action, is to express gratitude for the OPPORTUNITY of serving life to set it free.

The individual whose consciousness literally leaps forth at the opportunity to forgive some transgression of the Law, and particularly some injustice toward self, is ONE with the nature and feeling of this Flame of Mercy, which so joyously responds to the invitation to consume mankind's mistakes, whenever called into action.

The FEELING within the Sacred Fire must be generated through the individual's own feeling world to make the two become one!

Excerpts from an Address by BELOVED KWAN YIN

1953

I bow before the glorious light within your hearts, in gratitude for the opportunity and privilege of serving your life, and for your gracious kindness in receiving me and entering into the consciousness of my service to your life.

As we have opened the temple doors to your so-welcome presence, may you FEEL our happiness in your acceptance of our simple hospitality and friendship in that service to life.

To live but to amplify some particular gift of God's beautiful nature, is to live in the happiness of your complete freedom, for through the doors and windows of your soul there will sweep forth the glory of the Ever-Presence to enrich the world through your invitation.

This month your thoughts are on mercy, forgiveness and love divine! There is not one blessed lifestream who has not received of these three immortal gifts from the heart of God and his messengers many times throughout the ages. You are not strangers to these gifts, which pulsate through the flaming lotus of cosmic mercy, whose purple petals of living flame encompass the Earth. There is not one unascended being who could attain the full freedom that lies within the ascension, if these qualities were removed from the Earth! By mercy, through forgiveness, and in love, all life ascends again into its true estate.

I ask you now, as the flaming power of mercy, forgiveness and love divine encircles the Earth, to open your feeling worlds to the acceptance of this power of transmutation and allow the miracle-working alchemy to melt those creations in consciousness, that yet hold you bound. Oh, accept it for ALL life! It is the greatest concentration of the forgiving love of the Cosmic Christ that the Earth has yet known.

And now, beloved hearts, I ask you to BE that mercy, forgiveness and love divine to all life everywhere. Do you know what mercy is? It is more KINDNESS than JUSTICE REQUIRES. It is more kindness than can be claimed by merit or service. Will you daily begin to consciously forgive all the life that has consciously or unconsciously done you injustice, back to the beginning of time? Make it a daily ritual of your contemplative hours. Where you see those frightful distortions of mind and body, of disease or distress of any kind—stop for a moment and consciously forgive the energy that created such an appearance and set that energy, free. I shall amplify your every endeavor to be the merciful, forgiving, loving power of my presence, and I shall be so grateful to use you as myself while we have the opportunity of drawing, focusing, and directing our Flame of Mercy on a worldwide scale.

The blessings of Lord Buddha be upon you—my legions of mercy and love divine!

THE QUALIFICATION OF ENERGY By Beloved Archangel Zadkiel

January 1954

Realize that the qualification of energy is a natural power within your heart. Practice on your own subtle feelings, practice on your own reactions to life, and keep in the silence that which you are doing. It can be such a pleasurable experience to feel the change within the energy of your own feeling world and the happiness that comes as you qualify that energy harmoniously when it has chosen, because it has been so long your master, to distress you.

You are the intelligence. You are the God-power that drew that energy from the Sun. Nobody asked you to do it. You volunteered to come into being and to draw that pure, primal energy from the Sun, which anchored into your beating heart. That energy responded to your call and became your servant in that response. The fact that you have a beating heart is proof that energy has responded to your will. You have willed to be here, and energy and life, in answer to your invocation, beats your heart. Now why, when energy coming from the Sun responded to your will, should it immediately, when it gets into your world, turn around and be the MASTER OF YOU? It is ridiculous on the face of it! Think it through! The energy that came from the heart of God pure and perfect has come in response to your will to incarnate and to fulfill some portion

of God's plan. Refuse to allow that energy (when it has come through the open door of your being into the world of form) to turn then and become master over your peace, over your harmony, over your supply, over your service to mankind. Bless it before it leaves your aura.

It is so simple. Think where the angelic host would be if energy were their MASTER. We are the embodiment of qualified energy, which we hold in a radiation of peace, of harmony, of healing, of purity, of beauty. What we have done, you may do! We are willing to give you our fully-gathered cosmic momentum of fiery God-control, and thus you build a quality of energy around you. After you have experimented with your own energy, then you can master the energy in the people you contact and in the life which comes to you in the course of a day for redemption and purification.

You know the life within an unkind word comes to you to be redeemed and set free. The life within an unkind look or gesture comes to you, that you might bless it free.

LET US NOT PERSONALIZE ENERGY! That which comes into the compass of our daily thoughts and experiences—let us not rebel against it or feel unjustly treated if circumstance is such that energy qualified with discord comes within the compass of our aura. It comes because there are few foci in this unascended octave that know how to redeem it, to raise it, to purify it, to set it free. Do you see?

Where there is a focus of the Sacred Fire, where there is a lifestream who has a knowledge of the Violet Flame, there that energy has an opportunity of being redeemed and returned to the Universal First Cause. Oh, what a joy to move in the universe freeing energy, loving it free, and standing in the serene mastery of your own Godhood! It will be a magnificent thing for the men and women of this Earth (through your example) to see how this application will raise the attention of mankind and they too will want to learn how to master energy, to change its qualification and, through it, to know God-freedom. May the Holy Amethyst be a reminder to your lifestreams always to move forward as a transmuting power of energy wherever you find it manifesting less than God perfection!

Excerpts from an Address by BELOVED SANAT KUMARA

1953

Your life, qualified by your own free will, forms either part of the shroud of death, the depression and heaviness which weighs upon the peoples of Earth, or becomes part of that melting, radiant power of light that consumes the shadows, part of that activity of redemption for which the Brotherhood works.

That life, having come forth through the door of your own individuality, has no way to return home to the Father but through the Sacred Fire of your heart, through its own redeemer, by which it becomes purified. You call it karma. It is merely innocent life and on its return journey it simply carries back to you the same quality that you sent forth. When it touches your world (if it is uncomfortable) you repel it, and if you will not allow it to find its way back to the Father from whence it came, it remains part of your unconsumed human heritage of destructive karma until you can welcome it, redeem it through the Violet Transmuting Flame, and return it to the Sun from whence it came happily and joyously.

Not one thing can touch you, not one thing can enter your world except that which you have sent forth previously. In the knowledge of the Sacred Fire, in the knowledge of the Transmuting Flame—as that energy presses back for redemption—that much of the Earth's shroud, that much of the death garment, will be transformed as it passes through the Sacred Fire, and you—standing in dignity and honor—consciously return it to the universal as pure light, as part of my ransom.

LORD MAITREYA RECALLS HIS LIFE

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We (Lord Buddha and myself) manifested about an equal spiritual development when Sanat Kumara summoned us to his presence and said that the Buddha who was then holding the spirit of the evolution on the Earth within his aura had asked to be released and returned to his own chain. Because of this, there would have to be developed from among the planet Earth's guardian spirits another Buddha, to take his place. Both Gautama and myself offered to endeavor to become the nature of God and the "great sacrifice" spoken about in your occult literature is a short word picture of our centuries of endeavor toward this end.

Strange, how a word picture can be lightly spoken by the lips of another and only the one who has passed through the ages of self-discipline, purification, abstinence, devotion, despair and delight, knows what is woven into that phrase.

No written course was given us. We had only our hearts' light to guide us. At the close of each embodiment, when we had passed through the Halls of Karma, we would stand before Sanat Kumara again and he would measure our light. Sometimes one of us would be ahead, sometimes the other, each rejoicing always in the other's unfoldment—no sense of rivalry, but the most marvelous comradeship. After we had received his blessing, we would go arm in arm together over the great bridge leading from the City of the Sun. We would spend hours on end discussing our experiences in the previous Earth life, weighing each other's methods and application and conveying back and forth to each other how we felt and how we might improve in our endeavor to embody this love—enough radiation, mind, to hold within the compass of our aura every tiny little flickering flame of the least-evolved and least-developed soul, so that it would not be snuffed out by the winds of adversity.

We lived many lives of loving life, loving those in our environment—trying to maintain and sustain at the central core of our auras a spiritual stimulus, without words, which would raise every ego we contacted, to its highest potential. In the course of an ordinary life, the radius of one's aura does NOT affect more than a few hundred men. Even our son, Jesus, touched spiritually less than five hundred lifestreams in his lifetime.

The long ages passed until the hour when my brother, Gautama, achieved his victory. He was chosen as the Buddha and I was given the next highest office as World Teacher.

In the near future, when Sanat Kumara will receive his freedom, Gautama Buddha will become the Lord of the World and I shall follow as the new Buddha, and into my place will step my successor as World Teacher.

Thus it is that cosmic offices are filled. Thus it is that each one of you is being refined and prepared each day. None of you know how high will be your calling. May I say that the opportunity stimulating the spiritual powers within the aura of all you contact DOES DEVELOP FROM WITHIN YOURSELF the nature of the Cosmic Christ and that is the way by which I attained my own victory.

I can speak with conviction because one speaks always of one's own life energy with a greater pressure of assurance than one can speak of

another's.

You, too, have an aura. You, too, have a pressure of life energy that can raise the egos of lifestreams in your environment heavenward, and thus you become myself in action.

I give to you the blessing of Gautama Buddha, the blessing of the Christ, whom I represent, and the blessing of your own Holy Christ Self, through whom you can develop a "radiating consciousness" which would convey light even if you never spoke one word from this moment. In many embodiments during this period of preparation and training under Sanat Kumara, neither Gautama Buddha nor I spoke a word—we conserved our powers and sublimated our energies, but we were extremely positive in developing a listening attitude toward those delicate, tremulous and spiritual inspirations which vibrate in the ethers and which only the attuned "listening ear" can detect.

Although there are times, while you walk the way of Earth, when you are able more or less to sense the thoughts and feelings of others, more often than not, mankind is wholly unaware of the thoughts and feelings that exist in the minds and hearts of those about them, nor are they aware of the secret aspirations that issue forth from their bodies and flow upward in that prayer current which carries men's prayers heavenward.

However, be it known that many of the prayers, many of the hopes, many of the aspirations rise in the consciousness of those who do not know how to direct or focus their wavering energies, do not have the strength, due to lack of faith, of reaching upward even to a point where they can at least connect with the consciousness of some ministering angel, who could bring back a blessing to the waiting lifestream.

I would like to bring to your mind the realization that the prayer force of the race requires the everlasting arms of spiritual energies to sustain it and lift it upward to a point of contact with the octave of light. Let me explain this to you.

The mass of the people live mentally and emotionally in the astral realm, a state of thought and feeling which is heavy, in an almost constant state of depression and other destructive activities. The prayer force is so impinged with fear, uncertainty, doubt and confusion that, if it acts at all within the soul, it has little direction, little impetus, and would not often rise out of that realm of depression and connect with the Ascended Masters' Octave or the Octave of Light.

Devas, Masters, angels of prayer and other ministering spirits are

constantly hovering in the atmosphere, over great cities particularly, endeavoring to make holes in this dense psychic substance and gather those weak prayer strands together. These prayers and petitions make the connection between the supplicants and the power of God, to answer their calls, which answers come from the higher realms. The conscious students, groups and individuals, once they become aware of this need, may become tremendous "spiritual arms" that, in all cities, towns and communities, CAN RAISE THE PRAYER FORCE—just as you would put your arms in a cosmic way around the whole populace—and carry all those prayers, without a pause, heavenward, blending with them your own conscious energy and strong petitions. For assistance, just as you would envelop a flower within your hand, do you draw those lines of force together, holding them until an angel deva, a Master or any ministering spirit can acknowledge that energy and draw from the presence of God, himself, the answer and direct the blessing toward the aspiring soul!

I have been called the "teacher of angels" as well as of men. This service has been rendered, for the most part, by the angels, but it is time now that the students render this service with the angelic host. On a Sunday morning, and particularly on a Wednesday evening, when the prayer activity in most of the churches takes place, if you would give the assistance I have outlined, from your octave, so much greater release would flow back on the returning energy of these supplications. Into the lifestreams would come the blessings required to strengthen their faith and bolster their hope in the omnipotent mercy of God.

Beloved friends, there are so many opportunities to engage your energies, we hesitate sometimes to present new ones to you because your earnestness and sincerity are such that you would endeavor to do more than your capacity would allow. I have always felt that some activities appeal to certain people and different services to other lifestreams. Thus, when our words are recorded and then go forth to great numbers, some of these suggestions will surely fall on fertile ground and some hearts respond to each service required.

I thank you for your indulgence. I thank you for your great courtesy and for your sweet selves.

God's blessing be with you, children.

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TO THE BELOVED MAHA CHOHAN, HOLY SPIRIT FOR THIS EARTH

Dearly beloved Holy Comforter! In the name of the Spiritual Hierarchy and particularly, your seven sons, we greet you as the mankind of Earth honor again the Feast of Whitsuntide (June 6).

Truly is this spiritual day a time for Thanksgiving. It shows how men of good will, desiring to unite their individual consciousness with the divine will, can be joined to the Cosmic Spirit of Truth and have their own talents, capacities, powers and consciousness, enriched, amplified, and energized by the spiritual transfusion of your presence.

Many men and women today look to you, beloved one. Many are gathered together in the "upper chambers" of consciousness invoking the presence of truth and the presence of comfort. To each and every such one you come. Those of us who have shared your precious gift of life, and who know you, bring to you our love! On behalf of the men and women whom you have so graciously honored with your loving counsel, I offer you the works of their hands, the prayers of their hearts, and the consecrated endeavors of their souls, particularly this blessed month of June, 1954!

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN RETREAT June 15th through July 14th, 1954

In the heart of the Rocky Mountains, in the western part of the United States of America, is an ancient focus of light dedicated primarily to the cosmic activity of radiation, expansion, and actual precipitation of the will of God into the world of form. It is the heart center of spiritual centrifugal force, as the Temple at Luxor is the heart center of spiritual centripetal force for the planet and its peoples. From the Rocky Mountain Retreat proceed the directions, grants of energy, and spiritual missionaries to take the word of God, his purpose and design, into the world of form. From the Temple at Luxor, mankind who have completed their work in the vineyard, return home to the heart of heaven.

Twice each year, the entire Great White Brotherhood and all students of life, who have earned the right and privilege of conscious cooperation with the Ascended Host of Light, meet in the Rocky Mountain Retreat for the express purpose of bringing before the Lords of Karma and the assembled Brotherhood plans, designs, petitions and visions which they hope to externalize for the blessings of the race.

At this time, unascended beings are also privileged to offer suggestions of an impersonal nature, which they have received in contemplation and prayer. If these suggestions have merit, they are often adopted by the Great White Brotherhood and the individual making such a suggestion is given more than ordinary assistance in his attempts to externalize a practical manifestation of his design, his vision, his dream to help the race.

The Spiritual Hierarchy, which is made up of Ascended Beings who have consciously offered to renounce the joy of freedom of service at higher levels in order to help mankind to finish its evolutionary journey, are all specialists along some particular line of spiritual service and endeavor. The various retreats throughout the world, in like manner, pour forth a specific radiation of spiritual nourishment through their spheres of influence and attract, through the magnetic power of similar interests, lifestreams who wish to serve life along particular lines of developed talents.

These retreats offer the chelas as well as initiates opportunities to study under master intelligences, who will develop the greatest possible latent virtues and talents along specific lines. Many good men and women visit these retreats while their physical bodies sleep, and are a part of the life, endeavors and service of such retreats to a far greater extent

than the outer consciousness is yet aware.

At the half-yearly council, each retreat and each master hierarch gathers together all the plans, hopes, visions, suggestions and designs of the members of his retreat and from these develops a suitable presentation to offer before the Karmic Board and the assembly as the possible service and contribution of that retreat and its members for the next six months.

The beloved students now might take example from this spiritual pattern and through their group activities offer some specific service to the Karmic Board as their contribution for the next six months. Such offer would meet with great interest and bring great added power through such a dedicated group. When a specific service is found meritorious, the Karmic Board gives additional qualified energy and power to the individual or group sponsoring such a petition or design. This energy doubles or trebles the energy of the sponsoring group and comes from a spiritual stockpile of cosmic light which is dispensed according to the wisdom of the Cosmic Law, just as a trust fund would be dispensed by a committee to a worthy cause.

From the date of the opening of the Rocky Mountain Retreat (June 15), the beloved representatives of the retreats, with their activities dedicated to serving life, begin to gather. They give into the keeping of a brother of the retreat, the petitions and plans which they are to sponsor. These are placed on a great bulletin board and all individuals who are drawn by the magnetic power of the retreat into its vicinity may study these plans. If they so choose, they may then offer to give of their own energies to draw a grant of spiritual freedom, to allow the beloved sponsor to act according to his design in the world of form.

The Karmic Board holds audience from the 30th day of June to, listen to all the plans and designs for the coming cycle of six months, and after the hearing is completed, they counsel together and the permissions and grants of energy are given to those whose cause has been found worthy and whose cause has been backed by the interest and support of members of the human race, unascended. Many brothers have presented the same petition for over 10,000 years and not having found one sponsor among unascended mankind, have had their petition refused for lack of interest and support from those whom such a cause would benefit.

The focus of the flame from this retreat is a beautiful Chinese green in color, taking the form of a tulip. The activity which becomes the personal heritage of all who absorb its radiation is an intensification of the power of precipitation and externalization of abstract ideas as manifest, practical, physical forms.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See *The Bridge to Freedom,* Book 1 for further description of this retreat.)

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: Why is it that so many earnest spiritually-minded men and women suffer financial lack and physical distresses? Should not these men and women be among the manifest examples of opulence and health?

GURU—Beloved chela: Truly such individuals should be the manifest example of all that is beautiful, good, and perfect, not only for their own happiness, security and well being, but because such people represent us in the world of form. Those who rest smugly and complacently in their own willful pursuits of pleasure use just such an argument to discredit the earnest ones on the path. The words, "If thou be the Christ, come down from the cross," have been echoed through the centuries, in one form or another by many spiritually sightless sons and daughters of men. One day, in the distant future. such a challenge will echo through their own consciousness as well!

To answer completely WHY such apparent contradictions between affirmed faith and works exist, would require a volume of written words. However, for the comfort of the dear ones who writhe self-consciously upon their respective crosses and feel self-condemnation for such affirmations of limitation, I shall enumerate a few reasons as follows:

FIRST— EACH MAN WHO SETS HIS FEET UPON THE SPIRITUAL PATH MUST BEGIN JUST WHERE HE IS, NOT WHERE HE WOULD LIKE TO BE. Profession of faith, offers of service, and acceptance of service, do not change the heritage of personal karma any more than application for a position in the world of form, and acceptance by the employer, change the qualifications of the applicant.

The Master, like the employer, accepts the candidate for service upon reasonable confirmation that a certain qualified momentum of talent is available for use in a given position. The master, like the employer, must rely upon the candidate, himself, to live up to his own greatest light, and then, through voluntary study and application, raise himself to greater efficacy in the endeavor at hand.

The candidate for spiritual knowledge is, by the very reason of his

present interest in spiritual study, usually one who has devoted a goodly part of his energies, through the centuries, to developing spiritual powers, ofttimes to the neglect of his physical well being, as well as his financial security. The Law, being wholly impersonal, only releases through the consciousness that which is held in mind, thought and feelings. If man has not contemplated beauty, opulence, and the various gifts of plenty in this world, there is no mould, no form, no channel through which primal life may flow to externalize these gifts in his experience.

Thus such an one must learn to balance his abstract devotions with practical mastery of the creative process of molding out of thought beautiful designs, and energizing them with feeling, bringing them into form as ways and means of increasing the individual ability to serve the cause and the Master. Even in our octave, we must design and form that which we desire before it is precipitated into our hands and use.

SECOND—THE STUDENT UPON THE PATH IMMEDIATELY COMES UNDER AN ACCELERATED ACTION OF THE LAW OF CAUSE AND EFFECT. The energy returning to each one (which he has sent out in previous embodiments as causes of imperfect nature) must be returned to such an one to be purified, transmuted and returned to God in the same perfect expression with which it was received from him. Thus, such students have much more to "handle" as their energies return, than mankind at large, whose returning energies are held in abeyance, in mercy, until they learn the Law of Transmutation (The Violet Transmuting Flame of Mercy and Compassion).

Otherwise, they would be overwhelmed by the karmic retribution and no spiritual advancement could be made in that Earth life. The Cosmic Law is that no soul can receive more destructive karma back into his experience in one life than his developed consciousness can transmute and master. Let all who read take heart thereby, for no student is allowed by the Karmic Board to receive into his experience any appearance which he cannot by his own light transmute at the very time it is received. Therefore, in the experiences of life, rejoice that the Law has felt your consciousness developed enough to receive calmly, and transmute perfectly, any shadows that appear, temporarily, upon the screen of your life.

THIRD—EVERY STUDENT IS A PART OF THE MASS KARMA OF THE RACE, THE NATION, THE PLANET, THE EVOLUTION TO WHICH HE BELONGS. The conscious students volunteer to accept the added service of dissolving much of this mass karma along with their own, even as Jesus assumed and transmuted much of the karma of the world through his experience at Calgary.

FOURTH-STRONG INDIVIDUALS, FURTHER, SOMETIMES VOLUNTEER,

IN A COSMIC MOMENT, TO STAND AS A SPIRITUAL GUARD AROUND CERTAIN DEDICATED LIFESTREAMS. They screen out the directed energies, visible and invisible, that would seek to destroy the heart center of such movements. Thus, beloved Joseph and Mary assumed much karma acting as a guard around the sensitive energies of the pure consciousness of Jesus. Let no man look at another in judgment, for that one might well be working out the karma that would otherwise weigh heavily upon another soul.

FIFTH— THE SEEMING HAPPINESS, SECURITY AND WELL BEING OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE WORLD IS BUILDED ON GOOD ENDEAVORS IN THE PAST, TRUE, BUT IT HAS NO ASSURANCE OF PERMANENCE UNTIL THE CONSCIOUSNESS CAN CREATE AND SUSTAIN SUCH CONDITIONS AT WILL. Those born to great affluence or physical perfection have earned that luxury and perfection, but while it is an unconscious enjoyment born of no conscious knowledge of the Law of Precipitation, Healing and Peace, it is as fleeting as the sunshine that plays on the grateful man, but which at a passing cloud is gone, the man, unable to re-create the sun, being merely an unconscious receiver of a benefit enjoyed but fleetingly.

The individuals who have placed their feet upon the spiritual path will find no security, happiness nor permanent peace in being the unconscious recipients of the "gifts of Dame Fortune." They must become conscious of the powers of creation in the mental body, the powers of animation in the feeling body, and the powers of externalization through the coupling of practical, dedicated, channeled physical energies through the flesh. Then no outer person, place, condition nor circumstance will affect their tranquility, security and peace. It is such training that ofttimes withholds temporary "surcease," because the outer consciousness is so easy assuaged when it has received its desire and unless the Law, itself, is mastered, no further effort would be forthcoming by the individual until the gift so given was exhausted. Then the consciousness violently begins again the spasmodic endeavor to re-create a condition of ease in which to slumber on.

SIXTH— THE SOUL OF THE AVERAGE INDIVIDUAL SPENDS A GOOD HUNDRED TO ONE THOUSAND YEARS IN THE OCTAVES OF LIGHT BETWEEN EMBODIMENTS. This allows the individual to gather much reserve energy in the emotional and mental bodies to work out much accumulation of discord in the etheric body, and to return to Earth life "refreshed in spirit."

Those who are engaged in the spiritual "push of the hour" have sacrificed this sojourn in the heavenly realms and its consequent reprieve from the vicissitudes of earthly experience, some of them re-embodying within a year after laying down the previous earth garment, a few even abandoning one body before its dissolution and accepting another. This sacrifice often is apparent in seeming lack of physical energies, as well as nervous tensions. All of these factors are the results of conscious sacrifice upon the part of individuals who are looked upon by the very beneficiaries of their selflessness with scorn and question. Be unconcerned, for we were so treated before you.

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Dearly Beloved Aspirants Toward Mastery (June, 1954)

It is a beautiful and a gratifying feeling for those of us who have devoted our lives to evolving a consciousness of mastery through mankind, to see such an earnest, humble, constant response from the students. Each one is so eager to learn how to become master over the constantly fluctuating screen of maya. Be assured, our heart's love will give every assistance possible.

This month, as we honor the ancient focus of Light in the Grand Teton, presently host to the Karmic Board and the Spiritual Hierarchy, let us remember that the activity of breathing, in itself, shows the balance of the Law. The two activities of creation, the rhythm of contraction and expansion, centripetal and centrifugal force, are required to both draw and sustain life in the physical form. The inbreathing must be followed by the outbreathing to comply with the Law, which sustains the presence of the individual in the world of form.

This same law applies to all activities of life. The comprehension of this truth and the mastery of the energy in drawing forth and expanding the divine pattern in the world of form, coupled with the drawing in and sanctifying of the energies of life through purification and application, raises the individual into the next octave of experience as an Ascended Being.

The Rocky Mountain Retreat represents the activity of expansion of the divine plan. This is why the half-yearly councils meet here. The designs of the White Brotherhood are accepted and energized here, and the various designated intelligences go forth on the cosmic centrifugal force from this center, to the respective locations on the Earth's surface, charged with the pressure and power of this natural activity of expansion. This is also why this location was chosen for the first pulsation of life upon the planet Earth, so that the lifestreams could have the spiritual tide of this focus to carry them forward upon their life plan. As you have

been told, the other focus where the completed life cycle is closed, is located at the Temple of the Ascension, in Luxor, Egypt.

Individually and practically, the radiation, consciousness and power of controlled precipitation is the gift of the Rocky Mountain Retreat to all who tune into its light. Its color—the precipitating ray of green—emphasizes this activity of opulence and of manifest works in every line of spiritual, mental and physical endeavor.

As you draw forth the blessings of the Rocky Mountain Retreat and as you join the great assembly at the feet of the Lords of Karma, may you feel the spiritual stimulus and inspiration to "be about the Fathers business" in a practical and helpful way.

Love and blessings, The Maha Chohan

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

June 1, 1954

God—the Holy Spirit—bless you especially this Whitsuntide, individually, collectively and most abundantly with his gifts of Cosmic Christ Peace, invincible protection, perfect health, limitless wealth and God-success in all you undertake, amplifying without limit, even the most feeble endeavor to expand the border's of God's kingdom. This shall be! Consciously accept it, for it is decreed in divine love and all substance and energy are instantly obedient to the master-control of love.

The "keynote" to be used during this 30-day period before the meetings (if possible) to prepare the atmosphere and the students for the outpouring which will take place from the beloved Royal Teton is "Oh Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star," from Wagner's opera, "Tannhäuser." As you read in our dear Maha Chohan's letter preceding this one, the color is a brilliant Chinese green. The statement to be used for the breathing exercise during the Transmission Period on June 19, is as follows:

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I AM	inbreathing	th'precipitating	power	of Lanto's	love	from th'Royal	Teton!
I AM	absorbing	"	۲,	"	"	44	
I AM	expanding	"	۲,	"	"	44	
I AM	projecting	"	"	"	"	٠	

Precipitation, drawing into manifest form, direct from the universal, anything and everything you desire, is a magic word and enchanting idea

to many, many people. Because it sounds effortless, so easy of accomplishment, without using the physical energy required by those on the earth plane today to manifest form, there are those very anxious to be able to use this means, perhaps not realizing what qualities in the user are necessary for satisfactory results. The fundamental Law underlying the power of precipitation is OBEDIENCE! As one of the Ascended Ones mentioned some time ago, "Mankind need not so dislike and rebel against the idea of OBEDIENCE, for it simply means 'loving cooperation with God-good.'" That takes the "sting" out of it, doesn't it? All life loves freedom and the use of free will, and none like to think they are bound to do the will of someone or something outside themselves. Yet, when one understands that his own life is the life of God and he is willing to love and expand that will of good to the best of his ability, it becomes a real JOY to lovingly cooperate with the good of God's will and give obedience!

Let us right now STOP a moment and definitely think these things over. Having done so, let us lovingly determine with all that is within us to not only be willing to OBEY God's will and DO it to the best of our ability, but to REALLY PRECIPITATE that will through ourselves and BE the fullness of all beloved Jesus showed us the Father was, "Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect." This is TRULY "being about our Father's business" and manifesting HIS WORKS!

Joyously and victoriously all ways in the light, Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREES

Hail to thee! beloved heart flame of precipitating love from the Royal Teton! I thank you for your supreme presence in the universe and your focus on our dear Earth today! I love you! I love you! I love you! Take your full freedom in me now! YOU ARE inside of me! BLAZE your light through! Raise this outer self of me into the full manifestation of perfection which thou art, that I may be about my Father's business, every second every day, in everything, in every way, in all I do, think, see, hear, feel or say, today and forever! I accept this done NOW with full power!

I live, move and have my being in a gigantic fiery pillar of the precipitating power of beloved Lanto's love from the Royal Teton, in outer physical action, protecting, purifying, healing, illumining, supplying and raising my entire being and world and those of all I contact today and forever.

The Masters Of Wisdom Speak PRECIPITATION

MAHA CHOHAN

The activity of the ray of light is precipitation. Therefore. the power of precipitation, which is so much desired by mankind, is actually not only embodied in their creation but the activity of their sustained presence in the universe. Each self-conscious intelligence is precipitated out from the central source of God's heart and the flowing stream of electrons which constitutes the lifestream is a precipitation of energy which never ceases while individualization and self-conscious intelligence functions in any sphere of manifestation.

EL MORYA

What mankind should desire is not the use of the precipitating power, but the control of the precipitating power which is already, unfortunately sometimes, in their use and under the direction of their oft-misguided free will. How many bewildered souls precipitate an argument, a crisis, even a war! Man must become still enough to realize what he should precipitate and then learn how to use his marvelous faculties of thought and feeling to govern not only the quality but the form of his precipitation. Then he becomes master of energy, setting up causes whose precipitated effects in his world and affairs will be pleasing, harmonious, and of general benefit to life.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

The emotional body is the receiver of the greater part of the energies flowing through the silver cord into the use of the individual. These energies are for the express purpose of giving life to beautifully designed and perfected thoughtforms, created by the mental body at the direction of the self-conscious intelligence. When the energies of the feeling world joyously rush into a perfected thought form, the matrix or cup is energized, given life and begins its final journey on the precipitating ray into the world of form. You will notice that when the feelings show little or no interest in a plan, design, idea or vision, it seldom comes to fruition. It is among the "still born" thought patterns and eventually returns to the universal unclaimed and uncompleted. The individual desiring to experiment with conscious, controlled precipitation must learn to energize his thoughtform with his feelings of love, enthusiasm, devotion and purity of

motive, purpose and design, if he wishes to have full manifestation quickly.

KUTHUMI

The mental body of every lifestream was designed for the express purpose of seizing the ideas born out of the mind and heart of God and molding them into pleasing, beautiful, and practical forms, which could then be energized by the feelings and manifest on the screen of life. While the mental body is allowed to create vague, half-formed outlines, and to satisfy itself in contemplation of previously-formed thoughtforms created more or less imperfectly by others, it is not performing its proper function to the individual. The development of the power of visualization, of cutting out of universal light the pattern, form and design the individual desires to have manifest in his world, is the first step toward control of the precipitating power which, ungoverned, energizes any forms, good or evil, and by its very nature, forces them into the experience of the self.

SERAPIS BEY

At Luxor, we impress the chela with the truth that within the light that flows into his heart is anything and everything he can require for external comfort as well as for internal redemption and illumination. Each electron which makes up the rapid flowing stream of precipitated life contains, within itself, the intelligence, all the magnetic power, required to sustain the body's life and the soul's nourishment as well.

As the chela is encouraged to contemplate the power within the electron and to draw forth that power through love and concentration, he learns to weave the primal essence of life into form. It is comparatively easy to raise the chalice of the mental body to the divine intelligence and receive the inspiration in the form of beautiful ideas, visions, God-desires. In the mental body, these ideas are developed, refined, molded, amplified, just as a sculptor working with marble, takes the abstract model and carves it into the stone. The chela is then encouraged to draw forth the flame of love from his heart and energize the pattern and form, feeding it rhythmically with a pressure of energy, until the thought pattern is filled with life. Then it is natural for the energized form to pass through the etheric realm and, gathering the substance of this realm about it, externalize it in the physical world as a manifestation of conscious, controlled precipitation.

HILARION

The magnetic center in each of the inner bodies, as well as the physical body of the individual, draws the universal light substance of that sphere and realm INSTANTLY when the process of conscious creation engages the energies of any intelligence, human or divine. Thus, from the mental atoms that make up the realm of divine thought, the mental body of the individual draws the material to make the cup into which he will pour his life. If he does this consciously, he knows beforehand what the effect or manifestation will be. If, however, he allows his mental body to accept discordant or imperfect forms and, like a scavenger, draw the refuse from the mental effluvia of the masses into his own creative center, and then energizes those thoughts of fear, depression and discontent in his feelings, his precipitation will be no less proof of the Law, but considerably more uncomfortable to live with. Man is using always the power of precipitation. It is the nature of his being. It is to become master of this power rather than victim of its misuse that we come with instruction to those who choose to listen and then experiment according to our instructions with the control of those centers of thought and feeling which are his alone. **ARCH**

IESUS

The world of form is filled with the precipitated thoughts and feelings of mankind, generated by the ungoverned use of the creative faculties of thought and feeling. One who comes to assist the masses must not only dissipate these externalized pictures, which plague their creators, but must also show each individual how to go back into the world of cause, and stop drawing universal light into forms of limitation, privation, disease and death. The individual desiring to rise above the effects of these unpleasant manifestations must realize he must clear his mental house of the pictures already there, refuse to allow more of such pictures to register there, and then consciously create out of pure light pictures and forms of beauty, harmony and perfection. When his mental house is in order, he may energize consciously the picture of his own divine image, and the many beautiful expressions of the kingdom of heaven which he would like to externalize for his own happiness as well as that of the race.

SAINT GERMAIN

Besides the mankind of Earth who are trained in the use of controlled thought and feeling, many angelic beings, devas, Cosmic Beings and members of the Ascended Host are constantly receiving the divine ideas from the mind and heart of God. These pure intelligences mould the abstract ideas into beautiful forms, energize them with their own love, and send them on their way through the seven spheres with the hope that the consciousness of some members of the human race might be sensitive enough to pick up the already-perfected blessing and externalize that blessing through the investment of his physical energies, time and dedication of thought and feeling. It was thus that I was enabled to direct into Fulton's consciousness the designs for the steamboat and it is thus that many of the inventors and scientists are enabled to offer their consciousness to intelligences who use them as themselves in this world of form. I cannot over-emphasize at this time that the Seventh Realm, which is closest to the world of form, is literally bursting with the patterns and designs lowered by these beloved Brothers and Sisters and awaiting the claiming by some interested in furthering the cause of mankind.

Decree: "By the power of the Great Central Sun I invoke through my consciousness now whatever ideas, patterns, forms. designs, the wisdom of the Law sees my life energies can externalize. So be it!"

BELOVED LANTO

(Melody "Juanita")

Lanto, dear Lanto, friend of old and friend of light! Parent and teacher, call we to thy height! Let all now adore thee for thy patient love and care, Let all bow before thee, let thy love all share!

CHORUS

Lanto, dear blessed Lanto, Never, never from us part, Heal us, raise us and seal us Ever in thy heart.

Friend of the ages, to thy gracious heart we call, Let cosmic Mercy flood o'er Earth to all. For beloved China, land of mercy's healing flame, Free her blessed people, in God's holy name!

Guardian beloved of America so dear, Help her to Freedom, keep her way all clear. Purify, illumine, all within our land today, Let thy power of victory ever with her stay!

Hail Royal Teton! first God-home of man on Earth, Flood forth God's goodness, healing, peace and mirth! Raise our Earth to heaven, fulfill now God's perfect plan, Reveal God in action, BROTHERHOOD IN MAN!

BELOVED EL MORYA, RECALLING HIS LIFE

January, 1954

Good Evening, Lovely Ladies And Gracious Gentlemen:

Happy, indeed, it is for those of us who place our feet firmly on the bridge of light and know that, as we proceed into your presence, that bridge will not be swept from under us through lack of faith or through prejudice. We thus build into our design the services that we choose to render.

Mankind has, at rare intervals, stretched forth a hand of friendship, cautiously opened the door of their consciousness to the Presence or to the Hierarchy and, if the association is pleasing to the ego, they may give us the questionable pleasure of hearkening to our words. More often than not, however, in the bringing forth of our light, there was not enough personal comfort in the association to please aught but the few willing to stand "a thrust for a purpose." Upon these few have we depended for the continuity of consciousness, by which the plan, design and hope of heaven might be sowed into the world of thought, nourished by what voluntary energies could be coaxed from the keeping of a reluctant self, brought to harvest and offered to the Cosmic Law as a reason for sustaining a recalcitrant humanity on a groaning Earth as a part of our beautiful, shining solar system.

If you could have seen the pleas, the pledges, the arguments presented to the Lords of Karma, year alter year, century alter century, by the Brothers, in an endeavor to secure mercy or an added allotment of time to awaken some members of the race to their responsibility, you would know the love divine that is in the hearts of those who serve. If you could have seen the harvest of each retreat which has been offered at the great council by the Brotherhood, you would realize that the endeavors and the manifestations of the past year were truly magnificent and you would understand the gratitude in the hearts of those of us who live in the belief that the light within your hearts can be encouraged and developed into flame. For your service to us, for your interest and confidence in us and for making of your own life, a span in this bridge, which I offered to the Hierarchy as a means by which they might enter the world of man, we are truly grateful.

During the past year you have proceeded across bridges of one kind or another. You have availed yourselves of the energies of some other part of life, who provided such a means of safe convoy for your feet or vehicle of transport. You have often trusted too well in the workmanship of human beings and more than once, through the ages, have been catapulted into the roaring torrent by reason of such misplaced trust.

It is no wonder that the mankind of Earth are wary and cautious. Yet, we have been able to secure your service in our design. We have been able to coax you forth, again, over the bridge of life and you have grasped our hands in friendship. I have offered mankind this bridge. I have offered it to the Host of Heaven. Grateful I am that it has sustained the weight of the people. It has also sustained the great and magnificent personages who have honored us by using it to give to you their word, the feeling of their reality and to share with you the sweet experiences

by which they gained their own freedom; their joys, their past fears and doubts, their trials, and then, their victories.

The current endeavor of Lord Maitreya has been to bring to the student body a realization that every being who has ever trod the path to victory has had the same life experiences as your sweet and earnest selves. He has asked each Master to convey to you his or her own feeling as they passed along the way of Earth, in order that you may accept them as men and women. In that acceptance you will know the sweet association of friendship, rather than the ideology wherein the Perfected Being is vested with cosmic powers, but separated from the evolving consciousness by awe.

Before each Master Presence is invited to a participation in the unfoldment of the divine plan to the consciousness of the student of life, Lord Maitreya always gives each one the same instructions. If you will look over the pattern of the past year, you will see that the homely experiences of the daily living of the Masters, while on the Earth plane, has been woven into the cosmic instruction on the Law.

We have thought much about the presentation of the words of the Brotherhood. We have sat many an evening in Ceylon and counseled as to how best we may reach the hearts of men. The hearts of men have been reached by occult literature and other metaphysical reading, but it is the deep stirring of the heart by love, by the intimate confidences from within our own hearts, that raises the outer self into the comradeship which is essential to our cooperative endeavor on behalf of our planet.

Witness the great Christian religion, wherein the Master Jesus has held the position of God, and you will see that although the devotions and adorations have lifted the soul, except in very rare instances, the devotee did not become the fullness of Jesus' own presence and his consciousness in action. It is our desire and endeavor now TO SEND EVERY MAN BACK INTO HIS OWN HEART, WHEREIN HE MAY DEVELOP FROM WITHIN HIMSELF THE MASTERY OF ENERGY and find us as fellowworkers, guides upon the path. counselors true, but none the less friend, and brothers.

You are a brave lot, for you have chosen to apply to the Universal First Cause for primal life, every electron of which is charged with the fire and power of the Sun, itself. The flowing stream of electronic light that I witness passing through your inner bodies and your flesh forms tonight, IS THE FIRE OF CREATION. Some day each one of you will learn to master that fire and through it fulfill the divine plan of your own great lifestream. We have all vowed to assist you!

I represent the will of God, and my service and activity in the inner

spheres is a delight, indeed. Every Master, angel, deva and elemental in those inner spheres is in complete accord with that will and welcomes every opportunity to learn what new design is coming forth from the Silent Watcher in the twenty-four hour period, rushing to meet that will and joyously sending their life energy into the fulfilling and externalizing of it. In the world of form, however, I, representing the will of God, am the least invited, even by the most advanced of students, because in the coming of the will of God, there is no compromise with the human self, there is no compromise with human conditions, there is no compromise with personality.

Sometimes I wish that there were, because I am only the representative, the messenger, and I must give that will to all who stand innocently before me, hopefully raising the cup of their consciousness and timidly invoking that will, yet always holding back just a little. I can hold nothing back when I am called into action! I live but to externalize that will and, as the water runs impersonally through the channel that is opened to it, so does my conscious self rush to and through the lifestreams that in the silence of their own chambers make the "great surrender," a surrender of self and pride and purpose and say with deep subjugation of the self, "Thy will be done!"

Beloved friends, in that hour when you invoke the Sacred Fire of God's will and I, the servant of that fire, respond, I can but promise that after the surrender is accepted (which after all is merely a struggle with the outer self) you will find that the will of God for you is much more harmonious and comfortable than that which your fondest dreams could depict as your own human will for the very best for yourself.

Truth and the will of God always go hand in hand. This is our year. It is to be a year of great light and yet a year of great discipline for those who have stepped forth upon the path. In friendship may I say that I will soften, as much as is possible according to my nature, the flow of those energies into your experiences.

Sanat Kumara MUST BE RELEASED. His work is well done. His love even the Masters, themselves, can scarcely comprehend, and his patience, when he has looked upon the sleeping race, all potential light-bearers, choosing to slumber on while he gives of his maximum radiation to keep the Earth, which is their home, in the chain, not for a century or two, but FOR MILLIONS OF YEARS! This small, revolving orb is not more than a speck of dust in this galaxy, and its light, if snuffed out, would scarcely make a flicker in the radiance of the solar system. Yet it is the planetary home of ten billions of lifestreams, who can only find mastery if the Earth were sustained as their cradle.

Each one of you, when you wear your Immortal garments, when you

have accepted the invitation of your God-Presence and when you stand God-free in blazing light, will stand there only because Sanat Kumara believed enough in your light and life to do for you what you should have done for yourself for countless aeons of time. If he had not given so self-lessly of his light, the evolution would have passed into the second death and as an individual consciousness, you would have been no more. Is not that a debt to be paid best by becoming a focus for the expansion of the light through every soul you contact?

You are paying for your own life in your service to him. You are paying for your IMMORTALITY all down through the aeons of time that have not yet seen unfurled, when you will have being because of his love. Every sunrise you see, every flower that gives you its perfume, every friend and loved one that warms your heart, you enjoy because you have life, which is the gift of his patience and his service in sustaining YOUR OBLIGATIONS to life.

Think on it. SOMEONE has loved the universe enough, SOMEONE has loved you enough to meet YOUR OBLIGATIONS and wipe them off before the Karmic Board, year after year, embodiment after embodiment, century after century. You know the gratitude you feel in the world of form when an individual will meet your obligation and relieve you of that pressure, just once!

Lemuria was an age of tremendous illumination and perfection. On Atlantis, thousands of lifestreams were able to emit light, to precipitate, to levitate. Angels and Masters walked visibly by the side of unascended beings, Sanat Kumara, in hope, seeing the close of his exile, thinking on Venus, his heart burning with love for his home, the Sacred Fire visible upon the altars, sickness, death and desolation wiped out; Sanat Kumara folding his garments about him, ready to let the dust of the Earth fall from his presence, and THEN—BACK THROUGH THE CENTURIES FELL THE RACE; BACK INTO EXILE GOES SANAT KUMARA!

What consciousness would stand, at the fall of every Golden Age, before the Karmic Board and say: "I RENEW MY VOW, I SHALL REMAIN, THEY WILL YET ARISE, THEY WILL YET EMIT LIGHT"?

The Karmic Board, more than once, counseled him to linger no longer, that the mercy of the Law had exhausted itself, that divine justice would no longer accept a sacrifice of such tremendous proportions, of love without parallel.

I have stood there, you have stood there, as that great dignified Lord of Life quietly and firmly said, "I SHALL REMAIN". Then the light of Venus dimmed in his eye and the thoughts of home receded from his sweet consciousness, lest the very pull of that love would weaken his resolve.

I have stood on Venus, by the side of Sanat Kumara's beloved, I have seen her filled with increasing hope as the hour of his exile neared completion. Then, I have seen her turn and walk back into the City of the Sun, with her shoulders squared and her eyes facing the heart of the Presence, another million years doing the work of others.

That, my children, is LOVE. That is WHAT FIRES ME WITH ENTHUSI-ASM, with DETERMINATION to find among the sons and daughters of men some who would love as Venus has. That is the inspiration that brought me to the side of Saint Germain. That is the fire that took me into the very presence of Helios and Vesta, themselves, to ask for an opportunity to reach those chelas who had served with me in many a tight corner through the ages. That is the fire that beat within my heart, as I stood before the great Maha Chohan and in the face of his question made me say: "I BELIEVE I CAN FIND MEN AND WOMEN TO HOLD THE BRIDGE, TO FAN THE DYING EMBERS OF TRUTH, TO STIR THE SOULS OF MEN AND TO SET THIS GOD-BEING FREE."

Justice and right MUST PREVAIL. men and women who have benefited by the patience and love of Sanat Kumara, who yet refuse to serve WHEN THEY KNOW WHAT HE HAS DONE—it is outrageous!

This is a crusade, my dear ones, in which my spirit, my soul, the fire of my being is invested. Before I am through, THERE WILL NOT BE A SOUL ON THIS PLANET WHO HAS NOT HEARD THE NAME OF SANAT KUMARA. THERE WILL NOT BE ONE INCOMING SOUL WHO WILL NOT KNEEL BEFORE HIS LIGHT.

I asked the Lords of Karma to WITHHOLD A PHYSICAL BODY FROM ANY LIFESTREAM who is to come through the gates of birth, UNTIL THAT SOUL AGREES TO USE ITS ENERGIES TO EMIT THE LIGHT WHICH SETS THAT GREAT BEING FREE.

I am a man of determination and purpose. It is the WILL OF GOD that the men and women of Earth give forth the light to make this star shine.

At inner levels it is a DISGRACE to look upon the sweet Earth, to hear its cry, to hear it groan as it turns upon its axis and to witness the effluvia from the hearts of men that the blessed elementals are forced to clean up.

Come forth now, my friends! Let us be about our Father's business! I thank you.

Excerpts of an Address by BELOVED ARCHANGEL MICHAEL

Sept. 1953

Standing in the full freedom of that realm where the eyes can see, and the ears can hear, as God intends, I look at the beautiful, constantly-flowing stream of electrons that flows from the Source of life, and which are molded by the White Fire Spirit, from whence all have proceeded into the electronic pattern of each lifestream. To stop one of these beautiful spiritual atoms in its rapid descent, in order to study its beauty of detail, its delicacy of outline, its shining essence, would be impossible. Literally catapulting themselves into the grail of the heart of the Presence, they flow outward through every sphere, qualified by the particular vehicle of the individual functioning in that sphere.

For instance, from your Presence flow these lovely beings in every word that Presence speaks, in every wave of its hand, in every motion of the Electronic Body, and they form the substance, essence and glory of the Causal Body.

Then, through the Holy Christ Self, they flow into the Fourth Sphere, molded into the thought patterns and forms of that spiritual guardian of your life expression. Each tiny little electron becomes a molded prayer, a sword of flame, a rushing, powerful torrent of purifying essence, the very presence of the Violet Fire in action.

As the life essence flows onward through the lower bodies, the mental vehicle commands it into every thoughtform, good or evil, the emotional body commands it into every feeling, harmonious or otherwise, the etheric body commands it into every memory, and the flesh body into every action. Here, the lovely little beings, become imprisoned in the forms created by the outer self.

Even the tiny little electrons that swing around the polarized center of each atom in your physical body are infinitesimal figures, and it is but the accretion around them that shuts in their beauty and their natural light. When you become accustomed to visualizing your body as such a countless number of these intelligent selves, it becomes easy to speak to them in love and ask them to fulfill themselves in BLAZING LIGHT, IN HARMONY AND BEAUTY OF EXPRESSION, IN HEALING AND PURIFICATION OF THE ENVELOPE WHICH THEY MAKE UP.

THE HEALING CHALICE

Beloved children of the ONE BREATH, know, each one, that in TRUTH, thou and I, thy Father-Mother God, art ONE. Thou art, in truth, fashioned after a divine concept, beautiful and perfect beyond thy present powers even to imagine. I, thy Father-Mother, see thee only as thou truly art. The effluvia of thine own mortal concepts and accretions has bound thy perceptions, but I, thy God, see the Christ-design which, once wrought, remains awaiting fulfillment in the consummation of my immortal plan. I see thee within thy heart, the fire-breath, flaming and bearing within it the semblance of thine own true identity. Within thy precious form can ever be found the flashing fires of all the bodies that thou dost wear and utilize—their centers flaming concentrations of the sweet essence of that divine sphere which each one calls "home."

Children of the ONE BREATH, The flaming centers within thee, the altars of thy selfhood, are forsaken and the "flames" are flickering and but dimly seen. The Sacred Thread upon which thy jewel fires are hung, is knotted, soiled and twisted. Awaken now and tend thy fires, Priests and Priestesses! Let thy love pour forth upon each wayfarer on the pathway and prepare thy temples for the coming of thy Master Presence, who will escort thee "home"—where thou shalt minister from within the flame upon thine own altars to all who pass thy way! Clothed in shining raiment, woven from the Sun's own light and fashioned by the Master Craftsman who dwells within thine own heart, thou shalt, each one, grace thy temple and glorify thy God.

The Healing Chalice offers to all those in distress the consolation and comfort of cooperative prayer to bring healing and peace. Write a letter BRIEFLY telling of your need or that of others—giving names and addresses—mailing it to THE HEALING CHALICE, Box 297, Halesite, New York.

Your letters are held in strict confidence and your names are deposited at once within THE HEALING CHALICE, from whence blessings are constantly flowing to those who place their confidence in God as the ON-LY HEALING PRESENCE.

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TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

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TO THE BELOVED GODDESS OF TRUTH

GREETINGS! It is time, now, that mankind stands forth boldly and invokes the presence of truth! Too long have they been content to accept from the consciousness of other embodied spirits, concepts that represent the clouded vision of other fellow-prisoners upon the path. Now, the wise, the bold, the courageous invoke the God-free from above, to reveal the truth by which they attained. Thus, we speak, in the name of the mankind of Earth, to you, beloved Pallas Athena, beloved Hilarion, and the Brotherhood of Truth, invoking your presence, your revelations, your instructions, your counsel, your methods of invocation, contemplation and application by which you attained your freedom.

The pages of this Journal are offered to you freely, to use for this service to life! Write upon them as your hearts' desire, and we shall endeavor to spread your words across the face of this planet, in the language of every man, so all consciousness may share your wisdom and become your Ascended Christ Consciousness in themselves. So be it!

Thomas Printz:, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom BELOVED HILARION'S RETREAT OVER THE ISLAND OF CRETE July 15th through August 14th, 1954

In the etheric realm over the beautiful Island of Crete, which lies on the blue bosom of the Mediterranean Sea, pulsates the Temple of Truth, focus of the Chohan of the Fifth Ray, and the Brotherhood of Truth, who serve with him in this particular branch of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

Throughout many ages, great spiritual foci have been established from time to time on the surface of this Earth to enshrine cosmic virtues, whose spiritual radiation nourished the consciousness and feelings of the people. Temples have been builded, the inspiration for which was usually to be found in the etheric realms, into which sensitive lifestreams tuned through contemplation and meditation. Thus, the mighty focus of truth, which had been designed and perfected at inner levels, and which forms, even today, a meeting place for great intelligences who desire to magnetize and draw forth more of the truth of life from the heart of God, formed the pattern for the Grecian masterpiece erected to Pallas Athena, the ruins of which still remain as a silent reminder of its glory today (Parthenon, 450 B.C.).

Phidias (our beloved Serapis), rendered a great service in bringing forth the almost exact replica of this Temple of Truth, so that the outer consciousness of mankind might contemplate its perfection and tune into its service to life.

At the present time, the Temple of Truth plays host to the great spiritual teachers of many ages who have, from time to time, come forth and presented aspects of the one Law. These Illuminati teach the spiritual aspects of the truth which they promulgated while in embodiment and many of their constituents and general followers are enabled, in the fuller freedom of the etheric body, while their physical garments sleep, to sit at the feet of these Masters of Wisdom and learn the true inner spiritual laws behind the various dogmas, creeds and faiths that presently engage the allegiance of men, women and children embodied today.

The great Archangel Raphael, who is the angel of Consecration, also has the focus of his Flame of Consecration in this temple. Individuals who dedicate their lives to a specific beneficial service to mankind, are blessed by this beloved Archangel and the beloved Chohan, Hilarion, before taking embodiment. The primal life, which is magnetized by the soul into the heartbeat, is consecrated to service by the Archangel Raphael. He pours the green Flame of Consecration through the electrons that flow from the White Fire Body, as the silver cord, into the physical heart. This life is,

therefore, pre-destined to flow forth as channeled energy to bless the race. All through the course of incarnation, lifestreams who are so foresworn to vocations of service in fields of governmental affairs, education, artistic endeavors, ministry, medicine, missionary endeavors, etc. are guided, guarded and protected by either a member of the angelic kingdom of Lord Raphael's legions or by a member of the Brotherhood of Truth, under the direction of beloved Hilarion. The promptings and pressures which require of such men and women that they fulfill their professions are ofttimes directed from these legions of angels and Brothers of Truth who stand behind the selfless men and women upon whom the race relies for assistance in all constructive channels of endeavor.

The beloved Hilarion, having experienced in his personal energies, the "self righteous" indignation that rises within a consciousness persuaded in itself that persecution is in order to right a wrong, upon his ascension vowed to help all individuals with like erroneous complexes (Saul of Tarsus, who later became the Christian, St. Paul). He has asked that you recommend to his protection all those whom you know, as well as all' those many unknown lifestreams, who have no faith in spiritual survival, in order that he may assist them to a correct understanding of truth. He further asks that you recommend to the Temple of Truth in your calls and contemplations all the individuals serving in the many professions that they may be blessed, encouraged, illumined and prospered in their endeavors to help mankind. For this, he says, is his reason for being!

(EDITOR'S NOTE—See Bridge to Freedom Journal, October 1953, for further description of this retreat.)

THE SERVICES OF THE FIFTH RAY By Beloved Hilarion

April, 1954

I would like to thank you for the invitation which has drawn me into the atmosphere of Earth tonight and has given me the opportunity of presenting some of the activities and services of the Fifth Ray, in an endeavor to assist in the progress of mankind's evolution, not only in its present era, but all through the ages that have been.

Now that the Karmic Board has gathered, and as the applicants for re-embodiment stand before them for consideration, does the service of the Fifth Ray come into prominence. We are the sponsors of the lifestreams who have what you call in the world of form, "vocations." These are individuals who have evolved on any one of the seven rays to a point where their energies are sufficiently channeled so that those energies are woven into a definite and distinctive beneficial pattern. Those energies are used to channel the ideas and designs of the various rays into the world of form, in specific professions, artistic channels, etc. Primal energy, as you have come to know, is magnetized through the Unfed Flame within the heart and flows as the silver cord into the use of the self. It is then released through the free will via the channels of the senses and becomes the conglomerate mass of good and evil which is the average contribution of the individual ego in every life.

For the few who have what you would call a "vocation," there are the billions who move through each respective life span, learning perhaps some small lesson of cause and effect and drifting into the easiest pattern of earning the bread of life through the sweat of the brow. If they are among the fortunate few who are freed from that particular curse of Cain, they use the energy for the satisfaction of the desires of the senses. For the evolution of the race, we depend upon those few whose energies, drawn, magnetized. channeled and directed enrich the evolution of the race in governmental channels, educational and religious channels, art channels. science, etc. These people are those who are under the specific quidance of the Brothers of the Fifth Ray.

They are said in the world of form to be BORN teachers, to be BORN educators, to be BORN statesmen, BORN poets, BORN nuns or monks, born musicians. They are people with a definite vocation and purpose, people who come to serve life in a particular manner and know instinctively within themselves early in life that they have come to enrich the universe. They engage their energies in their individual worlds in preparing themselves to be specialists along some particular line of endeavor. When energy is drawn through desires in the heart and the feelings or the thought patterns in the mind which causes that energy to set into motion the physical and inner vehicles, you have what you call "volition." When the energies are dedicated and consecrated to furthering some particular part of the divine plan, you have "vocation."

Lifestreams, particularly those who have chosen to further the divine plan of spiritual illumination and who have chosen to become the missionaries of Christ to carry the word of God and life, are consecrated in the Temple of Truth. Their energies are blessed. They are ordained to spiritual service and all through the course of that embodiment, a brother or sister from the Temple of Truth watches over such an one, aiding and assisting in the fulfillment of the particular service and vocation to which

the soul is dedicated. Wherever possible, they increase the conscious understanding of the individual self, to make of that one a greater intelligence in the effecting of his part in the divine plan.

Many of you, for many centuries, have had a vocation of spiritual service. You have been the priests and priestesses, the guardians of the spiritual culture of the eras in which you lived, and you are, therefore, closely connected with the Brotherhood at Crete and with my own lifestream, as well as with those who have preceded me in holding the Office of Chohan of the Fifth Ray.

Today the activity which is preparing lifestreams for re-embodiment is magnetizing the souls of many, many spiritual individuals with high development, who have these vocations, and who have, at inner levels between embodiments, developed great spiritual dexterity in the understanding of the Law and the Truth of life. It is the hope of the Brotherhood at Crete that many of these lifestreams will be chosen and permitted by the Karmic Board to come into physical form at this time.

Looking at mankind from the standpoint of the free, it is really pathetic to note the billions who proceed through life with no apparent purpose, who find the clothing of the body, the sustenance of the flesh, and the pleasure of the self to be sufficient reason for life and being. These individuals, being 'in the preponderance as to numbers, the evolution of the race lies within the hands, hearts and actions of the very few who are dedicated and consecrated to a selfless service. Therefore, if individuals who incarnate but to control energy for personal reasons can be held back and the workers come in first; if the people with vocations, highly evolved on the seven particular rays, are given first opportunity, you can see that they will set up a pattern of intelligent progression in each of the seven rays.

Then the lesser developed, falling into that pattern upon incarnating, will more easily go up the ladder of evolution. The saying that "the blind lead the bind" is true to a great extent, because not all of the teachers, the priests, the statesmen, the doctors, the lawyers, the scientists and religionists who hold the higher offices in the world of form today, are individuals who have high spiritual vocations. The masses dependent upon them do not always have an actual guidance of a true spiritual nature. It is therefore suggested by the Karmic Board and by the great Goddess of Truth, that we endeavor in this collective council to secure the entrance of these illumined consciousnesses first.

In each of the Seven Spheres, I am called upon to examine the lifestreams whose energies have been magnetized and channeled

through the ages. Many of these people are dwelling within the temples there and are working and perfecting activities of life, forms of government, forms of religious worship, exquisite religious ceremonies, beautiful paintings, sculpture, architecture, magnificent scientific inventions etc. Some of them are in need of persuasion to leave the freedom of those inner spheres where it is so easy to draw these perfected ideas (which they have worked on for many years) into a concrete and workable form.

It is my obligation to call councils in each sphere and show them, no matter how perfectly they make their plans in the inner spheres, they must have an incarnate consciousness of equal development with their own, who will take incarnation, to catch the other end of their beam of energy, magnetize the perfection, and draw it forth. We are trying to secure individuals with an affinity of consciousness, one to stay in the higher realms and one to re-embody. These, working out the plan between them, will eventually be ready to go into the Halls of Karma and stand before the judges, showing how they can lower the divine design by one remaining in the inner sphere, projecting the design into the receptive consciousness of the other one who is taking embodiment with vocation.

As we proceed through the Seven Spheres, we shall give our plans into the council in each realm and then they, themselves, will pair off. Later on we will have to return and bring such pairs as WE might wish to present before the Karmic Board, when the new souls are chosen for reembodiment once every year, in the month of May. You will see that these dispensations cannot be granted in a moment, when the fate of an entire planet is at stake.

We teach the missionaries and the messengers that are to come forth and who have already come forth from time to time. At inner levels, before your incarnation, you have all spent a goodly time within this Retreat of Truth. There you are taught that every qualification of your teaching that deals with reference to the lower self (personality) or is an exploitation of it, must be gradually discarded. Impersonal Law must be drawn forth until it shines like white light and there is no more self manifest than there is in a beam of electronic light projected from above. As you slough off, so to speak, all reference to "self" in instruction, you become then the embodiment of that flame and it expands and expands in pressure and rhythm through your lifestream to give assistance to the masses. It is a magnificent activity, if you will use it in your daily application, to draw forth that Flame of Truth. Magnetize it and watch yourself in your teaching and in your personal service. Check the energy that

flows to self and through self in service. Thus you grow and develop in your chosen and blessed vocations.

Beloved Vesta, herself, was the first Goddess of Truth for this evolution. The beloved Pallas Athena assumed that Office and has embodied that virtue in the Temple of Truth. She was one of the first cosmic Vestal Virgins representing the Virtue of Truth in the electronic belt around the Sun. The drawing forth of truth in every age has been under the direction of beloved Vesta and beloved Pallas Athena, as well as the Chohan holding the Office of the Fifth Ray. Presently, it is my privilege and honor to render this service.

In early Greece, during the time when the Oracles of Delphi were so active, the very first Vestal Virgins were completely dedicated to magnetizing pure truth. They did draw forth, repeat and record the truth from the lips of the beloved Vesta and beloved Pallas Athena, those records remaining today within the keeping of the Brotherhood of Crete. This spiritual order of Vestal Virgins endured for almost seven hundred years. At the close of this period, one Vestal Virgin was taken into the group who did not live up to the vow of purity of mind or of body. The contagion spread through the ensure endeavor, because of this individual, and brought the Oracle of Delphi to ruin. This destroyed the connection and contact between the beloved Vesta, beloved Pallas Athena and the peoples of Earth.

The recordings of the Oracles of Delphi, which are presently in the hands of the people, are of this degenerate and dishonest organization which, like the Order of Fu Manchu, was an order of great light in the beginning. It is to be regretted that, so often, that which has been begun in great light, which has been sustained by spiritual individuals with tremendous integrity of consciousness, is later seized upon by forces of evil and becomes a pawn of deception to the masses. The result has been superstitious dread and an etheric record of agnosticism in the consciousnesses of many, many innocent men and women who have pinned their faith and their soul light upon the authority and authenticity of such representation. For many ages I have witnessed the distortion of truth through selfishness, usually through a desire for personal power and almost always through intellectual arrogance.

I have witnessed the spiritual wounds upon the consciousness of the race. That is why I vowed to stand with what they call the "agnostics" because these men and women are victims of malicious intent to deceive. They are men and women who in the ages past have put faith and trust in lifestreams, feeling that they were following God, only to be bit-

terly disillusioned. They were left at the close of their embodiments with their faith in ashes, their emotional bodies filled with fear and unhappiness, their etheric bodies deeply scarred and their souls so embittered, that even in the time between embodiments, it was impossible to restore to them a desire to make further spiritual efforts.

This is one of my vocations, to make things right for lifestreams who have been victims of this perpetrated evil. These laggards from other systems and those individuals who became the black magicians, those individuals who prey upon the credulity of the soul, are the greatest sinners before God and before man! There are few among the Ascended Host who have taken this particular interest into their consciousness and there are very few among unascended beings who have any interest in it.

There are many who speak bitterly of the dogmas of the church and there are many who sneer at the credulous who follow hopefully under a leader, but no remedy is ever offered. We must have those who are determined to have TRUTH FOR TRUTH'S SAKE, and who will protect the spiritual selves of the credulous. Where they are blindly following the magnetic pull of the personality (whoever it may be) we must have someone to make those strong spiritual calls that they be awakened and illumined by the Flame of Truth, and their blessed feet be placed upon the path toward eternal freedom!

In this inner realm, and particularly at Crete, we are host to the great teachers and leaders who have come forth in every era and who have brought truth unsullied, from the heart of God. When they leave the body, their well-meaning followers immediately weave that truth into the pattern and plan of their own concepts. Usually within 100 years they have completely distorted it, so that it is nowhere near the original truth which the individual founder left as the heritage for mankind. At inner levels we invite such leaders and teachers until they incarnate (or if they are God-free we invite them rhythmically) to enter the retreat at Crete and here ask them to speak to the souls who have been the followers of THEIR followers, do you see?

Some of those who were Mohammedans, some who were Buddhists, some who were Christians, who had followed the doctrines and creeds set up in the name of the original great leader, have been disillusioned and have gone out with orthodox opinions which are not truth. These all enter into the temple at Crete and the original teacher again gives them the Law on the principles behind the religion to which they tied their energies. The original teachers verify those truths and give the illumination

on the various points of the particular gospel. That is our service to life. Where we can, we procure the voluntary interest of those who have been followers of these religions.

Many who have been bitterly disappointed will not come. You see, free will is the order of the day at inner levels, here, as well as on the Earth plane. When they come into the Halls of Karma, finding their souls disillusioned and their harvest naught; when they find the promises of their leaders not always verified; when they have been told that they should have eternal life, exquisite seamless robes, etc., and instead they stand there in terrific limitation, those promises are like straw!

You have no idea of the disappointment, you have no idea of the heartache of the heart-break. If it were not for the Angels of Deliverance and for those particular beings who receive them into their arms after they pass through the Judgment Hall, I do not know what they would do! The confusion, the chaos, the tears and the heartache of those who come through the gates of death to disillusionment has wrung my heart through the ages.

I speak to you as one who is so eager to free people from misconcepts. To me, an agnostic is a being whom I love very much, for he is one who has been hurt deeply and bitterly. Those men and women we shall set free, with God's help! It is my desire so to do and it is my reason for being. You ALL have a REASON FOR BEING! The further you go on the path and the greater the light of your consciousness, the more you see the need. Then the busier you become, but the happier you become also, because you lose "self" and in this service you find extreme joy.

Will you join with me sometime before your body sleeps each night and think of me for a moment every day, because I am going through the Seven Spheres on a "one-man mission" renewing men's faith in God! You know I was always known as a great persuader! I love it!

(EDITORS NOTE: The beloved Hilarion, Chohan of the Fifth Ray, was Saint Paul of Biblical times)

HAIL TO THEE-HILARION

Hymn tune "Onward, Christian Soldiers!" (The keynote of his retreat)

Hail to thee! Hilarion—
And Brotherhood at Crete!
Guarding God's eternal truth
From this blest retreat.
Here no shadows can prevail—
All is blazing light—
Here no human wrongs assail
Here all things are made right.
Faithful friend of all below,
Lord of love's Fifth Ray,
God's great truth on all bestow—
Hilarion—today!

Champion of the Unfed Flame
In each beating heart,
Let that flame in all expand
Filling every part.
Skeptics and agnostics too
Find in thee a friend,
Patiently unveiling Truth
In wisdom without end.
Here all life stands God-revealed—
Happy— free from strife—
Here forever to enjoy
God's Eternal Life

Great Hilarion, Master dear,
Brother, too, of love,
Saturate our planet here
From thy realms above
With thy Flame of Cosmic Truth.
Let naught else abide,
Send thy legions— attend our youth—
Walk closely by their side!
They're the hope of God's New Day—
Make them firm and strong,
And with freedoms Seventh Ray
Sing the victor's song.

Pallas Athena, Flame of Truth, And Maha Chohan, Asking naught— but bringing all Their God-gifts to man. Sanat Kumara now to free— Truth and Comfort COME! Without limit bless these dear ones, Great, Great Central Sun! With Hilarion we stand in fellowship so sweet, Calling legions to expand His Brotherhood at Crete!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK

MAHA CHOHAN

The ideal balance for the most rapid spiritual development, is individual application leading to self mastery, coupled with active service, according to the developed consciousness and capacity of the student. In all endeavors to raise mankind again to his natural God-free estate, the safest, surest and most efficacious progress is made on the path recommended by Lord Buddha, "THE MIDDLE WAY." Mankind, through the ages, has swung to both extremes of either too much absorption in self, or absolute neglect of self in a cause. We recommend the balance between the two.

EL MORYA

The will of God is to EXTERNALIZE the perfection already existent at Inner Levels. To draw the visions, ideas, patterns and plans into the world of form that have already manifested in the kingdom of heaven, is the service that can be performed by really sincere, practical, willing students on the path. Many students prefer to contemplate perfection in the abstract sense, but are not willing to consecrate their personal energies to drawing forth the perfection for the blessings of mankind. The few who are so willing, become the joy of my heart. To them, I look for accomplishment.

KUTHUMI

The wisdom of God is to become still enough to perceive, comprehend, absorb and understand the will of God BEFORE rushing forth into zealous service. The wise man, sincerely desiring to further the cause of God's design, learns FIRST to humbly apply to the fount of knowledge, commune with the Holy Christ Self, and receive its wisdom, its strength, its directions. Then—consecrating his energies to externalizing that contemplated pattern—he becomes of use to the Spiritual Hierarchy because his energies are one with the will of God and his endeavors will supplement the endeavors of every member of the Spiritual Hierarchy working toward the same glorious fulfillment of the divine plan.

PAUL - THE VENETIAN MASTER

Students sometimes forfeit great opportunities to use the developed talents, momentums, natural capacities and actual substance which are already theirs to utilize, waiting for a great opportunity, a spectacular summons from the Masters. Thus, precious months and years fly by and, an individual, convinced of his own sincerity, loses the precious cosmic moment when his energies might have helped to turn the tide of an entire evolution toward greater spiritual victory and accomplishment. How many lifestreams, who were fortunate to live at the time of Jesus' ministry did not recognize their individual capacity to assist Him to greater efficacy in his service! Looking back through the glamorous folds of time, those same consciousnesses affirm with feeling that IF they had been there they would have protected, assisted supplied and promoted his endeavors. Yet, THEY WERE there. We are again in such auspicious moments of opportunity. Let the wise be alert to the present.

SERAPIS BEY

At Luxor, the student is examined for present worth to the community as well as future worth to the evolution of the planet. His developed consciousness is employed to sustain and expand the endeavors PRES-ENTLY occupying the attention and energies of the Brotherhood. At the same time, he is being trained to develop a more mature, creative, self-controlled consciousness for future service. We do not allow any applicant to remain who is not willing to invest his PRESENT talents in the cause of world good, on the false assumption that the development of greater personal powers will LATER be offered to the Great White Brotherhood. The very fact that such an one desires to place his talents, worth and consciousness at the feet of God ONLY AT A LATER DATE is a clear statement that any future developed gifts and powers will likewise be withheld for self. These individuals we cannot use.

HILARION

I serve with the lifestreams who have TRUE VOCATIONS (individuals whose inner consciousness is developed to a point where they desire to channel their energies into a SPECIFIC SERVICE TO life). These men and women are born with this pre-dedication to some channel of expressed service, such as teaching, nursing, preaching, etc. Even as children, they are strongly drawn toward developing the capacity to be of service to life on a particular Ray of expression. They seek out the consciousnesses

who can assist them in receiving both knowledge and practical experience to make them proficient along these lines. They are CONSECRATED at inner levels. Their energies are blessed by the beloved Archangel Raphael and myself, and the life which flows into their hearts filling their worlds is blessed, indeed.

Individuals who have a spiritual vocation find no happiness, unless allowed to follow the dictates of their hearts in this direction. Conscious chelas and students of the Masters fall into this category. The experiences of life and the promptings of "conscience" continue to prod the student, until he comes into some line of spiritual teaching where this soul thirst is assuaged and he feels himself upon the path of his own choosing. However, here, the spiritual aspirant often falls far short of the layman with a vocation of much less value to world evolution, for the student does not always recognize the impersonal Law which says to every man—"serve as you learn."

The intern in the hospital, the student nurse, the novitiate in the convent, the student priest or minister, accepts this law in happiness, knowing that in service much of his knowledge and development will come. The spiritual student, however, from a sense of pride or a mistaken notion of the law, ofttimes "wiles away" a lifetime on metaphysical contemplations and abstract studies, while the Brotherhood, whom he professes to love is denied the practical assistance of his present developed energies, talents, and general strength and wealth of consciousness. These men and women fail on the first initiation, which is, "practical works make further knowledge available."

IESUS

My ministry was one of action. Every day before I left the house, great numbers of people had gathered, primarily to receive relief from all manner of discomfort and disease of mind and body. Very few came to learn the application by which I had achieved such prayers to give surcease from distress. I had learned NEVER, under any circumstances, to go forth to serve until I had first ANCHORED my consciousness, feeling and self IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD. Only when I was firmly established in that unshakable faith, that indestructible fortress of his power and presence, would I endeavor to convey that consciousness of his goodness, through words and works, to my fellowman. Earnest men and women, filled with zeal and enthusiasm, often rush forth without such personal contemplation and communion with the God-self.

Then, they are overwhelmed and swallowed up by the appearances of evil which mankind not only unconsciously cherish, but energize by their strong faith in the reality of the chains that bind. Wisdom is to pursue the Middle Way. Learn the nature of the Father, not only in shifting energies of the outer mind, but in the creep centers of the feeling, and in the fear-charged atoms of the flesh. Then no appearance will shake the foundation of faith in God and the appearance will yield to the one so armed in Truth!

SAINT GERMAIN

Ordered service is the activity of the Seventh Ray, which it is my privilege and honor to introduce to the consciousness of mankind at this time. Every activity of life draws some of the primal essence and energy of God into the qualifying consciousness of the individual. The use to which that life is put determines the conditions of the individual's aura and world. It is my hope to teach mankind to qualify this primal life in a balanced, orderly manner to fulfill the divine plan. Each activity of the day must become a ceremony of dignity, harmony and perfection. Further, chelas must be alert to opportunity to use their energies to forward the activity of THE PRESENT MOMENT and not spend these vital hours in contemplation of a future service— for there is only the ETERNAL NOW.

My beloved complement is known as the Goddess of Opportunity and I cannot stress too much, to those who profess to LOVE us, that opportunity is standing at the door of this glorious New Age, inviting the consecrated energies of every sincere and earnest one to serve, according to the best of the present abilities, meanwhile utilizing the applications given to make future service more efficacious in our name.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: It is my understanding that the balance we can render to life for the more-than-ordinary assistance received from the Masters is to spread the understanding of the spiritual law to other people. Is this true?

GURU—Blessed Chela: It is truly the just and fair consciousness that realizes that, for blessings received, there must be equal or greater blessings given. It is to be regretted that so many earnest students feel that the very attitude of receptivity to the Masters' instructions is cause for commendation. Rather are they the debtors to the beloved Brothers and Sisters who have forsworn happy freedom in higher realms to remain and invest their energies, their life, their love, in illumining the benighted consciousness of mankind.

CHELA—Beloved Master: The members of the Great White Brother-hood volunteer to invest their momentums of faith, wisdom, love, healing, etc., in mankind. How can those of us so blessed as to have received their loving counsel, protection and assistance, best spread this understanding, particularly to orthodox-minded individuals?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Many are the ways and means by which each individual chela may voluntarily dedicate a portion of his energies, substance and developed momentum of consciousness to the forwarding of the evolution of the race. It requires, first, extreme honesty in the consciousness of the chela, who appraises his own worth, spiritual, mental, emotional, and physical. Such a chela, upon self-examination, sees wherein he can PRESENTLY be of practical benefit to the development of interest in the will of God.

Such present talents are immediately pressed into the work of the moment. At the same time the chela determines, within himself, to develop, through individual application, a more mature, dependable, illumined consciousness and set of vehicles to offer to the Master. He engages upon a course of spiritual self-discipline and self purification, meanwhile not neglecting the many opportunities at hand to lend his presently available store of energies and substance to the development of the greatest good in the current cosmic moment. Many good chelas "wile away" a lifetime awaiting a cosmic summons, passing the golden door of opportunity, with never a glance at the practical service this Goddess holds in her hopeful hands for the present development of the Masters' endeavors.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can a student wisely determine how much actual service should be rendered to the Brotherhood and how much service to one's own development? How much obligation to family, etc. should be sacrificed to this end?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The chela who accepts the obligation of more than ordinary instruction, counsel and assistance from the Great White Brotherhood, automatically obligates himself to balance that blessing with a proportionate share of impersonal universal service for the progression of the race into greater perfection. No one requires of any man that he apply at the Fount of Knowledge, but if he drinks thereof, his obligation to life is TO USE THE knowledge received for the blessings of the race. He must, in wisdom, adjust his personal affairs and individual obligations in a harmonious manner, pursuing the middle way. However, the chela who reaches out his hand and accepts the friendship and life of the Masters and then returns to use that energy only in the development of his individual, personal world will sooner or later cut himself off from the greater release from above.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it then impossible for individuals with family ties to pursue the spiritual path as a conscious chela?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No, it is not impossible, but the initiations for such an one are more difficult. The chela thus engaged in developing a family unit must use that unit as a "working ground" wherein he may establish harmony, peace, purity, love, cooperation and spiritual illumination within his smaller sphere of influence. Then, by reason of this very testing, trying and training, he becomes a powerful force for good in his community and a conductor through which the Masters, on occasion, may pour their more-than-ordinary radiation in times of crises.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can one best bring the understanding of the Masters into one's family and to the attention of one's friends? Is this accepted as a balance for spiritual instruction?

GURU— Blessed Chela: The bringing of light, harmony, peace, purity and balance into one's home and circle of friends is certainly a partial balance for instruction received. The very best way to do this is by EXAMPLE. Individuals who are close to you will notice and respect the SILENT mastery you achieve in the controlling of the energies of your physical and inner bodies, whereas the catapulting of "words" at them stirs the rebellions of the centuries toward truth in any guise. I do not counsel propagation of the faith in the family unit through verbal instruction UNTIL THE LIFE LIVED BY THE CHELA invokes inquiry from those who will

respond to radiation as surely as the flowers respond to the light of the sun.

CHELA—Beloved Master: To spread the understanding of the Masters through placing of literature in auspicious places would seem a service of merit.

GURU—Blessed Chela: True! Remember, however, that the spiritual applications preceding the distribution of the literature will carry a full 80% of the efficacy of the seeds thus sown. The blessing of the printed word and the invocation of the Holy Christ Selves of those who should benefit by it, to joyously receive and cooperate with such instruction, yields a mighty harvest. Too many students neglect the POWER HOUSE which lies within the invocation of the presence of God in their endeavor to accomplish works of merit.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can we best overcome the prejudice of the orthodox consciousness?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Again, by EXAMPLE. There is no teacher like manifest works. When you HAVE what the world wants, the world will beat a pathway to your door. Proceed to develop the powers of healing, of precipitation, and see the truth in this statement. I counsel that with "all thy getting" however, you call for wisdom, balance, humility, protection and Herculean strength and energy. You will need them, because when the surging tides of mankind, (intent upon receiving the gifts and the proceeds of the gifts you draw forth, but not eager to learn the scientific law by which you attained) seek you out— and seek you out they will— it will require all of your spiritual strengths to stand by the unwritten Law that governs the Hierarchy— "the way to enjoy the FRUITS is to learn how to plant and nourish the tree."

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Beloved Seekers After The Spirit Of Truth: (July 1, 1954)

I am happy to include you in this small, but earnest, group who really desire to KNOW truth. Mankind believes they wish to know truth but their respective hands are over their eyes and ears, except in those rare instances when truth comfortably agrees with their pre-conceived concepts and opinions.

Truth is very dear to me. She is the spiritual complement to my lifestream. Every chela must learn to know her and to love her before he can be free. Your well-loved Master Jesus said, "Truth will make you free." She has promised to do this for those who boldly seek her out and demand of her presence the pure white flame that sweeps through the consciousness, removing all comfortable hiding places for conscience, and leaves the naked soul to receive the strong rays from her heart.

In the beautiful Grecian Temple of Truth, where the beloved Hilarion and the Brotherhood of Truth guard, sustain and expand the consciousness of truth and direct it earthward when invited, you will meet the beloved Pallas Athena. In her presence, you will lose all sense of fear and come to a warm, comfortable security in the knowledge that she will never deceive you. Faith born of love for her will never abandon you to the riptides of despair.

The men and women who have placed their faith in false idols, in wrong concepts, in misguided leaders, come sooner or later to the Temple of Truth and their souls are renewed. They go forth again to finish their individual development with new courage, strength and faith in God. This is the service of this focus of light.

As you breathe in the essence of Cosmic Truth, and your physical and inner bodies are bathed in her living presence, you will find that much of the fear that is embedded in the physical atoms, as well as the subtle matter of the inner vehicles, will be melted away. This month should be an individual purification from fear, subtle and apparent, and an individual spiritual revival in faith in the all-power of God. CONTEMPLATE—IF GOD BE ALL-POWERFUL, what other power is there to act?

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Beloved Friends And Guardians Of Eternal Truth:

God bless you! Beloved Pallas Athena, Goddess of Truth to this planet Earth and beloved Hilarion, Chohan of the Fifth Ray and guardian of the Cosmic Flame of Cosmic Truth at his retreat over the Island of Crete, now flood your entire being and world with overwhelming OCEANS of their beautiful Flame of Eternal Truth, saturating your entire being and world with that fiery essence, commanding and compelling all unlike Itself to be no more, possessing, controlling and ruling your entire being and world forever! THIS SHALL BE! I AM GOD'S LIFE speaking and GOD IS THE ONLY LIFE THAT CAN ACT ANYWHERE! So be it!

Dear friends, the very fact that you are reading our humble little "Journal," proves conclusively that YOU LOVE TRUTH and desire her to arise from within the Unfed Flame in your beating heart, illumining all things to you, removing all doubt and fear concerning the ever-present God I AM inside of you—giving that I AM Presence full control of all your energy, your outer mind and activities forever. Then shall there be GOD SUCCESS manifest in all you do, for TRUTH IS GOD IN ACTION and knows no interference from anyone, anywhere. STOP A MOMENT! THINK! How could it be otherwise?

Now that we are determined to have the Cosmic Flame of Cosmic Truth make us all the perfection which it is—which we so much desire—it is our part of the contract to govern the energy that flows through us each moment with that which will cooperate with this flame. One easy way to do this is to watch our speech and particularly our written word, allowing no word or sound to go forth from us that is not or will not produce ETERNAL TRUTH! All negative words and statements—so commonly used by most of mankind all day long—must be discarded in favor of constructive ones. This must be done later with our thoughts and feelings, but it is easier to begin with the spoken and written word.

Definitely watch your speech and correspondence—refuse the use of such statements as "I am afraid," "I am sick," "I am broke," "I am exhausted," and all like unto them. Replace them by the positive words which will manifest the conditions in which you desire to live. For instance, "I AM sure" thus and so, "I am God's health in action here, since GOD IS MY VERY LIFE!" "The appearances of lack HAVE NO POWER OVER ME! GOD MADE ME and HE SUSTAINS ME in every good thing I desire." "I place my attention on the SOURCE of my life (energy) and I am quickly renewed in strength." THESE THINGS ARE TRUE! THEY ARE TRUTH IN ACTION! Try using them instead of the negative expressions most people

habitually use. Try it just with yourself at first, until you gain the consciousness THAT THEY ARE TRUE. Then you can say them with assurance to others. Until you CAN, however, it is better to be silent about what you are trying to do.

We are all this day the result of what we have been, up to this moment and one must begin WHERE HE IS to change his world into truth. He cannot begin where he wishes he were! If you want to change your world into more satisfactory conditions, those of greater perfection, which is ETERNAL TRUTH—start with these small but practical things, changing habits in the use of one's daily life (energy) and remember, "Great oaks from little acorns grow."

The keynote of this glorious retreat of beloved Hilarion is "Onward Christian Soldiers," and you will find words to that melody in this issue. It would be appropriate and helpful to sing this in each class, or privately, during this 30-day period. The statement to be used for the breathing period is—

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I AM	inbreathing	th'God	illumination	of Cosmic Tr	uth from	Pallas Athena	
I AM	absorbing	"	"	"	"	"	."
I AM	expanding	"	"	"	"	"	"
I AM	projecting	"	"	"	"	"	"

The color of the Transmission Flame this month is a bright green.

Gratefully in the light,

FRANCES K. EKEY

SUGGESTED DECREES For 30-day period, July 15th to August 14th, 1954

Beloved Cosmic Flame of Eternal Truth, right within my beating heart! I LOVE YOU! Possess, control and rule me! Direct, correct, protect, perfect and limitlessly supply me with the abundance of money and every good thing! Saturate my atmosphere with such an all-powerful radiance of yourself that NO HUMAN SHADOWS can live within it or approach my world for any reason whatsoever! Make all life love thee and thy radiant presence, which brings eternal freedom, comfort and complete victory. What I call forth for myself, I call forth for everyone belonging to our dear Earth's evolutions, in or out of embodiment at this time! So be it!

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM in me and beloved Pallas Athena—in

thy name, love wisdom, power and authority do I call—

Let the Flame of Cosmic Truth illumine me today! I call to her within my heart—Come forth and rule me. Expand thy light and now reveal ALL THAT GOD MEANT TO BE!

Transmute NOW, on the instant, all that so distresses me! Hold my attention on thy light. Let thy light through me bless All life I ever contact with thy great God-success! For truth is LIGHT! Without it, no life can be sustained! One day, each one— expressing TRUTH, becomes what God ordained.

All struggles, doubts and fears now cease, from them I'm ever free. The Cosmic Flame of Cosmic Truth expands, possessing me. She holds me in her arms of light, secure against all that's wrong. Abiding in God's Flame of Truth, all sing the victor's song!"

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM in me, thou beloved Immortal Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Saint Germain and Jesus and all Great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light, angels and activities of the Sacred Fire, in the name of the presence of God which I AM and through the magnetic power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I decree—

Remove from us all doubt and fear!(3x) *

I command it! Great I AM!

Replace it by Ray-O-Light's Fearlessness Flame!

By cosmic I AM Fire!

Manifest God's desire!

Command us NOW ALL FREE!

ASCEND us now to thee!

And we accept this done *right now* with full cosmic power!

*(repeat before each line)

It is suggested to give this decree three times per day

THE HEALING CHALICE

July 1954

Oh! beloved children of Earth! Long hast thou tarried on my small star. Long have I awaited thy homecoming. Thy Mother, in longing, awaits thee, ever hoping for thy return. Enmeshed in the questionable pleasure of Earth dwellers, thou hast forgotten the way back to the highway from whence thou hast wandered. Thou hast sought adventure in the byways and inviting fields filled with the fragile, fleeting flowers of thy fellow man's creations. Too often, snared in illusion, thou hast found what seemed to be a fair plain of beauty, fragrant with the blossoms of

those ideals which thou hast sought, only to have it vanish from view, leaving thee amidst rocks and barren wastes that bruised thy feet and tried thy very soul.

Come now, my children! Let there be an end of illusion. Within thy bosom smolders the spark of Sacred Fire, within which abides my light, and thy true happiness and perfection. I am thy Father, bidding thee return to thy natural and native home. Let that flame within thee blaze and light the way. It is a lantern lighted within thee to illumine thy pathway through the darkness of maya, which seems to hide my face from thee. Fan the spark and let the blaze of that flame show thee where thou mayest safely place thy faltering feet while seeking thy return. Project thy light upon illusion and see it vanish in the brilliance of thy shadowless light. I am ever replenishing thy fire with my own breath, my life in thee. Thou art my will in action, if thou wilt but choose to express my love and power in the divine fulfillment of that will, through thy love for me. Come, my dear ones! Let thy Father heal thy wounds and cleanse thy spirit, clothing thee once more in the raiment of the Sun.

Raise thine eyes to me and I will guide thy footsteps unto the gates of thy heavenly "home." Thy faith and thy love shall be thy wings, which will bear thee swiftly unto liberation. My purple Fires of Mercy and Forgiveness, my Flames of Transmutation, shall loose thee from the magnetic pull and call of yesteryear. Thou art the director and master of that flame if thou wilt but accept thy gift and with it thy divine obligation. Thy lighted lamp shall serve not only to illumine thy way, but shall shine upon the pathway for all to see who pass thy way. Thou shalt become. a shepherd and many are those who shall turn from their darkness and distress and follow thee. My angels of the Purple Fire attend thee. Come children! Thy Father-Mother God now calls thee home!

THE HEALING CHALICE

The Healing Chalice offers to you the privilege of losing your problem, gathering comfort and illumination, by writing and placing your needs before the attention of those who have devoted their energies to the giving of the assistance required. Your letters are held in strict confidence, and many are the testimonials of the help already received. Direct your letter to The Healing Chalice, Box 297, Halesite, Long Island, N.Y.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

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TO THE BELOVED GOD PARENTS OF THIS SYSTEM OF WORLDS

Dearly Beloved Ones, who designed the beautiful planets which swing around your shining orbit, we love you! We bow before your love, your wisdom, your patience and your mercy.

Knowing that in the investment of your thought, your feeling, your energies through millions of years, you most certainly had in mind a plan, a reason for the limitless use of your life in both creating and sustaining this solar universe. We come in humility before your throne. We ask on behalf of mankind that they be illumined as to WHAT THAT PLAN IS AND HOW WE TOGETHER WITH THE FEW AMONG THEM SUFFICIENTLY SELF-LESS TO SUPPORT OUR ENDEAVORS, MAY ASSIST YOU IN FULFILLING IT. WE ALSO ASK FOR OPPORTUNITY TO REACH THOSE MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN RACE WHO HAVE SUCH A DESIRE and who, within themselves, are willing to consecrate their personal energies to the fulfillment of the fiat which beloved brother Jesus so beautifully expressed, "THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH EVEN AS IT IS IN HEAVEN."

Blessed God-parents! The miracle of the ages is that any of mankind even desire to know thy will! Help us, who stand between thy blazing light and their hopeful hearts, to interpret that will in a comprehensible manner, and to make it sufficiently inviting to their feeble, yet commendable, aspirations toward cooperative service in thy vineyard.

Lovingly, on behalf of the Spiritual Hierarchy who live but to serve you, I am

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE TEMPLE OF COMFORT, ISLAND OF CEYLON, INDIA From August 15th through September 14th, 1954

Off the southern tip of India, surrounded by the beautiful blue waters of the Indian Ocean, lies the Island of Ceylon. Here is located one of the ancient retreats of the Eastern world, under the direction of the beloved Maha Chohan, Holy Comforter to the hearts of angels, men and elementals, presently evolving side by side in, through and around the planet Earth.

One of the large tea plantations is owned and governed by the wealthy "Indian Potentate" who sometimes visits his "holdings" and who is (to all intents and purposes) a member of the human race, whom he so selflessly serves. Beneath the green, mound-shaped promontory is the Temple of the Holy Comforter, wherein are trained and educated chelas who have applied to life for the opportunity of becoming a comforting presence to all in distress. The mystic application lies not in written words, nor spoken affirmations of interest, nor in vows that are but superficial reflections of desire for power.

Those whose spirits apply for entrance into this retreat have witnessed, like Lord Buddha, the miseries of mankind and the nature kingdom, and their hearts have stormed the doors of heaven for understanding as to how to remove the causes behind these malefic effects that plague the race. They are not content with the temporary assuagement of physical pain, but with the removal of the seething cankers in consciousness, which pour out their poisons on the screen of life, infecting the healthy as well as the already inwardly afflicted.

The acceptance of the lifestream by the beloved Maha Chohan, as a chela who is desirous of LOSING SELF in serving life, is a mark of great spiritual merit. Many of the Ascended Host, themselves, have applied for entrance into this spiritual Order of Holy Comforters but yet await opportunity to join its members!

Comfort to the unawakened means freedom from distress. Comfort to the conscious chela means knowledge which, when applied, controls energy, within and without the self, bringing harmony where disharmony exists, beauty where distortion exists, healing where disease exists, and peace where warring energies are manifest. Comfort is the capacity to control first, the small personal aura, no matter what the internal or external provocation and second, to control the energies that are the shadows on the screen of maya—locally, nationally or on a planetary scale—when required to do so.

The Master Jesus was an example of such a comforting presence—so also was the beloved Saint Francis of Assisi. The Silent Watcher of the Temple of Comfort is seeking constantly among the souls of men for those whose hearts signify they desire to become such a comforting presence to life. These are marked and examined by our Lord Maha Chohan and, if they have certain basic qualifications, they are given an opportunity to learn how to control the energies of their own thoughts—so that only thoughts that will bring comfort to life have birth within their mental bodies. They are also taught how to control their emotional bodies, so that only feelings which WILL add to the aura of comfort of the world are contributed by them—twenty-four hours a day and not only in times of application or religious worship.

They learn control over their own etheric bodies, so that the memories of past bitterness, injustice and distress might not again flow into the pliable substance of the universal light and add to the mass blanket of karma that mankind breathe in with their very breath. Lastly, they are taught control over their physical faculties so that their lips never form or speak a word that does not carry comfort and inspiration to others, their hands never rise in a gesture that is less than a blessing, their eyes never send forth the fires of irritation or scorn, but rather express the soft radiance of love and their ears never listen to or record unkindness about another part of life, and so on, ad infinitum.

The disciples of the beloved chelas of the Holy Comforter are joyous, for they take up the entire course of living. When called before HIM, they are shown how much they have contributed to the comfort of life in a twenty-four-hour period. After a certain time, they are either accepted or returned for further development in the beautiful art of selfless love and brotherhood toward their fellowman, WHEN THEY MAY AGAIN BE SINGLED OUT FOR OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE.

During this thirty-day period, each chela and dear reader who loves the Maha Chohan may prove their fidelity to his presence by endeavoring to INCREASE the amount of comfort they bring to their homes, families, fellow students, countrymen, the little members of the nature kingdom, the plant life and, of course, FIRST AND FOREMOST TO THEIR PRESENCE WHO FINDS COMFORT IN OBEDIENCE TO ITS DIRECTIONS THROUGH THE VOLUNTARY COOPERATION OF THE OUTER SELF.

The flame of the beloved Holy Comforter is white at the core and blends into a beautiful soft pink at its periphery. The song that carries his love and blessing is "At Dawning." Thomas Printz

BELOVED VESTA, EXPLAINING HER MISSION

July 17, 1951

I am the embodiment of the Power of Invocation, by which universal life and light begin an active expression of usefulness.

Life is the servant of flame, as light is the natural radiation of life. Without any intelligent director, life would remain forever unformed and quiescent. Within life, the Godhead has placed every power, attribute, capacity and virtue which is his. MAN MUST LEARN OF ITS PRESENCE AND HOW TO DRAW FORTH ITS FULLNESS! He must become VESTED with the power of creation. Love of life and a desire to understand its nature, precede my service to the evolving soul. I then INVEST them with the knowledge of life's potentialities and their capacity to unfold and draw forth from life the fullness that God has incorporated into this everpresent, intelligent, vital substance. My activity is to draw forth, mould and externalize this potential perfection through my pupils.

The activity of the Vestal Virgins has been little understood. They were God egos who volunteered at certain periods of Earth's development, to take incarnation and, through devotion to the Sacred Fire, vitalize definite causes dedicated to further the evolution of the race. This concentrated presence of the Sacred Fire, drawn Earthward and sustained by the guarding lifestreams of the Virgins, was the sustaining power of these movements—civic, religious, artistic, educational, cultural, etc. The Vestal Virgins were VESTED with power, and INVESTED in a world cause or a local cause through my lifestream.

For instance, an advanced being desires to bring to the human race the art which he has developed in the octave of light. Working at inner levels, under the Chohan of Art, he feels the race would benefit IN SOUL GROWTH by seeing, absorbing, and creating this perfect art (which up to this point may never have been expressed on Earth before.)

The Lords of Karma hear his plan and weigh his worth and capacities. Then, looking at the world plan, if his endeavor is auspicious at a given hour, acquiesce to his desire to incarnate and bring his gift to humanity. He must interest these contemporary spirits in HIS CAUSE. They must not only love him, but be found capable of offering beneficial talents, capacities, etc., according to their soul growth and nature. They, too, must be passed by the Lords of Karma.

If this being is fortunate enough to secure fellow beings willing to assist him, then the sponsor and his group come before me (Vesta) and they are individually and collectively INVESTED in this movement in the name of God. I take the final responsibility for INVESTING souls, life,

time, energy, intelligence, in a cause, and the resultant effect (the failures and successes) become my personal obligation to life. The cause is carefully studied, its possible beneficial results for the race, the nature and capacities of the sponsor and volunteers are examined before such investment takes place. All those invested are then, in turn, vested with the power and authority of the Sacred Fire, to draw out of life everything their intelligence prompts them to call forth to perfect, protect, beautify and expand the cause they serve. They carry more power than the masses, for they have been cosmically ordained.

During the entire course of incarnation, they work consciously or unconsciously for the cause they vowed to serve at Inner Levels, and, naturally, I am vitally interested in their progress. In times of crises, because of my personal responsibility, I am privileged to enter into the cause and vitalize it with my power and light.

To invest an individual with spiritual authority is to confer upon their life flame, powers not previously present. I am the root of investment, and a powerful force in the financial world, when understood. People design a project and invest their substance, talents and energies into it, so the project may live and prosper. So do I INVEST lifestreams in cosmic causes, working with the Lords of Karma, to further world progress. These lifestreams represent my capital, and the causes benefit by their presence. All cosmic ventures are placed before me by their sponsor and the Great White Brotherhood. Lifestreams capable of assisting in carrying these missions through the veil of incarnation must come before me. If their light, momentum, karma and capacities are judged sufficient for the particular service, they are INVESTED (together with their sponsor) with certain additional powers and dedicated to a cause. This is all done at inner levels and later, "circumstances" draw people together in the world of form when it is proper for the investment to begin working to forward some facet of universal good.

The cause of freedom was born in God's heart when the first individualized God-flame was created, for God desired all his creation FREE! Many causes are set up by the Godhead directly, and many causes are born through the initiative of his children. A cause, to which a lifestream may choose to dedicate his life, is not necessarily created by the individual himself, but it can be ASSUMED. An individual interested in such service may take the responsibility of carrying such a cause to mankind, so that its ultimate beneficial effect may sooner be the heritage of the people. The Godhead may create causes. Intelligent beings, pondering on ways to serve God's plan, may evolve causes and bring them into the consciousness of mankind.

When a cosmic desire of God's heart pulsates in the higher heavens, waiting to be claimed, ensouled, and lowered by one of his children, it is so finely attuned and vibrates so quickly, that it is neither visible nor tangible to even tremendously evolved beings, EXCEPT where their own interests and leanings through the centuries have created in them a similar vibration. Thus a being would have had to love freedom, serve freedom, etc., for centuries before the cosmic pulsation would be even discernible in the blazing cosmic light which is the "desire world" of the Great Central Sun, or the physical Sun of the system. Such a being is Saint Germain. He finally achieved an individual consciousness sufficiently sensitive to PERCEIVE God's desire to bring FREEDOM to his creation. (The ability to perceive the presence of any blessing is one of God's gifts and is developed by the humble listening heart.)

When Saint Germain (among all the hearts in heaven) pierced through God's aura and entered the Secret Place of the Most High, he saw "unclaimed" the cause God had set up "before the world was." One day, by the nature of its being, this cause must have an effect which would be manifest as unconditional freedom for every part and particle of his creation. Love had answered before the call—God provided before the need!

His heart thrilled at sharing the development and externalization of the Father's plan for further blessing to his children. He loved that "cause," prayed and prepared, that some day he might be worthy to ensoul it with his own flame and carry it down to the world of men, that Its effect might externalize on the screen of manifest expression. The Sun, itself, calls the being prepared to carry his particular cause to fulfillment, either when the cosmic hour for its birth is come, or, if some child of heaven had anticipated that hour and become the fit vessel for its incarnation, BEFORE THE HOUR. When any being becomes ready to be invested with a cosmic cause, the law of magnetic attraction begins to pull on the heart of God and the cause that has lain therein starts on its downward course to join itself with the consciousness making the call from below. Thus does the Godhead become aware of the readiness of the race for greater blessings.

The Father called the son—Saint Germain—in the ripe hour and Saint Germain, in a Cosmic Initiation, entered the Great Flame of Freedom. He ensouled it with his own individualized flame, taking full responsibility for carrying it to Earth and letting its effect radiate through all life and all created beings.

At inner levels, he worked for centuries, interesting lifestreams in that cause, until many were willing to stand before the Lords of Karma and volunteer to invest their lives in helping bring. freedom to the race. With their sponsor, those who accepted this opportunity to give freedom to the people of Earth, were given audience before me, and each invested with the knowledge and power of the Sacred Fire AND THE VISION OF THE CAUSE IN ITS FULLNESS. Then, as a corporate body, together with their Master, they were cosmically invested in the cause of freedom—their bodies, minds, souls, natures and heritage. None can leave that cause until its effect is manifest. All are my investment in the name and by the desire of the God of Love.

Gently, I am, VESTA

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

Beloved Hearts, Seeking Comfort:

August, 1954

There is no unascended being, no imprisoned elemental, no exile angel, whose heart does not call out for comfort. I am, therefore, both a popular and a busy representative of the beloved Holy Spirit of our universe. I am also a grateful being, because the desire within the soul, the heart and the feelings is the open door to fulfillment—whether the desire is for God or for the things of the world.

Desire—the name itself signifying its primary purpose—is a gift of FEELING which magnetizes that particular thing desired and draws it into the world and experience of the individual. Men may profess one thing with the lips and pen, but the magnetic pull of the secret energies in the desire world will be proof of what he REALLY WANTS, when the final accounting is taken and the final records read. Therefore, when men desire a virtue, we are grateful, because their energies invite and magnetize the beings who embody that virtue. They draw the gifts, powers and radiation of such ones into the consciousness, world and aura of the one sending forth the silent call, prayer, affirmation or desire in itself (which is a powerful form of prayer not recognized because it has not been formally labeled INVOCATION of the first order).

Men do not seek with such enthusiasm the virtues of purity, humility, or spiritual holiness, but ALL SEEK COMFORT. The few apply to become a comforting presence to their fellowman. To the few who seek to COMFORT, I send the invitation to join us in the Temple of Comfort, which it is my privilege to sustain in Ceylon. Here, I give to the blessed chelas the understanding of the spiritual qualities which must be developed to make an individual a balanced focus through which comfort may flow—in the

form of healing, peace, understanding, practical works, etc. The personal aura is the conductor of the blessings from the heart of the Presence. The development of these spiritual qualities matures, strengthens and balances the aura, so that it may carry the Fire of Creation to channeled service.

Throughout this month, when I am honored by the attention of mankind, I recommend that each chela spend one of the seven days of each week in endeavoring to develop the specific gift mentioned in "The Masters Speak" section of this "Bridge," starting on Sunday with the humility of the First Ray.

At the Transmission Class, if you will honor these gifts in thought, and breathe them in with the flame, you will have a stimulus toward the development of their active presence within you.

Love and blessings, MAHA CHOHAN

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES August 1, 1954

Friends of Living Truth, who are a COMFORT to God's Heart:

God bless you! In the authority of the Immortal Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within your heart and mine, I now commend you to the attention and loving care of one of the SWEETEST and MOST DESIRED of all God's gifts, the COMFORT FLAME of Love! FEEL its arms enfold you NOW and KNOW, deep down within yourself, that THEY WILL NEVER LET YOU GO! Friend and foe may fail you in your experience life, but that faithful friend of comfort, once called into ACTION, ABIDES FOREVER WITH YOU, always at attention, awaiting your conscious command to SURGE into dynamic action to fulfill your every need. Experiment with it! "Once sincerely tried, never again denied." It is part of your life—your individual inheritance from the Central Sun, itself—and it but requires YOUR ATTENTION and PRACTICE OF Its use to prove itself to you!

The use of ANY of God's flames IS AS PRACTICAL AS THE USE OF THE ELECTRIC LIGHT, THE AUTOMOBILE, OR ANY OF THE SO-CALLED "PRACTICAL" THINGS MEN USE ON EARTH TODAY. We all used them once but have forgotten how real they are! Cooperate with the Law of their being, connect with the powerhouse through your attention upon them, hold it there until "contact" is made and the current flows. This practice must be begun some day and there is no time SOONER THAN NOW! It is definitely NOT something to be done "some sweet day when life is o'er", nor at

some place afar off. HERE is the place! NOW IS THE TIME!

Did you ever take the time to THINK how important it is to give COMFORT to all the life around you, especially those with whom you live your daily life—those with whom you share the "things" of this world? I mean the homely, little things that make for health and happiness. You know, "It is the LITTLE foxes that spoil the vines." Many people rise magnificently to the BIG demands of life but find themselves annoyed each day by just "LITTLE" things. Perhaps someone has used a bottle but has not put it back in place, someone borrowed an umbrella and never returned it, someone pulled out a chair from the table and forgot to return it to its place, and someone else, in the dark, bumped into it and, if he was not hurt, at least he suffered the shock of meeting the unexpected. All these things happen dozens of times every day somewhere on Earth and it does seem to me that those of us who profess to be endeavoring to radiate the Comfort Flame should be among those who determine to be no part of the carelessness of lesser men.

"Have a place for everything and have everything in its place," is an old maxim that is very helpful to live by. Even if you live alone, it is comforting to know that everything is WHERE IT SHOULD BE and it saves tons of energy, many minutes of precious time, and a good disposition when this is done. It is thoughtfulness and consideration for others that pays such big dividends in peace and comfort. The energy we use in thus providing comfort for life, by the very nature of its being, must return to you as you sent it out. Many folks whose bodies, minds and affairs are so distressing to themselves and others have these experiences because THEY ARE NOT CAREFUL TO GIVE COMFORT TO THE LIFE THAT CONTACTS THEIR WORLDS.

Think this over and—perhaps just for these thirty days—let us faithfully and sincerely try each day to think, to do and to say the COMFORT-ING THING—THAT WHICH MAKES ALL LIFE GLAD WE PASSED THAT WAY?

The keynote for this Transmission is "At Dawning" by Cadman, the color is white with a pink radiance, and the statement for the breathing is:

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I AM	inbreathing	th' seven	gifts	of th'Holy	Spirit	from	Maha	Chohan.
I AM	absorbing	"	"	"	"		"	"•
I AM	expanding	"	"	"	"		"	"•
I AM	projecting	"	"	"	"		"	"•

SUGGESTED DECREES For Thirty-day period August 15th to September 14th, 1954

Oh Beloved Comfort Flame of Cosmic Love, pulsating every moment through my beating heart, I love You! Arise! Expand! and take command of all my world! Saturate my aura with the peace and comfort which thou art and make it felt by all I contact every second, every day, in every thing and every way, in all I do, see, hear, feel, think or say until all have become thy loving victorious presence of light forever.

Beloved Presence of God, I AM in me, Oh Thou beloved Immortal Threefold Flame within my heart! Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Saint Germain and Jesus and all great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light, Angels and Activities of the Sacred Fire, In the name of the Presence of God which I AM and through the magnetic power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I decree—

Beloved Mighty Presence of God, I AM in me and blessed beloved Maha Chohan, in thy love, wisdom, and power, I make this earnest prayer to thee:

Maha Chohan, expand your Comfort Flame through me today!
Let all the life I contact FEEL its presence here—I pray!
Let God's pure love flow forth from me to raise and heal and bless,
Let all the life I ever use be charged with humbleness.
Make and keep me happy, in sunshine and in shade
Help me to "keep on keeping on" 'til karmic debts are paid!
O! let me raise my hand and thus remove the cause of pain,
And let my very presence restore faith in God again.
Make and keep me honest, earnest and completely God-sincere
So every one I meet can FEEL—God's cherubim lives here!
Oh let me honor the Master's trust in me the best I can,
Let me express the Comfort Flame from the dear Maha Chohan!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

MAHA CHOHAN

I am the spiritual representative of the Holy Spirit to the planet Earth and the angelic, human and elemental kingdoms evolving in its atmosphere. There is a similar representative of this august presence, embodying the nature of the Holy Spirit, enfolding every planet of our system which presently embodies life. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are manifold and one who is interested in developing the divine nature and becoming imbued with the Holy Spirit in himself, is wise to measure his progress

along the seven lines of development necessary to become a balanced, God-free individual, on Earth or in heaven! The seven Chohans, who represent the developed consciousness of one of these gifts, will assist all so desiring to bring to maturity the same nature through invocation, contemplation and proximity to their individual ray.

EL MORYA

Gift—Illumined Obedience, Spiritual Humility, Respect For God And His Representatives

Representing the very positive ray of power, mankind does not understand that spiritual humility, surrender of personal will, and ABSOLUTE SUBMISSION OF SELF is the requisite of those who apply to become exponents of the will of God to other men. He HAS THE RIGHT TO COMMAND WHO HAS FIRST LEARNED TO OBEY! The chela desiring to REALLY know God's will must be willing to set aside all pre-conceived opinions, to guard himself against the conscious and (more subtle) unconscious promptings of his lower nature, and the almost imperceptible inclination to clothe the desires of self in the glamorous and self-righteous garb of "God's will," thus salving the discomforting barbs of conscience. To sincerely ask for God's will, to insist upon illumination concerning Its purpose and design, and to live in a state of "listening grace" is to become one of THE FEW who are truly "about THE FATHER'S BUSINESS."

KUTHUMI

Gift—Wisdom, Understanding, Inspiration

"With all thy getting, get understanding." This is a statement which is yet an accurate signpost upon the road to mastery. Lack of understanding causes half of the differences that arise among the peoples of the Earth. THE DESIRE TO UNDERSTAND BEFORE JUMPING TO ILLOGICAL AND UNFAIR CONCLUSIONS is the sign of a great man. Most of the peoples of the Earth want to BE UNDERSTOOD, but few are desirous of endeavoring to understand others. A world brotherhood, any cause – spiritual or secular – can only be developed when we find men and women whose hearts have been touched by the Holy Spirit WITH THE DESIRE TO UNDERSTAND! He who DESIRES TO UNDERSTAND opens the door of his consciousness to truth and becomes a magnet through which illumination and comprehension flows.

Those who reject everything with which their conscious minds and feelings do not agree, WITHOUT DESIRING TO UNDERSTAND, miss many

opportunities for service, for friendship, for blessing. In the greater and fuller spiritual progression, such individuals ofttimes miss the key to the ascension of their own lifestream, through applications proffered but rejected, by conscious or unconscious intolerance, bigotry or egotism. One of the most repeated cries that go out from the Halls of Karma is the remorseful "If I had only understood!"

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Gift—Tolerance And Forbearance

"Forbear to speak, my brother, and more important still, FORBEAR TO JUDGE, allowing thy precious energies to surge forth to condemnations silent or otherwise, for you see but appearances and not the motives that stir action, that prompt certain activities of your fellowmen and the more important activities of the Great White Brotherhood, whose ways are strange to lesser men." Forbearance is mastery. The immature rush forward to expression, right or wrong. The mature "forebear" and move in wisdom's robe.

Forebear to speak the sharp reproach, to repeat the unkind gossip, forbear from hasty actions spurred by righteous indignations or selfish interests. Rein in that human self, which has the impudence to act before your God has spoken. Then, in dignity, let the God that beats your heart MAKE THINGS RIGHT. This gift of the Holy Spirit makes the tolerant man, UPON WHOM THE FOUNDATION OF WORLD BROTHERHOOD CAN BE BUILDED in beauty and in the assurance that it will stand against the winds of adversity, the quicksand of condemnation, the cataclysms and storms of accusations, the false appearances that cause the man NOT ANCHORED IN THAT WISDOM to act before communion with his God!

SERAPIS BEY

Gift—Fortitude, Constancy, Spiritual Endurance

"Endurance unto the end of the road bringeth the laurel wreath of victory, the SEAMLESS robe of immortality and best of all, the happy consciousness of fulfilling one's vow to life in worthy service." Proficiency in any type of service, in any avenue of self-expression, is determined by constancy and consecration of endeavor toward the achievement of the goal set by mind and heart. The many who flit, like the hummingbird, from flower to flower, enjoy the temporary reward of pleasures, but the few who set the compass of their souls toward mastery, must develop

and express that gift of our beloved Holy Spirit, fortitude—endurance—constancy. To these few we look for the arduous task of laying a spiritual foundation that will hold the structure of mankind's future evolution in safety and progression, toward the divine plan fulfilled.

HILARION

Gift—Consecrated Service For God And To Man

Those who rise above the childish consciousness of being recipients of God's gifts, the unconscious beneficiaries of the protection and opulence of nature's kingdom, are the few who join the beloved Jesus in his statement, "Heretofore the Father worketh, now the Father and I shall work." A parent is filled with joy when the child of his bosom comes to a point of maturity and desires to joyously assist in the development of the interests, business and endeavors of that parent. How much more is the God of life delighted when the children of his heart raise their heads from the personal enjoyment of the senses and ask—"What may I do, Father, to assist you"? These become the ones imbued with the gift of the Holy Spirit in consecration of life to a purpose, a cause, a spiritual development. They are said to have VOCATIONS and truly have they been visited by the Holy Spirit; not by chance, however, but because they voluntarily asked "WHAT MAY I DO?" and their consecrated energy is the answer to that humble, sincere and beautiful question.

IESUS

Gift—Piety, Reverence, Grace

The man who is imbued with the Holy Spirit is easily distinguishable from the masses, because of his natural reverence for all things holy, and his respect for the beliefs, faiths, and consciousness of his fellowman, even though his own light may remind him that such orthodoxy is not necessarily the fullness of truth. Absence of scorn, spiritual pride and bigotry distinguish such a man from those who proceed upon "crusades" of one kind or another, endeavoring to promulgate their individual concepts with the cruel sword of intolerance other than lighting the soul through love. Humble, UNOSTENTATIOUS reverence for God, that does not offend the sensibilities of his fellowman through outward show, but rather radiates through him in loving grace, is the gift of the Holy Spirit which is embodied through the Sixth Ray.

SAINT GERMAIN

Gift—Spiritual Dignity, Equanimity, Poise, Balance

"The man who is blessed with the gift of the Holy Spirit through the Seventh Ray is one who realizes his divine heritage as a royal heir to the divine nature of the Father, and whose every thought, feeling, spoken word and act is a rhythmic ceremonial whereby the precious gift of life is drawn, qualified and released to widen the borders of God's kingdom. He becomes the representative of the Most High, scattering in largesse his own qualified life—and in truth is, everywhere he moves, an expanding sun of GOD'S LIVING, HEALING, OPULENT, BEAUTIFUL PRESENCE.

THE CONCEPTION OF THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM (I) By The Beloved Maha Chohan

Havana, Cuba

January 24, 1954

Beloved Children of Light, Seeking More Light:

I am come this morning in answer to the magnetic pull of love from your hearts, your sincere devotion to and faith in the Spiritual Hierarchy.

The Law of the great universe is that we must answer your call with our presence. The great Hierarchy has waited for centuries for an invitation from the sons of men in order to give of our counsel, our radiation, our blessing and our love. Courtesy does not allow us to intrude unless invited. This invitation does not come from your lips, but from your hearts. When that heart prayer has risen in a constant, unbroken series of invocations which build a momentum at inner levels, back on the ray of your own light and life come the blessing and the actual presence of the Brotherhood. There is no "happenstance" in relation to the gifts of the Brotherhood.

May I introduce myself to you in my capacity as Holy Comforter to the Earth and its people? I know you well, my children! At the time of your birth, it was I who breathed the first breath of life into your nostrils. I stood at the side of your mother and conferred the gift of life through the breath, which ensured your physical incarnation for a time. When your life span is finished, I will, myself, take your last breath into my heart. Do you not see, then, how vitally interested I am in what you do with your life and your breath? It is a gift from my presence, unto you.

The seven Great Chohans who serve under me, counsel often with me at my retreat in Ceylon, India, and all of you belong to the ray represented by one or another of these seven shining sons of heaven. When we came to the decision that the Masters were again to bring their words to the people of Earth and endeavor to reach the outer intellectual consciousness of men, beloved Lord Maitreya, beloved Morya and I conferred together to devise a plan whereby certain chelas on the Earth plane might assist us. My children, how is it possible to work with men if we cannot speak with them and counsel with them? Mankind has forfeited the connection with the Masters' Kingdom and it has been required that a "Bridge" be formed from our octave, to yours in order that we might convey to you the activities of the BROTHERHOOD WHILE THEY ARE IN PROGRESS.

WE ARE REAL, LIVING, BREATHING BEINGS. We are engaged in activities primarily concerned with the freeing of mankind from the snare of the senses. Each one of us, at the moment of our ascension, RENOUNCED NIRVANA and enrolled consciously in the court of Sanat Kumara, offering to remain as the guardian brothers to the evolutions of Earth, until every man, woman and child and all life belonging to this evolution is God-free. We are prisoners of love and our endeavors to help mankind depend upon the voluntary energies released by the incarnated spirits. If it can be arranged for our chelas to know WHAT WE ARE DOING—WHILE WE ARE DOING IT—then they, like ourselves, work CONSCIOUSLY to the same common end.

The occult and metaphysical teachings up to this hour have only permitted the students upon the path to LOOK BACKWARDS, to admire the achievements of individuals, for the most part, long since dead and to hope that some time in the future some experience might light their own dark path. Even the orthodox religions have promised a golden future in the "sweet bye and bye."

A brief reflection will show that man cannot live in the past nor in the future, but must live, serve and evolve IN THE NOW.

Because of the current requirements of the hour, because the Lords of Karma have released Sanat Kumara from further obligations of supplying the light for the planet, it was required that we secure a means of reaching those of you who wish to cooperate with us today.

The seven Chohans brought the chelas working under them before us, and from among them YOU WERE CHOSEN TO RECEIVE THE FIRST IMPETUS OF THIS ENDEAVOR.

You represent those seven Chohans. YOU ARE THE SELECT AND FA-VORED FEW that they individually felt could best serve them, even as you, yourselves, would choose for your fellow-workers the individuals whom you felt had an affinity to your cause and who, through trials, had proved their loyalty, their worth and their fidelity. The measure of the Chohans, however, was not limited to the outer senses. Each one looked over the lifestreams of their chelas through many, many embodiments and studied how they reacted through stress, through strain, through trial, because climbing straight up the side of the mount of attainment requires endurance, balance and sensitivity to truth and the capacity to stand in the face of ridicule—knowing that LAW IS LAW IRREFUTABLE and that he who serves the Master looks for no reward other than the OP-PORTUNITY FOR GREATER AND GREATER SERVICE.

From among the chelas chosen, you, my friends, were blessed by the Lord Maitreya and by myself. It is now your joyous privilege and opportunity to blend your energies with ours, in providing the light for the world—first, from within your own sweet hearts and then through radiation and instruction, kindling the spiritual fires within the souls of all men, everywhere.

Through my body and consciousness pass the energies used by mankind, and through my consciousness passes the life of the Chohans, as well. We know from experience the beauty and love within each of the electrons that flows from your Presence into your hearts. We know that within each electron is the power of God, himself. We stand in constant reverence before the gift of life and it is my responsibility to see that the life of the Chohans is invested wisely. I am their father in a spiritual sense of the word, and I know that if they take their life essence and give it to you, they must stand before the Lords of Karma and prove that YOU HAVE DONE WITH THAT LIFE SOME GOOD SERVICE; in other words, that their investment has been wisely made.

If the world and the evolution of which you are a member has not been benefited by their presence and by their service, by their counsel, by their specific and detailed interest in you, if because of love and mercy, they would invest in you the energies of their lives and their time and you show no individual spiritual progress nor impersonal service to life in return, they would have to make up that energy invested in you in some cosmic service. Then, BECAUSE OF MY LOVE FOR YOU, I would not care to have the unpleasant karma due to lethargy and omission of service fall upon YOUR shoulders, should said visitation and love and mercy be taken merely as an amusement for your consciousness, rather than a stimulus to render service in our cause.

Therefore, as each one of you stood before me with your sponsor, I

examined your possible service to life and, before conferring upon the Chohan the privilege of reaching you, I made pretty certain within myself that you loved life, and that, if the Chohan would give to you his energy, the partnership would be beneficial to both my sons and yourselves. I prayed to the God of all life, that the closer connection between Guru and chela would result in a shining pattern of light and service which the Chohan could present to the Lords of Karma in your name.

It is not easy to refuse one of those shining sons of heaven, when he asks for a dispensation to reach a heart-friend in human form, for he is prompted by love and zeal and enthusiasm. Yet, I have had to do this many times, lest the gift of life be lost and the unascended one create karma through indifference or spiritual lethargy.

In this day we come, and I give to you, as do the other Masters, my life. This gift you cannot properly evaluate in the unascended state, for you do not see our life, woven into the creation of planets, in the direction of cosmic rays that affect galaxies. Therefore, you do not understand what the investment of an hour of our energy means, and it is just as well, for the responsibility would weigh heavily on your innocent souls.

However, our words carry a radiation, and our Presence acts upon your souls' light, as the sun acts upon the nature growth. The result of each such communion between our realm and yours is a harvest of light—the awakening of more and more of the souls of men. That is our purpose, our intent, in such visitations.

There is always so much to say and yet so little time in which to say it. If I leave with you this morning the realization that the present endeavor, which has engaged our energies, is to create a bridge of light by which we may reach your outer minds IN AN INSTANT and secure your cooperation in collective groups, when there might be world or planetary crises. (Concluded in September issue)

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master, what exactly is individual consciousness?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Individual consciousness is the awareness of being AN INTELLIGENT FOCUS OF LIFE, having the use of energy, faculties, intelligence and free will by which to create and direct an individual life plan.

CHELA—Beloved Master: From the moment an individual becomes conscious of himself as an intelligent, creative focus of God's divine consciousness, is he then responsible for what he adds to the original, pure realization of being?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Yes! Individualization is the great gift of God, Himself, and the awareness of being, experienced by every intelligence created by him, precedes any activity, motivation or experimentation with primal life.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is this original consciousness of purity and awareness of being, referred to often as the consciousness of Adam in the Garden of Eden, the same as the Ascended Master Consciousness to which we all aspire and which you enjoy?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Definitely no! No more than the innocent consciousness of the infant who becomes aware of his being is the same consciousness as that of the wise sage who has come to a seemingly similar innocence and peace —not by reason of ABSENCE OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE but rather BY REASON OF THE FULLNESS OF EXPERIENCE.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We are told that our bodies, worlds, homes, families and affairs reflect our present consciousness. It is our desire to know how we lost that pure consciousness. How may we return to a consciousness which does perform works in the name of our Father and the humanity whose karma and bondage we presently share?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Truly everything externalized in your experiences is projected out of the workshop of your consciousness. Your consciousness today is the sum total of truth and error accepted through sense reports and general experimentation with the use of life, the invocation and dissemination of energy and the creation of vibration, color, sound and form THROUGH FREE WILL! Everything the individual thinks, feels or does, sets up a cause and has an ultimate effect. The reactions and impressions resulting from such experimentation with life build certain fears, phobias, antipathies and concepts of destructive natures, which affect the entire course of Earth life. Then, too, constructively, faith, confidence, security, and beauty, are builded into the consciousness through experiences where the lifestream (either witnessing the mastery of conditions by another or himself developed certain momentums through training, self-disciplines, and applications. It is with this conglomerate "mass" of consciousness that the Hierarchy must work in order to fulfill the divine plan on Earth.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Did we lose the pure creative consciousness (in which no thought existed of the failure of life to obey the directives of the God-flame) through experimentation with the creative centers of thought and feeling to design patterns NOT PROMPTED BY GOD?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Truly this is so! Free will is the blessing of man, but it has also allowed him to weave for himself any number of shadows which frighten, distress and delay his journey toward the fulfillment of the divine plan. When man determines within himself, at last, that he does not like his creation and wishes to remove from his consciousness the cause, effect, record and memories that can externalize as imperfection, he is then ready for our assistance.

CHELA – Beloved Master: We are then asking for the Ascended Christ Consciousness?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Yes! You are realizing first that the present limitations which exist around you are externalized from your own consciousness. You are willing to call the purifying powers of the Sacred Fire (the Violet Transmuting Flame of Love and Mercy) through your consciousness and literally have a "housecleaning" of all CONSCIOUS AND UNCONSCIOUS bitterness, resentments, fears, phobias, and all mental pictures of limitations of every kind. This includes the MASS ACCEPTANCE OF AGE, DISINTEGRATION AND DEATH, ITSELF!

The story of Jesus driving the money changers from the temple symbolizes this individual purification of consciousness. I must warn you, however, for you have lived so long in the comfortable acceptance of error and half-truths that your outer mind is quite apt to refute the suggestion that even such an activity is necessary. You may measure your world presently externalized against the perfection of the kingdom of heaven and then in calm, unbiased judgment, decide whether that which is externalized through your own consciousness IS THE ULTIMATE OF ALL GOOD. If not, the root of your limitations lies in this conglomerate mass of invisible energy.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the Ascended Master Consciousness?

GURU—Blessed Chela: It is the self-conscious intelligence, USING the creative faculties of thought, feeling and the spoken word to create ONLY that which is perfect at will! He may sustain his creation so long as he desires, and etherealize that which is no longer of use at will. Such an one has achieved the Ascended Master Consciousness.

CHELA—Beloved Master: WHAT PURPOSE IS THERE IN DECREEING, if

consciousness is the creative center of being?

GURU-Blessed Chela: The beautiful wisdom of creation has designed certain foci to render specific services. For instance, nature creates hands to do all the manifold acts which bless the individual and life, generally. It creates eyes to see, ears to hear, and feet to walk. Thus the various BODIES of man were created for specific purposes. The mental body was designed to create the mould of perfection, the emotional body to fill the form with life, and the physical body, with all its members and faculties, to externalize the perfected design of consciousness in the world of form. One of the most powerful avenues by which thoughts and feelings become things (clothed in the physical atoms of the physical world) IS THROUGH THE POWER CENTER IN THE THROAT, IN THE SPOKEN WORD! With the trained, purified, concentrated consciousness behind the decree, manifestation should express co-existent with the decree. It did for Jesus and for all who are masters over energy and substance! The spoken or mentally-formed word becomes the final "step down transformer" by which the desire of manifestation is lowered into the world of

CHELA—Beloved Master—Without illumining the consciousness, is decreeing efficacious?

GURU—Blessed Chela:—For mastery to manifest in the world of the aspirant, individual application on purifying and illumining the consciousness MUST PROCEED, TOGETHER WITH DECREEING.

THE CONCEPTION OF THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM – JULY, 1951 AND ITS BIRTH NINE MONTHS LATER – APRIL, 1952 By Thomas Printz

Looking upon the evolutions proceeding to avail themselves of the use of life and opportunity in, through and around the planet Earth, I resolved to apply for permission to the Supreme Authority for this system (of which the Earth is but one small unit) to endeavor to reach the outer consciousness of some members of the race and secure their limited but earnest cooperation in hastening the fulfillment of the divine plan.

The beloved Helios and Vesta, listening kindly to my petition, acquiesced to my suggested plan and referred me to the proper authorities for confirmation of their dispensation, namely the Great Karmic Board, my immediate superior (the Lord Maha Chohan) and the Chohan whose

cause I desired to supplement, known to the students as the Ascended Master Saint Germain.

All of these beings offered their consent to my endeavors, kindly withholding their own personal and individual opinions as to its efficacy, due to the fact that the problematical and voluntary cooperation of unascended beings would more or less decide the fate of the endeavor, as well as its ultimate good, as a progressive, spiritual stimulant to the recalcitrant evolutions involved.

An unostentatious "Journal" was thus designed, completely devoted to our cause, wherein we might present our current activities, with the illuminating knowledge as to what retreats of the Great White Brotherhood were playing host to the Spiritual Hierarchy in each thirty-day cycle. To this was added a simply- worded course of application by which the interested and worthy might join their voluntary energies to the primary causes of a given hour.

Chelas were found who saw some merit in the idea and their voluntary energies, kindly cooperation, and generous contributions of time, money and dedicated thought, feeling and action, helped us to bring the idea from conception to birth.

From above, the beloved Helios and Vesta blessed our idea and invested us, together with the accepted chelas, in this cause. From below, good life streams assisted us according to their consciousnesses, development and understanding. Between the two, a bridge was builded and expanded to this present day. Over it, many of the Hierarchy have stepped to bring their wealth of knowledge to the receptive consciousness of students and over it, in time, many chelas will walk to eternal freedom, mastery and God-dominion. We, who are among the bridge builders, are grateful for this opportunity and to all who have made its success possible, human and divine.

THE CONCEPTION OF "THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM" AS TOLD BY CHELAS

In July of 1951, the beloved Vesta honored a small group of chelas with her celestial presence and gave to them the address which we know you will enjoy reading in this anniversary issue of "The Bridge to Freedom" (August, 1954).

As a result of the inspiration, instruction and spiritual stimulus which she inspired through this address, these earnest chelas asked the beloved Vesta if she had, in truth, any service of a cosmic or personal nature which they could fulfill and if, at inner levels, she had invested them in a cause to benefit the human race or to help our beloved Ascended Masters.

Her immediate answer, in the affirmative, was the seed of conception for "The Bridge to Freedom." This was sowed in July of 1951 into the consciousness of those who had asked for ways to serve her and the system which she and Helios had created and sustained for some definite purpose.

For nine long months the seed gestated within the consciousness of the hopeful and earnest chelas. In April of 1952 "The Bridge to Freedom" was brought forth in Havana, Cuba. From the moment of its birth, certain other chelas, chosen by the beloved Master El Morya, have nourished, developed and expanded this infant, and "The Bridge to Freedom" which you enjoy today is the result of the combined endeavors and goodwill of the hearts of heaven and the hearts of Earth—all with one purpose, one design, and one destiny—TO FULFILL THE WILL OF GOD, according to the individual and collective capacities of the God-intelligences, both human and divine.

HEALING DECREES

"The Christ-Consciousness within me is NOW reborn and I AM—RIGHT NOW—one with THEE!

Beloved Maha Chohan! For thy love and comforting presence, accept my heart's deep gratitude and love. Release unto me thy grace. Strengthen my heart with thine own light, and show me the pathway that I, too, may journey home.

The God-Consciousness of precipitation is now manifesting within me and I AM supplied, illumined and free!

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TO OUR SWEET EARTH

On behalf of the people of Earth, who have enjoyed your hospitality for so many centuries, we say GOD BLESS YOU! LET MANKIND NOW SERVE YOU, UNTIL YOU ARE RETURNED TO THE BEAUTY, PERFECTION, HARMONY AND BALANCE WHICH YOU KNEW BEFORE YOUR GUESTS DESPOILED YOUR GRACIOUS GARMENTS!

For so many spring times, with the beauty that brought hope and promise to the race, THANK YOU! For the richness of harvest, we thank you. For the very platform upon which the feet of the race rest in security, working out their individual destinies, we thank you. For your protection and care of the elementals and the nature kingdom, we thank you.

To those who have served with you, the kingdoms of the angels, the elementals, the great directors of the elements of water, air, fire, earth and ethers, we say GOD BLESS YOU!

The Fiat of the Cosmic Law required that you give forth more light. It was mankind who dimmed that light. It is our decree that mankind now arise and give you back your NATURAL LIGHT! To this end, we (the Spiritual Hierarchy) dedicate ourselves, and to this cause we invoke the fair and just among the human race who feel it is not Earth, BUT ITS DESPOILERS, who must "make things right."

Sweet Earth, we love you. We remember many happy hours on your surface. We shall see you again, shining with the light of the Sun. Even Venus, in all her celestial glory, shall wear robes no more beautiful than your own, woven from the love of those of us who are grateful for your hospitality, patience and forbearance.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom

HOME OF PAUL, THE VENETIAN MASTER CHATEAU DE LIBERTE

September 15th through October 14th, 1954

The home of the beloved Venetian Master is located in the southern part of France and is the focus for the Liberty Flame upon the planet Earth today.

The Third Ray is primarily concerned with the development of the beautiful ideas and thoughts which have been sent forth into the universe by the Father-Mother God and the intelligences who abide within the First and Second Spheres of Light. The Chohan who represents this ray is, therefore, vitally interested in the encouragement of the talents and gifts of the children of God, who have incarnated with a specific reason for being. All lifestreams were primarily created with a specific reason for being, but many have willfully discarded serving that purpose and presently are not even cognizant of what that reason might be. Those who have a definite drive toward accomplishments of a specific nature are among the few who either consciously remember their original purpose in the scheme of creation or are unconsciously prodded by an awakening spiritual sense in the heart.

To these awakened and awakening ones, the beloved Paul is the spiritual brother. The faith, confidence and encouragement which keeps them going flows from the Third Ray, which he in such love and sincerity directs, through even the most feeble efforts toward self-expression.

At the Chateau de Liberte, he plays host to the accomplished musicians, artists, sculptors, poets, writers and, generally, those whose talents, momentums and developed services have drawn them from among the masses and marked them out for more than ordinary assistance. The conscious chelas are sometimes privileged to enter the secluded retreat and enjoy the beauty of the rose gardens, the playing fountains, the magnificent sculpture and art work, which has been gathered from the four corners of the Earth through many ages. The far greater number of his pupils and prodigies visit his presence in their inner bodies, while the physical garments sleep, and receive from him the spiritual stimulus to continue to develop in their particular line of unfoldment.

The beautiful Liberty Flame has pulsated throughout France since before the sinking of the last remnants of the continent of Atlantis. It was from this flame that the European patriots, who served the cause of the Americas in their struggle for independence, received the impetus and stimulus to make the sacrifices involved in such service.

Associate Editor's Note: For further details on this beautiful home, please see

THE PURPOSE OF THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM By The Beloved Maha Chohan

February 7th, 1954

Beloved Children, Beloved Heart Friends, beloved hope of the redemption of this Earth! On the justification of the faith of the sons and daughters of heaven in your priceless heartbeat, accept my love this morning and the comfort that comes within my devotion to the development and maturity of your own particular gifts to life.

It has been my policy, always, to observe the courtesy of allowing the gifts and talents of each lifestream full play through the personal self, giving the pressure of the Holy Spirit, when invited to do so, to expand, to amplify, to magnify, and intensify those gifts and talents but never infringing on the joy of the free will of the lifestream in its chosen services to the universe.

A constant reminder to the Chohans of this policy, to those who serve with me and to the chelas who serve under them, has enabled us, through the ages, when we have been entrusted with furthering the will of God, to maintain a harmony among our members, a humility in each lifestream, in honor of the prerogative of free will as functioning through our brothers, ascended and unascended, as the case may be.

In the full freedom of the realm in which we abide, among other gifts from the great Source of all, we have the use of the inner sight, wherein we are privileged to look upon the divine plan of the great creative center of the universe and see the potentialities among the workers in the vineyard. Because of this gift of freedom, it is even more difficult, one might say, to exercise the restraint and patience, which allows every man and every woman to consecrate and dedicate their lives as they will, to bless the endeavors, to bless whatever fruit and harvest comes forth and is laid haltingly or boldly upon the impersonal altar of life and to refrain, UNLESS INVITED TO DO SO, from giving the impetus of our counsel.

Those of you who serve now in my name, those of you who are the representatives of ourselves in the world of form, will find much opportunity for your own improvement, as well as the improvement of others wherever you move.

If you can learn to abide within that inner peace, giving the gifts of your life and the strength of your counsel—WHEN INVITED TO DO SO-

giving the blessing of your love at all times and holding yourselves fully free from any pressures of opinion which might, perchance, solidify the appearances around another earnest heart, soul and spirit (endeavoring according to his own light to serve the same great cause), you will then be working according to our tenets.

I would like to tell you something of what has been in our minds and hearts—just for your pleasure. The purpose of this endeavor is to bring to mankind the Law of Life, the truth, which mankind, in applying, might weave into his own energies, thus regulating harmoniously all appearances in this world, becoming master of himself and as such master of self, each such one will then be a contributing factor to the light of the world.

Throughout the ages that have been, the Spiritual Hierarchy of Sanat Kumara has been dedicated to bringing truth to mankind through whatsoever agencies were available and through whatsoever spirits and souls volunteered to assume the responsibility of lowering the word of God and that truth into a vibratory action that might be absorbed and comprehended by the masses in each successive generation.

In the early ages, these individuals and their particular group of dedicated lifestreams worked always in the privacy of the great temples of the Sacred Fire and the amount of spiritual wealth that infiltrated the mass mind in that age was determined both by the development and nature of the conductor and the strength and vitality of the forcefields which were voluntarily created by the individuals who stood around such an one. This acted both as a magnetic field to draw the truth and the presence of the Master and as a radiating center, through dedicated lifestreams, who were prepared to carry that instruction to the people.

Graded radiation is not understood by individuals who chafe at the capacities of other lifestreams to draw and condense certain qualities and gifts of the Godhead. However, IT MUST BE UNDERSTOOD BY A FEW, in order to form a proper nucleus for the magnetizing the greatest amount of the Law which is applicable to the conditions which govern the evolution at a given moment.

The magnetic field, which is the sphere of influence or aura of every lifestream, is a powerful factor in determining the grants by the Cosmic Law of more than ordinary release of instruction into the lower atmosphere of Earth. The discipline and preparation of the individual units who choose to offer their energies as such a magnetic field, will determine how much of the Law, which we have at our disposal, can be infiltrated through the consciousness of the receiving channel and then, in turn,

sent forth through the messengers and the written word to the people.

ALL PEOPLE ARE NO MORE READY to hear the deeper truths of life today THAN THEY WERE AT THE TIME OF JESUS, or of Buddha, or of Krishna, nor are they more ready to act as magnetic fields to draw that powerful concentrated energy, nor to take responsibility through their own presence within a group dedicated to such a selfless and arduous task.

When this is understood by a group of individuals and I am enabled through the limited karma of those who choose to so avail themselves TO CREATE A PERMANENT RESEARCH CENTER, (WE WILL CALL IT) I CAN, IN GOOD CONSCIENCE, RELEASE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SACRED FIRE WHICH, IF APPLIED AND DRAWN THROUGH THE ENERGIES OF THOSE PARTICIPATING, WILL BE ALL THE PROOF THAT IS REQUIRED OF THE EFFICACY OF THE PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF THE LAW. Those incorporating the truths given, in the energies of their own bodies, will then be well prepared to carry that truth into the world of form.

This was our original design. Through the clamoring of the outer self and through the intrusion of many wills, we have seemingly deviated somewhat from our original purpose. We shall endeavor in the future, however, to again draw forth that concentrated energy and to draw around ourselves, lifestreams capable of receiving, capable of offering their energies, to hold a harmonious sphere of influence long enough for the presence of the Master to convey not only the word, but the FEEL-ING, and, allowing it to enter into the consciousness of the chelas, make a workable and practical pattern, whereby the miracles and marvels spoken of BECOME FACT.

The creation of a spiritual forcefield for a research center such as we had on Atlantis and on Lemuria becomes the obligation of every member of such a community AND THE SUSTAINING OF THAT FORCEFIELD WITH-OUT A FLICKER OF THE VIBRATORY ACTION OF DISCORD OR DISHARMONY, BECOMES THE RESPONSIBILITY AND OBLIGATION OF EACH SUCH ONE, through the mastery and control of his own energies while he remains a part of such a living organism. If, as has been said through the years, "indestructible harmony" could be maintained through the component parts that make up that forcefield, we would have, then, a proper conductor of energy, and into the worlds of these communities would flow the Sacred Fire, with the applicable conscious knowledge, by which all conditions could be handled as WE HANDLE THEM IN THE INNER REALMS, by light and by love.

The beloved ladies of heaven, beloved Mary, beloved Kwan Yin and beloved Meta, are eagerly seeking opportunity to bring forth some of the Law on spiritual healings. It is one of the greatest services that could be rendered mankind today, and the capacity of the lifestream of a chela to connect with the energies already qualified within the healing Temples IS MERELY DEPENDENT UPON THIS CONTROL OF THE FEELINGS.

As my center and focus of light is directly concerned with the feeling world, I shall endeavor in every way at my command that is possible, to assist you individually. Then, in your collective groups, when you come to draw the powers of the Sacred Fire through the worded expression and sit consciously at the feet of the Masters, (if you will help us with this forcefield, say for an hour or so prior to our entrance), we will have then, energy voluntarily emitted from your own bodies, like a great open lotus, through which the Master Presence can direct a permanent gift for the blessing of all life, as well as for yourselves.

Besides the research and the drawing forth of the spiritual law, we must have a practical laboratory where that law is put into action. Therefore, I am hoping that somewhere, someone will get the understanding behind our endeavor and know that, in order to draw forth instruction that has not been given since the last Golden Age, it requires the cooperation of groups. Perhaps one member of the group is qualified to draw the grace, others qualified to conduct the feeling and all qualified by the giving of their personal life energies in the creating of a forcefield which is not only a magnetizing center for truth that has never manifest, but which may be a radiating center for the qualities of the being or beings who invest their life energy in reaching the seemingly limited consciousness of just a few.

You see, as the beloved Morya has explained to you, the priceless quality of life is not at all understood by unascended beings. Life within your own precious hearts is exquisite and priceless. There is no man who can hold or sustain it when the will of the great individual Source causes it to withdraw. However, life, which belongs to a God-free Being, every electron of which has been qualified with some dynamic God-quality and which can be invested in cosmic service by which millions upon a planet and countless trillions within a universe, may be blessed, benefited, raised and redeemed, CAN NOT BE IDLY INVESTED IN A HANDFUL OF INDIVIDUALS, EXCEPT INSOFAR AS THEY BECOME RADIATING CENTERS AND DOUBLE AND TREBLE THE INVESTMENT IN WORK.

Every dispensation that has closed the door between the Ascended Master Octave and the human, was closed because the investment from above was not balanced by work below, and it has nothing to do with personal favor.

The Christian Dispensation, which has functioned in blessing for two thousand years, lived on the vital energies of Jesus, in those works which he pressed into the three short years of his conscious ministry. After his passing, it lived on the magnetic forcefield drawn by Mary, his mother, the disciples and the apostles, which during the thirty years Mary remained after his Ascension, was stored into the etheric substance of the lower atmosphere of Earth. It was then easily accessible to the Christians up to and through the fourth century after Jesus' physical presence had ascended.

That is why the early Christians were so vitalized with the power of light. The sustaining of the Christian dispensation, making possible the radiation, vitalizing it since that time, has been due to the few who, beyond that fourth century mark, were able to individually, and in small communities, pierce into the higher octaves, connect with the presence of Jesus and, through themselves, paying the balance for the Christians who followed the teachings set forth to the best of their abilities.

In every ability, you have your workers, you have your absorbers, you have your conscious chelas willing to sacrifice self, and you have the "drones." The "drones" one day will be workers, in themselves, by radiation. They will be those who, by very proximity to the light, will be transformed, but the length of the dispensation, as well as the amount of instruction placed into the substance of the Earth in the written and spoken word (which will remain as a heritage and guide for the peoples of the future), are dependent upon the forcefields that are created by dedicated, consecrated, selfless men and women WILLING to pay the balance to life for the release.

IF WE FIND A DOZEN SUCH IN ONE CENTURY, WE ARE FORTUNATE INDEED!

BELOVED PAUL, THE VENETIAN MASTER SPEAKS Excerpts from recent letters

From the realm of the Holy Spirit, I look with love and hope upon the hearts, of incarnate lifestreams. Within the chalice of the heart burns the Immortal Flame of God. The development and maturing of that flame is our reason for being.

Finding of ways and means by which we may stimulate that spiritual nature, fills all our hours with happiness, purpose and delight. What greater joy is there than to be about the Father's business," no matter

what the service in his name may be!

I found, long before my freedom, that the consecration of my energies to doing the will of God each day filled me with a sense of sacred inner happiness and that as I moved among the mundane ways of Earth, strange and beautiful opportunities unfolded, like flowers, before me. I know these opportunities were placed in my path by his love and his grace, that I might utilize my life in spreading his kingdom. Sad the soul when opportunity does not knock, but sadder still when opportunity is not seen for the tears of self-pity that dim the eye.

Grace is the gift of the Third Realm, PARTICULARLY. How many expressions has grace! The monk and aspirant who LOVES to perform his adorations has grace, but for each such one there are a thousand who perform their services in dearth of happiness for duty's sake. The mother who LOVES to create a home is filled with grace as against the millions who serve for duty's sake. The chelas who LOVE to hear our will and manifest it through the talents, gifts and substance of their words are filled with grace as against the many who serve for fear or duty's sake. The man to whom self-denial and self-correction is an action of love is filled with grace. For all those whose position in the universe is ENDURED, I pray for grace, that they may consider that position an opportunity to widen the borders of the Kingdom where they stand. Filled with grace, each action becomes a joy and a lovely commission from the King!

Love is woven out of shared hopes, dreams, visions, mutual interests and combined endeavors toward the weaving of the vital energies into a single pattern, which finds favor in the spirit of the Lord! One of the beauties of individualization is the opportunity to explore the wealth of consciousness which is God's, and to then joyously make one's own a portion of that consciousness, working happily to mould the energy and substance of the sphere in which you dwell into a fitting garment for that consciousness so chosen for nourishment, development and progression.

In free will, each intelligence is allowed to perceive the nature of God for himself or herself. Each one is given the joy of contemplating the desires of the universal for expression. Neither the divinity nor any created being will indicate which facet of the God-vision any intelligence shall volunteer to accept and externalize. Through the ages, many beings have looked upon the presence of God, basked in the comfortable warmth of that radiation and, finally, in maturity, offered to partake of the joy of creation through self-conscious endeavor. Thus it was, that beloved Saint Germain chose to embody freedom. Thus it was, that I thought to embody the ideas that flow so freely in this realm of divine creation into

beautiful forms more readily grasped by the consciousness of those evolving upon the ladder of service. The two expressions of the one service naturally began to manifest through my Earth lives—the spiritual designing of divine ideas of brotherhood, in practical, workable forms, and the physical outlet of such creative inspiration in and through the medium of art.

Remember, always, that in your service you are given opportunity to help the souls of men, to develop the hidden light, to be your brother's keeper. In this, our hearts grow closer, for what you have done for the least of these, as my Master has said, so have you done for me. The love given to a fellow-traveler becomes the incense that arises to our hearts, and whatever is offered in our name becomes the evidence of fidelity of spirit!

Beloved ones! Within your heartbeat is the flame by which even your physical body is coalesced and sustained. It is the power that keeps the very atoms that make up your physical body from flying back into the unformed and seeking refuge in the light and happiness of the Sun. It is the flame which gives intelligence to the consciousness by which you comprehend my words and by which all of your senses, sight and hearing and the other senses, function. It is the activity by which your physical body moves about and is enabled to remain erect, defying the gravity pull which, by all natural law, would necessitate your lying prone on the ground. You have accepted those powers of the Unfed Flame. I implore you tonight, contemplate the power of that LIBERTY FLAME within you and allow it to show you the magnetic pull that is within its heart. — PAUL, THE VENETIAN

THE CONCEPTION OF THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM (II) By the Beloved Maha Chohan

(Concluded from August, 1954)

What benefit would it be to read the words I spoke a hundred years ago, should this island or this planet begin to shake upon its foundations? However, if you could KNOW WHAT THE HIERARCHY IN THE RETREATS WERE DOING and connect your energies and endeavors with ours, worldwide balance, protection and safety could be assured.

In the meantime, we must earn your confidence in our endeavors, we must woo your friendship, we must build an association through interchange of energy, just as friendships are built in the outer world.

Then, in the times when we require your faith, your constancy and your action, you may take our hands in active comradeship and neither fear nor uncertainty be able to stir the energies of your thoughts and feelings and short-circuit, so to speak, our endeavors to reach you. Just as static effects your radio and television, so does uncertainty, doubt and fear stir the energies of your inner bodies and at a moment's notice it would be difficult, indeed, to anchor our energy and our counsel into your minds with sufficient intensity to render a service to the masses.

We live, beloved ones, for all life. Our concern is with the awakening of every soul belonging to this evolution, with the freeing of every elemental form that has been imprisoned by destructive thought and feeling and which must be raised to its own God-estate once more. Wherever we can find conscious chelas to assist us, WE ARE THERE.

In your great cities, beloved ones, there are hundreds and thousands of lifestreams using thought and using feeling. They are imprisoning electronic light through thoughts and feelings of a destructive nature, which blanket, the entire city. Inside this blanket the souls of men struggle for survival. Only the use of the Sacred Fire of Purification can set them free.

Some day, each one of you will stand in the Halls of Karma. Some day you will be called before these Cosmic Lords and every soul will be your responsibility, who has passed through the change called death in the course of your spiritual service on Earth. What have you done to set them free? Opportunity is yours beyond measure, and YOU MUST RENDER ACCOUNTING FOR YOUR LIFE. You have done well, exceedingly well and you shall, I know, do even better. The investment in your souls of all of the energies of the Masters will show a harvest of merit before the King of Kings and before the Brotherhood as well.

Do you realize that the Hierarchy has given you their life? They are weaving into your souls, the impetus to continue on the path, keeping your faces turned toward your own ascension and holding you within the vow to your own heart's flame when you might otherwise have forgotten that yow and been swallowed up again in the effluvia of the masses.

Mankind does not yet know the gratitude that should be offered to life for the lifestreams (teachers and leaders) who prod them on day after day and month after month and year after year, for without those guardians, fidelity to the God-design would be well nigh impossible.

May I suggest, in all humility, that you remember the lifestreams that serve you. There is no soul so rich either in heaven or on earth, that it cannot be benefited by a prayer and a blessing. Even I bow my head in

gratitude when some lifestream whispers a blessing to the God of life, upon my soul.

Beloved friends, gratitude is the open door to your freedom. We are engaged now in reaching the consciousness of men and women all over our Earth, and this endeavor shall grow and prosper as the consciousness of the people accepts our reality.

Unto this hour, I commend you to your own heart's flame, to the Masters who have sponsored you, each one, and to the God of all life. I thank you and I bless you. Good morning!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE HARVESTS OF LIFE

MAHA CHOHAN

The individual who begins, even intellectually, to understand that his purpose in being is centered upon a more lasting goal than the "gaining of the whole world" at the expense of his soul, is one marked out for special assistance from the Brotherhood. Why? Because he is ready to perform the greatest renunciation of the personal self in asking how he may serve life, help to sow the seeds and later to reap the harvests of impersonal blessings for the race to which he belongs. Each individual has applied for the use of primal, neutral, obedient, unformed life. With this life, each one has experimented, forming it into moulds of the mind, energizing these moulds with the feelings and driving into the universe the heterogeneous mass of experimental material which forms the impersonal heritage of the evolution to which he belongs. Then on the return current of these waves of energy, each one is reaping the personal harvest of his own indiscriminate sowing. Some day, each man will ask him how to sow the energy of life into a designed, planned, constructive pattern whose harvest can be as surely foretold as can the farmer's harvest, according to the Spring planting of his tilled fields.

EL MORYA

This is the season of the harvest. The blessed tillers of the fields gather the fruits of their labors and rejoice in the multiplying powers of nature, seeing the one become the many. A few think of the magnificence of the powers that provide for the succession of each species in another Spring, as well as for the plentiful supply to sustain the bodies of the mankind so dependent upon sweet nature for their very existence. All rejoice in the personal return gleaned from the toil, the labors of the season. It reminds us of the spiritual sowing, where so much depends upon the voluntary contribution of the recipient of our seeds, that we may find a harvest of works well done when the time of gleaning comes.

KUTHUMI

The only lasting harvest of the soul is the gathered momentum of specifically qualified energy that lives in the Causal Body around the Presence of each lifestream. When the individualized intelligence is created, the rays of light passing from the spiritual heart create a pure, white forcefield or spiritual aura. The use of energy, its qualification and the return of the result of that qualified energy into the Causal Body, build the colors into the Causal Body before the lifestream ever takes embodiment. From the time the individual takes the first physical incarnation, the harmoniously-qualified energy used by that individual in every life-span rises up into, and becomes part of, the bands of color that make up the Causal Body. It is the "treasure stored up in heaven." Life used for no good purpose does not so rise but becomes part of the mass accumulation of heavily-charged discord, which is referred to as the "astral" or "psychic" realm.

Man is either building the size, strength and power of his Causal Body, through harmoniously qualified directed energies, or he is building the shroud of unhappiness in which the entire race moves. The size of the Causal Body of every being—ascended or unascended—differs according to the amount of energy drawn forth from the universal, the length of time of individualization and the amount of energy utilized for good out of the entire store drawn forth by such a one.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN MASTER

The color bands of each one's Causal Body differ according to the particular interests of the lifestream, through the ages. The channels through which the energy flowed determine the color of the primal life,

qualified by the individual, which becomes a part of the Causal Body. Those who have given most of their energies to healing have a predominance of gold or violet and pink in the Causal Body. Men and women who have served primarily in positions of Governmental authority, executive directors, have a predominance of blue in the Causal Body. These qualified momentums are used constantly by the Electronic Presence of each lifestream, serving at cosmic levels.

For the most part, with the exception of the highly-developed chelas, little of this momentum is used by the personality. The release of the momentum, gifts, powers, activities and spiritual treasures of the Causal Body through the personal self of an unascended being, is determined by the control of the individual over the energy already in his possession and under his qualifying governing power. That is why HARMONY is stressed for those so eager to have the use of the powers and the glory which they knew "before the world was."

SERAPIS BEY

The aura around the physical body is a personal forcefield. It should be a replica of the Causal Body which pulsates around the Electronic Presence, even as the physical body itself should be a replica of that very Electronic Presence. We find the two types of applicants for spiritual instruction. Those interested ONLY in mastering the energy of their personal egos—the forcefield around the physical body—and those interested in serving life without sufficient personal application to make them worthy servers. The first group do not evince interest in the ephemeral (to them) Causal Body, and the second group do not evince interest in the balanced control of the vehicles presently working in this world.

We are the BRIDGE BUILDERS, drawing together the diversities of interest and, out of the many applicants, finding the few who can become the BALANCE between individual self-mastered egos and cosmic servers, while learning. At Luxor, we examine the Causal Body to see if selfish interest motivates the desire for knowledge. If the Causal Body shows no appreciable size, color, balance, nor momentum through ages past, we know immediately that such an one is primarily interested in gifts for self and such individuals cannot be accepted, for we are pledged only to serve those who love life, itself, not just the USE of life.

HILARION

The Causal Body is the record which may be read by any Ascended Being, and within it is proof of what the lifestream has done since the beginning of opportunity in incarnation, millions of years ago. The Causal Body is the determining factor in the choice and acceptance of all individuals who are going to be called upon to render a more-than-ordinary service to mankind. The Causal Body never lies. Wise is the man or woman who chooses, while laying up the stores of security on Earth, to build into that Causal Body some permanent momentum, to show as a reason for an entire embodiment on Earth.

At the end of each Earth life, when the Lords of Karma examine the souls, the Causal Body of each one is examined—first as it was before birth into that incarnation and then as it is at the end of the Earth life. Nothing else is the "harvest" of lasting value. Every other gained possession is dropped with the outworn physical garment. When the Causal Body glows with added violet bands of mercy, with golden bands of wisdom, with pink bands of practical brotherhood in works, not words, then the soul can sing and the sponsor rejoice in his invested energies as well.

IESUS

I constantly admonished those kind enough to find merit and comfort in my counsel, that the lasting treasures were builded in heaven. That priceless gift of life, given to each incarnate soul, must be appreciated and woven into some good reason for being, aside from the personal interests and accomplishments which benefit only self. Those who build thus "in heaven" are fortunate, indeed, for, as the Causal Body grows in size and power and strength, each such an one becomes a Cosmic Being, even before the ascension of the outer self.

SAINT GERMAIN

I long for the day when the individual sphere of influence of each student is so balanced, so poised, so harmonious, that the tremendous stored energies of each one's Causal Body may be conducted through the personal aura for the blessings of the individual and the race those momentums of healing power, of precipitation, of illumination, gathered through many ages stand ready and waiting the uninterrupted harmony of the outer self and I stand waiting that day to see the rejoicing in the harvest when it is in the hands of the faithful.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA by the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: If asked to give a simple definite explanation of the many flames, to one who had never studied the work, one would be found wanting. Could you help me?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First comes recognition of the Light itself, then love of the Light. Later comes a conscious understanding of the flame as an intelligence. From this understanding comes mastery in the direction and use of the flame. You remember the statement of the beloved Master Saint Germain, "As the conscious is to the unconscious, so is the use of the Flame to the recognition of the Light." People who have never studied the work, must first enjoy the radiation of the light itself, bathe in it, be nourished by it, seek its presence and generally become acquainted with the peace, the healing, the supply, the harmony that comes when one lives within it.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is this Light to which you refer?

GURU—Blessed Chela: This Light is the natural radiation of harmoniously-qualified life. Life radiates constantly. The quality charged into life determines the type of radiation it gives forth. The Presence within the heart, the Masters, the angels, the devas all naturally radiate light and it is a comfortable feeling to those who come into proximity with their auras. Students, also, MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, should create such a comfortable feeling in their own auras, that new seekers are soothed, blessed, healed and illumined through contact with that radiating light. THEN, and then only, the seeker will ask how to create for himself such a comfortable, happy personal atmosphere. The seeker will come to the sanctuaries, temples, homes and foci where the light poured forth from the presence of God, I AM, and the Perfected Beings, as well as the students, gives them a surcease from the turmoil and confusions of their daily living. This is the "recognition of the light." Following this RECOGNI-TION and ACCEPTANCE comes the individual application, to learn how to draw, focus, direct and radiate the light, and the seeker becomes a student of the flame activities.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Many good people, who know nothing of the Spiritual Law, are such radiating centers of comfort and peace, even more so than those who affirm a deeper knowledge of the activities of the flame of God.

GURU—Blessed Chela: True. They are natural channels and conductors of the gifts of God, from their own Presence and Causal Body, but

are unconscious of how to increase or specifically direct the fullness of the cosmic powers of their beings. The students, although their natural radiation may be inferior to many who seem to have no intellectual knowledge of the spiritual Law, will in time be in conscious control of the powers of the Sacred Fire as Jesus was, and presently is, and not like the lovely flowers that radiate beauty, color and perfume, but still are at the mercy of whatsoever lifestream shall choose to pick them for a bouquet.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the Sacred Fire?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Sacred Fire is merely CONSCIOUSLY-QUALIFIED life. An intelligence, human or divine, draws primal life forth for a specific purpose. Primal life is neutral, like water, unformed and seemingly colorless (although it contains within itself the essence of all color). The intelligence, using the WAND OF POWER, his own feeling world, charges that primal life with peace, purity, healing, love, opulence, strength, wisdom, and the primal life, consciously charged by the intelligence, takes on the color of the quality invoked and the vibratory rate of that quality and becomes the Sacred Fire. It is that simple.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is the Sacred Fire the same as the Unfed Flame?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Unfed Flame is the pulsation of the presence of God within your physical heart. It is one activity of the Sacred Fire. There are countless activities of the Sacred Fire, hundreds of which have never even been mentioned by the Masters to unascended beings. The Flame of Mercy and Compassion is an activity of the Sacred Fire. The Healing Flame of Jesus and Mary is an activity of the fire. Do you see?

CHELA—Beloved Master: Yes. Then, it is the opportunity of every lifestream to qualify the primal life passing through their own heartbeat with some specific radiating power to bless mankind. Then do we become foci of the Sacred Fire also?

GURU—Blessed Chela: This is truly the action of the Law. I would counsel you to specify a particular quality of impersonal radiation that you would like to give to life, and stay with that one quality until you have builded a momentum through the energy of your aura. The first time some individual recognizes your light and speaks to you of it, without your having mentioned your private applications, will be one of the happiest experiences on your road to mastery. Those who recognized your light will become applicants for the Law of the Sacred Fire and thus you are a missionary, even without words, wherever you move.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Please show me how to do this simply, in

my daily application.

GURU—Blessed Chela: Thank you for the opportunity! First, in the silence, ask yourself what specific blessing you would like to radiate out to mankind WITHOUT ANY MAN KNOWING OF YOUR SERVICE. Determine upon peace, love, harmony, healing. The actual gift of radiation will be a spiritual benediction to the race, but the TRAINING in conscious qualification will be the gift of yourself and the choice you make of impersonal blessing to life makes little difference in the efficacy of your service. The most important point is your determination to bless life without recognition of self and to learn how to qualify life in a positive manner, that can withstand the unbridled energies of others.

Second, after you have chosen a quality of radiation, think of some Ascended Master who is already a cosmic sun of that quality. He will help you considerably to get the rhythm of the feeling of that quality into action through your own feeling world. If you have chosen healing, the beloved Jesus will pour to you his confidence and feeling of the power of God to heal. Open your feeling world to the Master as you open your vital bodies to the light of the Sun. Learn to accept the feelings you wish to give.

Third, after you have gotten acquainted with the feeling you desire to radiate, in the PRIVACY OF YOUR OWN ROOM, visualize the pure light that flows through the silver cord into your heart. Then let your feeling world, just like a hand, pass over that energy and qualify it with the color, the quality, the radiation you desire.

Fourth, charge the energy from your Presence into that feeling and build a momentum of that feeling into your aura. Visualize your aura charged with that beautiful feeling, quality, color and vibration, and wear it as you would wear a beautiful seamless robe. Then move among mankind. At first, the hem of your garment may be soiled by contact with your fellowmen, but practice makes perfect. Perseverance is essential to mastery. This is how we attained and how you may, if you choose. Thank you and God bless you.

THE HEALING CHALICE

Beloved children of my heart flame, think now, not with the mental consciousness, but with thy heart consciousness, which is my consciousness within thee. The flame of thy true being, thy immortal identity, is that which you know and understand as "I AM." Thou and I are the DI-VINE ONE. I am thy Father-Mother. The Holy Spirit within thee is the flame-breath of my being, made manifest in my creation. I have fashioned thee from the substance of my love and light, and thou art, indeed, made in the image and likeness which I AM. I am the Divine Creator. Thus it must follow that thou art a divine creation, endowed with the firebreath of thy Creator's own being. Thy true being is the beauty and perfection of my handiwork, and thou art indeed "good."

Small children of thy mortal kingdom, in their innocence and trustfulness, go forth in their adventures with life and often fall and bruise the delicate flesh. How often the child in his wrath turns and strikes at the impediment over which his own clumsiness caused him to fall, adding to the misery and pain through his resentment, rebellion and desires for revenge. Ofttimes the adult child of my heart cries in this same childlike way, bruising himself needlessly to defend the questionable dignity of his transient personality and often forfeiting life, itself, rather than face the indignities of accepting or acknowledging his own immaturity. These wounds and indignities fester in the consciousness of these wayward children of my heart and in the end, their very bodies sicken and die in the agonies they have imposed upon themselves, at first in innocence, and then in the arrogance of the personal self, having forgotten entirely their true identity.

It was with the first forgetfulness and the first fall from grace that the Healing Flame from my heart went forth, in order that the pain and distress might not destroy my beautiful creation. Thou hast said truly that "time heals all," and yet, time is only the agent through which my love and Healing Flame can regenerate the manifestations of my perfection. Thou hast now the secret of the Flame of Love from mine own heart, with which to manifest once more that beauty and perfection which thou truly art and shall always be, to me. Accept my healing Violet Fire. Bathe within it, arise, and wear thy new garments of freedom.

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASSES

September 1, 1954

Dearly Beloved Children Of God:

I INVOKE the full power of the Holy Spirit to flow through your feeling worlds during this entire thirty-day period which is primarily dedicated to the love of God as expressed in love for your fellowman. The admonition of the beloved Master Jesus, wherein he reminds his followers that if they cannot love HIM whom they have seen, it is useless to profess to love a God, whom they have not seen, bears a lot of thought and earnest contemplation by the seekers after the true way.

The Third Ray, over which the beloved Chohan Paul presides, is dedicated to the development of that capacity to truly understand and appreciate the endeavors of the presence of God to develop and mature a portion of the divine plan through every lifestream belonging to this evolution. Divine courtesy, of the very first order, is embodied in the chela who has evolved to a point of service to the Hierarchy upon this ray.

As the sphere of influence of the beautiful home of the Master of brotherly love is activated by the presence of the Spiritual Hierarchy, those who sincerely, deeply and honestly desire to know the joy that lies within the feeling of spiritual brotherhood, are invited to turn their attention, their consciousness, their thoughts and invocations toward the Chateau de Liberte. I am sure you will feel the blessings that flow back on the beam of your directed energies.

The currents of peace, brotherhood, tolerance, understanding, kindliness and gentleness of spirit will flow around the world, as the Liberty Flame is given spiritual precedence among the retreats of the world and those who individually wish to increase this blessing are joyously and gratefully invited to do so, not only on the opening of the Transmission Flame Activity, but throughout this period.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

September 1, 1954

Dearly Beloved Children Of God:

In the name, love, wisdom and power of my own God Presence, "I AM," and yours also, I send to the beloved Mother Virgo, the deepest, divine love and gratitude of our entire lifestreams for the gift of our dear planet, Earth, as a platform beneath our feet and a place where we can have opportunity to make all things right Every lifestream, sooner or later, comes to the place where it desires, above all else, to do this very thing. You and I are at such a place—evinced by our interest in these spiritual truths given forth by the Ascended Masters.

These are men and women who were once like ourselves, but who have trod the path before us and raised their bodies, minds and worlds into realms of eternal light. I call the entire Ascended Host also to bless our beloved Virgo with their special gifts of gratitude and thanksgiving this 30-day period of attention upon her, and I ask them to intensify in, through and around ALL life unascended on this Earth today, a deep sense of their responsibility to life for its use.

Beloved friends, just returning from our lovely conference at the foot of the glorious Teton Mountains, we remember the PURPOSE of that conference, impressed upon our minds so often while we were there by the beloved Kuthumi. The purpose of that conference was to charge our worlds as full as possible with REVERENCE and GRATITUDE FOR LIFE. Let us turn the fullness of our reverence and gratitude, for this 30-day period in particular, to our beloved Mother Virgo for the blessings of our Earth—its actual substance beneath our feet- and the millions of elemental beings who make possible our existence here through their gifts of earth, air, water and fire.

Gratitude consciously poured to and for them will bring release from many unpleasant reactions of the mass karma of the race in the atmosphere or Earth, as well as right in its substance too. Try it! This month, just once every day—send your love and feeling of gratitude to beloved Virgo and all her elemental friends and servants to this Earth and its inhabitants. See, if at the end of this 30-day period, you are more blessed in at least one way than when you started this habit. Then you will not care to stop doing this, because it is a very comfortable procedure and makes one very happy, indeed, as they pursue such a habit. If you can get others to do likewise, you will be doubly blessed.

It would be lovely if all those in group activities who participate in sending the Transmission Flame around the Earth, would use the song of the month as much as possible during that period. This retreat of the beloved Paul the Venetian has the keynote of "The Marseillaise." The words to "Liberty's Flame," using this melody, will be found in the September, 1953 issue of "The Bridge." The color of the flame carries the pink, gold and blue of the Unfed Flame.

The statement for this month's breathing activity is—

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I AM inbreathing th'healing and peace of tolerant love from Paul the Venetian								
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GOD BLESS YOU! "EL PUENTE"

A digest in Spanish of "The Bridge to Freedom" has been compiled, edited, printed and is being distributed by our beloved F. C. Pita, of Havana, Cuba, whose tireless efforts and selfless service also brought to birth the first "Bridge" in English, in April of 1952.

Our beloved brother has sent these little representatives of the Masters of Wisdom to the countries where the Spanish language is spoken. There are many, many people who are so grateful to have the opportunity to read of the current activities of the Great White Brotherhood in their own language.

A short excerpt of a recent article from "The Bridge to Freedom" was kindly published gratuitously in the Spanish journal "Manana" at the request of our Mr. Pita. Since then, he has received many requests from the Spanish-speaking people for more literature about our beloved Masters.

Sample copies of "El Puente" will be sent free by Mr. Pita to anyone who wishes to receive them, either personally or for their friends. For this purpose, you are invited to write to Foreign Translation Department, Spanish Section, "The Bridge to Freedom," P.O. Box 335, Philadelphia, 5, PA. Any love offerings for this good work may be made out to "The Bridge to Freedom" and will be immediately turned over to Mr. Pita to defray the costs of this free distribution he has offered, and to expand the work.

Mr. Pita is now engaged in translating into Spanish "The Seventh Ray" and "The First Ray" as the demand, prompted by the distribution of the little "El Puente," requires the supplying of more material as quickly as possible.

To you, dear Mr. Pita, For your kindness, foresight, and loving cooperation, both with the Masters of Wisdom above and those of us who are their staff here below, we say GOD BLESS YOU, Mr. Pita, and GOD BLESS YOUR SINCERE ENDEAVORS.

THE MANAGEMENT

SUGGESTED DECREES For use during the 30-day period, Sept. 15 through Oct. 14, 1954

Through the beloved Immortal Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within my beating heart, and in the hearts of all mankind, I call to the heart of the Great Central Sun for the instantaneous and eternal release of limitless oceans of Its blessings of Cosmic Christ love and gratitude, supreme, to flood to our beloved Virgo (Mother Earth), in such overwhelming power that it completely releases, as quickly as possible, all the elemental life serving the planet Earth from all that was never meant to be. Let this outpouring of pure light from the Source of life to our system, raise all that life into the beauty, dignity, purity and perfection God created in the beginning, and keep that perfection sustained and ever expanding. Beloved Virgo and all who serve with you WE LOVE YOU, WE LOVE YOU, and offer all we are and have to help in setting your dear Earth free quickly!

Beloved Mighty Presence of God, I AM in me, oh thou beloved Immortal Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, and especially to the beloved Paul, the Venetian Master, do we call:

"Oh Let the Flame of Liberty now seal our planet round!

Expand its power of tolerant love 'til not an atom's bound!

Now let it do its cosmic work and bring our dear Earth peace,
Let cruelty and hatred, man to man—forever cease!

Let the heavens open and from realms of light above,
Let there descend the substance and authority of God's love.

That golden substance from God's heart—let it all life enfold,
And bring about on Earth today the glory all untold,
Of that which reigned here long before the discord of today,
That Golden Age now comes again—this time fore'er to stay.

This Flame of Cosmic Liberty so guarded by dear Paul,
From his Chateau de Liberte will come at each one's call.

Our deepest love and gratitude to him who serves so well—
Dear Unfed Flame! RISE! Bless his name in all who on Earth dwell."

BELOVED COMFORT FLAME

Flame of Love and Comfort sweet— All love you! Kneeling at your blessed feet Hearts so true Having lost their homeward way Call thy light with them to stay. Guiding them by night and day— Dear Comfort—WE LOVE YOU.

In thy arms, of Comfort sweet! All find peace. Learn control to bring to all Sweet release. Selflessness and patience rare Prove to all God's loving care. All the good life wants to share— Dear Comfort—WE LOVE YOU!

Help us now your love to be— Comfort dear! We would ever do thy will Draw us near. Make each one thy God-control, Purify each earnest soul. Consecrate us to this goal— Dear Comfort—WE LOVE YOU!

MELODY: "AT DAWNING," BY CADMAN

MEDITATIONS

I AM thy child of love and perfection. I now accept thy love and conscious return unto thee.

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The healing Flame from the heart of my Father-Mother God now floods through me and I am now made whole, happy and free.

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The God-Consciousness of my true self IS WITHIN ME and I know only my divinity now made manifest.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

OCTOBER 1954

TO THE BELOVED SPIRIT OF FREEDOM

GREETINGS! BLESSINGS from the hearts of those of us who live but to loose that same spirit through the hearts of all mankind, embodied angels, and imprisoned elemental life on the planet Earth and abiding in its atmosphere.

The desire for freedom is inherent in all life. Even the smallest seed-ling will burst asunder a great rock to develop and mature its plan as shrub or tree. Within the soul lies the divine image of God which will, with greater power than the nature kingdom can evoke, assert the Spirit of Freedom and manifest itself through the outer man. It is to nourish, develop and mature this Spirit of Freedom that The Great White Brotherhood abides yet in the atmosphere of Earth and in close proximity to the consciousness of those who aspire to freedom.

In commemoration of the desire in the heart of our beloved brother, Saint Germain, to establish on Earth a brotherhood of spiritual affinity among angels, men and elementals, we dedicate this issue of The Bridge to Freedom to HIM, to the beloved Americas, which he did so much to develop, and to the friends of Freedom throughout the world who are working with him toward the establishment of the Kingdom of God on Earth in this day.

Thomas Printz, Editor

BELOVED SAINT GERMAIN, ON HIS LIFE AS COLUMBUS

Havana, Cuba, January, 1954

It seems but yesterday that I trod the uneven boards that comprised the deck of the Santa Maria, looking at the horizon that would not yield a shore line.

Long after the "hands" had retired at night did I pace that deck, with the taste of salt sea-spray upon my lips, as my eyes endeavored to fashion out of the clouds—out of the heaving billows —out of fancy—a land that I was as sure existed, as I was sure that I had hands of flesh and feet that balanced against the roll of the sea, that I might stand erect. Yet, the spirit within me wearied as the days passed into weeks and the calculations I had made so carefully did not yield the achievement of the goal toward which I had set my consciousness. Into this enterprise I had woven the reluctant energies of men of vision who, believing in my purpose, chose to forego the security and safety of the known European Continent and, against the prejudice and ignorance of that day, ventured forth upon MY WORD.

It is not a pleasurable experience to engage the life interests and the bodily safety of men and then, in the darkness of the night, upon a chartless sea, question your OWN faith, knowing that not only your own, but also the well-being and salvation of others depended upon the accuracy of your perception.

Can you believe the power that lies within a vision before it becomes an accepted fact? Do you know what it is to thrill to that vision before the substance of the appearance world has yielded proof of its reality?

All this has long since passed for me, but you, again, are weaving your life energies into a vision of a free people. You, too, are on the uncharted spiritual seas, engaged on a high adventure, with sails unfurled and vision set toward an unknown shore. You have felt the exhilaration that precedes a new journey. You have felt the despondency and uncertainty that is so characteristic of the unascended consciousness which clings so tenaciously to form.

To you I bring the conviction of my own faith in my vision, for one day the horizon DID yield land and one day a green island swam before my misted eyes. One day the sun reflected on the waving palms. One day the land birds flew over the salt-encrusted masts. One day my heart leapt TO FIND MY VISION FACT and at the same time my knees bent in gratitude to God for sustaining our course westward in the face of almost insurmountable odds.

So shall it be in your experience and in that of others who have

touched the fringe of a vision of a God-free people, where disease, death, decay and dissolution are no longer the heritage of the human bodies of men. THIS VISION SEEMS AS FANTASTIC NOW AS A GLOBULAR WORLD WAS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY, but nevertheless as surely a predictable fact in the future.

You believed me then. Some of you sailed with me across those uncharted seas. You shared in my despair and you shared in my victory. You were within the circle who examined with me, each night, the length and course of our daily journey set down in that private log I carried, and wherein I wrote my knowledge of the sea we had traversed, although we kept another log for the sailors lest, in fright at knowing how far we had come from my calculated goal, they would refuse to continue on—and on—and on.

We sat in the hold of the ship, in a small cabin the night the compass "failed," not knowing that as we turned and sailed due West instead of North, the polar star would affect the needle. In looking at it that night, we felt that our last hope was gone and yet, when we faced the men the next day we could not tell them that we were no longer northward bound, lest they become more discouraged than they already were. Remember you, that hour? I shall never forget it through all eternity and yet despite that seemingly small irreconcilable "defect," we did find land!

You were among my friends. You saw San Salvador. You saw Cuba! You shared my personal agony and you shared with me the joy I felt at the hot sand, firm beneath our feet, the paradise of the good, steady Earth after the roll of the sea, the restful green of grass and shrub after the grey, billowy waters of the wide Atlantic! These are the things that burn deep into the spirit of love. They are ties of friendship, that make the association of heaven a sweet and cherished comradeship, that extends all through the ages yet unborn. They are links of love written upon the sands of time.

In the days of Atlantis, a mystical Order known as the Priests of Zadkiel, was established on the present island of Cuba. A great Temple in the center of the island was presided over by that great Archangel Zadkiel, and seven lesser temples were scattered across the surface of the land. Here the purple-robed priests of invocation wielded the power of the Violet Flame and Ray. I was among them and so were many of the friends of Freedom.

At inner levels, after the sinking of Atlantis, the Temples of Zadkiel continued to train initiates in the power of divine alchemy. Here I studied and prepared, between embodiments, to comprehend the activities of the Sacred Fire. Finally, I qualified sufficiently to be offered the guardian-

ship of the Violet Flame and the office of Chohan of the Seventh Ray.

Here you and others, who responded to the ceremonial activities of the Seventh Ray, perfected a momentum in the use of the Violet Fire. It is regrettable that you have not drawn into your outer consciousness with sufficient intensity, the remembrance of this. Here you, and others who responded to the ceremonial activities of the Seventh Ray, perfected a momentum in the use of the Sacred Violet Fire. It is regrettable that you have not drawn into your outer consciousness, with sufficient intensity, the remembrance of this activity, so you could now perform the so-called miracles of transmutation that came easy to you then.

If you will be conscious of the deep purple robe, with the Maltese Cross down the back, which is the vestment of the Priests and Priestesses of Zadkiel, it will help to revivify the feeling which you knew and experienced in the physical world during the height of the Atlantean culture. The Master Morya has made request to the Archangel Zadkiel TO BRING TO YOUR CONSCIOUS REMEMBRANCE AGAIN, the power within that Sacred Fire, which you once understood and practiced and I am hoping that in the near future that Great One will grace you with his presence and instruction.

It gives me a sense of security to know that my work is again in the hands of those who have shared and cooperated with my vision, for centuries, in the safe compass of the heart's love, who proved their friendship in the world of form, while yet I was filled with the errors that are the mass heritage of the human consciousness. It makes me happy that through that misted consciousness in which you still function, you are kind enough to perceive truth and give me an opportunity to share with you eternal Truth.

When lifestreams believe and have faith in the vision of another, they form a mighty pillar of sustained energy, to hold the consciousness that bears the vision high. That feeling of trusted and trustful friends was the victory of Jesus, Morya, Kuthumi and myself and every one of us who finally stepped over the threshold into freedom. Life and love do not forget and we who live beyond the veil do not forget fidelity and constancy.

Rest in the arms of the Archangel Zadkiel. Feel the protecting aura of his cloak. Accept the purifying fire that flows through you, and allow my presence to do for you, what your friendship in the ages past has done for me.

SAINT GERMAIN

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE ASCENSION TEMPLE AT LUXOR From October 15th through November 14th, 1954

In the land of Egypt, along the banks of the Nile River, there exists the focus of The Great White Brotherhood dedicated to preserving the Cosmic Flame of the Ascension, which is the WAY BACK HOME for every lifestream determined, in itself, to make things right before the Cosmic Law and to complete the portion of the divine plan for which incarnation, sustained self-conscious being, and preservation of identity, has been effected.

The Ascension Temple at Luxor sustains the pulsation of the Ascension Flame in the atmosphere of Earth. This Flame is utilized freely by the nature kingdom in the resurrection of each successive Springtime. The few members of the human race who awaken in each century to the desire to complete their cycles of incarnation, become the responsibility of the Brotherhood.

When a man, in himself, desires to know the reason for his own being and desires to cooperate with the will of God, he comes to the threshold of the Ascension Temple in CONSCIOUSNESS. To graduate from the Earth plane and remove oneself from the wheel of birth and death, the individual must first determine within himself to complete his individual service to life, purify the energies he has used so prolifically through aeons of living and prepare himself for self-conscious, awakened being, in a realm where no discord, disharmony, imperfection or limitation exists. Thus, he must become INCAPABLE of generating discord through his own consciousness, his thought and feeling self. Only in such a manner can he qualify for entrance into the Kingdom of Harmony.

Individuals who have come to a place of spiritual maturity and who wish to serve with the Father, who has created and sustained them through the centuries, are given opportunities without limit to "serve the purpose through, of that which made them men." Such opportunities, under the new dispensation, come in the ordinary life experience of daily living. These opportunities follow the pattern of the created initiations which are provided for the neophyte at Luxor. Because the "glamour" of the retreat is not apparent in daily living, many worthy individuals, who have applied for the disciplines, purifications and assistance of the Brotherhood of the Ascension, are not aware that the very experiences of life are being consciously provided by this Brotherhood and that the ASCENT is taking place according to the control and mastery of these conditions,

which so often pall upon the outer self.

The presence of the physical body in a certain place is not necessary for the acceptance of the individual into the role of applicant for mastery. The motive in the heart of the aspirant determines that acceptance. Many are the candidates for the ascension who live mundane lives in the world of form but whose souls are being purified, strengthened, tested and tried by this Mystic Brotherhood RIGHT WHERE THEY ARE. The constant admonition of this Brotherhood to its chelas is "TRY." It is upon the motive within the heart that the Masters of Wisdom dwell.

To ascend INTO the place of self-mastery, God-control, peace, harmony, health and ever-present supply, the individual must learn to rely upon the Presence of God within the heart. The disciplines at Luxor are designed to turn the consciousness, attention, feeling world and outer self INWARD, until from within the heart center of Being, there is drawn forth consciously and at will, anything and everything which is required to forward that portion of the divine plan, which the individual self finds at hand to be externalized.

The ascension of the thoughts, feelings, actions and spoken word of the student is not the work of a moment! It is the constant, hourly application to rise into a spiritual consciousness of listening grace, of harmony, balance, purity, peace, ever-sustained supply, perfect health and ever-increasing illumination of soul, until the spiritual self is manifest in every avenue and activity of the life experience.

Those interested in visiting the Ascension Temple at Luxor are requested to draw back with them, into their individual world, homes, auras and consciousness that raising, buoyant, joyous energy, which is the activity of ascension. This flame will enter into the elemental substance of the inner bodies, as well as the physical form, and act as the "leaven in the loaf," when earnestly invoked. As the pure, white flame passes through the substance of the student's bodies (physical, mental, emotional and etheric), it quickens the vibratory action of the atoms, each electron moving more rapidly around its own central pole. This causes the throwing off of the impure, discordant, heavily-charged substance around the electrons, and quickens the rhythm of the vehicles. These vehicles then become more sensitive to the finer vibrations of the higher spheres and the consciousness of all the instruments is more attuned to Truth, the gravity pull is lessened, and the various appetites and passions of the physical and inner vehicles are transmuted. It is a practical and mechanical activity of purification.

When the Ascension Flame thus acts, the individual, through his own

purified energies, becomes a conductor of the raising activity of the Ascension Flame into his own environment, home, family, business and affairs. No man should pass through this thirty-day period without contributing to the ascension of all life in, through and around him, visible or invisible. This is the reason for the opening of the doors of consciousness to these retreats, the invitation of the students to contemplate their activities, and, generally, for the entire activity of the Transmission Flame.

THE SEVEN INITIATIONS By Beloved Serapis Bey

March 30, 1954

"Candidate for the Ascension, "What bring ye to this retreat?" I bring to you the blessings of my Light and the victory that is within it."

So have I addressed you, beloved ones, age after age, century after century, when your light brought you to the door of the halls of Luxor. Do you remember those hours? I have endeavored to recreate within the substance of your etheric bodies that memory, to CHARGE through my energies that Cosmic Fire, which, at the very moment when the call for your Ascension comes, shall render the assistance in removing the final magnetic pull of Earth, assisting you into the glory of that full Godfreedom that is my reason for being! I have guarded, I have guided. I have stood within the Ascension Flame, in order that there might be a way and means by which the mankind of Earth, when through with the folly of the senses, could return to their God estate. Since the "fall of man," if there were not a guardian Brotherhood of the Ascension Flame, there would be no way back HOME! Have you thought, have you pondered, have you, within the deepest recesses of your being, realized what it would be, if there were NO WAY BACK HOME?

To this end have we remained, many of us, prisoners of love upon this dark star. Your names are written in the Book of Life. You are among those whom the Lords of Karma chose, previous to your incarnation, as possible candidates to pass into the Ascended Master Octave at the close of an Earth life. For this reason have you been given extraordinary opportunity in contact with the Ascended Master Brotherhood, that you might "make things right" in your individual worlds, that you might in service—cooperative and individual—render the balance to life required to cut and sever forever, the necessity for reincarnation.

Let us, IMMEDIATELY AND FOREVER, remove from the consciousness

the feeling and the attitude that service is such a magnificent gift of your life to the Universe. IT IS RATHER an OPPORTUNITY given you, individually, so that you may be set free. You have been especially chosen. Across the bosom of your etheric body has been written, by the Brotherhood of the Ascension, these very words—"Candidate for the Ascension, within the course of an Earth life." You have been given a sponsor, who throughout this Earth life has stimulated within your outer consciousness and feelings the desire to know Truth. This sponsor has loosened your consciousness from the mass mind, from the orthodox channels, has encouraged you to seek the spiritual law in occult knowledge and to get even a smattering of understanding of the work of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

WHY? In order that through the energies of your being, voluntarily consecrated to setting life free, you might EARN the privilege of wiping the dust of Earth from your feet, FACING your Source, and hearing that great clarion call which comes at a cosmic moment to every man. Then, entering into the glory of your God-free body, standing in the sphere with those you love, you serve the universe in light, harmony and beauty, throughout all eternity. Would that I might convey to the consciousness of mankind the happiness of the Ascended Master Octave! Would that you might feel, within yourselves, for an instant, the joy of that freedom from those sense-bound bodies that you wear!! Nothing, no service, no discipline—would ever be a pall upon you, as you faced that glorious goal.

I am dedicated to see that you pass through the fires of purification and that you, who have applied for the opportunity of gaining the ascension, might preserve unto that victory. Let me again give you the story of your entrance into Luxor. You have all been there. We are heart-friends of many ages. Few times have I left the retreat at Luxor. Few times have I taken incarnation outside of the sacred land of Egypt.

Within the heart of the Ascension Temple at Luxor is a magnetic power of the Sacred Fire, which draws within the compass of that retreat, (either in the finer inner bodies or, on rare occasions, when the individual is very developed, within the flesh) those who have the possibility within the lifestream to attain the ascension within the compass of an earth life. No other individual even enters within the outer walls. Those who do enter, stand before my presence. There I speak as I spoke to you this day, each hopeful aspirant standing before my presence and hearing those words which open the door to the mental and feeling world—"Candidate for the Ascension, what bring ye to this holy place?"

Then there is externalized, from within the lifestream, the thoughts and feelings which are the gifts of the consciousness. It is possible, within the matter of a moment, to design the discipline for the neophyte. Uncomfortable, indeed, is the externalization of the thoughts and feelings and yet it is the very first initiation through which the hopeful and the brave must pass.

Then he must successfully pass through the disciplines of the seven great temples. The neophyte first must learn the great surrender—must learn within his heart, soul and spirit to find and desire to cooperate with the Will of God. The neophyte is placed within a cell and allowed to commune there with his own Holy I AM Presence, endeavoring to contact that God-Self and to develop within himself a humility before it. Within this first great Temple, under the direction of the Great Morya and his assistant Chohans, comes the dissolving of rebellion. Rebellion within the lifestream is the feeling which brought every man and woman from a state of grace and constant communion with the God-Self. Rebellion took Lucifer from the heart of heaven, and the rebellion against discipline and self-correction is a BARRIER to real spiritual progress.

It does not mean one should assume servility to any human self, or submission even to the will of the Master, but the quality of rebellion that is within the consciousness must be melted away. We have various ways and means of drawing out of the dormant consciousness those qualities and a good number of our candidates remove themselves from the temple before passing through this first initiation, I regret to say. That is why, at this time, I have set into motion, at inner levels, those currents which will bring forth particular melodies to dissolve rebellion in the feelings, rebellion not only against injustice, rebellion against conditions, rebellion against limitation. They are all ramifications of the same quality within the feeling world that must go. Let me point out that it does NOT require "submission" to limitation to substitute for rebellion, but a constant, alert awareness, setting into action the law, which is in your hands, to remedy conditions and yet keep yourself harmonious, peaceful, and constructively employed during this process. Thus, you are master of your energy.

Those few who pass from the First Temple are taken into the Second Temple, known as the Temple of Learning. Here, under the Brothers guarded and guided by Kuthumi, or one of his assistants, they are given the instruction in the Law. Here they develop understanding of the laws of cause and effect and all those laws which you are presently engaged in learning. It is a pleasant and a happy time, a time of the sowing of the

seeds, a time of the breathing of life upon those seeds and bringing forth a harvest in works. It is a time when the artist develops his skill, the musician develops the dexterity of musical accomplishment, a time when the teacher becomes eloquent in the capacity to convey knowledge and stir enthusiasm in the student, it is a time when the statesman gains the vision similar to that which has been incorporated in the rounding of your beloved United States of America, it is a time when all that is good develops and grows and the enthusiasms of the brothers and sisters is tremendous.

From this initiation the initiate must pass successfully into the Third Temple, under the great protection and guidance of our beloved Paul, the Venetian. Here, again, we come to the discipline of living with our brothers, of BECOMING OUR BROTHER'S KEEPER. Here the neophytes are placed in living quarters with lifestreams who have within themselves those tendencies which are particularly aggravating to the others. Here, again, the numbers dwindle, and with great feelings of relief, the neophytes rush for the door and leave us. It is unfortunate, but to live with one's fellowman is one of the greatest tests of the unascended state. Yet, although the graciousness, the beauty, the kindliness of this great and mighty Chohan are so great that they would melt a heart of stone, the discipline which he gives in learning tolerance and understanding is such that few survive.

From there we move into the Fourth Temple (my temple). This is the first personal contact I have with the neophyte since the entering of the lifestream into the retreat. It is the time when the neophyte must, for the first time, draw forth enough purity to see his Presence or his Holy Christ Self, face to face. It is an initiation when the Master himself must stand within the aura of the initiate. It is a time when many nefarious presentations from within the inner bodies come to the consciousness of the student—when the "many voices" speak; when only discrimination, prayer, selflessness and humility can discern the Voice of the Silence. It is a time when, if possible, the ego is inflated, when the voices speak of great things the self shall do. It is the time when "self" is shorn of all egotism, subtle and apparent, and after passing through this initiation (during which I stand within the aura and pray the prayer of my heart to God), the lifestream is ready for the consecration.

When the ever-dwindling numbers enter into the Fifth Temple, under the great Hilarion, we come to the beautiful Festival of Consecration. In this temple we then dedicate the priests and priestesses of the flame the Sacred Fire. Up to this point, they are not permitted to attend the Flame, or to officiate on the altar. They are the congregation, they are the supplicants, they are the neophytes with the shaved heads, the linen garments, the bare feet and the hopeful hearts. When they enter Temple Five, having passed through the initiation of joining the Christ Self in humility, selflessness and service, they are ready, then, to have the garments of consecration, the vestments, placed upon them, the golden sandals on their feet, the silken garments upon their bodies. Then the great Hilarion, or the beloved Raphael, or one of the members of their court, perform the service of consecration. The light is consecrated before it enters into the body. The emotional body is consecrated and it is made visible to the entire assembly.

The etheric body is consecrated. The mental body is consecrated and after those inner bodies are so blessed, every one of the senses is consecrated by the presiding priest and by myself. It is a magnificent ceremony and it shall one day be woven into your ceremonies of the future, before the lifestreams go forth in more than ordinary service. There is given the consecration of the hands through which flow the Flame of Healing, the consecration of the feet, which become the anchorage of the Sacred Fire wherever that body moves, the consecration of the lips to speak the sacred words which invoke and command the manifestation of precipitation and healing powers, the consecration of the energies through the eyes, that enable the lifestream to see perfection and call it forth. It is a magnificent activity, the details of which I cannot describe at this moment, because of the human limitation in the outer world of so-called time.

The priests and priestesses then, magnificent in their robes, each one representing the ray which is the natural activity of the lifestream, are assigned to the temple worship. Here they serve for shorter or longer periods. Some go no further than this initiation. Many of you within this room have remained the priests and priestesses of the Sacred Fire during an entire embodiment because, again, when you come into Temple Six, the initiation in selflessness and service is such that many do not choose to incorporate their energies in a mission that might not be successful, and lose the accumulated good which brought them to the temple worship.

In Temple Six the brothers become ministering mendicants, leaving Luxor to test their light in the world of form. The beautiful vestments are taken from their shoulders and folded away, also, the silken garments, the magnificent headdress, the jewels of light, the scepters of power are all removed. Clothed again as a wandering beggar, the ministering be-

ings, under the Devotional Ray, go into the world of form with no credentials and with a vow of silence. There is no way to make even the spiritually alert and worthy know of their qualifications, except in the expansion of their own light which, through the eyes, the gesture, the radiation and the aura, have to render the service of expanding the light and encouraging the ascension within those they contact.

Here I lost you many times. Many times you went forth to set the world on fire! Many times I saw your receding backs as you walked down the steps, out the door and the sands of the desert claimed you, and only too soon thereafter, THE SENSES Yet, it is all part of evolution and we are allowed by Law to feel no pain. Yet we can feel added happiness when you return, as here you are today.

Those who do return and have, through the ages, bringing back the sheaves of their service in the world of form, are ready to enter into the Seventh Great Temple and in the action of the Violet Fire, every atom and cell of their being becomes a ceremony of externalizing God's will. They become, each one, like a window through which the God life flows without impure qualification of any kind, except to expand the borders of the Kingdom. Each one is like a fountain, which has neither form nor self and in this cloister they remain, until the close of the Earth span and the ascension from my own arms and heart is assured.

I hope you have enjoyed this cursory sketch of our endeavors, because your life in the world of form is subjecting you to much the same initiations and you can measure yourselves, your successes and your failures without the promptings of a Guru, knowing within the honesty of your own heart wherein you need to develop more light and wherein you are already master. In this way, each man becomes his own teacher and you pass through the Ascension Flame into the perfection of the great Priest or Priestesses of Ceremonial and at the close of your Earth life shall have your freedom!

Remember, Beloved Ones, I AM EMBODIED DISCIPLINE! For many centuries, people have feared that discipline. Yet, what is discipline but application of a mechanical law, which changes the quality of your energy and connects you with the source of all good, harmony, supply and with your own Christ Self! Discipline is nothing more than applying the mechanical law of consciously changing the quality of your energy. Get away from the sense of rebellion against discipline. There is, you might say, a discipline in the mechanical world. Your automobile runs on petrol and if you place water within it, you do not have the result you require. Your physical body will give you the greatest possible service if you abide

within the laws of harmony, if you restrain yourself from taking into the physical vehicle those certain substances which change its natural vibratory action, disconnect it from the harmony of the spheres and in every way make you an unfit conductor for your God Presence.

In the outer world there is discipline. Even your rugged football heroes abide within the discipline of a good night's sleep, of abstinence from smoke and drink, to make themselves efficacious in the game. Your opera singer, your pianist, every one who rises above the masses and becomes more than ordinary in development, abides within the discipline to train the body and to make the mind alert. Those who do not wish to accept that discipline are the mediocre masses, that have not yet the stimulus to wish to be THE BEST, to be THE HIGHEST, to be THE GREAT-EST EXPRESSION and exponent of their art as God incarnate. Do you see? Blessings from the heart of Luxor.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK "THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON"

MAHA CHOHAN

Somewhere along life's way, each individual, wearying of its self-chosen sojourn in the world of separateness, responds to the impetus of the spiritual self to return to The Father. Greater cause for rejoicing is not known in heaven. The ascent of the individual consciousness is heralded throughout the Kingdom of Heaven and the presence of The Father, together with all the members of the divine household, rush forward to meet the ascending one and assist such an one to the fulfillment of his individual destiny of oneness with God in God's Kingdom.

EL MORYA

The Will of God is that every self-conscious intelligence who has voluntarily separated itself from the conscious contact with the Divine Presence shall VOLUNTARILY determine to reunite itself with that Presence. The stirring of the spirit in a man signifies that the divine will is being sensed and the uprising of that will from within the soul is the motivation which will ultimately accomplish that union, divers though the means of accomplishing such return may be.

KUTHUMI

When a man chooses to return to The Father and reconsecrate himself to serving life as The Father may choose to direct him, that man has come to a point of spiritual maturity. No longer, as a child, is he content to receive the constantly-flowing gift of life and to use it carelessly, according to the desires of the personal self. He is determined to learn WHY life has been given to him and WHAT IS HIS SPECIFIC REASON FOR BEING. Humbly, he approaches The Father, the Creator of his individual being, the one who has sustained his identity through the ages and he is eager to "be about the Father's business."

Such are the candidates for the Great White Brotherhood. They are those who are chosen by the Silent Watchers of every locality, as individuals who warrant the more than ordinary assistance of the Masters to develop their latent virtues, talents and capacities for service on behalf of the progress of the race. The Second Ray provides for such individuals whose light (not professions of tongue) have signified to the All-Seeing Eye of God that they earnestly desire to cooperate with the divine plan, teachers and guides to assist them in their endeavors to walk upon the spiritual path toward the HOMELAND and the Presence of The Father.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

The prodigal son returns to The Father with the members of his own household. These members are his own mental, emotional, etheric and physical bodies, which have accompanied him into the "far land" of error. His efficacy and general service to The Father will be determined by the development, mastery, purity and general God-control which he has achieved through these various instruments of creation which form his "household." Wise is the returning son who takes stock of the household which he brings to the Presence of God for consecrated service, that he may offer a well-disciplined and obedient set of vehicles to the service of The Father and the Brotherhood, which is his instrument of externalizing the divine will.

SERAPIS BEY

Centuries of experimentation with the use of life have builded into the vehicles of men momentums of strength, as well as momentums of indulgence and weakness. The soul, spurred on by the awakening spiritual self (I AM Consciousness), chooses to reunite with the full Presence of God. The bodies through which the soul must work its way upward are not always of the same opinion and the individual "Armageddon" lies in the struggle for supremacy among the "many selves." The wise individual withdraws his consciousness from bodies which were designed and created to be his instruments of creation but not his master. He centers himself, again, within the Immortal Flame of Truth and Life—the I AM Consciousness within the heart. From this "secret place of the Most High," he consecrates and dedicates his thought world, his feeling world, his etheric world (wherein the memories of both good and evil lie submerged) and his physical body to the Will of God. Then, holding fast to his determination to have these vehicles serve THAT WILL, such an one allows his own vehicles "no quarter," so far as independent, discordant and inharmonious qualification of primal life is concerned.

HILARION

The spirit in man weakens rapidly in these hours when the cosmic currents that incubate divinity press upon the Flame of God hidden within the pressures of the soul. Once awakened, the spirit—through the soul—seeks its rightful dominion and the expansion of its presence is accelerated by the loving adoration of the personal self to this indwelling Christ. When the individual has determined to return to The Father, let him abstain from the sense of struggle against evil and invest his energies, rather, in loosing the Presence of God from within. This Presence, ascending the throne of authority, will govern through the outer self in dignity, harmony and wisdom, when invited and encouraged to so act.

JESUS

The Presence of God—I AM—ALIVE through the conscious self manifesting dominion over all appearances, is the fulfillment of the Spiritual Law. Freedom, through liberation of consciousness into the Higher Realms, which the people of the East have chosen as the aim and goal of spiritual supremacy, is not enough. Freedom, through the liberation of the God-nature into the physical appearance world, the subtle mental realms, the etheric realms and the realms of feeling, is the divine will for man who aspires to Christhood. The Presence of God is alive, active and functioning at all times in those spheres of consciousness to which many

have attained, but to manifest the supremacy and all power of that Presence in the realm where YOU ABIDE, is the service to which all are called, but to which so few answer.

SAINT GERMAIN

"I will arise and go to my Father." When the individual has determined, within himself to consciously return to and abide within the aura, presence and consciousness of The Father of Light, he must disassociate himself from the vehicles through which his Godhood must needs express. As the mother eagle, pushing the timid fledgling from the nest, spreads her great wings beneath him, to protect his halting and spasmodic endeavors from the disaster of possible panic and destruction, so does the consciousness centered within the I AM Presence uphold and direct the vehicles (bodies) that soar and dive, turning them ever upward toward the sky.

Again and again, as one or another of the bodies plummets earthward, drawn by the gravity pull of its own tendencies and momentums, the consciousness of the individual must halt its downward flight and kindly, but firmly, command of that particular body—"Come, we will arise again and go unto the Father."

When the student finds his mental body entertaining impure, imperfect thoughts, he must consciously command the mental body to ARISE and enter the consciousness of the Father, which does not allow negative, imperfect patterns of thinking. When the student finds his feeling world generating and radiating disturbed, inharmonious feelings, he must consciously command the feeling body to ARISE and enter the consciousness of the Father, which radiates only harmonious, peaceful, happy, constructive feelings.

When the student finds his etheric body conjuring up out of the past memories of unhappiness and distress, he must consciously command the etheric body to ARISE and enter that consciousness of The Father wherein it may mirror and express the "Glory which each man had in the beginning, before the world was." When the student finds his physical body registering disease and distress, passion, lust or discord of any kind, he must consciously command the physical body to ARISE and enter the consciousness of the transfiguration of flesh into light in the presence of The Father.

Gradually, the vehicles are trained, as the wise parents train the children entrusted to their care. Impersonally, but determinedly, the I AM self picks up the particular body which, from time to time, forgets the resolution and fiat of the self to ARISE and REMAIN with The Father. Again and again, the individual must patiently say, "Come—let us arise and go to The Father." Gradually, the happiness, peace, power and perfection of The Father's Presence will be so engrained into the members of the household, that none shall find any enticement for straying, even momentarily, into the disharmonies of the appearance world. THIS IS THE PROCESS OF ASCENSION.

MONTHLY LETTER TO THE TRANSMISSION CLASS

Beloved Candidates For The Ascension: October 1, 1954

Do you know what a great honor it is to be considered before Life as a "Candidate for the Ascension?" It means, in essence, that you have, within your own consciousness, the capacity to redeem, transmute and purify a sufficient percentage of the energies used by your lifestream, through the ages, to warrant your receiving eternal freedom from the wheel of rebirth and the necessity of re-embodiment upon the Earth plane.

Those individuals whose spiritual development and capacities signify to life that they MAY (not necessarily will), utilize the opportunities which will be afforded them toward "making things right," come under the protection, guidance and care of The Brotherhood at Luxor, whose great hierarch is known as the Chohan of the Fourth Ray, Serapis Bey.

As the attention of The Great White Brotherhood and mankind is turned toward the Ascension Temple at Luxor, you are invited to ask for the particular assistance of some member of this brotherhood who, during the thirty-day period while the retreat is host to mankind, will help you, individually, to set into motion that particular application which will assist you toward your individual ascension in consciousness from despair to peace, from impurity to purity, from discontent to happiness, from disease to health, from limitation to infinite ever-present supply. Bridging the abyss of separateness from the ever-present goodness of God is the process of ascension. Bringing harmony into your homes, peace into your minds, supply into your worlds, health into your bodies, is the transforming of the energies of your personal worlds into the kingdom of heaven. Those of you who wish to tune into the Ascension Temple at Luxor will enjoy "ascending" the conditions of your life into the perfection of God's

Kingdom and making practical in manifest ways the spiritual truths you have long mentally enjoyed.

The flame from the heart of the Ascension Temple is pure white. Feel it and accept it as your individual WAY BACK HOME. Remember, always, you do not make the return journey into a state of grace, peace, harmony, health and general perfection all in one instant. It is the hourly, daily living that builds the consciousness of the Ascension and the final culmination that releases the freed spirit is motivated by the secret and silent applications of the years.

Love and blessings, MAHA CHOHAN

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Blessed Friend of Heaven:

October 1, 1954

God bless you! God bless you! God bless you! Do you know just how powerful those three words can be? Have you ever experimented with them for just one full day—saying nothing else but "God bless you" to everyone and everything you meet? Try it! People will not think you nearly so funny or queer as you may think. More people's hearts are craving the blessings of God than appears on the surface. One of the Ascended Ones said, long ago, that that statement, consciously and consistently used with the full understanding of what it meant, would lift the speaker of those words eventually into his Ascension in the Light. Use it more and more—but use it thoughtfully and deliberately—MEANING EVE-RY WORD—knowing that in the wisdom of the great and loving Father, just the perfect thing will be done to bless your friend—the thing he or she needs most at that moment.

We are, today, the result of our use of energy in the past. Our attention determines the use of our energy—whether that attention be on constructive or destructive things, God or human appearances. Worry, fear, "hurt" feelings, injured pride, anger, resentment—these are the heavy rates of vibration that lower, not only the inner bodies, but also the coarser atoms of the physical flesh and, if persisted in long enough, open the body to germs and disease. Now the God-qualities, just the opposite of these, such as gratitude, happiness, kindness, loving feelings, the desire to bless, these actually raise the physical vibrations of the flesh structure and consistently abided in, will keep the body healthy, young and lovely.

For this next 30-day period, let all of us in the family of "The Bridge," consciously set about to deliberately use the words "God bless you" as

often as possible every day and then, silently, within ourselves let us add the words "with the victory of your Ascension as soon as possible." This would be a TREMENDOUS raising power within each one who said it and all who received it, even though their outer minds did not hear ALL the words. It will help to keep you happy and the world in which we live needs that help so much.

The color of the flame for this transmission is white, the musical composition which draws the power of that Ascension Flame in, through and around us is "Liebestraum," by Franz Liszt (inspired by beloved Serapis) and the statement to be used for this lovely opportunity to serve life—the Transmission Class is:

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I AM inbreathing th' raising love of t he Ascension Flame from belov'd Luxor

Your sincere and eternal friend of Light, Frances Ekey

NOTICE

This Transmission Material, formerly distributed to sanctuary directors and group leaders only, has been included in the monthly copy of THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM at the request of the beloved Maha Chohan. Because of the growing interest of the students and their earnest desire to participate in this activity, it was thought to make the instructions available to ALL the gentle readers of THE BRIDGE, not only those fortunate enough to have access to a sanctuary or active group endeavor. It is pointed out that the tuning into the active retreat may well become a DAILY practice of the alert, rather than a MONTHLY endeavor only. Each student, having a full knowledge of the mechanics behind this endeavor, becomes a greater strength in the cooperative service, through the group activity. The greater the proficiency of the illumined unit, the greater the efficacy of the cooperative whole. For the same reason, the Transmission Flame Manual and history have been made available to ALL interested students. It is not the desire of the Masters to hold knowledge for the few, but rather by sharing it with all, develop both the individual and cooperative, endeavors of mankind in active, intelligent partnership with the Great White Brotherhood.

Thomas Printz, Editor

SUGGESTED DECREES

For Transmission Flame period, 9/15/54 to 10/14/54

October 1, 1954

Beloved Ascension Flame from the heart of Luxor, anchored, in my heart! I LOVE YOU! I LOVE YOU! I LOVE YOU! Arise! Expand Thou through me and take your full dominion in me and my world right now! Command and compel my body, mind and world into perfect, divine, order through divine love and hold it there forever. RAISE ME! RAISE ME! out of everything human into all that is divine, fulfilling God's great divine plan through me all ways—today and forever!

Beloved Presence of God I AM in me, Oh Thou beloved Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Saint Germain and Jesus and all great beings and powers and Legions of Light, angels and activities of the Sacred Fire, in the name of the Presence of God which I AM and through the magnetic power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I decree—

Let the powers of the Ascension Flame release through me today Let those powers now control all I do, think, feel or say

Let those powers go before—make clear & straight my way

By Serapis' hand! (3)

By Jesus' love! (3)

From God above! (3)

By Luxor's power! (3)

Doubled each hour! (3)

And bring God's peace! (3)

Heavenly release! (3)

Heal all today! (3)

It is God's way! (3)

It now frees all! (3)

It answers call! (3)

Show life it's goal! (3)

Now raise the soul! (3)

By mercy's ray! (3)

I command it done today!

I command it done to stay!

I command it done God's way!

Belov'd I AM! (3)

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: To create an interest in the current endeavors of the Masters is my desire. How best may I do this?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Thank you for desiring to awaken an interest in our endeavors. It is gratifying, indeed, to have members of the human race even accept us intellectually. When they desire to further our interests, We are pleased, indeed. My answer is BY EXAMPLE shall you become of value to our cause.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Please explain what you mean in the phrase, BY EXAMPLE.

GURU—Blessed Chela: The world is old. For millions of years has it proceeded, together with the other planets, in its rhythmic circling of the sun. In all these years, many, many words have been spoken and written. Some words have entered deeply into the consciousness of men, but these words were spoken or written by those WHOSE INDIVIDUAL LIVES MANIFESTED THE TRUTH WITHIN THOSE WORDS. The Master Jesus is such an EXAMPLE of manifest works, which accompanied his magnificent explanations of the Spiritual Law.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How may those of us who do desire to be such an EXAMPLE in your names achieve our purpose?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The desire to be such an EXAMPLE is the motivation which will manifest the truth through your consciousness. The acceptance of the responsibility of giving forth the Law brings the personal obligation to the teacher of becoming the embodied proof of that Law. The acceptance of the tenets of the Law anchors the responsibility of becoming the embodied proof of that Law into the world of the student. Those who teach and those who learn should be counseled that each portion of the Law which enters the consciousness, should be accepted in humility and nourished in love. The appetite for more "knowledge" before the already-received knowledge is assimilated brings an obligatory karma to the soul. One simple expression of the Law—LOVE ONE ANOTHER EVEN AS I HAVE LOVED YOU—would suffice to bring the individual consciousness to the Ascension, if this were applied through the personal self.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Would you then suggest we refrain from endeavoring to spread "The Word" until we are masters of energy and vibration?

GURU-Blessed Chela: No, because as you learn and apply the Law

yourself, your invested energies may plant seeds into a consciousness which will far surpass your own capacity to embody and externalize truth. Thus, you become a "conductor," according to your own light. However, in all your casting of the spiritual seed forth, neglect not the truth that The Law must be embodied in your own nature.

CHELA—Beloved Master: The EXAMPLE of which you speak —should it be as nearly like you as our consciousness can conceive possible?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Any Ascended Master becomes a pattern for your own thoughts, feelings, spoken words and actions. The majority of the human race in this Western world are most familiar with the beloved Master Jesus. HIS EXAMPLE and pattern of living has formed the design and measure for many sincere lifestreams, who have chosen to embody truth. The imitation of the Christ has transmuted the base in many men and is recommended as the simplest of spiritual exercises for development of the Divinity.

CHELA—Beloved Master: To measure every thought, feeling, spoken word, and action by the living presence of Jesus, then, is your recommendation for becoming the EXAMPLE which will lead others to interest in your brotherhood?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The old and timeworn phrase "actions speak louder than words," holds true for the exponent of Spiritual Law. Where a man or woman is found, who is anchored in personal peace, harmony, health, supply, and spiritual tranquility, mankind, like moths around a flame, with gather, for the key to the mystery of happiness in this world of distress.

CHELA—Beloved Master: True divine Love, then, requires that we transform and change our personal natures, in order to attract the attention of mankind and open them to inquiry as to your service.

GURU—Blessed Chela: Such love is the proof of the professed fidelity of the soul. Upon these few, in every age, we rely to reach the masses.

GOD BLESS YOU! "DER SIEBENTE STRAHL"

It is our great joy and privilege to announce the publication of "The Seventh Ray" ("Der Siebente Strahl") in the German language. This is the first of the series to have been translated, printed and prepared for distribution in accordance with the loving wishes of our beloved Master El Morya, who desires that all men shall have the right, privilege and opportunity of reading the WORDS of the MASTERS in their own language. Thus, all people can be acquainted with the current activities of The Great White Brotherhood and can contribute their own energies to furthering the cause for which this Brotherhood serves FREEDOM from limitation, sickness, disease, unhappiness and death.

To our beloved friends, the lovely ladies in Switzerland, who have assumed all the expenses in connection with this compilation, translation and printing, we do extend our deepest gratitude. We call the blessings of all the Masters (who so eagerly await OPPORTUNITY through conscious chelas to spread Their words) to fill their worlds with their limitless gifts of light and love. For the hours, weeks and months of preparation, for the beautiful presentation and most of all, for the WILL TO DO, we are grateful. God bless you all!

The Management

Meditations

The God-consciousness of my true identity is "I AM." I am, at last, AT ONE WITH THAT CONSCIOUSNESS and "I am" free!

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I turn my face unto the sun of my being and behold my Father-Mother God smiling at me in shadowless LIGHT.

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Within the shadowless light of my God Self, no sickness, disease, doubt, fear or grief can abide. I AM that Light, and I AM free.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

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TO THE BELOVED SANAT KUMARA, LORD OF THE WORLD

Dearly beloved Savior of the World, on behalf of the Spiritual Hierarchy of whom thou art Spiritual Lord, I offer you the blessings and spiritual salutations of the Holy Season!

On behalf of the mankind of Earth, who are privileged to have a planet upon which to evolve because of thy love, I thank you.

For millions of years, for love's sweet sake, thy light has been the contribution of this Earth to the radiance of the Solar System. Because of that light, required by the Cosmic Law, the Earth has remained an honored planet in the system. Today, mankind is determined that their own light shall meet the Cosmic Law's demand and that your light may again add to the effulgent radiance of your own star, Venus.

This entire endeavor and the sweet energies of those of us who serve it are dedicated to that cause, YOUR FREEDOM to return to your own celestial home. In deep reverence, devotion and gratitude, this little journal and, particularly, this issue of "The Bridge to Freedom," are dedicated to you, dear Sanat Kumara and to you, beloved Venus, who served with him.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of the Masters of Wisdom SHAMBALLA

November 15th through December 14, 1954

As the twelve-month cycle of each year draws to a close, the great king of the spiritual brotherhood opens the doors of SHAMBALLA to all those spirits of God who are serving the Great White Brotherhood in the world of mankind.

In January of each year, the first activity of the Great White Brother-hood is to open the doors of their consciousness to the directions of the God-Parents of this system of worlds. Each member of this mystic brotherhood has already determined, within the confines of his own secret heart, to do the Will of God, no matter what personal sacrifice is entailed in the contribution of his own personal energies to that end, This determination is the passport into this spiritual brotherhood. For this reason, all gather around Sanat Kumara as he elevates his consciousness toward the Silent Watcher of this system, invoking the descent of the thoughtform which will embody that will for the next twelve month cycle.

As the first stroke of the New Year releases the vital essence of primal life through the Immortal Threefold Flame centered in the hearts of all self-conscious intelligences, the Great White Brotherhood consecrates and dedicates this life to the fulfillment of the divine plan The Silent Watcher, who has received into her consciousness a thoughtform which embodies the directions for the spiritual evolution of the race, lowers that form into the uplifted consciousness of Sanat Kumara. He, then, through his own developed centers of thought and feeling, clothes the fiery essence of this form in the electrons of the sphere in which he presently abides, thus lowering the vibratory action of the form so that it is visibly externalized and comprehensible to all the members of the Great White Brotherhood assembled, In this manner do the greater intelligences "step down" the vibratory action of Truth for those willing to accept such precipitation, availing themselves of the consciousness enabled to render the service.

The thoughtform which Sanat Kumara externalizes, embodies, within itself, the pattern which each member of the Brotherhood can use as a guide for the directions of his own life energy in the twelve-month cycle. It is symbolic of the particular type of activity required. For instance, the Diamond Heart signifies the building of protective forms around certain spiritual foci; the creation of "heart centers," to act as magnetic and radiating foci through which the vibratory actions from above might be channeled for the blessings of all mankind; the drawing of certain dedicated lifestreams together who wished to give their lives cooperatively to

performing the mental and physical services necessary to the life of the new endeavor; the providing of spiritual bodies through which particularly developed egos might incarnate, etc. To each member of the Brotherhood, the Diamond Heart meant something different, according to his or her particular talents, momentums, capacities for service and opportunities afforded through contact with Gods, angels or men. Each is determined to use this pattern to bring his own particular service to the HIGH-EST possible development through incorporating the activity of coalescence, protection and dedication of form to God, symbolized in such a heart center.

Sanat Kumara and his spiritual court, upon receipt of the thoughtform for the year, then design the progress of the Great White Brotherhood through the twelve retreats, chosen because their particular momentum will offer the best possible spiritual nourishment to the members of the brotherhood in their endeavors to externalize the divine plan. The thoughtform will determine what specific cooperative endeavor will engage the combined energies of angels, Masters, devas and elementals within the year. The retreats that can amplify the required gifts, powers, momentums and talents of the brotherhood become the chosen hosts of this spiritual processional, which is culminated by the return of all members to SHAMBALLA, each with the harvest of his own accomplishment, as the cycle draws toward its close by November 15th.

As the wise teacher plans a course which will best develop the necessary and requisite talents of his pupil, so does Sanat Kumara carefully choose the specific radiations of those retreats which will stimulate the particular qualities required by every member of the brotherhood, to reach his own highest potential. This is why the succession of retreats differs in each year. Although the brotherhood, is fully cognizant of the privilege and honor accorded them by proximity to already-builded momentums of power, peace, purity, protection, (whatever the specific gift of a particular retreat is to the world), the students are not yet fully aware of the scientific precision by which they are "exposed" to specific radiations, NOT FOR ENJOYMENT but to increase their efficacy IN WORKS.

From the 15th day of November, until the 15th day of December, in each year, the members of the brotherhood return to Shamballa with the harvest of their consecrated life essence. This harvest they place upon the altar before Sanat Kumara, as the gift of their service in the spiritual vineyard. Now, the unascended beings, who have followed the spiritual pilgrimage through the retreats, will join this presentation and each one give to the King of Kings the individual harvest of his year's accomplishment.

After the receiving of the combined harvest, the entire cooperative manifestation of service will be gathered up and taken to the Rocky Mountain Retreat, where it will remain until presented to the Lords of Karma, as proof of the efficacy of sharing illumined consciousness with unascended lifestreams. The future grants of "shared consciousness" for the year 1955 will be determined by the harvest of each one, as well as the collective harvest gleaned as a result of the spiritual partnership between those of us who have engaged your interests and services and your own dear and hopeful selves. May the harvest of 1954 be pleasing to God and may the grants for 1955 enable us to draw back the veil of maya and allow you the pleasure of closer proximity to our Presence—not because it is pleasurable to the intellect, but because it enables greater works to be accomplished in the name of God.

Thomas Printz

(For further descriptions on Shamballa see "The Bridge to Freedom," Nov. 1953.)

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is an individual's sphere of influence?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The individual's sphere of influence is synonymous with his personal aura. Each individualized intelligence magnetizes, through the Immortal Threefold Flame within the heart, a certain amount of life energy, which he qualifies according to free will. This energy passes through his physical, mental, emotional and etheric envelopes, into the atmosphere around him and becomes his sphere of influence upon life, in general.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can such an individual sphere of influence be of beneficial effect upon life?

GURU—Blessed Chela: All self-conscious intelligences, taking the responsibility for calling forth and qualifying life, are an influence upon the general atmosphere and environment in which they function, because they are radiating centers of energy. The quality and type of radiation is determined by the free will choice of the qualifying intelligence. As energy is constantly flowing through the individual, it is flowing into the atmosphere and environment in which the intelligent consciousness abides. To become a beneficial influence on life, one must learn to consciously qualify this energy constructively.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What are the qualifying centers by which an individual may consciously control the type of energy and influence which he sends forth?

GURU—Blessed Chela: All of the lower bodies of an individual help to mould primal life, qualify energy and catapult it forth for good or evil. For instance, the mental body either creates or accepts thoughtforms which radiate the particular quality of energy representative of the activity depicted by the thought. The emotional body radiates the quality of energy which is representative of the feeling entertained. The etheric body radiates the quality of "reminiscence" which the consciousness entertains in looking backward. The physical body radiates the type of energy representative of the substance absorbed and the actions in which the body is engaged. This conglomerate mass of energies spewed forth into the aura, or sphere of influence, of the individual, forms a sphere of radiation, which presses upon and affects the atmosphere, home, environment and associates of that individual, stimulating them to either greater spiritual aspiration or to deeper ensnarement in the appetites of the senses. The seizing of the control of the qualifying centers of thought, feeling, memory and action by the I AM consciousness, is the first step in the creation of a sphere of influence which is beneficial to the race.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What service does a controlled sphere of influence render mankind?

GURU—Blessed Chela: A controlled, constructive, harmonious, positive sphere of influence does exactly what its name implies—INFLUENCES the generation of similar qualities of faith, hope, charity, harmony, spiritual aspiration in those it contacts. The power of contagion, so aptly demonstrated in the transference of fear and panic through mass hysteria, is equally applicable in the transference of God's qualities and nature.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is there any manner by which an already polluted aura or sphere of influence may be transmuted?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The use of the Violet Transmuting Flame performs the same service to the destructively-qualified energy in the aura as a combination of chemicals that is called a "cleaning fluid" renders to soiled garments. Cleansing the aura of impurities and consciously charging constructive qualities into the aura is a great service to those of us who must use the individual auras of students as conductors of our blessings to the race.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the difference between a "sphere of influence" and a "forcefield"?

GURU—Beloved Chela: There is really no difference. The beloved Maha Chohan has chosen to use the word "forcefield" to convey the picture of the battery of constructively-charged energy made up of the combined auras of groups of conscious students, gathered together in cooperative service to mankind. The forcefield is made up of blended

energies, gathered together by angel devas and builders of form. These combine the decrees, visualizations, invocations, songs and general application of a group of students who wish to form a radiating center for God blessings in their locality. In exactly the same manner that the individual "sphere of influence" is a combination of the energies released through the contributing centers of thought, feeling and action, so is the corporate "forcefield" of the group composed of the consciousness and application of every member of that group.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What service does such a "forcefield" render to the world?

GURU—Blessed Chela: A "forcefield" renders several services. First, it is a magnetic center, which draws the presence of the Ascended Masters, angelic beings and all divine intelligences, who desire always to find an Open Door through which to pour their radiation and blessings to mankind. As the pollen in the flowers draws the bees, so does such a consciously-created "forcefield" draw the presence of the beings to whom it is dedicated and for whom it has been formed.

Second, it forms a concentrate of consciously-qualified God-energy, which is funneled down from the Octaves of Light and which provides a spiritual nourishment to all those who enter that "forcefield", beyond the natural radiation ordinarily present in the sphere in which the individual dwells.

Third, it forms a radiating center of these same God-qualities into the atmosphere and locality in which it has been builded. it acts as the physical Sun itself, sending forth light, warmth, nourishment and God-gifts into the city, town or village where it has been created and where it is sustained by rhythmic attention to its Presence.

Fourth, it provides an ever-present conductor, which the guardian intelligences of this universe may use, upon a moment's notice, to flash forth protection, purification, balance, healing or harmony, when the need arises. Thus, much time is saved which would ordinarily have to be employed in creating such a funnel through which to give blessing and protection in times of crises.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What form does such a "forcefield" take?

GURU—Blessed Chela: It takes different forms, according to the particular types of students who are developing such a magnetic and radiating center. Sometimes the leader chooses a design and the form is builded by the obedient angel devas and builders of form around the thought form of the leader. Sometimes, when such an one does not take the initiative, the "forcefield" assumes the pattern of an etheric focus which

previously was active in the locality. Oft times, it has only a vague, blurred outline, and looks like a vapory cloud in the atmosphere. Of course, the more perfect the mental design of the "forcefield," the more it is shared by the conscious, creative centers of the students, the more value it is to the Hierarchy.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We are told these "forcefields," such as gather over churches during devotional services, are dissipated after the ceremony and return to the unformed.

GURU—Blessed Chela: This is true except where conscious intelligences choose to sustain the form as a permanent radiating center in the atmosphere and sphere in which they have been created. As you have seen clouds dissipated by the winds, so does the form of a beautiful song, prayer, invocation melt into the atmosphere when the intelligence who has coalesced it in mind, feeling and the spoken word, relinquishes the magnetic center through the attention and the life returns to the unformed. However, when angel devas, builders of form, or elemental spirits, volunteer to ENSOUL a beautiful form ("forcefield"), it can be sustained for as long as the intelligence chooses to use his own coalescing power as a magnet to retain it. The constant feeding of the "forcefield" by rhythmic worship, class work, decrees, visualizations and songs strengthens it also, increasing it in size, symmetry of outline, magnetic power and radiating strength as a sphere in influence in a community.

CHELA—Beloved Master: It would seem then, that the purification and mastery of our individual sphere of influence would not only contribute to the light of the world but help us to contribute a constructive battery of harmoniously-qualified energies to the particular "forcefield" we are privileged to nourish by our presence.

GURU—Blessed Chela: You have spoken truly. More than words does the silent radiation of your sphere of influence contribute to the light of the world, stimulate the spiritual centers in your fellowman and generally make of you a conductor of our blessings in this world of form.

SHAMBALLA AT CHRISTMAS TIME By the Beloved Master Kuthumi

Over the beautiful bridge that connects the city of Shamballa with the mainland, into the shining heart of Shamballa, walk the Illuminati of the Earth and her sister planets. The Holy City is the Mecca that draws members of the Celestial Hierarchy from every star and planet in our galaxy at this time each year. They come, each one, to offer, at the feet of the beloved Sanat Kumara, their individual love, devotion and homage for the unprecedented sacrifice of millions and millions of years of his own life and freedom.

This visitation by Sanat Kumara was made so that the small star on which mankind evolves might sustain her place in the solar system by reason of his assuming their responsibility to meet the requirement of the Cosmic Law. Every star and planet in the system must contribute a certain amount of light to the universe if it is to sustain its place. The planet Earth had fallen far behind its quota and was voted back to nothingness by the Cosmic Law. Then Sanat Kumara volunteered to supply that Light from his own Presence, until such time as mankind would awaken and assume their responsibilities to the universe for their existence and sustenance. Up to the present time, the people of Earth have not done this and the beloved Sanat Kumara still remains, a voluntary Prisoner of Love, daily and hourly supplying from his own Presence the Light which man should be emitting, himself. However, the Cosmic Law has issued an edict that it will only accept this sacrifice for another twenty-year period. Within this time, mankind must be awakened out of the soul sleep of the ages and assume their responsibilities to the universe in dignity and honor, allowing its benefactor to return to his own evolution and resume his life and service on his own star, Venus.

Each year, immediately preceding and during the holy Christmas Season, the great Cosmic Law permits the opening of the spiritual highways between the universal galaxies and over them come sweeping, like shining meteors, Cosmic Beings, Archangels and God-free Masters of Life, without number each Celestial Being, the song of his own lifestream forming his atmosphere, accompanied by the radiant band of spirits that comprise his court and who abide within his aura, many of them being born of his own life essence.

As company after company of these celestial envoys meet and pass each other in interstellar space, exchanging joyous salutations expressed in music and song, their happy vibrations mingle with and add to the harmony of the spheres. As these glorious songs of praise rise in a mighty chorus of thanksgiving to the heart of the one Eternal Father, the

entire universe resounds with the joy, gladness and goodwill that finds an answering echo, even in the most dense earth consciousness during the Holy Season between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

It is truly a period of great joy, happiness and freedom, when these shining sons and daughters of God are freed by Cosmic Law for a short time from their voluntary service to lesser and, very often, unappreciative evolutions. They are permitted to visit those they love, who dwell on stars and planets other than their own, with whom they have developed cooperative service on various small or obscure stars or planets in the far distant past. So it is that our small Earth plays host to many of these glorious Celestial Ones, while the Immortal Threefold Flame is visible upon the altar at Shamballa at this time of each year.

On the evening of November 20th (this year) Sanat Kumara will take his place upon the throne before the great altar in the main temple. The center aisle and the long flight of marble steps leading up to the foot of the altar are overspread with the royal purple carpet, heavily embroidered in gold, laid only on great occasions. Down this exquisite purple pathway will come the long procession of visiting potentates from other stars and planets, all clothed in the gorgeous royal colors of their rays and station, each one accompanied by his or her celestial complement.

Next in order will come the Ascended Masters connected with our planet, each one also accompanied by his or her heavenly complement. The God-Free Masters (whose complements are conscious chelas, but who have not yet attained their full freedom) WILL BE ACCOMPANIED THIS EVENING BY THE HOLY CHRIST SELF OF THAT UNASCENDED BEING, every celestial pair wearing the royal colors of their rays, or of the sphere in which they serve, and with the unbound hair of the Season of Gladness.

All these beings will carry flame flowers or garlands of the same, many of them in the form of the electronic light pattern of their combined lifestreams. These tributes they will lay on the steps of the great alter before kneeling in homage at the feet of the King. It is truly a magnificent pageant and presents a marvelous expression of what the coming Ceremonial Age of beauty and dignity will be.

Not only the great Temple of the Flame, but all the lesser temples of the City of The Bridge will be open and pilgrims will make homage in the particular foci where their love, momentum and interest draw them, in the responsive substance of their finer bodies.

Before the opening of the retreat, the entire city of Shamballa is decorated with flame flowers. The pillars of the bridge and those that ornament the various temples are garlanded and entwined around with these gorgeously-colored blooms. The windows everywhere are ablaze with vari-colored lights and are encircled both inside and out with the same radiant flowers of light and flame.

The entire city wears a festive air. The very ethers seem a tremble with anticipation, joy and gladness and that particular "holiday spirit" which penetrates even into the dense atmosphere of Earth during the happy season of the Christ Mass.

The songs of the Seraphic and Cherubic Choirs are soul stirring, even to those beings who have been God-Free for many centuries.

The exquisite presence of the Lord of the World seems to shine with a greater effulgence this year, because HOPE has been incorporated into his love as HE SEES THE awakening MANKIND OF EARTH AT LAST SHOW-ING AN INTEREST IN SETTING HIM FREE.

May God speed the day and the happy hour of his full release!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE ETERNAL NOW

MAHA CHOHAN

The capacity of the consciousness to refuse to seek escape, both from present obligations and present opportunities, either in the enjoyment of past glories or in the anticipation of future greatness, is the key to self-mastery. Every individual is a result of his past and is creating momentarily, his future. The tendency of the outer mind is to shrink from the application of the spiritual law to both change and develop the present. When the chela begins to use the opportunity of each day to create a more pleasing tomorrow, he has begun the final ascent of consciousness into mastery and freedom.

EL MORYA

Primal life, issuing out of the bosom of the Eternal, provides opportunity, each day, for the development of the Kingdom of Heaven through the individual. This beautiful, unformed life, is so often wasted to refill the cups of past mistakes or to caress wishfully a "sweet by and by." The practical man seizes the opportunity of each new day and builds with this life something of merit to himself and his evolution. These practical saints are few and far between but UPON THEM DEPENDS THE ACTUAL MANIFESTATION OF OUR VISIONS, HOPES, ASPIRATIONS AND THE DIVINE PLAN, ITSELF, UPON THE PLANET EARTH.

KUTHUMI

Man takes the gift of a new day too lightly. When one perceives that creative thought-force and energizing feelings can, and will, mould out of today's life whatsoever that one wills, such an individual realizes that he is no longer the victim of yesterday's errors, nor the unconscious creator of tomorrow's chains. TODAY is the day of opportunity! The experiences of yesterday may be the measure of wiser use of life and the experiences of tomorrow can be anticipated with certainty as days and years filled with the peaceful, opulent, beautiful, harmonious manifestations, which are the result of the conscious creations that were builded today.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

When an earnest soul looks back through the glamorous folds of time to a previous era of spiritual opportunity, such an one often wishes that he had been there. He visualizes the glorious assistance, strength, loyalty and constancy with which he would have defended Truth and its brave exponent. Alas, while he thus visualizes himself as a "hero" by his own wishful thinking, today's opportunities to use the vital energies of life to forward the same truth, lies unnoticed on the threshold. The progress of the planet and its evolutions requires a steady outpouring of spiritual nourishment and truth in every age. The consciousness of mankind is usually a cycle behind in its endeavor to cooperate with the requirement of the current spiritual hour. It is only the few discerning, alert, receptive and practical men in every age who walk abreast of today's opportunity and vitalize it with their own life energy.

SERAPIS BEY

Complete honesty with oneself is a requisite to real spiritual progress. The spiritual law, which requires that a man give of his own energies in some impersonal benefaction to life, while yet developing his own personal mastery, applies to the layman as well as the chela in the retreat. The seekers upon life's pathway, who wish to rise above metaphysical dabbling into adepts of power and control, must seek out the spiritual movement of the current hour which stirs the lower atmospheres of Earth. Then they must give of the energies of their own lives to the nourishment and development of this endeavor of the Hierarchy, as a balance for more than ordinary instruction on the application of the Laws, which bring freedom.

Here, although man can, and often does, fool his fellowman, he does not fool the Law! Those talents, momentums, gifts and particular Godcontrols of substance, energy and virtue which are his, must be personally evaluated and then offered, as Abraham offered Isaac, to the Law, to further the movement of the Hour. It is all well and good to offer something that requires no particular sacrifice of time, energy, substance or individually-developed talent and virtue, but those advance most rapidly who offer that which is dearest to the secret heart. The Father, who watches in secret, rewards such an one openly.

HILARION

Developed momentums of energy rise and become the power of the Causal Body. The natural, rhythmic release of the gifts, powers, talents and substance from the Causal Body into the conscious use and governing power of the outer self, is regulated by the Holy Christ Self. The lifestream who evaluates his own particular worth to spiritual progress of the race, is wise TO USE THAT WHICH HE HAS DEVELOPED, for then he shall receive from that storehouse more of its gathered stockpile of good. The lifestream who, like Ananias and Sapphira, holds back that which is already developed within him and which would nourish the Masters' endeavors, should never look with self-deluded longing upon the spiritual pageantry of Lord Buddha's, mission nor Jesus' mission, because such individuals probably lived in those days also and the tendencies of self-ishness manifest today, were equally manifest in recalcitrance of endeavor in the yesterdays. Always, there are the few with their hands to the plow and the many singing the "Hallelujahs" over yesterday's saints and martyrs!

IESUS

"What shall I give the Master?" This question has issued out of many sincere hearts. Innumerable stories, plays and parables have been written on the acceptance by God of the simplest gifts from humble and sincere hearts. Every man has something of merit to give to the cause of world unity, world peace, world brotherhood. It is so often the desire to wait until some "great gift" can be evolved, that holds back the soul's progress. It is the giving of honestly-dedicated life DAILY, "beyond the call of duty," to help make this a better world, which marks the true soldiers and servants of Christ. The evaluation of one's own capacities, developed momentums, talents and present opportunity to serve life, will reveal to the spiritually honest, earnest and sincere individual how rich is his present store of potential influence for good in his home, his community, his business and our endeavor.

SAINT GERMAIN

The permanent Golden Age will be externalized through conscious students. "God needs a body." No good manifestation has come to this Earth except through the conscious of some individual willing to be an open door to the perfected realms where such good naturally abide. Magnetizing this good is the opportunity of the students. Each consciousness has already a storehouse of developed good, which is partially manifest in the talents and developed capacities used by the outer self in daily living. A portion of this developed good can become the personal "tithe" of the individual to the Spiritual Hierarchy. The sincere will give of their present store and to them that so give will the added store be given. Those whose talents are cautiously buried in the promises of tomor-

row's use, fool no one but themselves. TODAY is the day of opportunity and NOW is the hour when we require the presence of the practical men and women, willing to utilize their own energies as best as they can and to develop better controls of their energies for the future.

MONTHLY LETTER TO THE TRANSMISSION CLASS

BELOVED HARVESTERS:

In the name of the one God, whose life you have used since first individualization began, I bless you! We are again in the time of "harvest." The nature kingdom has fulfilled itself and the provender that will sustain the bodies of mankind is safely stored away against the long months, when the ordained rest of that kingdom shall not provide for mankind's insatiable needs.

Another harvest is being gleaned and the spiritual harvesters are calling in the workers from the vineyard, each bringing the results of his own services in the twelve-month cycle drawing toward its close. You are among those called because you have shared the impetus of looking upon the Will of God, the nourishment of attending the retreats of the world and the illumination of receiving into your outer consciousness, some of the life and instruction of the Brotherhood. Each man is measured according to his opportunity, the seed entrusted to him, the investment of life (beyond the natural outpouring to lesser developed men).

Shamballa opens her doors to the returning angels, Masters, devas, elementals and men. The great altar, upon which burns the Cosmic Immortal Threefold Flame of Life, is garlanded with the flame flowers of the Higher Octaves. Upon the throne sits the spiritual Lord of The World, Sanat Kumara, awaiting your gifts, the harvest of your year. On this Transmission Flame evening, as the great processional walks over the bridge along the great avenue to the temple, you will be among the dedicated grouping of those who live but to do the Will of God. Your offering will be placed by your hands upon the altar. The flame will glow a little more brightly for each of your gathered harvests of consecrated life. I shall be with the beloved Morya and beloved Mary, sponsors of the Diamond Heart, rejoicing as your sweet selves contribute to the Light of the world!

The breathing of this spirit of thanksgiving around the world will be to stimulate the dormant fires of gratitude for life and reverence for life, itself, among the members of the human race. Will you visualize and feel the spiritual stimulation, which is generated in the hearts of those privileged to attend this spiritual Feast of the Harvest, flooding the consciousness of all mankind and the elemental kingdom, so all desire to do the will of God, to use their life to externalize the reason for their being, and to so live that next November they may stand in this procession and offer a harvest of "works well done" to add to the light of the world!

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

GROUP LETTER FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

November 1, 1954

BELOVED FELLOW-WORKERS IN GOD'S VINEYARD,

God bless you! Beloved Sanat Kumara love you into all perfection and beloved Maha Chohan keep you supplied at all times with the limit-less abundance of every good thing, making your way easy, plain, successful and perfect, filled with the joy and happiness of the Cosmic Christ, today and forever. Consciously accept this done NOW—with full power!

The Law of the Circle has brought us again to the season of Thanksgiving, a most wonderful opportunity to count our blessings and take stock of ourselves, as it were, spiritually and otherwise. How far have we progressed in the last twelve-month cycle? What is our goal for the next one?

One of the Great Ones has said it is a very wonderful thing to give daily praise and thanks for the very presence of LIFE ITSELF. That feeling of gratitude is the open door to the receiving into our experience world of every good thing. We can make every day THANKSGIVING DAY and thus improve our health, our environment and affairs in general, for are you not more willing to do something nice for one who appreciates it? Of course you are and this is true of all life everywhere, in this octave, as well as in those above. So much of mankind's lack and general distress are due to a lack of the feeling of gratitude for that which he already has and which is serving him "unhonored and unsung" as we sometimes say.

An excellent habit to form, which will start your day off with a "lift" in the feelings, is to say, immediately upon awakening in the morning, turning your attention to that faithful friend within you—your physical heartbeat: "Beloved Presence of God, the 'I AM' of me which beats my physical heart, I love you! With all my heart I thank you for your life, light, substance, intelligence and energy made manifest through this form, di-

vine, today. You see to it for me that I use it always and only in and for the service and expansion of your good to all life I contact, today and forever." Try it for thirty days. MEAN IT in your feelings and see what it will do for you. Nothing is of any use to you until you have put your own energy into it and made it your own.

The feeling of gratitude opens the door so wide to the limitless abundance of every good thing. If you do not seem to have that feeling strong within you, call to the Great God Gratitude (one of the Ascended Masters) to give you his FULL FEELING of that God-quality and HE WILL DO IT—if you will be quiet a moment and WAIT for that feeling to surge in through and around you. IT MUST COME because it is the Law that the greater consciousness (the Master) must answer the call of the lesser consciousness (the student). Hold yourself in a receptive mood for a few minutes after your call, for assistance, for one reason we do not receive quicker answers to our calls is because, first of all, we really do not EXPECT them and we do not take time to accept them. Someone has said "God gave us two ears and one mouth—therefore we should listen twice as much as we speak."

Without LIFE—what could you do? Therefore, to be grateful for its very presence within us is the beginning, at least, of a fuller expression of all God's good to and through us, to bless the rest of life, of which we are a part. We also recommend the daily use of the little poem "Gratitude to Life" in this issue— its efficacy has been proven over a period of years by those who have faithfully used it.

The statement to be used for this Transmission Flame class is 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I AM inbreathing the Thanksgiving Flame of Cosmic Christ Love from Sanat Kumara

The color of the flame is again pink, gold and blue since the Cosmic Immortal Threefold Flame of Life is anchored in Shamballa, and the melody we use for this period is "Caprice Viennois," to which we have been using words blessing our beloved Sanat Kumara. This can be easily obtained as a violin solo by Fritz Kreisler.

For decrees this month we refer you to "Opportunity to Assist" in this issue.

Lovingly in the Light,
Frances Ekey
GRATITUDE TO LIFE

I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For my glorious, great "I AM!" I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For its light in which I stand. I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For its purity and peace, I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For its freedom and release!

I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For Love's opportunity.
I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! I can serve to set Life free
I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! I can bless all I pass by,
I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For Life's bountiful supply.

I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For all the blessings of this Light. I AM grateful! Grateful Grateful! For protection by its might. I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For ascended friends above. I AM grateful! Grateful! Grateful! For my victory through their love!

SANAT KUMARA, ON HIS NEED TO LEAVE THE EARTH

January 23, 1954

Beloved and Blessed Children of my Heart:

How long have I loved you, each one! Long, long centuries ago your dear Star was destined to be dissolved by the Powers of Light, because there was no illumination from it—there was no light—no radiation. There was no gift from the planet or her people to the Universe, in return for the use of life. The harmony and music of the spheres were so affected by the dissonance of the thoughts and feelings of the people, that the great Lords of Karma called a great impersonal council. At this council it was decided to dissolve the Earth planet and return the elemental substance of which she was composed to the unformed, because it is the law of life, that in order to sustain an intelligent form, there must be a

blessing, there must be a benefit to the Universe for the investment of light bestowed upon it.

I attended the great Cosmic Council and when I returned to Venus I determined, within myself, to offer my light, my life, my love to sustain your Earth as a balance to the Cosmic Law for the privilege of sustaining this planet, until from among you, I might awaken some interest in good. I spoke to my own beloved and I said "I shall go to the Earth and there I shall abide and my light shall be a mantle around her. My love shall nourish the souls of men. My faith shall stir their inner selves and one day the Earth people shall return me home victorious." When the great Lemurian pole star reached a certain cosmic point, I descended upon this Earth and entered the heart of Shamballa, where yet I do abide.

Do you remember my coming? Do you remember the light that leaped within your hearts and spirits? I think you do!

I have waited now for millions of years, my children. I have given my life for you. I have been the light of your world, while my heart remains in Venus, but I have had faith that you would show an interest in my call. Many times have you risen to great heights in the Golden Ages that have been. Many times have you manifested the power of precipitation. Many times could you levitate with ease. Many times has the veil of human creation been rent in twain and you have stood face to face with me, with the Archangels and the Archani.

Many times in these ages that have been, have I felt that my hour of return had come. Many times have I folded my cloak about me to take my leave—only to find at the very last instant, that the senses claimed, again, your life. The light which I had promised to the Universal Law was dimmed and again I had to assume the obligation of emitting that light for your planet.

Today I have been informed by the Great Karmic Board that no longer may my light sustain the place of your Earth in this solar system and in this twenty-year period in which we are now enjoying the communion one with another, we are making a concentrated effort, the Spiritual Hierarchy and I, to draw forth your light. Beloved Friends, I IMPLORE you, in the name of the God that made us all, come forth now and justify my faith and my love and my patience. I have believed in you, my children, I have given you my light for millions and millions of years. I have poured my life, my love, my very Self into your world. WHY SHOULD I NOT SPEAK TO YOU WHEN YOU HOLD MY RANSOM WITHIN THE BEAT OF YOUR OWN HEARTS? It is that ransom which is the light of your own lives!

Beloved ones, harmonious feelings are the qualification of your energy, that emits a radiation in your aura. That is light. When you are in

control of your feelings you are a LIGHT BEARER in this world of shadows.

When you are able to create and sustain harmony in the lives that surround you—you are CREATING Light Bearers of all you contact and thus you are increasing the Light of the World.

Each day in the ordinary course of your living you use energy; that energy is CHARGED with your feelings and it is either adding to the happiness of the world or it is being woven into the death shroud which has kept this planet in darkness through the ages.

I speak to you from the heart of a God-Friend. I know you accept my words in such a heart feeling. GO FORTH NOW, in the name of the God that made you and carry THAT Light!

Give to the Great Karmic Board a REASON FOR SUSTAINING THE PLACE OF YOUR PLANET IN THIS SYSTEM. PROVE to this tribunal that THERE ARE sons and daughters of heaven, incarnate, who have enough love within themselves to make this planet FREEDOM'S STAR.

I believe in you. I love you. I call you now from the sleep of the ages. AWAKE THOU THAT SLEEPEST IN THE NAME OF GOD AND COME FORTH INTO THE LIGHT OF THE NEW DAY! I THANK YOU, MY CHILDREN AND GOD BLESS YOU.

PETITION OF THE BELOVED ARCHANGEL MICHAEL To the Karmic Board – Royal Teton Conclave

July, 1954

Hail! Oh Karmic Board of Love and Light! I, Michael, Archangel, speak directly to you on behalf of the mankind of this Earth bound too long in shadows!

I present to you, in the name of mercy and Light Eternal, the lifestreams which you gave to me so short a time ago. I bring them back now that you may measure their light and witness the result of that experiment, that grant and that dispensation, wherein you, in mercy, did allow me the full freedom of releasing these beloved ones from the necessity of re-embodiment.

Look you now in mercy, in justice, in love, in kindness upon their record! Read it well, oh Brothers and Sisters! Oh Great Ones! Then, seeing the energies of the Archangels, the Cosmic Masters and devas woven into the purification, which is witness to the efficacy of this dispensation, I Michael, petition that every soul who leaves this Earth plane, who pass-

es from the bonds of the body in this current twelve-month, shall be given to me! I shall take within myself the karma of that life! I shall assume through the energy of my being every discordant record. Grant, oh Lords of Light, that they come back no morel I, Michael, who vowed to free the soul light of this planet from the pain of birth and death, the necessity of embodiment after embodiment, the hopelessness and seeming endlessness of it—I decree—IT SHALL BE NO MORE!

I, Michael, in the name of Light Eternal, make this petition to you, oh Host of Heaven! Oh Karmic Board! I stand ready in my Light to fulfill it! SO BE IT!

OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST All Souls' Day, Nov. 2, 1954

Editor's Note: Beloved Archangel Michael, at the close his sponsorship for the Earth at the end of 1953, offered, before the Karmic Board, a gift of love and gratitude from his lifestream to those who had "come out" with beloved Saint Germain's new endeavor and who are serving it to the best of their ability, spreading this light as far as possible among all mankind.

This gift was to make it possible for all the loved ones of such students to be taken at the close of their Earth life and at inner levels shown ways and means of expiating their destructive karma, without the necessity of re-embodiment on the Earth plane. This grant would take in relatives of the present students back to the fourth generation. THINK ON THIS AND TRY TO REALIZE WHAT A TREMENDOUS SERVICE THIS IS FROM OUR BELOVED ARCHANGEL MICHAEL!

This offer was accepted by the Karmic Board and the Ascended Host and their loving cooperation with him, to this end, was assured. Immediately the builders of form began providing in those realms of consciousness, great buildings made of pure white substance, beautiful in the extreme, and these were offered as foci where our loved ones could be taught. These buildings were completed on the Wednesday of Holy Week, just before Easter, 1954. On Holy Thursday, for the first time, the doors to these great temples were opened and the first group of such individuals entered those temples in a lovely ceremony. Beloved Serapis Bey joyously offered to assist beloved Michael in this great undertaking and it was he who told us of the activities mentioned above in these temples.

At the Royal Teton Conference in June-July 1954, the beloved Michael, in order to receive permission to increase this grant even farther

for the people of Earth, brought before the Karmic Board these individuals who had been studying since Holy Thursday in these temples. It was his desire to show the board the tremendous increase in their light, as a proof of the efficacy of such a procedure and that it could be made an extremely advantageous blessing to the Earth, hastening beloved Sanat Kumara's release from his self-imposed exile of the ages.

GENTLE READER

If there are any of you precious ones who would like to add your energies in a daily call to the Karmic Board, evincing your interest in helping give beloved Michael this grant, we suggest the two following decrees to be given daily to this end for the rest of this year.

"Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM in me, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Ascended Masters Saint Germain and Jesus, and all Great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light, Angels and Activities of the Sacred Fire—in the name of the Presence of God, which I AM, and through the magnetic powers of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I call especially to the Great Karmic Board:

GRANT THE PETITIONS releasing those passing from Earth this year from the necessity of re-embodiment

Beloved I AM! (3)

By Michael's hand! (3)

by Michael's Love! (3)

By the Masters' Love! (3)

In Michael's name! (3)

By the Violet flame! (3)

by the Spiral Blue Flame! (3)

By the Unfed Flame! (3)

By Sacred Fire! (3)

By Mercy's Ray! (3)

Command it done today!

Command it done to stay!

Command it done God's Way!

"Beloved Mighty Presence of God, 'I AM' in me, and beloved Mighty Astrea! LOCK Your Cosmic Circle and Sword of Blue Flame of thousands

of suns from the Great Central Sun, in through and around all destructive karma of those passing from the Earth this year. Close in upon it all, and transmute(3) it all, cause, effect, record and memory, before it can act, approach or encroach upon life longer! Replace it by the Threefold Flame in the power of the three times three."

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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DECEMBER 1954

TO THE BELOVED HOLY FAMILY

Blessings from the Cosmic Beings, the Ascended Masters, the Angelic Host, the Elemental Kingdom and all mankind for your service to the planet Earth in establishing and maintaining the spiritual consciousness and physical requirements whereby there could be a Christ manifestation!

To you, beloved Mary, whose unwavering consciousness held the immaculate concept of the divine Christ Child, not only before his birth but throughout the years of his ministry, our love flows.

To you, beloved Saint Germain, who, as Joseph, guarded both the beloved Mary and the Infant Jesus, giving of your strength, courage, loyalty and actual physical support, our love flows.

To you, beloved Archangel Gabriel, who, flashed again to the receptive consciousness of blessed Mary the fullness of her mission and the confirmation of her service, our love flows.

And to you, dear Master Jesus, who came consciously into the world of form to show us all the love and mastery of the Father through your own divine nature, our love flows.

At Christmas when mankind acknowledges the birth of the beloved Jesus, we dedicated this issue of "The Bridge to Freedom," in gratitude, to the beloved Holy Family and the Heavenly Host.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN RETREAT December 15, 1954 through January 14, 1955

In the heart of the Grand Teton Mountains in Wyoming, is a focus of The Great White Brotherhood in the western world. Here, twice each year, the entire Spiritual Hierarchy, together with their conscious chelas in the world of form, meet and present to the Karmic Board certain petitions for authority to engage in activities which will benefit the human race, their angelic guardians, and the elemental kingdom who serve them all.

The seven members of the Karmic Board desire, in every way, to assist the mankind of Earth to fulfill their divine destiny. The interest, initiative and general cooperation of individuals who are yet a part of the mental and feeling world of the human race, stimulate the Karmic Board to greater leniency in allowing freedom for the various members of the Brotherhood to incorporate Their plans into the actual substance of the Earth. In the November 1954 "Bridge to Freedom," you will find a pattern of petition made by Lord Michael, the Archangel. In this issue of our little journal, you will find a petition made by the beloved Mary, Mother of the Master Jesus. You may join your energies to these petitions, or make individual original petitions based upon the inspirations received in your own contemplations.

In the group activities, the petitions are greatly energized by the willing cooperation of the students in giving the decrees and singing to the Karmic Board. A pattern for such singing is included in this issue for your collective and individual pleasure.

BELOVED MASTER JESUS, RECALLING HIS MISSION May 27th, 1954

Beloved friends of many ages! You are those with whom I have shared so many pilgrimages, stood before so many shrines, worshipped at so many altars, in the long course of evolution. You have been seeking the Kingdom of God, the right use of the energy of life and the return of the self conscious mastery. Within the heartbeat, this mastery is part of the remembrance of the days before the shadows fell on Earth, when men and women walked in freedom, dignity and mastery. The use of life was consecrated and dedicated to widening the borders of that everexpanding kingdom of heaven and the weaving into the pattern of form of the magnificent perfection known at inner levels of consciousness.

The restless, surging energy which propels the soul in the search for Truth, is motivated by those memories of the divine mastery and dignity, to which each individual consciousness was born and to which some day each consciousness must again return.

I wish to convey to you, through the spoken word, a portion of my consciousness, which throughout the ages you have sought. That consciousness overcame the shadows, limitations, chains and appearances of the world THROUGH CONFIDENCE AND TRUST in the power of God!

It is that confidence which comes through contemplation, through application and through the dedication of your vital energies, until no longer do your feelings swear allegiance to the shadows; until no longer are the energies of your auras set into turbulent motion by those frightening appearances (in truth these appearances have no more power than you give unto them); until each one of you comes into the full maturity of your own Christ consciousness. Such Christ consciousness has overcome all sense of allegiance to the appearances that frighten, distress and disturb the mankind of Earth.

One such man, anchored in feeling in the all-power of God, is enough in any age to transform the energies of the masses. It is to educate and develop within your feelings that surety, that conviction, that the power of God invoked does act without fail, that we come again, again and again. In each such visitation we anchor a little more of the fire substance of our worlds through your feeling worlds, your mind consciousness, your etheric bodies and your flesh. After such a visitation, there is another portion of the energies of your various vehicles that is permanently God-qualified and God-consecrated and that can never again be qualified with the creations of the human octave.

Wise is he who places his consciousness within and who presses his bodies against the living Presence of the Masters of Wisdom and, through contagion, absorbs into the energies of his being that confidence and faith in the power of the Almighty!

To you, who cling so strongly to the belief of the ages, it seems a slow process, this transmutation, THIS MANIFESTATION IN WORKS, of that which your consciousness GRASPS MENTALLY. Believe me, however, the weaving of the chains and the drawing of the energies of limitation into your worlds has been an exceedingly slow process, too. It has engaged the free will of your life and the use of your faculties for millions and millions of years.

Therefore, be not discouraged in your first endeavors to set the

worlds of your consciousness in order, to drive from your individual temples the many lurking fears and doubts, suspicions and uncertainties. If you could see with the inner sight the centuries upon centuries that your lifestreams have spent in drawing those unpleasant visitors into your temples, you would rejoice that you are finding freedom and access to the Kingdom of Heaven as speedily as you are.

Mankind so loosely accept blessings. Even here below, the blessed forces of the elements, that have served so ceaselessly through the ages, have received, in return, scant thanks for their constancy. Without their service mankind could not have survived in the effluvia of their own thoughts and feelings.

Still less has the Source of all Light, (the Father-Mother God) received the gratitude from those who use his life so freely, pressing it through the senses in the wanton use of free will, in the enjoyment of every passing pleasure. People have such happiness in the use of life, yet loving life, itself, so little that neither reverence nor gratitude has gone to the Source which has sustained that life and that individualized consciousness for millions and millions of years on this Earth, alone, not to speak of those aeons of time before incarnation on the earth was a manifest fact.

Mankind must come to an understanding today that the Source which supplies Life, which gives intelligence, which endows each separate consciousness with free will, has a purpose in such an investment! Mankind must come back to its Source and, bowing the knee before it, ask for revelation as to that purpose. Then, in humility, in gratitude for opportunity, PROCEED TO WEAVE OUT OF THEIR OWN LIVES, THE FULFILLMENT OF THAT PURPOSE!

Wherein is man's merit in doing the will of God, the God from whence life, itself, has come? Oh! the joy that should be within the hearts of those who have even a mental concept of the divine plan! How willingly and joyously should the energies be consecrated to the fulfillment of that plan, to the exclusion of all personal interest! To think that in the course of one short Earth life, the iniquities of millions of years might be wiped out, should be a cause for tremendous gratitude. How wonderful to know that in one life of gratitude in action, there can be fulfilled the purpose for which individualization and sustenance of consciousness was ordained.

Until mankind comes to this day, they shall not know happiness, they shall not know freedom. Those of you who have forsworn the world of pleasure, those of you who have returned to the feet of the Masters,

those of you who have woven your energies through these years into the creation of these magnificent forcefields, are most fortunate among men and women, most fortunate that the vow which you took before the Source of all light, is being fulfilled through your energies. At the close of this Earth life, when you stand again in the Halls of Karma, you may say, "I have fulfilled my purpose. I have fulfilled my vow. I have therefore returned with my sheaves of accomplishment in my hands." You will hear the words of the Father, "Well done, thou good, thou faithful servant."

Believe me when I say, nothing matters on this Earth except that you make that record, that you hold those sheaves within your conscious hands and that you have endured unto the end; that you have waited the summons of your Presence and passed yet in active service into the realms of light! . . .

Your service is a voluntary one, Children of God. No one asked you to come and no one asked me. No one asked the great Saint Germain or my Holy Mother to come—only the love of life, the love of God and the desire to see his kingdom come, prompted any lifestream to bend the knee before the Karmic Board. Only such love could take a vow to render a more-than-ordinary assistance; to bear a more-than-ordinary cross; to expiate karma not one's own and to abide in exile on a planet groaning on its axis!

Remember, LOVE PROMPTED YOU TO COME and LOVE MUST BIND YOU TOGETHER while yet you here remain! While that LOVE FOR GOD beats strong in your heart, that LOVE fills your feelings for the Master and that LOVE passes through you for your fellow worker and your fellowman, you are secure! When that love turns to bitterness, to resentment, to rebellion, to spiritual inertia, or spiritual depletion, then, within the privacy of your own hearts and rooms, call for the spiritual vitality, call for the spiritual assistance from above.

Let it return to you that warmth, that joy, that enthusiasm which you knew before you took an Earth body, when you stood with Saint Germain in the freedom of the inner levels and saw a planet God-free. You then saw men and women in Freedom's robes; no sickness, no disease, no death known. More than once, in the course of an Earth life, is it necessary for cosmic vitality and the infusion of spiritual energy to sustain you. No man is complete in himself. The great and mighty Archangel Michael, the beloved Gabriel, the beloved Raphael, all the members of the Archangels, sustained my Mother, my Father and myself. During that night in Gethsemane, the presence of the Archangels gave to me the courage to renew my vow! When I was all alone; when those who loved me best

were sleeping, when the future held another sweet Springtime, the birds sang sweetly and the early flowers were blooming, the salt spray from the sea was in my nostrils, and the vital fire of a body that never knew illness was invigorated by the pulsation of resurrection, then I chose to give that life!

We see, oh—better than you know—we see the individual depletion's and renewals! I but ask you to remember that AS I RECEIVED ASSISTANCE, SO MAY YOU! Wise are you that abide within it! Wise are you that expose your souls and spirits at every opportunity to the spiritual vitality that flows from the Archangels through the Earth.

After the passing of my father, one of the most difficult of my experiences was leaving my beloved mother and making that pilgrimage into the heart of Asia. There I met the being whom you know as the Divine Director. There I dwelt with him, learning to measure in my own consciousness and make my own, the few short affirmations which he gave me. One of the lessons which passed from his mighty consciousness to all of us who gathered round him, was that NO PRAYER OR MANTRA, as he called them, NO DECREE HAD EFFICACY UNLESS THE CONSCIOUSNESS WITHIN ITSELF, IN FEELING, BOTH ACCEPTED AND UNDERSTOOD THE TRUTH AFFIRMED.

We were taught there the power of mental concentration upon the mantra which was ours to use and we were asked through the energies of our own forcefield, our own auras, to draw forth the truth of that mantra UNTIL IT WAS VISIBLE TO THE GURU. We were not given another application until every fiber and cell of our beings confirmed our affirmation and we had made it our own in practical, manifest fact.

Some remained for thirty or forty years working on the phrase "I AM THAT I AM." Some remained an entire embodiment upon "I AM THE RES-URRECTION AND THE LIFE." There was no favoritism. There was nothing that could forward our progress except the externalized truth which was contained within that portion of the Law which the Guru gave to us. He gave it to us sparingly as though the breath of life contained within that aphorism could never be used again until the Kingdom was at hand!

Mankind and the world does not realize the reverence with which the great Masters and Teachers, the Sages and Saints, treat life. Mankind that devours truths, digests them little and makes them not their own, has much to learn about the disciplines that accompany the development of consciousness within the retreats of the world.

Many, many who applied to the Divine Director were not even given

a single worded expression throughout that embodiment, for that great being did not feel that their light and consciousness warranted the investment of his energies and the corresponding responsibility which would enter the world of the student, if he could not make that truth fact!

These aspirants sat within the aura of the Master throughout an entire embodiment, just content to touch the hem of his garment (aura). They were content to feel their own weak spiritual energies flowing upward on his constant upsurge of adoration and devotion to God. They were hoping that perhaps within their own aura, some day or hour, there might be kindled a magnetic spark which would draw even a flicker of interest from his eyes, a nod of his head or the benediction from his hand, and genuflecting to the ground when such recognition was accorded them without a spoken word.

For myself, I joined those pilgrims with no announcement. I sat with the others in the nameless circle and the Master, in deep contemplation and meditation, made no sign that he knew of my presence. I was not heralded as the messiah, or singled out for favors. I was to rise or fall like any man or woman on my own light. I would not have wished to have it otherwise! WHEN MANKIND AND STUDENTS WHO STRIVE FOR 'PLACE' COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING OF THIS, THEIR HEARTS WILL KNOW PEACE,

The moment the pupil is ready, the Master appears! The moment the pupil is ready for more knowledge, the knowledge is given. The moment the consciousness is ripe, the fruit is plucked. The moment the Earth is tilled, the new seed is sown. We, who seem now so prolific in the sowing of our seeds, do so because long after your world cycle is completed, and you stand in the God-free realm, there will be men and women who will base their life upon this Law. As one who took so eagerly that single phrase, "I AM the Resurrection and the Life," so grateful that I had been accorded the privilege and the honor of receiving from the lips of the Guru some workable knowledge to make my own, I say to you who are so blessed, receiving this instruction without limit, YOU WOULD BE WISE TO REVERENCE THE GIFT AND COUNSEL GIVEN.

Forty-eight hours after I had received that affirmation "I AM the Resurrection and the Life" as you know, the fullness of my mission was revealed to me and I had accomplished the purpose of my visit. I shall ever be grateful to that blessed one who gave me the KEY. Remember, however, I prepared the soil for its sowing and after it was given me, my life had to nourish and develop the plant and the harvest. When I left there

was no farewell. The circle of hopeful ones did not even know one pilgrim was removed from their midst. The Master did not even open his eyes or gesture. All the way back across the hot sands of India, across the rough stones of the hills, I rejoiced over and over in the richness I had received from the Being, in that phrase alone—"I AM the Resurrection and the Life." I builded from it a ministry that stands today as a manifest example that it is not necessarily the AMOUNT of knowledge but the APPLICATION of the knowledge given which brings results—themselves a proof of Mastery and Freedom to mankind!

Take not these words and this instruction lightly! Take it home, into your consciousness and into your heart. Weave into manifest form around you an aura so that your Guru looking upon you will say "this student is ready to be entrusted with more truth, with greater powers, with a deeper understanding of the Law."

—Jesus

MARY'S PETITION FOR INCOMING CHILDREN June 23, 1954

"Lords of Karma, beloved Ladies and Gentlemen of the Karmic Board! I, Mary, mother of the children of Earth, who fashion the heart for every lifestream who takes embodiment, stand before thee now on behalf of the lifestreams about to take embodiment on Earth within these twelve months.

I have stood in the Sacred Heart Temple with these spirits. I have looked upon the karma builded through the ages. I have fashioned with my own hands the sacred heart out of the very best essence which the body elementals could offer.

I say to you, Oh, merciful Lords of Love and Light! The garments that these shall wear are not fitting for gods and goddesses. They are not fitting for beautiful spiritual beings who, within the course of this next eighteen-year period shall endeavor to set the Lord of the World (Sanat Kumara) free.

The mistakes and sins of the many ages have been written deeply into the energies of these etheric bodies and into those flesh garments that would be woven by the builders of form within the mothers of the race.

On behalf of these about to come to Earth, these who had the spiritual honor to stand in my presence and before Sanat Kumara himself, I call to you. They pledged the Unfed Flame a vow and in balance for that

voluntary bending of their knee, humbling of their pride, acceptance in the freedom of inner levels of the presence of the Hierarchy, I ask this night for good, whole, clean, pure flesh bodies, with eyes too pure to behold iniquity; with lips which will speak only words of love and light; with limbs strong and firm. Make each body a living temple through which blazes God's love and light, with brains well balanced to receive the directions of the Christ Self, with every organ in its perfect place and in perfect functioning order.

I ask this in the name of Life, and in the name of the Ascended Jesus Christ, I am willing to offer on the altar of the Karmic Board whatsoever of my personal energies, whatsoever of my time, whatsoever of my very self is required to pay any balance that you do not find within their acceptance of the vow to serve Sanat Kumara.

Great Lords of Love and of Light! The incoming children are the hope of tomorrow. Give them garments that they can occupy in ease and peace! Give them garments sensitive to their own Holy Christ Self, that their Christ Self, through them, may take full command from the time they are born. Give them, Oh great Lords of Life, the fullness of the mercy of Kwan Yin!

Oh, beloved Goddess of Opportunity, newly-crowned Queen of Heaven, I speak to you as my successor! I ask opportunity for each one! Grant thou this as my last gift as I close my reign, and as you become the shining Queen of Heaven!

Oh, Portia! Portia! Child of Love! Child of Justice! I, Mary, speak to you! I rest my case in your sweet hands!"

DECREE FOR PURITY AND PERFECTION OF INCOMING CHILDREN

Beloved Presence of God, I AM in me, Holy Christ selves of all mankind and beloved Elohim of Purity! In order to insure more perfect bodies, clearer minds and more harmonious feeling worlds for the children coming into physical embodiment at this time, we earnestly request you to send an angel deva of Cosmic Christ Purity to stand in the aura of each parent at the moment conception takes place. Purify their consciousness and raise it to the point where there can be offered the best possible vehicle for the fulfillment of their divine plan of these incoming lifestreams. Sustain and expand this radiation of purity around these incoming children to the fullest possible extent. Let the Angels of Purity hold invincible protection and God-supply of every good thing around each one all through their Earth life and assist them to their Ascension in the light as soon as possible.

We accept this done *right now* with full power!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK LIFE—GOD'S GREATEST GIFT

MAHA CHOHAN

Individualization, with the attendant gift of the free use of life, is God's gift of himself to all self conscious beings. Ponder well, this season of giving, the gift of life, which comes in an unbroken stream of pure, primal, intelligent substance into your heart. Gratitude for life and reverence for its use should be the return of the thinking man to his God this Holy Season.

EL MORYA

The gift of life itself is taken too much for granted by individuals who are privileged to have a beating heart in any sphere of expression, physical or inner. When the Giver of Life withdraws that stream of energy and the consciousness can no longer function on Earth, how many tears are shed, how many entreaties go forth to the Karmic Board for opportunity to return and "make things right." Let the wise, abiding in the opportunity of the NOW use the gift of life in such a manner that the world is richer, more beautiful, more harmonious, because life was invested in him to fulfill God's will.

KUTHUMI

Life becomes the servant of man, rushing to fulfill the designs of his heart and mind. For the use of life, each man shall render an accounting. The presence of an individual upon the planet Earth is for the purpose of mitigating the self-created evils of the past and to design, out of primal life, some particular blessing to enrich the universe. When man chooses to avail himself of the opportunity of lightening the load of karmic debts for himself and his fellow man and, through the upraised consciousness, to learn what the Presence of God THROUGH HIM desires to do with life, then he is about ready to finish his cycle of evolution. Then, in the active ranks of The Great White Brotherhood, he becomes one of the all-too-few conscious workers in the Father's vineyard.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

What shall be man's gift to God during the Holy Christmas Season? How eagerly man rushes forward to bestow gifts upon his loved ones. Truly, it is the season of giving, and the motivating power that stirs the heart to generosity and sharing should not be deplored, but blessed. Such a desire is, in itself, of the very nature of the Father. LET US REMEMBER THE FATHER, HIMSELF, in this bestowal of gifts, greetings and

blessings, who has given life, continuity of consciousness and intelligence. In that remembering, let us ask what the Father would have us do with this gift of life. Let us then listen to his response and most important, act upon the promptings of the heart in his name.

SERAPIS BEY

The gift of a portion of one's talents, gifts, momentums, substance, and a commitment to impersonal service, is a natural requisite for any individual who desires to become a member of the Brotherhood at Luxor. In this time of holiday festivities, it would be well for man to take a personal, private, honest stock of his own gathered momentums of good and offer them IN SECRET to the Father of Life. Let such be reminded, however, that the opportunity that will be the effect of such an inner surrender will appear on the screen of life.

Some enjoy the "sentiment" of surrender but shudder at the externalized opportunity which such an inner communion with the Father always brings. How many men stretch forth the self on the cross of surrender to the will of God in a mystical ceremony (wherein only phantom shapes perform the rite), only to renounce the opportunity to make good the inner vow when the world of form opens the door for such fulfillment of the inner dedication. Those who love God MAKE THE SURRENDER AND THE GIFT IN THE SAME JOY they experience in sharing with loved ones on Earth. They are fully expectant of completing the dedication when the gift is claimed, no matter how the claimant be dressed.

HILARION

Those individuals who represent our sphere in the world of form have already performed the act of "consecration" of their life essence to a specific vocation. At this Holy Season, let all thus dedicated to furthering mankind's greatest good, stand again before the great Archangel Raphael, renewing their individual and collective vows of consecrated service in the name of God and as their gift to Him.

JESUS

Those who learn to love the Father live only to serve Him. Those who truly wish to express love of the Father must come to a conscious realization of his Ever-Presence. Then the gift of life, the precious qualifying centers of thought and feeling, the already manifest blessings, drawn forth through individual use of consciousness, become truly the gift given to Him, not only at Christmas, but all the year through. Each man may

make some gift of qualified life to the Father and then, as the association proves a happy one, the entire life, purpose and activity of the self is laid at the feet of the Father in joyous surrender. Having experienced the ecstasy of such surrender, I can recommend it to all men seeking peace and freedom from self-seeking.

SAINT GERMAIN

It seems only yesterday that a small infant was placed in my arms and under the mystic light of the night sky, I looked upon a gift from the Father to all men. Here was a cup, whose essence was so pure, whose consciousness was so exalted, that the fullness of the Father's nature could be revealed to mankind WITHOUT SHADOW. Now we reverse this process and give to the Father the consciousness, life, nature, talents, gifts, powers and momentums of many men. Again a cycle is completed. The Father's gift has completed his service. Now man's gift is the returning to the Father of life, man's USE of that life, in the fulfillment of the divine plan for all men.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

Chela—Beloved Master: What is an angel?

Guru—Blessed Chela: An angel is a self-conscious, intelligent being created by God, just as you have been, to fulfill a specific destiny, service and activity.

Chela—Beloved Master: What is the destiny, service and activity of the angelic kingdom?

Guru—Blessed Chela: The angels are primarily beings of FEELING. Although they naturally have an intelligent mind consciousness, their service is to absorb, condense, transfer and generally radiate the spiritual feelings of God and the messengers of God whom they serve.

Chela—Blessed Master: How do the angels perform this service?

Guru—Blessed Chela: The feeling world (emotional body) of the angel is sensitive in the extreme. Natural proximity to the aura of the Father-Mother God or to the activities of the Sacred Fire in the Temples of Light fills the aura and individual sphere of influence of the angels with a similar quality of radiation. These lovely beings disport themselves in the virtues of the Godhead, and become impregnated with the same virtues through such proximity. Young angels are not required to carry the spiritual radiation they have absorbed to the spheres below the one in which they are born. As the angel matures and develops, he desires in himself to be of service to the God who made him. He then begins a course of spiritual training under the Great Archangel Jophiel, which training prepares him for such spiritual service.

Chela—Beloved Master: Will you describe, this training?

Guru—Blessed Chela: The angel must learn how to sustain the radiation of some specific virtue. He must hold that quality of feeling until he is directed to release the essence of the virtue (the sweet anointing from above) into the world and atmosphere of some individual who requires assistance.

For instance, if the angel desires to become one of the legions of Faith in God, he is assigned, by Lord Jophiel to a temple in the First Realm, under one of the directing angels of Lord Michael's Legions. Here he enters the already-established momentum of Cosmic Faith and feels in himself the pulsation, power and vibration of faith. He learns to ABSORB from the great Cosmic heart of Lord Michael the gift of SUSTAINED FAITH. HE learns to GENERATE Faith in his own emotional body. He learns to SUSTAIN that quality of feeling. Then he passes outside the periphery

of his teacher's aura and endeavors to hold, through his own consciousness, the Faith he enjoyed so freely in the safe compass of another's momentum of Faith. Here his strength is measured. Gradually, he is able to sustain the quality of Faith for longer and longer periods of time, as he passes further and further from the aura of his teacher.

Then, at the direction of the messengers of Faith, he is sent on a mission with a guardian angel and many other neophyte angels. They carry Faith into this physical world, where so much misery, disillusionment, unhappiness and distress abide. The angels enter the auras of distraught men, women and children and radiate the Faith they have learned to sustain, giving new hope and courage to the hopeless. Just as a radiator emits a comforting warmth into the atmosphere, so does the angel radiate a pressure of Faith (or whatever virtue is required most) into the spirits of men. When his gift of radiation has performed its service, he returns with his superior, to again embody the virtue of the Godhead and await further assignments in his name.

Chela—Beloved Master: How can mankind magnetize the angels to bless their homes, atmosphere, environment.

Guru—Blessed Chela: One individual who believes in the existence of the angelic host is a joy to heaven. Such an one opens the door through the psychic and astral shell of skepticism, agnosticism and unbelief. This allows the precious virtues which the angels bring, to be radiated through an entire community, rendering a service unparalleled, to the dispirited sons and daughters of men.

Belief in the existence of the angelic host is one of the greatest ways of magnetizing their presence in one's aura, home, business and environment. Cultivation of feelings of harmony, which remind these beings of their Celestial home, also draws them close. Beautiful flowers, orderliness, harmonious music and floral scents are all magnetizing activities for the members of this kingdom. Conscious invocation of the angelic host (which is part of the activity of your Master Saint Germain) always brings hosts of this kingdom into the group activities, where such acknowledgment of their reality is made and invitation given to their cooperative service. The activity of The Seventh Ray is to develop an affinity among the kingdoms of angels, human beings and elementals.

GREAT KARMIC BOARD

(Melody: Joy to the world)

Great Karmic Board! we thank you for Your Presence there above.
The glory of your beauty,
Your faithfulness to duty,
Inspire us so to love (repeat once)
Inspire us—inspire us so to love!
Great Karmic Board! our souls arise
To call your Light and Power.
Your Flames of Mercy, Justice too,
Forgiveness rare, Love's balance true,
Enfold us every hour (repeat once)
Enfold us—enfold us every hour!

Great Karmic Board! we love our Earth And all that is thereon.
Oh help us lift her strain and stress,
Replace it with Light's happiness.
Expand the Cosmic dawn (repeat once)
Expand—expand the Cosmic Dawn!
Great Karmic Board! help us to be
All that you have become!
Your majesty and power too,
Victorious in all we do,
That we may bring Earth home (repeat once)
That we may—that we may bring Earth home!

Great Karmic Board! to you we give
Ourselves without reserve!
Blaze through us your Light's joyousness,
Your freedom, peace and God-success;
Make all your love deserve (repeat once)
Make all—make all your love deserve!
Great Karmic Board! for you we call
In the name of all mankind!
All blessings from the Central Sun
For all the good that you have done.
No greater love we find (repeat once)
No greater—no greater love we find!

Great Central Sun! we now command Your gifts and blessings true, To flood our Karmic Board so dear— Expand those blessings year by year 'Til all returns to you (repeat once)

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS By the Beloved Maha Chohan

I call upon you the fully-gathered Cosmic momentum of the blessed Spirit of Christmas! This great being grows in spiritual stature by every kind and loving act, every thought and feeling sent forth in the name of the Christ, in remembrance of his birth and subsequent service to life.

From December 15th, 1954 to January 14th, 1955 the great half-yearly council at the Royal Teton gives OPPORTUNITY to Ascended and unascended beings, alike, to secure grants and dispensations to bless the evolutions in and around the atmosphere of Earth. Prepare you well to be present during these thirty days. Direct your consciousness toward the majestic Royal Teton before you enter sleep each night. Invoke your Holy Christ Self to assist you in bringing back into your waking consciousness whatever you require to help you fulfill that portion of the divine plan which your own lifestream can capably develop.

The breathing in of the spiritual flame from the heart of the Royal Teton will draw into the students' consciousness a deeper sense of love and reverence for life, itself, and for the Supreme Source of Life. The breathing forth of that flame will carry to all mankind the desire to serve God through voluntarily-consecrated life. Thus, the transmission flame activity for this month is dedicated to the cultivation of the gratitude in the hearts of men for the use of life, the opportunity of individual self conscious being, and of a conscious desire to use life as God intends to fulfill the divine plan.

GROUP LETTER FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

December 1, 1954

BELOVED LIGHT BEARER:

In the name and by the power of the Ascended Jesus Christ, I call upon you his full Christ Consciousness, that not only brought joy to the world so long ago (as Earth counts time), but also his victorious Christ Consciousness, that has overcome the world. He said "All that the Father hath given me, give I unto you" and so his feeling of mastery (which made him the Master Presence over even so-called death), is offered to you and to all who really want it—all who are willing to take a little time each day to accept it and to all who will use it in daily, hourly living to the best of their ability. Anyone who will do this, can set themselves, and all they contact, forever free from the limitations and distresses of this world, even as he did. The accepting of this consciousness is real and practical—don't believe it! PROVE IT! Try it out— if only for a period of 30 days—sincerely and faithfully. You will feel results!

It's Christmas time again! All is a hustle and a bustle—the usual round of shopping, wrapping, sealing, card-writing, trying to please others as best we can with the physical gifts we are able to give. What are you giving the central figure of this season—the one whose birthday it is?

If it were your birthday and everyone you knew and loved gave gifts to each other with none for you—how would you feel? No one likes to be ignored, especially on one's birthday, for that is a personal day of every year. Yet, in the entire Christian world, how many give a gift to the most important one whose advent to the Earth made the season and its happiness possible?

You may say to me, "Jesus is not on Earth any more and there is nothing of this world's goods I could give him anyway." The latter is true but the beloved Jesus has returned to Earth thousands of times since his ascension and his consciousness (which is his life, his very self), lives in the hearts of millions of men, women and children.

Would you like to know something very real and practical you could give the beloved Jesus this Christmas? It may sound very foolish to you, but it is not. It would be best not to discuss the matter of your doing this with anyone, for their ridicule might discourage you from your endeavor. Just sit down in the quiet of your own room alone and, this Christmas, by your own hand write a little note of love and gratitude to the beloved Master Jesus (and to the Holy Family, adding the beloved Mary and Joseph if you like), thanking them for all their service to the mankind of Earth that first Christmas and during the two thousand years since then.

Have you any concept of how many prayers have been answered by these three Great Beings in that length of time, how many healings have been given, how much protection, comfort, encouragement and supply for which not one word of thanks or acknowledgment has gone back to them? Mankind are very much in arrears so far as their thankfulness to God is concerned and if each one of our gentle readers would write such a little note this Christmas it would mean much to them—and to all mankind. When you have written your letter, keep it for twenty-four hours and then reverently burn it. It is a simple thing to do but it will bless you far beyond your fondest dreams.

Again, we have the great privilege of entering the Great Royal Teton Retreat, and of being a part of the half-yearly conclave. The melody for this 30-day period is "Oh Thou Sublime Sweet Evening Star" from Tannhäuser and the color of the flame is a brilliant Chinese green.

The statement to be used in the breathing is:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I AM inbreathing th'reverence for life from th' Brotherhood of the Royal Teton

(Use also for absorbing/expanding/projecting)

May Cosmic Christ peace, happiness and God-success attend you this Holy Season and through the coming year of 1955.

Reverently blessing your Life, F. Ekey

EDITOR'S NOTE: At this season of the year, since we honor God's gift of love to man in the birth of the beloved Jesus, would it not be fitting for us to return to God at least some of our life energy each day in giving the decree suggested below, blessing some other part of his life on Earth? It would take so little of our time and attention and yet do so much good.

When a petition is made to the Great Karmic Board, there must be some individuals interested in the granting of it from the octave in which the petition would be active and a certain amount of energy from that octave must be given to release the grant. If you are interested in the type of children coming to this planet who will take your place here in the future, you will be glad to give this assistance daily until July 1st, 1955, the time of the next Teton Conclave and meeting of the Karmic Board. Thank you for your gracious assistance.

DECREE

Beloved Mighty Presence of God, I AM in me, Oh Thou beloved Immortal Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Saint Germain, beloved Mother Mary, Archangel Gabriel, Jesus, and all Great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light; In the name of the Presence of God which I AM and through the magnetic power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I call particularly to the great Karmic Board:

Grant beloved Mother Mary's petition to purify the souls destined to come to Earth this year through physical birth. Give them bodies as perfect as possible with all parts and organs in perfect functioning order, clear, intelligent minds and dispositions willing to give loving cooperation with that which will be for their highest good. Purify the homes, parents, teachers and guardians into whose atmosphere they come. If possible, place a Cherubim in the aura of as many as possible. to keep them reminded of their vow taken to beloved Sanat Kumara and the strength to fulfill that vow during their Earth life.

If possible, give them the victory of the Ascension at the close of this next embodiment. Beloved Lord Michael! By the help of the Angels of the Sword of Blue Flame, give invincible protection against anything and everything that would even attempt to dim their light or delay their victory. We accept this done RIGHT NOW with full power. (*Repeat three times*).

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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TO OUR GENTLE READERS

Beloved ones! GREETINGS! BLESSINGS! HAPPINESS! All the gifts of grace and works from the heart of the Eternal Father be yours as your hopeful spirits enter the auspicious year of 1955.

Through cosmic mercy, all of the energies used discordantly by mankind and the Elemental Kingdom (WITHOUT CONSCIOUS INTENT TO DO WRONG) have been purified, redeemed and become, again, the obedient servant of the will to fulfill God's design in this great, expanding universe.

Write well upon the pages of each new day with the priceless gift of your life. Leave a record of merit as your heritage to the brothers and sisters who still follow on, depending upon the harvest of your sowing for their spiritual nourishment and stimulus. Before this "Year of Opportunity" closes the Book of Life for the twelve-month cycle, may each gentle reader have come to individual mastery and, through that mastery, to collective unity in service to The Great White Brotherhood and the sweet Earth, so long the host to angels, men and elemental life. A blessed New Year, beloved of my heart, and a happy, God-victorious one!

Your Editor, Thomas Printz

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

After the beloved Sanat Kumara receives from the consciousness of the Silent Watcher the Thoughtform for the year 1955, he returns to Shamballa and chooses those retreats (as well as the sequence of radiation released there from), which will most efficaciously fulfill the divine plan. As the Thoughtform is not released before December 31st, it is not possible for us to include in the January issue of "The Bridge" either the retreat or material concerning it for the Transmission Flame Classes, since the January issue goes to press early in December.

You will therefore receive a mimeographed "Supplement" to the January issue, containing the information you require for the Transmission Classes as soon as beloved Sanat Kumara has it prepared and released to us. Thank you for your loving interest in our humble endeavors to expand the Masters' words and works.

Frances Ekey

WELCOME TO 1955

We love you and we bless you, dear 1954, You've brought us opportunities not come to Earth before. We're thankful for your days of action, nights of peace and rest, And as your time sped swiftly by, our Earth was greatly blest.

Now, as your written record goes into Cosmic files,
We thank you for the hopes fulfilled, the happiness and smiles Of grateful satisfaction for the answers to our call.

0! yes, beloved '54, you've been good to us all.

And now as 1955 appears upon the scene,
Determined we to keep our lives mastered and serene.
We make the call from Earth to heaven, to all the Hosts of Light
That 1955 shall free the Earth by heaven's might.

Let the power of Freedom's Flame be manifest in form,
And love for Opportunity in every heart be born.

And as your hours and days roll by, let the Cosmic Christ increase,
In the heart and soul of everyone and ascend the Earth in peace!

THE STORY OF CREATION by Beloved Ascended Master Lanto

June 1954

Honorable assembly! I bring to you the greetings and the blessings of the Brotherhood in the heart of the Royal Teton. I also bring to you the Flame of Love and Life, which is our heartbeat and which becomes for you, individually, your most humble and obedient servant. Use it freely. Command it as you will and let our life, mingling with yours, enable you to expand your individual consciousness until, beloved ladies and gracious gentlemen, you are restored again to your natural God-estate.

One of the gifts that comes with illumination is THE USE OF THE IN-NER SIGHT. When you are privileged to see the chalice of the heart within, which burns the Fire of Immortality (the spiritual garment of each individualization), then you, too, will love and reverence life, no matter in what form you may meet it In response to love, that life will rush forth, expanding and expanding its sphere of influence, until every vibratory action, which is the cause of the shadows existing within it, is transmuted.

Looking today upon the light within your hearts, I am eternally grateful for the privilege and honor of offering my humble service to you that you, in turn, may achieve the fullness of mastery, over your own energies, which flow to you so freely from the source which gave you being.

This conference has been dedicated to the development and maturity of your love and reverence for Life itself, and the Great Source from which has come your life, intelligence and self-conscious being.

The East has much to offer the Occidental mind and the West has much to offer the Oriental consciousness. One of the gifts which is ours to offer is a NATURAL REVERENCE FOR LIFE. We are hoping, through this instruction, that you will achieve a far greater depth of perception of the magnificent gifts that the self-conscious Ascended Master Intelligence and Beings represent in themselves.

In China and other parts of the Orient, even the most humble have a natural devotion to Life and its source. The people there would not even pluck a flower, severing the bloom from its stem. Individually, beloved ones, you have cut yourselves off (to a great degree) from self-conscious communion with that Source. You have done this through centuries of experimentation with the use of life and the pressing of this quiescent, primal substance into the forms of your ungoverned thoughts and feelings.

Those of us who are the servants of Life and are now dispensers of instruction, are dedicated to the task of bringing you back to a conscious connection with your own divinity. This we do by opening the channels through which the direction, the gifts, the powers and the mastery, which are God-intended, may be released into your use. These gifts are given not only because it is the desire and will of the Universal First Cause, but because it is essential, if mankind is to be helped, that some among them become again the Masters of energy and vibration. They must become the master-control of primal energy, which should never leap forward uncontrolled. It should pass in dignity into the thought, the feeling, the action or the word that blesses and enriches life.

This is the training that is offered by the Royal Teton to the brothers and sisters who are gathered here, to the chelas who apply for instruction and to the aspirants who enter within our retreat. They are all given an opportunity to contemplate the magnificent resources that lie within life, itself. Accepting the gift of life, the earnest and sincere man or woman comes to a point where he or she determines, within himself, that the only honorable thing to do is to turn to the Giver of that Life, to the Source that sustains it, and ask, in humility, for what purpose that investment was bestowed upon him.

The great surrender of self, the removal from the consciousness of the idea that life belongs solely to man to do with as he pleases, is an indication in man or woman that they have arrived at the age of spiritual maturity. When man arrives at the cosmic realization that the Source of all Life, the great Eternal Father-Mother God (which has projected and sustained his intelligence for aeons), must, of necessity, have some great purpose and design in mind, he will then commence to weave the energies of his own lifestream into fulfilling a portion of that God-design. At that time, his own heart tells him he is presently able to assist in developing such a design.

Each man, each woman, each child upon this planet and all who are yet to come here have, despite the creation of shadows, developed certain momentums, gifts and talents which can be offered on the altar to the Great White Brotherhood to further the God Plan and the evolution of our system. Wise is that man, that woman or that child, who offers his or her developed talents to God and the Brotherhood. Meanwhile, it is expedient that they endeavor to perfect the various instruments through which they work, in order that they may be one day of greater service.

These people, of whom I speak, are those who stood boldly forth before the great Source of Life (or who are, I hope, about to do so) and have asked that the energies of their individual lives be consecrated to the work of returning the earth to the beauty, the purity and the perfection which it knew when man first came forth from the heart of God. Blessed are the lifestreams, beloved ones, who have dedicated their energies to the release of the beloved Sanat Kumara from his self-chosen exile of the ages and to the creation of the Kingdom of Heaven upon this Earth. In this new creation, angels, mankind and elementals walking hand in hand may fulfill their individual divine destinies in harmony and peace.

As the mighty activities within the heart of the Teton hold the attention of the Great White Brotherhood, we shall endeavor to project your consciousness into the heart of the mountain. In this way, you may enjoy the freedom of participating in the current activities and draw back into your own minds, bodies and worlds those vital energies which will give you great personal assistance in the development and maturity of your own life. This evening, the beloved Goddess of Justice (Twin Ray of the beloved Saint Germain), will receive the crown as spokesman for the Karmic Board from the hands of the beloved Kwan Yin, Goddess of Mercy, who previously held that office. This honor to the Goddess of Justice is bestowed as a complement to Saint Germain's position as Chohan of the Seventh Ray, which Dispensation we are now entering.

It is our hope that we shall have time during the Conference to describe to you this beautiful ceremony (which is a very rare event). The last time it took place was when the Goddess of Liberty transferred the authority to the Goddess of Mercy. Previous to that time, the spokesman for that august body remained in office for many thousands of years From this you will see how rapidly evolution (both at inner and outer levels) is advancing, when such a tremendous acceleration is made possible in this one branch of Cosmic service alone.

In order that you may become acquainted with the technique, shall we call it, of projecting your consciousness freely and concentrating your physical energies in cooperation with the Ascended Masters, I have consulted with the beloved Lord Maitreya, the Maha Chohan and the Master Morya, with the result that we have decided to use "Reverence for Life" as the main theme of the conference. Our first endeavor in this direction will be to try to mingle your energies with mine in a pattern drawn through my consciousness and painted, as it were, in your minds and vitalized by your own feelings.

Following this plan, I shall proceed to give you a brief outline of the story of creation, which will also furnish you with a contemplation that

you may review in your private hours. This word picture will show you the tremendous love, the thought and the service of Cosmic Beings, angels, devas and Masters of energy through the millions and millions of years which have brought you to this point upon life's path and which represents the investment of such energies as the human mind could not conceive.

Think you, beloved children of light, first blooms in the garden of the great Golden Age of tomorrow, that such investment, such love, such care, such sacrifice, would have been made, were you not to fulfill a destiny beyond every power of your reason to imagine? Think you, that the Lord of the World, the beloved Sanat Kumara, would have remained in the atmosphere of this planet for millions and millions of years, were it not that every one of your precious heartbeats, every one of your souls, was worth that exile?

Think you that the great Archangel Michael, Prince of the Heavenly Host, would remain in the astral and psychic realm twenty hours out of every twenty-four, cutting from the auras of disembodied mankind the constant creation of discordant thought, feeling and action, were not the souls of men so precious, that even freedom in the heart of the Sun could not dissuade Him from such constancy? Ah, beloved ones, the investment of love in your blessed selves! In your new found service, you often feel the ingratitude and indifference of mankind and sometimes you weary of well-doing. So often, as we stand in your atmosphere, do we sense that discouragement. Then will you please remember those of us who have spent millions of years in such service millions of years in loving and blessing and putting our faith and confidence in you? Realizing this you will enjoy giving a balance back to life by having the same confidence, patience and faith in your fellowman.

Beloved children, the conscious projection of consciousness is the training which the beloved Saint Germain has asked those of us who are interested in his cause to bring to you who are sufficiently spiritually developed. The successful accomplishment. of this requires several things:

FIRST: The concentration of your mind upon the picture we draw;

SECOND: The self-conscious raising of your feelings in order to vitalize that picture and make it your own;

THIRD: The absorption of the lesson which is given through music and, the spoken word;

FOURTH: The incorporation of your own physical energies, which magnetize the portion of the law given, through your etheric and flesh

bodies.

I trust that my word-picture will be a pleasurable experience and that I shall not weary you. I shall endeavor to keep it as simple, as brief, and yet as beautiful as possible. When I have finished, if you can say within your heart "I am grateful for life," then I shall feel that my service has been well done.

In the beginning, the beloved Helios and Vesta, God-Father and God-Mother of this system, decided to apply to the Source of all Creation for opportunity to create a system of planets and people them with individual consciousnesses. These Great Ones were then required by Cosmic Law to prove that they could sustain a radiation of energy sufficient to maintain life, motion and light upon a planetary system. They passed this initiation successfully and were then vested by the Great Central Sun with authority and power to create, a universe.

Here, if you please, we shall sing a song of praise to the Great Central Sun. Let us picturize in our minds the coronation of the beloved Helios and Vesta by the Deity, before the planetary system was begun.

(Audience rises and sings "Great Central Sun")

We have now visualized the God-Father and God-Mother crowned with authority to create their universe.

Then we find them, like any loving parents, designing conversationally with thought and feeling, the size of their planets, their location and the number of lifestreams that would abide upon each one. Just as wise home-builders would plan to build a house, we find these great beings drawing the light pattern of their proposed universe into their world, through their thought and feeling centers.

When the design was completed to their satisfaction, a mighty, majestic Being was summoned, who became the great Cosmic Silent Watcher of this new universe. Into her consciousness was placed the design of all the planets that were to belong to the system. She absorbed the plan and accepted the responsibility of holding the IMMACULATE CONCEPT for each planet until such time as Helios and Vesta would designate the Cosmic moment when that particular planet was to be externalized.

In due time came the hour when the planet Earth was to come into form. A great Being called the PLANETARY SILENT WATCHER was then summoned, who received into her keeping from the COSMIC Silent Watcher the plan for the new planet, accepting in turn the responsibility of holding the immaculate concept for the Earth until the divine plan was

fulfilled to the last detail.

For a moment now, I will ask you to give your recognition and love to both of these great beings as you listen to the music of adoration to their flame. Will you try to realize that the accuracy, the patience and the fidelity of these Silent Watchers are responsible for the perfection of the pattern upon which the universe, as well as the individual planets, is built. If those Beings had, even for one instant, relinquished that immaculate concept, the universe would have been distorted in form and the planets might not even have coalesced.

At last, the cosmic moment for the birth of the planet Earth had arrived. The Silent Watcher of the Earth stood in readiness and the seven Mighty Elohim, cosmic builders of form, were summoned. They answered the call and standing around the planetary Silent Watcher, studied intently the plan for the sweet Earth which was their joy, service and opportunity to bring into form. Their first activity in this direction was the projection of mighty light rays from their combined consciousnesses which formed the matrix of the new planet. When this was done, they summoned the lesser builders of form, the angel devas and the elemental spirits. These beings magnetized the electronic light substance, filling in and fashioning the planet according to the instructions given them by the Elohim. As builders return to the blueprint of the architect, so did the Elohim return again and again to the study of the light pattern held in the consciousness of the Silent Watcher.

The Elohim invoked the Directors of the great forces of nature. The majestic Virgo, the mighty Neptune and the beloved Aries, joyously answered the summons, grateful for the opportunity of contributing the gift of their respective elements to the comfort and well-being of the newly born earth and its future inhabitants.

After this came the invocation to the Spirit of Spring the beloved Amaryllis, to come and set up the rhythm of the Spring in blossom, flower and beauty of nature. This beautiful Goddess came in answer to the call, bringing with her legions of angelic and elemental helpers. Their combined energies clothed the sweet Earth in such beauty and gladness that she looked like a beautiful dryad, wearing a wreath of flowers upon her head, waiting to welcome the spirits who were to make her their home.

Now, as you sing your song of praise to the lovely Amaryllis, you will feel her essence flowing through the elementals into the once shining planet, now so despoiled, the planet which we ask you to restore.

(Audience stands and sings "Sweet Amaryllis")

Nine hundred consecutive rhythms of Springtime came and went to

make the Earth more and more beautiful! See the lakes and the great rivers, see the giant waterfalls and the crystal seas, see the mountains pointing their fingers toward God! Feel the immortal Threefold Flame of God pulsating from within the Earth's center, that great Eternal Sun of even pressure! Think ye not then, that the mankind about to receive this planet as their dwelling place, WAS DESTINED FOR SOME GREAT PURPOSE!

See the elementals weaving the smallest and daintiest of flowers, the great devas unfolding the leaves on the trees, see the great spirits of the air active and working in their own element, see all nature working together harmoniously to the rhythmic music of creation!

While all this activity is going on, while the great Elohim and the lesser builders of form, the angel devas and the members of the elemental kingdom are creating and beautifying the planet, Helios and Vesta (the God-Parents) are drawing from the great Central Sun the spirit sparks who are to be the beneficiaries of all this preparation and love. These will rest within the bosom of Vesta until the God-Parents are ready for the projection of the electronic bodies which will be the garments of these spirits.

See now the beloved Helios and Vesta, as they prepare (in cooperation with the seven Elohim) to fashion out of electronic light substance those beautiful shining bodies which you call the Electronic Presences! These were created in the form and design of the God Parents, the mighty light rays from within their twin hearts converging and forming individual foci of the immortal Threefold Flame of God which will be a magnet for the universal light substance. When this is accomplished, the spirit spark is transferred from the heart of Vesta into the flame within the heart of the shining body prepared for it. Thus each being becomes conscious of his own individual identity, and through the magic words "I AM", finds himself a living, breathing intelligence vested with life, opportunity and free will, the pathway through the entire universe lying open before him, to make of it what he shall choose.

Beloved ones, I would like you to FEEL that creation as it took place. FEEL the Holy Innocents born out of the bosom of the Eternal, primal life and self-conscious intelligence not yet misqualified, secure in itself, enjoying the happiness and warmth of the aura of God. They clustering like small children around the skirts of their mothers, seeking nothing beyond the privilege of joining in the praise and adoration of the angels.

Then came the day when those ego spirits were touched by the spirit of adventure. They saw all of the seven spheres stretched out before

them, seven magnificent realms to which they might have access if they chose to explore it. Under the direction of the Manu they then start on their long journey through the seven inner spheres for the expansion of their consciousness .

See you now, beloved ones, these innocent spirits as they begin to slowly wend their way outward from the heart of God into the first realm of Light. Here they enjoy the beauty and perfection of the ideas that permeate its atmosphere. Some egos elect to remain in this sphere while the others pass on to the second realm where these ideas are molded into definite thought forms. Some spirits remain behind in this sphere also, while the others pass on into the third realm.

In the third realm they are made acquainted with the principles of universal brotherhood, which include the qualms of tolerance, forbearance and understanding. In this sphere they come to a realization that opportunity of service to life lies before them and as before, some decide to remain here, while others pass on to the next sphere.

In this fourth realm their attention is drawn to the exquisite perfection of its architecture, the beauty of its paintings, and its sculpture, and the artistic compositions of its music, prose and verse. Some spirits also remain here, the others passing on to the fifth realm, the sphere of consecration.

In this sphere, a few discover within themselves a vocation. Some remain here, while the others pass on into the sixth realm. Here they find that reverence, devotion and worship are the activities engaging the attention of the brotherhood in the temples. Some spirits remain in this sphere, the rest passing on to the seventh great realm which is devoted to ordered service and ceremonial worship. Here they hear the mighty Chohan in charge of this realm say, "Hitherto the Father worketh, but now the Father and YOU shall work." The spirits who have passed through the seven spheres have drawn into their Causal Bodies the seven great bands of colors. These are the egos who have qualified for an initial embodiment on the planet Earth.

Many, many spirits never leave the bosom of the Eternal Father. Many remain in each one of the seven spheres. Only the stalwart, the bold and the strong pass through the entire seven spheres, and stand finally in that Seventh Sphere, saying triumphantly within themselves, "It is a joy and opportunity to serve!"

If you will join now in the singing of that lovely hymn, "Opportunity to Call," you will again feel the radiation which you felt when you first

determined within yourself to offer your services as you sojourned in the third realm where that opportunity first presented itself. How many among you still carry that enthusiasm? YET, DEAR ONES, OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IS MAGNIFICENT!

(Audience sings "Opportunity to Call.")

Now, beloved ones, your consciousnesses have looked back upon the Earth while she was yet in the process of preparation. You have looked upon the new and innocent egos as they passed through the seven spheres, as they journey, evolving the seven bands of color in their Causal Bodies. The sphere that had the greatest attraction for the individual ego and the one in which it chose to remain for the longest period of time became the strongest radiation in the lifestream as well as the one which produced the most predominant band of color in the Causal Body.

Thus it was that each ego became, through choice, a member of one of the seven rays. It was a purely voluntary dedication of its life—no one issued the edict, "You are a First Ray man" or "You are a Second or a Third Ray man." Each ego chose according to the promptings of its own God Flame and this voluntary choice determined under which Ray it would eventually develop.

In the meantime, the Elohim had completed the creation of the planet by focusing upon it a beautiful Fire Lotus composed of their seven joint rays which, like a brilliant jewel adorning the hair of the beloved Virgo, was a signal to Helios and Vesta and the Cosmic Law that the Earth was now ready for habitation.

At the same instant, the Manu drew before him all the souls who had passed through the seven spheres and chose a number according to the momentums of energy represented by the bands of color in the Causal Bodies. He selected one out of three for incarnation, allowing the others to remain and wait for future opportunity. The egos in whose Causal Bodies the blue color predominated, proving they were members of the First Ray, were the first ones chosen for embodiment. Thus the first root race was established upon the planet Earth.

The call then went forth to the other stars and planets in our system for volunteer helpers who would act as guardian spirits to the Innocents who were to enjoy evolution upon the Earth. Guardian spirits are lifestreams of more mature consciousness, who have successfully passed through a similar process of spiritual evolution on other stars and planets and sometimes even in other systems. They came from Venus and. from

the various suns of this galaxy, beautiful beings who joined the Manu, saying, "Yes, we will go with you because of certain momentums we possess which may assist this new race.

All was now in readiness. The call for the descent went forth from the beloved Helios and Vesta. The great Seventh Sphere opened and the descent of the innocents began in orderly procession.

The beloved Archangel Michael, wearing a resplendent crown upon his head and carrying the royal blue banner of his ray on which was emblazoned in letters of gold "I AM THE WILL OF GOD," led the magnificent cortege, accompanied by the legions of his court, who were to guard the newcomers. He was followed by the Lord Manu and the assisting beings who had assumed the responsibility of assisting in the spiritual development of the new ego spirits. Next came those, for whom all this loving preparation had been made, the Holy Innocents themselves, clad in their beautiful, shining etheric bodies.

When every foot in that vast assemblage had touched the Earth, all knelt around that great banner, and Lord Michael voiced the invocation to the one eternal god of Light that his will might ever be done on Earth as it was in the heavenly kingdom. He then made a solemn vow before all life, that he would never leave the atmosphere of Earth until every lifestream, not only in that first group, but all those who were to come in the future, had completed their mission and returned in dignity to their Father's home. EVERY KNEE WAS BENT, EVERY HEAD WAS BOWED IN GRATITUDE AND EVERY HEART WAS FILLED WITH PRAISE, LOVE AND THE DESIRE "TO BE."

If you will now give Lord Michael your joint adoration in song, you will again feel those currents, for many of you were among that first group.

(Audience rises and sings "To Lord Michael.")

After the consecration of the Innocents, the group was divided into sections; some members going north, some south, some east and some west. Thus began the first Golden Age on this planet.

As they journeyed, the guardian spirits sang the song of the Flame Bearers to keep the ego spirits reminded of the immortal flame that each one carried in his breast, as well as the mission he had come to Earth to accomplish.

(Audience sings "The Flame Bearers" in remembrance.)

Thus, beloved ones, began a great pilgrimage which has continued to the present day. Thus walked out of the heart of heaven, sons and daughters of the Most High Living God, many of whom are now imprisoned in forms that are far, far less than the perfection they should express.

Think not, then, that all this priceless energy and life invested in you and others was for some great destiny? Then can you not be grateful to the God-Parents who created you the guardian spirits and the angelic host who have protected you the elementals that have sustained your body's life, not to mention those members of the Great White Brotherhood who have remained voluntary exiles from the glories of Nirvana that you may find the pathway back home?

From the heart of the Royal Teton we are authorized to send forth the missionaries, the firebrands, the spiritual incendiaries to make the soul-light of mankind again blaze with the enthusiasm, the purity and the harmony which it had in the beginning. From among the student body, if we find a few so willing to dedicate themselves to this cause, our service shall not have been in vain. Thank you, beloved ones, for your extreme patience, for your beautiful concentration and for your divine love.

The day when you can, self-consciously and at will, blaze the light through your flesh form and illumine the atmosphere around you, that day will you realize that all of the discipline and all of the many so-called unpleasant but necessary experiences of life have been worth it.

Until then, feel free to summon me as you choose and always remember that I AM the servant of your Light and I AM your friend. I thank you.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE MERCY OF A NEW OPPORTUNITY

MAHA CHOHAN

The mercy and kindness of the Eternal Father is best manifested in that absolute, unconditional granting of new opportunities to fulfill the divine plan. THERE IS NO SUCH THING, THANK GOD, AS AN UNFORGIVABLE SIN! There is no such unhappy apparition as an eternally "lost" soul! Always, at the slightest request of the individual consciousness to "make things right," there is afforded opportunity for a new beginning. Then, clothed in the individualizations through whom opportunity can best come, MERCY REACHES OUT HER HAND AND THE ASCENT HAS BEGUN, BACK TO THE HEART AND THRONE OF THE ETERNAL!

EL MORYA

At the close of each twelve-month cycle, the mercy of the Cosmic Law allows a cosmic cleansing of the substance, energy and primal life which has been drawn by mankind and the elemental kingdom and qualified WITHOUT MALICE OR VICIOUS INTENT. Thus so much of the karma of the individual, of the nation, of the planet itself obliterated and the necessity of reaping a harvest of tears and pain is wiped out without the conscious knowledge of the beneficiaries. Wise the chela, who acknowledges this surging tide of Violet Transmuting Flame and adds to the mercy it embodies, his own individual application in magnetizing and radiating that merciful alchemy.

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In order for each individual and elemental to enter the positive, vibrant tides of spiritual energy which bring to birth a New Year, mercy has provided a mass purification of discordantly and imperfectly qualified energy at the end of the previous twelve-month cycle. As a child is born on a surge of energy and is literally swept into the world of form, so does the New Year come forth on a Cosmic Tide. Wise indeed is the purification of the consciousness, bodies, souls, and very selves of the chelas PRECEDING the infusion of this cosmic energy.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

No wise and loving parent would conscientiously punish a child for a sin of omission or commission where there was no deliberate intent to do wrong. How much more then does the heavenly Father desire to extend the hand of mercy to his children! Yet, law is law. Primal life is invoked by the individual consciousness and qualified through the use of the priceless gift of free will. Some intelligence, some place, somewhere must redeem, purify and return that life to the pristine purity with which it was endowed when it first came forth in obedience to the summons of the individual. At the close of each twelve-month cycle the process of such purification of the countless billions of tons of misqualified life is performed by voluntary intelligent beings who utilize the same Violet Transmuting Flame which mankind has been taught to invoke. Blessed is the unascended lifestream who chooses to join in this planetary purification, in preparation for the descent of the cosmic energies for the New Year.

SERAPIS BEY

The aspirant must learn that all life is a balance, a giving and a receiving. Even the simplest of natural body functions, breathing, proves this irrefutable law. In desiring to master the laws that govern the cosmos, mankind seem to feel that there is no such science of balance. IN THIS THEY ARE SO GRIEVOUSLY MISTAKEN! For instance, when an individual desires to become a candidate for the ascension, from the moment he is accepted, his activity is two-fold. He is taught individual development and mastery but running parallel to all instruction so given, is a requisite of service according to his capacities, developed consciousness and individual momentums. THOSE WHO DESIRE KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT THE BALANCE OF "GIVING," EITHER OF LIFE, SERVICE, SUB-STANCE OR APPLICATION, HAVE NO PLACE EVEN ON THE ROLLS OF AS-PIRANT FOR TRAINING, LEADING TO THE SUBLIMATION OF ALL SELFISH-NESS AND IMPURITY. The yearly purification of the Earth, its atmosphere and its inhabitants, becomes a great opportunity, to test the sincerity of the chela—the Aegean stables of Hercules soon separate the "wheat from the chaff" without necessity of individual selection upon our part.

HILARION

Looking from the inner standpoint at the prolific release of primal life from the source of our system into the channels which have magnetized such life, one is constantly amazed at the generosity of God. So much of this priceless life has flowed into the atmosphere of Earth in the course of one year, unfortunately having been misqualified, that the blanket of psychic effluvia would smother the mankind of Earth and the imprisoned elementals, WERE IT NOT FOR AN IMPERSONAL COSMIC PURIFICATION OF THIS ENERGY. In this cosmic purification, every member of the angelic Ascended Master and devic kingdoms join. Initiates in retreats have been privileged to be a part of this impersonal purification. Now, good members of the race who read these words may join their collective and individual calls for such purification if they wish to participate in it. The measure of their motive and their participation will determine the sincerity of their desire to see the planet and their fellowman free.

JESUS

The immortal Threefold Flame within the heart is the magnet which draws primal. life into the use and governing power of the individual. In each year, every lifestream has used much of that beautiful life in a more limited way, than God intended. If the individual has unconsciously misqualified life through ignorance of the spiritual law or through misguided motives, such an one qualifies for the "mass forgiveness" and is enveloped in the cosmic Violet Transmuting flame. ONLY THE WRONG, CONSCIOUSLY DONE, BECOMES A KARMA WHICH MUST BE EXPIATED THROUGH CONSCIOUS BALANCE TO LIFE.

SAINT GERMAIN

How, exactly, does the individual cooperate with this cosmic purification at the close of each year? First, he must want freedom for his planet, his fellowmen and imprisoned elementals enough to be willing to the Violet Transmuting Flame. Second, he must know how to magnetize, expand and direct this flame. Finally, he must have at least a passing acquaintanceship with its I AM Presence.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA— Beloved Master: How does a man change the "pattern" of his life? For instance, if an individual experiences cycles of failure, limitation, ill health and wishes to rise above repetitions of such experiences, what is the science to be applied?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First, the individual must WILL to change the pattern. You use an apt word, for the experiences that weight heavily upon the race are truly "patterns" designed by thought force and energized by rampant feelings. Resignation, lethargy and righteous acceptance of such patterns, as they appear upon the screen of life, lead to a certain vicarious "enjoyment" based upon the erroneous statement that "the Lord (Law) chastiseth those whom he loveth." The individual who wills to dissolve the pattern with sufficient earnestness and tenacity of feeling, becomes the master of circumstance.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Many men will to change the conditions that appear on the screen of life—war, famine, pestilence, disease, death itself, but know not how to go about it.

GURU—Blessed Chela: When the will is strong, one man can change the course of history. Let us remind you of the Master Jesus, whose will, coupled with action born of love, transcended even the appearance of death.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Following the will to do, what is the course of the individual's activity?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The will is a magnetic power that draws into the compass of the individual's own aura opportunities, based upon the capacities, developed momentums and consciousness of the individual. These opportunities are invoked by the inner will of a man and are provided by intelligences who carefully measure his worth and strengths. Sad it is, that man's perception so often fails to discern the hand of opportunity, looking for a more glamorous and spectacular type of service which is ofttimes far beyond the capacities of the individual.

CHELA—Beloved Master: After the individual wills with his whole heart, soul, spirit and mind to change the pattern of his life, must he then be alert for every opportunity to better his physical and mental dexterities and to help the current cause of the cosmic moment while preparing for the great opportunity?

GURU—Blessed Chela: You have spoken truly! Many an applicant for

spiritual mastery has wasted away pining for a visitation while the hand of the Goddess of Opportunity had manifested through the veil of his own aura a thousand times in the course of one yearly cycle. He who grasps opportunity and is PRACTICALLY about "his Father's business" prepares for the greater opportunity to come.

CHELA—Beloved Master: If the individual does perceive an opportunity to help his fellowman or the Great White Brotherhood through some service is this enough to change the pattern of his life?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No! Service performed as "duty," in which there is no "love," is of little use to the Master or the individual's own Presence. The individual must LOVE to perform these services which in themselves are changing the form and pattern of his past cycles of imperfect manifestation. He must EAGERLY rush to meet opportunity. Such a man builds a new pattern out of the substance of GRACE.

CHELA—Beloved Master: The individual who serves willingly, perceiving opportunity is then Master?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No. There must be INDIVIDUAL HUMILITY AND PURITY OF CONSCIOUSNESS so that the pattern and design of the Master is not distorted according to the arrogance of human will. Illumined obedience is required of the individual who wishes to submerge self in an organization where, on a moment's notice, any member is required to give ALL of his momentum to a cosmic crises. The individual who must be persuaded, coaxed and generally reprimanded for deviation from the divine plan, must learn the lesson of nature's spirits who reproduce WITH MATHEMATICAL ACCURACY AND PRECISION the design and form of the lotus, the lily and the rose.

CHELA—Beloved Master: When the individual has surrendered the human egotism and desire to "improve" upon the designs of heaven, is his training complete?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No! Tenacity of spirit, the ability to "stay with" a project until it is completed is also a requisite for mastery. For instance, if the Silent Watcher of this sweet Earth should tire of holding the pattern within her consciousness, dissolution of the planet would ensure. Many a man begins a project with great enthusiasm only to expend his energies and abandon the design long before it has served its purpose. IF YOU WANT HEALTH, HOLD TO YOUR DESIGN UNTIL IT IS MANIFEST, AND THEN SUSTAIN IT SO LONG AS YOU ARE REQUIRED TO USE A PHYSICAL BODY. If you desire financial opulence, HOLD to your application until it is manifested unto you, and then a word of warning—do not abandon your ap-

plication, for all in this world is fleeting, unless sustained consciously after it is drawn forth.

CHELA—Beloved Master: After, one has accepted the mental picture of what he desires in place of the pattern of failure, or has accepted a picture which the Masters would like to externalize; after such an one perceives the opportunities that come his way to externalize the pattern; after one has held that concept free from intrusion of his own outer consciousness as well as the disintegrating consciousness of others and after the individual has made sufficient application in visualization; invocation and decree, is he surely then Master of circumstance?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No! Every manifest form is held in the physical appearance world through the concentration of some intelligence, human or divine. Otherwise it begins, through disintegration, to return to the unformed. Witness the beautiful homes brought forth and sustained while some strong lifestreams held the pattern and used the energies required to sustain them. When they are abandoned they fall into ruin. Great business enterprises suffer like fates. Mighty empires builded through the strength and vision of a few men fall into ruin when their sponsors leave the scene of Earth. This is a very good visual example of what happens to your new "pattern" of mastery, opulence, health, or whatever it may be unless YOU STAY WITH IT unto the end.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Are the foregoing then the sum total of requisites in order to become a precipitating presence and a channel for the Brotherhood?

GURU—Blessed Chela: One more requisite, almost the most important of all, I would lay before the altar of your consciousness. That is the necessity for maintaining harmony and peace, not only during the process of your experimentation with the law of conscious precipitation and the law of self mastery, but AFTER the manifestation occurs. PEACE IS THE SEALING PROCESS THAT SUSTAINS YOUR ENDEAVORS. Without peace the greatest empire, the most beautiful religious faith, the most powerful world trust, cannot endure; nor can the smallest manifestation of the most timid man.

FORCEFIELDS By the beloved Maha Chohan

November, 1954

I would like to speak briefly on the subject of "forcefields." As you know, I am the representative of the Spirit of Nature for the planet Earth. All the species of flower, shrub and tree are held in embryo within my consciousness and released freely to the spirits of nature, the directors of the planetary and localized verdures, flora and fauna.

As every manifest gift of nature is primarily an IDEA (from the great oceans and mountain ranges to the smallest violet tucked away amid the moss of the forest), so each "forcefield" in this exquisite garden of spiritual foci which I AM sponsoring and nourishing, first comes as a "seed idea" into the consciousness of some receptive individual.

If welcomed in enthusiasm, the idea takes form in the mind of the chela (sponsor in the unascended realm). The chela then builds that form out of the thought force of his own lifestream and the cooperative energies of any group of individuals with whom he shares the design. The feelings of the chela arid his group determine the size, efficacy, quality and cosmic service which can be rendered by that particular "forcefield." The constant rhythmic feeding of the pattern keeps it from dissipating into the unformed ethers and, of course, the "ensouling" of these "forcefields" by the angel devas has given much greater strength and radiating power to them.

For instance, besides LOVING the elemental kingdom there must be a strong positive current that GOVERNS their activities in time of crisis. Energy which fills human hearts and elemental hearts as well, SURGES UNDER EXTREME PRESSURES. One who has stood in earnest contemplation upon the seashore and looked upon the powerful essence in the undines can grasp the truth that the "forcefield" of an individual and a group would have to be extremely positive to govern a raging sea.

Now, the perfume of the "forcefields", as they are nourished and expanded, is an actual "essence" of spiritual light. This impersonally flows over the Earth and through the sensitive elements of the souls of men. I AM the gardener endeavoring to create a beautiful garden of victory for the Earth. The specific service of each "forcefield" becomes a powerhouse which can infuse its momentum through the other "forcefields" in time of crises. No one "forcefield" can do the work of another. The generalized "forcefields" of the churches and metaphysical units lose some of their efficiency because they do not specialize. It is my desire to have

such specialization.

Remember, children, that the garden grows through EXPOSURE to different types of radiation. The gardener who fears for his tender shoots and holds an umbrella over them, loses his crop. The strong winds that carry certain pollens and certain spiritual nourishment's are as necessary as the gentle Sun and the breeze of April. Nature has a way of preserving the species, but not through foolish solicitude. It is done through careful planting and invitation to the four elements. So should it be in spiritual endeavors.

THE PURPOSE OF THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM

By Beloved El Morya

April, 1954

Beloved friends! Accept my extreme gratitude for your accomplishments in service to life. Faith and confidence entrusted in unascended beings has proven worthwhile and a harvest of merit is being offered to life, to the universe and to the Spiritual Hierarchy as proof that when mankind know what to do to cooperate with the divine plan, they are willing and eager to do it.

I have contended for some ages that it was an important principle in the endeavors of the Great White Brotherhood to serve the race, to secure the conscious, intelligent cooperation of unascended beings. I have felt that the efficacy of the well meaning was limited, not so much due to willful disobedience, as from ignorance resulting from the veil clouding the spiritual sight and vision. For many ages I have awaited the opportunity to prove my point in the world of form. The recent dispensation granted me to reach the conscious mind of the chelas has proven that a mind sharpened, an intellect illumined and a consciousness spiritually nourished, will produce effects of merit even through limited and impure energies. My point, well proven, has been accepted by beloved Sanat Kumara, my own beloved teacher, the Maha Chohan and the Lords of Karma. Since this point has been proven, it will give us greater freedom to act because, where ideas sown in the fertile consciousness of the people bring actual manifest works, there can be no denying further and further opportunity to sow new ideas. It is my responsibility to see that those ideas are sown in the consciousness which can best manifest actual works.

Through the investment of the vital energies of the Great White Brotherhood in those consciousnesses which show promise and merit, and then in the harvest offered by those who have been given opportunity to serve with the Hierarchy, we will eventually focalize the energies, confidences and instructions of the brotherhood only through those who really mean and prove, IN WORKS, their willingness to cooperate with the current activities of the hour.

Lip worshippers and those who promise to serve life by tongue alone, have been plentiful in every age but the man who serves in manifest action is the man who writes IN HIS OWN BLOOD, IF NECESSARY, with his own voluntary energies, that he is, in truth, interested in evolution and mankind's progress. You have proven this, you have given me opportunity to stand before the Karmic Board, to stand before the lesser councils and to show that it was no mistake of judgment to allow me to reach through the veil and attempt to FORM A PARTNERSHIP between the Godfree and unascended mankind. This partnership is already bearing fruit in the physical appearance world, as well as at inner levels.

It is a magnificent offering before the Cosmic Law, in which your energies have joined my own, to further the evolution of the race. Entertainment and selfish accretion of spiritual knowledge IS NOT THE PURPOSE OF THIS ENDEAVOR. It is not a panacea to cover personal pain of consciousness, mind or body. This is a conscious endeavor TO BRIDGE THE CHASM between the Ascended Master consciousness and the minds of men so that they willing to serve, may know what to do and when to do it. It is to tie today's energies into the requirement of the present hour. It is to make religion serve—not through a mist of 2,000 years of past events—but in TODAY'S COSMIC ENDEAVORS. Those who are interested in this vision, may not be numerous, but they will be worthy of our time, attention and hope.

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TO THE BELOVED SOURCE OF ALL LIFE

We humbly, gratefully, reverently and sincerely dedicate this issue of The Bridge to Freedom.

Everything that has been accomplished through all the ages that have been has been made possible through the gift of life endowed upon some self-conscious intelligence. Neither man nor angel, neither Master nor serf exists without the beneficence of the Giver of Life. Through all the centuries that have passed across the screen of time, individual intelligences have been contributing to the progress of the race and to the development of the spiritual culture and maturity of mankind. Even these contributions, no matter how great, were only made possible because of the investment of life in the channel through which the benefaction was received.

We, who have used life so lavishly through the ages and who now stand in the fullness of its mastery, bless the Father-Mother God who has given us both the OPPORTUNITY for self expression and the JOY of becoming co-creators of God-perfection through the use of free will. On behalf of mankind and particularly our gentle readers, we also thank the SOURCE of all life for the OPPORTUNITY presently before them to widen the borders of the kingdom of perfection.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom MAHA CHOHAN'S TEMPLE OF COMFORT AT CEYLON

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Our Lord, Maha Chohan, is the overlord and spiritual superior to the seven great Chohans who stand at the head of each of the seven rays. Up until very recently, his cosmic activity was connected primarily with only the rays three through seven. Because of the great cosmic requirements of the spiritual hour, his activities now encompass the first and second rays and their Chohans as well.

At the southern tip of India lies a beautiful island wherein is located the Temple of Comfort of the Maha Chohan. In this serene focus where the chelas and the Masters themselves learn the mastery of cosmic energies in order to be an impersonal comfort to life, the Lord Maha Chohan concentrates the cosmic quality of comfort and peace to all life; not only the mankind evolving through Earth's evolution, but the life of nature, the forces of the elements, the angelic kingdom, the bird life and even the four-footed creatures as well.

Within the compass, of what seems to all intents and purposes an ordinary tea plantation, this great cosmic retreat functions. Here, often the Lord Maha Chohan and his seven "sons" (the Chohans) gather together to discuss ways and means of best benefiting the human race. Looking out upon the blue waters where the Indian Ocean and the Bay of Bengal meet, the Temple of Comfort is not only a spiritual sanctuary, but a physical place of rest and respite from the cares that beset the day of the very few so privileged as to be invited to enter Its sacred portals.

The large council chamber holds within itself the actual focus of the Comfort Flame. Exactly what does this mean? It means, in essence, that through many ages the Lord Maha Chohan and his predecessors in grace became interested in the virtue and quality of comfort. They desired to magnetize the comfort that abides in the vibratory action of the kingdom of heaven and make a radiating center of that Comfort Flame in India. Just as the radiation of the physical sun warms, lights and sustains our planet Earth and our universe, so too do these particular spiritual foci form radiating centers of definite, specific God qualities which are beneficial to the spiritual awakening and development of the divine nature in man.

All individuals who desire comfort of any kind, mental, emotional or physical, are welcome to attend this thirty day Council, and to all such, ministering angels come upon call, invocation or prayer. However, only those who desire to GIVE comfort, to become through individual application and prayerful service comforting presences to others are accepted by this great Lord, through whose body passes all the energy that sustains and animates the evolutions in and upon Earth. It is a great honor as well as a great responsibility to accept even an ounce of his priceless energy. For this reason the mankind of Earth who are allowed the privilege of becoming his guests during this thirty-day cycle will do well to endeavor, through the cooperation of the Holy Christ Self, to become in THEMSELVES radiating centers of comfort and peace to all in their homes, environments, spiritual centers, and the world generally.

Note: For further detail on the retreat of the Lord Maha Chohan, please see Bridge to Freedom, Book 1

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YOUR OPPORTUNITY IS NOW Beloved Goddess Of Justice (Portia)

April, 1954

Good evening, beloved of the Earth! In answer to your invitation, I come to bring to you the extreme gratitude of the Karmic Board of whom you have heard so much and of whom you yet know so little. As the Great Board meets in the Halls of Karma, we remind you to witness the results of your earnest and good endeavors proving that unascended lifestreams, yet working out individual karma, may change the course and destiny of many hundreds of lifestreams at inner levels.

Today is a day of great spiritual opportunity! This entire era and age is one of opportunity, which it is my privilege and honor to represent cosmically in this great world scheme.

Have you thought that, while you have being and conscious intelligence in any sphere, while you have the use of life, YOU HAVE OPPORTUNITY IN THAT SPHERE. The moment you relinquish consciousness and self-conscious being in any sphere you lose opportunity to further function there. So avail yourselves, dear hearts, while you are still in this physical appearance world (the place of greatest need in all our solar system), of the opportunity that is yours. You have this opportunity because you are part of the physical, mental, emotional and etheric world through which we are endeavoring to pour the sacred love of the Sacred Fire for redemption's sake.

How many times before the Karmic Board has a soul plead for opportunity to return to this sphere which seems so distasteful, so unpleasant and so difficult in which to abide! Yet when the soul has once relinquished the Earth body and sees what it might have done with the use of light, substance, energy and the opportunities that were at hand in the course of that Earth life, SOMETIMES IT HAS TO BE FORCIBLY RESTRAINED FROM A FRENZIED ENDEAVOR TO GET BACK INTO EMBODIMENT AND MAKE THINGS RIGHT. While you have opportunity—opportunity in your family life, opportunity in your business world, opportunity in your group activity—to make things right with each other, make the path easier for each other and to make it more possible to reach each man and woman to fulfill their mission, IN THE NAME OF YOUR SOUL I IMPLORE YOU, TO DO ALL THAT OPPORTUNITY AFFORDS FOR YOUR OWN PEACE OF MIND AND HEART.

Many a salty tear has been shed, many have experienced the feeling of deep remorse that has risen within the soul when opportunity to serve has fled. In your Earth plane, there are those you have either neglected or ignored and who are no longer with you. How often you have wished that you had opportunity again to do for them the little things that would have made life easier, to have said the kind words, to have given them the encouragement, to have provided some comfort, perhaps of a small nature, that would have given the loved one an easier pathway through the world of form. Of all sad words of tongue and pen, the saddest of all is, "it might have been."

Beloved ones, TODAY is YOUR day of opportunity! Today YOU have a beating heart, beautiful primal life is given to you. You awaken each morning with that life. You have enough knowledge of the law as we individually have been able to give to you and each of you have certain momentums of good in your causal body; certain understanding, certain substance of the good of this world, certain momentums of healing.

You have opportunity without limit to assist in the cosmic momentum of each hour. Mankind always seems to look either backward into the glorious yesterday or forward into the shining tomorrow. They say "if I had lived in that era when that dispensation of Jesus Christ was coming to its height, I would have made things easier for that family" or they look forward into the tomorrow and say, "when I have developed and matured my consciousness and placed my world in order and when I have done one thing or another, then I shall consecrate the balance of my life to God."

Yesterday is gone and most of us who have lived in the yesterday, repeat the patterns again today. Tomorrow often never comes. The eternal now is that which is at hand, that which is yours to serve through the use of life. NOW IS THE OPPORTUNITY THAT STANDS BEFORE YOU. As our

beloved sister has written "Coming in many disguises, not always blazing her light; only vibration apprises what's to be done that is right." Do you understand?

BE ALERT FOR OPPORTUNITY. Opportunity knocks at your door to help your fellow men, to help mankind at large, to help my beloved Saint Germain in this great endeavor which has occupied his heart, his spirit and his prayers for countless centuries. Each day is filled with the gifts of opportunity and opportunity shall ever remain in this universe. There is always opportunity for a beating heart to progress to fulfillment. There was never a consciousness, when it voluntarily desires within itself to go forward, who is not given full opportunity for that progress.

A few short months ago, we, Saint Germain and I, assumed the cosmic office as the Chohan of the Seventh Ray and in that office we shall jointly reign for the next two thousand years. You will find me your friend and your counselor when you choose to apply yourself to my presence.

Beloved ones, remember the Law of Cosmic Justice is that no soul can be denied opportunity WHEN THAT SOUL ASKS FOR IT! No unascended group of lifestreams can be denied any opportunity to render any service (even the seemingly most fantastic) IF THEY ASK FOR IT. We have given you opportunity and you have accepted it. The service which has been rendered to both those who have passed through the change called death, as well as those who are coming into embodiment, is the proof of what opportunity can do when it is accepted in a firm hand-clasp of friendship.

Remember! I give you opportunity when first your consciousness returns each morning. You feel a beating heart and you say "opportunity is with me." Thank you and God bless you.

OPPORTUNITY TO CALL

I stand fore'er in the presence
Of Justice and Freedom's worth,
So humble, joyous and grateful
To be part of their plan for Earth!
Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful!

Is opportunity to call—
Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful!
Is God's eternal love for all!

I live and move—have my being— In the heart of Mercy's Flame, And blaze it through all I contact, Or think of—in Freedom's name!

Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! Grateful I shall ever be—
Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! Life gives all opportunity.

I'm clothed in love's perfect balance, Understanding of love and light, Determined with all that's within me To raise Earth to Heaven's height!

Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! Is opportunity to serve! Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! Bringing the light all life deserves!

And one day, bathed in the glory Of pink Adoration's Flame, I'll fill all space with the story—The victory of love I AM!

Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! This my praise shall ever be! Oh how marvelous! Oh how wonderful! God's name I AM has SET ME FREE!

(Hymn tune: "My Savior Love")

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: How does a student enter the Silence?

GURU— Blessed Chela: Consciously entering the Great Silence is a positive and not a negative state of individual consciousness. Contemplation must never be confused with lethargy, nor adoration and devotion with imagery and visionary dreams. Herein lies the training in wisdom, discrimination, balance, purity of motive and perseverance of will and purpose.

CHELA—Beloved Master: When you say entering the Silence requires the establishment and the maintenance of a positive state of consciousness— what do you mean?

GURU— Blessed Chela: I mean that the individual must engage the cooperation of his various vehicles of expression and use them to create an individual aura of peace, purity and tranquility. Within this personal aura, the individual must remain alert, focused in attention and in control of his concentrated powers, holding them upon the object of his devotions, whether it be the heart of God or some divine Representative of the King of Kings.

CHELA— Beloved Master: We have been told that long periods of contemplation are dangerous and open the individual to insidious influences.

GURU—Blessed Chela: Here, discrimination must be developed. Each individual is capable of a different amount of "applied contemplation" according to the personal control of his thought processes, his feelings, his etheric memories and the demands of the physical vehicle. One man, consciously preparing to commune with his Maker, finds his own mental processes weaving out of the substance of thought, a screen of irrelevant thoughts.

Another man, able to concentrate his thoughts, finds the surging tide of his emotional nature re-vivifying past injustices. Still another enjoys the ever responsive sea of memories that flow from the etheric body. A man, well able to control his thoughts, feelings and memories, may find the demands of cramped muscles, itching skin or other physical discomforts disturbing his tasks. Each chela must take personal note of his own capabilities and capacities of stilling his vehicles and then in wisdom develop the "applied contemplation" according to his increasing efficacy in the mastery and control of his vehicles.

The vibratory action of the soul itself, the motive animating the soul

toward communion with the inner self, the vibratory action and appetites of the inner bodies, will determine what type of influence can "play upon" the individual, seeking the peace of the Silence. When the heart is pure, the soul earnest and the conscious mind keenly alert to the deceptions of the ego that seek to aggrandize self through impressions of a grandiose nature, no subtle outside forces can enter the period of contemplation.

CHELA— Beloved Master: What is the advantage of entering the great Silence?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The advantages (and they are many) of entering the Silence could hardly be enumerated in this column.

First: It is in the Silence that the soul meets its Maker. This is the primary purpose of all religious endeavor, teaching, discipline, instruction and application. Where the lower self is so blatantly active, even in professions of faith, the great Presence cannot be felt, acknowledged nor allowed to flow through the outer self with sufficient intensity to accomplish that union which is known as the "second birth." In the Silence, when the soul and consciousness is sincerely, humbly, peacefully, gently and reverently loving God, a state of grace is established in the aura and the "many selves." In this state of grace the individual soul becomes open to the benediction and blessings, the healing currents, the flashes of illumination and encouragement, the pressures of faith and conviction which nourish the individual and make real spiritual progress possible.

Second: The conscious endeavor to control the thought and feeling nature, develops individual mastery, as does the discipline of the rebellions physical garment. In the East, of course, this mastery has been developed by many thousands, but the pendulum of endeavor has swung too far the other way, as the individuals are so "caught up" in the ecstasy of the Silence that they have forgotten, for the most part, that the entire purpose of such contemplation and its succeeding benediction and illumination is to translate the perfection of that inner realm into the physical appearance world. The great teacher of the East, the Lord Buddha, having passed through all the trials and tribulations of a soul endeavoring to find the heart of eternal peace, clearly manifested the balance of the Law; after attaining "The Ultimate," he returned to bring the fruits of his application to his fellowmen.

CHELA— Beloved Master: Does this period of contemplation suffice for personal application?

GURU— Blessed Chela: No! As I have said above, the Great Silence is

entered for a purpose. Even the Ascended Masters who choose to animate some particular portion of the divine plan make conscious obeisance at the throne of the Silence to secure both inspiration and direction and to draw the strength and power required to fulfill their new venture. The individual chela, particularly in the West, does not know the meaning of GETTING STILL. WHEN the body is quiet, the mind is racing, even in petitions to the Lord. Yet, in order to provide the spiritual stamina for the greater services, the period of quiet contemplation of the Presence with its attendant outpouring is requisite.

CHELA— Beloved Master: Could you give us a simple exercise or outline of such an activity as attempting to touch the "hem of the Robe" of the Silence?

GURU— Blessed Chela: Certainly.

FIRST: Find a place where you will be undisturbed. Constant interruptions are very injurious to the nervous system. The more beautiful, quiet and harmonious is your place of contemplation, the more will your senses cooperate with your endeavor. Frequency of aspiration IN THE SAME PLACE also brings an atmosphere of sanctity and each successive endeavor is complemented by the energies so devoted in like manner before. That is why in cathedrals, temples and homes of saintly lifestreams, it is easier to reach the altitude of consciousness which reveals the Ever-Presence.

SECOND: Place your physical body in a comfortable position. Remember, in all spiritual endeavors, the more cooperation you secure from your vehicles, the easier will be your achievement. To enter the Silence, however, is a positive activity. Therefore it is wise to sit, with spine erect, as the very position of lying prone is conducive to lethargy. (This of course is subject to modification in case of illness or other circumstances where the individual cannot wisely perform his adorations in the privacy of his own sanctuary.) Let me say here, discrimination and wisdom are required for the pursuit of the spiritual path and common sense, not a blind adherence to the letter of the law, is requisite to more than ordinary spiritual development.

For instance, to take a specific question about contemplation in the "dark" let me clarify this once and for all. To deliberately CREATE an atmosphere of darkness and then attempt to commune with the unknown is contrary to spiritual Law. However in the course of living, good students awakening through the night hours are not always afforded sufficient privacy to create artificial light. These good people are naturally protected by the aura of their own aspiration and can well utilize the time

in perfect safety when they cannot, for one reason or another, procure artificial light during application and spiritual contemplation.

THIRD: Relax. Most individuals are so tense they close the door to inflowing grace. Cultivate that state of "rest in action" so essential to poised, balanced living. The use of the rhythmic breath is very conducive to alert and poised relaxation.

FOURTH: Determine within yourself what being or activity from God's heart you desire to contemplate. Examine your motive impartially, wisely and with discrimination. If there is any desire for self seeking, for phenomena, for satisfaction of curiosity, you will defeat your purpose. The whole purpose of ACTIVE CONTEMPLATION is to enter the Presence of God and the heart of his messengers when one is propelled by divine Love for them and the progress of the universal scheme of creation.

FIFTH: Consciously FEEL yourself enveloped in God's Light, his presence, his love.

SIXTH: Endeavor to hold your thought processes and your feelings one-pointed in pouring forth love and blessings to God and his universe. (Even five minutes of concentration may prove enough for your first endeavors.)

SEVENTH: Endeavor to control the demands of your physical body during this time.

EIGHTH: If necessary, to provide a spiritual lever for your conscious mind and feelings, read some lovely uplifting piece of poetry or prose or listen to an inspiring melody.

NINTH: Have no fear of evil forces. While you are loving God, the angels and the Ascended Host, the natural vibration of your vehicles form a wall of light around you— a magnet to draw good influences and currents toward you and a natural repellent vibration to evil of every kind.

TENTH: Enjoy loving your Presence. When the feeling of peace fills your soul, you will know you are there. Rest in that peace and draw the currents of light and power which you will require for your endeavors in the world of form.

ELEVENTH: Consciously determine within yourself TO GIVE something of your radiant peace to your fellowman.

TWELFTH: The efficacy of all spiritual exercises is determined by the rhythm of the application. Five minutes daily at the same time, is better than two hours one day, and nothing the next.

The Masters Of Wisdom Speak

THE GRACE OF GOD

MAHA CHOHAN

The gift of spiritual grace is an activity of the Holy Spirit. Where grace is present, it is comparatively easy for the soul to comprehend its subtle radiation through the souls of others. Where grace has not yet entered the soul and consciousness of the individual, he is in a world apart from the glories of the spiritually elect. Although the majesty, the dignity, the love, the purity of the kingdom is manifest all about the soul not yet reborn in grace, he has eyes that see not and ears that hear not. Such an one misses many an opportunity and for all mankind. One of the greatest services that can be rendered is to call that the spiritual grace of God may enter, abide within, sublimate and sensitize the soul and outer consciousness. Such a one is then open to spiritual development.

EL MORYA

Except a man be in a state of grace, he cannot receive the blessings of God. Such is the time-worn statement of the orthodox. Yet within that phrase is a mighty truth. Every vibratory action connects with and ties into a similar rate of vibration and the two become one. Man can and must govern the vibratory action of his thoughts, his feelings, his etheric memories and his physical envelope as well. While he is not master of the control of the vibrations of his own vehicles, he is victim to the intrusion of all manner of imperfect vibrations which rush like a magnet to attach to the vibratory action set up through conscious or unconscious volition of self. The invocation of spiritual grace into the soul sets up a vibratory action which is receptive to the divine currents which flow through the atmosphere of Earth but which are too subtle to be recorded in the outer consciousness unless the magnet of grace draws them in, to nourish the soul.

KUTHUMI

Grace enters the soul when the outer self is still. Grace is a spiritual essence which permeates the outer consciousness when the personal ego surrenders the desire to be the actor, the designer, the ruling power in the world of form. It is by cultivating grace that every individual who has risen to perfection was enabled to comprehend the spiritual laws and

apply them to their own victory. It is grace which enables the chelas to believe in our existence and our ability to speak through the veil to enlighten the outer mind. When individuals lack faith, call for the Spirit of Grace to enter the soul. From within will flow that capacity to accept God and his messengers. This is a gift of grace which you can draw forth for your family and for your fellow man.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Have you thought how much the quality of grace enters into the perfection of expression, even in the world of form? What a man does "GRACEFULLY" is an accomplishment of merit. In men's dealings one with the other, much is done for duty's sake, grudgingly and reluctantly. Yet, how every individual responds when a fellowman renders a service gracefully, grants a pardon gracefully, offers a benefit unearned in a graceful manner. A gracious expression of man's service marks him as one who is "on the path." How full of grace is the Master Saint Germain in his great service to mankind! How graciously does he respond to every heart call! Let men take pattern from this Prince of Courtliness if they would live like those they profess to love.

SERAPIS BEY

"Listening grace" is the activity of soul recommended by the blessed Mary, Mother of Jesus. As the embodiment of this grace throughout her Earth life she proved that the capacity to perceive the presence of the angelic host in the numerous visitations so important to the protection of her son was an invaluable requisite to spiritual service. The development of grace in the souls of men makes it possible for them to recognize the spiritual vibrations at a given moment. These moments are opportunities that come and are gone in a split second. The man who is so busy sending out thought waves often misses the incoming currents which carry benediction and blessing.

HILARION

As one who missed the great Christian herald because of lack of grace, I can speak with authority in recommending the cultivation of this quality of God. (Hilarion WAS Saint Paul.) The outer mind, cluttered with so many remnants of intellectuality, the intolerant feelings driving their will through less stalwart men, the boisterous flesh, send out vibrations

which repel the delicate essence of grace. Like the dove, spiritual emblem of the Holy Spirit WHO IS EMBODIED GRACE, the spiritual grace which gives the soul the capacity to respond to the inner spirit must be invited in loving sincerity, in tenderness, in gentle invocation. Through the mercy of God, I was visited by the Presence of Jesus in spite of my personality and the grace which entered my soul, sanctifying my consciousness, enabled me to rise and become an expression of God which was of service to mankind in that era.

IESUS

Grace is humility, loving kindness, tolerance, spiritual tenderness, understanding. It is difficult to maintain a positive pressure of qualified energy which enables one to drive a pattern through to successful fulfillment and yet remain within a state of grace. Yet, I did this and so did my mother before me. Those who have not yet felt the stirrings of grace within them, will not understand these words but the few who do will become the invoking power of that grace, particularly through the chelas and students at this present time. This will be a secret, silent, unheralded order in which those who know something of grace will invoke and draw the presence of grace through the others. Without grace, no spiritual order nor movement can survive.

SAINT GERMAIN

Two men will listen to the same words spoken. One comprehends the truth and in him the Spirit of Grace is present. The other man listening to the same words, scoffs and brushes aside the words— in him the fertile spirit is not yet stirred to life. When the consciousness has accepted a religion, a leader, a savior, it is one thing to accept as gospel all that flows through that channel. Herein is no particular manifestation of grace. It is quite another thing to recognize truth, the presence of God, his word, no matter through whom it flows. HEREIN IS THE MARK OF THE MAN FILLED WITH GRACE. Credulity has caused the wounding of the souls of many men and the resulting bitterness repel the grace which is required to rise into communion with God and his Envoys. Practice makes perfect and the cultivation of a state of "listening grace" enables the spirit of a man to speak to many a chela which would otherwise be repelled by indifference and by intolerance of the outer self.

BELOVED SAINT GERMAIN ON HIS PREVIOUS SERVICE

April 21, 1954

Beloved children, it is my extreme pleasure to greet you in the name of the freedom which I serve. I am privileged among all the sons and daughters of heaven to have the opportunity of bringing to fruition the full harvest of all the ages of spiritual service in which millions of lifestreams engaged. The individual, who places the final harvest of an evolution upon the screen of life receives undue homage, for many do not think back to the countless numbers of consciousnesses that contributed to the final victory. I am merely the "capstone" placed at the apex of the spiritual pyramid. This pyramid was built out of the energies and vital life of countless men and women who served the cause of God through the centuries and who gave themselves without reservation to fulfilling his divine plan.

On the eve of this great ceremony which will engage the attention and energies of all the members of our Spiritual Hierarchy, my heart is filled with gratitude and humility for the honor of accepting the crown of authority as directing consciousness for the incoming cycle. You may be interested in the diversity of activity connected with the investment of certain powers in a lifestream. Even in the world of form, wise investment of more than ordinary powers requires a deep understanding and an illumined consciousness that those powers may be used always to expand the sphere of influence of God-good, and in every manner aid the evolution of the planet and its people.

Although I have been the Chohan of the Seventh Ray for many years, I had not yet become the cosmic representative of the new cycle, because the final vibrations of the Sixth Ray were still active in the atmosphere of the planet Earth.

For almost one hundred years after the ascension of my physical body, I prepared to be invested with the power and authority as the Chohan of the Seventh Ray. I prepared to be invested with the cosmic authority as the directing consciousness of the new cycle of time. You will see all progress is in graded radiation, graded application and preparation of consciousness.

During my last Earth life, I was privileged to come into contact with many Masters, some of whom were already ascended, others of whom were highly developed and evolved. Through their assistance I was able to use the applications given and prepare I myself to be free from the necessity of re-birth. At the close of that Earth life I went into Transylvania and there on the first of May, 1684, passed into the Ascended Master Octave. My personal ascension was completed in 1684, but the assumption of my office as Chohan of the Seventh Ray was completed late in the eighteenth century, after my service to the cause of freedom in America

and at the Court of France. When I assumed office as a Chohan, it was no longer possible for me to use my vital energy in the visitations, such as I had made to the crowned heads of Europe. Until this time, I had certain liberty to utilize my energies in endeavoring to form a United States of Europe and to persuade certain students of the occult and metaphysical laws that, if they would cooperate with the Hierarchy, a universal brotherhood could be established without bloodshed. With the exception of my endeavors through Napoleon Bonaparte, I no longer gave any personal service to the European governmental circles and my service to mankind became cosmic.

It was at the time when beloved Kwan Yin turned over to me the authority as Chohan that I retired from active service in the world of form.

During the Theosophical Era, beloved Brothers Morya and Kuthumi invested their energies instead and I builded those energies so that when I came forth again and my energy again began to flow, my more personal association with mankind would begin again in a renewed and powerful activity.

I shall always remember the ceremony in which I received the Crown as Chohan of the Seventh Ray from the beloved Kwan Yin. I considered in my heart, if I could ever hope to embody the mercy, the compassion and the love of such a Being as Kwan Yin, half hoping that I might not have to assume that responsibility after so short a preparation at inner levels.

IN REGARD TO THE USE OF THE SACRED FIRE OF TRANSMUTATION, ONE of the major impressions which have differentiated her activity from mine seems to be that SHE TAUGHT THE USE OF THE FLAME OF MERCY AS A POWER OF TRANSMUTATION IN THE CHANGING OF THE QUALITY OF ENERGY; whereas the presentation of the Violet Flame as brought forth more recently emphasized the CONSUMING OF DISCORD. This is apt to bring into the consciousness and the mind of many a feeling of a vacuum and a lack. I am hoping that through the pressure of Kwan Yin's interest, we can in some way convey to the consciousness of NEW PEOPLE PAR-TICULARLY, THAT THIS FLAME IS NOT ONLY A CONSUMING ACTIVITY OF IMPURITY, but it is also a transmuting and changing of the quality of energy into perfection. This process leaves them with the same energy which previously distressed them, but now constructively vibrating at a rate which becomes a store of merit within their hands and use. Much of the fear that enters the consciousness of new students with regard to the use of the Violet Flame, rises from the word "consuming." Often as I sit with Kwan Yin, we discuss the aspect of presentation and she emphasizes again that she used the words "mercy," "compassion" and "transmutation" giving the emphasis to the purification in the aspect of the flame and in the change of the actual quality of the energy.

Now it is time to assume another vestment. In addition to assuming the vestment as the Chohan of the Seventh Ray, I will assume the cosmic vestment as the director of this great incoming cycle of two thousand years, which closes the major cycle of fourteen thousand years as well. I ask for the prayers and decrees, the devotion, the thought and, the calls of all who love me in this hour, so that I may avail myself of all that my consciousness can absorb and which I can pour as the greatest blessing to the mankind of Earth through the consciousness of each of you and all my friends throughout the world. I have lived but to serve life. I have lived but to set it free. Now is the hour of my opportunity.

Many centuries ago I hoped and wished for an Earthly crown (as Francis Bacon). I had a vision of a united brotherhood of Europe. Through circumstance, mercy and the wisdom of the law I did not receive that crown. Now I am about to receive a cosmic crown and in the greater wisdom and maturity of my consciousness, I find that even now I feel I am not ready. One does not lightly assume the responsibility for the evolution of an entire planet, all its peoples, all the angels and all the elementals. I stand in that position today. I stand requiring the love and the friendship of incarnate spirits, I certainly have the love, companionship, friendship and support in heaven of the most exquisite beings of light and perfection, for which I am eternally grateful.

They are weaving the garlands for the great temples. The coronation train of this exquisite vestment will be over forty feet in length. The crown I will receive from the beloved Jesus, because as Prince of Peace of the sixth dispensation it has been in his keeping for the past two thousand years. The scepter of authority I will receive from Sanat Kumara. It will truly be a day to remember, a day when I shall offer myself again to Life and to freedom.

I would like to thank you for giving yourselves so freely and so completely. I would like to thank you for your interest in the cause of freedom, for investing your energies in that freedom through the centuries, not only in this embodiment, but you have rallied around that banner of freedom in almost every era and every age that you have lived. Now as we enter the door of a new day, I shall remember those of you, who have stood by me, and you shall be part of that spiritual court that lives forever.

There is much I would say, there is much of which I am thinking in regard to each one of you; there are memories woven deep into my heart for the personal and universal associations. Those memories are

sweet; they are the bonds that bind heaven and Earth. They are the ties that keep the God-free yet hovering around the planet reluctant to enjoy heaven's bliss while any portion of life is in shadow. It is a marvelous thing that through each one of you we shall reach the rest of mankind and set them free also. I hope and trust that you will enjoy the happiness of the incoming of the Seventh Cycle and that you may enjoy the radiation and the beauty of the pageantry of the kingdom of heaven. I will be spending the brief time that remains before the coronation within the Temples of the Silence in invocations to the Father that I be worthy of the honor to be bestowed.

To you, each one—God bless you and thank you for the homely things that make of life a joy.

SAINT GERMAIN

Note: The coronation of Ascended Master Saint Germain and the Goddess of Justice (Portia), occurred on May 1, 1954.

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Calendar of Special Days of Spiritual Importance in 1955

APRIL 10	Easter Sunday
MAY 1	Ascension Day of Master Saint Germain
	Anniversary of coronation of Saint
	Germain as presiding authority for next
	2,000-year cycle
MAY 6	Wesak Festival (approximately 5 p.m. EST)
MAY 8	Mother's Day
MAY 19	Ascension Day of Master Jesus
MAY 2	Whitsuntide (Pentecost)
JULY 4	Independence Day
AUGUST 15	Ascension Day of beloved Mother Mary
NOVEMBER 2	All Souls' Day
NOVEMBER 24	Thanksgiving Day
DECEMBER 25	Christmas Day

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

February, 1955

BELOVED ASPIRANTS TO THE COMFORT FLAME:

I am so extremely grateful that so many of you are desirous of becoming a comfort to the rest of life! I have been invoked and welcomed by mankind for many ages in my service of bringing comfort where needed, but as soon as the temporary wave of Karma had passed, I found little interest in the ways and means of serving life AS I ENDEAVOR TO SERVE. Many men want the gift but so few desire to be or to learn how to become the givers!

I am grateful for the opportunity of following the powerful and peaceful radiation of Kwan Yin in my service as host to The Great White Brotherhood and mankind at this time. I have felt for centuries that mercy and comfort walk hand in hand, for one must have mercy for imprisoned life before such a one can bring the slightest comfort, even to agonized flesh.

I shall appreciate your endeavors to invoke my living Presence and the actual feeling of comfort which is my aura during this period. Then endeavor to re-create through your own sphere of influence the comfort you desire (I hope) to bring to the rest of life.

As the Great Himalaya has offered to act as host with me, bringing all his power of cosmic peace to the activity, I know you will, individually and as collective groups, become our comfort and peace not only for the short time of the actual Transmission flame Service but throughout the entire period when every God Being will be intensifying through his or her own consciousness the Flame we have magnetized, and which we are radiating through the world for those who desire to receive it.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

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GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

February 1, 1955

God, the Holy Spirit of Cosmic Christ Comfort, bless you and yours as never before during this coming 30-day period of blessing to the Earth. This dear planet, with all its struggling evolutions needs the God-quality of COMFORT about as much or more than any other blessing at this time. There is so much pain, unhappiness and distress that the planet Earth swings heavily on its bent axis and utters a groan into the surrounding atmosphere. This, of course, is a discord projected into the melody of the spheres created by the other planets of this particular system. To remove the cause of this discord, we must endeavor to work as diligently as possible, in and out of the body (awake and asleep).

COMFORT! A heavenly word, a pleasing word, a soothing word— a word that brings peace and rest to the feelings, even as it is spoken. Everyone WANTS comfort but, tell me, who is willing to GIVE it? Do you know it is a divine Law in this universe that, in order to HAVE a thing, you must GIVE it first? Sounds like a paradox, doesn't it? Well, it isn't if you will think on it for a moment. You know, even your own photograph must be taken FROM you before it can be given TO you! You have to GIVE (expose) your face to the camera before it can record the picture and thus return it to you. In other words, whatever good you want, decree that all mankind be given that blessing also and you will hasten your own release from distress.

COMFORT is a FEELING. Anyone can be a comfort to life IF HE OR SHE WANTS TO—even if they do not have a cent of money. After all, money (while it is very necessary in our present economic scheme) is but a SYMBOL of abundance and a means of exchange. To be grateful for the every day gifts of God to his people is a comfort to all that lives. For instance, the Sun and its light are a comfort. If you don't believe it, just let it stop shining for about three days and see how you feel when it shines again. Air is a comfort when you want breath. Water is a comfort when you are thirsty and the solidity of the Earth is a comfort under your feet, especially if you have just come from a trip on "choppy" sea or air, by boat and airplane. Wouldn't you like to be a comforting presence to the life you daily contact? There is a very wonderful way you can do this—train yourself to visualize the luminous Presence of beloved Jesus over all you meet, capping their form with that blazing white light figure just as you cap a fountain pen over its writing point. This not only protects the individual for whom it is done, but also the one who calls it forth. It also opens the door for the beloved Jesus to bring comfort to that life which could not be done otherwise.

A comforting person is a practical one, not a "visionary" or impractical idealist that lives in the clouds. A comforting presence is one who lives as much as possible with this feet on Earth and his head in heaven, that is, his attention upon that which brings practical every-day comfort to his fellowman.

Just try this experiment for thirty days and you will want to live in it always. Two melodies may be used this month, "Homing" (the personal keynote of the beloved Maha Chohan) and "At Dawning" (the keynote of the Temple of Comfort.) There are lyrics to this melody, see Sept. 1954 "The Bridge" The color of the flame is white with a faint touch of pink and the statement to be used is

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I AM inbreathing th' comforting feeling of love divine from Maha Chohan

The above statement is repeated for each of the following activities—"absorbing," "expanding" and "projecting."

Your friend Frances Ekey

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SUGGESTED DECREES For use from February 15 through March 14, 1955

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM in me. Oh, thou beloved Immortal Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind and beloved Maha Chohan! Expand, expand and forever expand through all mankind in overwhelming Cosmic power and doubled in power every hour, your Flame of Cosmic Christ Comfort and ITS FEELING of absolute God-control over all the energies of our beings and worlds. Let that Flame HOLD that energy harmonious under all circumstances and conditions, regardless of human appearances, and let it sustain forever the Cosmic Christ PEACE which is so essential to the fulfillment of God's great divine plan. We consciously accept this done NOW with full power!

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Beloved Maha Chohan! We call directly to the great Karmic Board in the name and authority of our beloved I AM Presence and Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, to grant your petition for the release of all life on this planet from the pain of birth and so-called death, letting the souls who belong to our evolution here come into and pass from life in Cosmic Christ peace. To this end, we call to you to so release daily limitless oceans of your Comfort Flame through all life on this planet that this great gift to mankind is made visible and tangible to all as soon as possible. We thank thee and consciously accept this done in full power in divine wisdom.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

MARCH 1955

TO THE COSMIC SPIRIT OF THE RESURRECTION AND ALL HER EMBODIED MESSENGERS

The Archangel Gabriel, our Lord Maha Chohan, the Master Jesus, Holy Mother Mary, Lord Serapis Bey of Luxor, Amaryllis (Spirit of Springtime), beloved Virgo and every God Being, angel and elemental who has availed himself or herself of the currents of Resurrection, we humbly dedicate and consecrate this issue of "The Bridge to Freedom."

Preparatory to the celebration of the Easter Victory, let mankind deeply consider the power of Resurrection that is available to all. How few have availed themselves of its presence and ascended on its flame to the fulfillment of the circle of being!

To those who have remained voluntary exiles from the heart of the perfected spheres to which they have attained the right of access, in order that mankind and the nature kingdom might have the currents of resurrection when they chose to accept such renewal, resuscitation and re-vivification, we give the gratitude of our hearts.

Let the Resurrection Flame become an actual part of the sublimation of the human nature and the resuscitation of the divine, through all who call themselves students on the Path during this season when the natural tides of renewal flow strong, sweet and vibrant from the consciousness of the Lord Maha Chohan into the atmosphere of Earth and all her peoples!

Thomas Printz, Editor.

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE RESURRECTION TEMPLE OF JESUS AND MARY March 15 through April 14, 1955

The beautiful circular temple builded around the cosmic focus of the Resurrection Flame for the planet Earth, is located in the Etheric Realms over the Holy Land This area was sanctified by the life teachings and presence of the beloved Master Jesus, his mother Mary and those who assisted them in establishing the initial impulse for the Christian Dispensation.

The Resurrection Flame became a necessity for mankind and elemental life from the time when disintegration, degeneration, decay and involuntary dissolution of form issued out of the imperfect causes set up through the consciousness of the race. While the angelic, human and elemental kingdoms CONSCIOUSLY controlled the vibratory action of their vehicles, dissolution of form was a beautiful, rhythmic and natural activity. When the form—human or elemental—had completed the service for which it was designed, it was consciously dissolved. The component parts (electrons) released to the accompaniment of music, color tone and sweet perfume, than returned to the sun of the system for repolarization. Thus, during the entire time of manifestation, the vibratory action of the form was held in the rhythm set by the consciousness. This rhythm was harmonious, beautiful and part of the Music of the Spheres. Although some forms vibrated more slowly than others, to provide certain condensations of substance required for specific service, no form was disintegrating, decaying or dissolving while it had a service to give.

However, when the individuals from other planets and systems conveyed the capacity to generate seeds of decay into the consciousness of mankind, slowly the individual consciousness lost the capacity and power to govern the vibratory action of the physical and inner bodies. The causes that bred fermentation, rust, disintegration and decay, manifested through the etheric bodies and finally on the flesh forms of mankind; also through the etheric bodies and manifest forms of the nature kingdom

Thus was born the specific requirement for an activity of quickening, bringing back to life, resuscitating the divine vibratory action in the nature kingdom and in man, who would desire it. A Cosmic Being, Krishna by name, chose to draw through his own consciousness a powerful momentum of this restorative, life-giving flame from the Source of all Life. He then came earthward, the Resurrection Flame anchored within his own cosmic heart, establishing it in the etheric realms over the Holy

Land.

Later, the momentum and power of that flame became a very real and efficacious part in the victory of the Master Jesus. Jesus and his Mother Mary offered to become the guardians of this radiating focus of light to release the previous sponsor for service in higher realms. Someday, among the sons and daughters of men, others will rise who will show great affinity to the vibratory action of this flame. From among them will be chosen guardian spirits to relieve Jesus and Mary of this self-chosen activity of guarding and sustaining the Resurrection Flame for those among mankind and the nature kingdom who will require Its assistance.

Mankind has little concept of the loyalty, constancy, love and devotion required to HOLD a flame which has been drawn from higher realms into lower realms, because the natural activity of all life is to seek its own level of vibration. The flames which vibrate at a rate which is one with the vibrations at inner levels, naturally desire to rise and seek again their source. The magnetizing power of those beings who continue to invoke, actually nourish by their own attention, love and devotion to these flames, is responsible for the radiating centers of God virtue which have interpenetrated the astral and psychic realms with enough of God's light to keep the soul alive and the spirit from entirely deserting the personal self in the course of the ages.

From the Etheric Realms, it is the desire of our Lord Maha Chohan, Lord Maitreya and others, that some among unascended mankind may prove sufficiently loyal, enthusiastic, loving, constant, pure and consecrated so that these cosmic flames may be drawn through the veil into the physical appearance world, visible and tangible to the physical sight of all mankind.

It is for this purpose that the veil has been parted and the Cosmic Law has allowed us to establish a source of communion between the Ascended Host and the outer consciousness of the chelas. Over this line of communication, the students have been made aware of the presence of various retreats and spiritual foci. The Transmission Flame Activity was begun to see how much interest and how great a power of constancy would be evolved in these cosmic flames. The results are gratifying in the extreme. From among the student body, certain lifestreams have been "marked" by the spiritual Silent Watchers as possible and potential guardians of these Flames. Time alone will tell whether the flame of enthusiasm will kindle the spirit to God maturity or burn the soul to ash.

The Resurrection Flame is also guarded by the Great Archangel Gabriel. Circular corridors surround the Holy of Holies. In each of these cor-

ridors, Masters of the Power of Resurrection and their pupils absorb its life-giving essence. They radiate it outward toward the periphery of the temple to those waiting in the outer chambers, whose light has not yet made them sufficiently advanced to stand within the heart of the undimmed splendor of the flame.

As the pupils advance in purity and the capacity to receive, absorb and direct the flame, they are allowed to move inward toward the central temple. When they are ready for the ascension, they rise on the Resurrection Flame into the natural realm in which they are destined to abide.

While they are accustoming their bodies and consciousness to the Resurrection Flame, they are also serving. THE COSMIC LAW DOES NOT ALLOW THE RECEIVING OF MORE THAN ORDINARY ASSISTANCE WITHOUT A BALANCE OF IMPERSONAL SERVICE. Thus from each of these corridors, under the direction of their master, the pupils are constantly sending forth the Flame and Ray of the Resurrection into the kingdoms of nature. This assistance is also sent into the hearts of those who have been pointed out by the Silent Watchers as deserving of more than ordinary help in individual endeavors to resurrect the divine from the accumulations of human living through the centuries.

It is the request of our Lord Maha Chohan that the students deliberately direct their consciousness toward this temple during the thirty-day period when the Spiritual Hierarchy is present there; further, that the students bring back each day the Ascended Jesus Christ feeling of the power of the resurrection. They should then use that power of resurrection CONSCIOUSLY to restore, resuscitate and bring to life in their own individual worlds, some specific God-requirement which seems lacking. Thus, if the requirement is for health, the student is requested to draw the power of the resurrection through the inner and physical bodies and attempt consciously to restore the natural rhythm and vibratory action of the Holy Christ Self. If the requirement is for supply, the student is asked to consciously draw the Resurrection Flame through the appearance of limitation and KEEP AT IT until abundant supply is within the governing power of the individual. Practical use of these flames can and will assist the evolving consciousness. Also this affinity thus established will qualify certain ones to assist in the various retreats and prepare for the day when such ones may become the sponsors of the retreats and Guardians of the Flame in the physical appearance world.

Thomas Printz

BELOVED MOTHER MARY ON HER PREVIOUS SERVICE February 5, 1954 Beloved children, I come to bring to you my love and gratitude for your deep interest in life and to endeavor through conveyed consciousness to show you ways and means by which your individual worlds might again be set into divine order. I do this that you may find yourselves conductors of that Presence of God which MENTALLY you have accepted as filling this universe but which requires the confirmation of your FEELINGS to be ever active through you into this world of form.

In a measure, each of you is a bridge conducting the consciousness of the inner realms into the world of form and acting as mediators (even as I do at inner levels) between the fullness of God and the intelligences which represent him and the mass mind.

MANKIND MAY REBEL ALL THEY WISH AT THE NECESSITY FOR ACTION BETWEEN THE FULLNESS OF THE GODHEAD AND THE OUTER CONSCIOUSNESS. However, the Law of Life and the intelligence that governs the great universal scheme of creation, has provided these "step-down" transformers IN MERCY. This is done so that those who voluntarily and consciously descended into the pit might have a chain of energy over which the blessings, the mercy and the very spiritual life (which sustains their souls) may flow. In time, over such a chain of energy (when the voluntary energies of their own worlds so desire) they may ascend again into their rightful estate and assume their places as sons and daughters of the most high living God.

Even as the spider weaves out of his body the web and uses it as a means of transportation to and fro, so is the bridge of life energy woven out of the very essence of divinity. It is carried by the messengers and the lifestreams who may have only a partial connection with the realm of perfection, in order to infiltrate the consciousness, stimulate a love for truth and wherever possible, act as instruments of FAITH by which WORKS may be manifest.

Each of you has developed (over the ages and through the centuries) certain momentums that make you conductors for specific qualities that represent the nature of God. These momentums are your individual and voluntary gift to life. They are the treasures stored up in heaven. They are that part of you, which we can use to externalize our work and service in the world of form. They are the only part of any lifestream with which we are concerned. It is our desire at all times to emphasize and externalize more and more of the NATURE of God through the "leaven" in the individual lifestream. This "leaven" may be faith, purity, peace, happiness, or it may be a momentum of teaching or healing. These examples are just to give you a "bird's eye" picture, you might say, of the way we

in the Hierarchy work in drawing around ourselves certain lifestreams who we feel can best serve the divine plan in cooperation with our life. We then endeavor to connect our, energies with these individuals through whatever means are at hand.

We connect our energies with mankind by radiation, through the contemplation by your blessed selves in thinking upon our presence. We also connect our radiation with your consciousness through the spoken word at the rare intervals when life allows us this privilege. In every instance, every Perfected Being who lives within the kingdom, contacts unascended beings solely to expand the borders of the kingdom; to expand the radiation of perfection and to draw more light and more of the God gifts into this world of form, into the psychic and astral realm which forms the atmosphere of your planet.

My service to life has been connected with the creation of the heart through which the Sacred Fire is focused into the physical appearance world, giving identity and being to a personality for a time. It is an interesting service that perhaps can be elaborated upon. You use it yourselves in this activity to create a heart-center, made up of living cells, living intelligent beings having free will. However, this is different from the heart made up of intelligent energy sworn to obedience, which is the physical heart of an individual.

When the lifestream is given the grant of securing a new Earth body, and when the Lords of Karma have passed on it, that lifestream is drawn into my temple. Together we look over the substance and energy which the soul has used, (oh! perhaps through aeons of time). This is the personal heritage endowed by nature to that soul to form the envelope in which it must function.

As I have said before, we endeavor first to fashion (from that elemental substance) the heart, which is the chalice for the immortal Three-fold Flame of Life. The heart cells in the physical body are the most highly developed of the elemental substances that make up the physical form, because, in the course of their service to life, they require more resistance and more durability, in order to stand the beat which gives life to the physical body. Therefore, from among all the elemental substance which will form the flesh garment, the most highly developed electrons are used in the heart. These are drawn into the body of the prospective mother and become part of the flesh of her form, even before conception takes place. Then through that marvelous intelligence of the builders of form, the heart cells belonging to the new soul are segregated from the body of the mother, always discarding the substance which is of the par-

ent. In this way, the substance which is of the new soul makes this exquisite chalice enfolding the Threefold Flame of Life.

It is such a beautiful, mathematical and scientifically accurate process that I would love to show you in pictures on a screen the precision with which the builders of form magnetize the substance belonging to the incoming soul and cast off again, again and again one cell out of every two, until this heart is formed.

In exactly the same measure and manner, the cells that are to form the spiritual heart of a community, a movement, a great nation, a planet, a universe or a galaxy, are selected from the lifestreams who have developed the greatest endurance and the greatest purity. These have earned through ages of time the privilege and honor of forming the canopy of protection around the Sacred Fire which is to be drawn forth and expanded for the blessing of the masses.

From the great body of mankind, there are not available too many cells that can be used for a spiritual heart. From within the spiritually attuned and elect, we find seven distinct types of individual momentums and consciousness which could be utilized in the seven ganglionic centers of the spiritual body of the Christ. These people respond to the impetus of a New Activity. They know that they are destined, you might say, to become a part of some vital organ in a great current endeavor, whether it be a world movement or a local political activity. In that response they sometimes apply for a position within the heart, although they belong to another center. The same spiritual segregation goes on constantly, drawing in the heart cells, purifying them, fitting them one by one into their perfect place. Then follows the activity of drawing the other cells into a vital organism.

This is the activity in which you are engaged today, beloved ones. More or less, you are the substance being formed by the hands and hearts of intelligences greater than your own. In this great scheme of things each one has his perfect place. We who can see, have designed so carefully the creation of the spiritual heart. This will be the supplier of the energies to vitalize this great spiritual body that is to be the Cosmic Christ of the future, made up of every one of the ten billion souls destined to incarnate and develop mastery on the planet.

The creation of a heart is the most crucial point in the creation of a physical organism. It is also a most crucial point in the creation of a spiritual organization. It requires tremendous application upon the part of each and every lifestream who has been "summoned" by the Law, and who has been even loosely fitted into the design.

As I have been honored this year by being given opportunity to reach the masses, I am also honored by the opportunity of working with those of you who choose to see the design behind the seeming chaos and confusion. I shall endeavor (as my own momentum allows and the wisdom of my centuries of forming hearts permits) to help you in your task.

In the physical body, if at the time of gestation the cells that are to form the seven great centers might not polarize properly (for some reason or other) or are not held within their orbit perfectly, you have a physical instrument of incarnation that is defective in one or many ways.

THE SPIRITUAL SORTING (wherein every lifestream takes his perfect place and abides therein) IS ESSENTIAL BEFORE WE CAN EXPAND THE ENDEAVOR TO RAISE AND REDEEM THE MASSES and purify all discordantly qualified functions in the spiritual body of the race.

We are in a secret and sacred time, a time when I, myself, remembering my own experience, suggest that you ponder these things in your heart. Pray on them, ask the grace of your own Christ Self to illumine them to you AND THEN STRAIN NOT, but endeavor to be the best cell that you can in your appointed place.

I have thought it would be a pleasurable gift to life this year to endeavor to record some of the heretofore unchronicled experiences of our life in Judea. From time to time as opportunity permits, I will bring to your remembrance certain of these homely pictures and scenes. Then perhaps through your kind assistance and love you may compile them and give them to those who choose to have them as the gift of Mary in 1954*.

*The book Memoirs of Mother Mary was printed in 1954

MAGNETIZING ENERGY By Beloved Ascended Master Saint Germain

I bring to you the blessings of the Cosmic Hand of the Holy Spirit, which is constantly outstretched in blessing, in benediction, in the giving forth of its substance to enrich the consciousness of mankind and all evolutions presently developing in, through and around the atmosphere of Earth.

Channeled energy is an interesting study in itself. It is, particularly, the activity of the Seventh Ray. Energy (life) is drawn and qualified through the centuries by beings who have attained God Mastery. This qualified energy forms the atmosphere and the personal auras of those beings in the Realms of Perfection. To draw the blessings of energy already qualified with healing, purification, illumination, abundance and peace into the lower atmosphere where it can be absorbed by those requiring that assistance, it is necessary for the conscious creation of channels and foci through which that energy may be magnetized and radiated.

As heat rises when the activity of flame quickens the vibratory action of the atmosphere and as cold settles when the vibratory action of the atmosphere is slowed down, so does the energy qualified by harmonious consciousness rise to its own level and energy qualified by inharmonious consciousness settles around the individuals in distress. This adds to the shadows through which the soul seeks to find freedom.

To draw rapidly vibrating energy into the more slowly moving rates of vibration in which mankind and much of the elemental kingdom abide, it is necessary to invert the natural law of the ascension of perfection. How is this done? By the interest of unascended beings. These offer to be active in a vibratory action where the need is great and they have access through knowledge, conscious application and assistance from beings who abide in the Perfected Realms to the gifts, powers and radiations required so much to remove mankind's distresses.

These individuals offer to magnetize the cosmic currents through their own consciousnesses and then radiate these cosmic benedictions to their fellowmen. They are individuals who are dear to my heart and who form the foundation of the Ceremonial Ray in its action to the present evolutionary scheme.

To keep a magnetized center of living spiritual force radiating forth in the lower atmosphere of Earth requires the assumption of authority by some intelligent being who chooses to become such a conductor, protector and radiating center of a specific God virtue.

You know how certain chemicals when exposed to air dissipate themselves and the radiation and efficacy of their element grows weaker and is finally absorbed by the atmosphere. You have seen how smoke billows are dispersed by the winds. Thus, if magnetized current of spiritual essence when drawn into the lower atmosphere are not constantly replenished through rhythmic applications, decrees, visualizations and attention, they spend themselves and are no more. This is the purpose of creating decree groups and designing forcefields dedicated to not only invoking but sustaining the radiations of the Ascended Masters. These focuses are like suns that do not lose their radiance by shining and the very life of the students forms the sustaining of that virtue, gift or blessing for the benefit of all peoples.

You have been taught that the results of your harmoniously qualified energy rise and become the glory of the Causal Body and the results of the destructively qualified energy becomes, the karmic shell around the outer consciousness. Here you have another example of the natural law by which good ascends and evil descends.

The great Lord Gautama Buddha, the Master Jesus, and many others have voluntarily bathed in the essence of God's heart and then consciously descended into the world of form to remain a magnet of attraction of those higher vibrations, which otherwise would be too subtle in their essence to bless mankind.

The Archangel Zadkiel and my humble self are engaged in the training of a few among mankind in the art of conscious invocation at this time. As the forcefields of the group endeavors develop and mature, the radiation of the specific Being to whom the students have dedicated their services, will become a predominant influence upon the outer consciousness of the people.

The requirement of the hour is constancy of endeavor so that the invoked blessing may be sustained by the joyous life of the students given in decree, song and application.

The Masters Of Wisdom Speak SPIRITUAL ASSIMILATION

MAHA CHOHAN

In every kingdom the capacity to assimilate the already provided wealth of nourishment is determined by the individual consciousness. The development and perfection of the individual being is based on his own power of assimilation of the God gifts provided. For instance, two tulip bulbs planted side by side have equal access to the nourishment of the Earth, the moisture of the water element, the stimulation of the air, and the fecundating powers of the Sun. One will magnetize, assimilate and make its own all these forces and become a magnificent bloom. The other may lie dormant and not fulfill its divine plan through the "free will elective." It is likewise true of angel, man and beast. The process of evolution is determined by the desire for and capacity to utilize the ALREADY PROVIDED SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT which forms the atmosphere of the soul.

EL MORYA

Certain specific cycles of time allow us opportunities to focus into the atmosphere in which our chelas abide, additional spiritual stimuli which we can only HOPE will be absorbed by their consciousness through free will acceptance and assimilation. For instance, at present we are able to open the door to the Ascended Masters' Octave and to allow the Cosmic Beings and Ascended Masters to present their own instructions in comprehensible form to the chelas. How LONG THIS CYCLE WILL LAST, ONLY THE GREAT FIRST CAUSE KNOWS. As the cycle of Springtime offers particular stimulating currents to the growth of nature, so do those of us engaged in developing a race of Perfected Beings, seize upon any beneficent spiritual tides which can bring us closer to those through whom we must endeavor to reach the plodding consciousness of the race.

KUTHUMI

Each individual determines, consciously or unconsciously, according to his spiritual development, how much of the spiritual blessings he will draw into his own soul. The lethargic will not make the necessary effort to magnetize the currents of a spiritual hour. Thus, in the ministry of Jesus, millions lived on, absorbing little or nothing of his presence, and only the few alert enough to grasp that hour rose on the impetus of the Christ Power into their own Ascended Master Presence.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

We can provide all of the knowledge, the inspiration, the methods of application required to make a man God-free. However, in the final analysis, what each soul does with that proffered assistance (in the privacy of his own heart) will determine the progress of that soul toward mastery and freedom.

SERAPIS BEY

Nature is constantly endeavoring to remind the consciousness of man regarding the necessity of spiritual alertness and sustained enthusiasm. There are the two activities manifest in all life—centrifugal and centripetal force. Each manifest intelligence, from an inanimate object, an elemental expression in the nature kingdom, to the soul of man, wields these two powers to a greater or lesser degree. The durability of a piece of furniture is determined by the magnetic power drawn by its creator and focused into its building and finishing. If it is put together lovingly, graciously and with symmetry of thought and harmony of feeling, it will long outlive a piece of furniture created specifically as a commodity of sale with the motive power behind its creation being that of securing money. If man, drawing toward himself through the magnetic power centered in his heart, receives knowledge, wise is he then to reverently, graciously, rhythmically and enthusiastically build from that knowledge a more perfect nature in himself and then an impersonal blessing to his fellowman.

HILARION

Good health, physically speaking, depends upon the body's capacity to assimilate the nourishment provided through food, sunshine, air, etc. There are many individuals who are "exposed" to all of the natural gifts of nature but who live with impaired physical vehicles because of the incapacity to assimilate the gifts of nature provided for sustenance of the flesh form. This is likewise true of the inner bodies which mankind for the most part ignore. If the soul cannot assimilate the spiritual blessings which fill the atmosphere, which are brought by the Presence of the Masters and the angelic hosts, that soul is "sick" and requires the same assistance that a physically impaired vehicle requires to allow the gifts of the Spirit of Truth to enter into, nourish and develop the God nature. Where students are often sympathetic with those experiencing PHYSICAL INCAPACITIES, there is so often extreme intolerance with regard to the limited capacities of other lifestreams to recognize, assimilate and accept what (to the chelas) are self-evident truths. Conscious chelas must realize that it is the healing of the souls of men which is their particular service in this present hour. When the soul is opened through grace, kindliness, prayer, invocation and application to the reception of truth, there will be no argument nor barrier of bigotry in the ones you desire to help. You cannot DRIVE a soul toward God but you can LEAD it.

IESUS

Let us liken the souls of two men to a small child and a grown man. The wise man will not expect the small child to assimilate as much from the teacher as the mature man. Yet, students so often expect all souls to be in the same state of spiritual growth and equally capable of assimilation of spiritual truths. If you could look upon a congregation from the inner spheres, you would see the difference in the size of the upraised consciousness; its vibratory action, its color, all of which determine how much such an one can possibly assimilate from the service.

Wise is the teacher who invokes the Presence of the I AM within the heart of the very least of his students to help the soul assimilate all that it is capable of accepting and then asks that the soul utilize that nour-ishment to its own development and the blessings of the race. This develops a kindness, a tolerance, a loving understanding between the teacher and the aspirants. Overly zealous teachers expect more of some souls than they can possibly give forth. Working impersonally with the Presence of God, who knows the capacities of each soul, the teacher is relieved of the sense of personal responsibility and strain and the aspirants are nourished by the loving understanding of the teacher to whom they look as the open door to the kingdom toward which their hearts aspire.

SAINT GERMAIN

Students must learn to make the truths they hear and read their own. As the shell of destructive living through the centuries imbeds the mental and feeling worlds of the average man, so much of the Masters' instruction is deflected by even the most earnest consciousness. With the same care, precaution and wisdom that the wise farmer plants his crops in the springtime, knowing that his life and well being will be determined by their harvest in the autumn, so should the student plant within the consciousness the words of the Master, nourish them, pluck out the weeds of IRRELEVANCIES, and bring to harvest in his own world the Master's consciousness. This admonition cannot be given too often for the outer self is inclined to "gloss over" instruction which it has heard before in favor of the unknown. Instruction from the Master is not repeated, if it has been assimilated the first time. When repetition occurs, the wise che-

la stops and knows that he is being "fed again" because he has not assimilated the nourishment offered him previously. Impatience and the desire to "plumb the heights of the heavens and the depths of the sea," rather than the development of the Christ nature in self, have taken many a chela off the path during a period of particularly auspicious spiritual currents. Remember, the Master knows your every requirement and before your soul has called, he will have answered with exactly what you require at that given moment!

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASSES

Beloved Spirits of God:

March, 1955

I invoke the Cosmic Spirit of Resurrection to connect with the Immortal Threefold Flame within your hearts and to expand, expand and forever expand its pressure until the flesh is quickened, the mind illumined, the feelings harmonized and the etheric body purified by Its life-giving powers.

For many centuries I have been privileged to utilize the already generated and consecrated power of the Resurrection Flame in order to bring forth from seeming death, the life and sustenance, the beauty and inspiration of the nature kingdom. In rare instances, I have been privileged to assist an evolving lifestream to connect with this Resurrection Flame and thus restore the natural spiritual nature, transforming the flesh and sublimating the lower nature through Its resuscitating powers.

As we enter again the retreat of the resurrection, as well as the season of springtime, I urge each chela to endeavor consciously to magnetize this Resurrection Flame and draw it through whatever particular portion of mind, body or soul that has fallen below its natural divine perfection. None of these cosmic flames will avail mankind of blessing, unless and until mankind experiments with their use in a practical, scientific manner. It is time that the chelas who have been invited into the presence of the Ascended Host, show actual fruit and harvest, because of their proximity to the focus of the cosmic flames honored in each thirty-day cycle. In the name of your God, I implore you personally, individually, to resurrect some portion of your world in this thirty day period. If you will, I shall go with you before the Karmic Board with your proof of the efficacy of the cosmic flames drawn through unascended lifestreams which does restore perfection where the inroads of discord, disharmony and distress have created imperfection.

I do not need to convince any sane person that the power of resur-

rection is real. Everyone who has witnessed the glory of one springtime has seen its practical, powerful efficacy. However, I do need to convince the reluctant feeling world (slumbering in its acceptance of disintegration and decay) that the power of the resurrection is available to every consciousness—angelic, human and elemental. TRY IT OUT!

Love and blessings, MAHA CHOHAN

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASSES

March, 1955

Beloved Friends of the Resurrection Flame:

Do you realize, dear friend, even though you may not know much about the Resurrection Flame, how many times has it blessed you and me in every embodiment we have had all through the ages? Every eleven months the physical body completely renews itself, throwing off the old and bringing into manifestation the new; every healing that has ever taken place was a use of this flame, bringing back into its original perfection (resurrecting) whatever had been damaged or thrown out of balance for some reason. This flame is constantly at work in through and around us and many, many times has been used by the Master in the answering of our calls.

It is now the desire of the dear Maha Chohan and Ascended Host who are working with us in this new activity (Bridge to Freedom), that WE (you and I and all under this radiation) NOW BEGIN to consciously accept the reality of this flame and daily use it to produce the healing, comfort, harmony and supply we require for our successful sojourn in this physical appearance world. God, our Father (the I AM Presence anchored in every heart) WANTS US TO BE HAPPY, HEALTHY, PROSPEROUS AND FREE from all that is not the perfection, which he designed for his creation. You will remember the Bible says "God looked upon his work and it WAS VERY GOOD." That which is NOT "very good" today is the result of the human imposition of selfishness, impurity and imperfection of every kind UPON the perfection God intended.

By the constant use of beloved Jesus' statement "I AM THE RESUR-RECTION AND THE LIFE . . ." we can and should at least BEGIN to adjust everything in our daily experience and bring all into perfect divine order. At least, WE CAN TRY! TO USE FAITHFULLY AND WITH FEELING "I AM the resurrection and the life of my finances (repeat 3 times) NOW MADE MANIFEST" will positively bring those results IF YOU WILL PERSIST IN ITS USE LONG ENOUGH AND PUT YOUR FEELINGS INTO IT. You can use the

many idle moments one has during the day—riding back and forth from shopping or work, waiting for someone on the telephone, etc., and make it a constant HABIT to use that statement in various forms, whatever you want to manifest. For instance "I AM the resurrection and the life of the Ascended Jesus Christ harmony of this home and family (repeat 3 times) NOW MADE MANIFEST." Then LOOK for that harmony—EXPECT IT! Encourage every little improvement and make it grow; "I AM the resurrection and the life of the divine justice of this whole situation (repeat 3 times) NOW MADE MANIFEST." "I AM the resurrection and the life of the perfect health and action of every cell and organ of my body here and now." Just saying it ONCE won't do the trick! It is constantly and determinedly impressing the outer consciousness with the TRUTH of this statement until the outer self REALLY BELIEVES IT—then INSTANTLY the manifestation takes place, visible and tangible before your very eyes. This is a habit you will never want to break and the constant use of picturing the luminous Presence of the beloved Master Jesus (described last month) around every one and every thing you want perfected will do much to hasten your manifestation of perfection. "If ye know these things—happy are YE IF YE DO THEM"—Jesus.

The statement to be used for this Transmission Flame Class is:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I AM inbreathing th'raising feeling of th'Resurrection Flame from beloved Jesus

The above is repeated using the words "I AM absorbing," "I AM expanding," and "I AM projecting" The group of these 4 is used over and over until it has been repeated 12 times aloud. Then the rhythmic breathing continues for 20 minutes longer in silence, each individual repeating the above statements silently. The melody to be used preceding all classes during this period is Schubert's "Ave Maria." Gounod's "Ave Maria" may also be used. The color of the Resurrection Flame is "Mother of Pearl."

Frances Ekey

TRUE FRIENDSHIP By The Ascended Master Saint Germain

I have always been a great lover of the association called friendship, for it does not smack of the sentimentality of lovers, nor the oversolicitude of family and blood-ties. It is rather an honest sharing of consciousness, love and the gifts of each one's own lifestream, tangible or intangible, according to the estate of each man.

True friendship is based on absolute honesty (which requires delving into the inner recesses of the outer mind). Friendship desires the best success and accomplishment for the friend. Friendship is primarily a giving and not a taking. I believe, in our realm, that the term friendship most nearly describes the attitude of feeling and consciousness among the members of the Brotherhood. Even in one's relationship to the God Presence within the heart, a vowing sense of comradeship and friendship make the association both practical and healthy.

I am hoping that such friendships will develop among all those of you, who wish to assist us at this time. Professions of loyalty speed forth from the lips, as the arrow is shot from the bended bow. Loyalty of heart is more slowly developed and radiates forth like a gentle warmth of the fire upon the hearth when the first violent flames have kindled the depths of the wood and the coals burn constant and warm and enduring. This is the intangible brotherhood we are praying for among you, the chosen.

THE ORIGIN OF ELECTRONS By our Beloved Lord Maha Chohan,

October,

1948

Where mankind speaks of life, we speak of electronic energy. I AM a cosmic dispenser of life and therefore know the actual reality of that substance. Men consider life wasted, life boring, etc., because they have so little comprehension of the very nature of that glorious gift of life from God's own heart.

From the heart of the Universal First Cause, there are sent forth countless billions of little intelligent beings, all carrying gifts of health, illuminations, understanding, love and light, These beings are given into the heart of the I AM Presence of every unascended being and directed by that Presence into the heart of the human form. They are eagerly awaiting passage through the world of form qualified and directed to be

a specific blessing to the race. The Presence blesses each one of these miniature beings and sends them forth to each human personality in a rhythmic pulsation, hoping that they will pass through the channel of the personal self to fulfill the divine plan of God. From the time they leave the aura of the Holy Christ Self, they are seized by the emotions, the thoughts and activities of the lower self and are catapulted into all sorts of destructive pattern and forms. Their little vials are broken and their gifts dispersed and they pass from the outer consciousness with little opportunity to fulfill their individual divine destiny.

The continual procession of these little beings goes on through every human being on the planet and if each one was a constant conductor of the electronic energy in its perfected state, soon the kingdom of heaven would be established on Earth. To be such an open door and to stop the crucifixion and imprisonment of elemental life in distorted form is to be blessed indeed. Where such an individual is found, the Father of Life entrusts more and more of his tiny messengers (electrons) hoping in that way to balance the waste of the billions of electrons who have never reached their full perfection in the outer world because of the personality's discordant vibrations.

Because of the present endeavors of the Master Saint Germain, I am endeavoring to concentrate more of this electronic essence through the chelas. If they can put the personal ego aside and allow themselves to be such conductors of Freedom's Flame, we shall be so grateful.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: We are told that knowledge imparted to us brings with it an obligation to utilize that knowledge for the blessings of life. Will you tell us how best to assimilate the truth within the instructions given to us by the Ascended Masters?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The old adage "where ignorance is bliss, it is folly to be wise", has a good deal of truth within it. The individual who has not had the opportunity of receiving assistance and directions from the Ascended Masters is not as liable before the Cosmic Law for manifest works as is the one entrusted with the time, energy, thought and instructions of beings whose every breath is priceless, because it can and should be used only to further the divine plan. It is not enough to read the words of the Master, nor to accrete an intellectual knowledge of spiritual fact. The chela must BUILD those words into his own nature and BECOME THE Master.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is there any particular recommendation you can give us so we may best profit by your instructions?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Yes. Proceed somewhat as follows:

FIRST: Choose a certain time of day for your reading and endeavor to build a momentum of rhythm in adhering to your contemplative cycle.

SECOND: Prepare your consciousness by reflecting earnestly on what you are about to do—enter the Holy Communion with your God and your Master. Still your mental, emotional and physical vehicles and raise your consciousness until it touches the spiritual aura of the author of the words you are about to consider. Ask him or her to give you the Ascended Master's feeling, comprehension, understanding and capacity to interpret those words into action for the blessing of your fellow man.

Remember you are about to partake of the qualified life of some God Being, who has in mercy and love chosen to give you his instructions to help you to become free also. Feel a sense of deep gratitude, reverence and humility in accepting this essence. If you will do this, you will receive not only the worded expression of truth, but the living essence of truth which will be a fire unto your spirit. A simple prayer to be said before reading the words of the Master could be something like the following:

"Beloved Presence of God, I AM! It is thy life and intelligence which enables me to read, to comprehend, to absorb and to do what is required of reel for Life. I AM so grateful! Beloved Master (here address the one whose words you are about to read and contemplate) I ask your feeling and Your capacity to use this instruction to God's glory and mankind's comfort."

THIRD: DO NOT READ HASTILY! Remember gluttony is not only of the flesh but of the mind as well. Many civilized people who shrink at the ravenous gulpings of the savage or the beast would be amazed at the sight of their own mental body devouring knowledge. Let your mind reverently, respectfully and gently approach the instructions of the Master and pause upon a sentence or paragraph which the grace of the Ever-Presence may emphasize through your own soul's light. It is not HOW MUCH YOU READ, nor HOW MUCH YOU, KNOW but WHAT YOU ARE that forms the measure of your capacity for spiritual assimilation.

FOURTH: Elect within yourself to make some portion of your reading an active part of your nature each day. Thus the process of sublimation and of transmutation becomes a rhythmic cycle of graduating consciousness rather than a clumsy lumbering, resulting from spasmodic endeavors.

FIFTH: When you have completed your reading, again make a brief invocation to your own I AM Presence and the Master with whom you have been in communion, to nourish by the spiritual grace of cosmic truth the seeds planted in your consciousness. Ask that the ideas thus entrusted to you shall become manifest flowers of perfect expression in your world and the world of your fellowman.

"Beloved Presence of God, I AM! Pour the light of thy grace upon my consciousness. Nourish the seeds planted by the Master. Let me not be one admonished from WITHOUT but not inflamed WITHIN, lest the word which I have heard (or read) and not practiced, known and not loved, believed and not observed, rise up in judgment against me."

Quoting the words of a wise man who walked the path before you—"Truly when the Day of Judgment comes, it will not be asked of us, what we have read, but what we have DONE; not what fine discourses we have made, but how righteously we have lived."

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is there any prescribed course of reading which would be of particular benefit to our soul growth?

GURU—Blessed Chela: For each man a different type of instruction is required. When the Master himself does not conduct the personal instruction for the chela DAILY, the chela must draw from within himself through the intuitive faculty and the flame of wisdom in the heart that which can best benefit him each day. When a chela is particularly drawn toward a specific Master, the chela can build up a momentum of spiritual rapport with such an one through observance of the above exercise and then reading those words written by that Master. Even in reading the words of unascended beings, if the individual were to put himself into spiritual communion with the consciousness of the writer, so much more could be received in a short period of study than when the outer mind literally "plunges" into the reading in a haphazard fashion.

SWEET AMARYLLIS

Sweet Amaryllis, we greet thee in song,

Goddess of Spring—its beauty prolong.

All the Earth wakens to bless thy dear heart,

All veils of winter part.

Flame of Resurrection, thy presence now commanding,

Love's eternal youth by thy presence now demanding.

Our love to thee-set all now free,

Blaze love's youth through all for eternity.

Sweet Amaryllis, we greet thee in song,

Goddess of Spring—its beauty prolong. All the Earth wakens to bless they dear heart,

All veils of winter part.

Sweet Amaryllis, Goddess of Spring,

Love's adoration joyous we sing;

Forces of nature arise in thy love

Drawn by our Sun above.

Come with the Earth at the dawn of creation,

Thy eternal youth compels all our adoration.

Beauty of Spring, heaven to bring,

Now o'er the Earth let the Easter bells ring.

Sweet Amaryllis, Goddess of Spring,

Love's adoration joyous we sing;

Forces of nature arise in thy love

Drawn by our Sun above.

Sweet Amaryllis, her beauty of light

Makes all our Earth a heavenly sight;

Blossoms and buds to her glory unfold

Turning Earth green and gold.

Crocuses and daffodils and all the lovely grasses,

Grateful for her love, kiss her garments as she passes!

Maha Chohan, to thy heart we call

Through hope of Spring, bring love's comfort to all.

Sweet Amaryllis, her beauty of light

Makes all our Earth a heavenly sight:

Blossoms and buds to her glory unfold

Turning Earth green and gold.

Sweet Amaryllis, to thee now we call!

Let Nature's glory awaken all;

Let Jesus' victory to all men impart

Springtime within the heart.

Great Threefold, love's true balance you are holding,

Resurrection Flame through all beings now unfolding.

Let all awake! The shadows forsake!

Of God's new life let all living partake.

Sweet Amaryllis, to thee now we call!

Let nature's glory awaken all;

Let Jesus' victory to all men impart

Springtime within the heart. (Melody in F, Rubenstein)

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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TO THE COSMIC SPIRIT OF RESURRECTION

GREETINGS, BLESSINGS, GRATITUDE from the heart of every being who has availed himself of thy resuscitating power, quickening of the life force through the garment of habitation, resurrecting the dormant powers of God through the lifestream, completing the mission of the individual soul and ascending by reason of the presence of thy activity into a God-free estate!

We dedicate this Springtime issue of THE BRIDGE TO FREEDOM to you, Cosmic Spirit of Resurrection and to every intelligence who has magnetized your presence and become the Resurrected Christ, "First fruits of them that slept!" Let all mankind, slumbering yet in garments of decay, bound round by chains of human limitation, awaken to thy presence. Let them invoke thy merciful presence through the life misqualified by conscious or unconscious use of the creative centers of thought and feeling and become the Resurrected Presence also!

To our Lord Maha Chohan, whose currents bring the resurrection through the nature kingdom, to our beloved Brothers Jesus and Serapis Bey, to the blessed Mother Mary, all of whom manifested the powers of resurrection, we send our love. To the great Archangel Gabriel, whose service to life is to guard, direct and expand the Resurrection Flame throughout the Earth, we send our love. To every dear son and daughter of Earth seeking redemption, freedom from limitation, disease, disintegration, disharmony and the grief and pain of so-called death, we give the full power of the Resurrection Flame! Accept it! Use it! Make it a practical, workable activity in your life and world! Easter greetings and blessings in the name of our beloved Jesus!

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom BELOVED HILARION'S RETREAT OVER CRETE

The Temple of Cosmic Truth is located in the Etheric realms over the beautiful Island of Crete which lies at the foot of the Greek Peninsula. This is the temple wherein the fully-gathered momentum of truth from the heart of God is focused for distribution through any and every channel opened to its rays.

The great universal Cosmic Law requires that some intelligence magnetize and draw down the virtues of the Godhead for the blessings of those who cannot rise to the full height wherein their own consciousness can partake of these gifts, thus they find the nourishment which is provided by proximity to the radiating centers of such virtues.

Therefore, from the beginning of self-conscious life in every sphere, Intelligences have offered themselves as conductors for these qualities, virtues and gifts. This is done in a no more mysterious manner than the physical Sun, itself, steps down and radiates the light, heat, nourishment and fecundating power of the Central Sun which stands above it in the universal scheme of Creation, these rays forming the conductors of the gifts of the physical Sun into the world of man.

One of the virtues of the Godhead, which has been so magnetized, is truth. The Being known as Pallas Athena, Spiritual Complement of our Lord Maha Chohan, became such a magnetizing focus and the essence of truth established through her contemplation of cosmic truth, forms the core and center of the Flame of Truth. Around this flame has been builded the Temple of Truth in the etheric realm.

Every intelligence who has endeavored to conceive the truth about any subject, which would bring illumination to mankind, has been the beneficiary of this gathered momentum of truth. Whatever branch of life's expression—governmental, educational, humanitarian, artistic, scientific, religious or ceremonial has had devotees in the world of form (men and women who are consecrated to developing the highest type of service through these channels). These devotees, who earnestly desire to know truth, become the specific chelas (students) of the Brotherhood at Crete. God-free beings direct the rays and flame of Inspiration to embodied lifestreams. The particular guidance, instruction, ideas and expressions of truth flow over these rays into the receptive consciousness of the pioneers in the world of form, who are endeavoring to assist in the progress of the race, working along the seven channels of life's expression.

Even as the physical Sun is equally available to all men, but its potent life-giving vitality is absorbed in varying amounts, according to the

capacity of the individual to receive, so does the gift of truth (focused within the Temple at Crete), flow forth impersonally. Man may have access to it, draw its illumination through the outer consciousness, or remain complacent in the erroneous concepts of previous generations.

There are always the FEW who refuse to accept as ultimate truth the theories, dogmas and prescribed courses of procedure, especially when these concepts limit the race. These FEW are usually persecuted by the "mass mind," which violently opposes all change—even for the better. Through these FEW, the ignorance, bias, limitations and shadows of the race are being gradually eliminated. More and more truth is being proven beyond the power of those who wish to dispute or confute the findings of the consecrated members of the race. For instance, the individuals who did not believe in "gas light" as the ultimate of illumination have given the world the benefit of electricity.

We are now on the borders of a new frontier—a spiritual revelation—which will show mankind how to consciously remove the limitations and distresses that have plagued them through the ages, a way to contact the God-free Intelligences who govern this system. Now there is also coming forth a method by which the human veil may be dissolved (which veil has closed out the glory of these Beings from mankind's daily association) and whereby a conscious cooperation between the God-free and the aspiring may be effected. Finally, there is to be the establishment of a Brotherhood of Masters, angels and men intent upon fulfilling God's will for the planet Earth and its evolutions.

To all those so interested, the Flame of Truth is available. Each man is recommended to raise his individual consciousness— which is his Holy Grail—to the Cosmic Flame of Truth and WAIT for the illuminating currents of that flame to return and disperse the shadows in his own consciousness. That flame will respond. It is scientific law that man magnetizes exactly what he wills, through contemplation in thought and feeling. Then, use your faculty of concentrated attention and invoke truth. As the shadows of human concepts are dissolved from your consciousness, the problems which appear in your world as limitation, disease, disharmony and even death itself, will disappear from your screen of life.

It is not enough to ADMIRE the virtues of the Gods. Every chela MUST BECOME the embodiment of those virtues. In this thirty-day period, I challenge you to accept the presence of truth, resisting it not by personal concepts, and see what this will bring into your worlds!

Thomas Printz.

WHATEVER YOU DO, DO IT IN LOVE By Beloved El Morya

February 10, 1955

As each one grows in mastery, he becomes able to take streams of force from many lifestreams and firmly, gently, kindly, gratefully and efficaciously weave out of the combined gifts, the particular developed project toward which the chela has set his hand and consecrated his heart.

The rejection of a line of proffered energy through intolerance, ingratitude or unkindness, shuts off a flow of energy which might be just what was required to complete the project in God-mastery. This does not mean one should accept and weave into the pattern any superfluous or impure substance. NO! However, I might liken a chela equal in authority to the master rug-makers of Kashmir, whom I have known so well.

As you know, only the master (patriarch of the clan) has the full pattern handed down to him by word of mouth. No written instruction has ever been allowed, lest it get into the hands of commercial promoters who would not understand the spiritual significance behind the pattern and would use it to secure worldly gain. This patriarch has a group of grown men, women and growing children, who form his only instrument through which to weave the particular rug or tapestry, which will be the gift to mankind of one, or sometimes several, generations. These spiritual rugs and tapestries are records of cosmic truth, like the hidden tablets of the Vedas.

There is given a thread to each one, a portion of the pattern and, in patience, the individual weaves that thread through the entire course of the design. The master allows the individual to use his energy (his life) to follow that design. If the master is wise, he blesses, encourages and develops dexterity and perfection of accomplishment in his people through kindness, expressed gratitude and training. He watches carefully, however, pulling the thread out again and again when it is not following the perfect course of the design. Then his worker must set himself to making things right. If there is impatience, unkindness, or tyranny in the master in charge, the tapestry or rug is barred from a place in the spiritual retreats and foci and is put on the market for commercial sale. This is the greatest disgrace to the master of the family, because the discordant energies woven through resentments and rebellions among his workers have polluted the spiritual aura of the artistry. Even though every thread is perfect, every design brilliant with its symbol or color and sign, it cannot be considered worthy of a place in the house of the Lord.

Do you know that all the literature, all the written records of cosmic

truth that have survived the pillaging of the decadent civilizations, the burning fires of the zealots, the destruction of the fanatics, survived only because of the harmony woven into the original recordings? That which has been lost in the physical appearance world, had in it some seed of decay, caused by the director or the workers whose energies were turbulent and disturbed."

THE SPIRIT OF HOPE By Beloved Archangel Gabriel (Grand Teton Conclave)

Hail to Thee, oh nature spirits, all who are a part of this magnificent countryside! I, Gabriel, the messenger of the Most High, bring you love from home! It is I, the Cosmic Angel of Resurrection, who has awakened you from sleep each Springtime, calling you, again, to don the festive garments of fragrance and beauty. In earnest and obedient response to my call, you became the magnificence of the Resurrection Flame, THE EXAMPLE TO MANKIND OF WHAT CAN BE DONE BY OBEDIENCE TO LIFE!

Beloved hearts, the complement of my lifestream is known as the Cosmic Being, HOPE! Thus, resurrection and hope move hand in hand across the face of this Earth, stirring new life from the ashes of a dead past—the Second Birth! They bring the divine pattern and plan to remembrance within the nature kingdom and, without resistance, that kingdom manifests the glory of immortality, springtime after springtime.

To those sons and daughters of men who choose to accept my light, my message and my presence, it is now my privilege and honor to bring the remembrance of the divine image, the immaculate conception, held within the mind and heart of God. That image nestles within the Threefold Flame within the physical heart. Let it be as obedient in response to me as are the flowers of the early springtime! As I bring to you tonight remembrance of the homeland, let resurrection and hope stir within you that illumination which makes your spirit rise and throw off the bondage of human thought and feeling. Let resurrection and hope take command of the flesh garment which you occupy, transmute those garments into blazing light and make each one a son, a daughter of the Most High Living God! Then you shall be crowned with the diamond Crown of Immortality, carrying the scepter of God-dominion and mastery. As you so reveal your master presence, it shall draw all imprisoned life to you, that you—in turn—may wave the Wand of Immortality over it and set it free.

Beloved ones, tonight I bring you the love of the great Archangels. I

bring you the hope of my beloved. Without hope, no lifestream would continue to exist. So, tonight I ask you to call with me for the angels of hope to breathe upon the hearts, souls and spirits of those in the Compound, those in the realm of "limbo," and into the astral and psychic realm, where lifestreams have been imprisoned for thousands of years. This will help to stir them, again, from the lethargy which comes from that feeling of hopelessness and helplessness.

The wings of hope are outstretched over this entire planet tonight and her presence is pouring its blessings. As we draw the attention of the great Karmic Board to the petitions of beloved Serapis Bey, the Brotherhood at Luxor and myself (as representatives of the resurrected spirit from whence will rise the ascended one), I ask you to join with us in calling for the raising of the Spirit of Hope within mankind everywhere, as well as in the elemental kingdom, which seems so antagonistic toward man. That elemental kingdom has been forced into destructive thought and feeling forms, humanly-created entities of such distortion, that I would not care to describe them to your consciousness. Those elementals, too, have lost hopes. Those who were born to live in the light of the Sun, to swing freely in the wind, to ride on the clouds—these are now imprisoned in the creations of the astral realm, pressed out of the thought and feeling centers of mankind. Some are compelled to abide in these forms for ages!

Tonight, we bring new hope to such elemental life so imprisoned. In these petitions, which we are to make tonight, please ask, with us, for the removal of the magnetic centers within all humanly-created, destructive thought-forms. This will automatically allow the imprisoned elementals to release themselves from those forms and rise into the Sun, for repolarization.

Beloved ones, today you stand at the threshold of a new era! Angels and men shall walk along life's pathway together. This is the activity of the Seventh Ray and we, the Great Lords of the angelic host, come to bring this remembrance to you. Now as we make our petition to the Karmic Board, will you please arise and join your sweet energies with us, in such petition? At the close of it, please sing together the song, "The Ascension." Let your energies flow into our words, as the great Karmic Board listens to those of us who represent the resurrection.

Hail to thee, oh, Karmic Board! Great and mighty dispensers of mercy and justice to the Earth! I, Gabriel, Archangel of Resurrection, speak to thee on behalf of the Brotherhood at Luxor, on behalf of mighty Serapis Bey, on behalf of the hope which is the survival of the spiritual consciousness of mankind. I petition thee, oh, great and mighty Board, to

set aside NOW AND FOREVER, the dispensation of the old era, wherein death and crucifixion represent the primal impulse toward which the attention of the Christian world has been focused.

I ask for the privilege, honor and opportunity of speaking into the heart of every lifestream belonging to this evolution and to convey to the outer consciousness that THE GOAL OF LIFE IS THE ASCENSION! In the name of God, in the name of Life, in the name of the mankind of Earth and the imprisoned elementals, in the name of those angels who have taken human form, I make the call this night for the ascension at the close of this Earth life of every soul upon the planet, so that none are forced to return in flesh bodies. I make the call tonight for the right and privilege to take the Sword of Living flame into the psychic and astral realms and plunge it into the heart of every humanly-created entity that is there, forming the mass effluvia, pressure and blanket of human creation in which mankind moves. I ask for the privilege of breaking asunder the magnetic pull, created by the thought and feeling centers of man, which elemental life has been forced to obey. Allow every bit of elemental life within these forms TO BE FREE! TO BE FREE! TO BE FREE! Let them return this instant to the heart of the Sun for re-polarization. I ask this for every thought-form of alcoholism, sex, lust, insanity and every vicious human creation that has attached itself to any lifestream upon this Earth. Let me also plunge that living sword into the great, overshadowing entities (created from the mass thoughts and feelings of mankind) which represent war, plagues and disease of every kind. These abide over cities, countries, continents and even the planet, itself.

In the name of the God of Life, I ask you to remove from elemental life, tonight, the necessity for longer obeying the destructive impulses of mankind. Give them their eternal God-freedom. LET THE PSYCHIC AND ASTRAL REALMS BE NO MORE! These realms are but an effluvia of concentrated and imprisoned elemental life. Oh, Powers of Light! Remove tonight the vow of obedience to mankind, which was taken by the elementals in all kindness. In the name of Helios and Vesta, and the Sun behind the Sun, I make this plea: Release elemental life from the necessity of taking on the forms of vicious and destructive thoughts, feelings and spoken words!

Now, oh, beloved great and mighty Karmic Board! With my own two hands I am willing to strip every one of the ten billion souls of this Earth of those humanly-created entities which feed upon their life. These forms are created by anger, malice, hatred, gluttony, in fact, every one of the "deadly" sins, as well as the subtle sins, too. Give me the freedom so to act! Give me opportunity to restore them to that freedom which they had

before they wove those shadows about themselves. Then you will see that their life will no longer have the struggle with those creations of the past. So relieved and released from that pressure, their life will give you the light you require for this Earth—that which is required to give beloved Sanat Kumara his freedom.

Powers of Light! Kwan Yin, Queen of Mercy! I ask for the Earth and these people, MERCY! I ask this for the earnest shepherds of this activity and for those in orthodox channels as well—all those ministers, priests and rabbis—all good men and women everywhere. Give me the authority, tonight, to bring to these, FREEDOM from the karma which they have ignorantly created. Let this be done through the release of my own vital fires. Give me opportunity NOW to breathe upon the heart flame and resurrect the mastery, powers and faculties which they had in the Great Central Sun, before the world was! Let this be done particularly for those who have the memories in the etheric and causal bodies. Let me revivify these memories and powers with such confidence, that these beloved ones BECOME MASTERS IN WORKS AND NOT IN WORDS.

Something more than ordinary must be done! To this end, I, Gabriel, Archangel of Resurrection, speak to you on behalf of Lord Michael and all my brothers in the angelic kingdom. To this end we give our life and shall dedicate whatever energies you ask, to make a balance for these lifestreams. Let us show all mankind what the Resurrection Flame can do. Let the ascension be an accomplished fact for every soul, as he leaves the Earth at the close of this embodiment, freed from the karma of the past! In thy name, oh, God! I have spoken! To thee, Great Lords, I bow and rest my case, serene in the knowledge that whatever thou shalt do, will most certainly be in agreement with our endeavors to make this planet shine like the Sun.

Now, abiding within a state of "listening grace," will you remember your friend, Gabriel? Know that at any moment, even when you think not, it may be required by the Law that you and I stand face to face. PREPARE WELL FOR THAT MOMENT, FOR NO MAN KNOWS WHEN IT COMES. May you be able to say, in that hour, that truly, you are the servants of the Lord!

My love enfolds you as does my light, blessings and gratitude for your service. Accept the love of Hope, myself and of all the angels of heaven. Thank you and good evening!

BELOVED JESUS, RECALLING HIS LIFE November 27, 1952

Do you remember the beautiful sunsets that spread, like fire, across the Sea of Galilee when, after the people had reluctantly retired to their homes, we sat in the quiet of the evening and shared the peace of God? Do you recall the meadows deep in golden grain, where we walked together in enjoyment of the simple beauty of nature's raiment? These are the remembrances that rise with a man, when the presence, at last, calls him home.

I remember an Easter morning, when the Sun had not yet dried the early dews, and some of you stood hoping beside an empty tomb. I remember, too, a more triumphant hour, when the Fire of the Holy Spirit swept through the earnest souls waiting to receive it and united their outer consciousnesses with the powers they so earnestly desired. They went forth in mastery, for a time. I have also a deep and lasting memory of upturned faces, bewildered eyes and earnest hearts on a small hill beneath the noon-day sun, when I bid friends "good-bye" to answer my Father's call.

Ah, yes, of such sweet memories are eternal friendships builded and on the invisible rays of such heart-ties do the loves and lights of other realms enter into the hearts of men.

Blessed Communion! I often think of that Thursday evening before my trial. The heat of the day was over, the rushing of the energies of the great masses was stilled, when we gathered together for our Passover Feast. We were a group of a few simple men, in a large and uncomprehending city, bound together by an individual bond of spiritual attunement, which is stronger than the insistent bonds of flesh and blood. How eagerly I called, that each of those present might know that Communion which had been my strength, my sustenance, my very life, through the years! How deeply earnest was my prayer that all of them might drink of the Cup of God's spiritual life! That prayer was answered by the mercy of his love. Today, again, you share the Communion with the brothers and sisters who have attained immortality. The Cup in your midst is in commemoration of that blessing.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE MULTIPLYING POWER WITHIN YOUR LIFE

MAHA CHOHAN

Life, within itself, has a natural power of increasing, amplifying and multiplying its gifts, keeping those gifts self sustained for so long as the divine will of the universe decrees that their beneficence shall bless the universe. In the season of Springtime, man witnesses the natural activity of resurrection, of eternal life and of multiplication of the gifts of good through the nature kingdom particularly. That PROPENSITY WITHIN LIFE TO INCREASE THAT which enables one seed to become many, one bulb to become a productive cluster of blooms, is ALSO PRESENT IN THE LIFE OF MAN—God's greatest creation upon this Earth.

EL MORYA

Because Life has, within itself, the natural power to multiply and amplify the pattern or plan which it is called upon to ensoul, man must learn that he, being co-creator with God, should take care as to the pattern and plan designed in his mind. You see, it is the Law that the impersonal life must fulfill itself through that pattern, whether it is of perfection or of imperfection.

КИТНИМІ

Man has been taught that his life energy flows into whatever his attention rests upon, energizing, amplifying and increasing the object upon which his attention rests. Herein is the power of man and herein also is the clue to release and relief from limitations of every kind. As man chooses consciously, that upon which his attention rests, his life flowing into that goal will amplify opulence, health, beauty, peace and the fullness of God's kingdom. Today, man is a result of the inversion of this Law. He has allowed his attention to rest upon all manner of evil and his life, obediently entering into the object upon which his attention rests, amplifies and multiplies the appearance of limitation, discord, disease and distress.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Man is the director of life. Life is impersonal, obedient to the directing intelligence in man. If man directs that life through any avenue of the senses into discordant appearances, innocent life rushes forth and amplifies the appearance, for that is the obedience within itself. When man CHOOSES AND DETERMINES to direct his attention, his sense consciousness, his thoughts and feelings toward the kingdom of God and its inhabitants, life will amplify the nature, qualities, powers and activities of this kingdom to him. Its Inhabitants and its beauty, peace, purity and perfection will become the atmosphere and environment of such a man.

SERAPIS BEY

The "interior life" of man is externalized on the screen of life—in his body, his home, his family, his affairs. When there is imperfection "living" in the aura and world of an individual, it is proof positive that somewhere, sometime, obedient life rushed forth to animate, magnify and increase some form created in the mind and consciousness of such a one. If life will obey the destructive use of the creative centers, it will, in like manner, obey the constructive, conscious use of these creative centers of thought and feeling. Herein is man's hope of conscious redemption through individual control, mastery and use of his own life.

HILARION

The shadows of human appearance, which have been fed by man's worries, his fears, his doubts, his passions, angers, appetites and lusts, have become very real to him. For the most part, even with sincere students, these appearances are accepted IN FEELING (although conscientiously rejected in mind) as more powerful than God! These shadows are the shackles and limitations of the race. They press heavily upon the consciousness of mankind through the sense reports and pressures of feeling and the greater their pressure, the more of man's life flows into them, giving them more energy and sustenance to plague and distress him. The natural propensity within life increases the appearance of limitation, while man's attention is held upon that appearance. This same propensity within life increases the transmuting, purifying, raising power of God, which dissolves the appearance when man's attention is held upon God. This is a test of spiritual fidelity, constancy, faith and reliance upon God's power to become the ONLY PRESENCE ACTING!

JESUS

As I have said previously, during my ministry in Judea, I was aware of the appearances created out of the minds and feelings of mankind and thrown upon the screen of life. However I never accepted them as having any power, except what a man invested in them. TO ME, THE PRESENCE OF GOD WAS THE SUPREME POWER, ALWAYS. Armed thus with this realization and consciousness that as my attention rested serene in the power of God, I withdrew all power from human appearances, whenever provided the individual consciousness, who desired assistance, would cooperate with me in faith. These appearances, fed by the life of the one in distress, immediately ceased to be. HOWEVER, IF THE INDIVIDUAL REFUSED TO RELINQUISH TO GOD THE POWER FROM THE APPEARANCE, HE DID NOT RECEIVE THE ASSISTANCE. The same is true today for every man.

SAINT GERMAIN

When man accepts the fact that he has created every appearance in his world by consciously or unconsciously feeding his life into a form of limitation, he has come to a place where he may move forward rapidly in setting his world into divine order. The same life which animates his limitations WILL FLOW into forms of opulence, beauty, harmony and perfection THE MOMENT he shuts off the old pattern of imperfection and consciously designs in mind and feelings a pattern similar to that which we externalize in our realms of light.

When man has been told "to lift his eyes to the hills," the truth within that simple aphorism is merely that man, raising his thoughts and feelings toward his Maker, ties his life into the SOURCE OF ALL GOOD. Then that life begins to amplify, augment, magnify and multiply the gifts, powers, activities and radiation of that Source. Thus, the personal life, aura, world and environment of every man reveals WHERE his life is flowing, because what is contemplated in secret, is manifest in the substance of this world. THIS IS THE LAW!

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: There are two lines of thought to which students ascribe themselves. One is the development of interest in and cultivation of the use of pictures, images, symbols, icons and all external stimuli to remembrance and recognition of God and his representatives. The other is the rejection of such symbology, as a deterrent from concentration upon the Indivisible ONE! To which line of procedure would you recommend us?

GURU—Blessed chela: The development of the individual consciousness is a great determining agent in the attitude of receptivity or rejection of representations of the Deity and his messengers. For instance, individuals who belong to the angelic kingdom or the devic evolutions are naturally more interested in radiation, spiritual essence, the music of the spheres, than in form. Human beings and elementals enjoy the form, which is the Grail of the Spirit. This natural alignment of the individual consciousness to any one of the three kingdoms will have a pronounced effect upon his type of worship, required stimulus and, generally, his happiness in such worship. In the East, many holy men and women come to the point of full illumination through concentration upon a lotus blossom, or a drop of dew. In the West, many holy men and women have come to the development of personal sainthood through contemplation of the being represented in a statue of the Christ or the Madonna.

CHELA—Beloved Master: In some individuals, there is such a strong repugnance to symbols of a spiritual nature, that their presence detracts from any spiritual nourishment such people might receive from a service. What can be done in such a case?

GURU—Blessed chela: In all cases where there is resistance, rebellion, discord and disharmony, it is the result of lack of understanding. Whenever possible, if the reason for such symbols is explained and certain specific applications made by the group director, this resistance can be overcome.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What applications do you suggest?

GURU—Blessed chela: The director must recognize that all within the compass of his aura are not necessarily of the same spiritual evolution, background, development or understanding. Besides the aforementioned fact, that angels, humans and elementals have a natural difference in the type of worship which appeals to them, there are the etheric records builded into the consciousness of all who ascend the ladder of evolution. Like every God-designed ideal, pattern and plan, the exquisite designing

of representations of the angels, Masters and Divine Beings was seized upon by those who wished to place before the mind and senses of men, forms magnetized to render powerless the spiritual natures of those who concentrated upon them. These "idols" were used by certain misguided individuals to secure power over the masses. Individuals who remember such experiences in the deep recesses of the etheric body and who either consciously participated in opposing such practices or who succumbed to being hypnotized by these foci, are determined, in themselves, to remain free from a like experience.

The deep fears of ALL forms which represent the Deity must be removed and the conscious mind made to realize the self-evident truth that the TYPE of representation determines the current, the radiation, the influence, the beneficent or malevolent powers focused through the form. Good common sense will be the measure of an intelligent man's acceptance of a picture, a statue, a symbol as a stimulus to his aspiration or a deterrent to his spiritual culture. The purifying currents of the Violet Flame called forth through the etheric bodies of the students by the Group Director BEFORE CLASS TIME will do much to assist in breaking down bigotry and intolerance. The clear, detailed explanation of "the why and the wherefore", when there is an introduction of a new expression in the service, will clarify the outer consciousness and make for cooperation and understanding among the students.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What are the reasons for having the pictures of the Masters, statues of the Divine Beings, symbols of the activities of the Sacred Fire, before the outer consciousness of the students?

GURU—Blessed chela: They are reminders to the sense consciousness of the presence of the God-free beings who are an ever-present help when called into action! The senses of man are so constantly fastened on distress and imperfection that any and all types of perfected form that turns the attention of mankind "upward" and away from the chains that bind him, are essential to the survival of the spiritual spark within the soul. Even your church spire pointing heavenward, your majestic mountain ranges, the graceful upreaching arms of the trees are designed toward that end.

Furthermore, each focus of a Perfected Being, an angel, a Master or a deva, becomes an open door into the energy, consciousness, being, world and activity of such a one. A line of energy flows from the heart of the God-free Being into the form which represents him and into the world of all who look upon that form, bringing blessing and benediction in its wake. Thus the picture or statue is a magnetizing center, drawing the radiation of the Perfected Being down into the world of the student

and drawing the attention and energy of the student upward into the perfected realms of the God-free.

CHELA—Beloved Master: As there is such a great divergence in the representations of the Deity, the Masters, the angels and the devas, in statues, pictures, icons, etc. how does this affect the students consciousness and the magnetizing power of the picture or representation?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First, one must remember that the student is not worshipping the form, the picture, the talisman or amulet, in itself. He is merely using it as a reminder of the Being whose perfected glory flows through the representation. Thus, I have seen even a very rough-hewn hand-carved figurine draw tremendous blessing upon an earnest soul and conversely a magnificent piece of sculpture leave the spiritual spark unstirred. The consciousness, feelings, thoughts and nature of the artist will be a determining factor in the capacity of the representation to reach the HEART, also the faith, innocence, love and devotion of the aspiring one will be a determining factor in how much good the contemplation of such a focus will bring to the individual consciousness.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Why is there such a great divergence among the pictures and representations of Deity, yourselves, the angelic host and others of the heavenly kingdom?

GURU—Blessed Chela: This is so because every form that manifests on Earth comes through the consciousness of some individual who is part of Earth's evolution. The purity of consciousness, the developed talents which can transfer the impression to canvas or marble, the patience of the artist—all are determining factors in the representation.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Does not the difference in presentation of the Masters pictures tend to confuse the chela's mind as to the true likeness of the Master?

GURU—Blessed Chela: While the chela's mind CAN be confused, you can rest assured, SOMETHING WILL ARISE WHICH WILL CONFUSE IT. You have seen photographs of the same person taken in different stages of a lifetime, the vital pictures of early youth bearing little resemblance to the mellow pictures of maturity. Yet, the outer consciousness KNOWS and recognizes the individual who is represented in that picture and can enjoy the infant's innocent smile as well as the mature man's steadfast gaze.

Artists and individuals who represent the Ascended Masters, use different methods to receive their inspiration. On rare occasions (when the Master has retained an etheric vehicle) actual photographs are available. Why? Because there is no present mechanical photographic device avail-

able which can register the high frequency of vibration of the electronic body of the Ascended Being.

In very rare instances, where the aura of a chela is sensitized and can provide, out of his own substance, a clothing for the likeness of the Electronic Presence, stepping down the vibratory action, such photographs have been taken. These are very sacred spiritual gifts and are guarded carefully by their recipients. In the case of the Cottingly photographs (see "Fairies" by E. Gardiner), the children in question provided a similar clothing for the elementals, so that they were able to be photographed with the present methods of mechanical instruments.

On the other hand, artists often draw on their own etheric memories of contact with and association among the Masters, angels, devas and God-beings. When purified enough, these artists are visited by members of these kingdoms and through the veil of their own consciousness, look upon the Celestial Beings who, invariably, take on some of the characteristics, outlines, concepts and nature of the artist's own being. Then these impressions are conveyed, by greater or lesser artistic talent, to the medium of expression which the artist has chosen.

As the etheric memories go back to the first Golden Ages, through all the succeeding generations, one Master may appear in the glory of Lemurian splendor, Atlantean priesthood, Himalayan ruggedness, Eastern vesture or Western modernism. THE IMPORTANT THING FOR THE CHELA IS TO REMEMBER THE BEING WHO IS REPRESENTED, not concentrating upon the representation to the exclusion of receiving the benefits of radiation which might otherwise flow freely, stimulating body, mind, soul and spirit. It would be like a man dying of thirst insisting upon tracing the pattern on the cup while the life-giving water trickled away unused.

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS, April 1, 1955 Dearly Beloved Seekers After Truth:

I invoke the Cosmic Spirit of Truth to enter your worlds and let you FEEL the comfort, the happiness, the clarity of consciousness which her presence brings. During this thirty-day period, when the Spiritual Hierarchy amplifies the Flame of Truth from the retreat of my beloved son, Hilarion, I ask that mankind be released from their fear of truth, their reluctance to accept truth, and their constant, foolish endeavor to clothe truth with the concepts most pleasing to their own mental and feeling worlds!

Man "creates" his own Gods, fashioning them out of the substance of

thought and feeling and finds comfort in worshipping his own creation, which thinks, acts, feels and responds to the stimulus of his own imperfect consciousness. THE SEEKER OF TRUTH IS WILLING TO RENOUNCE HIS "SELF-CREATED" DEITY, to reject the lesser expressions of Godhood and to rejoice in the presence of REALITY. The wise man opens heart, soul, spirit and very self to the Cosmic Spirit of Truth and in complete self-surrender comes to KNOW THE PEACE WHICH PARTIAL TRUTH WILL NEVER BRING.

Ask for truth, children who profess to seek her! SHE WILL COME and the illumination of your individual and collective consciousnesses will be your reward. As one man receives truth, he then becomes an open door to truth's presence to many men!

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan.

Note: Those Group Directors who desire the monthly letter (which previously appeared as complement to the transmission flame instruction of our Lord Maha Chohan) may receive it through the mail monthly if they are registered (by completed questionnaire) with headquarters, as a qualified Group Director. This new policy is in accordance with instructions received from our beloved Master, El Morya, who desires to give more space to the Ascended Masters' words in "The Bridge." He also desires to knit together the earnest, sincere groups and make a cooperative, working unit, which can be reached in the matter of a few hours if and when certain crisis arise. In these crisis the joint endeavors, decrees and applications are required for the protection of students and mankind, in general.

Statement for Transmission Class of April 16, 1955, is 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I am inbreathing th'full illumination of the Flame of Truth from Pallas Athena (Use also for absorbing/expanding/projecting)

Color of flame: Green. Keynote: Onward Christian Soldiers (Hymn) Hierarch: Hilarion, Chohan of the Fifth Ray

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Dear Editor: You will be pleased to know that, besides the parent Sanctuary in Havana, there are four groups in Cuba. There is another Sanctuary in Santa Clara City and three other groups in the Provinces of Cuba. The Spanish translation of "The Bridge to Freedom" (printed as "El Puente") has received an enthusiastic welcome. Two students, one in Havana and the other in Santa Clara, are presently engaged in translating "The Seventh Ray" and "The First Ray" for our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters.—F.C.P. Havana, Cuba.

Editor: We are extremely grateful for the interest shown by our chelas in Cuba. It proves our point, as presented to the Karmic Board, that each race and nationality is willing and eager to accept our assistance and cooperate with us, IF THE OUTER CONSCIOUSNESS CAN BE REACHED THROUGH THE LANGUAGE WITH WHICH THE STUDENT IS PRESENTLY ACQUAINTED.

Dear Editor: I am reading "The First Ray" for the second time and am getting a great deal of knowledge from it. I have read many occult books, but nothing like this one. The articles in "The Bridge" by the Great Masters are almost breathtaking. I nearly had to pinch myself to see if I was dreaming—they were so unusual. I think "The Bridge" is really out of this world. I believe I have found now what I have been searching for during the many years that have passed.—G.D.B, Rochester, N.Y.

Editor: Thank you for your great enthusiasm. Sustained, it will carry you forward on the path with great speed.

Dear Editor: ARE THE Masters desirous of expanding this endeavor in a huge manner at this time, or are they more desirous of getting a small group of dedicated lifestreams in shape, so that light, love, peace, comfort and harmony, pouring through these individuals, will more readily influence the people than words spoken by our lips? It seems to me that this is the time for real action, in making the supreme effort to manifest the Christ consciousness. Is not example and radiation greater than the spoken word?— R.A. Denver, Colo.

Editor: The Spiritual Hierarchy is naturally very interested in expanding a conscious knowledge of the Great White Brotherhood, the divine plan of God for this Earth and its evolutions at this crucial hour. Particularly, because the time allotted to the Guardian Spirits of the Earth's evolutions is limited, we desire to give everybody opportunity to hear or read the Masters' words. Then our obligation is fulfilled and the acceptance or rejection of the instruction becomes the karma of the one to whom it is proffered. However, you have a splendid point in affirming that example is the best teacher. Our activity, our presence, our instruction is measured, by the outer world, ACCORDING TO THE NATURE OF OUR CHELAS —

those who represent us in the world of form. If our "salesmen" do not show "produce" (works) of worth, mankind cannot be blamed if they do not wish to invest time, energy, study and substance in our wares. THIS IS THE KARMA OF THE CHELA.

Dear Editor: I have just read "The First Ray" by El Morya and I think it is more than a generous reward for all of my prayerful searching. It is wonderful! In the past ten years I have ready many books by well-known occult writers and that is why I am interested in your work.—M.G.M.

Editor: We are grateful, indeed, for this kind expression of appreciation.

Dear Editor: How we look forward to your monthly Journal. For many years we have loved the Masters of Wisdom but have felt ourselves unworthy to approach them except in the worshipful capacity of humble seekers after truth. Now we find, to our joy and amazement, that we are privileged to WORK WITH THEM. Also we find that the Masters have come closer to us, as we share their activities and victories. They are no longer ephemeral spirits but living and loving friends. Truly have you BRIDGED the chasm that has separated us from those to whose heights we honestly aspire—C.D.F., Oregon.

Editor: Thank you, beloved friends. It is for just such a purpose that "The Bridge" was brought into being. Vicarious atonement and vicarious worship are not enough. The spiritual partnership between ascended and unascended beings is vitally necessary to hasten the progress of the Earth and all its evolutions at this time.

NOTE: If you wish your letter answered in this column, please signify whether you prefer your name used in full or initials. Naturally the volume of mail far exceeds space provided for response. However, we shall endeavor to choose those questions and comments which will be of general interest to all students, rather than those personally affecting but one.—Ed.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

A Monthly Journal Devoted to Individual Unfoldment, Contact With the Great White Brotherhood and Cooperative World Service

MAY 1955

TO THE COSMIC SPIRIT OF THE MONTH OF MAY:

Greetings! Blessings! Gratitude from the heart of every sweet Spirit who has achieved immortality under the grace of your benediction; Praise and adoration rises to you!

As the beauteous vestments of Amaryllis adorn the Holy Mother Earth, many of the sons and daughters of heaven reminisce over the sweetness of your presence, upon whose ascending flame they have entered the ranks of the Immortals!

Lord Buddha, kissing the sweet Earth a fond farewell, Lord Maha Chohan ascending into his cosmic estate, Master Jesus culminating his victorious mission in the conscious ascension, beloved Saint Germain writing the final "memoirs" of his book of Earth life—all of these took place in the mystic month of May.

On the first Pentecost, the benediction of the Holy Comforter swept the dimming sparks of the disciples' faith and works into a flame that has carried the Christian Dispensation to its great height of accomplishment. This also took place in the radiance of Mary's presence!

Today the chelas who walk the path toward mastery avail themselves of your presence and the fully-gathered momentum of all their illustrious forebearers on the spiritual path. They welcome you-sweet May and your opportunity for development of spiritual grace and mastery!

Thomas Printz, Editor

BELOVED VIRGO

(Beloved Virgo Is the great Being sometimes spoken of as "Mother Earth.")

Virgo, lovely mother of our blessed planet Earth,
Drawing forth light substance for her lovely virgin birth,
Substance glowing brighter than the glory of the Sun—
But that was in the early days, when Earth had just begun!
Earth sustained her beauty rare for several million years,
Sent her first root races home, all free from doubts and fears.
These were Golden Ages longed and prayed for by all men,
Now perfection comes again!

Then in love Earth offered to be host for other stars Who, preceding Earth, were taught by advanced Avatars. From these stars came laggard souls who, not evolving fast And holding back their victory, had to leave their homes at last. Coming to the Earth, they brought their shadows Earthward too, Through contagious radiation, all those shadows grew. Dimmed the light and perfect sight of all evolving here—All forgot their source so dear.

As the shadows lengthened o'er this dark'ning earthly scene, The souls of men accepted discord ne'er before e'er seen. Shadows grew and grew until not one on Earth was free, And even Guardian Spirits bright forgot their victory! E'en the substance of the sea and air became despoiled—Virgo's lovely substance became most completely soiled, Lost its radiant beauty and absorbed discordant sound, Making dark and heavy ground.

But Virgo's heart stayed light with love and strength and courage rare, As mothers will, she loved her child and tended her with care, Kept her breath of love and light expanding through each part, Held the Earth and all upon it in her blazing heart. Knowing surely that one day the light of God must win—What the Godhead outbreathed, it must once again breathe in. On that rhythmic movement it, releasing Light and love, Draws all to their home above.

So today, our Virgo dear, victorious in God's light,
How we love and bless the powers you've drawn from heaven's height,
Love you for the constancy and strength that you have had,
To raise the Earth and all thereon and make it happy, glad!
We bow before your beauty and your confidence so sweet,
Before your power of light that keeps the Earth beneath our feet.
Make and keep us all you are, in light's great victory won—
Bless our Virgo, Central Sun!

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom TEMPLE OF GOD'S WILL, DARJEELING, INDIA May 15th through June 14th, 1955

The Temple of God's Holy Will is the focus of the Master El Morya, Chohan of the First Ray. It is located in Darjeeling, India. Here, the Masters and chelas who are dedicated to doing God's will join together in an endeavor to find ways and means of bringing a conscious knowledge of God's will to the mankind interested in cooperating to fulfill it so far as the Earth and its evolutions are concerned.

God's will, of course, is the FULLNESS of perfection for all created beings. It contains the opulence of Divinity, its perfect health, its indestructible harmony, its natural expression of perfection in mind and body. THERE IS NO NEGATIVE ASPECT OF GOD'S WILL. The acceptance of privation, disease or distress of any kind as God's will is a wrong concept, builded out of the lethargy of human consciousness, which does not wish to make the self-conscious effort required TO OVERCOME THE CAUSE OF IMPERFECTION.

The nature of God is to expand itself through any receptive consciousness, as the nature of the tree is to develop each year more blossoms, leaves, fruit and even physical size, itself. Through the immortal flame in every human heart, God desires to fulfill himself by expanding his qualities, nature, powers and activities. The purpose of individualization is to give the joy and opportunity of experiencing God-expansion through self-conscious intelligence.

Individualizations who have come to a proper understanding of their reason for being have aligned themselves with God's will and have allowed that will to have way, through them. They have become, in truth, Gods themselves and have obeyed the edict "Be ye perfect, even as your Heavenly Father is perfect."

The members of the Spiritual Hierarchy who serve with the beloved Elohim Hercules, the Archangel Michael and the Ascended Master Morya to help expand the understanding of the will of God through man, focus their combined consciousness through the Temple of God's Will at Darjeeling.

Men and women who signify an interest in knowing God's will and becoming co-workers in bringing the kingdom of heaven to Earth, come under their particular guidance, protection and instruction. As water seeks its own level, so do the strata of consciousness seek the place and the focus where their interests lie. The Silent Watchers and messengers from the angelic host answer the call of these people. They hear the

whispered prayer of the heart, the sincere aspiration of the soul and they bring to the attention of the brothers and sisters belonging to this retreat, the opportunity available to them to assist in their cosmic mission.

In their finer bodies at night, the chelas are drawn to this focus of God's will. Here they sit at the feet of the Masters, learn the current activities in which the Brotherhood are engaged and are taught how they may individually and collectively cooperate with the requirement of a given hour.

It is not enough to admire the focus of the glorious flame of royal blue and crystal, which represents the combined consciousness of this Brotherhood. The chela must use the magnetic power of his own heart flame and draw that flame into his own mind, body, world and affairs. Thus, he becomes a focus for God's will in his own environment and a radiating center through which the combined assistance of the entire Brotherhood may enter the affairs of his nation, state, and local community.

The gentle reader is urged to invoke the will of God into his own consciousness, mind, body, being, world and affairs during this thirty-day period and to give conscious acknowledgment to the magnificent Hierarch, El Morya.

SAINT GERMAIN, RECALLING HIS LIFE

Two of the most exquisite experiences of spiritual ecstasy that touch the consciousness of man, are the first moment of realization of individuality as a self conscious being at the beginning of the road of life and the first moment of realization of completion at the end of that road.

For myself, May Day has always had a special significance. In many embodiments on Earth, I enjoyed the active participation of the festivals of the mystic month of May. I love the remembrance of those whose spiritual achievements were honored at each recurrent celebration of entrance into May, the honoring of the spiritual forces of nature and their great Directors, whose rhythm of beauty and opulence are written on the face of the Earth, to bring hope and fulfillment to the human heart, finally, the personal achievement of my own ascension from the wheel of birth and death—all these are in my storehouse of memory! All these remembrances, sweet as the dew upon the early spring flowers, can be called forth at will and woven into each successive May-time to add to the sweetness of the gifts of the Spirit of May! Ah, sweet spirit, upon your perfumed essence many have risen to the heart of the Father of

Light—HOME—to go out no more!

Many have asked for some personal reference to the experiences previous to my own CALL HOME. For their pleasure, I shall recount a few of those experiences upon these pages.

Born to the throne of England, but denied its authority, my soul did weep in sorrow and frustration. Stirring within my consciousness was a "seed idea," born of the Father of Light, but not yet nourished and developed to the point where it might be efficaciously utilized by mankind. Yet, such is the confusion of the outer consciousness, that often by effort of human will such ideas are aborted or stillborn before their time. This wisdom of abiding in the will of the Father (who will see that the fruit of his seeds matures at the right time) comes with suffering, with illumination and with grace. So I learned that the world brotherhood was not to be the outcome of a dynasty of human kings but of a spiritual bond of selflessness, impersonal service and shared vision at a later day.

Suffice it to say—after "THE TEMPEST" came TRANQUILITY. So is it in the experience of every soul waking from the slumber of the ages, catching the vision of the future and, in its first zeal and immaturity, endeavoring to fashion that vision into form before its time.

A great Master and dear friend, beloved Jesus, had been tempted, long before me, to accept a human throne in order to utilize the position of authority to further his teachings. He wisely rebuked the interceding advocate for temporal power. Long before his ministry, another (Lord Buddha) renounced an already secured throne to find the heart of God and embody the spirit of that heart for his fellowmen.

It comes to every man in his time—an opportunity to relinquish all power and authority into the hands of the Father of Light. WHEN THE GREAT SURRENDER IS MADE—THEN THE VICTORY DOES COME!

I remember well when my call came! I remember the dreams, the visions unfulfilled, the hopes and plans resulting from communion with my maker, that remained yet ephemeral phantoms, some woven into words which would outlive the garment of flesh I wore (the Shakespearean classics, Bacon's utopia, etc.).

To leave all these dreams and plans unfulfilled was not an easy task. Yet, those far greater than I, looking upon the future with unbound eyes, recommended that I prepare to come HOME. Other souls, strong and true, promised to weave their life energies into completing the pattern of my free star!

I remember yet how, after winding up my personal affairs as best I could, I left England and crossed the Channel. The rough and choppy

seas and the heavy fogs brought to remembrance another crossing. Then only faith sustained us as we journeyed to the shores of a land where one day my vision would become fact (as Columbus).

The generous nobleman with the graceful horses waiting on the shores of France, the long journey across the green fields, the snug villages, the more difficult mountain passes into Transylvania—these are all burned into my heart forever! The kind welcome of my host and friend, the enjoyment of the peaceful woodland, the soft bird song, the early spring flowers-all these tie my heart yet to dear "Mother Earth" and all who live upon her.

Then came the final preparation of my soul to relinquish its last tabernacle, taking up a new estate—and after that - THE CALL! I remember the breeze carrying the sweet scent of the flowers through the opened windows, as I gave the answer and my soul, released from the flesh, flew like the homing pigeon back into the bosom of the Eternal! Oh, the GRATITUDE for freedom and for the promised service of those left behind! Children, all of the experiences of life that lead you from the turmoil of outer living to the tranquility of heart, where you may hear the summons and answer it, are as nothing before the victory that stands before you! I KNOW, FOR IT HAS BEEN MINE!

MY ASCENSION By Beloved Jesus

The ascension of the sublimated soul is the goal of all human experience. Little do men realize how they weave the ladder of ascending consciousness throughout many Earth lives, nor how much of the energy of other lifestreams is woven into its uplifting radiation.

Long before the hour of my own ascension upon the hill of Bethany, my dear Mother had walked the grassy pathway leading from the valley to the flat rock which forms the apex of that hill. Here, in deep contemplation and prayer, her own life-force ascended heavenward and a flowing stream of energy created a natural, spiritual pathway upon which my own spirit would, in time, return HOME.

On that fateful day, obedient to the call of the Father, I prepared for my final farewell to the Earth and to those with whom I had served and lived in my all too brief Earth-life. Only John and my Mother knew the nature of the experience that lay before me.

Rising early, I poured my love to the sweet Earth, fragrant with the perfume of a new Springtime, to the cleansing waters that had baptized my soul and purified my body, to the purifying air which I had gratefully breathed into my lungs in that first breath, so long ago in a stable in Bethlehem, to the ascending Sun whose example I was to follow on this day of days. I sent forth my invocation to the Holy Comforter to enter into the heart and consciousness of my earnest and devout disciples, to sustain them on the true way. Toward the crown of the hill of Bethany, I walked the pathway made by the shining footprints of my mother's constant novena for my victory. Mother and John, knowing of my coming initiation, gathered the disciples and loved ones about them, so that I might have a few hours of privacy with my Lord and my God.

Shortly before the noon hour, they ascended the hilltop and as the Sun reached its zenith, I placed them all lovingly in the hands of the Father, accelerated the vibratory action of my vehicles and bid the world and its experiences a fond adieu. Since then I have returned often, in my immortal garments, to those I love and who love and serve me, FOR THERE IS NO SEPARATION IN LOVE DIVINE.

Knowing the supreme glory of that hour, I can but urge each dear child of God to prepare for that day! When the hour comes and the summons from the Father of Light reaches the heart, you too, will know the full and true purpose for individual being. It is to become a Sun of Light in yourself, free of the wheel of birth and death and master of energy and vibration but yet servant of all that lives, until all life becomes God-free also.

Jesus

PREVENTING THE ERUPTION OF A VOLCANO By El Morya

(Short talk before beloved Kuthumi's Transmission report, March 19, 1955)

(Editor's note: Upon hearing of the possible eruption of the volcano "Kilauea" on the Island of Hawaii, a group of students decided to concentrate an entire meeting upon making calls and singing songs to the Ascended Masters for protection of the Hawaiian Islands and their people. After the meeting started, the whole group, at the suggestion of the leader, closed their eyes and definitely "projected themselves" by mental concentration to the cone of the volcano. We tried to feel the crusty lava bed beneath our feet, imagining we were really there and gave our decrees looking right down into the cone. We sang our songs in like manner and at the close of the meeting we asked our beloved Master, El Morya to let us know what had actually taken place through our efforts. We give you, below, the answer to our call.)

Ladies and gentlemen! Greetings and love from my heart. Among the sons and daughters of heaven there is always an endeavor to secure your attention through the mind's eye, our consciousness and your feelings, for even a moment. So, as the Sponsor and the actual, shall we say, "founder of this network," I have asked permission to speak to you for just a few minutes, about your magnificent accomplishment of last Thursday evening. This gives us hope for great progress and accomplishment on a world-wide scale in this year of decision.

The transfer of consciousness from place to place requires a certain training of the "inner man." It requires a certain concentration of the mind and capacity through fluidic use of thought pictures, to anchor into the activities taking place. Over the past year we have endeavored, to the best of our ability to show you various activities at Inner Realms. Then came the opportunity to draw your attention to a spot on the face of your planet, where there is a great crisis at this time.

Both Lord Michael (the Archangel) and myself witnessed your endeavors and I would like to describe to you something of what took place. You know, you are never alone when you are endeavoring to serve the Law, the Light, God, the Masters or mankind. Always, there is in attendance some Sponsor from the God-free, although they do not always express themselves in words. According to your sensitivity are you receptive to that Sponsor's current.

When great continents are so loaded with the iniquities of the discordant thoughts and feelings of mankind that it is thought necessary by the Cosmic Law to purge them, there is imprisoned within the substance of those continents, certain elemental life. In justice, that life must one day be free. The more the calls for freedom go forth, the more the desire within the hearts of mankind is joined with active service in making those calls, the sooner will imprisoned life demand its freedom. According to its nature, it will demand freedom at the time it hears the call. A dog demands freedom according to its nature, so does a human or a Divine Being. Therefore, within the gas belts and those foci of hate, when imprisoned life there hears the call to come forth, it responds by endeavoring to burst its bonds, according to its nature. Unless that nature is consciously transmuted, you will have the eruptions and explosions of volcanic action, which represent the qualified energy before transmutation has taken place. If that energy could be separated into its infinitesimal electronic particles (it is made up of millions and millions of them)—if you could take one and magnify it large enough to examine it, you would see the resentment, the scowl on the little face, the rebellion that is within the tiny form THAT HAS BEEN IMPRISONED FOR MANY MILLIONS OF YEARS! As that life rushes forth in its extreme determination to be free, it causes tremendous cataclysmic activity.

As you approached the cone of the volcano ("Kilauea"), as you stood and directed your love through songs and decrees into that open cone, what happened? There came a being of embodied love from the Archangel Chamuel's Legions of the Pink Adoration Flame, who stood over the cone and, by the magnetic power of her love, drew the substance of these particles right through her own body. They emerged from her body beautiful, shining, winged sylphs, something like your magnificent butterfly, or perhaps more like the transparent wing of the sylph, itself. That is what takes place in the releasing of imprisoned life when conscious lifestreams, directing energy, and transmuting imperfection. As this life is released (as it will be if you continue in your endeavors), it will be of tremendous assistance to the freeing of the Earth itself! You may invoke the sustaining of as many of those beings of the Pink Flame as you desire, to assist in releasing this imprisoned life back to the Sun in happiness.

It might as well go in happiness as in sorrow. It might as well go in harmony and in rhythm, as in blasts of resentment and rebellion that will cause untold destruction. We are delighted with your endeavor and hope you will soon give this instruction to other earnest students throughout the world, with the prompting that they should not wait for a word from headquarters for permission to so act, as the succeeding months take their toll The group director, however, in cooperation with the students, should meet and project the collective consciousness of their groups to any point on the surface of the planet where there is distress of any nature. There they should consciously make the calls for the transmutation of that distress. This training, under the auspices of Lord Michael and myself, is of great potential service to mankind.

(Additional details of this event were provided in 1981 to the AMTF, by Alice Schutz (A.D.K. Luk) a member of the Bridge to Freedom group in Philadelphia. Some of the members of this group were highly-developed lifestreams, who had served the Great White Brotherhood in previous embodiments. There were 16 members in this group. They projected themselves in consciousness to the top of the volcano, calling for the legions of Archangel Chamuel to transmute the feelings of discord of the elementals. Alice said some could see the faces of the elementals, contorted from anger. Some of the students were seen by the natives, who reported to the newspaper they saw a group of persons on the top of the volcano. The determined action of the Philadelphia group prevented its eruption. This shows the effectiveness of group activity. Editorial by AMTF)

INSTRUCTION ON THE ASCENSION By Beloved Master El Morya

Think of the long journey of each soul—millions of embodiments, trials, errors, hopes and disillusionment's, karma always being woven out of every thought, feeling and action, chains and limitations that wait to enshroud the incoming soul, through which the spirit seeks to fulfill a portion of the divine plan and return to the Karmic Board with a harvest in which there is something of merit.

FINALLY, THE EMBODIMENT OF OPPORTUNITY COMES! The soul is accepted by beloved Serapis Bey and the Brotherhood at Luxor. The soul is sponsored by the Ascension Temple and examined by the Karmic Board, who look carefully at both the strength of the individual, as well as the amount of unpaid debts which remain on the books of such a one. If the spiritual strength is such that it is even remotely possible that the incarnated spirit may redeem, transmute, and purify those energies set into motion so carelessly through many ages, the soul is accepted. "Candidate for the Ascension" is written across the etheric body and an incarnation is arranged where all the opportunities will be given for such balancing of the debts. There are also opportunities given to contact the teacher, to learn again the spiritual law in the outer consciousness.

Then the soul, balancing itself precariously between the opportunities to illumine the outer self and the seeming burdens (opportunities in disguise, the returning energies seeking redemption) becomes the personal "Field of Armageddon" light and shadow strength and weakness, the sponsor watches, hopes and prays. The light from above plays upon the momentums of good in the lifestream, the forces of gathered concubiscence in the astral realm play upon the weaknesses.

Then, one day, when the service has been enough, the purification sufficient, the constancy, loyalty and perseverance to the light proven (not in days of happy experience but in hours and years of adversity) the call comes "Well done, thou good and faithful servant! Come home in dignity, wearing Freedom's robes and enter the spiritual household of your Lord!"

Each of us who is now ascended remembers that summons and the lift of heart, of soul and of spirit, when the chain of life and seeming death was broken and we were invited HOME.

For even one spirit who comes home, the rocks, the trees, the nature kingdom, sing a song of gratitude. The Heavenly Host also join in and there thrills through every human heart (although the cause is unknown) a little vibration of happiness and exaltation, which men often attribute to some personal experience, although that may be far from the true reality. The heart flame of the densest of sinners sings at the freedom of part of its element, at last.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK WHITSUNTIDE, May 29, 1955

MAHA CHOHAN

The visitation of the Holy Spirit, which is celebrated in the feast of Pentecost (Whitsuntide), resulted in the firing of the souls of certain men to a point where, at will, their consciousness could perform seeming miracles of resurrection, redemption and spiritual resuscitation. What was the individual preparation which made such a visitation possible and the acceptance of the gifts of the Holy Spirit by those simple men manifest in their works? It was a humble heart, a contrite spirit, a complete surrender to the will of God!

EL MORYA

The soul of man is evolved through the centuries, as a result of personal experience. Consciousness, experimenting with the use of energy, sets up causes in the thought and feeling centers. Manifest on the screen of life, these causes create certain effects. The effects, in turn, press back upon their individual creator and his reaction to them makes the caliber of the soul. Within the soul dwells a spark of the Holy Spirit, which gives life, intelligence and individual consciousness to every man. The impressions which have made up the soul-life, through the ages, have encased the spiritual self in a tomb of rebellions, resentments, fears, doubts and the various ramifications of imperfection. The spirit slumbers until the soul, unhappy with its satiation of the senses, begins searching again for the way back home. Then comes the opportunity for the rebirth of spirit through self—the personal, individual Whitsuntide.

KUTHUMI

The Holy Spirit, a Universal Comforting Presence, embodied in our Lord, the Maha Chohan, (so far as this Earth's evolution is concerned), is as gentle as the dove, as silent as the sunrise, as gracious as the Godhead, itself, of whom it is representative. Not in loud exhortations and physical mortifications is it drawn into the heart of man! No, rather by

the opening of the doors and windows of the soul in gentle love, in humility, in self surrender, does the spiritual messenger of peace light gracefully upon the ever-widening portals of the soul's chamber and abide therein.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

No man need affirm that he is a disciple of the Holy Spirit. His kindly eyes, his gentle smile, his helping hand, his embodied virtue, speak for him. Within the individual who truly loves his neighbor as himself, there stirs the renewal of the Spirit of the Most High. The sweet perfume and essence of divinity pouring forth from such a one brings peace, hope, faith, grace, healing and spiritual illumination. Even if such a disciple should speak not a word in the course of an entire lifetime, the Spirit of God, through him, could do more than a thousand zealots whose souls are still locked against the Gentle Presence.

SERAPIS BEY

At Luxor, our endeavor is to reunite the soul of man with his Spiritual Source, from whence he has become temporarily disconnected, IN CONSCIOUSNESS. All experiences in this world or the "hereafter" are, in truth, experiences in consciousness. Separation from God and union with God are not a matter of bodily contact, but of realization which is an activity of consciousness. When the student understands this, he takes the accumulated consciousness of the ages (called the soul) and purifies it to a point where the effulgent light of the Spirit may again- shine through the outer self. Thus, the mystery (so called) of transmutation, transfiguration and spiritual resurrection takes place.

HILARION

Every manifest expression on every plane is comprised of vibrating energy, God life. Control of the rate of vibration, CONSCIOUSLY is mastery. Control of the vibrations unconsciously exuding from oneself or another, is imprisonment. Religion and science will one day meet when this truth is accepted by the leading minds in both fields of endeavor. With regard to the celebration of Whitsuntide, I would like to point out that the vibratory action of the soul is determined by the thoughts and feelings of the outer self—not only in the sweet hour of prayer but throughout the entire day. When these vibrations are inharmonious, depressed, impure or generally imperfect, the vibratory action of the soul is slow,

dense and non-receptive to the finer, higher, cleaner vibrations of the spirit. In other words, there is no vehicle of reception for the gifts of the Holy Spirit. In your modern world, if there is no radio nor television apparatus to "step-down" the vibratory action of the programs that fill the room, the individuals do not receive nor enjoy them.

If the soul is "short-circuited" by the imperfect vibrations set up in consciousness (thought and feeling), the gifts and blessings of the Holy Spirit flow around such a one until they find an open door of receptive vibrations, which magnetize them by similarity of quality—peace, healing, purity, illumination, faith. The simple men who sought the Holy Comforter entered the Upper Chamber (by raising the vibratory action of their souls) and, according to that conscious endeavor, were they visited by the Presence.

IESUS

The reliance of man upon form, through the centuries, has resulted so often in disappointment, disillusionment and, generally, in the retarding of self endeavor. It was for this reason that even found it necessary to remove my outer form from the attention of the disciples, to give the stimulus and impetus so that the individual soul might make conscious, personal effort to create the conditions whereby each one might find, for himself, the Presence of God, within. MY ACHIEVEMENT, although an example, WOULD NOT RESULT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF MASTERY IN AN-OTHER, UNLESS THAT ONE FOLLOWED MY OWN APPLICATION AND RAISED HIMSELF TO ATTUNEMENT WITH THE FATHER, HIMSELF, thus did I make the sacrifice, promising the coming of the Comforter. Believing in my words, the disciples did make the personal effort to raise their own soul's light. Finally, collectively, they were ready for the wonderful, mystic union—"the second birth." The Holy Spirit entered into their souls, filling them with the sense of power, of achievement, of faith, which are the nature of God. THEN THEY KNEW FROM PERSONAL EXPERIENCE HOW I FELT and IN THAT KNOWING were they able to transcend human laws and perform so-called miracles. So shall it be for every man who desires a personal Whitsuntide and who will make conscious effort to prepare for the coming of that Comforter, who is the Master Presence of God, awaiting summons to kindle the spark of immortality in every human heart.

SAINT GERMAIN

Truly, every man is a part of God. There could be no individuality without that Presence, which is life, intelligence and spiritual strength, itself. It is self-evident, however, that not all men are equally partaking

of their divine heritage. Not all men are equally manifesting the gifts, powers and nature of God. It is to develop and mature the God-nature THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL, that we devote our lives and talents. The supreme effort upon the part of man to prepare his soul for the presence of the Holy Comforter IS HIS PART OF THE ENDEAVOR. Then, like the parable of the prodigal son, the rushing Comforting Presence finds a bridge of harmoniously-qualified energy in such a man and joins the spark of immortality slumbering within him. THEN GOD AND MAN ARE ONE—the miracle of Whitsuntide!

THE WESAK FESTIVAL (Celebrated this year on May 6th)

Every great Avatar and World Teacher is allowed to develop some means of transmitting his own current of blessing to the followers of his faith yet abiding in the world of form. This spiritual communion differs with each religion, which is established as a particular outpouring of cosmic benediction, to nourish the souls of men.

In the case of the Lord Gautama Buddha, his infusion of spiritual consciousness into the receptive souls of men takes place once each year at the time of the full moon. The concentration of his presence is focused through India, the land of his ministrations to the children of Earth.

The place of celebration of the Wesak Festival is changed from year to year, in order to allow particularly auspicious natural currents to cooperate with the visitation. No outer invitation is ever given to be present at the solemn ceremony when the Lord Buddha pours out the spiritual essence of his cosmic consciousness upon mankind. The heart, stirred by the awakened perceptions of the soul, is the compass and guide of many thousands, who embark upon the pilgrimage to the Wesak Valley. For those few who find it, thousands have searched for it for an entire embodiment, in vain.

Now, however, as the consciousness of mankind finds fuller freedom to travel to the spiritual centers activated by the presence of the Brotherhood, without the encumbrance of flesh, all interested may take their places with the Great White Brotherhood, to honor the presence of the Buddha and become grails, to carry his benediction back into their homes, activities and environments.

As the moon rises full over the Wesak Valley, Lord Maitreya, and all of the Spiritual Hierarchy bow low before the Luminous Presence of Lord Buddha, which materializes in the atmosphere, over the entire assembly.

Then Lord Maitreya raises the golden bowl of water from the altar and all the assembled pilgrims raise those vessels which they have brought with them. A spiritual benediction and essence flows from the beloved Buddha, to all. The members of the Brotherhood come up to Lord Maitreya in the order of their admission and sip of the water so consecrated and the pilgrims also sip theirs, taking the remainder home to their loved ones.

The noble eight-fold path as taught by Lord Buddha can well be pondered and adopted by the earnest chela today, asking that the illumination of the truths that are within it, be given each one, as a practical guide for daily living:

Right belief, Right thought, Right speech, Right action, Right exertion, Right remembrance, Right means of livelihood, Right concentration.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Beloved Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master, what is the advantage of belonging to a group of lifestreams dedicated to spiritual service, when so often the frictions between individuals seem to hamper personal harmony and peace?

GURU—Blessed Chela, in all spiritual development, the individual must make a voluntary choice—whether he will use his energies in COL-LECTIVE endeavors or to attempt to ascend the spiritual path ALONE. The heart (not a sense of duty), must prompt such voluntary cooperative service. From time immemorial, there has been the conflict in the human breast, between shunning cooperative endeavor in order to find personal peace, or serving a unified cause to give the spiritual strength of united energies for the good of the whole.

The words of the Master Jesus express a cosmic truth-"Where two or more are gathered together in my name (NATURE), there am I in the midst of them." The NATURE of the communal service will determine its efficacy to the individual and to the common good. Therefore, individuals who, within themselves, have not accepted this type of joint service will benefit little from communal endeavors and will, often, have a disintegrating effect upon the entire group.

CHELA—Beloved Master, would you suggest that the individual proceed alone until such time as he can harmonize with group endeavors?

GURU—Blessed Chela, there is no more wonderful discipline of the lower self than to learn THROUGH PARTICIPATION in communal activities how to harmonize with the purpose of the group service and the individ-

uals who form a part of such a group. No man knows his own strength and mastery until it is tested in actually mingling with other lifestreams—imperfect, as he himself is.

However, as the individual consciousness blends into and becomes, actually, a part of the spiritual entity created for the purpose of worship and service, it is the obligation of each such member to bring to the group activity as much individual, personal harmony, tolerance, understanding, wisdom, cooperation, enthusiasm and faith as he can draw forth through his own personal application and contemplation of the God Presence.

I can but repeat the words of a wise man who walked the Earth: "The habit and tonsure help but little, but the changing of life and the mortifying of passions make a person perfectly and truly religious (Christlike)."

CHELA—Beloved Master, is it true that individuals often harmonize with one particular type of worship and group of associates and find great personal aggravations and grievances with another?

GURU—Blessed chela, certainly! The ray to which a man belongs, the habits of religious worship through the centuries (builded into the etheric body), the race in which he is born, the background of his present earthly life, all of these are determining factors in the spiritual rapport among individuals.

CHELA—Beloved Master, should a man then continue to seek until he finds those with whom he feels this sense of spiritual rapport, or align himself with those whom circumstance has placed in his path?

GURU—Blessed chela, it depends upon the sincerity, development and nature of the individual man. The course of the determined chela is to bring himself into rapport with those with whom he is given opportunity to serve. The willful individual, seeking always the "greener grass on the other side of the fence" must pursue his search, until he finds that the peace, tranquility, and capacity to work with others (forgetting self), DO NOT COME FROM THE ACTIONS AND REACTIONS OF OTHERS, but are dependent upon his own reaction to internal and external aggravations.

CHELA—Beloved Master, individuals who find the Presence of God and live in harmony, without belonging to any communal group, often seem more at peace than the congregations of spiritually intended people.

GURU—Blessed chela, this is true. One reason is that group endeavors draw more concentrated power and render a greater service to the impersonal life that requires redemption, purification and salvation. THE

INDIVIDUAL WHO OFFERS TO BECOME PART OF SUCH A MAGNETIZING AND RADIATING CENTER, VOLUNTARILY OFFERS TO TAKE, AS PART OF HIS SERVICE, THE REACTION CAUSED BY MOVING THE "INVISIBLE FORCES" THAT HINDER MAN'S PROGRESS (We do not need to live in fear of dark forces, but we must be aware of their existence and we must daily protect ourselves by giving decrees for our protection Ed.)

Each individual is a magnet drawing pure, primal life into the qualifying center of his own consciousness. Each individual is also a radiating center, emanating the qualified life so drawn. In unity there is strength. When a group of individuals determines to draw more healing power, more protective radiation, more purifying currents into the atmosphere of Earth, the result of their cooperative endeavors is, of necessity, a greater benediction flowing from their blended energies than could possibly be drawn by one individual. Further, the Spiritual Hierarchy can more easily and with less expenditure of their cosmic essence, NOURISH A GROUP of individuals gathered together in God's name, than they can when they must seek out each individual worshipper and tunnel through the lower atmosphere, a channel for that benediction. This conservation of the energy of the Masters is greatly appreciated by us.

CHELA—Beloved Master, when an individual is not in harmony with a leader or speaker, what course should he pursue?

GURU—Blessed chela, he should pursue the course of the generous, compassionate, tolerant follower of Christ. The leader or speaker has offered—no matter how great his personal limitations may be—to create a focus of God-aspiring individuals, through which two purposes are served:

First, the individual student is stimulated by the enthusiasm, the inspiration, the strength and the collective consciousness of those who are of like intent. The student is also the recipient of all the spiritual energies magnetized and drawn through the songs, invocations, decrees and visualizations. Second, the Godhead and the Masters, the angelic host and the devas are provided with a conductor through which their energies may be transmitted into the mental and feeling worlds of mankind, who are not yet "seeking the place of the Most High."

Thus, such a leader renders a great service to God and to his fellowman while attempting, at the same time, to work out his individual karma. If the teacher waited until he, himself, was perfected, before sharing his knowledge, enthusiasm, faith and spiritual light with his fellowman, we would have no representatives in the world of form. As soon as the teacher perfects himself, he ascends into a realm to which he has earned access. Consider the teacher as a fellow student upon the path,

bless him, pray for him, love him for his courage to take on the karma of other individuals through such service and raise the teacher by your love—do not destroy him by your condemnation (silent or spoken). This is a mortal sin!

CHELA—Beloved Master, if an individual desires to serve God, it would seem that he could best do that by disciplining himself and, in the company of other like-minded men and women, attempt to perfect himself, at the same time participating in communal endeavors on behalf of the race.

GURU—Blessed chela, truly spoken. A long time ago, I wrote a few humble words (as St. Francis of Assisi) which I would like to place before you again for consideration:

Lord, make me a channel of thy peace,

That where there is hatred—I may bring love,

That where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness,

That where there is discord, I may bring harmony,

That where there is error, I may bring truth,

That where there is doubt, I may bring faith. That where there is despair, I may bring hope,

That where there are shadows—I may bring THY light."

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

Beloved Children, Earnestly Seeking TO KNOW And TO DO God's Will:

How marvelous is the consciousness that sincerely and earnestly comes to the point of spiritual submission to the will of God. He who truly feels the desire expressed in Philippians 2:5 ("LET THIS MIND BE IN ME WHICH IS ALSO IN CHRIST JESUS") stands at the threshold of a new world of inner peace, spiritual guidance, divine accomplishment and personal mastery. During this thirty-day period, we enter the radiation of the Master El Morya, who represents the Spiritual Intelligence and is its messenger. He brings a conscious knowledge of God's will to those who ask for it. "Ask and ye shall receive," is a spiritual law. The grace and courtesy of the Godhead does not intrude, except where invited.

Let those who signify an interest in approaching the Presence of God and his embodied will, prove their interest to be more than cursory, by making the personal surrender to the divine will at this time. Once an hour, daily, for even a moment, raise your conscious mind to the Father and ask that the will of God be done FOR you, THROUGH you and through all mankind. Thus will you become a magnet for the spiritual guidance and inspiration from God, which all mankind require. This is particularly necessary for the leaders of nations, religions and all constructive channels that serve mankind in order to return our Earth and all upon it to the God-estate, the kingdom of heaven at hand!

Love and blessings, The Maha Chohan

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THE GREAT KARMIC BOARD

Gratitude and blessings from the hearts of all who have ascended from the evolutions of mankind and elemental life because of your mercy, watchful care, kind solicitude and infinite service!

On behalf of the life yet bound to the wheel of birth and so-called death, we also send gratitude for your presence in the universe. As each soul released from the body stands before you, we thank you for the interest and the mercy with which you study that one, assigning each to the place where the greatest personal improvement and enlightenment will prepare the soul for a new and more progressive Earth life. As each soul called to new birth receives your benediction, we thank you for allowing that soul the best possible conditions for birth, the most harmonious family life, the most purified vehicles of incarnation and the greatest opportunity to fulfill its individual destiny.

No more, dear Karmic Board, shall you be dreaded as an instrument of judgment and punishment! Now shall you be known as an instrument of God's mercy, grace and solicitude!

Thomas Printz, Editor

IS THAT YOU, MASTER?

"Is that YOU, Master?" cried my heart From out its shroud of doubt and fear. "We have lived so long apart, Can I believe that THOU art here?" I feel a dam burst in my heart And all my foolish, childish pains, Rush in torrents from my soul. I find myself at peace again! To one as filled with sin as I Among a million sons of men, My hope exceeds good reason's guard. Let me not be deceived again! "Oh God, don't let credulity Deceive me in this hopeful hour. Reveal to me without delay What PRESENCE brings this blessed power. "Are these your words of counsel, Lord, That contain no sting of cruel blame, But rather fill my emptiness With a renewing, hopeful flame? "Is that your PRESENCE, Master dear, That stands in friendship by my side? With thee, I could move forward now In God-victorious-whate'er betide. "Oh Holy Comforter! I know The gentle peace that fills my soul, My strength renewed, my spirit fired, My faith and purpose now made whole." "Have I been so long with you And you not know my presence yet? 'Tis not by form but ESSENCE, child, The measure of the Christ is set. "The fruit falls not far from the parent tree, Nor the Master's works from the Father's throne. Where comfort, hope and peace abide The Father's will is being done. "The Father's sons are love divine, Their garments hemmed with Mercy's thread. Whoever touches the fringe of the Robe, In paths of truth are gently lead."

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom ROCKY MOUNTAIN RETREAT June 15th through July 14th, 1955

Rising majestically out of the level plains, in the State of Wyoming, stands the Grand Teton Range. Even to the mind of the man insensitive to the great spiritual world in which he is immersed, the glorious natural cathedral, which spirals above the emerald green setting of plain and trees, draws admiration. It impels aspiration toward lofty thoughts and stirs the spirit of inspiration toward Godliness. The snowy finger of the Grand Teton pointing heavenward, is a silent, but constant admonition to all who look upon it to lift up their eyes unto the hills and then beyond, to connect with the Creator of those very hills and man himself.

For many ages, within the heart of the Grand Teton, an order of the Great White Brotherhood have united their strength, their consciousness and their presence to evolving ways and means of helping the mankind of Earth to the expression of greater perfection of mind, greater peace of soul, greater health of body and greater development of the dormant spirit of God which awaits summons from the heart of man.

This order of the Great White Brotherhood is under the direction of the beloved Master Lanto, who, many ages ago, answered the summons of his God, left the Earth body for the last time, and now abides in that body eternal, not made with hands, serving the mankind of whom he was once a member. Having achieved his victory in the Orient and having been removed from the wheel of successive births and deaths, he chose to be a part of the great blending of consciousness of East and West, by taking up his abode in the United States of America, at the sacred place where the first man to accept the hospitality of Earth set foot upon the planet.

From this ancient retreat, in the heart of the Wyoming Rockies, brothers and sisters who are primarily interested in helping mankind to develop their natural talents, gifts, powers and reason for being, go forth to every country upon the surface of the Earth whom they live to serve and whom they love. The Law of Life is based on the science of giving and receiving. In scientific parlance, it is referred to as centrifugal and centripetal force. Nature confirms this Law and so lives in harmony and balance. The release of the breath from the physical body is essential before the life-giving breath can enter to nourish and sustain the body's life. The tree must give of its fruit in order to prepare for the miracle of a new resurrection and a future harvest. The flood tides recede to fulfill themselves and to again wash full and free upon the waiting shore.

The focus at the Rocky Mountain Retreat is the focus for the out-

going (centrifugal force) upon the planet Earth. The Ascension Temple at Luxor, guarded by the Chohan of the Fourth Ray, Serapis Bey, is the focus for the incoming (centripetal force). Mankind, through voluntary choice, asked for opportunity to experience earth life and to contribute, through his own creative centers of thought, feeling, spoken word and action, to the creation of a kingdom of heaven upon the planet Earth. He chose to ride on the tides of the outgoing breath of the Father into the world of form. When he has rendered this self-chosen service, contributed his share to the establishment of his own Father's kingdom on Earth, he will return on the incoming breath of the Father, focused at Luxor.

Because the development, externalization and general manifestation of God's kingdom on Earth is focused through the retreat within the heart of the Grand Teton Mountains, those Cosmic Beings, Ascended Masters, angels, devas, Builders of Form and dedicated men and women gather within the Council Chambers of the Teton twice in each year (at the end of December and at the end of June), in order to formulate plans and designs to help such establishment of perfection on Earth.

These half-yearly Councils are presided over by seven great beings known as The Karmic Board. The laws that govern this universe are scientific and exact, though merciful in the extreme. It is the responsibility of the Karmic Board to give every opportunity to the Spiritual Hierarchy and those chelas who represent them in the world of form, to quickly put into action whatever ideas and plans will help to fulfill God's will. However, the use of free will, the gift of the Father to all his children, must be respected and ALL that can be done by God, the Great White Brotherhood and a few unascended beings interested in their brothers' welfare, is determined by the desire within the hearts of men to want to <code>[KNOW AND EXPERIENCE]</code> the fullness of God's will for the planet and its evolutions.

When unascended beings choose to invoke the presence of God's will for the plane of which they are yet an integral part, the Cosmic Law allows more grace, more spiritual nourishment, more opportunity and more quidance to those few.

Up until a few years ago, only the Ascended Beings participated in these Councils. Not many of the members of the human race were even cognizant of their guardians, protectors and benefactors, nor of the councils held on their behalf. Thus all of the energy, all of the ideas and plans, all of the visions designed and presented to the Karmic Board for ratification, came from God-free beings. These were limited in the expression of their divine endeavors, because so few of mankind were open doors through whom they might plant the seeds of those ideas, with the

conscious knowledge, that those seeds would be lovingly and trustingly received, nourished by the thoughts and feelings of the receiver and finally externalized in the world of form. The more of mankind who can be interested in such manifestation of God's will and who can be presented in their finer bodies before the Karmic Board, as the proof of interest in the race's welfare, the greater the dispensations and grants given by the Karmic Board to these Elder brothers and sisters to try to fulfill their plans through chelas whom they can contact as best they may.

Although comparatively few members of humanity have visited the Rocky Mountain Retreat in their physical bodies, many thousands whose hearts, souls, spirits and minds are earnestly desirous of helping in the externalizing of the kingdom of heaven, visit these half-yearly Councils in their inner bodies. Some of them also contribute plans and designs to help the race. Many a great patriot, a great educator, a great artist, a great architect, a great scientist or inventor, a great religious personage, a great pioneer into the subtle frontiers of spiritual truth, has received his inspiration and his consecration at these Councils and has returned to his physical body filled with inspiration and conviction which he has woven into a blessing and benefaction for the race.

Few men can actually tell you where the consciousness goes during the hours of merciful sleep. Yet, many men who are "called" to great service, are the beneficiaries of the wisdom of these Councils and mankind are the beneficiaries of these peoples' presence at such Councils.

During the time when the Council again gathers within the Teton Mountains, direct your mind toward it before entering sleep. Ask, sincerely, that if you have no conscious plan, vision nor design to present to the Brotherhood, which will be of universal benefit to the race, that you will at least bring back some plan, design, vision or pattern presented there and then have the courage, endurance, faith, love, wisdom and balance to make of that "seed idea" a manifest blessing for the Earth. Within this issue of our Journal, you will read some of the petitions made by the Archangel Michael and the Ascended Masters on behalf of mankind and the elemental kingdom.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

DEAR, GENTLE READER: God bless you and all you love forever, with the fullness of every good thing in your everyday use, giving you every assistance in the fulfilling of your divine plan for being. Many, many of you have been so gracious in requesting some decrees for daily use, some means of joining with others of like intent in cooperative service to life. This is most gratifying to the Great Ones and has earned you great merit with the Law. Service to life is what counts the most with the Ascended Masters for they have become the embodiment of that selfless gift to life which God himself is, has always been and shall always be! Beloved Jesus said "Let him who is GREATEST among you be SERVANT of all." Remember?

One of the mightiest services we can give, right at this time in particular is to call to the Source of all Life for the purification and release of the water element from that which mankind has so thoughtlessly and so long imposed upon that element. Did you ever stop to think what happens, when you use that element to bathe the body and refresh it? What happens to your feelings of heaviness, tiredness and discomfort after a bath? Those feelings are removed from your world by the water element, which takes those feelings on-that substance which it removed from you, that gave you those distressed feelings. It took these feelings upon itself, leaving you refreshed, able and ready to "keep on keeping on" in your life journey. Purification by the Sacred Fire (Violet Fire of Freedom's Love) is the only permanent PURIFIER of any substance and nothing is permanently transmuted into light and redeemed from discordant feeling until the Sacred Fire has passed through it. The ultra-violet rays of the Sun render this service to water to a certain extent but you can all see how much impurity is imposed on the water element by the millions living in the big cities, these people, for the most part entirely oblivious to the fact that there is a purifying service of the Sacred Fire.

Therefore, it would be very wonderful, indeed, if you were to make this call for the water element at least twice each day (repeating it 3 times). It would do so much to lessen the distress that weighs so heavily upon the little intelligences that make up the water element.

Lovingly, Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREE FOR THE WATER ELEMENT

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM in me, oh Thou beloved Immortal Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart! Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Mighty Neptune, beloved Maha Chohan, beloved Kwan Yin, beloved Saint Germain, beloved Arcturus and beloved Zadkiel and all who have to do with the beings of nature and forces of the elements.

With all our hearts we thank you for the water element in the name of all who live upon this planet Earth—all who have ever been here and all who shall ever come. We call the mightiest blessings of God-gratitude upon that element for all its limitless service to life in all its forms belonging to this Earth and her evolutions.

Bless and bless and bless that water element without limit this and every hour with the full power of purification by the Violet Fire of Freedom's Love and the Pink Adoration Flame of Gratitude, sustaining it forever. Illumine the people of this planet at once concerning their great need for this element and all the service it has given them through the ages. Let all mankind now consciously express such gratitude to and for the water element that they make it their devoted friend and co-worker and thus avoid as much distress as possible should world changes be compelled to take place. We consciously accept this done right now with full power.

REPORT ON TETON CONFERENCE, JULY 1954 by Beloved Jesus

NOTE: In order that the gentle readers may, through projected vision, be a part of the half-yearly Conclave at the Royal Teton, we include a portion of this address, In which the petitions of various Ascended Masters and the Archangel Michael are verbally presented to the great Karmic Board. Beloved Portia (The Goddess of Justice and Opportunity) as Spokesman for the Karmic Board, gives the response to each petition given. Some of the petitions have found fulfillment since this address was given. Some go partially fulfilled. The pattern, however, will not only allow the students to see, with the mind's eye, how such a service is conducted, but also stimulate many to personal and group petitions, based on initiative and awareness of current local, national and planetary requirements. Please write your petitions, read them over daily, and burn them on the night of June 30th.)

"I would like to describe to you now the activities that are taking place within the magnificent retreat of the beloved Lanto:

Tonight, Lord Michael and beloved Serapis Bey are bringing before the Karmic Board all those relatives of the students in the Bridge to Freedom (back unto the fourth generation), who have been freed from the wheel of re-birth, through the earnest endeavors of those students. As they stand before the Karmic Board, beloved Portia asks them to blaze their light. It is a magnificent sight to see them. I am sure you can sense and feel that gratitude from these individuals belonging to your own families. Lord Michael will now address the Karmic Board on their behalf:"

Lord Michael: "Beloved members of the Karmic Board! I, Lord Michael, on behalf of these assembled, ask now for a greater grant and dispensation. I ask that the individuals leaving embodiment from the planet Earth from this time hence forth, be given into my keeping, that they, too, may stand before you, as are these people here, who are blazing their light. I also ask that the Ascension Temples may accomplish, in harmony and beauty, that which re-embodiment has accomplished through so much pain and suffering. As we are here assembled tonight and as you see the light of these given into my keeping, I pray thee in the name and mercy of life, increase thou my grant."

Portia: "Beloved Michael, it shall be considered."

"Now, beloved ones, the souls of the incoming children, accompanied by Kwan Yin, will come before the Karmic Board. They are wearing soft, pink garments and they are holding in their little hands the perfected chalice of the heart, which will house their souls in the new Earth life. Your use of the Violet Flame and your calls for the purification of their souls has made these perfected vessels of incarnation possible. As they stand there, you feel the interest of every member of the Karmic Board, Kwan Yin, herself, giving the assistance of presenting them to her fellow-members."

Kwan Yin: "Beloved Fellow-members of the Karmic Board! These incoming children and lifestreams are those that have gained the interest of unascended mankind who are yet embodied on the Earth. By gaining the interest of those unascended, there has been drawn through the bodies of these children the Violet Fire of Freedoms Love. In this way they have purified their inner vehicles to a point where, when they incarnate upon the Earth, they will have more perfect forms, greater intelligence, more perfect vehicles of expression. As you look upon them and see what unascended mankind have done for them, can you not include this grant, now, to cover the entire incoming race for the next twelve months?"

Portia: "Beloved sister Kwan Yin, your dispensation shall be considered."

"From the 'Sleepers' realm, please visualize and see the great group who were awakened only in September. They are quite alert. Some of them have chosen to become musicians, some to become teachers and lecturers. Each one is acting upon one of the Seven Rays, in learning some conscious activity to bless life. As they stand, there you will hear our beloved Serapis."

Serapis Bey: "Members of the Karmic Board! These souls who have long been the 'sleepers' represent but a small number of those who yet remain unconscious in this realm. Every one of them who has come forth has put forth effort of merit, has co-operated consciously for the progress of the race. Each of them has been willing to enroll in the Ascension Temples. Seven of them have already taken the opportunity to embody within the next year. Within this realm there are many who were once practically at the point where they could have gained the ascension. I ask for the dissolution of the 'sleepers realm', entirely, before the close of 1954."

Portia: "Brother, your petition shall be considered."

(Please see Note 1 at end of article.)

"Beloved Lord Michael now has with him the Earth-bound, who have removed themselves from the atmosphere of the Earth and have taken the vow before the Karmic Board."

Lord Michael: "Beloved Karmic Board! I bring to you these people who, for many centuries, have loved the Earth more than God, more than their own evolution. Now, every one of them has relinquished passion, their particular lusts and interests in the Earth. They have taken the scroll from you—the Karmic Board—from the hands of your own messenger. I ask now that every Earth-bound entity on the planet Earth be cut free. I, with my own sword, will render this service, if you will give me opportunity, before the close of 1954."

Portia: "Beloved brother, your petition shall be considered."

"Now you will see the solemn procession of those from the "Compound." They wear a deep sea-green. There is no smile upon any face. These are individuals who need your calls. As they stand before the Karmic Board, there is not one who raises his head or even attempts to look at the light. They all stand with their heads lowered, their chins upon their breasts, their hands crossed. Michael again will speak for them."

Lord Michael: "Beloved members of the Karmic Board! Here we have great men, great women, great teachers. For millions of years, some of them have refused to give of their intelligence and light to the progress of mankind. These are they who have consciously bowed the knee to you. Once each day they have faithfully given an hour to service, an hour to learning and each one of them-despite ridicule, resentment, criticism

and hate—have gone back into that "Compound" once each day, endeavoring to stir the interest of others. I ask your mercy upon them, happiness for their hearts, release from remorse and for opportunity for them in this year and the year that is to come, to pursue their activities in joy. In the name of God! Release them from remorse! In the name of the Holy God! Release them from remorse! In the name of the most Holy God! RELEASE THEM FROM REMORSE!"

Portia: "Brother—it is done!"

(Please see Note 2 at end of article.)

"As they stand, each one raises his or her head and there is the first smile—the first smile since they came out. Remember what they have done with life. Almighty and eternal God, bless each and every one.

Now, my beloved and faithful ones, if you will sing your song to the Karmic Board on behalf of these petitions (which are but a few of those sent up) calling down their blessings upon them, who knows what marvels shall be accomplished ere the New Year dawns?

God bless you all and good evening."

Note 1:—In December of 1954, the "Sleepers' Realm" was given great assistance by beloved Serapis Bey, with the cooperation of the calls of the student body. All who were within that realm willingly came forth at that time and are now in conscious training to prepare for re-embodiment on the Earth, where they can fulfill their divine plan for being and help the planet speed up its evolution in the light. However, because of the need for such a merciful assistance to the race as that realm was originally created to provide, it could not be completely removed at this time. Therefore, for those who need its special help, a period of one year has been now ordained as the limit of time allowed for rest and sleep in this realm, between embodiments. This is of tremendous benefit to the race as a whole and to all of Earth's evolutions for, previously, individuals, through free will often remained in this realm for millions of years, in a state of unconsciousness.

Note 2:—In December of 1954, the entire "Compound" was dissolved and all who had been living there (some had been there for many, many centuries) are now consciously studying at the feet of the Masters. Like those from the "Sleepers' Realm," these people are now preparing for re-embodiment on Earth, thus endeavoring to fulfill their divine plan for being and assist their fellowman and the planet to their eternal freedom in the light.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE EVER-PRESENCE OF THE FATHER

MAHA CHOHAN

The very first principle of spiritual truth lies in the acceptance, DEEP WITHIN THE FEELINGS, of the omnipresence of The Source from whence all blessings flow. "Whither shall I go from thy Spirit, or whither shall I flee from thy Presence? If I ascend up into heaven, Thou art there, if I make my bed in hell, behold, Thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me." (Psalm 139:7-10.) It was long ago that, impressed this cosmic truth upon the receptive mind of David, the shepherd king. Ponder upon the truth of this statement and truly enjoy a sense of peace in the availability of the intelligence, the love, the watchful care of that presence. Upon acceptance of this truth, there follows, then, an increasing capacity to utilize the proximity of the Father, through each begotten son, to widen the borders of his kingdom.

EL MORYA

The omnipresence of God, by whatever name his children choose to call him, often causes the sincere student to forget that that presence is localized within the consciousness of EVERY ONE of his people. An abstract sense of "universal good" is not enough. A realization is also necessary that the Supreme Source has definitely directed, through every intelligence created by him, certain definite powers to produce and sustain perfection. If a man were to acknowledge the light that suffuses the Earth's atmosphere by day, but were to deny the localized intelligence of the Sun, he would be unillumined, indeed. Nature is the teacher of the wise! The localized intelligence which gives life, thought, feeling and being to every Master, angel, deva and man is like the focalized center provided by God to supply the light, warmth, power of fecundation and sustenance to the people of Earth and the nature kingdom. The wide divergence between the abstract acceptance of the Omniscient One (whose followers refuse to accept the light through the Intelligences who represent him) and the fanatical worship of the Intelligences, without realization of the one Source behind all this divergence, must be bridged to bring truth AND, WITH TRUTH, WORKS IN GOD'S NAME!

KUTHUMI

"Praise God from whom ALL blessings flow" is the constant paean of the Illumined. Spiritual pride, the worm in the heart of the flower of many a man's spiritual aspiration, often refuses to accept that presence through the cup fashioned by the Father's heart and hand . . . for what is the individual being but such a cup? If there were no ocean bed to cradle the vast bodies of water that cover the major portions of the Earth, man could not enjoy navigation, ablutions, and—generally—the gifts of water. All the gifts, powers and activities of God through nature are EMBODIED, focalized (as beloved Morya says), for the specific blessings of the kingdoms which they serve. Abstract beauty is fashioned by the devas of the nature kingdom into blossoming shrub, tree and flower. Abstract divinity is graciously embodied in those who wish to bring the perfection and glory of God to man. Such a focus of Divinity was expressed through the Master Jesus, that man might see, know, feel, touch and experience the glory of the Father. The development and externalization of similar foci through many men is our service to life!

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Why does our brother, man, become for us so dear and precious a ward? Because the Universal Father chose to focalize his Presence within his heart. The direction and sustenance of the life energy which comprises being and which enables the individual to use the universal acknowledgment of consciousness "I AM," is proof that, through such an individual, the Father wishes to direct specific gifts, powers and activities for the blessings of the universe. Otherwise, he would not have created and sustained the individual consciousness. It is our service to life to encourage and develop those talents, powers, activities and gifts that lie within each human heart and thus help to fulfill the Father's will through all his creation.

SERAPIS BEY

When an applicant for spiritual prowess presents himself in the courts of Luxor, we must determine for what reason he has been given being. The All-Wise Intelligence who has created him, had a purpose in investing life and love, for centuries, in the sustaining of his consciousness. Until he has "wrought that purpose through of that which made him man he will not know peace nor will he qualify to consciously remove himself from this sphere TO WHICH HE WAS ASSIGNED by divine will. The mass of mankind have not yet raised their heads to ask "WHY?" but have

accepted life and blundered through centuries of existence in using life according to the caprice of the moment. Finally, the soul, satiated with futile experimentation in the eternal pursuit of happiness, eventually comes to the teachers of men. We look upon the enshrouded soul and see the potential service. It is then our OBLIGATION to enable the individual to discover that purpose and, finding it, begin to develop the ways and means by which he may fulfill that purpose. If the man or woman is willing to do this, then and then only does he quality for the ascension into realms greater glory—there to continue in greater freedom to develop and externalize his reason for being.

HILARION

It is part of the marvelous nature of God to give opportunity to all his creation, to assist in expanding the perfection of the divine design. Every man knows the thrill of satisfaction that comes from work well done. The experience of becoming a part of the development of the divine plan is the gift of the Father to all who wish to participate in the onward movement of the evolutionary scheme. Only the selfish, bigoted man denies his fellowman active participation, through self conscious endeavor, in a particular service. God, in his infinite kindness, chooses to allow every man to enjoy creation and development of the divine ideas that flow constantly from his great heart. To this purpose was created every intelligence in this universe. Those of us who have availed ourselves of this opportunity, have found peace, liberty, freedom and a definite purpose in being. Those who have not yet wanted to know what the divine design of the universe is and what the part of the individual in that design may be, must experience the frustrations of human existence, until they awaken to this truth.

IESUS

"Not my will, but Thine be done" is not a negative, but rather A POS-ITIVE, ATTITUDE OF THOUGHT AND FEELING! The alignment of the omnipresent, omniscient Presence of God through the individual is the practical manifestation of mastery. It is not enough to accept the ever-presence of God. The powers and mastery of God must be magnetized and externalized through the individual. This is the example I left to humanity. Worship of God is not enough. BECOMING THE FULLNESS OF ALL THAT GOD HAS DESIGNED FOR EVERY MAN, IS THE DESTINY OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE RACE. The gift of Life, intelligence and consciousness

IS FOR A REASON. THAT reason must be pursued through earnest, individual contemplation. Then only will man know peace and through experience know the fruits of his contemplation, in works well done.

SAINT GERMAIN

I have presented the truth that "there is no nook, no cranny, no corner in the entire universe where the active Presence of God is not." Within this Presence are centers of intelligence, which were created to intensify and expand that Presence, even as your electric light intensifies the localized presence of light within a room. Each such center of intelligence that can say and feel "I AM here" has access to the Universal Presence. By connecting with this divine circuit, he becomes a self-luminous center of healing, peace, illumination, mercy, opulence and freedom, thus multiplying and expanding the gifts and powers of God AT HIS POINT IN THE UNIVERSE. The light bulb, disconnected from the electrical circuit, renders no service. The individual consciousness, disconnected from the divine source, is likewise impotent. Each soul, by the very reason of its being, has a purpose to fulfill—to expand the light and the powers of God through the individual I AM Presence, anchored within the heart. When the Universal Source of power is allowed access to the consciousness of the individual self, the divine circuit fulfills itself, flowing through the localized intelligence. First, the individual must accept the Presence of the Omniscient One and then he must invoke that Presence through himself.

The Godhead did not design the individual in vain. The individual should realize that the investment of life in him is for a purpose and rejoice that he is one facet of Divinity's expression, in whatever sphere he has fitted himself to dwell.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: I ask forgiveness if this question seems presumptuous. However, it often seems that, in the widening of the consciousness of the students to include the knowledge of the Masters, IN-DIVIDUAL ATTENTION UPON THE PRESENCE OF GOD IS NEGLECTED.

GURU—Blessed Chela: Truly this is a fact, a stage of spiritual development, an initiation upon the path that leads toward mastery. The individual might be likened to a child who, early in life, does not even cognize the parent nor solicitous guardians. Then comes recognition of the

forms of the loving parents, followed by the years of leaning upon them. Later comes the maturity, when the individual begins to draw and rely upon his own intelligence and directions.

The mass of mankind do not cognize the watchful beings who have foresworn the bliss of higher realms in order to care for them. Mankind, always a slave to form, when it finds an individualized presence, tends to lean upon it. Later comes the maturity when the individual begins to work in the spiritual army of the King of Kings.

CHELA—Beloved Master: In order to understand the work of the Spiritual Hierarchy, we are taught to turn our attention toward certain Masters and this naturally builds an affinity of spirit. Is this not a good endeavor?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Yes, it is a most praiseworthy endeavor, indeed. The state of consciousness of the student is the primary point of importance in this association. As the beloved Saint Germain has said, "In the Ascended Master realm the individual I AM Presence and ALL the Ascended Masters, angels, devas and cosmic powers are ONE." It is only the human mind that insists upon the doctrine of separateness and the distinction of form.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the correct attitude of consciousness for an earnest student to take in endeavoring to draw close to the Masters but yet to develop individual maturity and grace?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Every Being who has attained perfection represents the sum total of millions of years of the use of life energy to develop some virtue, talent, power, grace and expression of the Godhead. Such a one is, like the Sun in the Heavens, a focus for that momentum of good—drawn, from the ONE SOURCE. These beings are really "living batteries" of already God-qualified life. Proximity to their Presence allows the individual to absorb that quality, even as one absorbs the heat and comfort from the radiator.

Some would prefer to shiver in the icy winds of the mountain heights, until they can generate the heat to comfort them, through their own endeavors. Others take advantage of the proximity to already-generated heat and comfort provided by the fueled flames in the hostel-ries, which welcome pilgrims who pursue some quest. Thus it is with man. Some men avail themselves of the faith, courage, strength, confidence, healing essence and illuminating power of those who have accumulated those stores of qualified life. Others insist upon generating these qualities themselves and shiver in the winds of uncertainty, while their

more humble brothers proceed upward on the path, in the warmth of the presence of their eider brothers and sisters.

The cultivation of the presence and association with the Masters must be to kindle the fires of one's own spiritual nature, NOT TO FIND ANOTHER TO DO ONE'S PERSONAL WORK. Many seek the Master as a "leaning post." Many seek him to satisfy personal curiosity and doubt. To these, he cannot come, because it would deter the individual development by drawing the attention to the FORM of the Master. Even Jesus affirmed this principle when he said "If I do not go, the comforter will not come."

CHELA—Beloved Master: Seeking the Master in order to develop one's own reason for being is, then, a safe passport into their presence?

GURU—Blessed Chela: It is the only passport into their presence. Worship of form, no matter how sincere, does not develop the individual spirit spark. It tends, on the contrary, to detract from concentration upon the one, from whom we, ourselves, receive life, intelligence and the power to do every good and perfect thing.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the doctrine of "The Middle Way" in regard to this subject we are discussing?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The doctrine of "The Middle Way," which is, of course, the teaching of our Lord Buddha, lies within the following principles:

FIRST: The individual is a focus of God's Intelligence, directed into the universe to fulfill some portion of the divine plan. From within himself, he must learn to draw forth the self-mastery, discrimination, balance, wisdom, love and power in order to fulfill that plan. If he becomes enamored of any form or being which distracts him from this individual endeavor, to transmute his human nature and expand his divine nature, he must stop and re-orient himself with attention upon the one Source. Then he may proceed in the company of those, who, by concentration upon the one, have achieved.

SECOND: He must realize that all qualities of thought and feeling are contagious. It is wise to cultivate the presence and fellowship of those who have become that which he desires to be.

The smoldering sparks of faith and aspiration kindle into flame, when the individual consciousness becomes part of the consciousness of any God-free Being. Because of the negative nature of the thoughts and feelings of the mass of mankind, unless the student has a positive current into which he may tie his aspiring soul, he is likely to be engulfed in the "hopelessness," which is the effluvia of the race.

THIRD: A daily period of introspection before sleep is wise. Has your service for the Master and your spiritual communion with the Master made you more like him in nature that day? Have you come closer to a realization of YOUR OWN DIVINITY? Have the works done in his name been done in HIS NATURE? People, among whom you have moved, seen, and felt his presence, because of your activity in their midst that day? Has your personal attitude endeared mankind to us, because YOU are our only representatives in the world of form? Have your thoughts, feelings and spoken words expressed, as nearly as you know how, what we would think, feel and say in the same circumstances? If you are sincere, you need no mentor but yourself. Spasmodic, irregular periods of contemplation, communion and introspection are not efficacious. A steady, rhythmic personal examination—in which there is no taint of selfcondemnation nor self-pity—will result in an assimilation of the Master, who is your pattern. The mortifications, the censures of self are merely weapons of conscience to alleviate known wrong. A new life, builded on the nature of God, is proof of sincerity of spiritual purpose.

ADDRESS TO STUDENTS AT JULY 1954 CONCLAVE By Beloved El Morya

Ladies and gentlemen! Friends of heaven's heart and hope of my own! I greet you in the name of the God of life and light. You have come on voluntary pilgrimage to the base of this majestic mountain to engage upon a unique experiment, the joining of the God-free energies of Cosmic Beings, divine members of the Spiritual Hierarchy, the angelic host and the voluntary, sweet energies of unascended lifestreams. Before the hosts of heaven and, particularly, before the great Karmic Board, you have proven to life that unascended Lifestreams are willing, eager and desirous of cooperating in the evolution of the planet Earth when they know what to do and how to do it. This was the cause to which I pledged myself before the Karmic Board long before you ever heard of our New Endeavor (the Bridge to Freedom).

Representing as I do the will of God, it is my purpose for being—my reason for presuming to draw upon the gift of life —to bring the conscious knowledge of the will of God to the life that is endeavoring to develop that will and to mature it through their own consciousness and personal energies. It is no easy task for mankind on Earth to do the will of

God, when there is no way for them to know what that will is. I, therefore, took upon myself the responsibility of addressing the representatives of the Cosmic Law, to ask for opportunity to prove that, if the outer consciousness of mankind could be acquainted with what the Great White Brotherhood was doing, mankind would cooperate with that plan and design. I said they would willingly volunteer to use their own energies, lesser in scope, less developed in capacity to serve, but backed by the momentums their own Causal Bodies and worlds to hasten the evolution recalcitrant race and to perform, within the short twenty-year period allotted us, the miracle of making this "Shadow planet" a shining star of freedom.

When I approached the Karmic Board and asked for opportunity so to reach the outer minds of mankind, I told them that if I were given such an opportunity, I would return shortly to the very place where the grant and dispensation was given to me, AND WITH ME WOULD BE THE PHYSICAL BODIES OF THE LIFESTREAMS IN WHOM I CHOSE TO INVEST MY TRUST. Grateful I Am beyond all words, to describe that you chose to respond to my trust and that you chose to show interest in my plan. Grateful I Am, that you chose voluntarily to come with me upon this pilgrimage, following your own guiding star. Blessed are you, children of Earth. The Karmic Board has accepted the truth that, when mankind is acquainted with the workings of the Cosmic Councils, they will cooperate with them. This acceptance will secure for us much greater freedom in endeavoring to reach the rest of the race.

The investment of our energies, as you know, is determined BY WHAT THE FRUITS OF SUCH INVESTMENT WILL BE. No personal activity is ever taken into consideration in any dispensation that comes from the Karmic Board. The entire decision rests upon the benefit and blessing which the race as a whole will receive. Our energies no longer belong to us as individuals, but are consigned to the good of the Great White Brotherhood and their endeavors on behalf of the race as a whole. We must ask and receive acquiescence from the Law to reach through the veil and give worded description of that which engages our energies, as well as promptings which mankind can weave into their own lives, if they choose, and then make manifest as fruit and harvest.

Over the Grand Teton stands a magnificent brazier in which will be burned the great cosmic petitions from all the Retreats throughout the world. At the same time, the petitions of the students are being burned in the braziers in their sanctuary Thus, the Sacred Fire at the top of the Teton and the Sacred Fire in the sanctuaries of the students, are consciously united. The activities within the heart of the Teton are bridged into the physical world through the students' conscious cooperation and assistance.

We have endeavored to bring to you this week the person, the radiation, the benediction and the activities of each of the seven Chohans. We did this so that you might become better acquainted with the particular services each of us performs, as well as better acquainting you with our nature as individuals. Through such association, we hope that you will find yourselves with a better knowledge and understanding of our part in the universal scheme of creation. Then, in your individual activities, when you return into your local orbits, you can invite those of us who will be able to render specific services required in a given hour. As you have been bathed in the radiation of the various Chohans, you have had the benediction of the Seven Rays through your worlds and auras.

I trust you will find some small grain of truth in the Law as we have presented it to you, some phase of practical application which you can and will weave into your own endeavors. I hope that you have achieved a greater respect for life itself, a greater desire to watch your use of life, a greater reverence for the Source from whence flows that life, a greater confidence and acceptance of the anchorage of that Presence within your heart, and a greater realization of the power of that Presence, to DO FOR YOU AND THROUGH YOU all that is required to set your worlds into divine order. If you have accepted even one of these gifts as a result of our outpouring of light, we will feel that we have not given our energies in vain.

Beloved ones! We come, bringing all in the way of our light and life to share with you. ALL THAT WE ARE AND ALL THAT WE HAVE IS YOURS! We are servants of your life. We are consecrated entirely to directing the qualities and virtues of our beings upon your heart flames, until you, too, stand God-free. When this is accomplished, then the work of the Great White Brotherhood for the planet Earth will be completed. The Earth will emit its own blazing light. Sanat Kumara will be returned, in gratitude, to Venus with all of the love of your hearts forming the very platform upon which his sacred and blessed body rises. These are the activities to which we have dedicated our lives. These are the activities to which we hope some of you will choose to dedicate yours. Some among you. have chosen and have found your reason for being. Some of you are vested with a vocation of merit. That vocation, deep within your own hearts, will be externalized as manifest works to bless your fellowman.

Every individual who sets forth upon a pilgrimage, receives a blessing commensurate with the motive that prompted his going forth.

Sanat Kumara comes now from Shamballa. He will remain enthroned over this great mountain while the petitions are placed within the Sacred Fire and offered to the Karmic Board.

You will feel the peace of his radiation and the power of his majestic Presence. I think you will also feel, as I do, that there is nothing as important as giving back to him some balance for his millions of years of service on behalf of mankind and the planet Earth. His patience is indescribable. His love is unspeakable, Even yet, he says to the Karmic. Board: "If mankind cannot or will not emit the light required to sustain Earth's place in the Solar System, please allow me to remain and serve them." The Karmic Board refuses such further sacrifice. It is now time for the maturity of the spiritual natures of mankind to manifest. It is the time when the obligations of emitting light should be placed upon the shoulders of the race. This Great Being shall be allowed the happiness and freedom of returning to Venus with our love!

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS The Beloved Maha Chohan

Do you realize IN YOUR FEELINGS THAT YOU ARE ACTUALLY the quality and power which you so much desire to make you consciously Master, to increase your substance and to fill your worlds with opulence and peace? No man could have being, consciousness or be able to either say, think or feel "I AM" as an individual, unless he was actually precipitated into the universes. Think this through. Then why stop there? Allow the pure, primal, ever-flowing stream of life, which gives you consciousness and being, to continue on its way THROUGH YOU, to externalize that portion of the divine plan for which you were created and for which you have been sustained through the ages.

For this thirty-day period, we enter the radiation of the greatest precipitating focus on the planet. The Chinese-green flame focused within the heart of the Grand Teton is a pressure of positive energy, an actual precipitating power. If your own precipitation has temporarily ended with your manifestation as a limited individual in the world of form, take advantage of this cosmic pressure. Tie in your energies with the outgoing energies of the Godhead and experience for yourself the "Precipitating Presence" I Challenge you to TRY this experience.

Statement for Transmission Class of June 18th, 1955

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Hierarch: Beloved Lanto

FRATERNALLY YOURS

Dear Editor: I am so grateful to have the new magazine, "Hope," which fills such a great need in my heart, to share some portion of the Law with those of my loved ones who as yet seem unable to accept the deeper instruction contained in "The Bridge to Freedom." Thank you for providing a tangible way and means by which I can help to spread the truth and light into other hearts and homes from MY OWN HOME.—E. C., Canada.

Editor: We are so grateful for the enthusiastic response to our endeavor to provide some simplified instruction, which chelas and students can share with their loved ones.

Dear Editor: Of course you know what you are doing, but so many of us, who are not members of groups and are not fortunate enough to be located where we have access to group instruction, miss the monthly letter and decree pattern which we have so faithfully followed as they appeared last year in "The Bridge." This has us without a form of daily application to join consciousness with the other students throughout the world.- M. L., Huntington, New York.

Editor: Being a man of action, I am delighted that individuals desire a pattern of application. In this and forthcoming issues, we shall give opportunity for service to those good readers who find themselves desiring to participate, in consciousness, with the group endeavors.

Dear Editor: When a soul is taken out of the body by unnatural means, where do they go? Must they stay in the Earth's atmosphere?- M. P., Chatham, Ont., Canada.

Editor: The nature of the particular demise determines the type of service that is given in each such case. I can assure you that the Lords of Karma are interested only in providing opportunity to every soul to make things right. They give opportunity to every individual to prepare for a new incarnation of greater service and assist that soul, as quickly as possible, to fulfill its individual destiny, becoming master of substance and energy. Those who stay in the Earth's atmosphere (the Earthbound) are not required to do so, but elect to do so through their own free will. Every soul is invited to appear before the Karmic Board and receive an opportunity to enter the schoolrooms provided by the Ascended Masters, where each one is taught that portion of the Law which the consciousness can absorb, assimilate and apply.

If the soul does not choose to avail itself of this opportunity, the Law of free will is such that they remain in the realm of the Earthbound, until they willing accept the assistance of the guardians of the race. These things are not very well understood by the average individual, but interested friends and loved ones can render a very wonderful service to those who have gone on, by daily giving "The Prayer for the Departed." (see AMTF-BOOK DICTATIONS, Ed.)

Dear Editor: Salutations and greetings to thee from India. Someone has sent us your "Bridge publications. They contain wonderful, subtle truths which a Master alone can give.—K.S.D., Alyer Coimbatore, S. India

Editor: Greetings also to you, brothers and sisters of the East. Long has it been the hope of the Masters of Wisdom to draw the consciousness of the East and West together in bonds of understanding, tolerance and a practical association for the benefit of both the Orient and the Occident. We welcome you!

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TO BELOVED LORD MAITREYA, THE COSMIC CHRIST

GREETINGS! BLESSINGS! GRATITUDE! From the sons and daughters of the Spiritual Hierarchy whom you have guarded, guided, protected and illumined through the centuries.

Over and above the great Avatars and Masters, YOUR LOVING PRES-ENCE STANDS. Through the consciousness of all teachers, human and divine, YOUR instruction and radiation flows.

Each two thousand year cycle, your wisdom directs the inauguration and inculcation of the great religion which will be the facet through which God's love, inspiration, power and benediction flows to the evolutions unfolding upon this sweet Earth.

By the side of every individual who desires to serve God and his fellow man, YOU stand!

For this service, so lovingly rendered through countless ages, the Masters, the angels, the elementals and the Holy Christ Selves of all men bless you forever. May your full Cosmic Christ consciousness be manifest now, through the souls of all whom you have loved so long, so faithfully and so truly.

Thomas Printz, Editor

TRANSMUTING THE KARMA OF MANY YEARS By Beloved Saint Germain

Philadelphia, Pa.

Jan. 1, 1955

Friends of freedom, friends of old and, truly, friends forever!

You will be delighted indeed to know THAT WHAT HAS BEEN CALLED THE "NEW ENDEAVOR" IS NOW AN ESTABLISHED "ACTIVITY." That which we heretofore have qualified with hope, has now become fulfilled mani-

festation! Each one of you is a pillar of a foundation upon which we shall build the permanent Golden Age of Freedom for this planet Earth. She shall be righted on her axis, emitting the sweet music of the spheres, radiating the color tone of violet and truly a jewel in the crown of the great universe to which she belongs.

In the name of God, in the name of life, in the name of mercy, in the name of opportunity, I now consciously direct the Freedom Flame into the substance of America and through your own bodies. It shall expand, until it covers this Earth. You have become an established, permanent activity from whence shall flow the essence of truth accepted, according to the understanding of each strata of consciousness, until embodied mankind become its full expression.

With the descent of the thought form (the Freedom Flame) for 1955, I Am fired with a new enthusiasm and zeal to carry the understanding of the spiritual laws of the universe in to the outer consciousness of all peoples, of all races, of all nationalities, until they come to a realization that the Master-control of energy, released through their own hearts is the purpose for which they took embodiment. This self-conscious mastery is NOT ONLY A POSSIBILITY, BUT A COSMIC DECREE, which all mankind must externalize in order to complete their cycle of evolution.

PRESENTLY, I HAVE NO ONE THROUGH WHOM TO WORK BUT YOUR BLESSED SELVES. Individually and collectively, I am depending upon your consciousness, your capacity to direct your understanding through the vibratory action of the various strata of human thought and feeling. FOR THAT VERY REASON, YOU ARE VARIED IN YOUR INTERESTS. You are varied in your light, in your momentums of the past and in your capacity to be an open door to separate and distinct stratas of consciousness in the world of form. With great care, over a period of centuries, I have endeavored to train and develop the lifestreams who can be such open doors. I ASK FOR THE CONSCIOUS EXPRESSION OF TOLERANCE IN YOUR SERVICE, ONE WITH THE OTHER! Each of you is enabled, (through past momentum and present opportunity), to reach different types of lifestreams.

Through this short period, we have built a student body upon which we can depend. Now, as the beloved Goddess of Justice and myself take advantage of the pressures of the incoming tide of the year of 1955, we shall endeavor to expand our understanding of the Ascended Master Hierarchy, the brotherhood of angels, men and elementals and the law of life, generally, to a greater number of the peoples of Earth. We are prepared for expansion of this New Endeavor, which has now become an

activity of great light.

First and foremost, I bring the Freedom Flame to render a specific service to you, individually, BECAUSE YOU MUST BECOME POSITIVE PILLARS OF BLAZING LIGHT, IN ORDER TO CONVINCE OTHERS, THROUGH THE POWER OF CONTAGION. You understand little yet about energy. Energy, acting in this world of form and in the higher realms as well, is the power by which all things are accomplished. It is the activity of God. Energy becomes power through conscious use. Within your Causal Body you have developed certain stores of qualified energy. In essence, this means that through all the centuries you have lived on this planet Earth, as well as on other stars, you have taken primal life and experimented with it. You have directed it in thought, feeling, action or the spoken word into the pure universal life substance which makes up the inner and outer atmosphere of Earth.

You have set up causes. Through the Law of the Circle, those causes have returned to you with an accumulated store of similarly qualified-energy. If the cause was constructive, certain momentums of power for good developed in your Causal Body. If the cause was destructive, certain weaknesses and momentums of evil registered in your etheric vehicle. If you were to look at a man with the inner sight, through the consciousness of an angel, instead of the man's form, you would see countless circles of energy pouring out from that one, some extending a great distance, to the periphery of his aura and then returning back into the lifestream. You would see, also, some smaller circles, no larger than a ring that you wear upon your finger.

These circles of energy are what we look at, when we endeavor to secure the offices of a chela for a world movement. The amount of dynamic power that you have naturally developed, depending upon your ray, determines the size of each of these circles of force, which are lines going out into the universe. These must then return to the one who sent them forth, to be redeemed by him (either through suffering or transmutation).

For instance—a flicker of mild dislike or annoyance makes a comparatively small circle of energy and for that reason it reacts more quickly upon the lifestream. A TREMENDOUS CONCENTRATED RESENTMENT OR HATRED WHICH EMBODIES THOUGHTS, FEELINGS, SPOKEN WORDS AND ACTIONS THROUGHOUT AN EMBODIMENT (or over a series of embodiments) toward an individual or condition, MAKE A CIRCLE OF ENERGY SOMETIMES THOUSANDS OF MILES IN CIRCUMFERENCE, THOSE CIRCLES OF ENERGY OFTEN TAKE MANY EMBODIMENTS TO RETURN TO THEIR

CREATOR. They do not return as quickly as the smaller spurts of surface emotions or surface mental aggravations. It is the return of these tremendous drives of accumulated destructive energy, through the centuries—these great circles that have been sent out, sometimes as far back as Lemuria—which are the returning currents of destructive karma. THESE ARE THE CURRENTS PARTICULARLY WATCHED BY THE KARMIC BOARD, IN THE PROTECTION OF THE SOUL IN AN EARTH LIFE.

When the soul stands before the Karmic Board and is accepted for incarnation, these circles of cause, and their ultimate effect, are studied carefully. Only so many of these circles are allowed to complete their circuit return within the course of an Earth life. No unascended being can understand the merit of that Law.

Cosmic angels and devas of the Violet Fire, from Kwan Yin's legions, particularly, offer to hold back the return of these terrific pressures, that would be more than the soul could handle in one Earth life. They are held back until the soul, within itself, develops enough light to transmute those energies. Only a certain amount of karma is allowed to find anchorage within the consciousness of the individual within an ordinary cycle of physical embodiment. The old statement "The Lord fits the back for the burden," embodies this truth.

When individuals desire, as you did, to become part of the Court of Freedom and to apply for the ascension, when they stand before the Karmic Board and receive opportunity for embodiment, they often ask that they may transmute ALL of those currents sent forth, deliberately or unconsciously, from the beginning of time. THEY KNOW LITTLE FOR WHAT THEY ASK. The Law requires that each one must transmute all the energy that he has deliberately misqualified, before he can achieve the ascension. Individuals are carefully studied, mentally, emotionally, etherically and physically, to see if these returning currents will more or less "snow them under" or whether they can stand unmoved, drawing forth whatever power of concentrated purification is required, to undo the mischief which they have created, through the ages.

I tell you, as one who has stood sponsor for mankind and who has seen some of these great currents of energy, it is a bold stroke for the soul to ask to be a focus for the return of all those currents of energy in one embodiment, in order to be God-free. This is why some of you have had difficult experiences in this life. It is one reason, why you sometimes feel a sense of discouragement and failure, when these circles of energy, returned, are a pressure upon your feeling world, your mind or your etheric body.

In the ordinary course of metaphysical study, where individuals are engaged in either becoming financially free, removing themselves from certain limitations of flesh, or mental worry, they are studying, abstractly, the Law of Life, BUT THEY HAVE NOT APPLIED FOR THE ASCENSION. The Cosmic Law has not granted them the opportunity for sublimating the return of all these great circles of force. They are held within a protective shell where "ignorance is bliss." They play with thought force, creating their little dollars and animating their tiny worlds with small manifestations, which please them. THEY ARE NOT THE CONSCIOUS CHELAS WHO ARE DRAWING MILLIONS OF YEARS OF ENERGY BACK THROUGH THE DOOR OF THEIR OWN CONSCIOUSNESS, SO THAT AT THE CLOSE OF THE EMBODIMENT, WHEN THE GREAT God-Self calls them to come "home," they may truly say "it is finished! I leave not one atom, one electron qualified imperfectly."

Do you know what that means, beloved ones? You have lived on Lemuria, Atlantis, in Babylon, in Persia, in China, in Egypt. You have lived, you have loved, you have hated, century after century and life after life. All of that energy is part of the etheric consciousness which forms the atmosphere over those countries. All of that energy has been charged by you. Many individuals today still have physical bodies embalmed in Egypt. Part of that energy is your own. IT IS NOT A MATTER OF A MOMENT TO REDEEM A LIFE-CYCLE THAT HAS ENTAILED MILLIONS OF YEARS OF LIVING. Common sense will tell you this.

There is one thing that I ask of you in this year of 1955 and that is that you raise your heads, straighten your spines and free your consciousness from a sense of inadequacy, of failure, of depression, of lethargy, of fear and of doubt, EITHER AS TO YOUR ABILITY TO HANDLE RETURNING ENERGY, OR AS TO YOUR ABILITY TO REPRESENT ME IN THE WORLD OF FORM. I make no mistakes! I WOULD NOT HAVE INVITED YOU, beloved Morya would not have invited you to be a part of this great activity, Serapis Bey would not have written across the breast of your etheric garments, "Candidate for the Ascension" IF IT WERE NOT ABSOLUTELY AND POSITIVELY KNOWN, by intelligences so great that the human mind would kneel before their power, that you could do this and do it well in the name of God Almighty!

Do you think that the mercy of the Law would allow an innocent soul standing before the Karmic Board, to accept a recoil of energy which was beyond its capacity to handle? THAT IS WHAT THE KARMIC BOARD WAS CREATED FOR, beloved ones, to be a judge of what the soul could stand, to give opportunity to the soul, to redeem a certain amount of energy in

the course of an Earth life, NOT TO WEIGH IT DOWN THROUGH SUCH A PRESSURE OF DESTRUCTIVE KARMA THAT NO PROGRESS COULD BE MADE. I want to remove from your minds forever any thought that the Karmic Board is a Board of judgment in the sense of punishment. The greatest opportunity in the world is afforded you when energy returns to you to make things right. THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY IN THE WORLD IS TO USE THIS FLAME OF FREEDOM AND TO STAND UNMOVED, CEN-TERED AND POISED WITHIN YOUR OWN GOD FLAME. Stop tiffs consciousness of negative fear that you have not lived up to your light, that you are not worthy to be among the representatives of freedom, that you don't believe that the activities at inner levels are real, or that you cannot make the grade! NONSENSE! ABSOLUTE NONSENSE! If there is one thing that the force desiring to delay the progress of this planet wants, it is to throw the cold water of indifference and lethargy over the expanding light within your soul. Lethargy, indifference, self-condemnation which seem harmless in themselves, are very vicious, indeed.

THINK OF THOSE OF US WHO GAINED THE FREEDOM AND VICTORY ALONE—century after century finding secret caves, places where we might hide, endeavoring there, with a few brave souls like ourselves to contact the Ascended Host of Light. We desired to receive their instruction and then to experiment with magnetization, invocation and the direction of the light rays. There was nobody to tell us whether we were sorcerers, or whether we were on the right path. There was nothing but our heart flame to direct us. Yet, if we had allowed these negative qualities to make us fearful, we would still remain within the orthodox masses.

I tell you frankly, IF YOU ARE GOING TO SUCCEED, YOU MUST BE POSITIVE, DETERMINED AND CONFIDENT WITHIN YOURSELF. In the privacy of your own room, YOU MUST TAKE YOURSELVES IN HAND AND DECIDE FIRST AND FOREMOST, WHETHER YOU ARE WORKING WITH THE ASCENDED HOST OR NOT. If you feel that you are not—then you must wait for another opportunity, in a later day. You must measure everything that we have given according to the code of truth, according to the code of balance, of purity, of wisdom and of love. Then, when you have made up your mind, STAY CONSTANT TO THAT DECISION AND MOVE FORWARD INTO THE LIGHT OF FREEDOM!

Those few of you, who have had contact with the mentally unbalanced in this embodiment, have some small knowledge of how the etheric body repeats, repeats and repeats some particular obsession. That forms the consciousness in which the blessed soul lives. Living in the past, beloved ones, is not good. Live in the NOW and prepare for the future. Do you know that all your resentment, all your hatred, all your dislikes are part of that depravity which is the result of living in the past?

The etheric body is the storehouse of memory. You have worn an etheric body even before you took the first earthly form. In that etheric body is stored every memory which is a result, as I said before, of sending out a current of energy and its returning effect. Every overture of friendship that resulted in a disillusionment is recorded there. Every misplaced trust that you have put in a representative of God, is recorded there. Every happy experience that you had with your fellowman is recorded there. Your etheric body, looking at it with inner sight, is a composite of light and shadow. It is scarred with all these terrific experiences where lifestreams have clashed, where injustice has been done, where self-righteous indignation has flared. These marks in the etheric body have been sown-up, so to speak, by the elemental who is in charge of the etheric garment, just as you would sew up an incision after an operation.

As you know, any abnormal pressure on an incision is liable to burst it open. So too, in the etheric body, when individuals, who have had terrific rivalry and discordant experiences, come together and this rush of energy and power (particularly of a conscious chela) flows through the etheric garment, sometimes those scars burst open. Then you have a conflagration. Your body consciousness has so long ruled you, that the "I AM"—Self, centered within the heart flame, has not been allowed the conscious control of your energy. The conditions of your mental, your emotional, your etheric and even your physical bodies are, for the most part, the result of the control of your energies. Seizing upon that energy, these bodies cause it to act. Then, in the quiet of your own home, when you are still, you wonder why in the world you have said, done and felt certain things.

THERE MUST COME A TIME, NOW, WHEN YOU BECOME MASTER OF YOUR VEHICLES AND THE ENERGIES WHICH THEY HAVE MISAPPROPRIATED. Now is the time when the purification of these inner bodies should take place. Your etheric body is your point of contact with the physical appearance world.

There is so much to say and there is so little time to say it. There is only so much that your mental body can absorb, before it becomes heavy, like a flower too heavy for its stem and it just bends over. You have seen beautiful tulips in the early Spring that have a lovely cup. Sometimes the stem, itself, cannot not hold the weight of that cup and

droops. That is what happens when we talk with you. One after the other among you, like a stem which holds your upraised consciousness, your endeavor and sincere desire to know, begins to bend and your cup turns over just like that tulip with the heavy head. Then we know that, as much as we have to say, as much as we want to share, as much as we want to pour our further radiation, there is very little more we can do. As you make your "stem" stronger, which comes through learning the power of concentration, as you learn the power of controlled feeling, as you let go of tension, then will we be able to talk longer, to impress more deeply upon you these Truths and to carry into your world that vital fire which, will require in the days that are to come.

This is my plan,—I would like you to accept it if you can. Just raise those little heads for a minute longer.

Each Chohan, when he begins a new endeavor, has to enter the Heart of the Silence and find out how to present the Law through the vibratory action that can best reach the minds of the people embodied. It is the souls of embodied mankind that the Chohan must serve. The Karmic Board, through Cosmic Law, decides who is to come into embodiment, who is to get the benefit of the radiation during every two thousand year cycle. Then the Chohan, who is the heart of the radiation for that two thousand years, has to draw forth, from the Heart of God, a way and means of presenting that particular aspect of truth, so that the individuals who are his charges in that two thousand years, will get the greatest possible benefit.

Beloved Lord Maitreya supervises each successive Chohan in this preparatory service. When it became apparent that I was to have the opportunity of representing the Freedom Flame in this two thousand year cycle, as the great cosmic Wheel turns, I HAD NO MORE TO WORK WITH THAN YOU HAVE IN THIS ROOM TODAY! I had only my consciousness, my mind, my feelings and my access to God and his universal wisdom, through contemplation. People think that as soon as you become ascended, every plan is laid out before you. That is not true. Each of us on the scale and ladder of evolution, up to Alpha and Omega, themselves, must use our faculties to develop a "seed idea" and I am sure that Alpha and Omega do the same with the Superior Sun of the Galaxy of Galaxies. Each of us has to draw forth, consciously, ways and means to fulfill our part in the divine plan.

First, I had to find a place on the surface of the Earth free enough of etheric records so that the consciousness of mankind would not be overlaid with the tremendous blood records, distresses and fears of the past.

America was such a place. Then I had to find individuals whose consciousness I could reach by whatever means I could EVOLVE— INDIVIDUALS WHO WOULD BELIEVE IN ME-those whose consciousness was receptive enough to receive my vibration and share my vision. This was not too difficult, for I had friends of many ages, all of you here among them. These individuals I endeavored to contact, first, through the kind offices of Helena Blavatsky and others. Then, there was before me, the problem of how to benefit the race quickly. One day, while I was within the Heart of the Silence, the beloved Archangel Zadkiel and the great Arcturus (one of the Elohim) gave to me the idea of training people in the power of invocation, in the power of magnetization and in the power of conscious decrees. That day was the happiest day in my service as a Chohan, for I knew that which could be accomplished through individual and group endeavor would hasten the Earth's evolution by millions of years. The establishment of groups of people upon the surface of the Earth who could create "forcefields," by releasing their energy in giving decrees, becoming magnetic centers to draw the angels, the devas and the powers of God, became my aim. These radiating centers would be foci through which God's blessings would spread forth into the mental and feeling worlds of mankind. That became my next endeavor. Such groups were established, decree patterns were set up and a certain understanding of the spiritual law of the "I AM Presence" entered the consciousness of the people.

Then, the beloved Maha Chohan and beloved Morya came to me, with the opportunity to expand the understanding of a few, who could sense my vibration and would be willing to step across the abyss of reason, into a new world. Each one of you has crossed that abyss upon the bridge of faith and has become a creator of "forcefields", which are magnetic currents drawing the presence of the Ascended Host and the spiritual radiation from above. I COULD SPEND A MONTH TALKING UPON "FORCEFIELDS" ALONE.

Do you know what a magnet your heart is? It keeps the elements of Earth, water and air in your physical body from flying into space. It keeps the members of your body together. It keeps life flowing from the Central Sun through your individual Presence, which animates your form and gives you the use of life, intelligence and consciousness. It draws to you all manner of things, good and evil, according to the power of your attention. That magnetic power in the heart has not been utilized consciously, for a constructive purpose, by many, since the days of Atlantis.

Arcturus, Zadkiel and myself set into action at inner levels a plan,

whereby you might learn to magnetize more power and more light and thus expand your own individual spheres of influence. Then, collectively, you could create a "pull" on God beings, who, for the lack of this "pull," have not been able to serve mankind. Even Alpha and Omega, themselves, WILL NOT DENY THE MAGNETIC PULL OF YOUR HEART. Remember, the Sun itself, any Cosmic Being, any angel, deva or Power of Light, must respond to the magnetic pull of your heart in invocation. Then, why allow the magnetic pull of your heart to draw into you disintegration, doubt, fear and all these things which are registered on the face the Earth, WHEN YOU HAVE, WITHIN YOU, THE POWER TO MAGNETIZE THE BLESSINGS OF EVEN ALPHA AND OMEGA, the beings in the Central Sun of our System. The present condition of your physical and inner bodies is the result of unconscious magnetization. You have no idea what you draw into these bodies. You should be radiating centers of constructive thought and feeling, absorbing ONLY THAT WHICH YOU CONSCIOUSLY DESIRE, instead of allowing yourselves to enter a state of negative consciousness, which is mostly active, except in the time of actual application.

Your thoughts and feelings should be positive, positive, positive radiating centers in the knowledge of the mastery of the "I AM Presence", in the knowledge of the presence of the angels, the Masters, the devas and the Powers of Light, in the knowledge that there is, in reality, no limitation that can withstand the power of your light, in the knowledge that there is no ill health, in the knowledge that there is no distress, disintegration or death!

Now, what is the usual reaction? A student comes into a class and stays for a course of seven days, becoming filled with the fire and enthusiasm, which is the radiation of the Masters. Yet, the moment that they return into their individual worlds and the energy of the masses touches them, THEY AGAIN ABSORB LIMITATIONS. God! Oh—God! You are provided with two powers, the same as the Sun, the power of magnetization to draw toward you only that which you want and the power of radiating what you wish to give forth to bless life. Until you learn to control these two forces, you are a plaything for any energy that chooses to attach itself to you.

What do you want to do with your life today, tomorrow forever? No person will ever get anywhere in this activity or in this universe until they follow through the Science of Precipitation of the Seven Mighty Elohim. Decide what you want to do! Then refuse to be absorbers of that which is not in accord with your plan. Be POSITIVE in that radiation. Does the Sun cease to shine because of the cloud? No, it continues, IN TRANQUIL-

ITY to render an impersonal service and pour forth its benediction to life, working through the two aspects of the Law, magnetization and radiation. You are a magnetic center! You are priests and priestesses of the Order of Zadkiel! You are my chelas! You have been trained in the rhythm of Arcturus. You have access to and a knowledge of Beings of whom no other group on the face of the Earth even know. Through the magnetic power vested in you, you can become radiating centers for Lord Michael's Faith, for Chamuel's love, for Zadkiel's power of invocation, for Raphael's concentration of all the life you contact to God's service, for Gabriel's power to hold the immaculate concept for yourselves and your fellowmen, for Uriel's power of ministration, and for Jophiel's consciousness of illumination.

Dearly beloved hearts! Think for a moment of my own experience. I decided to become the guardian of the Violet Fire of freedom's love. I came here today, to a group of chelas and I find that somebody thinks he isn't worthy to be in this light, somebody else doesn't believe its true, somebody else thinks that its all right for energetic ones. Oh, my God! IF YOU COULD SEE WHAT IS IN MANKIND'S CONSCIOUSNESS! Suppose, now, I were an absorber. I wouldn't have remained here this long, I would have gone home. NO MATTER WHAT ENERGY YOU CONTACT, YOU MUST BE POSITIVE. THAT feeling comes first within the privacy of your own heart chamber. Go into your private room, shut and lock your door AND MAKE UP YOUR MIND! Then stick with it! Magnetize what you want AND STOP BEING LETHARGIC ABSORBERS OF IMPERFECTION! You live in families with different consciousnesses, you work in mixed company in the business world.

All the people you contact are constantly sending forth and drawing back their own energy, in those circles of cause and effect of which I spoke. By the very nature of your being, you are either going to absorb that imperfect consciousness, or you are going to be an individual Freedom Flame in action. IN THE NAME OF GOD I SHALL SEE THAT YOU ARE THAT FREEDOM FLAME IN ACTION! I shall FIRE you! FIRE you! And FIRE you with the conviction that you are as powerful as the Sun. (Audience stood). Thank you beloved ones. Remember me when you go home, back into the vibratory action of the outer world. Remember you are endowed with the power to magnetize and to radiate. That is the whole substance of the Law. When you first became a conscious being and said and felt "I AM", what did you do? You magnetized primal life and began to radiate it forth. What you do with those two powers will determine what you shall be.

THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

By George Lippard

To the Gentle Reader: In honor to our beloved Saint Germain (the embodiment of the Freedom Flame to our Earth), we give, below, his exact words spoken to those who signed the Declaration of Independence as he appeared in the room with them and "fired" them with his enthusiasm and courage so to do.

It is a cloudless summer day, a clear blue sky bends over an expanse above a quaint building rising among the giant trees in the center of a wide city. That house is built of plain red brick, with heavy window frames and a large hall door. It is the State House of Philadelphia, the year is 1776.

In yonder wooden steeple which tops the summit of that red brick State House, stands an old man with snow-white hair and sunburned face. He is humbly dressed, yet his eye gleams, as it is fixed on the outline of the bell suspended in the steeple there. By his side, gazing into his sunburned face in wonder, stands a flaxen-haired boy, with laughing eyes of summer blue. The old man thinks for a moment about the strange words written upon the bell, then, gathering the boy in his arms, he speaks:

"Look here, my child, will you do this old man a kindness? Then hasten down the stairs and wait in the hall below until a man gives you a message for me, when he gives you that word, run out into the street and shout it up to me. Do you mind?"

The boy sprang from the old man's arms and ran down the dark stairs.

Many minutes passed. The bell keeper was alone.

"Ah!" groaned the old man, "he has forgotten me."

As the word was upon his lips, a merry ringing laugh broke on his ear and there, among the crowd on the pavement, stood the blue-eyed boy, clapping his tiny hands while the breeze blew his flaxen hair all about his face. Swelling his little chest, he raised himself on tiptoe and shouted the single word, "Ring!"

Do you see that old man's eye fire? Do you see that arm so suddenly bare to the shoulder? Do you see that withered hand grasping the iron tongue of the bell? That old man is young again. His veins are filling with a new life. Backward and forward, with sturdy strokes, he swings the tongue. The bell peals out, the crowds in the street hear it and burst forth in one long shout. Old Delaware hears it and gives it back on the cheers of her thousand sailors. The city hears it and starts up from desk and workshop, as if an earthquake had spoken.

Under that very bell pealing out at noon day in an old hall, fifty-six

traders, farmers and mechanics had assembled to break the shackles of the world. The committee, who had been out all night, are about to appear. At last the door opens and they advance to the front. The parchment is laid on the table. Shall it be signed or not? Then follows a high and stormy debate. The timid cringe in corners. Then Thomas Jefferson speaks his few bold words and John Adams pours out his whole soul. Still there is a doubt, and that pale-faced man, rising in one corner, speaks out something about "axes, scaffolds and a gibbet."

A tall, slender man rises and his dark eyes burn while his words ring through the hall:

"Gibbets! They may stretch our necks on every scaffold in the land. They may turn every rock into a gibbet, every tree into a gallows, and yet, THE WORDS WRITTEN ON THAT PARCHMENT CAN NEVER DIE! They may pour out our blood on a thousand altars and yet, from every drop that colors the ax or drips on the sawdust of the block, a new martyr to freedom will spring into existence. What! Are there shrinking hearts and weak voices here, when the very dead upon our battlefields arise and call upon us to sign that parchment or be accursed forever?

"Sign! If the next moment the gibbet's rope is around your neck. Sign! If the next moment this hall rings with the echo of the falling ax. Sign! By all your hopes in life or death, as husbands, as fathers, as men! SIGN YOUR NAMES TO THAT PARCHMENT!

"Yes, were my soul trembling on the verge of eternity, were this voice choking in the last struggle, I would still, with the last impulse of that soul, with the last gasp of that voice, beg you to remember this truth: 'GOD HAS GIVEN AMERICA TO THE FREE!' Yes, as I sink down in the gloomy shadow of the grave, with my last breath I would beg of you—SIGN THAT PARCHMENT!"

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MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

Dearly Beloved Children of God:

I invoke, from within the deepest recesses of your heart, the innate desire for freedom from limitation of every kind. As that desire stirs, unfolds and prods your lethargic souls, it will give to you the strength, courage, faith, confidence and power of achievement TO PURSUE, TO THE END, your quest for freedom. You will find freedom for yourself and,

in individual mastery, you will find the way and means by which you may use your intelligence, energies and new-found mastery, to help to free all life from bondage!

Contemplate the NATURE OF FREEDOM. THINK WHAT IT WILL MEAN TO BE ABLE TO SET ALL IMPRISONED, DISEASED, UNHAPPY, IMPERFECT LIFE FREE. Make your goal a conscious desire to see all life free! Thus will freedom become more than a personal desire. It will become truly a "Magnificent Obsession" with you, to magnetize and radiate that qualified energy which does give freedom to all life to express its God-nature. Particularly this year, when the thought-form itself is the Violet Fire of freedom's love, utilize your individual faculties to divine the possibilities that are yours, by becoming one with that flame in service to all life.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

The statement for the Transmission Class of July 16, 1955:

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I AM in	breathing	the buoyant	love of	the Freedom	Flame from	Saint	Germain
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Color of the flame: Deep royal purple, Hierarch, the Ascended Master Saint Germain, Chohan of the Seventh Ray, Keynote "Strauss Waltzes"

GROUP INSTRUCTION AND DECREES

Beloved Friend Of Freedom's Flame:

God bless you! In the name and Presence of God I AM in us all, I call the limitless, all-powerful blessings of the Freedom Flame upon you and yours, enveloping you completely and saturating your entire being and world with its fiery essence, with which no one and no thing can ever interfere. Consciously accept this done RIGHT NOW and TAKE A MOMENT HERE TO REALLY FEEL its substance in, through and around you. It is as real as the sun in the heavens and its life-giving, comforting warmth and illumination are just as acceptable to any and all who determine to have it.

ONE DETERMINES TO HAVE IT BY THINKING UPON it-putting his at-

tention upon it very, very often during the day, HOLDING the attention there until he FEELS the presence of that flame. It is a very definite vibratory action which any one can learn to recognize at once. No one can prove it for another. It is an individual realization and experience.

In this Freedom Flame is the fullness of all God ever intended man to be and within it is everything required to bring that perfection into action in this physical world. Its constant use can only bring that which its very name implies—FREEDOM from all that bind, or limits, FOR WHERE IT IS SUSTAINED ENOUGH, NO IMPERFECTION CAN EITHER REGISTER OR REMAIN. Think this through—then prove it too! Those who continue this will be the happiest, wisest, healthiest and wealthiest people on the planet in the future. Wait and see!

In the accompanying decrees, let us faithfully call this Freedom Flame into outer physical action, at least for the month of July this year. It is well to give each decree three times,-saying it once for the outer consciousness, then once for The Holy Christ Self and once for the Electronic Presence of God-the individualized God Presence of each one. When this is done, it signifies that the three expressions of the individual (Father, son and Holy Spirit) are all in perfect accord with your decree. Then there is nothing that can prevent the fulfillment of that call.

Faithfully used each day—at least morning and night, and at noon if possible—for at least 30 days, consecutively will bring a marked benefit into your life's experiences, with more peace, happiness and supply of every good thing—so much so, that you will only desire to continue their use indefinitely.

Lovingly and victoriously in the light—I AM,

Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREES (July 15th through August 14th, 1955)

In the name, love power and authority of my own God Presence I AM, I speak directly to the heart of the Freedom Flame. Open wide your welcoming arms of purifying, forgiving, healing Violet Fire and absorb me into yourself, holding me there forever. Make my entire being and world the substance, consciousness and feeling of freedom which you are, and let that healing benediction flow from me, constantly, to all the life I contact. Let your fiery essence saturate the atmosphere about me for one thousand feet in every direction everywhere I move and yet your mira-

cle-working Presence give daily, tangible proof of your Presence to all.

Beloved Archangel Michael! Send legions of angels of Cosmic Christ Protection and Freedom to guard this flame around me and my entire being and world within it and use my life and my light to the fullest possible extent in the service of beloved freedom all ways. I consciously accept this done RIGHT NOW, with full power!

Beloved Presence of God I AM in me, Oh Thou beloved Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind and beloved Saint Germain—Cosmic Freedom to our Earth—

SEAL, SEAL every lifestream belonging to the evolutions of this planet, Earth, today (wherever they may be) in a gigantic Christ focus of the Freedom Flame of Violet Fire, in overwhelming cosmic power, doubled each instant of each hour. Let this focus be eternally sustained, all-powerfully active and ever expanding around each one, transmuting all human bondage, cause, effect, record and memory, into peace, health, happiness and the supply of every good thing which God intended all he created to enjoy from the beginning. Let this flame restore to all mankind the divine memory of the Source from whence they came, their purpose for being and the goal of their pilgrimage on Earth. Let it also release from each heart it blesses, gratitude for its presence in this universe, as well as praise and thanks to the Ascended Ones who have gone before us and made it possible for us to have its use today.

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom BELOVED SAINT GERMAIN'S RETREAT IN TRANSYLVANIA (July 15th through August 14th, 1955)

In the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains is the retreat and focus for the Flame of Freedom upon the planet, Earth. It is presently guarded by the Chohan of the Seventh Ray, known as the Ascended Master Saint Germain.

Here, through many ages, individuals who have desired to express freedom in their own lives and to expand that freedom to bless all life, have been taught the spiritual laws governing the earning of that individual freedom. Those who desire to have freedom for themselves must also have (within the deepest confines of heart and soul), A DIVINE DESIRE TO SET MANKIND FREE OF ITS DISTRESS AND LIMITATION before they are admitted to this Brotherhood.

Many individuals seek knowledge, power and supernatural accom-

plishments for personal motives. THE FEW seek these gifts in order to become a merciful presence to their fellowman. It is with these few that the Hierarch of the Temple of Freedom works. In every century there are born into the world some devotees of freedom, who feel a spiritual vocation, a consecration of the using of their lives to further the evolution of the race. By the law of attraction, such individuals are drawn into the radiation of the temple of Freedom. Many such good individuals visit this temple in their finer bodies at night, while their physical vehicles sleep. Through the ages, some individuals, in their waking state, have been guests at this temple, absorbing the courage, strength and power which would be required of them later in the outer world to perform some great service in the cause of freedom.

These guests were not always aware of the subtle vibrations from this flame of freedom, which permeates the atmosphere of this beautiful old manor house and its host. However, these vibrations were absorbed by their minds, bodies and worlds, in the natural enjoyment of the leisurely life they experienced there. After leaving the radiation of this Temple of Freedom, these people found themselves inspired to lofty ideals and incorporated them into works for the blessing of the race. Few were aware that the infusion of the spiritual "drive" to help the cause of freedom was made during their "holidays" in freedom's living presence. Conscious chelas are always welcome to this retreat and are taught the laws of transmutation, trans-substantiation, the conscious wielding of the light rays and the many aspects of the spiritual law which they are fitted to accept and apply.

THE ASALA FESTIVAL

CELEBRATED THIS YEAR ON JULY 5TH AT 12.26 A.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME—I.E., TWENTY-SIX MINUTES AFTER MIDNIGHT OF JULY 4TH

THE GENTLE READER IS REMINDED THAT THE RADIATION AND BLESSINGS DRAWN FROM THIS OUTPOURING FROM LORD MAITREYA, COMMENCES TWENTY-FOUR HOURS BEFORE THE ACTUAL CEREMONY TAKES PLACE AND CONTINUES FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTERWARD, IT IS WISE, THEREFORE, TO PUT ONE'S SELF IN SPIRITUAL RAPPORT WITH THIS CEREMONY BY KEEPING THE ATTENTION AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE UPON THE BELOVED LORD MAITREYA ALL DURING THESE FORTY-EIGHT HOURS).

Once each year, in a time of Full Moon, the beloved Lord Maitreya (great World Teacher and dear Friend of the Lord Gautama Buddha) in

honor of him and the anniversary of the first delivery of Buddha's revelation of truth to the world after his ascension, gathers together those disciples and chelas who wish to be a part of the magnetizing of Buddha's love during this ceremony. It takes place on the southern slopes of the Himalayas, in the lovely private gardens of Lord Maitreya.

Here there is delivered, again, the very first sermon which Lord Buddha gave and beloved Lord Maitreya adds to it a simple address of his own, developing the truths within the revelation of the Buddha to fit the needs and requirements of the current hour.

The recitation of Lord Buddha's sermon is given by Lord Maitreya in the original Pali language but, as in the Christian Pentecostal miracle, everyone present hears him in his own native tongue.

Lord Maitreya generally takes his place upon the marble seat set at the edge of the raised terrace, in his lovely gardens. The highest officials sit close about him, while the rest of the Brotherhood are grouped in the garden below. The sermon begins with the admonition to take "The Middle Way," followed by the presentation of the Four Noble Truths:

The APPEARANCE of sorrow or suffering (which must be alleviated)

The CAUSE of sorrow

The END of sorrow (or the escape of it), and

The WAY, which leads to the escape from sorrow.

This is followed by the presentation, again, of the Eight Noble Truths (see May, 1955, "The Bridge").

Each "seed idea" in this sermon is developed anew and applied by all the chelas in their daily endeavors to manifest self-mastery.

GENTLE READER: It is known that the life-tide of energy on the Earth is increased as the New Moon grows to its fullness. Our planet, being a schoolroom for the development and maturing of the emotional bodies of the-people, is, (like the physical body), composed of a preponderance of the water element. As the ocean tides rise, as the plant life develops and when the life energies, of mankind are at their apex, during this Full Moon period, the Masters of Wisdom use such an hour to pour out their greatest blessings to the people. The beloved Masters always use the natural means of magnetization and radiation, thus conserving the priceless energies which are theirs from the Godhead.

It is well known that many individuals have experimented successfully with the planting of their crops, which yield produce *above the Earth* (such as peas, beans, barley, corn, etc.) at the time of the New Moon and first-quarter phase, allowing the "pull" of the rising Moon to develop them. Plants that grow from bulb formations and give their yield *within the Earth*, such as radishes, beets, potatoes and carrots, etc.) planted at Full Moon or during the last-quarter phase, are more successful.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

(SUBJECT: THE CONSCIOUSNESS IN WHICH THE CHELA SHOULD APPROACH THE PRESENCE IN ORDER TO SECURE IMMEDIATE RESULTS)

CHELA—Beloved Master: We have been told that whatsoever things we shall ask the Father in Jesus' name, shall be given unto us. Please explain this statement.

GURU—Blessed Chela: It is true that the NAME of an individual is a cup which contains the consciousness, power and gifts of that one. When an individual has attained mastery, HIS NAME BECOMES A TREMENDOUS POWER OF INVOCATION TO strengthen applications of all who use that name. Any one who thinks, feels or speaks the name of any Ascended Being, immediately ties his own energies into the battery of power which that Master has become. The aspirant literally touches the "hem (aura) of the garment" of the Spiritual Being and truly the virtue of that Being flows back into the consciousness and world of said aspirant. Even as the calling of one's name in this world draws the attention of the person called, so does the using of the name of the Master draw his attention and his assistance.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it then sufficient to use the name of the Master to secure his full powerful momentum through the chela's application?

GURU—Blessed Chela: No! This is but a portion of the Cosmic Law. When the chela first places himself in spiritual rapport with the Master and endeavors, to the best of his ability, to make the application not only in the name but the actual NATURE of the Master, the results in manifestation are increased a thousand-fold.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can an individual, who knows little of the nature of the Master, possibly attempt to create that nature in himself?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Master is instantly cognizant of the chela who turns his thoughts, feelings, prayers and invocations toward him. By thinking of the Master, by using the name of the Master, by asking sincerely for the FEELING of the Master to flow into his own world, the chela begins the exercise of "spiritual communion." This is followed by an exaltation of the chela's consciousness and he begins to experience (faintly at first) how the Master himself would handle any situation, render any service, dissipate any appearance of distress. Then the chela is truly "caught up" in the Master's nature and from this premise the chela can perform

works and manifest expressions of God which, in himself, he could not possibly express.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Can you give us a simple exercise by which such spiritual rapport with the Master can be attained?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Certainly!

FIRST: The chela realizes that there are appearances manifest in the world around him less than the perfection of God. Many superficially notice such appearances BUT THE DESIRE TO REMEDY SUCH DISTRESS IS NOT YET BORN WITHIN THEM. THE CHELA MUST COME BEYOND THE POINT OF OBSERVING imperfection to the point of sincerely, lovingly and earnestly helping God to help his fellowman. This is the first step on the path. "Hitherto the Father worketh—now the Father and I work" becomes his attitude of being.

SECOND: THE CHELA MUST EXAMINE HIS MOTIVE for desiring to alleviate the ills of mind, body, soul and world of his fellow man. If it is to secure a sense of power, aggrandizement or personal importance, he is not approaching the Father in THE NATURE of the Christ, even though he may use his name. If the chela desires to render whatever service he can, according to his present development, capacities, talents and powers only to serve God by redeeming his children, THAT CHELA HAS ALREADY BEGUN TO APPROACH THE NATURE OF THE MASTER.

THIRD: The chela must find, within himself, a conviction that the life flowing through him is the life of God, the Father. He must realize that within that life is the power by which the Master has performed the seeming miracles. The chela's acceptance, IN THE FEELINGS, of the power of God within himself which is ready, willing and able to flow forth to render service, is another step in entering the nature of the Master.

FOURTH: The chela, knowing full well that other intelligences, who have already attained perfection, are ready and willing to give of their radiation, impetus of faith, confidence and instruction to help the chela, can then ask for the infusion of the Master's thoughts, feelings and powers through his own consciousness. He can and should lay his own thoughts, his feelings, his spoken words and actions next to the Master's and, in contemplation, endeavor to become one with the nature of the Master in thought, feeling, spoken word and action. THEN WHEN THE CHELA SENDS FORTH A DECREE IN THE NAME AND THE NATURE OF THE MASTER, THE CHELA HAS THE FULL POWER OF THE MASTER'S MOMENTUM TO USE, AS WELL AS HIS OWN.

BELOVED LORD MAITREYA

Ah! Lord Maitreya, Cosmic Christ, we bow before you! How we love that great perfection you've become, How we long to be your great outpouring Of love divine that now compels Earth's victory won. For 'tis love and love alone the world is seeking And 'tis love and love alone that can redeem— It's the answer, it's the end and all of living! It's God's redemption of each dear lifestream.

Ah! dear Cosmic Christ, our own Belov'd Lord Maitreya, Second Person of the Holy Trinity—
Let us all absorb the radiance of your Presence,
We kneel before you, wait your blessing patiently.
Your majestic peace and gracious understanding,
God's forgiveness, raising all to mastery—
Fills our hearts and worlds with love's determination
To do God's will in all humility.

Ah! dear Cosmic Christ, our own Belov'd Lord Maitreya, you Are now the Great Example to us all!

Through us show mankind the way to their own Presence And help us teach them all the I AM way to call.

For 'tis love and love alone all life is seeking And 'tis love and love alone that sets all free— Oh Great Central Sun reward our friend of ages By raising Earth in light—A SUN TO BE!

MELODY: "AH! SWEET MYSTERY OF LIFE."

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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TO THE COSMIC SPIRIT OF LIBERTY AND THOSE GREAT BEINGS WHO EMBODY THAT VIRTUE, THE GODDESS OF LIBERTY AND PAUL, CHOHAN OF THE THIRD RAY:

We bow in humble gratitude and reverence for the liberty given to us by God to use life through the ages. Without liberty to draw upon the Source of Life, we should have no being, no intelligence, no selfconsciousness. To you, who have mastered the use of life and who desire, when given an opportunity, to show mankind how to use liberty wisely, we dedicate this issue of "The Bridge to Freedom." Let your directing intelligence and wisdom show man that the liberty to use life is given, not for a personal satisfaction of the fleeting personality, but to help to weave the pattern of the divine plan of this universe. Let your cosmic momentum of the wise, directed, controlled, loving use of life become the inspiration for all who were created of GOD FOR A PURPOSE. Let your realization, that liberty to use life is not license to distort it, become the consciousness of the entire human race and the elemental kingdom. We are grateful for liberty to have being, to join the energies and talents, which God has given us, to fulfill his purpose. Let this gratitude become the daily thinking, feeling consciousness of all who use the Earth as a schoolroom, now, and in the future.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom CHATEAU DE LIBERTE

(August 15th, through September 14th, 1955)

In the southern part of France is the focus of the Liberty Flame for the planet Earth. This flame by the Brotherhood of Liberty, was magnetized, guarded and amplified in intensity and power to act in the physical appearance world for many centuries.

Every God virtue comes earthward, anchored through the heart of some volunteer spirit, who chooses to weave its essence and substance into the mental, feeling, etheric and physical substance of the evolutions using the Earth for a schoolroom upon life's way. Then, through the ages, others, sensing the presence of that flame (virtue), choose to give to it their own life. Thus, it becomes stronger and more powerful in its radiating activity, for the blessing of all. This is a part of the marvelous gift of the Godhead, in allowing self-conscious intelligence to cooperate with him in giving of his nature to those who can and will accept it.

The gift of liberty to use life was given, at the beginning of self-consciousness, to every being. The gift of expanding the knowledge of how to use that liberty to fulfill God's divine plan is given by the brothers and sisters who have chosen the expanding of the Liberty Flame as their "REASON FOR BEING."

When the continent of Atlantis was weighted down with the pressures of human creation, the priests and priestesses of the temples, who had retained contact both with their own Individualized Christ Self and the Ascended Masters, were apprised of the coming cataclysm several years before it occurred. They determined, among themselves, to anchor the cosmic flames which they had guarded and protected through the centuries, into their own heart flames and transport them to other portions of the Earth's surface which would survive the impending changes.

Those who guarded the Flame of Liberty and who volunteered to take it from Atlantis, were directed to turn their attention and their course toward what is now southern France. This they did, and the hardships, the endurance, the faith, the love and the sacrifice which made such a mystic transference possible, could not be recorded in these few pages. Suffice it to say, the Liberty Flame was established in France and its pulsating, radiating power has inspired men and women, through the ages, to desire to use liberty wisely for themselves and to help set all

mankind free by the same wise use of that virtue.

The Chohan of the Third Ray, beloved Paul (the Venetian), also uses this focus of the Liberty Flame to enable individuals who have developed talents along certain lines of musical, artistic and literary expression, to have the liberty to express those talents and refine them by the encouragement of his patronage and the inspiration of the Liberty Flame (which many of them do not know exists).

Every man has come earthward with some potential gift to offer to bless the Earth and all thereon. This undeveloped gift lies, like the dried seed before planting, within the heart flame of every one. The burning desire to become a great musician, a great actor, a great singer, a great writer or a great patriot signifies the stirring of that "REASON FOR BEING," which will give the soul no rest until the potential becomes the manifest fact. The beloved Paul and his associates choose to direct the Flame of Liberty through these heart-desires and encourage, in every manner (spiritual and practical), the development of these gifts.

In his lovely Chateau you will find not only the accomplished artist, but the hopeful amateur. You will look upon, not only the magnificent portraits, sculptures and works of art of the genius, but also the clumsy attempts of the hopeful ones who stand at the bottom of the ladder of perfection.

On the soft night air, perfumed with the roses that climb lovingly around the marble columns of his garden, you will hear not only the magnificence of the music of the spheres, but also the tremulous endeavors of the beginner, whose heart motive has drawn the interest and cooperation of this loving Brotherhood. The very pertinent aphorism of that brotherhood is "I am my brother's keeper."

Each gentle reader has a certain talent, gift or potential power which is to be developed "to the glory of God." While bathing in the essence of the Liberty Flame, LET IT EXPAND and become the spiritual aura of your being, the perfume of your Presence, the externalized reason for your being, for the blessing of all life

Thomas Printz

(Note: For additional description of this retreat, please see "The Bridge to Freedom," September, 1953.

THE RIGHT USE OF LIFE By the Goddess of Liberty

July, 1954

Beloved children of light, I Am a very good friend of yours. Some of you came at the call of Helios and Vesta, or other authorities of the universe, to this planet from time to time as crises arose wherein there was the need and requirement for greater light and assistance. Some of you I met at the periphery of the aura of this Earth and said: "Blessed ones, in the name of God and in the name of your life, I give to you liberty to act in this universe and liberty to draw the primal substance and energy of life, to further the evolution of this planet, which you have come to serve."

Thus was the Cosmic Law fulfilled through my consciousness. Every God Being, deva, Cosmic Master, angel and Ascended Being who has responded to some call on behalf of the evolutions of the planet Earth, receive liberty of action through my presence. I Am also a friend of the lifestreams drawn forth from the heart of the Universal First Cause, who had their first self-conscious being in this universe. As the spirit-sparks from the heart of the God-Mother and Father first awakened as individualized beings and became cognizant of life and existence, it was my great privilege to stand by each such newly-formed conscious focus and say: "Beloved, you are now at liberty to draw on primal life and to utilize that life according to free will. Design for yourself the glories of, the Causal Body. Prepare yourself for incarnation. Weave into the substance and energy of any sphere, the pattern of your own God-intelligence and that portion of the divine will, which you may magnetize and choose to externalize."

Liberty, like opportunity, is a cosmic virtue, which requires great discrimination, both on the part of the one invoking it and on the part of the one utilizing that gift. When you take the liberty of using life, that life, in its essence, responds to the direction of your thoughts and feelings and becomes form. When you are given liberty to function cosmically or humanly, your free will choice weaves either a pattern of light and life or a portion of the shroud of death for the planet, as well as for the individual.

Therefore, if you seek liberty of action through the development of your higher senses and through the capacity to function within the freedom of your etheric bodies, remember what you do with that liberty will become your karma—good or otherwise. Your sins of omission and sins of commission will be measured by the amount of liberty you are given to

function in any sphere.

As opportunity stands at every door and is so often ignored, so is liberty utilized, ofttimes, for the enjoyment of the senses. As you know, the word "liberteen" describes one who misuses life and, through free will, distorts that primal essence.

First you receive life, beloved hearts. Then you receive liberty. Wise is the man who pursues the course of Godliness. Those who are interpreting the laws of your nation, pursuing what they call happiness, are not always in full accord with the triple activity of the cosmos. Through the outer self, man does not always know what will yield happiness. He feels that the satisfaction of the senses, the accumulation of wealth, the freedom from the "curse of Cain," (earning his bread by the sweat of his brow) or any one of a number of ephemeral visions, will result in happiness. The only lasting happiness there is, is in agreement with the divine plan of the Universal First cause.

Happiness results in complete and absolute surrender of the outer ego to the fulfillment of the divine plan and the consecration of life to the weaving out of the substance and energy of the individual world, a portion of that divine plan, which is the Kingdom of Heaven. Today, you stand at the door of opportunity. Today you have received into your individual consciousness a great wealth of the life of the Cosmic Beings and powers that dwell, for the most part, in the heart of the silence. You are at complete liberty to use life (this consecrated, dedicated and hallowed life) as you will, to pursue your individual course and to weave what you desire out of the substance and energy of your world, under the direction of your own free will.

At the time when the Sun of our system chose to create a universe, twelve great beings volunteered to embody the twelve-fold nature of the Sun God and to become foci of the mighty Virtues in the Electronic Belt around the Sun. I was one of those. Our relationship to the Sun is to specialize in magnetizing, concentrating and radiating one of the particular God virtues. All twelve virtues are embodied within the consciousness and nature of Helios and Vesta. That virtue which I have chosen to magnetize, to concentrate and to direct, is the virtue of liberty.

The original zodiac referred to these twelve cosmic temples, or houses, from which each one of us, who represent the twelve virtues of the God-head, direct our blessings earthward. Our radiation pours forth rays of light into the universe like those from the Sun itself. As the planets circle the Sun, in orderly sequence, the concentrated radiation and power

of each one of the twelve virtues is intensified for a period of thirty or thirty-one days while the planet is within the temple of a particular concentrated ray. Knowledge of the true zodiac has been distorted. The consciousness of mankind has created those symbols which are not true expressions of our foci. I Am one (the virtue of Liberty) who was fortunate enough to remain in the outer memory of mankind. During the month when the consciousness of mankind is focused upon Libra, the consciousness, radiation and power of liberty flows through the Earth and nourishes the Liberty Flame within the soul and inner self of all mankind.

As the Earth passes around the Sun in the course of the twelve months for every thirty day period, one of the mighty virtues plays upon the planet and through the inner bodies of her people. When the original cosmic zodiac again comes forth, those of you who are wise, may by giving attention to the outpouring of that cosmic virtue magnetize it into your world.

I touch upon this only briefly because the beloved Maha Chohan and the powers feel it is not yet time to release to the outer mind another series of beneficent radiations, until your capacity has been increased to accept several distinct outpourings at once. For the moment, it is sufficient for you to concentrate upon the outpouring of the retreat that is active. Even then, you have touched but the fringe of the concentrated power and blessings that flow from that retreat into your inner bodies and your world. In time, however, through the stilling of your vehicles and the centering of the Presence within your hearts you will become a radiating center of the gifts of the retreat which is active in that period, through your own sphere of influence or your group activity. Again you are at liberty to turn your attention to that retreat every free moment while it is active. You are at liberty to participate in the transmission of the flame around the world through the concentration, attention and rhythmic breathing. You are at liberty to invoke from the heart of the retreat it's specific radiation and gifts. You are not fully expressing my gift of Liberty because, you are not availing yourselves of that which is presently provided for your development and maturity.

At the time when mankind was ready for embodiment, I was given the office of consecrating each lifestream chosen and dedicated by the Manu. Before entering physical birth, the consciousness of the soul at inner levels was charged with my words, "You are at liberty, beloved, to take pure and primal life into the Earth plane. You are at liberty, beloved, to utilize life as you will, in the physical appearance world. You are at liberty, beloved, to call upon any and all of us as you may choose, to as-

sist you when the momentums and energies of your own worlds seem not sufficient to handle conditions to fulfill your divine plan." Without exception, every man has remembered, he has the liberty to use life. Many have forgotten that they have equal liberty to call upon the Sun of the system or any God Being. I come this morning to bring to your remembrance that the liberty to call upon us, is yours.

As the Earth plane grew dense and the Karmic Board was established, I, as spokesman, had the opportunity to give the final word for each lifestream chosen to incarnate in the twelve months to come and to say: "You are at liberty now to take embodiment.." This is one reason why I have held that office for so long. Then, through the mercy of the Cosmic Law, the beloved Kwan Yin prepared for the coming of opportunity. Now the Goddess of Opportunity (Portia) sits upon the throne as the head of the Karmic Council. Even more severe is the individual initiation of developing your own perception, that you may use opportunity well and weave for yourselves garments of immortality.

The Karmic Board has asked me to convey to you the blessings of the collective body, for your deep and sincere interest in mankind. They have asked me, further, to say that the upreaching of your love (which has emitted a perfume, and is radiating exquisite colors of soft blue and soft pink), has touched them deeply. You see, the Karmic Board has not been accustomed to receiving gentle radiation, adoration and devotion, for many ages. They have asked me to say that they have accepted your energies in payment for the pledge of beloved Master Morya. They have accepted your energies in consideration of your motive and each of them has amplified those energies by their own personal Causal Bodies, returning them to you, in blessing. You know that mercy is the embodiment of the Cosmic Law.

These great dispensations, that have been invoked by the Cosmic Beings and by the Ascended Masters, have met with considerable favor, because a group of unascended beings has shown interest in impersonal service on behalf of life. Although the service rendered has not reached its ultimate maximum, the motive within your hearts to give of your best has been the measure of our decision. The service, which you have volunteered to render, can be expanded in the future through your local sanctuaries and groups, each according to your own concept of what is right.

The law, as given, has been understood by some. Each of you now is at liberty to use that law to magnetize the powers of the Sacred Fire to vitalize your own forcefields and to become and to remain conductors of the Cosmic Beings and the Ascended Masters whom you may choose to invite. Through your calls, these will work in the inner realms, removing, particularly, the pressures of psychic or astral creations. Remember, it is not the human will, not the physical energies alone, but the combination of your mental pictures and your feelings that provides the conductor. The qualified Sacred Fire, which is the primal life drawn and utilized for centuries by God-flee beings, then can be channeled through your forcefield for the blessing of life. Through free will, you have the opportunity to give liberty to the God beings to use you as themselves, or to withhold that liberty. Think well before you make that offer!

You, who are willing to say to us, "You have full liberty to function through our minds, our feelings, our etheric bodies and our flesh"—to you I speak! The Cosmic Law does not allow liberty of action except through the vehicles functioning in any sphere. Those lifestreams who represent liberty upon this Earth plane today are those who, in courtesy, of free will choice have said to the great Saint Germain or to others of the Ascended Hosts, "You are at liberty now to use me as yourself." Those of you who choose to enter into your local activities and give us that same liberty of action, will find that we will respond beyond your greatest expectations, through the open door of your free will.

When you give a guest liberty to use your home, you kindly afford them the courtesy that is within that liberty to develop their own happiness and gifts. When you give the invitation to us to act, with liberty, within your sphere of influence in your world, I hope you will give us the same courtesy, that we may function freely. Remember, we who are God-free, the embodiment of courtesy, the embodiment of honor, will never take liberties with your kindness. Then those of you who choose to give liberty of access to the God beings will begin to feel the pressures of our cosmic flames, which will bless mankind at large, through you and your groups.

One day, in the not too far distant future, I shall have opportunity, again, to render the service I love most—the service that is the greatest happiness that has been afforded me by the Source of Life. I shall be permitted to stand by your side and say, "Child of God, you are at liberty to come home, never to go out again." Beloved, live for that day!

Thank you. Good morning.

WHICH MASTER TO FOLLOW? By Beloved El Morya

The Law governing the evolution of the race requires that the conductor of the truth, the message, the word, be a consciousness abiding in the sphere and realm in which the radiation is to be dispensed. Thus, Avatars have been prepared and have descended, from time to time, in compliance with the Law and while abiding in the lower realms, through self-conscious individual endeavor, have the ability to hold their consciousness in the higher realm. From these realms they have received the greater truth, the knowledge and counsel of the Superior Beings abiding there, which is not accessible to the conscious mind and intelligence of those in the lower realms.

The seven spheres, which form the aura of the Godhead (Helios and Vesta, Ed) abide within this Cosmic Law and the devas, angels, Masters and elementals within each sphere act as conductors for the ideas, blessings, radiation and general outpouring of the intelligences in the sphere directly above them. Thus, they carry the blessings of God and the will of God to the periphery of the universe.

Mankind, in masse, are also dependent upon the preparation and presence of these "conductors," who come among them for the specific purpose of making available the truth, radiation, counsel and actual presence of the Guardian Hierarchy and its attendant Intelligences in the angelic and devic kingdoms. Free will allows every man to accept or reject such service and the evolution of the individual consciousness is largely dependent upon the ability of the lifestream to utilize and generally accept the service thus offered. Free will is also the measure of the individual who so serves and, because the karma of such service is heavy, not often is it offered or, if offered, sustained over a long period of time.

Chelas have the God-given free will to proceed along the line of their individual evolutions, obeying the promptings of their own inner hearts, the communion that directs their course and, at all times, should be encouraged to develop and expand this God direction from within.

However, for the great work of the Hierarchy, more than the limited development of the average chela's lifestream is required, in order to make the outer consciousness aware of the current endeavors of the Great White Brotherhood and the ways and means by which each unit may cooperate, blending the talents, energies and general gifts of his own world with the cooperative whole. It IS FOR THOSE WHO DESIRE TO STRIKE STRAIGHT UP THE MOUNT OF ATTAINMENT that we always seek to find a way and means of communication by which we may make

available certain instruction, which can (but not MUST) accelerate our plans and, of necessity, also accelerate the individual progress of the student.

Different Masters use different methods of instruction, each pouring the radiation of his own consciousness to the chela through his connection with that chela. It is never required that any chela continue under the strenuous pressure of those of us who represent the will of God AND WHO CANNOT SOFTEN THAT WILL TO SUIT ANY PERSONAL OPINIONS. To these, I recommend application for the gentler directions of my brother Saint Germain, the beloved Kuthumi or the blessed Venetian. FOR MY-SELF, I SHALL ALWAYS BE DIRECT, FORTHRIGHT AND PERHAPS UNCOMFORTABLE BUT HONEST AND LOVING WITH ALL.

CHELAS AND MANKIND GENERALLY PROFESS TO DESIRE TO KNOW THE WILL OF GOD. I smile at their temerity, knowing full well that the will of God is only welcome, when it fits into the narrow compass of their reason, the small measure of their judgment confirming truth, and the feelings soothed by finding that will is pleasing to "self." Then the hapless conveyors of that will are saved from the tremendous "blasts" of rebellion and resentment that arise from the "righteous" soul.

The presentation of the Law over the platform, through the literature or by any means that can be devised for carrying the word to the people, is comparatively easy for the chela developed to the point, where such transmission is possible. This is so because there is no personal recoil, except that which arises when the individual egos are disconcerted, corrected, or prodded against their will to greater endeavor.

The willingness to accept the karma of the one to whom the Master's individual letter of instruction may be addressed, however, is a "horse of a different color," as you say. WHEN THE CHELA IS ASKED BY THE MASTER TO CONVEY INSTRUCTION (WRITTEN OR ORAL) TO ANOTHER CHELA, THE TRANSMITTER IMMEDIATELY BECOMES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE USE TO WHICH THE RECEIVING CHELA PUTS SUCH INSTRUCTION. Why? Because the responsibility for conveying energy into the world of another cannot be waived, even by the Cosmic Law, since it is an act of free will. If the receiving chela does not use that instruction wisely and well, THE TRANSMITTER, WHO HAS CONVEYED THE INSTRUCTION, MUST BALANCE THAT ENERGY TO THE COSMIC LAW.

Further, the opinions of the many selves of the chelas receiving the instruction, or watching one who is the recipient of such teaching, forms a tremendous battery of force that "drives" at the transmitting chela (the "contact") also the rebellions and resentments of individuals who may be corrected by the Masters through such instruction, form considerable

pressures of energy, which have to be handled by the "contact."

It is therefore wise, expedient and kindly for the students, who profess to want to know our will, to examine themselves and decide if they wish to continue to receive that will from our hands, or if they wish to be transferred to the more gentle ministrations of another Master. They should also decide whether or not they wish to subject another lifestream (who volunteers for such service as "contact") to the destructive reactions of discordant feeling WHICH MIGHT DESTROY EVEN THE PHYSICAL VEHICLE OF SUCH "CONTACT," unless greater endeavors to hold self-control can be affected on the part of the recipients of such instruction.

There are occasions, when the actions of the Hosts of Heaven seem irreconcilable with reason, but I recommend that the chela take those actions into the heart of prayer and the fruit, if allowed to develop from the blossom, will prove the worth of our suggestions.

FOR THE FEW who wish to proceed straight up the side of the Mount, even if it necessitates dropping many of the comforts of the equipment that the pilgrim has accumulated, hoping for a leisurely passage along a flower-strewn walk, I wait!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE USE OF LIFE

MAHA CHOHAN

Life is a gift bestowed upon every self-conscious intelligence by the Supreme Source—The Father-God! Life does not begin with the birth of the physical body, but with the creation of the divine Presence of every man, made in the image and likeness of the God-Parents. Life does not cease at so-called death, but continues to animate the individualized consciousness in whatever sphere he is then fitted to dwell. Every man, through free will, does with this gift of life what he chooses. The effects manifest in his mind, body, world and affairs record his use of life through the ages. It is to teach man the wise use of life, that we come.

EL MORYA

When any self-conscious intelligence is given liberty to use life in any sphere, he is also given the responsibility to render an accounting for his use of that life. My service is to help mankind to FIND the way by which he may use his life to serve the Giver of Life and to help him TO WANT

TO use that life as God intends. For the many who are playing with the gift of life in vain pursuit of happiness, THERE ARE THE FEW WHO DESIRE TO LEARN THE LAW OF THEIR OWN BEING. To these, I come! Then if my counsel is not confirmation of their own concepts and desires, I often find myself rejected. Yet, upon invitation, I will come again and again! This is my "reason for being!" Are you not ready to find yours?

KUTHUMI

The Brothers of the Golden Robe are dedicated to the teaching of the correct use of life to individuals who desire to know best how to serve God and their fellowman. All life, operating on the principle of the circle, returns eventually to the individual who drew it forth and qualified it, constructively or destructively. Man enjoys sending his life forth in thoughts, feelings, words or actions to suit his fleeting purpose. Man recoils from the returning energies which sometimes take many embodiments to complete their circle. It is to acquaint mankind with the inevitable truth that he CANNOT ESCAPE HIS RETURNING ENERGY, that we come. WHEN MAN LEARNS THAT EVERY ELECTRON WHICH PASSES THROUGH HIS CONSCIOUSNESS MUST BE REDEEMED THROUGH HIMSELF, he will take less liberty with the use of life and set his feet upon the path that leads toward mastery.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

The channeling of energies to develop some talent, gift, power or potential genius is the service of the Third Ray. Life, like water, is neutral until consciously qualified by some self-conscious intelligence. Developing the capacity to qualify life in beautiful music, in exquisite art, in drama, through literature or any constructive gift to mankind, is the course which the chelas of the Third Ray take. Drawing forth the potential Godliness in their fellowman completes their course of instruction in this department of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

SERAPIS BEY

Mankind finds itself entangled in the web of its own weaving. Returning karma waits redemption. Vicarious atonement is but wishful thinking. The strong, the patient and the enduring, finally achieve the mastery which comes from conscious redemption of the currents of energy set into motion through all preceding as well as the present life. At Luxor is given the opportunity to recall and redeem the individual energies. The Lords of Karma wisely limit the returning discord which each soul can redeem in an Earth-life. When one applies for the privilege of becoming a

Candidate for the Ascension, his opportunity is to redeem his entire karma in one embodiment, rather than in a thousand.

HILARION

The spiritual Law of Transmutation (the Violet Fire of Mercy and Love) is provided by the God of love to assist those individuals who wish to redeem their own karma more quickly. Thus, the evolution of the entire race is tremendously accelerated by the dispensation which has allowed the use of this activity of the Sacred Fire to be given to individuals outside the actual Retreats of the Masters themselves. Some, so enthusiastic in the use of this power of transmutation, forget THE BALANCE, which requires that the individual use life EACH MOMENT, so that it does not become a "boomerang" of a future day!

JESUS

The law of Moses, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," was superseded by the entrance of the "Grace" of the Sixth Ray, when the love of God was manifest in the fiat, "Thy sins are forgiven thee." Now, as we enter the Seventh Ray, this activity of transmutation will be greatly intensified. WISE IS THE LIFESTREAM WHO ACCEPTS THE POWER OF GOD THROUGH THE VIOLET FIRE OF MERCY AND LOVE TO TRANSMUTE ALL RETURNING KARMA, INSTANTLY. According to each one's acceptance in the feelings, does this power work. How many times did I say, "According to your faith, be it unto you."

SAINT GERMAIN

Every man in this New Era has an individual twofold mission—the transmutation of his own discordantly-qualified energies of the past and—the conscious control and mastery over the use of his life in the present. This is the balance required by the chelas of the Seventh Ray! THE FEW, beyond their personal karma, assume the responsibility, opportunity and obligation of utilizing the power of transmutation on behalf of their race, nation and planet. It IS UPON THESE FEW THAT WE DEPEND FOR A PLANETARY REDEMPTION in these years allotted us, by the Cosmic Law to "make all things new." ARE YOU AMONG THESE FEW?

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi THE ABOLITION OF THE "SECOND DEATH"

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the "Second death," which (like the doctrine of eternal damnation), frightens many students on the path?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First let me put your mind at peace. By dispensation granted through the mercy of the Cosmic LAW, NO SOUL BELONGING TO THIS EVOLUTION SHALL EVER PASS THROUGH THE "SECOND DEATH."

In order that you may understand what this experience is, so you may explain it to others (giving them confidence and assurance thereby), I shall briefly explain it to you.

When the God Parents of the system created self conscious intelligences, made in their own image and likeness (The I AM Presence of every man) the individualized intelligences, themselves, chose in what manner they would use life and contribute to the progress of the universe. These individualized I AM Presences journeyed through the seven spheres and, finally, through free will, became affiliated with one of the Seven Rays. Some chose to take embodiment upon the planet Earth. Many never took such embodiment.

The consciousness from the I AM Presence, focused through the physical heart in each physical embodiment, began to experiment with the use of energy in thought, feeling, spoken word and action, thus evolving a personality as well as a soul. If the use of energy was constructive, the personality contributed to the evolution of the race and the soul carried through the veil of so called death, momentums of strength, wisdom, healing, love and light. In the next life, the momentums increased and, finally, the mastery of all primal life drawn by that individual was attained and the ascension took place.

If the personality drew the energy of life into his consciousness and created only disharmony, discord and imperfection, finally the I AM Presence, endeavoring to work through that personality, was unable to fulfill the divine plan. Only when there was absolutely no possibility of utilizing the soul and personality, did the I AM Presence disconnect its vitalizing flame from the outer self. The soul and personality of such individuals used up the accumulated energies in the lower bodies and finally disintegrated completely. Then the I AM Presence began to create for itself a new set of vehicles (emotional, mental, etheric and physical) to fulfill its divine plan.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How was the abolition of the 'second death" accomplished for this evolution?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Every dispensation which brings added opportunity to mankind must be paid for by the voluntary use of the energies of some Ascended or unascended beings. In my contemplation, I was privileged to receive the idea of abolishing the "second death," because of my love for the individualized I AM Presences, who had spent millions of years creating the vehicles through which they desired to expand the kingdom of heaven on Earth. As one approaches the Karmic Board, not only with an idea but some practical means of developing it, as well, I pondered long as to how I might dissolve the shells of human creation that surrounded souls to a point where the Presence could no longer reach them. Through the cooperation of beloved Saint Germain and the Violet Fire Temples and through the establishment of schools at inner levels to which all souls which were headed toward such an end might go, I secured the acquiescence of the Karmic Counsel to TRY.

By having a representative in constant attendance at the Karmic Board meetings, where the souls who have passed from the body await assignment to the spheres in which they have fitted themselves to dwell, I was able to have "bonded over to me" these particular individuals, who were then entered in the temples prepared in love for this endeavor.

CHELA—Beloved Master: As I understand it, it is within the prerogative of the individual to refuse to appear before the Karmic Counsel and remain either in the Sleepers Realm or the astral plane. How did you achieve the results you desired?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Through application! I made the call that out of all the individuals passing through so-called death in each twenty-four hours, at least ONE who was destined to end in the "second death" would accept the summons of the Karmic Counsel and appear before the Board. If one twenty-four hour period passed without at least one such soul responding to my invocations, my dispensation would have been nullified. One beloved friend made such calls for me long ago and it was a joy to make similar calls on behalf of all mankind. As one lifestream did respond in each twenty-four hours, finally the decree came down that the "second death" would never again manifest for mankind, the elemental kingdom or imprisoned angels, so far as Earth's evolution is concerned!

Since the dissolving of the "compound" and the awakening of the

lifestreams within the Sleepers Realm, a great number have been added to my special guardianship. However, it is reward enough to know that the love, energies, time and hope of every I AM Presence which has sent forth a part of itself into the world of form, will not be wasted. It is reward enough, too, to know that someday, sometime, somewhere, every I AM Presence will fulfill its part in the divine plan through the outer self it has sustained through the ages. Truly, it is reward enough to know that every individual SHALL hear the words "COME HOME" and ascend into the God-mastery of the arisen Christ.

(Note: The second death was abolished by cosmic decree in 1890)

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS August, 1955

Beloved Children Of God Endowed With The Use Of Life:

I bless the life that flows from the Source of all Creation into your earnest hearts! For this thirty-day period, let all THINK of the gift of life. Let all remember that it is freely given and FOR ITS USE ALL SHALL RENDER AN ACCOUNTING.

Contrary to the mass consciousness of mankind, who bitterly affirm "I did not ask to be born," EVERY SELF-CONSCIOUS BEING DID ASK FOR THE OPPORTUNITY to become co-creators with God, in whatever sphere they were fitted to dwell. As a result of such request, the continued flow of life from the heart of God and through the individualized God Presence, has patiently, constantly, rhythmically and lovingly continued to supply life to all. With the gift of life was given LIBERTY to use that life as the individual intelligence thought best. Those of us, who have chosen to use life to widen the borders of God's kingdom have learned that liberty, while a glorious gift, is a subtle test of the powers of discrimination, love, balance and wisdom as well.

We enter again into the Temple of Liberty. Here, let all choose to bathe in the essence of the Liberty Flame, qualified by those who have used their liberty well.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

Statement for Transmission Class of August 20, 1955

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Hierarch—Beloved Paul, Chohan of Third Ray Color of flame—Pink, gold and blue Keynote —"The Marseillaise."

GROUP INSTRUCTION LETTER

August 1, 1955

Beloved Children Of Liberty's Heart,

God bless you! In the name, love and authority of the beloved I AM Presence in my heart and yours (whose life energy makes that heart beat), I call to the Cosmic Mother of us all—the Goddess of Liberty. I ask her to seal each one of you and all on Earth in an all-powerful focus of her Luminous Presence, personal flame and ray and hold you there until everything in your entire being and world is the full perfection which she is, the embodiment of the wise use of Liberty everywhere you move. This shall be! God's promise is, "Ask and ye shall receive!" Therefore, we consciously accept it done RIGHT NOW, with full power!

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are familiar words to people everywhere. These are God-given rights to all men and all want these gifts, the desire for them being inherent within their very heartbeat.

God's FIRST GIFT to man is LIFE (the essence of God himself), the conscious awareness of man's own being, his loved ones and the world in which he lives.

God's SECOND gift is LIBERTY—the privilege and opportunity of identifying himself with his Father—his Creator—in whose image and likeness he was originally made. The right use of Liberty brings HAPPINESS—the THIRD gift of God to his children.

Mankind has been given free will, which means he has LIBERTY to either lovingly co-operate with his God (All Good), absorbing from him the perfection which the Father is by worship of him, or, man may forget

that Perfection completely. Then man creates, from his own limited accumulation of the ages, thoughts, feelings, words and deeds that are not like the Father, thereby sowing the seeds of suffering, discontent and the manifold distresses we see everywhere about us today.

Now think, please!—DO YOU HONESTLY THINK THAT SICKNESS, POV-ERTY, SUFFERING AND DEATH ARE THE WILL OF A LOVING GOD? How could it be? Would YOU (impose such experiences on the children of your bosom? Then how in God's name can anyone "pin" such an activity on a God whom, we are told by the same Jesus, Is ALL LOVE? THINK IT THROUGH?

Outside the gift of life itself, the next greatest gift of God to man is LIBERTY—free will to use that life to express man's individual designs of beauty and perfection, making each one a co-creator with God in the world of form and not an automation. We say "Variety is the spice of life," and that there are no two blades of grass exactly alike. Would it not be a monotonous world if everyone were all the same in looks, disposition and self-expression? LIBERTY is the gift to man from God, that gives him the right to self-expression, expanding God's goodness to all other creations of the Father, absorbing God's nature by worship of him and radiating that goodness to the world around him. When all men are so illumined, we shall have on this planet Earth the Utopia dreamed of and longed for by all men for centuries. Our gentle readers are all those who love God and who wish to know and do his will to the best of their ability.

To these I say, do we take the LIBERTY of prayer and decree too much for granted? How would you feel if, when you had a real need and wanted to pray, there would be no one to hear or answer you, no one to give you the feeling of comfort, no one to lift the weight of care we sometimes drop at the feet of our God Presence or the Masters of Love and Wisdom? LIBERTY gives us the right to approach them and obey their promptings. They are wholly FREE (as all men ought to be!) and their loving counsel can only bring us what they have. Their use of the Law and obedience to it, gave them eternal mastery over everything human and a like obedience to that same impersonal Law will do the same for us. Let us use our God-given LIBERTY wisely and endeavor to outpicture the perfection of the Father-God. Did not beloved Jesus also say: "Ye are gods?"

Lovingly all ways, Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREES

Beloved Mighty Victorious Presence of God I AM in me and blessed, beloved Goddess of Liberty, Archangel Chamuel and Paul, the Venetian:

Let your Liberty flame release.
To our dear Earth its cosmic peace,
Let its Three-fold flame express
Perfect balance—God's success
Raising all her life each hour
Nearer heaven by all Light's power.
Let Earth's people ever be
Wisdom's use of LIBERTY!

Beloved Mighty Presence of God, I AM in me, O, Thou beloved Immortal Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within all our hearts, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Saint Germain and Jesus and all Great Beings and Powers and Legions of Light, angels and activities of the Sacred Fire,

In the name of the Presence of God which I AM and by the power of the Sacred Fire vested in me, I call directly to the beloved Goddess of Liberty, Mighty Archangel Chamuel and beloved Paul, the Venetian—all Guardians of the Liberty Flame!

Seal! (3) that flame around every lifestream belonging to the evolutions of this planet, wherever they may be, in or out of embodiment.-. Have it take possession, produce perfection and hold dominion of that lifestream until it has fulfilled its divine plan for being and is wholly ascended and free. So shall it be! "The Call COMPELS the Answer" and I consciously accept it done right now with full power!

EXCERPTS FROM INSTRUCTION BY BELOVED PAUL, THE VENETIAN

May the blessings of the grace of the Holy Spirit ever find me welcome within your heart, your feelings, your very self. Gentle as a pure white dove, which symbolizes his consciousness, the grace and humility of the Holy Spirit, drawn out of the sweet delicate cadence of its reverent song of being, are often overlooked by the "form conscious" and bombastic energies of the Western mind. When a man comes to a place of "listening grace", when all of the restless energies of his many selves are stilled, then does the beauty, the Presence and the benediction of the Holy Spirit flow.

Have you studied the nature of the dove? Look upon her, gently perched on the green bough. Why think you she has been chosen as the

symbol of the nature of the Holy Spirit and the embodied form of peace, tranquility and harmlessness? FORM IS A SIGNPOST FOR THE WISE. Nature is a teacher, without equal to the perceptive consciousness. Contemplate this!

As the bud unfolds, the perfume released is her gift to the universe. As the wings of the dove carry her high, her freedom is manifest IN BE-ING, NOT AFFIRMING!

When one SERVES according to the developed momentums of the Causal Body, there is happiness and fulfillment in that service. When one is developing new momentums there are "growing pains." Both are essential to mature consciousness, the utilizing of the developed momentums by the chela to further world good and the development of necessary but lacking momentums to make for mastery in the entire consciousness. All love to serve in that line where their proficiency lies and this service we accept in joy. However, more tedious, and yet a part of living and learning, is the drawing forth of the energies into suggested channels to which the wise counsel of the Guru points. As your "brother's keeper," you must learn to sense the timidity and confusions in the consciousness you would help and yet remain free from the sympathies that render the serving consciousness impotent. Balance—"The Middle Way"—all ways in all!

Looking with the inner sight at the complete set of vehicles in which each incarnate lifestream abides, you would be amazed at the constant stream of currents and tides of energy that flow back and forth through them, of which the outer self is totally unaware. The soul basks in the pleasant sunshine (of harmonious experiences) and shivers in the shadows (times of stress) and yet there comes a time when the inner bodies can be so qualified with positive energies that they are non-recordant to the shadows. Then you are able to move among them, expanding the light of the Presence but no longer a prey to the conditions of the world in which you function.

So many beautiful patterns, designed and completed in the Third Sphere by brothers and sisters dwelling within the temples of beauty and perfection, are lowered into the conscious minds of sensitive chelas but then the vacillations of the personal self either abandon them before they are properly externalized or else they are but sketchily executed.

Even as air conducts certain types of vibrating energy manifesting as light and sound and as water is a conductor of other types of vibration, so is every individual lifestream particularly constructed, you might say, to be a natural conductor of specifically qualified energies and blessings.

Thus, these offer an open door to certain outpourings which could not so easily be conducted through another. It was with this in our minds that the individual choices of lifestreams and specified services were suggested. A lightning rod made of wood could not attract and direct the lightning, do you see?

When the lifestreams of the chelas are so earnest and sincere and make the application to always be in the perfect place where the wisdom of the Presence requires them to be, life will always cooperate and endeavor to put each conductor where his or her greatest service can be rendered.

"Our words are cups that carry love and peace into the outer consciousness of incarnate spirits who have remembrance of spiritual companionship and sweet association with us at inner levels, but who yet are not always able to confirm their feelings through the substance of Earth's garments.

The Temples of Music in the Third realm are so magnificent. Here many hundreds of brothers and sisters enjoy the privacy of the beautiful contemplation rooms, all provided with a variety of musical instruments upon which the brother or sister may draw forth the inspiration received by him or her and weave that inspiration into a composition of beautiful harmony and perfection of design.

As all creation takes place to the accompaniment of music and as creation is always in the process of unfolding more of God's perfection, the entire unity of the galaxy provides such infinite combinations of beautiful sound that the supply is never exhausted but ever-increasing unclaimed glories await the reception of the sensitive consciousness to be reproduced for a waiting world.

Through the magnetic power of the Three-fold Flame within the heart, the attention of the brothers and sisters in the Third Sphere can be drawn by any incarnate lifestream. These beautiful beings are always looking for a sensitive recipient upon whose consciousness they can impress their music, as their one desire is to give what they receive. All composers and musicians draw the rays of these beings and it is thus that the world is enriched by the music that deserves the right to immortality. However, in the case of active chelas, ofttimes they, themselves, are enabled to work in these Music Temples while their physical bodies are asleep, as well as between embodiments. These chelas can more quickly translate the harmonies of the inner spheres into the substance of the Earth plane. They also have added opportunity to make the acquaintance of certain of the brothers and sisters who are always serving

in these temples and a partnership is effected, by which one of these free beings impresses and externalizes his composition. The incarnate lifestream receives the credit, while the free brother or sister receives just the pleasure of accomplishment. For example, the beloved Saint Germain sustained such an affinity with Johann Strauss and the "Strauss Waltzes" remain with us today as proof of that association.

LOVELY VENETIAN

Lovely Venetian brother of Light, Bring us love's beauty from Heaven's height! Gentle and patient, understanding too, Beautiful Venetian, WE LOVE YOU!

Chateau de Liberte, home of our Paul, Guardian of Liberty's Flame that frees all. In every heart, that flame, pink, blue and gold Gratefully adores you, friend of old.

Life's blessed purpose, let all now see!
"Our Brother's Keeper", help all to be,
Where shadows darken, love is needed most,
Help us there to give it, Heavenly Host!

Lovely Venetian, make us firm and strong, Wielding love's power, righting all that's wrong. For your love's service, given to all, God's great gifts of glory, NOW WE CALL.

Goddess of Liberty, bless your dear son, Our friend and brother—God's Holy one! Expand his power, every blessed day, We love our Venetian, God's Third Ray!

MELODY: "I LOVE YOU TRULY" BY CARRIE JACOBS BOND (KEY OF B FLAT)

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TO BELOVED SERAPIS BEY AND THE ASCENSION BROTHER-HOOD AT LUXOR:

BLESSINGS from every Ascended Being who has used your gathered momentum of ascending energy as the ladder by which they returned back home!

On this planet Earth, striving to fulfill God's divine plan, the energies already directed heavenward are essential to liberate even the most Godly individual. The prayers, invocations and ascending energies of beloved Mary, mother of Jesus created the spiritual ladder which Jesus ascended upon, from the Hill of Bethany. In like manner, you have provided such a cosmic tide upon which the souls of men and women may ascend, when they are ready to respond to the summons from the Presence. Those who avail themselves of that tide are more easily able to complete their final victory. We who have risen on its crest are grateful for your constancy in providing such a way back home!

On behalf of the mankind of Earth, who are presently completing their services upon the planet Earth and who seek a way back home, we express our gratitude that you have maintained that focus and provided that way!

God bless you and thank you for foregoing the sweeter bliss of the higher realms to sustain the flame of the ascension upon the Earth. Each man who rises on its crest shall one day know victory through your constancy, your perseverance and your sacrifice to that flame!

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of Masters of Wisdom BELOVED SERAPIS BEY'S ASCENSION TEMPLE AT LUXOR, EGYPT

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The Ascension Temple of beloved Serapis Bey is dedicated and consecrated to providing an ascending current of energy upon which any individual, when purified enough, may return to the realm of perfection and become an Ascended Being.

This current is made up of actual energy, focused through the minds, feelings and bodies of the brothers and sisters of the Ascension Temple, in adoration, prayer and devotion to God. Thus, each member widens the river of ascending energy by his own personal and collective participation in such services. The conscious descent of mankind and the guardian spirits into the Earth's atmosphere was for the purpose of magnetizing the perfection of the kingdom of heaven and molding that perfection into the substance and form of the physical world. Even as the physical Sun "steps down" the radiation of the Central Sun of our System, so did every lifestream given opportunity to embody upon Earth vow to externalize some portion of the divine plan. When the lifestream had completed that service, it was to ascend back into its natural estate of perfection.

However, MANKIND LOST THE MEMORY OF THAT INITIAL PURPOSE — the reason for being—and lost also the conscious capacity to find its way back home.

The Ascension Brotherhood, knowing that sometime, somewhere, each individual must complete its cycle of individualization and return to its Source, have kept the door open, so that those who complete their services and quality for graduation, might have the assistance of their buoyant energies upon which to ascend.

Because of the mass accumulation of discordantly-qualified energy filling Earth's atmosphere, NO UNASCENDED BEING CAN ACCOMPLISH THIS ASCENSION ALONE! At the time when the individual has finally completed his service to life upon the Earth plane, some member of this Brotherhood assists him to rise upon the cosmic tide of the Ascension Flame, into his rightful estate in God's kingdom. Each such ascending lifestream contributes the joyous energies of his own world to the Ascension Flame, as he achieves this final victory. In this way every ascension makes wider, more joyous, more powerful and more buoyant The Ascension Flame and this flame becomes an ever-increasing assistance, to be used by those who follow on into the Ascended Masters' realm, each in his own appointed time.

Angels from the Ascension Temple gather together all the praise, ad-

oration, songs, devotions and blessings sent upward by individuals in congregational worship or individual application and these currents are carefully woven into this ever-widening spiritual stream of energy. Each ascension makes it easier for the next lifestream to avail itself of the fully-gathered cosmic momentum of those who have gone before.

Therefore, dear reader, all your prayers and invocations are already a part of that Ascension Flame, guarded and sustained by the Brotherhood at Luxor. One day, when your own call comes, you will be grateful for the ascending tide of energy which helps your sublimated soul in its final journey into the Ascended Master realm.

CANDIDATES FOR THE ASCENSION By Beloved Serapis Bey September 30, 1954

Candidates for the ascension! How like you the task of redemption? In this embodiment you face the tasks for which you clamored so eagerly, only a few short years ago, when you stood among those seeking embodiment and were chosen as likely candidates for the ascension. To me it seems but yesterday— to you I am sure it seems a little longer, for in that task of redeeming the energies of the lifestream through age after age, century after century, the constancy of endeavor is inclined to weary even the greatest of incarnate spirits. Those of you who asked for the opportunity to become candidates for your own ascension within one Earth—life, volunteered to endeavor to draw back through the Law of the Circle ALL OF THE ENERGIES SENT FORTH BY YOUR LIFE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF TIME. You offered to draw those energies through the fire of transmutation (the Violet Flame of Freedom's love) back into purity and perfection, for this was the way you received it first from the Great Central Sun, through the physical Sun and your own Electronic Presence.

It is no small task on the part of the great Karmic Board to judge the worth of a soul and its capacity to assume the full return of karma in one Earth—life. Those lifestreams who are given that great opportunity, are strong and mature in spirit and capable of drawing back, through the fires of purification, all of the energies of the mental, emotional, etheric and physical bodies, before they are honored with the name of "Candidate for the Ascension."

In previous ages, there were only a few candidates for the ascension who passed through the gates of birth in the course of a year, because

there was no conscious knowledge of the Sacred Fire on the planet Earth outside of the retreats. Lifestreams whose vibratory action and spiritual natures were developed to a point where they could enter a retreat, were few and far between.

For instance, dear hearts, if you had requested the opportunity of becoming a Candidate for the Ascension and had to meet the minimum requirements which would make of your spirit, soul and outer bodies fit representatives to consciously enter a retreat, (prior to the drawing forth of the knowledge of the Sacred Fire of Saint Germain), there would be really none among you who could so qualify. In the ages that have been, individuals who were to become Ascended Beings in the course of an Earth life, had to be consciously able to enter Luxor, consciously able to enter the other Ascended Master Retreats of the world and receive there the secret, sacred knowledge of the Fires of Transmutation. When the Master Saint Germain was given permission by the Cosmic Law to bring the knowledge of the Sacred Fire of purification (Violet Flame) to the mankind of Earth at large, then the qualification for Candidates for the Ascension became considerably lower, and any lifestream could, through proximity to the literature or the lectures, learn of the use of the Violet Fire. In that manner, even though they were not quite qualified to consciously enter a retreat, they could learn how to purify and redeem their energy. WITHOUT THIS FIRE OF TRANSMUTATION, (this tremendous activity of the Violet Ray as presented by your Master Saint Germain), THERE IS NO LIFESTREAM ON EARTH STILL WEARING KARMIC BONDS, WHO COULD COMPLETE THE COURSE OF EVOLUTION AND ASCEND INTO THE GOD-FREE REALM.

Long before the outer activity of the I AM instruction came to the knowledge of mankind, Saint Germain had received the quiescence of the Karmic Board to try to bring this knowledge forth. Long before the eldest of you was ready for Earth life, the Cosmic Law knew that the Sacred Fire would be available in the physical appearance world by the time you had attained your majority that you would be exposed to that knowledge and through your inner vow, your desire to transmute and redeem the energies of your world, you would be attracted to this Law as presented and would experiment with the use of this Fire of Purification.

Therefore, you are greatly indebted to your beloved Master Saint Germain and to all who are connected with the bringing of the knowledge of the Sacred Fire of Purification into the outer world. You are now enabled, precious ones, to call back into the circle of your own governing powers, those energies that have flamed across the face of the

Earth for millions of years and, lying in the astral realm surrounding the Earth, remain part of its generated discord and imperfection, carrying the stamp of your life (electronic pattern). This energy requires redemption before you can wipe the dust of Earth from your feet and ascend into your God-free estate.

Birth And Death

At this time I am requested to speak to you on the subject of birth and death. I am told by the Karmic Board that you are storming the very gates of heaven, in a magnificent desire to assist mankind from the necessity of taking again an Earth body, giving them the tremendous freedom to complete their evolution at the inner levels. It is desired by the Karmic Board that you might understand something of the intricacies of the act of mercy which you called forth, in order that you may intelligently—in your application—prepare for the granting of such a great petition and the blessing of freeing these souls from the necessity of reembodiment. It is one thing to ask innocently for the release of mankind from re-embodiment and it is quite another to know the pressure that you will place upon yourselves and the pressure that you will place upon the beings at inner levels, who must care for, guide, train, educate and redeem these ever-increasing millions and millions of lifestreams.

Let me now remind you, that every individual has created a certain amount of what is referred to loosely as "destructive karma" in every Earth life, since the fall of man. This karma acts on many planes, determined by which body is the chief offender in the case. The PHYSICAL body performing acts of violence, acts of physical assault, murder and the like releases tremendous vital energy into the elemental substance of the physical world. That substance remains part of the imprisoned elemental life of the physical plane, until the individual soul who has created it, takes it back into his own physical body in some future life. Under the old Occult Law this was done through suffering and disease. Now through the action of the Sacred Fire it can be done through the use of the purifying flame (Violet Fire) and this energy is thus redeemed and set free.

Lifestreams perform great acts of discord on the MENTAL plane, crimes of mental cruelty. The mental elements, charged with the vibratory action and the stamp of the individual, fill the mental atmosphere and must be redeemed through mental pressures returning into the mental vehicle of that same soul at some future time.

Individuals that perform acts of EMOTIONAL cruelty charge the substance of the emotional and feeling planes—the great mass strata I mean—with certain vibratory actions, which will record primarily in the emotional body of that same lifestream in a later era. These various types of crimes, whether they are physical, mental or emotional—in their return circuit—are primarily the causes for the diseases of mind, feeling and flesh. Now, in order for a soul to receive its full freedom from any theater of evolution, it must of necessity redeem the energies it has qualified imperfectly. For that reason, it is required of that soul that it have a body in each of these planes, including a physical form through which it may redeem the physical elemental life. That was the Occult Law of the past, as you know. This was the reason why the Cosmic Law did not allow individuals to finish their progress at inner levels until they perfected and redeemed their physical energies on the physical plane.

When the activity of the Sacred Fire came forth and the great group work under the Ascended Master Saint Germain began, there were, what you might call, "Cosmic Incinerators" established, which, at inner levels, took into themselves the unpaid debts of the physical energy that had been imperfectly qualified by certain lifestreams. These individuals, who had rendered great service in other eras, even though they had yet some unconsumed karma, were not required to return to Earth. They were the first individuals to enjoy the New Dispensation and were allowed to go to Venus and to other stars and systems to complete their evolution. In the mass decrees invoking the use of the Violet Fire of Freedom's Love, the student body consumed for these few individuals (who were among those who received that dispensation) the necessity of returning again in an earth body to complete their personal redemption.

Now, we come to your request that some three hundred million lifestreams yearly, IN ALL STAGES OF OBLIGATION TO LIFE, (absolutely without any knowledge of how to repay their debts to this planet Earth physically, mentally and emotionally) be released from further obligation to use the Violet Fire of Freedom's Love in a future life, helping to bring this Earth back again to the purity and perfection which it had when mankind first came forth upon it. This will mean, beloved ones, that the student body, the conscious active groups who are making this petition and sending this mighty fiat forth in cooperation with the Archangel, Lord Michael, WILL HAVE TO ASSUME THAT DEBT, AT LEAST SO FAR AS THE PHYSICAL WORLD IS CONCERNED. I would like you to think and ponder upon this deeply, because it is a big task which you take upon yourselves and which the Karmic Board has asked be explained to you.

I do not mention this in any way to discourage you. It is magnificent for you to be interested in the freedom of mankind from the wheel of birth and death. It is magnificent of you to be interested in the progress of the evolution of the Earth. We are hoping that at least a partial grant may be given so that we can see what the group activities will do for even, say a hundred thousand souls in the course of a year. If even one hundred thousand lifestreams, who are to pass from the Earth in this one year were to be free from the necessity of re-embodiment and the student body were to take upon themselves the karma of that number, successfully dissolving it, this cause would receive greater consideration from the Karmic Board by next July. It does not mean, beloved ones, that you must take that karma into your flesh, but it means that in the application and the use of the knowledge of the Sacred Fire and the tremendous calls for purification of the souls concerned, that you render a consciously intelligent, illumined balance for the petition for which you asked in innocence.

The petitions that are presented to the Karmic Board are always paid for by somebody's life. The great Archangels, the mighty devas and the Masters of Wisdom, who petition the Karmic Board for dispensations, always guarantee service through the use of their own life for the grants that they receive. In its great wisdom the Karmic Board always measures the capacity of the earnest and zealous, who see a great plan and yet have not the full understanding of what is contained within the releasing of that benefit and blessing. The great Archangel Michael himself, as you know, has offered to accept the full karma of all these lifestreams, but as his service already employs the far greater part of his life, it is neither justice nor mercy to allow him to assume any further obligation in this regard. As for the mental and emotional crimes, these can be expiated on the "other side", because you retain your mental consciousness and feeling world, which functions within the etheric body.

Appearing Before the Karmic Board

When souls pass from the Earth, they are in various states of consciousness. It may interest you to understand something of the detail connected with getting men through the necessary judgment of the Karmic Board and the assignment to their respective levels. Of course, conscious chelas are met immediately by their Master or some member of the angelic host. They are almost always eager to present themselves, at once, to the Karmic Board, with the harvest of their life's endeavor. These beings, these chelas and their Sponsors go individually to the Karmic

Board usually within twelve hours of the time of passing.

This "haste" is not requisite, however. The mercy of the Law is such that, after the soul passes from the body, it is given what is called a spiritual "vacation," a little release and relief from the pressures which usually rise to a climax as a lifestream comes closer and closer to the change called "death." The average individual, anticipating reunion with family and friends, is given every opportunity (if their loved ones are still at inner levels and have not reincarnated) to vacation with these loved ones for a certain period of time, to renew associations and to have the happiness which they had anticipated. However, the student usually dispenses as much as possible with anything that does not actually apply to the progress of the soul. For the most part, he wishes to quickly come before the Karmic Board and receive their judgment on his service to the light.

Dear hearts, the Karmic Board are not beings who are waiting to mete out punishment. Their one service in this universe is to find a way and means by which each soul is given the greatest opportunity, (both in an Earth body and between embodiments) to balance his debt to life, learning how to control energy and prepare to complete his evolution. The tremendous fear and dread which the orthodox world has planted in mankind concerning the Day of Judgment is unfortunate, indeed. It is primarily builded out of the fact that so few individuals live up to their light and they, themselves, are their own judgment. That which associates cosmic judgment with discomfort, is the experience one has when he stands in the freedom of the etheric body and looks back, seeing what he might have done, it is that sense of individual remorse, that feeling that one has when he sees what he COULD HAVE DONE while he had the opportunity and the means, and while he was in proximity to certain individuals of merit.

The Karmic Board, at all times, acts for the good of the individual, the unit and the entire evolution. The chela who stands before the Karmic Board in the greater freedom of the inner body, then looks upon the promises which he made before he took birth, looks upon his Causal Body, as also does his sponsor and the Karmic Board. He sees the size, the color and development of the Causal Body at the time of birth and then (superimposed upon that) sees the harvest in the Causal Body of the good done in the life just lived. Sometimes the Causal Body expands very little in size and color in one Earth life. That is the judgment which the Karmic Board and the individual conscious chela make together—to see what store has been laid up in heaven by conscious work according to the life, talent, capacity and vows of the individual. There are no two

individuals who can be judged alike, because the talents, the consciousness, the development and the opportunities of each lifestream differ, but each is judged according to his own greatest light and whether or not he has lived up to that light in the course of his Earth life.

The conscious chela, after receiving certain directions from the Karmic Board, immediately sets to work, at inner levels, to expiate as much of his karma as possible in the mental, emotional and etheric realms. This mental, emotional and etheric effluvia is in what you call the "Astral realm." The chela, consciously proceeding into this realm, goes to work with the Violet Fire and renders the same service at inner levels that you are endeavoring to render while you are yet in your Earth body. The Church has called that experience "entering purgatory" or "limbo." MAN-KIND FEELS IT IS A PLACE OF PUNISHMENT, BUT IT IS NOT!

It is a place of conscious expiation by individuals of the mental and emotional sins through the free will and desire of the chela. Thus, when he gets a new Earth body, much of his karma is already transmuted. The more service you render here along this line, the less you must do there. Even you who are candidates for the ascension, when you enter the inner levels and when you are preparing for the ascension, must pass through that mental, emotional and etheric purification of those various strata where there yet stands unconsumed discordant creation of your own. That is why the period of adjustment preceding the ascension—even of those who are given their freedom—sometimes takes months and sometimes years. YOU ARE PRIVILEGED AMONG ALL MANKIND, for you are using your Fires of Purification HERE and not waiting, until in the freedom of the etheric body. You are sent by the Karmic Board to redeem that imperfection.

When the average man passes through the change called "death", as I said, he usually takes a certain time to visit with his loved ones and friends. Then he is called gently, (often groups of such individuals are called together) to enter the Judgment Hall and stand before the Karmic Board. This grouping sometimes includes hundreds or thousands of individuals. The higher the soul, the more developed the consciousness, the more individual attention is received by the lifestream. In the case of the less developed, hundreds and thousands pass into the Karmic Halls together. This merciful Board assigns these lifestreams to a certain amount of expiation of their own destructively-qualified energies in the astral realm and also assigns them to certain training in school rooms for which they are prepared, where they are taught as much of the Law as they can understand at the time. This period of actual application to expiate

their sins takes place every twenty-four hours. They must look upon and dissolve the discordant thought and feeling forms, some of which have been created by them many, many hundreds of years ago. This is done by the use of the Violet Fire and as much of the knowledge of the Law as they can comprehend and apply.

The Sleepers Realm

Now we will refer to the Sleepers Realm. These individuals either do not believe in an existence after death, or are the very tired and sluggish-minded, who would prefer to pass into annihilation. The Law is so kind and merciful that these, too, are given consideration. They do not awaken immediately, after they slip from their physical bodies. They lie—sometimes for many, many years—in a state of somnambulism. This greatly retards their progress, because they do not respond to the invitation of the Karmic Board to appear before them and receive their judgment, they do not engage, actively, in learning how to expiate their wrongs. Thus, they deny themselves the opportunity for re-embodiment and progression upon the ladder of evolution.

The Earth-Bound

Then you have the lifestreams that are Earth-bound. You have heard a good deal about these in occult literature. They are individuals with strong love or strong hate for the things of Earth and the people of Earth. They fight death and, even after passing through it, refuse to accept that they are not a part of the physical appearance world. They cling to the things they loved or disliked the most, or the individuals they either loved or hated most and live upon the vitality and magnetism of the living organisms of embodied mankind. Of course, through the activities of the New Dispensation, a great many of these individuals have been cut free and, through your tremendous calls and applications, they have been drawn out of the atmosphere of Earth, in spite of themselves.

The reason why some individuals remain thousands of years in the astral realm is that they refuse to answer the call to appear before the Karmic Board—that is a voluntary action. Until they do appear before the Karmic Board, until they do accept the assignment of the expiation of at least a measure of their karma and are willing to take a bold and resolved stand within the sphere to which the Karmic Board feels they are fitted to dwell, they cannot have another Earth body. That is a very stubborn, a very unpleasant state of consciousness. Yet, these individuals must personally ask for opportunity to be escorted to the Karmic Board

and to put aside the rebellion against having to clean up their own worlds and learn the Law of Life. That is a call you could make with a great deal of efficacy—that every lifestream who passes from the Earth, instead of seeking the escape of unconsciousness or seeking to live on Earth in the astral realm (Earth-bound), might consciously, and in dignity, respond to the Cosmic Law of the circle and pass into the Halls of Karma, there to receive the use of the Sacred Fire under the guidance of a competent, teacher, and begin to make things right.

Beloved ones, referring to these millions who are passing through the change called "death" this year and every year, you have many thousands who fit into all of these categories, which I have just described to you for a purpose. If you really want these people to have freedom from the necessity of re-embodiment on Earth, first of all, make the call that they, themselves, will make the decision to enter the Halls of Karma promptly, in dignity, and then, through free will, accept the opportunity to expiate the mental, emotional and etheric creations that fill the astral realm. If you will do this, we shall endeavor to create for them those temples, homes, and those great spheres, they must have in which to abide, while the long course of preparation goes on to make them ready TO ENTER CONSCIOUSLY into the activity of the Ascension Flame.

I have spoken in detail this very night to the great Builders of Form and the angel devas, who are directly concerned with building these magnificent temples out of primal life. Some of these are already created and in them your loved ones are beautifully learning the law. Hundreds and thousands of these devas and angels have already volunteered to assist me. Many, many thousands of beings from the Fourth Realm are also willing to go into action to create places of abode for these people passing from the Earth life. The great legions of Lord Michael are willing to breathe their feeling of obedience to God's plan upon those who leave the physical body, desiring no conscious activity of the mind, to see if they can awaken them and bring them into the Halls of the Karmic Board.

We are doing everything we can from our side. We want to present to you something of the pattern and picture which is before you, so that hereafter each soul passing from the Earth this year, shall be relieved of the necessity for re-embodiment. I do not like to burden you unduly, you are so kind, so good, so enthusiastic, so magnificent, beloved children. Your desire to serve is without parallel on this Earth, outside of the Retreats. The constancy of your endeavors is very pleasing to our hearts, particularly to my own, for I have stood as your Sponsor when you said you wanted your ascension.

I have said, "There is enough light, there is enough strength and vital fire within these souls by which they can achieve, if they will!" You have proven that, by your endurance through the years.

Now you are engaged in a great new activity. Your mighty calls are going forth to change the course of cosmic history. You are trying to invoke the power and mercy to change the laws of birth and death, to remove the necessity of re-embodiment for a whole planetary evolution. It is without a doubt one of the most ambitious and most meritorious ventures that either we (who work with mankind) or the Karmic Board has ever witnessed. If the chains fall away from even one lifestream, YOU WILL HAVE DONE EXCEEDINGLY WELL.

Now, beloved ones, as you persevere and as I continue in my endeavor, I shall create those temples of light and you shall create those cosmic bonfires of the Violet Flame. Together we shall give to Lord Michael whatever he asks, that he, in turn, may give proof of your interest and application to the Karmic Board and they, looking earthward, will say: "Yes! Earth's children—each one—shall be free! Thank you for patience and love. Good Evening.

NOTE: During 1954, the "Sleepers Realm" was voluntarily cleared by those who had remained there for many centuries. This was, done at the call of the students. Now those, who enter the "Sleepers Realm" for rest between embodiments, are permitted to remain only for one year.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE CLEANSING OF THE EMOTIONAL BODY

MAHA CHOHAN

The necessity for individuals to cultivate desires of a constructive nature cannot be overemphasized, because it is the desires, more than the thoughts of a man, which mould his nature and motivate his actions. Through the ages, men and women have cultivated many base desires, which lie imbedded in the emotional body, even as great boulders lie imbedded in the substance of Earth. When aroused, these desires cause the various sins against the Holy Spirit, whose one desire is to fulfill the will of God.

EL MORYA

When the conscious mind is opened to the will of God, often the

mental body accepts as logical and practical the spiritual pathway of purity, love, balance, wisdom and conscious service on behalf of mankind. However, as the far greater part of each individual's energies are held within the emotional body, the desires and feelings will be the predominant governing power of actions for good or evil. When mankind realizes that the will of God is expressed through the cooperation of the mind, with the joyous, buoyant love of the feelings, they will be freed of much unnecessary conflict between what they know should be done and what they actually do!

KUTHUMI

Every chela has the opportunity, capacity and responsibility to invoke the desire to do God's will into their own emotional body. This desire can be directed from the Ascended host and form a motivating power within the feeling world, which makes service, self-control, self-mastery and transmutation a joy, rather than an arduous task of mortification of self. Even as the farmer plants his seeds in the good Earth, so shall we—when invited—plant our God desires within the chela's emotional body. Then the chela will find these growing desires to serve, making all their spiritual endeavors a joy.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Individuals with a deep sense of (conscientiousness), often drive themselves and others, through an intellectual sense of doing that which is right. Thus the work is done in the performance of duty, rather than in the joy of service. The Third Ray is primarily concerned with charging the feeling worlds of those upon the path with the LOVE OF SERVICE. Thus, all that is done is charged with the pressure and energy of the emotional world and there is no sense of exhaustion or depletion in such activity. Where love is, there can be no conflict between moral right and personal desires. Cultivate the invocation of the beloved Archangel Chamuel's Pink Ray of loving adoration to God. Invoke the direction of that ray into your own emotional bodies and feel the joy that comes when God's desires motivate your individual and collective service in the cause of common good.

SERAPIS BEY

The cleansing of the emotional body from the gathered momentum of centuries of accumulated human desires, is part of our service to life. These desires, many of them unfulfilled in the course of one Earth life, lie smoldering beneath the surface of the conscious mind. Sooner or later they must either be sublimated or externalized. The frustration of human desires but dams up the energy, which will break forth through some weakness in the human structure. Sublimation of those desires leaves the soul free from the constant prodding of an invisible but powerful force, which causes actions that the self regrets. Paraphrasing St. Paul, we have the expression of many chelas' condition upon the path: "The good that I would, I do not, and that which I would not, that I do."

HILARION

After purifying the emotional body of unhealthy desires, which is done by the invocation of the Flame of Purity and the Flame of Freedom, it is necessary to consciously create good desires within this emotional body. There is no greater assistant in this service than our Lord Maha Chohan. His office, as representative of the Holy Spirit to the planet Earth, is to direct the flame of that Spirit into the worlds of those who invite him to do so. Thus there begins to stir, within the feeling world, a desire to cooperate with God's will. When the mind and feelings are agreed upon any accomplishment, manifestation occurs instantly.

IESUS

"What a man thinketh in his heart—so is he." This statement confirms the subject matter of our monthly talk with the blessed students. So often sincere and dear chelas become filled with self-condemnation and remorse, because their secret thoughts and feelings cannot confirm the Christ life they would live. This attitude would be like that of a farmer endeavoring to plough a stony field, who sat and wept because of the stones rather than sensibly removing them. There is no unascended being who does not have some human desires buried in the emotional body. Firmly and without stress, remove them as the farmer lifts the stones and boulders from the fields and then cultivate and prepare the emotional body for the sowing of the seeds of the Holy Spirit. These Goddesires will be of tremendous assistance to you; literally, they will be the wind in the sails of the soul's boat, as you turn your attention HOME-WARD.

SAINT GERMAIN

The wisdom of life requires the chela to watch carefully that the desires of the emotional body, rather than the stirrings of the Presence in the heart, do not motivate action. Often a good chela will say that his

heart is not in service, when it is merely the imbedded rebellions, resistance and impurity of the emotional body that is not in the service. The dear heart is confused by this recalcitrant emotional world. Discrimination, alertness and wisdom are required to distinguish between the two forces—spiritual promptings and emotional reluctance.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it wrong to desire "things"? We have heard much of the state of "desirelessness."

GURU—Blessed chela: The true doctrine is not to become attached to "things." Desire, the very word "DE" (OF) "SIRE" (father) signifies that the constructive ideas, hopes, visions and plans which enter the mind and feelings of the chela are promptings of the Father to the chela to externalize more of the good things of his kingdom on Earth.

The desire must be free of selfishness and free of any motivating power to aggrandize self. It is easy to measure whether the desire is truly born of the Father or of the lower self. If the desire, when molded by thought, energized by feeling and externalized by practical endeavor through the cooperation of the physical body, will benefit any one or all members of the human race, it is of the Father. If the desire will merely gratify the personal ego, it is born of the lower self.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Do you mean that the drawing forth of beauty in home, environment and person is, therefore, a gratification of the personal self?

GURU—Blessed chela: Careful examination OF THE MOTIVE for which you desire to beautify, harmonize and amplify the personal world, will reveal the answer to your question. If you desire such perfection to glorify God through an example to your fellow man, if you desire greater opulence to inspire others to apply the law by which you have precipitated beauty in this world of form, if you make a personal contract with yourself to use that which you draw forth for the blessings of all life, you are acting WITHIN the compass of the Spiritual Law. Be reminded that for every thousand, who plan what they would do if they were in a position to further the Masters work, ONE actually consecrates the results of his endeavors at precipitation to that cause. It is easy, indeed, to dedicate that which is still ephemeral. More difficult, indeed, it is to share that which is in the hand.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the attitude to approach in endeav-

oring to learn the scientific Law of Precipitation?

GURU—Blessed chela: The power of precipitation is given to man, specifically, to lower the divine plan into the physical appearance world and thus create the kingdom of heaven on Earth. The attitude of consciousness should be to accept the promptings (God desires) gratefully, to bless the Father for entrusting you with the opportunity of drawing forth from those ideas a perfect manifestation, to fashion daily, with the scissors of the mind, the form of the pattern desired, to feed your thought pattern with feelings of love, beauty, harmony and blessing, to remind yourself DAILY that the precipitation upon which you are working is for the glorification of God and the blessings of your fellowman, to PRACTICALLY use the talents, substance, energy and physical attributes afforded you to draw the manifestation into form, and, FINALLY, when you have received it, to use it for the blessing of your fellowman, as well as for yourself.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Such endeavors at precipitation are not then selfish?

GURU—Blessed chela: No, every lovely temple, building or artistic expression that inspires and serves the race has been drawn from the DESIRE born in the heart of some man or woman. The sense of PERSON-AL POSSESSION (attachment), which makes the individual unhappy if the precipitation is not under his personal management and control, is what the Buddha warned against. The flower does not wish to possess its fragrance, the bird to hoard its song. Such an attitude of creating and "letting go" is the consciousness to be acquired. Then not "things," but the capacity to call forth "things" at will, as required, is the gift of the individual, more precious than gold.

MONTHLY LETTER TO THE TRANSMISSION CLASS

September, 1955

Beloved Children Of God, Seeking The Way Back Home:

I invoke, from within my own Heart Flame, and direct, consciously, into your individual heart flames, the desire to find and to follow the path back into the realm of perfection, from whence you have strayed! Desire, preceding action, must be cultivated within the consciousness. A goal must be set by the outer mind and confirmed by an earnest feeling, to insure a purposeful journey and a happy culmination, thereof.

When man has no deep desire to fulfill his purpose for being, he will continue to dally upon the by-ways of life. When the heart is stirred with the desire to render the service for which he was given being and to return to the Father's kingdom, IT SHALL BE DONE!

During this month, while the attention of the chelas is directed toward the Ascension Temple at Luxor, let each one invoke the stirring of the DESIRE within the hearts of all mankind to overcome the limitations of death and the necessity of re-birth. That desire, propelled by strong feeling into the consciousness of the masses, will form the impetus we require to assist them, showing them how to prepare for the journey, to enjoy the pilgrimage and to earn the right to "come home, to go out no more."

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

The statement for the Transmission Class of September 17, 1955 is:

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I AM inbreathing th'victorious feeling of love and joy from th' Ascension Flame
I AM absorbing " " " " "
I AM expanding " " " " " "
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Color of flame: White:

Color of flame: White; Hierarch: Serapis Bey;

Keynote: Liebestraum by Liszt.

GROUP INSTRUCTION LETTER FOR TRANSMISSION CLASS September 1, 1955

Beloved Friends Who Love The Flame Of Life In Every Heart:

God bless you—gentle readers—individually and collectively, with the full God-understanding OF and reverent, grateful love FOR THE ASCENSION FLAME, beloved Serapis Bey and the Brotherhood of Luxor, for their selfless service to this Earth and its people. These transcendent friends of humanity sustain and expand that Ascension Flame upon this Earth by tireless devotion to it, thus holding the door open for the Earth and all its evolutions to one day ascend to their Source, from whence they came, thus completely and eternally fulfilling God's great divine plan.

Life itself is a flame! If not, why does a lifeless body soon become cold when that "flame" which beat the physical heart has gone from it? Life is the gift of God himself to his creation for life is God in action. That gift comes down from above (James, in the New Testament, says: "Every good and perfect gift cometh down from above, from the Father of Light.") and since the Law of the Circle is absolute in this universe, EVE-RYTHING EVENTUALLY RETURNS TO ITS SOURCE!

The nature of the flame is to rise. Mankind came from God in the beginning of his individualization, he came OF HIS OWN CHOICE to this planet Earth to express and fulfill a divine plan which he designed himself, creating and expanding the Perfection which he then knew. At the completion of the fulfillment of that plan, mankind was then to return to his Source, with not only the good he had brought with him, but with the fully-gathered momentum of all he had learned through his service here, ascending to his Source and glorifying the Father by his harvest of "works well done." This was the beautiful and perfect pattern followed by the root races who first inhabited the Earth. Then mankind's attention was drawn away from the perfect plan by the shadows brought by the "laggards" from other stars and the idea of the return to the Father's House was lost.

Perhaps the beloved Serapis Bey and the Brotherhood of the-Ascension Flame at Luxor, in Egypt, are not as well known to the people of this Earth as they should be, but they are most willing that all should know them and call upon them for the assistance which only they can give. They have BECOME the reality and power of that flame through service to it, through the centuries, and the acceptance and absorption of their radiation by anyone who will give them daily attention will be all the proof anyone needs, to experience the greater freedom of an ascending consciousness out of the shadows and distresses of this world. God never

intended such shadows to be. Beloved Serapis Bey and the Brotherhood are not figments of anyone's imagination—they are as real as you are—more so, in fact, because they have overcome this world and "death" itself. Your attention upon them for a few minutes each day—uninterrupted, mind you—will bring you ample proof of their existence and ability to "raise" you and your affairs into the peace you desire. You may also ask them to send you, daily, a brother from this retreat at Luxor to teach you how to draw and use this Ascension Flame. After calling such a one, be sure to give him full freedom to leave you when he sees you have all you can absorb at one time. Then, next day, invite him again and IF YOU PERSIST, you will have many delightful and satisfying surprises in this association. Try it and see!

Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREES

Beloved Mighty Victorious Presence of God I AM in me and beloved Serapis Bey! While my body sleeps tonight, send a brother of the Ascension Flame Retreat to escort me to that retreat in my inner bodies. There instruct me fully concerning all I ought to know, and all you see I can understand and accept.

Bring me back to my physical body in the morning with the full conscious memory of where I was and what I learned there. Let the instruction I there received be for me a vital, practical, useful consciousness each day, making my way easy, plain, successful and perfect, making me a permanent blessing to all the life I contact now and forever. I KNOW there cannot be a call without an answer—therefore I consciously accept this done RIGHT NOW with full power!

SEAL! SEAL! Our dear Earth, her atmosphere, all her governments and her people in OCEANS of the Ascension Flame. Let its fiery essence penetrate and saturate them all, lifting and raising all life upon Earth out of everything human into all that is divine. Hold them there forever, making that Ascension Flame known and loved by all belonging to Earth's evolutions. Let it return them all to the Father's House from whence they came, forever to remain in the eternal victory of God's divine plan fulfilled. IT IS DONE, for I have made this call in God's name— I AM! I thank Thee!

WHAT FAITH CAN DO FOR YOU By the Cosmic Being Faith

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen!" —Paul (Heb. 11:1)

"If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, nothing shall be impossible unto you." —Jesus (Matt. 17:20)

Faith is a quality that is inherent within life. There is no one who does not have faith in something. In its primal essence, life contains—undeveloped, every quality that is constructive. The evolving egos seem to lose the use of some, qualities temporarily at least—during their long journey through the Earth plane, such as freedom, victory, purity. However, THERE IS NO EVOLVING EGO WHOEVER ENTERED UPON THE PATHWAY OF LIFE'S EXPERIENCE, WHO HAS BEEN WITHOUT FAITH, by which he has molded, daily, the energy of his own being. Individuals have always had, now have, and will always have FAITH IN SOMETHING.

Here we come to the dear understanding of the quality representing faith. It is a channel through which the life energy of the evolving ego flows to energize whatever the individual chooses to accept as being true for him and, ACCORDING TO HIS FAITH, as Jesus said repeatedly, IT SHALL BE DONE UNTO HIM.

The directive power of the attention and the receptive power of the senses are instruments of faith. However, faith, itself, is a conscious pouring forth of life essence, which energizes and magnifies that which the evolving ego believes to be real and to which, through his faith, he gives his own God power whereby it is enabled to live in this world of experience. If you will examine the great men of all ages, as well as the tyrants of history, you will see that they all had faith—one in God power acting through them—and the others in their own ability to achieve glory and dominion. Each of them used the quality of faith to achieve their respective ends.

It is not a matter of ACQUIRING faith, but it is a matter of training the evolving ego to allow the faith of that one's being to flow ONLY into those manifestations which he or she wishes to sustain.

In his intellectual arrogance, man is so prone to use the reports of his senses as irrefutable law to prove his faith is rounded in fact. When such a one sees an appearance of illness, such a one feels justified in his own mind—"I have seen it with my own eyes and it is therefore childish for me to affirm that it is not real." The Faith of his evolving ego thus joins his energies with the discordant appearance and Faith, being the energizing power of God, then makes the condition real to him, by the

very quality and pressure of his acceptance.

This same man, looking at an individual walking down a road, sees that individual seem to diminish in size, until he becomes no larger than a thumb-nail. His physical sight reports that his friend has shrunken to the size of a thumb-nail, YET THE MAN HAS NO FAITH IN THE REPORT OF HIS PHYSICAL SIGHT, BECAUSE HE KNOWS THAT IT IS AN OPTICAL ILLUSION. Therefore, should the visionary faculties of man be taken as infallible conductors of truth, to affect the quality of a person's faith?

To take another simple illustration, let us use the faculty of hearing. An individual will accept the report of a gun, an explosion, or a cry of pain, as real, because he heard it with his physical ears, yet he is constantly moving in an atmosphere filled with music, but does not hear that music until the medium of the radio lowers its vibratory action to a point where the hearing sense can absorb it. Then is the hearing faculty accurate enough to allow it to mould the quality of a man's faith? You might follow the same trend regard to the senses of touch, smell and even further, into the realm of feeling. For instance, a person may have a strong feeling of fear concerning an impending disaster or distressing circumstances, over which one seems to have no control. These fear feelings prevent the individual placing his faith in God's power to protect and supply him. Therefore, the pressure of his faith is flowing forth into that discordant condition to energize it and make it seem real to him. This is because the feeling nature is also subject to erroneous reports which have no foundation in truth or fact.

If man could learn the truth of Jesus' statement—"according to your faith be it unto you," he would realize what a POWERFUL FORCE is the quality of his faith and how the natural state of his consciousness of being determines, continually, the manifestation he is energizing.

The attention is a spiritual faculty, which is constantly directed by the mind and is the channel through which God's energy flows. The attention carries, on the beam of its own magnetic force, the radiation of the sender to the object upon which the beam is played. Faith is a CONSTANT STATE OF ONE'S BEING, EVERY SECOND OF ETERNITY. When the evolving ego is so impregnated with the inner conviction of consciousness that GOD IS THE ONLY POWER THAT CAN ACT, such a one's faith is constantly energizing that God power flowing through all appearances. The treatment is not a matter of a few days or month's concentration, but a CONSTANT outpouring of that quality of faith in which the Masters and ALL Perfected beings eternally dwell.

ALL the Celestial Hierarchy and, in fact, all life, (except that evolving upon the Earth plane) abides in perfect faith in GOOD. There is no

"house divided against itself, except in the human kingdom. It is this human kingdom that has imparted fear, uncertainty and doubt to the animal and elemental kingdoms, through giving faith to a power opposed to God.

The cycle has come again when the quality of faith will be used ONLY to expand the radiation of the God power.

FRATERNALLY YOURS

DEAR EDITOR: I received the "June Bridge" and I found the monthly letter from the Maha Chohan to the Transmission Class most important. I have read it over fifty times. I also want to thank you for the monthly letter to the sponsors of "The Bridge," containing instruction on healing by Serapis Bey. I have been suffering from fevers during the last two months and have had 24 penicillin injections. As soon as I read the instructions of Serapis Bey on healing and applied it, I was immediately healed. I am feeling as well now, as I did three months ago. D.P.R., Havana, Cuba.

EDITOR: We are grateful that the students not only enjoy the instructions of the Masters but are applying them toward their own freedom from distress. Knowledge without works is merely accretion in the mental body.

DEAR EDITOR: We are so grateful for the opportunity of learning of the current activities and services of the beloved Masters at this time. Each month, in Austria, Germany and Italy, the students gather together at 2 or 3 in the morning to join in honoring the Spirit of the Holy Comforter and to assist in transmitting his blessed peace-giving radiation throughout Europe. It is so wonderful to have the material in the language of our birth! God bless you.—M. D., Switzerland.

EDITOR: One of the purposes of the present endeavor is to make available the instructions of the Ascended Masters so that every man, in every nation, may be nourished by the spiritual impetus of such knowledge. We commend the fidelity and enthusiasm of these students and all who so kindly and generously contribute of their time, money, energy and sustenance to make possible the translation and dissemination of the words of the Masters to the people of Europe at this time.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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TO THE COSMIC SPIRIT OF CONSTANCY AND THOSE GREAT BEINGS WHOSE CONSTANCY OF PURPOSE, SERVICE AND ENDEAVOR HAVE DRAWN THEM INTO THE ASCENDED MASTER REALM OF PERFECTION:

We send our deep and abiding love to the Spirit of our Sun, whose constant, rhythmic outpouring makes possible the habitation of the Earth at this time! We direct our love and blessings to the Great Archaii, Constance, who, together with the beloved Jophiel, amplifies the virtue of constancy through the nature of mankind, WHEN INVITED SO TO DO.

WE invoke the stimulation of the smoldering spark of constancy that lies hidden within the depths of the Immortal Flame in each human heart! Beloved Constance, Spirit of the Sun! Play your constant light rays upon that spark, until every man becomes CONSTANT in his resolutions to return to God, in his present service to God and his fellowman, in his devotion to the development of his particular capacities and talents, which he may offer on the altar of humanity before returning to his Celestial home to go out no more!

We bless all the men and women who have walked the ways of Earth and, through constancy of purpose, have provided the benefactions which the masses have indifferently accepted but liberally utilized for personal pleasure and comfort!

This month, LET CONSTANCY of endeavor, of purpose, of service, BE MANIFEST among our gentle readers, our co-workers in this activity and all mankind.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom BELOVED KUTHUMI'S FOCUS AT KASHMIR, INDIA (October 15th, 1955, through November 14, 1955)

In the lovely, rolling hillside of the Kashmir country in Northern India, the beloved Lord Maitreya and his pupil, Kuthumi, have a focus dedicated and consecrated to the establishment of the tenets of divine love, as expressed through the great teachers and educators of the human race.

Here, in the spiritual sanctuary of peace and tranquility, the brothers and sisters of the Golden Robe gather together and, sitting at the Feet of Lord Buddha, Lord Maitreya, Kuthumi, Jesus and others of the Ascended host, they learn the way to carry illumination and wisdom to mankind along the lines of the current world religions.

The hillsides are covered with green grass, the beautiful flowers shine like diamonds upon this carpet and the sweet songs of the birds, the reflection of the golden light of the Sun and the silvery radiance of the moon, are reflected upon the peaceful waters of the lakes.

The Second Ray serves mankind by developing the consciousness of those gifted to impart WISDOM AND ILLUMINATION through all the avenues and channels which serve the race. At this season, you will find groups of mankind (in their finer bodies) who have offered to become channels to carry the truths they receive here to other members in their professions, gathered in reverent circles around the teachers.

On the night of the Transmission Flame Class, the entire Brotherhood of the Golden Robe will gather together and in reverence and love, accept the outpouring of Lord Buddha's wisdom and the conscious instruction of Lord Maitreya. The actual expansion of the Flame of Wisdom will be under the direction of blessed Kuthumi.

THE SHEPHERDS OF THE RACE by Kuthumi

June 28, 1954

Beloved Children of God, the Father! In the name of the Lord Buddha, in the name of the Cosmic Christ and through the full power of the Second Ray, I bring you greetings and blessings of our light and understanding. Absorb it. Use it. Weave it, as you will, into the perfume of your own being, into the radiant colors of your personal aura and into that exquisite, individual design, which it is your privilege and honor to manifest, in expanding the will of God and the borders of your Father's king-

dom on the planet, Earth, at this time.

YOU ARE THE SHEPHERDS OF THE RACE. You have been chosen by the great Lord Maitreya because, in your Causal Body, there is a certain wealth of experience and momentums of service. You are now being given an opportunity to receive more understanding of the law and through that understanding you will make your own minds and bodies more useful in carrying the words, radiation and works of the Masters to the rest of mankind. The choice of those lifestreams who are to receive a more than ordinary blessing is dependent upon the wealth of accumulated good in the Causal Body. There is never a mistake made, when an individual is invited into the presence of the Ascended Masters and asked to partake of their spiritual food.

The Manu of each root race chooses for the first initial impulse of incarnation in that root race, the lifestreams whose Causal Bodies are richest in the particular requisite qualities which will be necessary to build a foundation of merit in the world of form. Those individuals are given the first invitation to participate in the glorious work of pioneering and those with less store of the developed momentum, strength, capacities and powers to serve that particular era, come later to enjoy the fruits and the harvest planted by the valiant, the bold and the strong, spiritual pioneers.

Every two thousand years, in our activity as representatives of the Second Ray, it is the responsibility of the current World Teacher, to look upon the patterns which provide opportunity for the evolutionary progress of the planet and its people. The World Teacher commissions his lieutenant to look upon and study the soul light and development of every lifestream belonging to the evolution. In itself, this is not a small task. The type of religion and the type of worship that will be developed and externalized in that era will be determined entirely by the capacity of the souls belonging to the evolution to assimilate, digest and to use, for themselves and others, gifts prepared to nourish their spiritual identity.

As the great Cosmic Wheel prepares to move every two thousand years, making one complete revolution every fourteen thousand years, the World Teacher begins to study the divine plan for the current two thousand year cycle and, in cooperation with the Chohan who is to be the presiding Master of that two thousand year cycle, the World Teacher develops a system of religion, a system of ceremonial worship, a system of teaching and education, which can best accelerate the progress of the individual and the collective units. The great Cosmic Wheel has turned many, many times and, at the completion of each fourteen thousand

years, a new group of souls was intended to have attained God maturity. It should take approximately fourteen thousand years from the time of its first incarnation for one soul to achieve God mastery upon the planet Earth.

That soul is exposed every two thousand years to the radiation of the predominant ray, starting with the First Ray, presently presided over by El Morya, then the Second Ray, of which I am presently Representative, then the Third Ray, now under the direction of the beloved Venetian, then the Fourth Ray under the direction of beloved Serapis Bey, then the Fifth Ray under the direction of Hilarion, then the Sixth Ray under the direction of Master Jesus and, finally, the Seventh Ray under the direction of Saint Germain.

Of course, the present Chohans have not held these offices from the beginning of time. In the beginning, at the very first descent of mankind upon the Earth, the Seven Great Archangels held the offices of the Seven Chohans. Then as lifestreams evolved, they took over such Offices, giving freedom to the Archangels to work in higher realms. The divine plan is that the fourteen thousand year cycle, as the wheel turns, is necessary to nourish the seven spiritual centers within each consciousness and his seven vehicles, to make the man, at the end of that fourteen thousand years, a God-dignified prince, similar to your Masters Jesus and Saint Germain. However, as mankind has lived and inhabited the Earth for millions of years, you will see how far behind we are in the progress of the entire evolutionary scheme. Now we have come to the turning of the Cosmic Wheel again. The Sixth Dispensation of the Master Jesus has closed and the opening of the outpouring of the Seventh Ray has begun. I would like to give you the aspect of the activity of the Second Ray in connection with the promotion of this Seventh Ray service.

When the beloved Lord Maitreya began to design the new world religion with the beloved Saint Germain, they had to take into consideration first, the cosmic fiat of the Eternal, that the planet Earth and her people were either required to give forth the light which the Cosmic Law demanded, or the Earth would be dissolved. They also had to take into consideration the capacity of the ten billion souls belonging to the evolutions, to receive, understand and apply the instruction given. This was no easy task, because the climax of the fourteen thousand year cycle should be established when every lifestream is already developed to the status of a Christ, under the Sixth Ray. Every man, woman and child, already under the Sixth Ray's radiation for two thousand years, should have become Masters like beloved Jesus. Then as the Seventh Ray comes into

action, with ORDERED SERVICE, and the ceremonial activities begin, the entire evolution should be ready to participate in the glorious cooperation between the visible angelic host, the God loving men and women and the elemental kingdom.

You can see how far short of this preparation are, even the shepherds, yet we have but a few years to at least raise the shepherds to a point where the instruction of the New Day, the divine ceremonial activities of the Master Saint Germain, can be anchored through those shepherds and then brought intelligently by them, to mankind. In these circumstances, we are fortunate in having any men and women even willing to listen to us.

My beloved brother Morya, and myself, have worked since early in the nineteenth century to reach the consciousness of mankind. You are all familiar with our endeavors through the Theosophical Society, which we bless forever, for having given an intellectual knowledge of the Masters to so many of the people in the Occidental world. We are also extremely grateful to Mrs. Bailey and to those other chelas, for continuity of our instructions, by which the consciousness of people could be reached, who are eager to receive, but yet unable to draw from their own heart the necessary higher instruction at this time.

There is no way for the Great White Brotherhood to reach the outer consciousness of the mankind of Earth, except through some members of the human race who still wear bodies of flesh, who still are part of the substance of Earth. We must use your lips, your bodies, your Consciousness, the conviction and faith of your feeling world, the clarity of reception of your mental bodies, to convey the pattern" and plan for the New Era to the masses. You can readily understand that the greatest individual service you can render us is to purify and harmonize your own vehicles and to give us the freedom through you (by the power of radiation) to reach mankind.

In every way possible, we are endeavoring to present the special activities of the various members of the Brotherhood. Lord Maitreya and Saint Germain, in discussing these plans of activity for this New Era, determined, among other things, to bring the Masters through the veil into your feelings, so that you can know us as living, breathing beings. To this end, Lord Maitreya asks that we share with you certain personal experiences through which we went and by which we gained our victory. Describing our own happiness, trials and experiences, we wish to give you the feeling that we, too, were men and women not long since, but through determination and love of God, as well as love for our fellow-

man, we raised ourselves to this perfect estate. Beloved Lord Maitreya further desired that the student be acquainted with the specific activities of the various members of the Hierarchy.

We are all "specialists." If you get this understanding, it will relieve you of the tremendous feelings of personal disquiet and jealousy with regard to the accomplishments of one or the other of your fellow workers. Even within the Ascended Master's realm, beloved ones, we all are specialists. That means that we have taken primal life, which provides the beat of the flame in our hearts and have invested that life in promoting certain activities. Thus have we become Masters of the qualification of energy along specific lines, which have builded into our Causal Bodies.

These are certain momentums of specialized energy which, just like money in the bank, is ours to use and call forth when the requirement of the hour demands it. You, too, are specialists, each and every one of you. Your own Causal Bodies contain certain momentums of achievement which you have builded into them through service in the healing temples, through service in the political world, through service of mercy or education, to whatever your lifestream has chosen to devote itself, through the ages.

Being specialists, you have been chosen by the Cosmic Christ, even as one would pick a bouquet, each beautiful flower blending with the other to make a lovely grouping. The very blending of the colors and the perfumes, the shapes and the fragrances, make that bouquet an exquisite thing for all to see. So has Lord Maitreya, the Master Saint Germain, the beloved Morya and every one connected with the fashioning of the heart center of this New Endeavor, The Bridge to Freedom looked upon the Causal Bodies of each of you and drawn you together, so that the specialization of your own good might become part of the strength of the whole. Do you see? it is a tremendous thing, because the blending of the good of your Causal Bodies will build into this bridge from the divine to the human, the strength required to carry the weight of the entire race, so that they may pass into fuller and more perfect freedom.

Speaking of our specialization, except for the esoteric students, mankind has not understood much about what the various Chohans, the various Archangels, the various Elohim and the various members of the Brotherhood have done. Lord Maitreya has asked us, whenever we are given the opportunity to speak, to give some portion of that specific service which we render in the divine plan. That is why I tell you that the beloved Lord Maitreya, Saint Germain and myself have worked out a course of religion, of ceremonial worship, of spiritual education, which we

are endeavoring to direct through this heart center into the consciousness of all mankind. It is regrettable that, as so much of our life has had to be used to coax the reluctant energies of the various students into any semblance of unity, we have not been able to bring forth the beauty of the ceremonial worship, which I know will delight your hearts. However, we feel that unity, harmony and oneness (which comes with understanding) will give us a momentum upon which to build for the future.

You are men and women who have left the mass mind, for one reason or another. I know you all well. As I watched the healing activity in which you participated today and saw the currents of the devas of healing play through the room, in retrospect I was going over the association which I've had with every one of you, through the centuries. As I stood thus, I contemplated the various motive that placed your dear feet first on the Spiritual Path.

Not in this life, alone, have you sought spiritual truth, for you have been on the path a long time, each one of you. In this embodiment you have again chosen to arise, finally throw off your child's estate, face your God and ask for your reason for being. That is a magnificent initiation and accomplishment. Do you know, no angel, no Master, no deva, no elemental would presume to ask for the use of life or the sustaining of life through his individualization, without knowing his reason for being? Each such a one uses all of that life given to him by God to fulfill that reason and purpose. Mankind, as our Brothers have said, LOVE THE USE OF LIFE, but YOU MUST LEARN TO LOVE AND REVERE LIFE, ITSELF.

This class is dedicated to developing, within you, a respect for life, a reverence for the source of life and an honor and integrity within your-selves toward that source. Ask every morning and every free moment through your day: "What is my reason for being?" When that is determined within you, you will not be dishonest enough to take God's life for any other purpose. No words, no acts, no gestures, no thoughts, no feelings will be used to satisfy personality. Every electron you use will fulfill your reason for being. Then you have made the "great surrender," then, no matter what the challenge of the day, resting in that serenity, you know your reason for being. You expand your light to widen the borders of the kingdom and to bring the words and understanding of the Masters to mankind. You will not become weary. You will know no discontent, no loneliness, no depression, no selfishness, no sorrow. You will be like the Masters, like the angels and the devas, JOYOUS—your reason for being—to do the WILL OF GOD.

This morning, as I looked upon you, I was grateful to see that every

one of you has faced your God and has asked the reason for your being. Not every one of you, however, has yet chosen to consecrate all of those vital energies that flow so freely, to fulfilling that reason. However, that, too, will come in time. We have learned to be extremely patient, for we have waited so long. That patience you, too, should learn before you walk into the resentful energies of the masses, carrying your light. Wear the garments of patience and that selfless benediction of love from our realm will enfold you. Thus shall your victory be assured.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi

CHELA—Beloved Master: As the requirements of service are so great in this present world hour, how shall we sustain our spiritual and physical vitalities and yet not neglect our opportunity to serve?

GURU—Blessed chela: This is the age-old question, asked by every sincere, devoted member of the human race who has placed his feet upon the path. The balance between drawing the vital currents of inspiration, wisdom, enthusiasm, radiating light and utilizing the benefits of such magnetized energies, is the goal toward which the wise chela works.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We see, on every hand, opportunities to help and sometimes our zeal for service "eats us up." On the other hand, many seem indifferent to service, enjoying personal pleasure in Godly contemplation.

GURU—Blessed chela: These are the two extremes that manifest in the soul's return to God. They are symbolized in the consciousness of the Orient (worship without sufficient works) and in the consciousness of the Occident (works without sufficient worship). It is the drawing together of the powers of magnetizing the gifts of God and the powers of radiating those gifts to mankind, which forms our present instruction to the chelas.

Be it known that the efficacy of the individual's capacity to serve God and his fellowman is dependent upon that individual's attunement with his own Presence. Wise is he who fills his cup at the Source. Be it known that gifts, powers, inspiration and strength received from that personal communion become the responsibility of the individual to utilize to help mankind, elemental life and nature. The activity of the group endeavors allows the OUTLET for ever increasing, balanced, qualified energies which have been magnetized and builded into the inner and physical bodies of

the chela, through personal communion with the Presence of God.

Man's vehicles (mental, emotional, etheric and physical), through which the soul and spirit find expression, are constantly in the process of change. Each vehicle is made up of the substance and atoms of the strata in which it functions (i.e. the physical body is made up of the substance of this physical world, the etheric body is composed of etheric substance, etc.). The thoughts and feelings of the individual determine what elemental life is drawn into these bodies and what elemental life is discarded.

As the vibratory action of the individual increases, the coarser substance is thrown off and the finer elements of each realm are invited into the vehicles in question. As the process of refinement of the vehicles takes place, greater sensitivity to the Presence of God is developed and the daily communion becomes a more and more holy, sacred and truly enjoyable activity. When the vehicles of a man are made up of the coarser elements of each sphere, they do not respond to the spirit of harmony, which is God.

As these vehicles are refined (in themselves becoming harmonious, pure and tranquil), they are open to the subtle energies of the Godhead, which find ready access into soul, mind, body and world. Coming into tune with the Infinite is a practical process of the refinement of the inner vehicles. I practiced this with some success at Crotona and many of my pupils were enabled to consciously change the elemental substance of their inner vehicles through the "tuning up" of each body by purity of thought, feeling and action, to a point where individual and collective communion with God was a joy.

RAY-O-LIGHT BELOVED

Ray-O-Light, Ascended Master, Is a Friend of love to me, When I call him, fear of shadows Melts away eternally.

Flame of Fearlessness, beloved, Now possess me night and day, Radiate thy comfort through me To all life upon my way.

Teach all men that fear is needles,
Teach all men that life is good,
Teach all men Truth universal—
Life is God's love—understood!
Ray-O-Light, we do adore Thee!
Now possess us as Thine own,
Transmute every doubt and shadow,
Raising Earth to her God home.

CHORUS (TO BE SUNG AFTER EACH VERSE)

Fearlessness is mine! Let it through me shine! Ray-O-Light forever blazes Fearlessness through me!

(AFTER LAST CHORUS)

Great, Great Central Sun, Bless this Holy one! Flood his world with gifts and blessings For Earth's victory won!

Melody to be found in most Sunday School hymnals under title of "I Shall Not be Moved", first line beginning, "As a tree beside the waters," etc. During these times of unusual and violent activities of the elements, it is very, *very* important to build a momentum of absolute fearlessness, by the frequent repetition of these words in song or decree. If you seem unable to procure the music, PLEASE USE IT as often as you can as a decree, individually or in groups, silently or audibly as circumstances permit. If you will do this, one day you will be grateful that you did!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK CONSTANCY

MAHA CHOHAN

All accomplishment of lasting benefit to the universe is based on the constancy of some self-conscious intelligence in sustaining the idea, form, mould or matrix, until the universal light substance fills it with the proper proportion of itself, according to its size, durability and potential service to life. For every fully-manifested precipitation, due to the constancy of its creator, there are millions of uncompleted forms which dissolve again into the ethers for lack of rhythmic attention THROUGH THE FEELINGS and the thoughts. In the nature kingdom, constancy is developed in the spirits who are to sustain the form of plant, flower, shrub, tree, mountain, lake or sea, before they are given an opportunity to draw these gifts into the world of form. In the angelic kingdom, constancy is developed before any angel is allowed to participate in the carrying of the virtues of the Godhead into the atmosphere of Earth. Mankind comes now to a point in their spiritual development where they must begin to practice constancy of application in order to know freedom.

EL MORYA

The will of God is to externalize all the beauty, opulence and perfection of the kingdom of heaven THROUGH THE INDIVIDUALIZED CONSCIOUSNESS of people of the Earth. The constant, rhythmic descent of ideas, patterns, forms and visions of portions of that perfection are often magnetized by men and women who are interested in the particular field of endeavor which will be benefited by the DEVELOPED AND EXTERNALIZED idea. However, to find the lifestream who is constant enough to hold that idea unwaveringly, before ridicule, scoffing, resistance of every kind, including personal limitations, is rare, indeed. Many are the enthusiasts who BEGIN to externalize an endeavor or vision—few who have the constancy to follow it through to ultimate fulfillment!

KUTHUMI

What exactly is "constancy of endeavor"? It is the capacity to follow through a piece of work from its inception to its completion, the capacity to recognize a vocation in which the lifestream might be of benefit to the race and then to accept the years of training, discipline, learning and serving to become proficient in that vocation, the capacity to receive a divine inspiration, vision or pattern and to devote RHYTHMICALLY A good-

ly portion of one's life and substance to clothing that vision with form that is available to one's fellowman (words, example, literature, etc.). Constancy is the capacity to single out one particular service and then refine the mind, purify the feelings and etheric consciousness and discipline the flesh, so that the service receives the BEST of the developed capabilities of the individual consciousness.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

In the associations among mankind, the friend who is constant in his affections, faith and helpfulness, is to be cherished above all others. The "fair weather" friends are many, the constant friends are few. Our Brotherhood has chosen to be such constant friends to all mankind. It is our purpose for being! No matter what the temporary appearance may be that dims the light of the Inner Presence, WE KNOW that Presence is within each soul and by warming the soul through kindly understanding, compassion and sincere interest, sooner or later the talents and capacities of the lifestream will break through the prison doors of indifference and lethargy, spreading their gifts upon the altar of humanity, for the enrichment of all life. God give me constant friends!

SERAPIS BEY

One of the requisites of an ACCEPTED member of the Brotherhood at Luxor is constancy of purpose. For the many vacillating souls that flit hither and yon, lighting like the butterfly upon the various aspects of truth and then seeking other facets of expression, there are very few who are constant in both purpose and design for living. When an individual applies for acceptance as a student at Luxor, he is subtly tested as to his power of concentration upon ONE aspect of the Law, to see if he is willing to make some virtue of God his own, through perseverance.

It is better to Master one weakness, to become a radiating center of one virtue, to follow one specific line of service through to successful accomplishment, than to have a cursory acquaintance with many aspects and be Master of none. Individuals bore easily—their energies seeking always the outlet into the new and untried. Candidates for the Ascension remain constant to the aspect of truth which their teacher has provided for them, until that aspect becomes a real part of the evolving consciousness. The road up the cosmic hill is traveled by the constant soul—his eyes upon the ascension, but his energies, service and capacities harnessed to the specific service at hand. Discipline of mind, feelings and body are required to become Master. This is the Law!

HILARION

Why is constancy so important to spiritual development? It is because the feeling nature of God, Master, angel, elemental or man, provides the LIFE which fills the form created out of mind substance. Many individuals, who receive an idea from the mind of God, cut out a fairly good form, or pattern, from universal light substance, through the use of the mental body. However, this pattern will not LIVE, unless it is LED by the sustained enthusiasm of the feeling nature, which is the life-giving power of any cause, pattern, vision or design. Grasping the vision of a new world is not enough. That vision is but any empty cup—like the lifeless body from whence the soul has fled—until the feelings release the energy through practical and sensible means, to make that vision fact. Those of us in the God-free estate provide the vision, those of you in the physical world are required, by Cosmic Law, to make that vision LIVE in the world in which you abide. If you are CONSTANT in your decrees, appreciation and practical works, that vision becomes fact. If the vision is merely an amusement of the moment, it finally departs to seek externalization through a more constant lifestream.

JESUS

Constancy does not mean "blind obedience" to outworn formulas of science, religion or education. This is bigotry, intolerance and a block to progress. Again, you have the thin "razor's edge" between a constructive and required quality to manifest mastery and a puny excuse to avoid progress. The CONSTANT man measures according to spiritual values the pattern, design, vision or endeavor, which he is stimulated to serve. Then he proceeds to utilize the vast (mostly unharnessed), energies of his feelings, to develop and externalize that pattern and plan for his own good and that of his fellow-man. It is better for an individual to become proficient as a street-cleaner, than to be surfacely acquainted with the most difficult studies of calculus and accomplishing nothing of merit or benefit to himself or his fellowman.

When an individual has developed his consciousness to a point where he can grasp—even faintly—the vision of a new world, wise is he if he chooses to direct his controlled feelings and the substance of his world into that vision—with constancy —not spasmodically. Upon these few, we depend for the externalization of the New Day!

SAINT GERMAIN

Constancy of rhythmic, ceremonial service is essential before the concentrated foci of the Sacred Fire are drawn from the invisible, to become the radiating blessings of all mankind. In the early Golden Ages, the Sacred Fire of the will of God, illumination, love, purity, consecration, healing and transmutation, was visible to the physical sight of all mankind. Why? Because individuals had sworn a vow of constancy in magnetizing, expanding, protecting and sustaining those foci in the temples of light.

According to their requirements, the populous was enabled to visit these foci and strengthen the particular virtue or gift which they needed to use in their individual lives. When there were no longer constant spirits to tend these concentrated flames, they gradually disappeared from the temples. To draw them forth again, the virtue of constancy must first be established among the men and women who profess to desire to magnetize and guard such flames. Many of the experiences of life are merely for the purpose of testing the constancy of the nature "under fire."

For the many who enjoy the service of magnetizing the flame, while there is no pressure opposed to human will, there are few who will manifest (or really can manifest) constancy under pressure of opposition, ridicule, doubt, fear or the many inviting experiences which lure the unguarded from their self-chosen vocation in MAGNETIZING and externalizing some activity of the Sacred Fire for the blessings of mankind.

What, exactly, would the physical, visible manifestation of a focus of the Sacred Fire mean to the Earth? It would mean the transformation of unbelief into sound acceptance of the truth of life. It would provide a radiating center into which the weak, the halt, the sick, the confused, could come and renew themselves, each according to his own requirements. It would free elemental life in the atmosphere, in the bodies of mankind and in the nature kingdom, from imperfect manifestation. It would spur the less constant ones to like accomplishment. This manifestation of a focus of the Sacred Fire is possible of accomplishment in this century! Let us see how constant those that love me prove to be!

TEAM SPIRIT - ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS

(Excerpts from the chapter on "The Diamond Heart," in The Message of Aquaria" published by H. and F. Curtiss in 1921)

"We cannot form and manifest the diamond heart of the Order — which is its point of contact with the divine flame manifesting through all true spiritual inspiration—and the order cannot take its place in the diamond heart of the world, unless a proper matrix is formed. This is made up of living souls, each one in his or her own place, each one gathering and transmitting to the heart center the various ingredients necessary for its formation, and each one standing close and firm as a part of a protective matrix, yet like the matrix, open to the inflow of all the inner and higher forces.

There is work for each sincere student to do, if we are to have this order so securely rounded upon the rock of ages, that it may become a nucleus of the New Age. We must determinedly gather the strength and the forces from the lessons of patience, tolerance, brotherhood, cheerfulness, faith and perseverance, which we have learned in the environment (matrix) where the Great Law has placed us because of our past activities, that we may build those forces either into the matrix which supports and helps to bring forth the diamond heart of the order, or perhaps, into the very diamond itself, for without the matrix the diamond cannot be produced. Let us build these forces firmly into our own lives, that we may also automatically become necessary particles that must be drawn into the living flame to become a part of the diamond heart, first of the order, and then of the world. Not one particle of diamond substance can be wasted.

IT IS WELL, HOWEVER, FOR NONE OF US TO WASTE TIME IN TRYING TO IMPRESS ON THE WORLD THE FACT THAT WE, AS INDIVIDUALS, MAY BE A PART OF THE DIAMOND ITSELF, for only those particles which have endured the force of the flame for ages are so prepared that they can be thus used, while all particles can be used for the matrix. LET US BE CONTENT TO BE BUILT IN, WHEREVER THE GREAT LAW NEEDS THE MATERIALS WHICH WE CAN FURNISH! Suppose a wonderful child is to be born. Would the mother refuse to carry the child and give it her life-force and protection, lest she be of less importance than the child? ONLY AS THE ORDER FORMS SUCH A MATRIX AND HOLDS UP THE HANDS OF THE MESSENGERS THROUGH WHOM THE FLAME OF INSPIRATION IS FLOWING, CAN IT FORM A GLOWING FACET IN THE DIAMOND HEART OF THE WORLD. The hands symbolize the power of the order to accomplish. Hence, to "hold up the hands of the order" means to form a matrix, which will make it possible for the order to carry on, broadening the work and

spreading the teachings more widely.

It will be remembered that when the Children of Israel while in the wilderness questioned: "Is the Lord among us or not," they at once had to fight Amalek, who symbolized "doubt." Amalek and his tribe originally inhabited the shores of the Dead Sea, where earlier they were met and defeated by Abraham, but when Moses (the Law) led the children of Israel out of Egypt, these same Amalekites were encountered all the way from the boundaries of Egypt, even to the Promised Land. Both Saul and David defeated, but did not annihilate them. So does the aspirant encounter doubt from the moment he turns away from following selfish desire (Pharaoh) and begins to follow the divine Law (Moses), until he reaches the Promised Land, continually gaining victories, yet never quite annihilating doubt.

The moment the Israelites began to question and doubt their leader, Amalek came upon them and the Great Law said to them: "Go out, fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God (power of the Law) in mine hand. And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed, and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed."

WHEN MOSES BECAME WEARY AND COULD NO LONGER HOLD UP HIS HANDS, HIS FAITHFUL HELPERS PUT A STONE UNDER HIM THAT HE MIGHT SIT OR REST ON THE ROCK OF TRUTH, and Aaron and Hur stood one on either side and held up his hands, until the going down of the Sun, so that Israel prevailed over their doubts and lack of faith in the power of the divine Law to lead them out of the wilderness into the Promised Land and to give them the power to conquer all obstacles on the way.

How often, like Moses, after assuaging the thirst of its followers by cleaving the Rock of Spiritual Understanding that its waters might flow forth, the hands of the order grow heavy and weary because of the doubts and fears and lack of faith in the hearts of those whom it has led out of Egypt! OFTEN THE HANDS GROW WEARY AND DROOP BECAUSE THE PHYSICAL MEANS ARE LACKING TO SUPPORT THE HANDS AND CARRY ON THE WORK AS IT SHOULD BE DONE, (to publish the books,) to answer the personal letters promptly, to TRANSLATE THE TEACHINGS INTO OTHER LANGUAGES, FOR WHICH THERE IS SUCH A CRYING NEED, and to accomplish the many other things which the students recognize as important and complain about when not done. Hence, like the Children of Israel, some of the students begin to ask: "Is the Lord among us or not?" EVEN A PRINTER'S ERROR OR A SLIGHT GRAMMATICAL MISTAKE IN THE TRANSMISSION AND EXPRESSION OF THE MESSAGE IS SUFFICIENT TO

CALL OUT THE FORCES OF AMALEK IN THE MINDS OF A FEW. If, at such times, when Amalek seems to prevail, the close, devoted and understanding ones would step forward and place a stone or form a matrix of the Rock of Faith under the order and, standing like Aaron and Hut on either side, hold up the hands of the order, Israel (the followers) would continue to prevail.

The hands of the order being its power to accomplish, the right hand symbolizes the esoteric work to be accomplished in the world by transmitting the lessons, spreading the teachings, publishing the books, lecturing, forming study-classes, etc. The left hand is the esoteric or personal work accomplished by the private correspondence and teachings of the true and devoted followers, helping them with their personal problems, answering their letters, transmitting the healing love and the personal advice of the teacher to them, etc. ALL THIS REQUIRES SO MUCH PATIENCE, TIME AND STRENGTH, THAT THE LEFT HAND OFTEN BECOMES UTTERLY WEARY AND NEEDS TO BE UPHELD BY UNDERSTANDING AND LOVE, for it is the students of the orders, standing—as Israel or "the chosen people", those who have chosen to follow the Law—Giver, who must stand close and fight Amalek for the good of all.

Who is the enemy? The enemy is all those forces in the world that influence the minds of men—even the consciousness of those who have found their-home in this order and persuade them that all this talk of a new and better era for mankind and of the new approach of the great teacher to Earth, is not true. These are easily recognized as the same forces of Amalek that manifested at the beginning of the former eras. "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the son of man. Likewise, also, was it in the days of Lot. Even thus shall it be in the day when the son of man is revealed."

There is, therefore, work for all to do. No particle of the diamond, even the chips and the dust, which result from its cutting and polishing, is useless or wasted. Each can play an important part, when wisely used. Let the great Law, then, cut deeply. Let the polishing storms and trials of life sweep over us strongly and sincerely, if they must, for our polishing. For we fear not, as long as the burning love of the Master's heart throbs close to ours. LET US UNITE OUR EFFORTS FIRST TO RESPOND TO THE DIVINE FLAME WITHIN, THEN STAND FIRM AND UPHOLD THE HANDS OF THE ORDER, THAT THE TEACHINGS MAY BE SPREAD ABROAD AND BE PRACTICED. ONLY AS THE ORDER, THROUGH ITS MESSENGERS, HOLDS UP THE HANDS (POWERS), GIVEN IT TO ACCOMPLISH FOR THE MASTER AND HUMANITY, CAN THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL (THE DIAMOND GLOBULES) PREVAIL OVER THE OPPOSING FORCES OF AMALEK.

Beloved of the flame! Do you love your Lord, who alone can fulfill the Law of your destiny? Do you realize and reckon with the mightiness of his power? Believe you in the absolutely unconquerable force of his oncoming? Like true diamonds, are you ready to bear the burning of his love, until the dust and gravel—the earthiness of your personality—have been transmuted into a tiny crystal of diamond, ready and able to coalesce with others of like substance, to form a facet in the Diamond Heart of Humanity?

Upon the threshold of the New Age we stand, with bated breath, and trembling feet, with eager eyes strained toward the mystic East to catch the first glimmerings of the coming dawn, hardly knowing whether the Earth will open and swallow us or whether an angel shall suddenly throw wide the Temple of Light and reveal our Lord coming forth "in power and great glory." Yet, once we understand the Law of Manifestations, we shall work unceasingly to prepare the way and make straight His paths in our own lives and in the world, while we confidently await His coming with quiet faith and serene joy."

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

Beloved Children Of Earnest Endeavor:

I greet you in the name of the Spirit of Constancy! Through your individual and collective endeavors to serve the cause of freedom, I invoke the fully-gathered cosmic momentum of the constancy by which every member of the Great White Brotherhood has gained freedom and has given a specialized service to life!

In this period, when constancy of purpose is stressed, I ask you to decide, within your own heart, what particular gift, quality, radiation and service you desire to leave as your heritage to the race. THEN, build your momentum of qualified energy into your tube of light. Stay with that particular magnetization of a specific God virtue, until you have consciously created an indestructible, personal forcefield, which becomes the master control of all the energy you contact. Your personal satisfaction in such service will be reward enough in itself and our gratitude to you will be eternal. Through that SPECIALIZED radiation, we shall find a way and means by which to amplify that virtue, protection, gift and blessing to all life, when the requirement for such amplification becomes apparent!

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan.

Statement for the Transmission Flame Class

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Color of flame: Yellow, Hierarch: Kuthumi. Keynote of Kuthumi— "Kashmiri Song" ("Pale Hands I Love"). Melody of "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life", by Victor Herbert) may also be used for this retreat, as it is Lord Maitreya's keynote.

SUGGESTED DECREES

In the name, love, wisdom, power and authority of my own beloved Presence of God I AM in me, I call directly to the beautiful Archaii CONSTANCE to answer this call for me, intensifying it without limit every day, until I am wholly ascended and free:

Make and keep me constant Beloved I AM, to Thee! Grateful for thy Violet Fire Whose use now sets me free.

Make and keep me constant, In my willingness to serve. With oceans of forgiving love Held always in reserve.

Make and keep me constant, When the human wants to quit. Make me strong, courageous, And master over it!

Make and keep me constant, To the very best in me, Giving joyous service In freedom's buoyancy.

Make and keep me constant, In faith, dissolving fear. Let me live in "listening grace" And feel the Master near!

Make and keep me constant, From love no more to roam; Until my task is finished And my Presence calls me home.

MOST IMPORTANT WORDS

Remember them well, gentle readers! Please give them to any and all you contact who would be interested, for all can use them to advantage, protecting themselves and others in these days of disturbing activities of nature.

"THE LIGHT OF GOD NEVER FAILS" (spoken 3 times consecutively, either silently or audibly, as circumstances permit) form the distress call from humanity to the Great White Brotherhood. The moment that call goes up, every Ascended Master is instantly alerted and the one making the call receives assistance, on the instant, for himself and those for whom he calls. Think on this often, keep it in mind, have it ready in your consciousness for instant use, should any need arise. Your blessings will be manifold for this service rendered to yourself and to your fellowman!

Once there was a man of wealth who had seven lovely sons. In their individual lives, each of these sons was exemplary but, together, they seemed not able to get along harmoniously. Knowing his life on Earth was about spent for he was quite old, and, desiring to save his estate from being wasted by constant bickering, he called his sons to him one day, with the request that each one bring with him a stick of wood. After they had all assembled, the father asked each boy to break off a piece of his stick, which each one did, quite easily. Next he asked them to put all their sticks together in one bundle. They did. Then he asked the son holding the bundle of sticks to break it. This he could not do. Said the father: "Herein is the lesson I would teach you. Each of you, individually, may be 'broken'. Together, as a unit, you are invincible."

THE BRIDGE

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TO BELOVED SANAT KUMARA, VENUS, THE KUMARAS AND THE PEOPLE OF VENUS:

Gratitude and blessings arise from the Spiritual Hierarchy who guard mankind. Without the voluntary exile of the beloved Sanat Kumara, the very substance of this Earth would long since have returned to the unformed. Without the added responsibility accepted by the Cosmic Being, Venus, in the sustaining of her Star, Sanat Kumara could not have continued his service to this Earth! Without the presence and love of the Kumaras, Sanat Kumara would not have found the atmosphere of Earth sufficiently permeated with the love from home to remain! Without the selfless love of the people of Venus, who did not call him back through longings and deep feelings, which would pull upon his heart, he would not have remained, for his obligation to life is primarily to sustain and expand the light of his own Star. Without the descent of the volunteers from Venus, who builded Shamballa for him, Earth would not have had a fitting welcome nor dwelling place for his noble presence!

On behalf of the mankind of Earth whose spiritual natures have been warmed in the aura of his presence, we express the gratitude for those who know not yet of his sacrifice, his very presence and his service to the sweet Earth and its evolutions.

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom SHAMBALLA, FOCUS OF SANAT KUMARA

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Shining in the ethers, above the Gobi Desert, stands the magnificent City of Shamballa, which was builded centuries ago as the focus for the Lord of the World, Sanat Kumara, and those volunteers from Venus who came to Earth with him, at a crucial time in her evolution.

Ages ago, the Cosmic Law decided to return the planet Earth to universal light substance, as she and her evolutions were not contributing light and harmony to the solar system to which they belong. In his great love, Sanat Kumara offered to come to Earth and abide within her aura, until the mankind of Earth, themselves, could and would emit enough personal and planetary light to warrant the continued investment of energies from the Sun of the system in sustaining Earth's place as a planet of light.

Before the coming of Sanat Kumara, dedicated lifestreams from the planet Venus volunteered to come to the Earth, passing through the natural gates of birth, in physical bodies provided for them by already—embodied lifestreams inhabiting the planet. These dedicated lifestreams took upon themselves the task of building a glorious City of Light in the physical appearance world. The Gobi Desert was then an inland sea of sapphire blue. In the center of that sea rested a beautiful island. This island was chosen to be the site for the City of The Bridge, so named because a lovely marble bridge was built from the mainland to the island, over which those who qualified, might enter the sacred precincts of the city.

For nine hundred long years, these volunteer spirits labored to draw the design and pattern of this City of Light from the memories in their own etheric bodies, of a similar city on Venus. They quickly passed from one physical body to another, in order to keep the rhythm of their building unbroken. Hordes of savages often descended upon them and wiped out their numbers. Undaunted, they returned again, in new bodies, and continued their service of love.

Thus, when the cosmic moment of visitation arrived and Sanat Kumara stood in the upper atmosphere of Earth, surrounded by his court of angels and Masters, the builders of the city on the White Island gratefully knelt before his presence, serene in the knowledge that the magnificent temple was in readiness for his holiness.

Sanat Kumara, with the other Kumaras, descended in grace and dignity. The immortal Three-fold Flame then burst forth upon the altar of

the temple and thus began the long service of the Lord of the World, in keeping the spiritual light alive in the hearts of men.

From the temple at Shamballa, all messengers of God go forth to help mankind and once each year, before the closing of the twelvemonth cycle, all messengers and chelas return to Shamballa to bring in the "sheaves" of their service in the fields of life.

Brightly upon the altar burns the immortal Three-fold Flame of life. Each Master, angel, man and elemental places the harvest of his year's endeavor, within it. Thus, the smallest contribution adds to the size, quality and power of that flame.

HOW TO EXPAND YOUR LIGHT AND THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Address By Beloved Sanat Kumara

July 4, 1954

My beloved children, today I bring to you the fullness of my love, that love which has cradled the flame within your heart for millions and millions of years; that love which has breathed into the immortal spark within your heart, sustaining your individual identity ever since I was privileged to enter into Shamballa and become for you, "The Light of the World"!

Beloved ones, long has been your journey and long has been my exile! Now we see the culmination of both, in victory, through love—you resuming your rightful estate as beautiful Gods and Goddesses, Master Presences of light, and I to return to that home I love so well-to my beloved Venus, to my people, to the Sun of my System—all because you have chosen to free me of this-my exile! You hold my ransom within your blessed hearts! You have brought, willingly, the flaming Presence of your own divinity, which abides within the chalice of your own heart and have offered it upon the altar of life, that I might be free! TO YOU, I GIVE MY GRATITUDE, beloved, blessed spirits! You are those who came to Earth with such fire and such promise! You are those who entered the atmosphere of this Earth on a vow of love, to be the protectors of its innocent people, to be "The Light of the World" until they themselves could evolve it. You, too, lost your way! You, too, became enmeshed in the shadows! Now you have heard and answered the call of love and you are walking in the light, radiating the light and contributing to the beautiful aura which is the Light of this world.

The Rhythm of Life

Now, I want you to feel this morning the rhythm of the immortal Three-fold Flame of Life which is within your heart. WITHIN THAT RHYTHM, beloved children, IS EVERY POWER OF THE SACRED FIRE! WITH-IN THAT RHYTHM ALSO IS YOUR FREEDOM AND YOUR MASTERY! In the resting of your outer consciousness within the rhythm of that immortal Flame, you shall become Lords of the Flame yourselves. Masters of the powers of cohesion and expansion, masters of the activities of centripetal and centrifugal force, masters of the powers of precipitation and etherealization—for that is the nature of the rhythm of the flame within your heart. As that flame draws primal life into itself, coalescence takes place—substance, obedient to that flame, becomes manifest as the precipitated form you desire.

As that which you have drawn from the universal comes into the compass of your sphere of influence in the expansion of your love and light, as you use it to bless life, you complete the rhythm of precipitation and then the expansion of your precipitated gift enriches the universe. As you draw the instruction of the Master, the knowledge by which you may set yourself free, you use the power of cohesion and draw the Masters Presence by love through the power of the flame. Then, as you utilize the knowledge received, as you work into the activities of your sphere of influence the blessings of that knowledge through the expansion of the works of the Father and instruction of the Masters, you complete the rhythm of your being, expanding your own light and the light of the world.

Beloved ones, giving and receiving constitute the rhythm of being! This is freedom! The lifestream who draws knowledge into itself and coalesces it by the power of magnetization, but who refuses to expand that knowledge to release and to free others—that individual IMMEDIATELY IMPRISONS LIFE. The lifestream who draws from the universal substance and energy, accumulating much of this world's goods for himself, but who refuses to give and thus expand that substance for the glory of God and the blessing of his fellowman, will also experience contraction and tension, not knowing the full freedom of the rhythm of being!

For example: the individual who draws the breath of life and does not release that breath again in an outflow of energy, will soon cease to exist in this physical appearance world. Everything in the universal which is immortal, exists on rhythm! I want you to feel that rhythm, which is within the flame of your life. The drawing from any place in the universe, of any God Intelligence who can help you in your individual service or in your desire to overcome the limitations of this world, IS WITHIN THE

MAGNETIZING POWER OF YOUR FLAME! AS you draw from those beings that intelligence, that blessing, that "sweet anointing from above," it enters into your consciousness and world. However, REMEMBER THE EXPANSION, which is the other half of the rhythm of that flame and UTILIZE IT WELL!

Wise is the man who realizes the rhythm of life! We who stand within the heart of the universal, with our attention turned ever toward God, would not seek to draw even life, itself, did we not know and use the rhythm of the flame to expand that life to bless the universal. So must it be with you, in that magnificent balancing of your own individual flame.

The Garden of Eden

When first you came to this planet Earth, the glorious Presence of God within the Three-fold Flame filled the entire form which you then wore. That Immortal Flame (the garment of that Presence) was visible to the physical sight of all men at that time. Through the rhythm of that flame, you were able to draw, from universal light, any form you desired, and by the magnetic power of the coalescing action of the flame, you could design and precipitate food, clothing, shelter, lovely temples, or whatever was the requirement of the moment. Then, THROUGH THE POWER OF YOUR FEELINGS, which energized your thought-forms, there was manifest, instantly, that which was required to make and keep you happy.

ALL OF THAT WHICH YOU DREW FORTH WAS USED FOR THE GOOD OF THE WHOLE, Mankind moved in that natural rhythm of life, that natural expansion and contraction, the drawing and giving forth of the blessings of the kingdom. EVERY man, woman and child was then "about the Father's business." All were interested ONLY in widening the borders of the kingdom, by coalescing into form the divine Ideas which passed from the I AM Presence of each individual into his outer consciousness, through the silver cord. Each lifestream was like a fountain. It drew the new ideas from the Presence, coalescing around them the elemental substance, which responded instantly to their love and their call, thus manifesting the magnificence of form, with which they filled the world. This was the time when the Golden Ages were manifest, where angels, Gods and men walked together and there was no veil between! The "curse of Cain" (labor by the sweat of the brow), disintegration and death were unknown. Those were days of great happiness, beauty and perfection of every kind.

We are now about to witness the incoming of a New Age of Perfection in which your blessed selves are again taking part.

Earth's First Shadows

Then there came an opportunity for selfless service, when the planet Earth was allowed to accept the "laggards" from other systems, who were not far enough advanced to progress with their own planets into a more intense vibratory action of planetary and individual light. Those of you who were guardian spirits of Earth's evolutions (long before the "laggards" came) were told that, in their coming, the knowledge and consciousness OF GOOD AND OF EVIL would be brought into the atmosphere of this planet and the consciousness of her people for the first time, to a planet which was so sweet and to a humanity so innocent.

The guardians then increased their spiritual application, calling for added illumination and strength of the light, not even passing through the chance called "death" for some time, so that they might be ready for the impact of these incoming consciousnesses who brought shadows and might guard the innocent lifestreams belonging to the Earth, from contagion and contamination.

Finally, there came to the Earth individuals who (through destructive thought, feeling and experimentation with free will) had created patterns, forms and manifestations which were not in accord with the divine mind of God, not in accord with the beauty and perfection of the Presence of God. Then those upon the planet Earth, looking upon these creations, accepted, through their senses, into their own consciousnesses, the seed of those patterns and forms of imperfection.

IN THE BEGINNING, these lifestreams of the Earth had previously received directions only from their own Presence, in the form of divine ideas, desiring only to manifest those divine ideas in perfect form, invoking the elemental life that joyously rushed to make the "cup" (the clothing for that idea). THEN, however, the first disobedience ensued, in their rebellion against the fulfillment of the DIVINE ideas. They then chose to take the creative centers of their OWN thought and feeling and draw out of their own energies and primal life the same patterns they saw externalized by the "laggards" of the system. Having taken the vow of obedience to man, elemental life was required (by the authority of the life flame in everyone's heart), to create and sustain these thought and feeling forms, even though they were imperfect. Thus, the great veil of maya was woven and the fall of man began.

Although the consciousness of the I AM Presence is too pure to behold iniquity, the consciousness of the individual attached itself to miscreations by its attention and thus began to generate the same distortion of form which it saw. It was then that Archangel Michael, in all the power of his light, fashioned from the substance of light, by love, his sword of Blue Flame. He then took the vow that as long as the creative centers of mankind would imprison elemental life in these distortions, he would remain and dissolve them by the use of that mighty sword, releasing that life again and returning it to the Sun for re-polarization.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT MAGNIFICENT INNER PRESENCE (abiding within the Three-fold Flame of Life), which was the director of the activities of the people of Earth, WHEN THE ATTENTION NO LONGER RESTED UPON THAT PRESENCE? When the life, the primal essence, which belonged to the individual no longer gave precedence to God, the focus of light and life within the heart began to DECREASE in size and influence. That which life sustained (through attention upon it) began to grow larger. The human creations, the shadows, individual cocoons and mass karma, began to INCREASE. Thus, mankind came to the darkest time in the history of Earth's evolutions, when THE FLAME, ITSELF, (the Immortal Presence of God) RECEDED. No longer did the attention hold to the divine image and ONLY A SPARK OF THE IMMORTAL FLAME REMAINED WITHIN THE HEART. Truly could it be called the "UNFED" FLAME! May it now be called "The Immortal Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth." May it also now be fed, continuously, by the attention, love and life of every heartbeat!

When this flame had receded in the hearts of those on Earth, until it was only about one-sixteenth of an inch in height, great crises took place in interstellar space. The Holy Christ Selves, who had originally poured down through the Silver Cord the life and protective radiation enfolding the physical form, now, in mercy, decreased the size and volume of energy pouring through that silver cord, in order to minimize mankind's destructive creations. In time, the Holy Christ Selves of mankind were about to withdraw those sparks and endeavor to begin individualization again, through newly-created personalities. Even the Earth, itself, faced dissolution!

I was among those who heard of Earth's crises at the Great Cosmic Council. I was the one who said that I was sure, if some wholly Free Being would come and nourish those tiny sparks, keep them alive and fan them with all the power of his divine love, some day the attention of mankind would return to its divinity. Some day, primal life, which had been pressed into the distortions that have caused the excess weight

upon this Earth, would again feed that flame. Some day, we would expand that Golden Presence that lives within the flame in every heart and let it again stand forth revealed, through each flesh form.

When I returned to Venus and saw the beauty and magnificence of my Star, when I remembered the original beauty and perfection of the Earth, I was more determined than ever that a planet created in divine love, sustained for so many ages by the Masters, angels, the beings of nature and Virgo herself, should have opportunity for redemption. When my beloved (the Great Being Venus), in all the RENUNCIATION, WHICH IS DIVINE LOVE IN ITS DEEPEST ASPECT, said: "If the Cosmic Law will allow you to go, you are free to do so!" Grateful I was for the opportunity!

The Coming of Sanat Kumara

Some of you remember the council on Venus. Some of you here volunteered to go to Earth before me and create a focus into which I might come. Great was that sacrifice, children of light, children of Venus, my beloved hearts! Earth was then in her darkest days. The light within the hearts of men was scarcely discernible. Beings of love from Venus, who had known nothing but harmony there, chose to pass into that darkness through the regular gates of birth, accepting bodies provided for them by earthly parents. Nine hundred long years they labored in the building of Shamballa in the midst of that darkness, that blanket of effluvia, the mass creation of the physical and astral realms.

These dedicated souls had to hold the vision and the pattern of the city they chose to build. They also had to hold the unbroken connection between the Christ Self, myself and the outer consciousness, through which they were serving. They had to hold back the pressures of lethargy, rebellion and hate BY THE VERY STRENGTH OF THEIR OWN LIGHT. In that nine hundred years, more than once were their physical bodies destroyed by hordes of savages who, opposing the light, drove in upon them. No sooner were their physical bodies disconnected from their souls, than they applied again for new Earth bodies from the Lords of Karma. These bodies were quickly provided for them and back again they came! So Shamballa was builded. The perfection of the beautiful White Island grew. My love flowed continuously around the builders, and ever about them stood the sustaining power of my faith, until the cosmic moment of visitation came.

The Lemurian Pole Star signified my coming. I bade good-bye to my star, to my people, to my love, beloved Venus herself! Together with the

other great Kumaras, I arose into the atmosphere over Venus, as every lifestream upon my planet sang. I remember that well! I have long visioned and hoped for a like return. Now, through your energies, that vision shall become fact!

The Golden Star, which will be my chariot, is being fashioned from the sweet energies of some among you. My love for you is very great! As the great Kumaras preceded me upon my journey earthward, they embodied the triple activity of love, wisdom and power. One Kumara ensouled the full power of the Blue Ray, one the Gold and one the Pink. As our beloved friends awaited us in ShambalLa, the Kumaras descended upon a pathway of flame, and created a Threefold Flame in the heart of Shamballa, into which I stepped. In that same moment, that Threefold Flame was attached to the sparks of light within the heart of every lifestream belonging to the evolutions of Earth.

The Three-fold Flame which we brought has been breathing the spiritual fire into each such lifestream on Earth and has sustained the identity of the egos belonging to Earth's evolutions, all this time. It is like a cosmic bellows that has played through the Three-fold Flame in the human heart.

Thus, we took up our abode upon the sweet Earth. Through the same power of centripetal and centrifugal force, of which I spoke, (cohesion and expansion of the magnetic power of divine love), We then began to magnetize the flame in the hearts of some of the guardian spirits who were not sleeping too soundly and who were not too enthusiastically engaged in using primal life for the satisfaction of the personal self.

The Founding of The Great White Brotherhood

In this way, the Great White Brotherhood began. The Three-fold Flame within the heart of Shamballa, within the hearts of the Kumaras and myself, formed the magnetic heart of the Great White Brotherhood, by whom you have all been blessed and of which Brotherhood you all aspire to become conscious members. Now we are expanding the activities of that Brotherhood by turning the attention of the guardian spirits and of all the people back to the Immortal Three-fold Flame within their hearts. We are encouraging them to control the attention, taking it away from the appearance world, away from the human creations and shadows, turning it to the power of the Presence of God within the heart. We are endeavoring to assist you all to nourish that flame of divinity and

mastery and to make it expand. In the case of conscious chelas, that flame has already grown to a point where your inner perception and consciousness has accepted the image and likeness of your Presence.

The divine Presence, which once filled your entire body, is beginning its expansion again through the upper part of your physical form, until one day you will become the Master Presence of life. This small replica of your own divinity (as your attention goes to it and as you invite and invoke it to use the energies of your life to produce perfection), will mature and expand in power. As it does so expand, shadows, discordant creations and the maya of human appearances will decrease. AS THE I AM IN YOU INCREASES, THE DISCORDANT CREATIONS AROUND YOU WILL DECREASE.

BELOVED ones, the mathematical precision of the Law of your life is such that I long to get this one point firmly anchored in your consciousness. THE I AM PRESENCE OF GOD, WHO ONCE FILLED YOUR BEING, HAS DECREASED BECAUSE YOU VOLUNTARILY CHOSE TO TAKE YOUR LIFE AND ATTENTION FROM IT AND PLACE YOUR ATTENTION UPON THE CREATIONS OF THE THOUGHT AND FEELING FORMS WHICH YOU SAW AROUND YOU! The Presence of God will again increase within you, as you take your attention away from the discordant creations in your own world, no matter what they are—limitations, ill health, disharmony—all creations that are distasteful to you and to others.

When you take primal life (the essence of God) and turn the flow of that life, through your attention, toward your God Presence OFTEN ENOUGH, that God within you will stand revealed! You will not have to tell any man where your life is flowing. Each man is an open book, in himself. Wherever your life has been directed, the resultant appearances are a manifest expression in your world.

Beloved hearts of light, WITHIN YOU IS THE PRESENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD! IT IS THE SAME GREAT PRESENCE OF GOD WHICH I HAVE USED TO SUSTAIN THIS PLANET IN THE UNIVERSE. Whatever your mind can conceive, whatever your heart can feel, THIS PRESENCE OF GOD CAN DO! It says always, "All this I can do, my beloved, and more!" This God Presence MUST BE INVITED and given opportunity to act FOR and THROUGH you. Through that invitation and opportunity to serve you, it matures and expands.

Expanding The Light of The World

Beloved children, WHEN THE PRESENCE OF GOD DOES ANYTHING THROUGH YOU, YOU ARE EXPANDING THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD! When the Presence of God issues decrees of perfection, through you, you are expanding the light of the world! When you allow the intellect and human ego to accept the credit for whatever is accomplished (even silently within yourself), you are then denying the Presence of God the courtesy of recognition as the ONLY POWER that CAN act! Then YOU ARE ONLY ADDING TO THE SHADOWS OF PERSONALITY. The man who cuts a cord of wood, acknowledging the Presence of God's energy (Life) flowing through his arm, as the power by which he works, expands that power of the Presence of God within him, lighting his aura and lighting the world!

The singer who acknowledges God as singing through her, expands the light of the world! The woman moving about in the daily household tasks, acknowledging that it is the Presence of God in her which enables her to make the beds, set the table, or cook the meals, is also filling her aura with and expanding the light of the world! THE PRESENCE OF GOD, WHEN INVOKED AND ACKNOWLEDGED, ALWAYS FILLS THE INDIVIDUAL AURA WITH LIGHT.

Now, you, who wish to be "The Light of the World," RELINQUISH NOW, IN MY NAME, ALL POWER YOU HAVE EVER GIVEN TO THE OUTER SELF, ALL THE POWER YOU HAVE EVER GIVEN TO OTHERS, ALL POWER YOU HAVE EVER GIVEN TO THE SHADOWS YOU HAVE CREATED. Remind yourselves, every morning, "I live, move and have my being in the very Presence of God. I cannot lift a finger, except by the use of the life of that Presence. I cannot speak a word but for that Presence." Dedicate and consecrate your conscious mind and feeling to remembering that, as you walk, as you speak, as you think, the presence of God within you is endeavoring to widen the borders of God's kingdom. Then shall I have "light-bearers" in fact IT IS SO SIMPLE A REALIZATION AND YET WITHIN IT IS YOUR FREEDOM!

WE who see with the inner sight the magnificent Presence of God within the Chalice of your heart, long for the day when you make the great surrender of self to that Presence. It will come more quickly than you think! Until that day, remember, I LOVE YOU for, YOU ARE "The Light of the World." As that Presence expands through you, as the light passes through your body, mind and feelings and as you come into the realization of the natural rhythm of your own Immortal Flame of Life, I shall soon return to my star, Venus. Yet I shall visit you often in the future, in the fuller freedom that comes from intercourse among those planets whose vibratory action is ONE —DIVINE LOVE. Thank you and good morning!

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK

CULTIVATING THE FEELING OF GRATITUDE

MAHA CHOHAN

A grateful heart is a natural radiating center of light, which contributes to the light of the world. No man can FEEL gratitude without emitting a vibratory action of harmoniously-qualified energy, which permeates his own inner and physical bodies and then stimulates the energies of those he contacts to a like spirit of gratitude for life and its manifold gifts.

EL MORYA

There is no individual so poor in spirit nor in substance that he cannot honestly find something for which to be grateful. Cultivating the feeling of gratitude toward the elements which serve him (water, air, earth, sunshine) changes the vibratory action of his personal world and opens the doors of his soul to the Spiritual Source which has endowed him with Life, intelligence and being.

KUTHUMI

The therapeutic value of gratitude cannot be minimized by the chela who is endeavoring to consciously raise and sustain the vibratory action of his own consciousness. Any individual knows how his own spirit responds to a sincere expression of gratitude from a fellowman. Think, then, how the Father of all must respond to a sincere expression of gratitude to him for Life, opportunity for self-expression, and the innumerable gifts which he has bestowed upon his children.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Many times, in dealing with individuals who are sunk in personal miseries and despair, the cry goes up "what have I to be grateful for?" These individuals need the assistance of someone who has the tact, understanding and diplomacy to point out the manifold gifts of blessing, which are the common heritage of the race. Gratitude for the individuals who have contributed to the comfort of the race through the development of a seed idea into a practical invention, a scientific means of curing disease, a spiritual formula for soul purification, a magnificent composition which gives peace to the troubled mind and turbulent feelings, is a good way to start cultivating a conscious awareness of the manifold blessings of life. Some have not yet "eyes to see" and require the deli-

cate direction of those who CAN SEE the beneficent blessings given directly by God and entrusted by him to man for development.

SERAPIS BEY

One of the qualifications for successful accomplishment of service in this world of form is the development of an awareness of the gifts of God, the Masters, angels and mankind, to the chela who applies for opportunity to complete his course and return HOME. There is no soul so self-reliant, no individual so complete, that he has not benefited in the past, and does not benefit each day, by the energies of others, who have helped to create the blessings which all enjoy. An individual who desires to achieve the ascension must DESIRE to give to life something of himself, as a balance to the evolution of which he is a part, in gratitude for the gifts given him which sustained him to the present day.

HILARION

Scientifically speaking, vibration is consciously created by thought, feeling, action and the spoken word. Vibrations that are inharmonious create clouds of impure substance in the aura of the individual sending them forth. Gratitude is a FEELING which changes the quality of vibration and creates light and harmony in the aura. It is not enough to be grateful in the MIND. ONE must consciously endeavor to be grateful in the FEELINGS, where the greater portion of the personal energies of the individual are qualified. A grateful heart creates a happy mind, a healthy body and adds to the light of the world.

JESUS

Taking for granted the services, gifts and blessings to his life, has delayed the victory of many an individual. The very constancy of the Sun in its outpouring, has made many forget how much they owe to its presence in the universe. The removal of a source of blessing often results in a "shock" to the personality, which has been the recipient of spiritual illumination, elemental sustenance or even physical comforts. Then, TOO LATE, that individual realizes that the gifts which he had taken for granted had been essential to his well-being. This often results in an attitude of bitterness because of the removal of the gift. Rather, the individual should realize that FEELINGS OF GRATITUDE AND THANKSGIVING for their blessings every day would sustain those blessings by the power of magnetization for as long as the person required them. Often, in my ministry, when sometimes whole groups of people were healed simultaneously and only one returned to express gratitude, I asked: "Where are the oth-

er beneficiaries of God's mercy and forgiving grace?"

SAINT GERMAIN

Gratitude for the small blessings of daily life builds a momentum, which gives the soul a wider perspective with regard to the innumerable gifts which are constantly poured out for his personal benefit. Life should be a constant "Prayer of Thanksgiving." Not only on one day of the year should mankind give a cursory glance at the benefactions around him, but DAILY his heart should swell with sincere gratitude just for BEING! All of us who have arisen to the Ascended Master Octave live in a consciousness of constant thanksgiving to God, our fellow-servers in the Spiritual Hierarchy, the angelic messengers, the angel devas and the sincere, sweet members of the human race, who have reached up their hands to join with us in our endeavors to create an aura of light for this Earth, transforming it from a shadow planet into Freedom's Star!

(Note: See "Song of Thanksgiving," in The Bridge to Freedom Journal Bk. 1)

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi HOW TO EXPAND THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

CHELA—Beloved Master: We are told that it is essential for the chelas to expand the light of the world. Can you give us a practical way of doing this?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Certainly! Every individual is a magnetic center, drawing primal life from the one Source, qualifying-lying that life, giving it form and sending it out into the world as either light (harmonious, pure, beautiful vibrations) or as darkness (inharmonious, destructive, disintegrating vibrations). It is the capacity to draw forth from one-self first, and then from others, energy harmoniously qualified, which expands the light of the world.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can a chela consciously induce such release of harmonious energy from others?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The chela has the capacity to create the conditions which stimulate the response of the immortal Flame of God in every man. For instance, a kind, encouraging interest in the welfare of a man causes the soul of that man to emanate a vibration of gratitude, enthusiasm, faith and love. This constructive radiation from such an individual makes an aura of light around him and he becomes a focus

through which the light of the world expands. Whatever a chela does to make his fellowman more comfortable, more happy, or more secure, expands the light of that fellowman and contributes to the light of the world. Conversely, whatever a chela does to plunge the soul and consciousness of a fellowman into despair, discouragement, or distress, stimulates the release of dark clouds of misqualified energy and adds to the shadows of the planet. Thus, practically, the light of the world is expanded by the development of personal and universal kindness toward those who hold within their hearts the spark of divinity. To kindle that spark one must be PRACTICALLY kind.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Therefore, it would seem that every man has opportunity (no matter how small his personal orbit), to create greater happiness in the lives of those around him—in his family life, his business world, his religious association or his civic group.

GURU—Blessed Chela: You have spoken truly. Many have taken the admonition to expand the light of the world too abstractly. Each human heart is like an electric light bulb, which must be consciously connected with its Source and then illumined from within. The true feeling of divine love, understanding, tolerance and interest stimulates the potential light within the bulb (heart), helps the individual to reach toward his own Source, and ultimately causes that bulb (heart) to blaze with its full light.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Cosmically speaking, do not the group activities also help to expand the light of the world?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Certainly! Through the group activities the invocation of the purifying radiation of the Sacred Fire removes pressures of destructively-qualified energy from the atmosphere of Earth, as well as from the auras of individuals, making it possible to more easily reach the "hidden spark" of divinity within each heart. However, just the service rendered in the group activities is not enough for the full development of the student. He should purify his individual world, develop feelings of solicitude for the needs of others and a desire to help to fill those needs, as well as learning how to live harmoniously with his fellowman at all times. This is essential to cultivate that spark of divinity and make of it a flame which lights the aura of the individual. As all these auras are lighted by happiness, peace, harmony, beauty, understanding and love, you shall see the entire Earth "alight" as Freedom's Star.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Your instruction, then, points us toward the limitless opportunity of creating light in our present environment, by lighting the feelings of others?

GURU—Blessed Chela: True. However, as you are about your Fa-

ther's business, TELL NO MAN. Thus, you will avoid the rebellions of the outer selves of others, which is a vibratory action of darkness and which would defeat your purpose. Every chela CAN perform those acts, speak those words, radiate those feelings in his own world, which make the individuals around him happier and more harmonious. Wise is the chela who renders this service unostentatiously and thus becomes the cosmic "torch" that kindles the sparks in his fellowmen without acknowledgment and acclaim.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Some people do not respond to overtures of interest, kindness, solicitude and love.

GURU—Blessed Chela: That is not true. If the overtures are made through effort of human will and do not carry the real feeling of interest and love from the heart of the chela, the soul of men instinctively recognizes such endeavors as "sounding brass and tinkling cymbal." When the chela's HEART is stirred, when the sincerity of his purpose is to truly stimulate the light (harmonious vibrations) through another, he need not even SPEAK but his own aura will be a pressure of loving energy, which can and does raise those about him into harmonious expression. Try this and see the truth within this counsel.

THE TRAINING OF A CHELA BY A MASTER By El Morya

Aug. 20, 1955

The standard set for the chela who is going to serve the masses in our name IS HIGH. An individual who is teaching a horse to jump causes the animal to hurdle rail after rail and the horse is taught to combine muscle, sinew, nerve and intelligence until he can vault over higher and higher obstacles. In your own training for mastery, as you increase in your capacity to jump over the low hurdles, we give you new strength and counsel to increase your spiritual knowledge and capability to serve and surmount the higher hurdles upon life's path.

Our instructions and corrections are provided not to depress and fill you with self-depreciation, but rather to give to you the realization that you have mastered the "hurdle" laid down for you previously and have jumped over it with ease. The Master then feels that it is time to place a higher "rail" for you to clear, so that in the final "steeple-chase," you may surmount the highest obstruction with dignity, poise and efficacy and be of credit to those of us who have loved you well enough to take

the responsibility for your training and development.

Do you know how much love it takes to spur a lifestream on? Some of you, who have worked with the public through the years, have some concept of the energies required to sustain the interest, enthusiasm and service of many individuals. Many of you know what tenacity of spirit and faith of consciousness is required to stand for weeks, months and years, pouring forth your life-breath into the souls of men and women, spurring them on, despite the restrictions of your own karma and theirs as well, holding and sustaining them on the spiritual path.

This is our service from the Ascended Masters' Octave. It is your service in your group endeavors and it is, likewise, the service which is expected from every student in relation to his fellowman. Easier far would it be to turn one's back upon mankind's distress and enjoy a personal nirvana! Easier far would it be to "fold one's cloak" about one and gaze in imagination at the snow-capped peaks of Himalaya's mountains, than to "work in the valley" where disease, distress and death stalk the human race and where mankind mills about, seeking a way back home!

You, beloved ones, are among the few lifestreams scattered across the face of the Earth whom mankind will one day bless. Despite your own personal depletions, you have been firm in inspiring spiritual application for the many, often hiding your own limitations behind a front of bravery, so as not to scandalize the doubtful consciousness of those not yet grounded in understanding of the Law. WHEN THESE BRAVE LIFESTREAMS LAG IN THEIR ENTHUSIASM, THEY ALWAYS HAVE MY ENTHUSIASM AND ALL THE POWER AND ALL THE MASTERY THAT IS MINE TO HELP THEM!"

GROUP INSTRUCTION LETTER FOR TRANSMISSION CLASS

November 19, 1955

Beloved Children: You Are The Light Of The World!

I call to the blessed presence of Sanat Kumara to expand the Immortal Three-fold Flame within your hearts and to balance the triple activities of love, wisdom and power, so that you may experience the joy of living in the perfect balance of the "Middle Way"!

As the great Masters, angels, devas and Cosmic Beings walk over the marble bridge to visit the temple of Sanat Kumara, so do we invite you to enter that Sacred Presence, bringing in the harvest of your year's earnest endeavors on behalf of God, the Spiritual Hierarchy and your fellowman. Thus will burn more brightly than ever, the Immortal Flame upon the altar of the temple, as your life adds to the composite good of ascended and unascended lifestreams. On the return current of your attention, there shall flow into your worlds the poise, balance, patience and mastery which is embodied in the Lord of Love, Sanat Kumara! Accept it, blessed "Light-Bearers," and carry your light this new year with greater dignity, faith, confidence and wisdom!

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

GROUP LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

November 19, 1955

Dear Good, Gentle Reader:

One of the Great Ones has said that it is a tremendous thing to give praise and thanks each morning for the presence of life, by which we are enabled to do what we wish to do. It brings bountiful blessings to each such grateful one and saturates his consciousness with a feeling of grateful eagerness to bless himself and others with loving co-operation, which brings joy and beauty and Christ accomplishment to all he undertakes. One CAN ONLY THINK OF ONE THING AT A TIME. Therefore, a grateful consciousness is filled with LIGHT and cannot be touched by the general worries, resentments and rebellions in the consciousness of those with whom he must associate. In this way, it is an invincible protection, as well as bringing and sustaining a feeling of security and relaxation to his inner and outer bodies. This is conducive to better health, more finances and more friends—in general—it speeds up the fulfillment of one's divine plan, which must be completed before anyone can be permanently freed

from the wheel of birth and re-birth into realms of Eternal Light—the victory of the ascension, longed for and dreamed of by all men.

The decrees for night and morning which follow this letter will be of assistance to anyone who cares to experiment with this consciousness for at least 30 days. Try it! It works! Frances Ekey

Statement for the Transmission Class of November 19, 1955

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Color of flame: pink, gold and blue; Hierarch Sanat Kumara; Keynote: "Caprice Viennois."

GUIDE FOR MAGNETIZING DAILY RADIATION

Each day of the week is under the specific radiation of one of the Seven Rays. Individuals who are apprised of this specific radiation and the Beings who direct it, will receive great added assistance in their personal applications by "tuning in" to the ray and its Directors.

	Ray	Color	Quality	<u>Elohim</u>	<u>Angel</u>	<u>Chohan</u>
Sunday	1	Blue	Faith	Hercules	Michael	El Morya
Monday	2	Yellow	Illumination	Cassiopea	Jophiel	Kuthumi
Tuesday	3	Pink	Love	Orion	Chamuel	Paul
Wednesday	4	White	Purity	Claire	Gabriel	Serapis
Thursday	5	Green	Consecration	Vista	Raphael	Hilarion
Friday	6	Ruby/Gold	Ministration	Tranquility	Uriel	Jesus
Saturday	7	Violet	Purification	Arcturus	Zadkiel	St.Germain

Note: After Sanat Kumara returned to Venus, Kuthumi and Jesus became World Teachers. Lanto and Nada became Chohans.

The above information is quite valuable to the student on the path, for it enables him to "tune in" CONSCIOUSLY, to the benefactions of each ray, each day. You see, the Seven Rays, directed and qualified by their respective Chohans, play upon the Earth in succession every twenty-four hours. Each day brings its own particular blessing of radiation, which the atmosphere absorbs, causing all the people to automatically breathe in the God-quality of the day. This renders a certain definite service, of course, but the conscious student can have a greatly-intensified release of that same blessing by giving the ray of the day his attention, trying to remember the Master in charge of the day, his nature and desire to radiate that nature through the student, wherever he may be. It helps greatly to either wear something of the color of the day upon the person, carry a handkerchief of that color or, in some way, keep the outer mind reminded of the opportunities at hand. Experiment with the idea—it is interesting!

THE IMPORTANCE OF MUSIC By Beloved El Morya

The institution of a cosmic cycle is not the work of a moment The lowering of the great divine pattern and plan (which becomes the ritual of the New Day) requires the patience, the collaboration, the tolerance and the sustained enthusiasm of every chela who has been chosen as a part in the foundation, upholding the spiritual edifice. In such edifice, the masses will find peace, enlightenment, stimulus to personal endeavor and finally, freedom and victory in their individual journey through the world of form.

We have chosen, carefully, each pillar of the "New Temple" which will gracefully encompass the services of our beloved Saint Germain. To each one has been delegated powers and beings they know not of. Then comes the great endeavor of directing and sustaining the portion of the vision into that consciousness with sufficient clarity and impetus to make the reluctant energies of the outer self rise in enthusiasm and externalize the prompting from within and above.

Of all the means of reaching the consciousness and raising the feeling of people, MUSIC STANDS HIGHEST ON THE LIST because it is already harmoniously qualified energy—or should be. We shall use it therapeutically, for spiritual stimulation, for individual and collective rituals and service.

SUGGESTED DECREES

FIRST THING UPON AWAKENING IN THE MORNING;

"Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM, abiding within the Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within my physical heart, I sincerely thank you for that gift of your own life within me. See to it that I use it this day and always, only for the expansion of your blessings of good to all the life upon my way. Make and keep every person, place, condition and thing I contact this day, permanently happier and more free because I passed this way. I consciously accept this done right now with full power!

(Repeat 3 times with feeling of deep sincerity and your call will be answered.)

LAST THING BEFORE RETIRING AT NIGHT

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM abiding within the Three-fold Flame of Eternal Truth within my physical heart, I humbly and gratefully thank you for the use, today, of your most precious gift, my life. I ask my own Holy Christ Self to join me in this call on the Law of Forgiveness for any and all mistakes I may have made, as well as any and all omissions of service I might have rendered life, had I been more alert and more harmonious.

THE BRIDGE

TO FREEDOM

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TO THE HOLY FAMILY – BELOVED JESUS, BLESSED MARY AND DEAR JOSEPH:

We send the deepest love and gratitude of the Ascended Host, the angelic host and the mankind of Earth for the Holy Family's manifest example of the divine nature of the Father, God, through the life expression of his son, Jesus.

At this Holy Christmas Season, when mankind's attention turns toward the beautiful story of the birth of the Master Jesus, it is particularly fitting that mankind acknowledge not only his birth, but also the long years of self-discipline and self-mastery which made it possible for him to show mankind the true expression of the Father on Earth. Besides his own magnificent service, we acknowledge the cooperative endeavors of those loving ones who, looking upon the divine plan for the Christian era, consecrated and dedicated their lives to helping the beloved Jesus in his mission. His beloved mother, Mary, is blessed indeed! Her training and discipline, through the ages, enabled her to accept the responsibility of holding and guarding the immaculate concept for him. The Archangel Gabriel, who intensified the awareness of that immaculate concept, is also blessed, indeed! The faithful Joseph, who guarded and protected that Immaculate concept, is blessed indeed! All the sincere men and women who cooperated with the Holy Family before and after the birth of Jesus, until the Christian era was firmly established, are blessed indeed!

To ALL, at this Christmas Season, we say: "God bless you! We love you! We thank you!"

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom ROCKY MOUNTAIN RETREAT

(December 15th through January 14, 1956)

Rising majestically from the plains of Wyoming, the snowcapped cathedral-like spires of the Grand Teton Mountains stimulate awe, reverence and admiration of their magnificent splendor, in even the most casual observer.

Within the Grand Teton, a focus of the Great White Brotherhood has been sustained through the ages, dedicated and consecrated to the development and externalization of the divine plan for the Earth, mankind and all attendant life evolving within and upon the planet.

Twice each year, the Spiritual Hierarchy meet in council in the heart of the Grand Teton, each member bringing some particular idea which could be of benefit to the progress of the race, in cooperation with the designed pattern for the twelve-month cycle in which such councils take place.

The Hierarch of the Brotherhood of the Royal (Grand) Teton is the Ascended Master Lanto. At the close of each year, Sanat Kumara, himself, joins the Brotherhood at the Teton and receives from the Silent Watcher of the Planet Earth the thoughtform which embodies the design to be developed, expanded and manifested for the next year's endeavors. Every member of the Brotherhood and all assembled guests, wait for the reception of this thought-form from Sanat Kumara, who immediately externalizes it so that it may be seen by the entire assembly. Then, as ONE, the assembly creates INDIVIDUALIZED thoughtforms, following the ONE PATTERN. Then they project these forms into the receptive consciousness of the chelas and individuals who are receptive to this spiritual outpouring.

At this same time, Ascended Beings are chosen to become the sponsors for the incoming twelve-month cycle and they are vested, in beautiful ceremonies, with the authority and power to give special assistance to the angelic host, the mankind of Earth and the elemental kingdoms, through the particular radiation which has qualified them to act as sponsors at a given time. Always, the choice of the thoughtform embodies the idea which will best bless the race and the choice of the sponsors is determined by the particular radiation required to nourish that thoughtform through the consciousnesses of those who apply for a part in this great cosmic service.

At this cosmic moment, the members of the various retreats present petitions to the great Karmic Board, asking for more assistance in bringing the Earth, again, to a state of perfection. According to the number of chelas who offer to assist the Masters and according to the capabilities within the lifestreams of those offering to REALLY be of assistance, is the grant or dispensation given or withheld.

Now, through the interest and cooperation of the student body throughout the world, unascended beings also offer petitions to the Karmic Board, as well as consciously assisting the Masters whom they have vowed to serve, in their daily life. When all the petitions have been heard and all the energies that might be used in helping to fulfill the terms of these petitions have been weighed by the Karmic Board, certain grants of energy are given to Masters and chelas, as well. Then the individual initiative, constancy of purpose and capacity to weave the idea into practical form, determines how efficacious has been such a grant of energy. Future grants are determined by past works.

ATTAINING SPIRITUAL GRACE By Beloved Jesus

June 27, 1955

Beloved children of the one God, brothers and sisters in GRACE, walking upon the pathway of Light into the heart of your eternal cosmic home, I bring you, today, the greetings, the love and the blessings of my own lifestream and the amplification of those blessings by my beloved Mother.

Today I shall discuss spiritual GRACE, which is the gift of the Christian Dispensation and which has been experienced by men and women who have connected their lifestreams with Christianity, since its inception. It is GRACE which represents the particular radiation and benediction of the Sixth Ray, which was my privilege and honor to present to the world of mankind.

This GRACE superseded the Law of Moses, which was the Law of Creative Cause and its ultimate returning effect, without knowledge of the power of transmutation of energy through mercy and the forgiveness of sins (the use of the Violet Fire). I speak of the GRACE which, during this Dispensation, was exemplified so perfectly by my Holy Mother, who gave me the sanctuary, strength, spiritual vitality and love through all the years, from the time of my birth on,-when I first began to remember my mission and all through those many years when I worked to fulfill that mission. She is truly called "Mary, full of GRACE"! During that entire, difficult embodiment, there was not a time when she was outside of a state

of GRACE for one moment, either because of outer circumstance or inner pressure.

Mary lived in GRACE from the moment she entered the temple at the age of three, all through our entire experience, including the crucifixion, the resurrection and through the many years after my ascension! At that time it was she who held together the band of disciples, to form a strong foundation for the Christian Era. When the Archangel Gabriel came and spoke to her, foretelling my birth, you will remember he used these words: "Hail, Mary, full of grace! The Lord is with thee!"

What is the "Spirit of GRACE?" For every lifestream (no matter whether they be Buddhist, Mohammedan, Hebrew, Christian or whatever their particular faith may be), the GRACE emanating from them is that virtue which stimulates spiritual desire in others. It is the universal language of divine love! Although they may not have the capacity to converse in the native tongue other countries, those who travel in far away places need no words—if THEY ARE IMBUED WITH AND RADIATING THE SPIRIT OF GRACE! LOVE AND GRACE are a universal language. Love and grace are the feelings which every true messenger of love brings to his fellowman. His words will fall on deaf ears and will not stir the souls of men, if there is no spiritual GRACE within him.

I was fortunate to have been able to abide in the proximity of that natural state of GRACE through my growing years, to feel that holiness which was so like the vibratory action of the kingdom of heaven, that there was very little difference between the two realms, while I lived within the aura and the presence of my Mother. She took upon herself the voluntary service of magnetization, radiation and concentration of the spirit of GRACE, which is the spirit of God's kingdom. I grew and matured in an aura of GRACE. IT was not too difficult for me to learn the conscious method of ascending in consciousness and remaining in the heart of GRACE, SO that I, too, might become and remain a magnetic and radiating center of that spirit, to bring peace, comfort, healing, understanding, patience, tolerance and kindliness wheresoever mankind needed it. I was entrusted with the honor of representing the Father in heaven to all mankind. Every gesture I made, every word I spoke, every feeling I had, was to be representative of him.

Beloved ones, you now stand as representatives of that great and glorious Ascended Master, Saint Germain, who is the very embodiment of courtliness and gentleness—God's great "Gentleman." YOU MUST BECOME THE EMBODIMENT OF THAT GRACE, which will endure throughout the entire New Era, as the Seventh Ray begins to find expression through lifestreams who can individually become imbued with GRACE.

GRACE is not an activity of the will, nor is it an activity of the mind, neither is it a disciplining of the physical body. Many an ascetic, practicing mortifications of the flesh and wearing a hair shirt, has less GRACE than a layman who may be working upon his hands and knees to clean the floor of a chapel or cathedral. GRACE cannot be achieved merely by the disciplines of the body. Those disciplines are beautiful in their place and they do raise the vibratory action of the flesh to a rate which is more in accord with the higher vibratory action of the Holy Christ Self.

Unless there is within the heart the spirit of GRACE, only disciplines of the flesh are observed, there often arises a spiritual pride and a subtle bitterness that sometimes does more harm to the soul than indulgence in the so-called "weaknesses of the flesh." I spoke of this in Judea. You will remember I said long ago: "Woe unto you, Scribes and Pharisees, for the publican and the sinner shall enter into the kingdom before you." This is an aspect of the Law which should be given to earnest and sincere people everywhere. Remember, your body is only the envelope, the habitat of the soul. As such, it should be handled in a dignified and a cleanly manner, for it is the "grail" which houses your individualized flame of Life. The more dignity, purity and self-discipline which is exercised through the physical form (as long as it is accompanied by a spirit of GRACE), the finer is the example and manifest expression of virtue given by the individual.

Remember, beloved ones, that you are multiple beings. The bodies you wear are the instruments through which you function in this physical appearance world and in which the Spirit of God dwells, waiting for the opportunity to externalize his own divine nature. When ANY ONE or more of your vehicles is undisciplined, whether it be the mental body assimilating an accretion of knowledge within it, whether it is the emotional body uncontrolled, undisciplined or ill-tempered, whether it is the etheric body, recounting over and over again the injustices of the past, or whether it is the physical body enjoying the impure satisfactions of the senses—when ANY ONE of these vehicles is allowed to be master of your energy, rather than the Presence of God, I AM,—THEN YOU ARE NOT LIVING IN A STATE OF PURE GRACE.

Beloved children, you who are the proud possessors of mind and feelings, memory and form, in the pursuit of the spiritual path, remember always that the achievement for anyone who aspires to represent the Heavenly Father on Earth, is to express divine love, harmony, tolerance and goodwill. You have been told that GOD IS LOVE! Unfortunately, that statement, although true, has become an abstraction. It has taken from the Father the greatness of his individuality. Love is truly a virtue of his

nature, but HE IS the ONE WHO LOVES! Others have said that God is spirit and he must be worshipped in spirit. That statement is also partially true. You, too, are spirit in essence, and yet, even as the Godhead, you have individuality. It is the raising of the soul of a man, the unshackling of that soul from the uncontrolled appetites of his body, the development of love and devotion to Universal First Cause, that is meant by worshipping God in spirit, worshipping him with deep feeling, worshipping him through the tranquil mind, worshipping him in the merciful forgiveness of the etheric body, worshipping him in a hallowed and holy temple.

So you proceed into the heart of the I AM Presence and complete the first portion of the exercise of achieving spiritual GRACE. YOUR soul and your outer consciousness are filled with all manner of good and evil. Beloved ones, it is your SOUL that wants peace, it is your SOUL that wants security, it is your SOUL that requires transmutation and, ultimately, the transfiguration into God's Image! It is your SOUL that must be allowed to rise, free from the pressures of feeling, Flee from tensions of flesh.

Rising so into the heart of the great Eternal Presence of God, you will then enjoy the vibratory action of that kingdom which is not made with hands and thus become part of that vibration which is eternally harmonious, peaceful and loving. There is nothing mystic or occult in this "soul redemption", it is only the raising of the vibratory action of the separate self, until it is in tune with the vibration of the realm in which the angels Masters and God-beings abide. The Masters live in God's kingdom because they have consciously raised their own vibratory action and have become ONE with the vibrations of that sphere and strata of consciousness. There they abide as long as their vibrations remain one with that strata. As the Law of Life is ever-expanding perfection, the Beings in these realms may choose to qualify for life and service in even higher realms.

When any being allows the vibratory action of his inner bodies or his flesh to become inharmonious, that moment he disconnects himself from this invisible (to average physical sight) but all-encompassing sphere which is the kingdom of harmony and the kingdom of heaven! When I said: "The kingdom of heaven is within you," I meant to convey the truth that you have the capacity to regulate your vibratory action so as to connect with this great universal harmony expressed by God, angels and Masters. That capacity lies within the flame in your heart. Once you have consciously felt that state of grace, once you have become master of your thoughts, feelings, memories and flesh appetites, once you have entered into the glory of the peace that surpasses the understanding of the human mind, YOU WILL NOT WANT TO RELINQUISH THAT PEACE! You

will not want to allow any of your own vehicles or the uncontrolled energies of all mankind, to break the vibratory action which has "tuned" you into the Universal First Cause (God's nature of love, light and harmony).

Having so ascended in consciousness, you are imbued with GRACE. The virtue of GRACE then flows out from you as you function through your physical body, performing the acts that daily life requires. Thus you are able to do them in a graceful manner. No matter how mundane, no matter how sordid it may seem, every act then becomes an act of GRACE. As one of my followers (Saint Theresa) said, not so long ago: "I find him easily among the pots and pans." She did and lived a life of GRACE!

Right here in America, in the humble service of just opening the doors of a Cathedral for the great men of the Church, a certain monk, named brother Andre, lived such a life of GRACE and devotion, such a life of confidence and harmony in that presence, that thousands were healed just by touching the hem of his spiritual garment. It matters not your place in life, but it does matter what is your state of consciousness. Wherever you may be on the surface of this Earth, if you are filled with that essence of GRACE, you become one more outpost of the Father of Love.

You become, as I endeavored to become, a representative of the Heavenly Father. It is difficult, beloved ones, for men and women to hold a correct concept of the Father in heaven in abstraction. In mankind's blessed endeavors in Church services, as they sing their praises to the Lord, their thought-forms of the Father take on many and varied shapes. According to his race, nationality and religious credo, each individual causes the Deity to take on personal characteristics. According to his consciousness, each one qualifies the Godhead, giving to him virtue and, in some cases, "wrath" (which, of course, is only of the human self). So, some of the concepts of the Godhead presented to mankind have been fashioned by the human minds of spiritual leaders who hold sway over the people, choosing to dominate them through fear. They have qualified the nature of the Father of Love with the desire to punish and destroy his creatures. Great races and great nations have forgotten that the nature of God is LOVE!

Through the teaching of beloved Lord Maitreya and through the assistance of the beloved Helios and Vesta, when I was given the opportunity to bring a true picture of the Father to the Earth, I prepared well to remember the nature of the Father AND TO EMBODY THAT NATURE MYSELF, all through that embodiment, I kept before me his presence, so that through me and my works, man might know something of that Fa-

ther, his love, understanding, kindness and actual presence. So it is now with you. You stand at the threshold of a new day. Men and women everywhere are seeking God. As the cycle closes, as the pressures of a changing era cause fright, uncertainty and turmoil in the world of form, man will seek God more intensely. Where shall he find him? He will not find him in the sky, not in abstract statements, not in the written or spoken word! Man will find God in the body, nature, example and radiation of those who have learned how to raise their consciousness into a state of GRACE and sustain themselves within it! My gift to you today is the GRACE of the Christian Dispensation. All that you do in God's name, all that you do in my name, all that you do in the name and to the glory of Saint Germain, DO IN THE SPIRIT OF GRACE!

DISCRIMINATION AND HUMILITY GO HAND IN HAND By Beloved El Morya

Note: Our beloved El Morya was Melchior, one of the Wise Men who followed the Star at the time of beloved Jesus' birth. He shares his wisdom with us today in the following:

"When earnest souls are aware of the Masters and begin to think of us, naturally our energies flow back to them and ofttimes a strongly impressed word or thought does enter the conscious mind of the chela. That IS A PRIVATE BLESSING THAT SHOULD BE HONORED BY THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE SILENCE OF HIS OWN HEART. Here there is the danger that the awakening ego, once having received such an accurate impression, may begin, thereafter, to accept ALL the suggestions of HIS OWN inner bodies-his frustrated impulses and desires—and once he has accepted them indiscriminately, through spiritual pride and egotism, he no longer will accept the REAL directions and truths from the Master. Really, ofttimes this closes the door of opportunity for advancement for an entire embodiment.

There is great opportunity in receiving an impression from the Master, IF IT MAKES THE LIFESTREAM MORE HUMBLE, MORE EARNEST, MORE VALUABLE AS AN INSTRUMENT IN OUR HANDS but, always, when people question you concerning this, counsel them that for ONE SUCH BLESSING, THERE MAY BE A THOUSAND SUBTLE IMPULSES FROM THEIR OWN INNER BODIES WHICH FORM 'TESTS' IN DISCRIMINATION AND HUMILITY."

Consciousness is such a tremendous and interesting study, for it explains, in its entirety, the reason why the God of Love and his messengers must vary the presentation of truth according to the development of the consciousness of the race, the cycle in which specific accomplish-

ments must be affected and the orderly progression, both of our own and of our galaxy.

The purpose for which individualization of lifestreams took place was that each one might learn to control energy through thought, feeling and action. The way the consciousness of the person could be reached depended upon the density or clarity of individual and collective reception. In the early ages, before the veil of maya shut away the visible sight of the Master Guardians and the angelic host, it was comparatively simple for the teachers of the race to convey the method by which each person could draw, focus, picturize and externalize energy forms and little, if any, confusion or mistakes could occur.

Alas! After the inner sight and inner hearing were forfeited, the messengers of the Law had to rely upon the mediator who, through exceptional purity of life experience, had retained the capacity to meet the consciousness of the Masters of the race, receive their instruction and carry it back to the consciousness of those few who chose to accept the Master's words.

In each age, such messengers, seers and prophets endeavored to convey to the people a portion of the Law and the people, responding, set up a new religion which was always confuted (opposed, Ed.) by the founders of the old. THEN WE FOUND OURSELVES IN THE POSITION OF HAVING TO BREAK DOWN THE PREJUDICE IN THE VERY RELIGIONS WE HAD PREVIOUSLY FOUNDED, in order that the life wave ordained by the forward progress of the evolution might rise upon the shore of the mass consciousness, without the opposition which would break its strength, allowing much of its incoming power to be dissipated on the shoals of bigoted thinking.

Mankind, for the most part, resists change and progress, not only of a spiritual but even of a physical nature. They grudgingly accept the revelations of the inventor, the scientist or the explorer, only when, with the limited receptivity of the senses, they can touch, feel and taste the manifest blessings (Ah! how treacherous are the reports of the senses upon which mankind lean so heavily and how deeply have these very senses bogged down the spirit of life in gratifying their passing lusts.) Yet, these limited, degraded, selfish senses have become the measure of truth instead of the faultless, immaculate flame within the heart, which rushes forward with no uncertainty when the soul does bid it come, judging with the righteous judgment which cannot be denied. Wise is the soul who measures truth by this spiritual mentor.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK JESUS' STATEMENTS "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS

WITHIN YOU," "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND"

MAHA CHOHAN

In the experience of the chela upon the path, he often casts about for a way out of personal discomfort, limitation, disharmony and distress. The chela endeavors to cast his karma on the newly-found friends (the Ascended Masters) and loses sight of the realization that the capacity to connect with and expand the perfection of his individualized God Presence, lies within the acceptance of that kingdom and that Presence within his own beating heart. While it is true that the momentum, radiation, feeling, strength and understanding of the Master does assist him, each chela is required to accept, realize and eternalize the beauty of his Presence, through his own physical, mental, emotional and etheric consciousnesses.

EL MORYA

Within every individualization projected from the Source of all Life, (call it God, the I AM Presence or any other name), is an intelligent focus of the God Presence. The service of the Great White Brotherhood is to nourish, develop, expand and anchor into the outer consciousness, the knowledge of that inner Presence, which can and does create the kingdom of heaven for the individual, when called forth in faith and in love. THE MASTERY, POWERS, TALENTS AND MOMENTUMS OF ANOTHER NEVER GIVE LASTING PEACE TO THE INDIVIDUAL: The development of his OWN mastery over energy, substance, circumstance and environment, does give lasting peace and is the reason for incarnation of each lifestream upon Earth, as well as the reason for such individual's sojourn at inner levels between embodiments.

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The Presence of God WITHIN MAN is the hope of his ultimate personal salvation and individual mastery over the substance and energy of any sphere in which his consciousness is required to dwell. The I AM PRESENCE signifies by its very name (PRESENCE) that IT IS HERE NOW! IT signifies that IT IS NOT SOME EPHEMERAL BEING, who, in time to come (usually accepted as having accomplished its visitation after so-called "death"), will transform, and transmute all the tendencies, conditions, effects and personal limitations of the individual. Contemplation upon the truth that there is a Presence IN MAN, CAPABLE OF SUCH TRANSFORMATION AND TRANSMUTATION NOW, brings the hope of glory and peace

"in the sweet by-and-by" into the PRESENT. "The kingdom of heaven IS AT HAND," said Jesus, not—"The kingdom of heaven will be yours in some mystic land FAR, FAR AWAY!"

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Man has given power, authority, thought, feeling and energy to every internal and external force, to create and sustain limitation within and about him. The way of the Master is to turn the attention of the outer consciousness toward the Presence of God WITHIN HIM. When given opportunity, this Presence will create and sustain the kingdom of heaven through him, for the blessings of both himself and his fellowman. When Jesus said: "If I do not go away, the Comforter will not come," he realized that, while the disciples and followers of his doctrine relied upon him, they would not become acquainted with the individualized Presence that beats each heart and have the faith to call forth that Presence to create and sustain harmony, beauty, opulence, health and perfection for themselves and their fellowman.

SERAPIS BEY

At Luxor, the training of the neophyte compels him to turn to the inner Presence and to rely upon it to become the very supply of food required to nourish the physical body, to create the raiment worn by the physical body, to prompt the outer consciousness to the course of study, application and contemplation required to purify the vehicles through which the soul must work its way to freedom. In present day society, the Masters follow the same course, playing their radiation upon the chela, but refraining from physical appearances (except on rare occasions) because the nature of the outer self is always to lean upon any intelligence who can do for them what they must learn to do for themselves. Contemplation of this inner Presence allows it to act through the energies of the personal self with more and more efficacy, power, momentum and conscious direction. There should be no "straining" to find that Presence. It IS WITHIN YOU NOW as you read our words. It IS WAITING TO BE IN-VITED TO ACT THROUGH THE PERSONAL SELF which it has created and sustained through millions of years for but one purpose—to EXPAND THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL! Will you not accept that Presence and allow it the courtesy to act through you?

HILARION

The Presence of God is applied to in emergencies, in personal, national or international crises. However, it is not usually cultivated in daily, personal association. NOW IS THE TIME for the sincere chela TO INVITE THAT PRESENCE THROUGH HIMSELF and then through all mankind, to fulfill its reason for being! Why does the Presence seem so ephemeral, so unreal, so difficult to endow with the faith of the personal self? Because through the ages, THE OUTER CONSCIOUSNESS HAS ENDEAVORED TO LIVE WITHOUT its counsel, quidance and friendship. In every sphere of individualization, PRACTICE results in development of the capacities and talents of the individual, PRACTICE the cultivation of the Presence of God WITHIN YOU NOW. SET THAT PRESENCE TO WORK IN EVERY DETAIL OF YOUR INDIVIDUAL LIFE! THEN EXPECT IT TO RESPOND. AS YOU DO THIS. THE PRESENCE OF GOD WITHIN YOU, WHOSE NATURAL HABITAT IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, WILL BEGIN TO EXTERNALIZE THAT KINGDOM IN, THROUGH AND AROUND YOU. In this world of form, you know how any individual brings his personality, preferences, aura and atmosphere with him and creates in his home an externalization of his inner consciousness. So, too, does the Presence of God do likewise, when invited, and given an opportunity so to do!

JESUS

In my ministry, one of the greatest appearances against which I had to stand, was the externalization, by my fellowman, of the heterogeneous (composite, Ed.)thoughts and feelings of the outer consciousness, which formed the environment, atmosphere and surroundings of the individual. Knowing that the Presence of God, with ALL HIS GLORY, was anchored within each beating heart, waiting to externalize the perfection, beauty, harmony, health, opulence and magnificence of the kingdom of heaven through such distressed ones, I longed for the way and means of awakening the outer consciousness and the soul to the REALIZATION that the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN to which they aspired, WAS AT HAND FOR THE TAKING. It IS ALSO TRUE TODAY! Either the inner Presence IS allowed to flow forth through the mental, emotional, etheric and physical bodies of its creation, expanding that kingdom, or IT IS IGNORED and the outer consciousness continues to experiment with God's gift of life, to create the limitations which seem so distressing to the personal self. For those who desire our assistance at this Holy Season, beloved Mary and myself offer our consciousness, realization, faith and momentum of power to any individual who will determinedly TRY to relinquish all power to the Presence that beats his heart. "For THINE is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever!"—A TRUTH SPOKEN LONG AGO AND STILL A TRUTH TODAY!

SAINT GERMAIN

The establishment of the permanent Golden Age upon the planet Earth and the creation of a Star of Freedom from a shadow planet, requires the externalization of the kingdom of heaven through every soul belonging to this evolution, each one contributing that portion of the kingdom which is required to make the whole picture complete, according to the wisdom of his own Individualized I AM Presence. Cultivating, developing and sustaining an active comradeship with the God-self within the heart, REAPS GREAT REWARDS. It builds momentums of faith, illumination, tolerance, purity, scientific (but spiritual) formulas WHICH CAN NEVER FAIL, healing power and the conscious powers of transmutation. The combination of the energies of Masters, angels and men—all relying upon the ONE POWER—can perform this transformation. Manifest in the alleviation of the distresses that beset the race, WORKS will call forth interest in the ways and means of becoming similar channels for externalizing God's kingdom! THE PRESENCE OF GOD IS WITHIN YOU NOW! In the name of God and beloved Jesus, WHO ACKNOWLEDGED HIM, ALWAYS, AS THE ONLY SOURCE OF HEALING, miracles and transmutation, I ask you to set about your personal pilgrimage to find him and to set him to work through you. PRACTICE ON SMALL THINGS, Effects of a positive nature will increase your confidence and faith and make you master over greater appearances, in time.

ADDRESS BY BELOVED LORD MAITREYA The Asala Festival

July 3, 1955

NOTE: Because of the timeliness of this instruction by beloved Lord Maitreya on the subject of preparing, delivering and outpicturing the petitions for the Karmic Board, the beloved Kuthumi has given his column—"The Guru and the Chela"—to his Guru, Lord Maitreya, for the December issue. The usual "Guru and Chela" column will be in the January, 1956, issue of "The Bridge to Freedom."

Beloved children of my heart, I respond with all the love, the devotion and the gratitude of my being, to the sincerity of your heart's call for understanding, for grace, for love, for the capacity to increase your service and for the perfecting and release through your outer consciousness of those talents and momentums which are required, in order to manifest in works those decrees which you have issued all through the years with such sincerity. Such manifestation requires the weaving of the energies of your inner bodies, as well as those of your physical bodies, into the thought and feeling patterns, in order to manifest absolute fulfillment in this world of form.

I come on the eve of the great Asala Festival, which we celebrate in India, in commemoration of the mission, service and teachings of my great Guru and your great friend, the Lord Gautama Buddha. In his own life, he manifested the full expression of the divinity, whose consciousness and nature he realized, as he raised himself through a process of transmutation and application into the Presence of the eternal God. Buddha then made the great sacrifice of renunciation. Instead of remaining within the heart of God, resting upon the bosom of the Lord of Light, toward whom he had aspired, he chose to descend consciously, resuscitating the physical vehicle in which he was functioning in that embodiment and went forth to teach the word by message, by example and by radiation.

At the celebration of the Asala Festival, we repeat each year the magnificent truths as presented by the Buddha. When they have been spoken again, we charge into the mental and feeling world of mankind of Earth, the truth of the path of the "Middle Way." We gather the momentum of the Buddha that has grown and intensified through all those ages since he walked the Earth. Then we impress that momentum and increase of knowledge, understanding and radiation into his original sermon and send it forth into the consciousness of those who are aware of our ceremony, to give to them something of the Buddha's consciousness.

Petitions Before The Karmic Board

Blessed and beloved hearts, do you realize that the purpose of religion upon this planet Earth is twofold? Religion is designed to draw forth and lower the rate of those subtler vibrations from the higher realms, which are so rapid that they would have no possibility of recording upon the consciousness of incarnate man. Its other purpose is to make of every man a full expression of the Deity, no matter whether the man worships that Deity under the name of Krishna, Christ or any other name. To bring the divine nature into the consciousness of man and to externalize it as the full divine pattern for the other members of the race to copy, is a great service to both God and man.

The translation of subtle energy into a vibratory action that can be accepted, assimilated, digested and utilized as nourishment for the mankind of Earth, has gone on since the inception of life upon this planet. It is very important to you at this moment. Even as we are gathered together, the great Karmic Board, through the beloved Goddess of Opportunity, is beginning to hand down the dispensations and grants of opportunity, TO WORK UPON WHAT? To work upon an idea, which is the heart

of every petition, which is the heart of every plan to better the race, which is the heart of every manifest blessing that someone has externalized. I would like you to think about this for a moment. To receive an idea by which the race may be assisted is one thing. It is quite another thing, however, to nourish that idea, to develop it, to feed it with the strong enthusiasm and faith of your consciousness and to combine with your thoughts and feelings, the energies of your physical vehicles in practical service, until the idea is manifest form!

FOR THE ONE MAN, who brought forth the way and means of harnessing electricity, who spent long hours of experimentation in the laboratory, who used his physical energies and the substance life accorded him to perfect the idea, who used the thought processes and the faith of his feelings, THERE WERE THOUSANDS at inner levels who accepted and received the idea of harnessing electrical energy and making of it a servant which could bless the race. How many of them followed through until the manifest plan was released as a benefit and blessing to all life?

For a thousand saints that look upon the nature of the Godhead and, in the full freedom of the inner spheres, see something of what man should become, there is perhaps ONE who takes that idea and fashions it into disciplines of mind, control of feeling, purification of the lifestream and mastery of flesh. That ONE is the outer manifestation of constancy and of love which enabled him to bring an abstract idea into practical form.

When the great Karmic Board and the Powers of Light look with favor upon the petitions of the Ascended Masters and the chelas and grant opportunity to develop those ideas, how many among those who will be given such acquiescence and opportunity, will follow through in the disciplines of mind and body, which are necessary to bring the manifest effect into the world of form?

Blessed and precious hearts, there must be much more than an idea in mind in order to bless the race. That idea must be clothed with faith. It must be charged with enthusiasm. It must be sustained in clarity in the mind and it must be nourished by every practical means in the physical appearance world. Then an idea, clothed in the substance of the elements of the physical world, becomes of benefit to all of life. I speak of this because there is great opportunity before you. The great Goddess of Opportunity has been given permission to return your petitions into the keeping of the lifestreams of those who have made them. Now, shall they become vested in form or shimmer yet in the ethers, to be picked up again next year? Will your ideas be still-born, aborted, or the living manifest expression of love that endures to the end?

Let me remind you again of the activity at the Royal Teton. Twice each year, as the acceleration of the activity of the planet's progress has taken place, the great Karmic Board meets in the realms of light above the Teton. There they listen to the plans and ideas of the Ascended Masters, the angels, the elementals and the members of the human race, who hope to impersonally benefit the entire planet, who hope to secure the assistance and co-operation of other members of the race or members of the angelic, cherubic or seraphic host, in order to fulfill their design.

The Karmic Board is presided over by the Goddess of Opportunity and Justice, who is the spiritual complement of your own beloved Master, Saint Germain. She is the embodiment of Mercy and a representative of the great Seventh Ray to this Earth. Because of her nature, ensouling opportunity, justice and mercy through the flame in her heart, there is much greater freedom for those who desire to serve the race now than there was before she was given this position of authority and of trust as spokesman of the Karmic Board.

The seven great members of the Karmic Board, three seated at either side of her, all wear robes of deep purple, representing Mercy and Compassion. Upon each one's head rests the glorious seven-pointed crown, symbol of the authority of the Karmic Board, studded with amethysts (jewel of the Seventh Ray). Facing the Karmic Board are the Sun Gods and Goddesses from superior Systems. Alpha and Omega (from the Great Central Sun) in the center face the Goddess of Justice. The other Sun Gods and their Complements are seated to the left and to the right of Alpha and Omega, so that there are two semi-circles facing each other. The beloved Sun Gods and Goddesses are also dressed in exquisite royal purple, in honor of the granting of the special gifts of mercy to the Earth.

The beginning of the procession starts with the entrance of Prince Michael, the great Archangel. He is followed by the other Archangels, in graded order. Following them is a representative of our Lord Maha Chohan and the Temple of Comfort, at Ceylon. He is followed by the Chohans of the Rays. Then you have the great nature kingdom represented by beloved Aries, Virgo, Neptune, Oromasis and Diana. Smaller elementals follow them. The individual who is the Hierarch of each retreat or the representative of the Hierarch of the retreat, receives the beautiful scroll, tied in deep purple, which gives the authority and opportunity to use their own initiative and energy to return to their retreat and to weave out of the opportunity given, whatever they can, to externalize the plan which they have presented to the Karmic Board and which that

august body has considered feasible and allowed them to develop.

The representative of each retreat is the one who kneels before blessed Portia (Goddess of Opportunity) and receives that scroll, which is the opportunity to externalize that petition within the year. The other beings who form the escort and train of each representative follow, giving Portia the radiation of blessing, bowing the head in honor of her light. Then they pass on in a circular path, until they kneel before Alpha and Omega. Beloved Alpha and Omega join their hands upon the heads of each Hierarch or the Being who is representing the Hierarch and who received the scroll giving the dispensation and grant. Then, as the circular procession moves on, they return to the group within the heart of the Teton.

I would like to fill your own individual cups with the strength, with the spirit, with the courage, with the faith, with the enthusiasm and with the sustained quality of godliness, SO THAT YOU MAY BE SUSTAINED in constancy of purpose when you, in your turn, stand before the Goddess of Opportunity, when you receive into your hands that Scroll, when you walk before the great Alpha and Omega and feel their benediction in your hearts, souls and spirits. Then, you take your thread of light from the cooperative, concentrated radiance of this class back into your local orbit; others will in turn draw threads from that thread. I call that you may be sustained in the belief, in the confidence, in the strength, in the tolerance, in the enthusiasm and in the loving desire to manifest that which you asked the Cosmic Law for permission to do to help the race.

Beloved ones, feel yourselves a grail of living light. Feel yourselves, upheld by my own hands, your physical bodies, your minds, your feelings, your etheric envelope. If you will do this, I shall raise you into the heart of the Eternal with all the energies of my very self. In that personal communion, knowing the requirements and seeing your tomorrows, the Godhead gives you that nourishment, that substance of light, to each his own, to each according to the measure of the service to which he has pledged himself, to each a thousand times more of the already Godqualified love to sustain him and to give him manifest expression of his divine plan. At the close of the year, let the harvest before Sanat Kumara BE NOT ENTIRELY ETHERIC. Let it also be manifest in perfect bodies, in harmonious souls, in pure consciousnesses and in redeemed members of the race.

In the name of the Most High Living God, in the name and by the power of the presence of the Holy Christ Self of each one, I BLESS YOU WITH THE POWER OF PRACTICAL FULFILLMENT OF YOUR PURPOSE FOR BEING!

(NOTE: As explained by Lord Maitreya in the above address, and in view of the fact that you will be called upon to develop and externalize the ideas presented in your petitions to the Karmic Board, it is suggested you make a copy of such petitions to keep for your personal reference and to remind your outer consciousness of the responsibilities you have taken in presenting these petitions. The original copy should, of course, be burned on New Years Eve, when such petitions are presented in ceremony at the Royal Teton.)

MONTHLY LETTER TO THE TRANSMISSION FLAME CLASS

Beloved Children Of God:

At this Holy Season, when the attention of mankind is turned toward the manifest expression of the Christ, I bring you the blessings and the love of the Ascended host, whom you are serving so earnestly, so sincerely and so efficaciously.

The harvest of Masters, angels, elementals and men has been gathered upon the altar of Sanat Kumara at Shamballa. The fruit of the year's endeavors has been accepted by the King of Kings and now the Spiritual Hierarchy draws up the progressive plans for the new cycle. After sincere contemplation, each of you should prepare your individual and group petitions and these should be burned, in your own sanctuaries or homes, simultaneously with those of the Ascended Masters, on New Year's Eve at the Royal Teton. The great Karmic Board is preparing to listen to the plans for the blessings of the race in the cycle about to begin.

As we enter the conclave at the Royal Teton, let us all-Ascended and unascended alike—re-dedicate and re-consecrate our energies to the full manifestation of the Kingdom of Heaven upon this sweet Earth in the year of 1956.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

The statement for the Transmission Flame Class of December 17, 1955:

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I AM	inbreathing	th'Jesus	Christ feeling	of reveren	ce for life	from th'F	Royal Teton
I AM	absorbing	"	"	"	"	"	"
I AM	expanding	"	"	"	"	"	"
I AM	projecting	"	"	"	"	"	"

Color of flame: Chinese Green, Hierarch: Ascended Master Lanto; Keynote: "Evening Star" from Tannhäuser.

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASS

December 17, 1955

Beloved Students:

God bless you! We call upon you and yours the full protective power of the beloved Archangel Michael, the full illumination of beloved Kuthumi and the Second Ray, all the love and solicitude for life from the beloved Paul the Venetian and the Third Ray, all the strength, courage and power of accomplishment of the beloved Hercules and the First Ray! If you will consciously accept it as real and active in your world from now on, giving it conscious acceptance at least once every day, the actual substance of these blessings shall saturate your entire beings and worlds. They will make you more and more able to render the service to the Earth and her people which you have offered to give. Remember, always, that "THE CALL COMPELS THE ANSWER."

Have you thought much lately about the value of OPPORTUNITY? What would you do without it? There are a thousand and more angles to such contemplation—positive and negative and, if thoughtfully considered, such contemplation inspires deep and lasting gratitude for all that opportunity brings to us. No one can say he has no opportunity! As long as there is life within your beating heart, you have opportunity to raise life in some way, by your blessing. It is being proven every day by the strong of will and patient in heart!

This year, all our gentle readers are presented with this divine gift of opportunity! For many years, just a comparative few were apprised of this activity at the Royal Teton each New Year's Eve. At that time, in a beautiful ceremony before the great Karmic Board, Cosmic Beings, Ascended Masters, angels and elementals who are interested in the redemption of the Earth, present written petitions to that Great Board, asking for certain dispensations FOR and blessings TO the evolutions of this planet, struggling under the weight and discomfort of their own and the mass discordant pressures, unfortunately created here.

Will you join us this year in writing such a petition, asking your own beloved I AM Presence and one of the Masters to see that it is taken and read before that august body. Be prepared, however, to be interested enough in your petition to be willing to make calls at least once every day for its fulfillment, being prepared also to do all you personally can in your daily life, to help bring it into manifestation. This activity is as real as you and I are, and it is very practical! By the power of Almighty God vested in you (Your very heart-beat is his life!) nothing is impossible to you! When you are DETERMINED ENOUGH to have a thing, YOU USUALLY GET IT, for nothing can withstand the will of a determined soul! "What

you can conceive, you can achieve!" So, if you have ideas for the betterment of the. race which you feel are too big for accomplishment, DO NOT BE DISCOURAGED! Write them down and if you REALLY want to see them made manifest, call the power of Almighty God into action through you and call for the help of the Ascended and angelic host. Their power and powers of light, coupled with your own, will make miracles manifest that will delight you.

Try it this year! Address a letter to the great Karmic Board, just as you would write to your dearest friend. State what you would like done to bless the race. You may write more than one petition if you wish. Then sign your name and burn the petition(s)on New Year's Eve. This service to life carries a tremendous blessing to the one who gives it, by writing such petitions, for it signifies to life that you are your brother's keeper and are trying to set him free. Thus are you drawn much closer, in consciousness, to the Great Ones, who live only to render such service. Remember, "What your attention is upon, you become." So, when your attention is upon them, you become like them and enable them to more quickly raise you into their octave, ascended and eternally free!

Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREE

The following may be used as a "sample" petition, a spoken decree, or both:

BELOVED GREAT KARMIC BOARD:

In the name and authority of my own beloved I AM Presence, I most earnestly and sincerely petition you, through the great Goddess of Opportunity, to release a dispensation to the Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, which I feel will hasten the liberation of the Earth and her evolutions from all that God never intended to be.

I petition you to release a dispensation to the Holy Christ Self of every unascended lifestream belonging to Earth's evolutions, enabling it to remove, at once, and forever, all destructive use of their God-given free will. This will remove the desire to create that which is discordant and which interferes with the fulfillment of God's divine plan for his creation, which is perfection in action everywhere—all supplied at all times with the abundance of every good thing. I shall make this call to you at least once a day until it is answered, and shall endeavor to cooperate with it in daily living, to the best of my ability. I consciously accept this done right now, with full power!

A PRAYER

Lord of pots and pans and things, since I have no time to be
A Saint, by doing lovely things, or watching late with thee,
Or dreaming in the dawn light or storming heaven's gates,
Make me a Saint by getting meals and washing up the plates.
Although I must have Martha's hand, I have a Mary mind,
And when I black the boots and shoes, THY SANDALS, Lord, I find!
I think of how they trod the Earth, the time I scrub the floor, Accept this meditation, Lord, I haven't time for more.
Warm all the kitchen with thy love, and light it with thy peace,
Forgive me all my worrying and make all grumbling cease.
Thou who did'st love to give men food, in room, or by the sea
Accept this service that I do—I do it unto thee.

(These lines were written after thinking over Saint Theresa's statement: "I find him easily among the pots and pans,")

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TO THE BELOVED SPIRIT OF 1956

The blessings, the hopes and the invocations of the Spiritual Hierarchy rest upon your noble brow, as you enter into the atmosphere of Earth for the next twelve-month cycle, in dignity and poise. Let all the dreams, visions, ideas and plans for increasing mankind's good be manifest and recorded upon your spiritual garments as deeds well done, this year. We decree that 1956 shall be a year of fulfillments The ephemeral substance of the inner realms shall be clothed in the elements of this physical appearance world and shall stand forth PRACTICALLY MANIFEST for the blessings of the race. The incoming tides of spiritual energy, forming the chariot in which you have ridden into the atmosphere of Earth, shall be a stimulation toward practical works through the chelas and the people of Earth. We thank God, who, in his mercy and forgiving grace has wiped out all destructive karma motivated by unconscious error. Thus, everyone on Earth now stands, cleansed in mind, body, soul and spirit, waiting to weave into the pristine substance of your living Presence something of merit to benefit the race and all attendant evolutions in, through and around the planet Earth. WELCOME, Spirit of 1956! We shall see more divine love manifest through your Presence and the sweet Earth more free, by reason of that Presence. So be it!

Thomas Printz, Editor

HOW RETREATS ARE SELECTED

(GENTLE READER: You will remember that our January issue always has SUPPLEMENTAL DATA of information and instruction concerning the Transmission Classes, mailed as soon as we receive it from beloved Sanat Kumara. We shall get this out to you in a separate mailing as quickly as possible.)

This column is devoted to giving a description of the retreat which Sanat Kumara has chosen to be the focus for the directed energies of the Spiritual Hierarchy each month, in the yearly cycle. Each retreat is a concentrated focus of energy, qualified to bless life in a specific manner. The brothers and sisters of that retreat magnetize primal life, qualify it with the radiation (virtue) which their retreat has offered to channel into the mental, emotional, etheric and physical bodies of mankind. They also even consciously radiate that qualified energy forth to bless the race, even as the physical Sun magnetizes the primal life from the Central Sun of our system and radiates it forth as light, heat, fecundating power, etc.

At the close of each year (December 31st), a new thoughtform is designed by the Sun of our system, given to the Silent Watcher and then lowered into the uplifted consciousness of beloved Sanat Kumara. In turn, he projects this thoughtform forth to the Great White Brotherhood. This form is the design of the collective endeavors to be followed by all members of the Brotherhood for the next twelve months ahead. As this thought-form is not received by Sanat Kumara until December 31, he does not design the pattern of retreats to be visited for the next year until January 1. He chooses those retreats to be the successive steps in the service of the year, which will best outpicture the divine will in action, through their particular momentums of power. Much as a musician plays upon an instrument, using those tones which externalize the melody of the composition, so does Sanat Kumara place the cosmic fingers of the Brotherhood upon these tones (retreats) which will best externalize the keynote of the year in consecutive order.

A NEW RESOLVE

Gratefully, to the year that's past
We speak—"Oh, fifty-five;
You've brought us mem'ries that will last
As long as we're alive.
You've brought love's opportunities
With every blessed day,
You did your part to let each heart
Make progress on Life's way.

How many of those days slipped by Without a definite goal, Without some seed of kindness sown To be reaped by another soul? How gracious of our God to send Forgiving Violet Fire, Which transmutes discord into love And renews all God-desire.

We call that Violet Fire to sweep
Through you, (the year that's gone),
To purify and bless you
As we all travel on.
And as we turn to face the light
Of fifty-six—all new—
We now resolve, by God's great might,
To do what we should do!

Now as we see through the open doors
Of fifty-six—the scheme.
Of opportunities to serve,
Let's not just sit and dream.
Let's now ARISE! Be up and doing—
Always present—never late,
Claiming—in our I AM service—
VICTORY, our only fate!

ACTIVITIES OF THE THIRD RAY By Beloved Paul – The Venetian

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Beloved brothers and sisters, within whose bosoms lives the immortal Threefold Flame of eternal God, I greet you in the name of LOVE! I ask that you accept in your feelings and comprehend in your minds, THE STRENGTH THAT IS WITHIN LOVE. Many consider love either a negative or a lukewarm quality. Yet, the capacity to drive through the human creation of your fellowman, to pierce through the effluvia of the personality, to stand the impact of the energies of the uncontrolled inner vehicles, as well as the flesh form and to hold true to the recognition, acceptance and magnetization of the Presence of God within that one, REQUIRES, to my mind, THE GREATEST STRENGTH OF THE GODHEAD! Forsake your thought of love as being a quality that does not contain within itself the pressure of accomplishment! Realize love as the fecundating power, the magnetizing power, the expanding power of God's nature in this universe and through your fellowman.

I am come today into the atmosphere of Earth in answer to your sincere heart-call, which is your love for truth and for an understanding of my presence in this universe, as well as the divine purpose which I serve. If you so desire it, I shall help you to intelligently and competently serve in the expansion of love, tolerance, understanding and forbearance, to help your fellowman through your individual and group activities.

I bow before the Immortal Threefold Flame which is cradled within your hearts. I bow before it in gratitude for the privilege of knowing that God, the infinite source of all that is, chooses to expand perfection on the plane in which you function. By the presence of that immortal flame within your hearts, it signifies to all life everywhere, that God, the I AM Presence, has some activity to perform through you, some expansion of perfection from the heart of the Universal, as a gift to be channeled through your CONSCIOUSNESS to bless your fellowman. It signifies also that there is some fragrance, some virtue, some momentum of good which it wishes to write upon the Akashic Records of this physical world. Therefore, I concede with grace the privilege of every man, woman and child upon this Earth to fulfill that divine plan. Through the love, which I can direct into each one's heart flame, I hope to encourage that divine plan to come forth and stand externalized, thus helping every man to do the will of the Father.

"Beloved Presence I AM within each human heart, you who have remained burning brightly within the soul in the encasement of the personal accumulations of the ages, beloved PRESENCE—WAITING TO BE

LOVED—I love you! I love you! I love you! Come forth in response to my love! Come forth on the strength of my confidence in your supremacy over all human appearances! Come forth in the warmth of my Presence and develop your gifts, sing your songs, radiate your perfume, write in dignity and honor upon the face of this Earth the portion of the divine plan for which the Father sent you into being! Oh, immortal Presence of love within each member of the human race, I love you! I love you! I love you! Tome forth! Beloved Presence, magnetized by that love. TAKE COMMAND OF THE OUTER SELF AND DO THAT WHICH YOU ALONE CAN DO THROUGH EACH LIFESTREAM."

Beloved Orion - Elohim of the Third Ray

Dear friends, I bring to you today an understanding of the triple activity of the Pink Flame (Third Ray), which you have been magnetizing by decrees and contemplating in silence. The power of the great Orion (Elohim of the Third Ray), is the aspect of divine love, which sets the cosmos into motion. In your group work, you have been calling that power forth through your decrees. These fiats, consciously issued, do change the pattern and course of activities in the inner spheres, they remove mass accumulations of distress. The cosmic love thus set into motion impersonally, locks the flame of God around the cause and core of imperfection, removing it before it can be written upon the screen of life as distress of mind, body and affairs. This is the great impersonal love and service of the Elohim. It is the love of impersonal, constructive service to life. This activity is on such a subtle plane that individuals in human consciousness are often not even cognizant of it.

Beloved Chamuel – Archangel of the Third Ray

Now I would like to bring you an understanding of divine love as expressed by the Archangel Chamuel. This is the love which stirs the power of gratitude within the hearts of men, angels and elementals, that which stirs a feeling of reverence for life and understanding of the beneficence of the great Universal First Cause, as well as all the messengers (ascended or otherwise), who serve that cause. This love awakens the dormant, divine nature of the student to a conscious feeling of gratitude for blessings received. This activity expands until, one day, it does become universal.

Beloved Venetian – Chohan of The Third Ray

Then, stepping down the action of the Pink Ray through myself(as Chohan of the Third Ray), my service is to draw the love of the Cosmos and the gratitude for God into the individual to manifest as love for his fellowman, giving that individual the capacity to serve his fellowman practically, until every lifestream is free.

You can see how different consciousnesses function. As you step UP the scale, Chohan to Archangel to Elohim, you will see the different aspects of the love nature of God. My service as Chohan of the Third Ray is little understood. I shall endeavor to convey to you the realization that IT IS NOT ENOUGH to love the Cosmos, God and the Masters whom you have not seen and whom you can readily worship. In abstract worship, they will cause no contradiction to the outer self. To bring that love down through your minds, feelings and actions into a sincere love for your fellowman, is my service to life!

Blessed friends, consider for a moment a fundamental tenet of the Cosmic Law, as drawn to your attention by the Ascended Master Saint Germain. From your I AM Presence is directed the immortal Three-fold Flame of God into your physical heart. It is the life and intelligence by which you have existence. It enables you to think, feel and say, "I AM." Now that same flame, beloved ones, has also been anchored within the hearts of everyone of your fellowmen upon this planet, all those who stand at the gates of birth and all those who have passed from physical bodies in so-called "death." That flame around which is coalesced the physical form, is a signpost to you that God, the I AM Presence, desires to render some specific service to life through yourself, as well as through your fellowman.

God, the I AM Presence within the immortal flame of everyone you meet or contact, has ordained, that some portion of the divine plan, some gifts of his Presence, some great and important link in the entire divine pattern should be externalized wherever a human form abides. It is to encourage the externalization, the development and the unfoldment of God's will through our fellowman, that we have forsworn Nirvana, that we have chosen to walk by the side of all who have turned toward heaven, all whose spirits are becoming restless within the bonds of selfish pursuits, all who feel, no matter how grossly expressed, a talent which they would like to develop and give to the world.

The genius of the artist, the magnificence of the trained voice or the accomplished musician, is easy to love! That talent has already been developed and there is externalized through that lifestream something that is a pleasurable gift to all receivers. How many can love the first stirrings of a talent that expresses in a voice not so sweet, in music inharmonious,

but in true endeavor? It is easier far to turn away, to ridicule or to forget, easier to cling to the garments of beauty in self-righteous claims of loving perfection. These individuals are not their "brothers' keepers."

Beloved ones, in the ground-work of the great New Age, there will be stirrings in the souls of men, as the mighty Violet Transmuting Flame brings the power of spiritual fecundation into the atmosphere of Earth. Those stirrings will manifest as what? According to his light, the outer man considers true worship which might appall the perfectionist, which might repel the sensitive. The strong man, who has love within his heart, stands by such endeavors and the crudest prayer, the simplest song. The most earnest endeavor of the least of these is fanned by loving interest and encouragement. That which at first seems imperfect, is fashioned by love into a thing of magnificence, beauty and eternal light. I KNOW, for I have worked with lifestreams developing through every channel of expression.

The embryo politician, educator, artist, scientist, missionary, occultist—I have worked with the least of them, loving them to a point where our beloved Maha Chohan has said: "Now, Paul, give them to the Chohan of their own ray. There is now enough development of their initial pattern so that they can be efficacious under that ray." WHO LOVED THEM BEFORE they were consciously ready to assist their Chohan, BEFORE the pattern was apparent, when only the realization that BECAUSE THEY WERE and had being, God desired to do some good and perfect thing through them? I DID! Only the realization of their potentialities helped me to love them through the refining of the gross expression to the fine and beautiful design that is within them. Can you do the same? Can you come from the realms of cosmic activity where you have mastered the powers of invocation, magnetization and radiation, to be your "brother's keeper"? Ah, I SAY YOU CAN-BECAUSE I love you! MY LOVE draws forth from within your soul that part of the Father's nature which is such great love for all his creation—from the smallest sparrow to the greatest Sun. YOU MAY HAVE IT! If you want me to assist you, I will give you my feeling of love for your fellowman.

Dear friends of light, what is this Liberty Flame of which we speak? It is the immortal Flame of God within your heart which gives you liberty to magnetize, qualify and radiate light. There is no intelligence in any sphere, who does not have the Flame of Liberty to use.

What, then, is the Freedom Flame? It is the power to magnetize from the Godhead and its foci of light, that cosmic activity and radiation which is so needed in this world of form—the power to sublimate and transmute human error.

Why are Councils Necessary?

Beloved friends, LET ME ENTER YOUR WORLDS and let us counsel together for a while. Our great Lord Maha Chohan sits in Council so often with the Chohans. What do we do? Some of our intellectual friends have wondered why a council would be necessary, when every Master is in possession of the All-Knowing Mind of God. Counsel and the exchange of ideas (which is the communion of the Saints), enriches even the consciousness of Alpha and Omega in the Great Central Sun! What is such communion in essence? You have been told that we are "specialists." Our consciousnesses, our minds and our feelings are devoted to promulgating some particular aspect of Divine Law. Those of us who are the Chohans of the seven rays particularly, are not only cognizant of the Cosmos, but of the chelas and of the great masses of the people, who come under our specific rays.

Therefore, in contemplation, we can expand the periphery of our consciousness and become acquainted with any knowledge we require at any given moment. Not any one of us is fully cognizant of all the detailed activities of every one of mankind belonging to every ray. For instance, the beloved Morya would know in detail the evolution of intelligences on his ray (the First). In order to acquaint myself with the service that beloved Morya's ray can offer, I often sit in counsel with him. Presenting to him, for execution, my portion of the divine plan of the hour, beloved Morya can then draw on the momentums of his ray and say, as he often has done, "Fine! I have an individual in Morocco (or wherever such chela might be) who would be suitable for this task. He has certain strengths and faith within the inner bodies and I shall see that he is contacted at once." Thus, my endeavors to hold peace through love are supplemented by El Morya, by Saint Germain or any of the Great Ones, through their chelas. Sometimes, when we gather together, and our beloved Maha Chohan places before us the divine plan which Lord Maitreya or Sanat Kumara has given him, we may find a need for added assistance in the fulfillment of that plan. Then, rather than having to go through the entire research of every lifestream, angel, elemental, deva and Elohim belonging to the rest of the universe, the Maha Chohan has the summary of available help right there before him, through us as the focal point. Not only the summary is there for him, but the co-operation and full backing of each of our rays, to give him whatever he requires. This he may accept or he may not care to use it at all at that time.

It is the furthering of such divine comradeship in the world of man that beloved Saint Germain desires, the capacity to harmoniously exchange ideas and communion of consciousness which brings a World Brotherhood, an understanding of the consciousness, problems, heritages and limitations of every race. An understanding of the strengths, gifts and powers of that race is necessary to make a World Order. The West, giving of its vital energies, can be blessed by the grace of the East. The East, on the other hand, "bogged down" by lethargy and superstition, may be given new life and vitality by the West. In the drawing of the students from India, China and the entire Asiatic Continent into the Occidental schools (which has been a portion of my service to life), we have endeavored to bring some illumination, free of superstition, back into those countries.

You have little understanding of what it means to a lifestream who comes here from the East and receives an education, together with a greater sense of freedom and illumination. You have no idea what they have to contend with when they go back home, into a pattern which has been established and sustained for thousands of years! They are considered "upstarts" and "revolutionaries." FEW THERE ARE WHO PRAY FOR THEM. THEY ARE MINE! A little leaven in a great loaf—Asia! May there be enough of these emancipated lifestreams to bring redemption to the Orient.

Beloved friends, in speaking of love, I would like to bring out the point that GOOD STRONG FEELINGS OF POSITIVE FAITH (a quality which sustains you upon your own path), are absolutely essential in your world before you can safely indulge in counseling others. Bigotry and intolerance are born of fear, because the soul who fears is not anchored within the heart of truth. Such a soul is afraid that its habitual concepts will be crumbled and its idols destroyed. On the other side of the scales, you have the sentimentalists—the vacillating lifestreams—so eager to agree with all the facets of the Law that there is no strong power of positive assurance that can listen to counsel, HOLD TO THE TRUTH and yet allow every man to be his teacher! You must come to a point where you can realize that within the flame in all human hearts is the spirit of God, WHO MIGHT SPEAK TO YOU THROUGH THE LIPS OF A MAN ON THE STREET OR THE WORDS OF A CHILD. YET, YOU MUST HOLD WITHIN YOURSELF THE DIGNITY OF FOLLOWING THROUGH UPON YOUR OWN PURPOSE.

Our Lord Maha Chohan scarcely speaks at all when we gather together. However, looking upon that firm countenance, those magnificent and impersonal eyes, the tremendous strength in that luminous body, one knows that, although he listens in kindness, accepts ideas in love, blends as best he can both Masters and chela, he is the absolute Master of every council, because he is grounded in the faith which is the heart of his being.

You and I are not too well acquainted yet. Most of the chelas think of me as being poised against a marble pillar, playing on a violin. Dear hearts, MY WORK IS STRENUOUS, MY CONSCIOUSNESS POSITIVE and my service in Asia, Africa, Europe, the Americas and Australia is to stand by the side of those, upon whose shoulders rests the responsibility of merging East and West, making a foundation for Saint Germain which is strong enough to hold the great New Age now being born.

I love beauty! True, It is easy to love beauty. A small child can love beauty, but I also love practical service! I love you and all life everywhere. Today I have asked the great and mighty Beings of the Pink Ray to transfer to you through my own body, consciousness, heart, spirit and momentum, a realization of the positive, practical aspect of kindly courtesy, tolerance, understanding, patience and love. Thank you, beloved ones.

THE GURU AND THE CHELA By the Ascended Master Kuthumi THE WISDOM OF HOLDING THE SILENCE ABOUT INNER PROMPTINGS

CHELA—Beloved Master: There are so many beautiful ideas and promptings which I feel come from my own I AM Presence that I do not seem able to externalize. Can you explain why there is this difficulty between inspiration and manifestation?

GURU—Blessed Chela: AS THE STUDENT PROGRESSES UPON THE PATH AND REMOVES THE OBSTRUCTIONS TO CLEAR RECEPTION OF THE DIRECTIONS FROM THE I AM PRESENCE, MANY SUBTLE TESTS ARISE. ONE OF THESE IS THE OFTEN UNRECOGNIZED "SPIRITUAL PRIDE" that desires to impress one's fellow travelers upon the path with the knowledge, contact, directions and impressions which are claimed to be from either the I AM Presence or from an ascended being. Some of these impressions are truly divinely inspired. Others are pressures from the inner vehicles of the student, which desire expression through the personality. This point on the path requires the exercise of discrimination, discretion and constant alertness against those promptings which seek to aggrandize SELF. If the promptings are from the divine realms, the student is wise to keep the precious instruction locked within his heart, until he can manifest an expression of that prompting. Then he will have no need to make claims, FOR HIS WORKS, NOT HIS WORDS, will proclaim his association with divinity.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the best way to divine the nature of such promptings?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Good common sense will tell the individual whether the promptings and inspirations, when activated, will help the development of the higher nature through the personal self, or help mankind at large. If there is no selfishness in the idea, wise is the chela who begins the activity of precipitating that idea into the world of form and who follows the admonition of the Master Jesus to TELL NO MAN.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it not wise to share beautiful experiences and so enrich the lives of others?

GURU-Blessed Chela: The scientific law of precipitation requires the conservation of energies on all levels in order to have a perfect manifestation. The dissipation of emotional, mental, etheric or physical energies in talking about an undeveloped idea, greatly hinders its progressive course toward manifestation. If the chela, receiving a divine idea, were to mould that idea into a workable, practical form in the mental realm and constantly feed that mental form with loving feelings of accomplishment, it would soon descend to the etheric realm. Then it would be a short step to clothe the etheric form in the atoms of the physical appearance world and manifestation would occur. However, besides the dissipation of the individual's own mental, emotional, etheric and physical energies which takes place in discussing a project upon which he is working, the individual INVITES the disintegrating forces of doubt, jealousy and unbelief from the consciousness of those to whom he confides his plan. These forces drive into the mental picture, the emotional certainty of accomplishment, and into the delicate etheric substance that is clothing his form in preparing it for manifestation. This makes an unnecessary "battle" for the chela to "follow through" upon the inspiration received, without having the "cold water" of other consciousnesses thrown upon his plan.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can we inspire others if we cannot share with them our inner experiences of beauty?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The greatest possible inspiration is in manifest works. All the words in the world will do little but stimulate the mental bodies of others to study and endeavor to find the true Law themselves. The chela who has a divine experience and the tenacity of personal energy to draw from that experience a manifest expression of beauty, IS THE MOST WONDERFUL INSPIRATION TO ALL ABOUT HIM.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it right to tell of an experience after manifestation has occurred?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Certainly, IF the motive for that telling is to help another child of God to greater understanding. If the motive is to build up the ego and personality of the one who has had such a manifestation, the Law will automatically remove future experiences of like victory from the one indulging in spiritual pride—no matter by what name the chela chooses to call it.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK THE NECESSITY OF BECOMING STILL

MAHA CHOHAN

I can but affirm the often repeated statement of my beloved son, Saint Germain: "The need of the student, no matter what the age of the individual, is to become still often throughout the course of the day to ALLOW the energy, directives, radiation and power of the Presence to flow into and nourish the lower bodies and the outer consciousness." In the East, the practice of concentrated meditation upon the Supreme Source prefaces all activity. In the West, where the requirements of each hour seem to demand the attention and energies of the chela, this period of spiritual communion is often neglected and confirmed by the self-righteous feeling that the service is so great that there is literally no time to—"be still and KNOW that 'I AM' God."

EL MORYA

Man's submission to the demands and appetites of his lower bodies and his almost hypnotic assurance that their demands, promptings and appetites are the urgings of the Inner Presence, delays his contact with that Presence and his correct and unbiased recognition of its directions. At present, our endeavor is to purify, discipline and relegate these vehicles (through which the soul seeks redemption) to their proper position as SERVANTS of the I AM Presence. The stilling of the energies of the mental body, the quieting of the surging sea of the emotional world, the refusal to allow the etheric body to conjure up failures and disillusionments of the past and the disciplining of the flesh body, take time, patience, constancy, strength and understanding. When this is accomplished, the "still small Voice of the I AM Presence" can be heard, its radiation can be felt, its strength can flow into the lower bodies and its sustaining power can and does assist the soul to complete its reason for being.

KUTHUMI

The invocation of the I AM Presence, the Archangels, the Elohim, the Ascended Masters and all Powers of Light is essential to magnetize a direct current of their energies into and through the individual consciousness of the chela. However, there is a point where the individual, having made the necessary application to the spiritual Source of All Good, should REST IN THE SILENCE and accept the radiation and benediction invoked. The tendency of the chela is to continue, all through the period of application, to make petitions, decrees, invocations, etc. This does not allow the inner bodies to become quiet enough to accept the gifts invoked. BALANCE between giving one's energy to connect with higher vibrations and accepting those vibrations is essential to spiritual advancement.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

The activity of truly entering the Great Silence cannot be overemphasized. The consciousness must be kept positive. The mental, emotional, etheric and physical bodies must be trained to direct their energies toward their SOURCE, but they must not be allowed to "play" at this time with the various thoughts, feelings, memories or physical lassitude that often accompanies the relaxation from actual positive work, in which they are usually employed. It is comparatively easy for the chela on the path to make the invocations, decrees and visualizations that actually employ the energies of the lower bodies, but it is somewhat difficult for the chela in the Western world to complete his spiritual exercise by commanding the silence of these lower bodies TO RECEIVE the blessings given. He either goes happily to sleep, or toys with numerous irrelevant thoughts and feelings, coming from this contemplative period, little richer by reason of his endeavors.

SERAPIS BEY

ALL GOOD, whether it is supply, health, illumination, faith, strength, love or purification, COMES FROM GOD—THE Source of all life. These gifts are dispensed by the great beings who are the messengers of God. However, no matter how much the conscientious chela calls for the release of these gifts, he cannot receive the fullness of their presence in his mind, body, world and affairs, until he has consciously disciplined his lower bodies and ALLOWS the spiritual essence which he has invoked, to enter therein. You have all had the experience of an individual asking for advice or guidance, then continuing to talk—giving no heed to your council. This is somewhat like the chela who "talks" all through his application—not necessarily with his tongue, but with his mind, feelings, or through

his memories.

Thus the energies of the lower bodies are in a constant state of motion and deflect, rather than absorb, the radiation and assistance given. After the active application, speak in a consciousness of authority to the vehicles through which your soul seeks redemption. Tell them: "Peace, be still!" Practice will make you more and more able to enjoy the returning benediction and grace, which comes as a result of your invocation. Then you will have completed perfectly the spiritual exercise whereby you commune with God and the Perfected Ones, coming from such communion embued with and radiating the blessings thus received.

HILARION

Science is coming to an agreement with the spiritual truth that all life is in constant motion, from the smallest electron spinning around its core of centripetal force to make up an atom, to the greatest Sun spinning around a Central Sun which, in turn, moves around a greater focus in cosmic galaxies beyond the ken of the outer mind. Human beings have lost control of the rhythms of their lower bodies and, rather than the atoms spinning in a harmonious vibration directed by the I AM Presence within the heart, they spin erratically, spurred on to greater speed or slowed down by any "tramp" discordant thought, feeling, memory or physical action that engages their attention or takes their fancy from moment to moment. Thus, in the uncontrolled spasms of the lower bodies, the soul cannot and does not receive the peace and benediction of the I AM Presence, nor the Divine Beings to whom it has applied for assistance. The natural, rhythmic motion of the atoms in the lower bodies is an invitation to the spiritual currents invoked. The lower bodies (physical, etheric, mental and emotional) then can absorb the assistance which they require and the individual, disciplining the instruments through which he works, comes forth from his spiritual exercise renewed in mind, feelings, soul and body.

IESUS

The demands upon the time, energy, attention and service of the chela who is engaged in a spiritual endeavor, form a great stumbling-block to his individual progress, unless he learns how to consciously quiet the energies of his own world, so that new strength, faith and power may be supplied by his own I AM Presence and the Divine Beings who are so willing to assist him. I know this from my own experience. During my ministry, as today, the world and its people require so much assistance. There is a tendency to rush forth to serve without the necessary period of "re-fueling" at the cosmic fount. From some small references to

my experience, you will remember that I often "went to the hills to pray." No chela can be of lasting service to the spiritual work at hand unless he understands the necessity for taking time, undivided from the world (which you will always have with you) to enter the silence and draw the necessary strength and sanctity from the Source of All Good. This he can then dispense in poise, dignity and loving solicitude for his fellowman.

SAINT GERMAIN

The upward reaching of the outer consciousness through prayer, invocation, decree, visualization and song is only one half of the perfect spiritual exercise which should be conscientiously employed by our chelas. The ACCEPTING of the energies invoked through controlled, receptive, alert vehicles completes this service. "TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY!" I implore you!

THE INNER CAUSE AND INNER HEALING OF DISEASE By Beloved Serapis Bey

My beloved friends, THE HEALING OF THE NEW DAY COMES UNDER AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT ASPECT OF THE LAW than all preceding service along this line, because we enter a new cycle, wherein PERMANENT IL-LUMINATION will outpicture as divine perfection and the activity of the Healing Flame will be directed toward the DISSOLVING OF THE INNER CAUSES WITHIN THE LIFESTREAM, which result from certain definite maladjustments in both mind and body.

Science is beginning to realize that a great many physical and mental disorders are due to unseen emotional causes, which rest within the consciousness of those concerned, sometimes buried beneath the reach and memory of the individual's personal identity.

The increase of illumination flowing from the Fifth Ray will open to the earnest and honest members of the Healing Profession a new understanding, which will require the blending of religion and science, one of the integral steps toward freedom, which has been promised to mankind.

To illustrate briefly: Every organ and cell within the physical mechanism has a vibratory action of its own, separate and distinct from the vibratory action of its neighbor's. Within the inner bodies, there are certain centers that VIBRATE IN UNISON with these physical organisms. Cer-

tain mental and emotional distortions within the inner bodies affect the physical mechanism in a discordant manner, so that the inner vehicles must be harmonized and purified in order to have a permanent relief and release from maladjustment of the outer self. When these inner causes are removed from the consciousness, BY, ILLUMINATION OF THE OUTER MIND, the purification of the inner bodies and the co-operation of the personal self, you will find the distressing effect in the physical organism dissolved and dropping away.

This is why the spiritual healing of today is more protracted than in the earlier days, but it provides a vast field for experimentation by the lifestream interested in "raising the cover" on this tremendous science, with the desire to join one's forces with the Cosmic Movement of the Age and, by application, to manifest the proof of the Law presented. An intelligent understanding of the mechanics of the physical form, in relation to the other three lower bodies, will enable you to become more valuable to the Hierarchy and to mankind in the treating and dissolving of the cause behind the appearances of imperfection.

The nervous system of the body was provided to carry pure light from the I AM Presence, to sustain the various organisms and to motivate them according to the direction of the higher mind (Holy Christ Self). Medical science will attest to the fact that the brain center directs impulses of energy through the nervous system, which precede all activity, conscious and unconscious. When the impulses from the brain are blocked by contracted nerve channels or injured nerves, the body ceases to function perfectly in the particular area where such blockage occurs. WHY? BECAUSE THE LIGHT (which is life), IS THE ONLY ANIMATING AND MOTIVATING POWER IN THE UNIVERSE and, if the channel through which it passes does not REMAIN OPEN (for one reason or another), the light in that portion of the body, organ, limb or cell, steadily decreases, having no feeding station from which to draw.

The nervous system is affected by all discordant vibrations set up in the mental, emotional and etheric bodies. It is like a hose that has lost its resiliency, or become stuck together, so that the passage of fluid through it is no longer possible and it becomes unfit for use. Fear, depression, uncertainty, as well as anger and other violent emotions, continually corrode the lines of very sensitive fibers, which comprise the nervous system. This causes old age, disintegration and so-called "death." The

blockage of the flow of light through the nervous system is the only reason that the various parts of the body cease to receive the renewing power contained within this natural Life-flow and, gradually, disintegration takes place. In the ordinary course of nature, if the nervous system were not impaired, even the small percentage of light allotted to the use of the outer self of mankind today (ONLY 5 TO 10% OF THAT WHICH COULD BE HIS WERE HE TO REMAIN WHOLLY HARMONIOUS AT ALL TIMES), would completely renew every nerve, every cell, every tissue, every bone and muscle within six months to one year! The light that flows through the nervous system carries the renewing power and, when the channels through which that light flows are disintegrated, the renewing and rejuvenation processes cease.

In his progress to perfection, although mankind would have had to change his physical garments from time to time in order to vary his life experience on the Earth-plane, he could wear those garments (bodies) in youth and beauty and discard them while they were yet functioning perfectly, by merely consciously withdrawing all the life and light from the nervous system and the cells and atoms which were still intact. Then the remaining structure, (placed in the flame), would be returned to its natural elements.

All poor eyesight, impaired hearing and retarded mental faculties, as well as all "wasting" diseases to which mankind are prone (AND, FOR THAT MATTER, EVERY IMPERFECT EXPRESSION OF DISEASE), is lack of light, resulting from blockage or "broken lines," which previously carried light into that particular section of the anatomy that seems to be disturbed.

You would do well to secure a chart of the physical body and study the nervous system. You will find that the nerves extend all the way to the tips of the fingers and toes and to all strategic and vital organs and that fine hair-lines of feeders (which may not be illustrated on the chart) extend from the main channels.

If there is an appearance of distress or disease in any particular section of the vehicle, YOU CAN THUS INTELLIGENTLY TRACE THE PARTICULAR PART OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM THAT HAS BEEN IMPAIRED. THIS CAN BE REPLACED AND REBUILT BY THE VISUALIZATION OF THE LIGHT FLOWING THROUGH THAT SECTION, repairing the damage done. Then the lifestream must be carefully examined for the CAUSE WITHIN which has

shattered the nervous system in that section. A SINCERE CALL TO YOUR OWN GOD PRESENCE WILL REVEAL (in the privacy of your own heart) THE CONDITIONS OF THE MENTAL, EMOTIONAL AND ETHERIC BODIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DAMAGE.

In the name and authority of your own beloved I AM Presence, COMMAND that discord to CEASE! That discord is merely impulses of vibration which are like the clashing of cymbals in a destructive manner. Command such discord to cease in your bodies and in those of ALL mankind. In this way, YOU COULD REBUILD any faulty organ into perfect health in a matter of hours, days, weeks or months, according to your specific capabilities and concentration. Blessings and love to you all.

VICTORIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT By the Cosmic Being Victory

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Beloved friends of my heart and of the planet Earth, I come tonight to bring to you the God-victorious qualification of my life, the fully-gathered cosmic momentum of energy which is mine, resulting from my use of the gift of primal life through the ages. I am bringing to you my consciousness and quality of victorious accomplishment, that accomplishment which will accept no compromise, which will accept no defeat, which knows, through the cosmic flame of Cosmic Christ Truth, THAT COSMIC LAW IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN TO ACT FOR AND THROUGH THE INDIVIDUAL, when correctly applied. When that Law is consciously applied, the energy is released qualified with perfection and, IF HARMONY IS SUSTAINED, VICTORY IS ASSURED!

Upon the planet Venus, from whence I come, there is no such thing as failure, disease or compromise with imperfection. On the planet Venus, all of life (abiding within the harmony, balance and purity of the Godhead), moves forward to fulfill the divine plan, manifesting, through each self-conscious intelligence, their own God-victories and expanding, forever, the perfection of the kingdom of God.

How long has the planet Venus looked upon and assisted your sweet Earth? How long have we taken as our self-chosen responsibility the guiding of the people of Earth, the guarding of their lifestreams, the sustaining of the light that would keep the planet Earth a part of its solar system? Oh, we have loved you long, blessed children. Some among you, to whom I speak, are of our own evolution. Some among you are those who have loved the Earth and her people as we do, who have chosen to take the dense bodies of this Earth, who have chosen to encompass yourselves round with a portion of the great karma of the nation and of the race to which you temporarily belong.

By expanding your light according to the development of your own momentums, you have helped this planet Earth to sustain her place in the solar system. To you, blessed exiles from home, I bring the love and blessings of Sanat Kumara, the love and blessings of the great Goddess Venus and the blessings from the heart of Shamballa, to enfold you with whatever power and pressure of energy are required to sustain you in your endeavors to hold the Torch of Light high, expanding the light wheresoever you may be and to become manifest expressions of the victorious Christ Presence, as witness to all men of the power of God acting through the human form!

One day, beloved ones, every one of you who has chosen to place your feet upon the path which leads to the ascension —when the final electron which you have drawn from your own I AM Presence has been requalified with only good, one day, when your course is run, one day when, truly, "all has been said and done" in this world of form, you will hear the call of your great Presence. Then you will know that you have completed, in victory, that for which you came earthward. The first sensation of your soul, as it is sublimated and absorbed into your light bodies, will be my feeling of the victory of full accomplishment!

Whenever there is a sense of dissatisfaction and of discontent, a sense of incompleteness, IT IS BECAUSE THE SOUL, ITSELF, WITHIN YOU, CRIES FOR THE FULLNESS OF THE FEELING OF VICTORY, which is an integral part of your own nature. Why? Because the quality of victory is one of the twelve primal virtues of the Godhead, itself. While you are not manifesting those twelve qualities and virtues (those twelve positive activities of your own qualified life), you feel within yourself a sense of something missing. It is to bring to you the qualified pressure and power of my Flame of Victory, that I have come here this night.

Beloved friends, PLEASE DO NOT REST ON COMPROMISE! There is no one unascended who has not compromised with appearances, to some extent! You know the power of God intellectually, in your credos, you have accepted the full power of the Godhead to act, but you have compromised with appearances by allowing to live in your consciousnesses

and in your worlds, distress of mind, body and affairs. You have not taken the hand of victory, you have not drawn his victorious currents through your world to bring you to mastery in its fullness. THE MASTER JESUS KNEW NO COMPROMISE! He knew no compromise with death, no compromise with disease or insanity, no compromise with any human appearance. HE STOOD FULLY AND COMPLETELY ANCHORED IN THE FAITH, CONFIDENCE AND BELIEF OF THE GOD-POWER ALMIGHTY TO ACT THROUGH HIM. That GOD-POWER SO INVOKED, WAS VICTORIOUS IN EVERY MANIFESTATION OF HIS DAILY LIFE!

I AM THE SPIRIT AND THE FLAME OF VICTORY! I am the servant of every man who chooses to stand alone with his God and, within his heart, refuses to accept compromise with evil, holding to that command that the victorious power of the All-Christ through such a one, shall wipe the slate clean of all distresses of mind, feelings, body and affairs.

I have been invoked by the few through the ages, by the few who refuse to compromise with evil, who refuse to accept the appearance reports of the masses, the few who have stood adamant, holding to a vision received from God and attempted to interest a few others These pressed forward, until victorious accomplishment of their inner vision was written on the screen of life as manifest works.

I was the Spirit of Victory within the heart of Columbus, the spirit which enabled that man to stand against the ridicule of all the scholars of his day and to hold to that vision, which he believed could be manifest. Through that vision which he held, there has been drawn into being this magnificent nation of America, builded in God's name, where mankind has such freedom to express itself, not only in religion and government affairs, but in the opulence of personal living. Those of you who have not witnessed the lack and privation of foreign lands, cannot conceive of the bounty of America!

Beloved ones, individuals who are going to rise above the mediocre masses, individuals who are going to stand in the heart of Light, individuals who are going to become foci world of form, for more than ordinary God-powers, MUST BEGIN TO ACCEPT THE PRESSURE OF VICTORY BY LIGHT, IN THEIR FEELING WORLDS.

In your class work, in your personal application, in your home life, in your business affairs, may I ask you as a personal favor please, before you plunge into the activity of the moment or of the day, TAKE TIME TO BECOME STILL, UNTIL YOUR FEELING WORLD CONNECTS WITH ME? Then,

you will move into action, CONFIDENT OF VICTORY! NOTHING of lasting import is ever accomplished with a feeling of vacillation, a feeling of negation, a feeling of defeat or compromise! Why oh, why, children of the one holy God, Children of the Light and flames of the morning! Why do you stand in decadent bodies, in distressed minds, in limited consciousnesses, in financial lack, when the victorious powers of the All-Christ is yours to use? Why can you not reach out and, meeting me half-way, grasp my hand with your own? Then ask me to charge into your feeling world my feeling of victory, to change the vibratory actions of timidity, vacillation, doubt and a consciousness of defeat—all of which have been yours for so many centuries. If you will do this, I will change your doubtful feelings INTO MY FEELING OF VICTORIOUS GOD-ACCOMPLISHMENT!

A HEALING MEDITATION

Let the I AM Three-Fold Flame within my heart expand! Let it charge its healing essence through my heart and head and hand! Let its joyous radiance now penetrate each part, Saturate my being with the substance from God's heart.

Let me now accept that every call I make is heard, As my need is known, the love in every Master's stirred. Back upon the very line of energy I've spent To make the call, the answer comes. Instantly, it's sent!

Let me get still—so very still—and listening within, Let me feel the Master's current, healing to begin, Calling on forgiveness for the caus *e* of all that's wrong— Living henceforth in the light, I sing the Victor's song!

"Come! Oh, Master Jesus, come! Bring us thy quick relief! 'I believe, Lord, I believe! Help thou mine unbelief!' Possessing us, let thy great consciousness of truth prevail. The I AM calls are answered! God's love can NEVER fail!"

(IMPORTANT: If the gentle reader will actually use these words and visualize them as taking place for him, the momentum built will heal him personally, then, he can repeat the same activity, seeing it take place for others. Try it! Please do not just read and discard! Use this "treatment" and get manifest results!)

DEAR EDITOR: I like the decree for the water element in the "Bridge" recently (June issue), I'll tell you an incident where this decree was used in an unusual manner. It is my job to buy merchandise for our lumberyard and I drive our truck to Quincy, Illinois, a distance of 100 miles round trip. Several weeks ago my two daughters went with me on such a buying trip, the youngest daughter doing the driving. When the truck was loaded there was not a cloud in the sky. Consequently, we did not tie the tarpaulin on, although we had almost \$800 worth of material in doors, lime, plywood, etc. which cannot stand rain. On the way home along the Mississippi River, a Missouri summer rain cloud appeared. However, the way the truck was loaded we could not find the tarpaulin to protect our load. My daughter, who was driving, turned to me and said, "Get going with the decrees!" I had the "Bridge" with me with the water decree in it and began to give it. Believe it or not, during the whole storm, not enough rain fell on our truck to cause the driver to start the windshield wipers, although on either side of us an inch or more rain was reported to have fallen. When we arrived home, everyone wanted to know how we kept our material dry! H.M.P. Kahoka, Mo.

EDITOR: Congratulations, dear, gentle reader! Thank you for *allowing* God to answer your sincere call by the faith you have in his never-failing love and concern for the welfare of his children. No need is too great or too small. Gratitude and blessing to the elements will always bring their co-operation and protection. "Keep on keeping on", building every day a greater momentum of that faith, until it actually, visibly and tangibly, removes "mountains of obstruction" from your way and the way of all the life you contact. Of such faithful and faith-loving ones is the kingdom of heaven composed. God bless you!

CALENDAR OF DAYS OF SPIRITUAL IMPORTANCE IN 1956

April 1-Easter Sunday

May 1-Ascension Day of Master Saint Germain, Second anniversary of coronation of Saint Germain as presiding authority of the Earth for next 2,000-year cycle

May 10-Ascension Day of Master Jesus

May 13-Mothers' Day

May 20-Whitsuntide (Pentecost)

May 24-Wesak Festival (10:27 a.m. EST)

July 4-Independence Day

July 22-Asala Festival (4:29 p.m. EST)

August 15-Ascension Day of beloved Mother Mary

November 2-All Souls' Day

November 22-Thanksgiving Day

December 25-Christmas Day

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TO BELOVED MICAH, SPIRIT OF UNITY!

GREETINGS AND BLESSINGS from the Spiritual Hierarchy and the mankind of Earth who, through your FEELING OF UNITY with God, SHALL find their way back HOME!

Separateness was evolved out of the individual free will of those who voluntarily cut themselves off from their own I AM Presence and desired to live life according to the promptings of their senses. UNITY with God, the Masters, angels and man SHALL come about in the fullness of time! Your Guarding Presence, your radiation, your love stirring the lethargic souls to renewed endeavor to find their God, brings the gratitude from all of the members of the Great White Brotherhood, who live but to see this re-union take place.

As you guided the Children of Israel out of bondage into freedom centuries ago, so again do you guide the children of Earth back to their heavenly estate in the "Promised Land" of eternal freedom from the limitations which now harass them! For your constancy in service, for your presence in the atmosphere of Earth and for your cosmic assistance in this hour, we thank you!

Thomas Printz, Editor

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom THE TIBETAN RETREAT OF THE BELOVED MASTER HIMALAYA (February 15 to March 14, 1956)

The Temple of the Blue Lotus, within which dwells the great Manu of the Fourth Root Race, beloved Himalaya has been sought by many an earnest pilgrim upon life's way, throughout an entire embodiment, without success. The vast wall of the Himalaya Mountains, stretching toward the sky like a sea of stone, rock and snow-covered glaciers, hides many of the secrets of the ages.

Scholars and chelas have sought to penetrate these mountains and wrest from their guardians the light and power gathered there through many, many centuries. Some few have tasted of the sweet fruits of fulfillment, others have received the spiritual grace and benediction which flow from their mystic presence, but fewer still have attained the aura of purity, selflessness and spiritual expansion to actually find the Temple of the Blue Lotus and stand before the God of the Mountains, Himalaya, himself!

The Fourth Root Race, destined to have long since finished their course of evolution upon the planet Earth, remain here still. While even one soul remains, the beloved Himalaya, their Manu and Spiritual Guardian, must remain with them. Thus he waits—amid the eternal snows—guarding the spiritual culture and age-old parchments, upon which have been written that portion of truth which his disciples have received and written into the substance of earth from time to time, as a gift to succeeding generations to help to light their way back "home."

All so blessed as to stand in the actual presence of beloved Himalaya, sense first the great peace, tranquility, mastery and Godliness which sanctifies the holy mountain within which his temple and his Presence abide. Then, the seemingly impenetrable rocky face of the Mountain opens before them and, standing quietly in the Golden Robes of the Eastern Seer, the actual Presence of Himalaya, a beautiful, serene, oriental Being, smiles upon them. After achieving this visitation, some quietly leave their Earth garments at the feet of the Master, feeling they have achieved the ultimate.

The bolder (spiritually speaking) bare their bodies, souls and spirits to the tremendous concentrated light of his Presence and are rewarded by being beckoned, silently, by this august Presence to enter the outer doorway of his retreat. Here, in the golden waters of precipitated light,

floats the rare Blue Lotus, about which legend and story abound. He who looks upon this Lotus (and retains consciousness) is allowed to make one wish of a spiritual nature and the Lotus, expanding until it touches the radiance of the immortal flame within the aspirant's heart, gives to it the power to fulfill the wish or desire.

Now, through the glorious development of projected consciousness, you are afforded opportunity to cross the great Himalaya Mountains, without discomfort to the flesh bodies and to stand in the actual Presence of beloved Himalaya. Look deeply into the heart of the Blue Lotus! Absorb the radiance of Himalaya's peace and tranquility! Let all earthly desires fall away and make your impersonal petition for the good of the Fourth Root Race that each one of that race still unascended on Earth, may achieve the ascension quickly, thus relieving him of the necessity of remaining longer with this planet Earth. Then make your personal petition, the granting of which will expand your own spiritual light and help you, in turn, to help your fellowman.

Know well that Masters of great light have sought the assistance of Himalaya for many ages and the privilege of entering his temple is beyond the ken of human mind.

The gifts of this great guardian presence are primarily the development of spiritual equipoise, enlightenment, tranquility and peace. Come at least once within the twenty-four hour period to the Temple of the Blue Lotus, remove the shoes from your feet and enter, in reverence, into the power that has drawn into these mountains seekers after light from all over the planet Earth.

Sit before the Blue Lotus and invoke the blessings of Illumination into your own outer consciousnesses, absorbing that peace and tranquility into your minds, emotions and physical forms. Then bring back into your own spheres of influence the gifts of an eternal nature, which you will receive there.

SUGGESTED DECREE

I live, move, and have my being in a gigantic, fiery focus of the victorious flame of Cosmic Christ Peace from the heart of the beloved Elohim of Peace and the beloved Himalaya, commanding and compelling my calm, perfect poise and Ascended Master God-control, *which nothing can disturb*! (Use 3 times daily, 3 times each time with feeling!)

OUR BELOVED HIMALAYA

Once in the ages now beyond recall— When o'er the Earth the mists began to fall, Out of the Heavens came a sacred sight— Lo! from God's Heart—A messenger of Light! To our dear Earth he poured his great light rays, Holding love's balance in those dark'ning days.

CHORUS:

Our beloved Himalaya, hallowed be your name— Raise our Earth in vict'ry, for THIS CAUSE YOU CAME! Glory, laud and honor unto you belong, Masters, men and angels, sing you love's song, We sing you love's old sweet song!

God of the mountains bearing your great name, Towering peaks now guard your Wisdom's Flame— Haven of love's Blue Lotus, your retreat— Radiant with power, knowing no defeat! Guarded by snow and ice-laden crevasse, Only the faithful through your portals pass!

CHORUS:

Dear Belov'd Himalaya, thank you for your peace, Flooding o'er earth's millions, Cosmic Christ release. Gracious is your mercy, Glorious is your power. Free earth by love's victory, doubled each hour, Oh double love's victory each hour!

Heart-friend of love, but known to such a few, Let all that lives and breathes send love to you! Raise men's attention unto your great height— On that attention flows back all your light, Earth now arises, free from human pain, Lives in the sunshine of God's love again!

CHORUS:

Central Sun Eternal, all that is thereon, Honor all Earth's Saviors, Sages come and gone! Bless our dear Himalaya for his service true, Gods of all the mountains, WE LOVE YOU TOO! Great Central Sun, bless them all too!

Melody: "Love's Old Sweet Song, (Keynote Of Blue Lotus Retreat)

NOTE: With this issue of "The Bridge" we are enclosing a copy of "George Washington's Vision," in which is mentioned "The great angel on whose crown blazes the word 'Union'." This angel is the beloved Micah. Beloved Micah is a son of Archangel Michael and was the Guardian Presence for the Jewish Dispensation, during the time of Moses. He was the flaming consciousness which spoke to Moses from the burning bush (which, you will remember, was not consumed). Micah was also the presence in the "cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night." He pours tremendous radiation of peace and a desire to unite with the good in all life, when this song is sung.

BELOVED MICAH, ANGEL OF UNITY

Micah, Angel of Unity, Accept our hearts' deepest love for thee! Glorious angel with Crown so bright, Flood all our worlds with thy Heavenly Light.

Son of Michael and son of Light,
Make us like thee, all things made right.
Human discords all melt away,
Seen in the Truth of eternal day.

Micah dear, faithful friend of all Who through the ages to God did call. Ageless, powerful, loving, too, Wielding in mercy, love's sword of blue.

Thy sweet presence to few is known, Thy service rendered for love alone. Now let all Earth arise and bless Thy life with gratitude's happiness.

Micah, beautiful angel friend, Hold thou our unity to the end. Gifts of love from the Central Sun Now flood thy world, 'til Earth's victory's won!

Melody: "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" (Hymn Tune).

DEVELOPING THE THOUGHT AND FEELING CENTERS Address By Beloved Lord Maitreya

Sept. 27, 1954

My dearly beloved children, I LOVE YOU! Feel the pressure, the sincerity and the depth of my love. I have followed the course of your evolution from the instant when you were first breathed out of the bosom of your own God Parents as shining beings, through the sad day when you personally chose to create the shadows in which you now find yourselves. I shall follow you back into the realization of your own Godhood, until you stand again triumphant, magnificent, FREE, Master over God energy, which is yours to employ. Thus, living for love through faith, you use that love to expand the borders of God's kingdom, fulfill the individual destinies of your own lives and make the universe to which you belong a sweeter, a more magnificent and glorious place.

Ah, my children, blessed, indeed, are those of you whose hearts have signified an interest in becoming way-showers to the children of Earth. Blessed is the light that is glimmering through the folds of your individual soul-self, that motivating power which impels you forward and which has kept your feet upon the pathway of light thus far, despite the pressures of your individual human creation.

In the Spiritual Hierarchy, I presently hold the office of World Teacher. This office is held, beloved ones, for approximately fourteen thousand years by one God-Intelligence and then a succeeding intelligence accepts the office, as the preceding World Teacher avails himself of other endeavors to promote God's will throughout the universe. During a fourteen thousand year cycle, a World Teacher has seven major opportunities to develop a spiritual education and religion within seven two-thousand year cycles, which will bless the mankind evolving upon the planet. The World Teacher, working with the Chohan of each cycle who is the channel through which the activity, radiation and world religion will flow, endeavors to develop a dual release of blessings, which will stimulate the particular spiritual centers successively, nourished by each one of the seven rays during this cycle of fourteen thousand years.

The dual activity, developed by the World Teacher and the acting Chohan, draws radiation which nourishes the soul light within the hearts of the people and encourages the release of the spiritual Self which, in time, transmutes the soul and develops a system of spiritual education and knowledge. Through these the conscious mind of the people may be raised to cooperate with the spiritual movement of the current cosmic cycle.

No great teacher, no great example to the planet Earth nor any other

planet of our System, has ever been successful who has not employed the dual activity of stimulating both the thought and feeling centers of the race. The activity of developing the conscious mind by understanding of the spiritual laws, increases the cooperation and the obedience of the students with whom you work. WHEN THEY ARE AWARE OF THE REASON FOR THE ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THEIR LIVES ARE ENGAGED, they put a much happier and more constructive radiation of feeling into the performance of the spiritual ritual. However, when the knowledge is not coupled with a conscious radiation of love and an invocation of spiritual grace from the beings who are God-free, to develop the seeds of knowledge and to expand the spiritual nature in the feeling world, the religion has failed to fulfill its purpose.

You who are to be the teachers of this age, to represent the Master Saint Germain, to be the Shepherds of the race, must develop dexterity of thought and control of feeling, coupling the most eloquent presentation of the Law with a spiritual application which stirs the heart centers and the spiritual centers within the soul. Otherwise your teaching will not render the service which your heart desires. In like manner, those who are tremendously devotional and are able to invoke tremendous stirrings of the emotional nature, WHERE THE MENTAL BODY IS NOT IN CONTROL, those fail to perform the full service of a teacher by coupling the two activities.

I have brought with me into the atmosphere of Earth, today the great Elohim Cassiopea, whose concentrated power of illumination is the capacity to hold within the mind the divine design and pattern which you wish to present in your class instruction. I have also brought the mighty Archangel Jophiel, whose radiation of the feeling of illumination stirs spiritual aspiration and encourages the up-reaching of the emotional body toward the Godhead. As you can accept that dual activity of the nourishment of both the mental and feeling consciousness, you will better comprehend the particular qualities which you should develop in yourselves, through your desires to teach the people of Earth in the days and years that are to come.

Need To Prepare For The Future

You are not here by happenstance, beloved ones and we have not come from cosmic heights to speak to a handful of human beings just for your own individual unfoldment. We are endeavoring to consciously train individuals who have volunteered to expose themselves to the radiation of the Masters, in order that they, in turn, may become "firebrands" and carry the light of truth and illumination the length and breadth of every

land. At this time you do not see the opportunities that will arise in the days that are yet ahead of you. You do not yet know of the great numbers of people who will, from time to time, place you in a position where you will need to avail yourselves of the knowledge and radiation received in these quiet and blissful hours. I say, PREPARE YOU WELL FOR THAT DAY! Those who are presently within the radiation of the Masters, sitting at our feet, those to whom we have turned our specific radiations, to whom we have spoken our words, THOSE WILL BE CALLED UPON! In times to come you will remember my words of this night.

Remember, always, that when you are dealing with a great number of confused individuals who are emotionally disturbed, before you attempt to reach their minds, first call to the great Archangel Jophiel to quiet the feelings, visualizing his Golden Flame and ray blazing up around them. Make the application on the feeling world PRECEDING your endeavor to reach the reasoning faculties. This will assist you in blanketing the disturbed energy that is rampant, in an outpouring of peace. Then, as you speak with authority and present the Law (which when applied brings the protection, the supply, the peace of mind required in emergency), it will anchor into the consciousness and bear fruit.

I am speaking to you with a purpose. You cannot reach the mind of a man whose feelings are in violent agitation. Practice in your group work by consciously making that application for the development of peace in the feelings of your students, before you attempt to inspire them by your words and you will see the difference in the quality of energy that you will release in your decrees, songs and application.

We, who speak to mankind from the Ascended Master realms, always come into a room long before we are privileged to address you. We use this opportunity to bathe the group in the radiation of our love, in the peace of our feelings, in the quieting of the vibratory action of each individual, in order to insure the best reception of our instruction by the vacillating outer mind.

Journey Through The Seven Spheres

The beloved Sanat Kumara asked me to speak to you. I come to give you an understanding of the I AM consciousness, the soul and the personality. I do this with the hope that you will grasp the differentiation among these three consciousnesses, so that you may more quickly come to the awareness of that "I AM" Presence of which you have heard so much AND WHICH YOU ARE TO EMBODY for our sake, as well as for the sake of all mankind.

Beloved ones, visualize your mental bodies as lovely crystal cups of-

fered to me. See if you can hold your minds concentrated upon the pattern as I present it to you. Do this in love for me.

When first you were breathed from out of the bosom of your God Parents, you came to an awareness and a realization of individual identity. You felt and thought I AM. You found yourselves as self-conscious beings and in every fiber and cell of your Electronic Presence you realized I AM being. As you lived in that innocence, sharing the I AM consciousness of your God Parents, you know that primal life was yours to use as you chose. You were Holy Innocents and primal life—exquisite, iridescent—became your possession, flowing into the Immortal Flame in your hearts.

In this innocence you abided and out of primal life you began to create according to that which you saw around you. You lived in a realm close to the bosom of the Eternal, where there were no forms that were not exquisitely beautiful—every angel was shining in magnificence, every Master radiated the dignity of a Christ. This consciousness of individual thought began to reproduce what it saw and you began to duplicate the beauty which was around you. Timidly, at first, you created tiny cherubic forms and small temples. Then your feelings, enjoying individualization and power of self-conscious creation, filled those tiny forms and they began to flow out from you into your aura and into the sphere in which you dwelt. You experienced the joy of individual creation, choosing through free will what you would design.

All through the inner spheres you passed, carried in the train of one of the great Manus of some Root Race. Where you abided, you watched the magnificent brothers and sisters in those realms who had developed far beyond your power to create, building stars and galaxies and moving the cosmos. You, in your own small way, using thought, would create thought patterns—and using feeling, would energize and then project these little forms.

Thus you grew stronger, getting more mastery, using more of the I AM consciousness, as you found your thoughts and feeling centers were obedient to your will. This was the state of innocence, the "Garden of Eden" consciousness wherein you were creators. However, here there was no need for discriminate use of your thought and feeling centers, for there was no destructive pattern, there was no form of temptation, there was nothing that could enter your consciousness or that you could externalize that was not beautiful.

In this realm of perfection, many beings have always abided. They never chose physical embodiment. They developed there, not desiring manifestation in the world of form. Some did choose incarnation on

Earth. These were brave spirits who had passed through the seven spheres and, wanted to experiment with the use of life in its fullness, developing greater dexterity by the drawing of the powers of creation through the thought and feeling centers into the lower atmospheres where it required more energy to mold substance into forms. Some applied for the opportunity to embody here on Earth. The closer you are to the heart of God, the more quickly does light substance respond to thought and feeling and, the easier it is to create. As you pass outward through the seven spheres, the vibrations of the electronic substance, which is obedient to thought and feeling, becomes slower and it takes more energy and more endeavor to create manifestations of a definite constructive design.

Therefore, it was the bold and the strong, who descended through the seven spheres, developing the powers of conscious thought and feeling and resultant precipitation through free will. These, then, who chose to embody on Earth, waited with their Manu until the Earth was habitable, to further develop the power of using thought to make a mold, using feeling to vitalize that mold and using the medium of a physical body to lower that mold into physical form. They asked that they might descend into a beautiful and refined Earth body and complete the cycle of externalization by molding Earth's substance into the pattern and form of the divine ideas received from God. Thus, the Manu of the First Root Race and its seven sub-races came forth, together with his pupils.

The Garden of Eden

The Earth was created so beautifully by the seven Elohim, the Sun of even pressure in its center sent forth a radiation that was visible as a soft glow beneath the grass, the flowers and the sea. The flowers were like flames and there was no decay. At the end of its season of expression, each manifestation just disappeared. Beloved Amaryllis, Virgo and beloved Neptune, Aries and all the beings of nature had created such a magnificent Earth, that when mankind first embodied upon it, there was little difference between the Earth (in its pure virgin state) and the beautiful heavens. As the Builders of Form completed the formation of the Earth, lovely beings, using the I AM consciousness, took primal life and, holding up the cup of their minds to their own Presences, received the will of God in the form of ideas. Then they were able to mold those ideas into definite patterns and fill them with the feeling of love. Then, using the flesh body, they externalized them in the physical appearance world by the power of precipitation. They built on Earth even as they had built in heaven. The first Golden Age manifested the same temples, the same exquisite perfection that these beings knew at inner levels. There was

not one in that Earth cycle who did not complete the course of evolution in perfect harmony.

The second cycle was the same. Follow me closely, for I am telling you scientific facts which apply to the conditions in which you stand to-day and it can raise you out of limitation!

The blessed beings in the third cycle then came forth. In the use of the I AM consciousness, the natural activity of each day was to tune into the Presence, BECAUSE THE OUTER SELF AND THE PRESENCE WERE ONE. Each individual "tuned into" his own Presence and the divine ideas for that day flowed into his mind. So many magnificent ideas poured forth in one day, that the outer self could not fulfill them all. The outer self chose those ideas which would be of the greatest blessing to the universe AND EACH DAY THE OUTER SELF WAS ABOUT THE FATHER'S BUSINESS: It was very beautiful.

The Laggards

Then came the human consciousness—that in which you live today and which I am trying to redeem, transmuting it back into your I AM Self again.

Then the Earth offered to accept certain lifestreams who had not attained the development required to progress with their planets and systems. Those systems had to move on in a great forward push, something like what the Earth is going to do within the next eighteen-year period. The whole creative scheme had been delayed because of these "laggards."

The Earth and her evolutions, being of a more condensed (and therefore slower) vibratory action than the successive systems, offered to take on these "laggards," hoping by contagion and by the pressure of purity within the Earth's people and their Guardian Spirits, to redeem these "laggards" quickly. For a hundred years the priests and priestesses in the temples made continuous application for the protection of the consciousness of the masses of Earth's people against contagion through proximity, by which imperfect forms might register within their consciousness. Up to this time Earth's people had seen nothing less than perfection. How did those "laggards" get into the evolutions of Earth? They came through the pure bodies of women belonging to this perfect, harmonious, innocent evolution, who offered to give them an opportunity for incarnation on the Earth. These women were chosen because of their tremendous spiritual strength, so that the body elemental might have all the assistance possible and the heritage of good and evil in the consciousness of these egos might be mitigated, by the pressures of light in

the consciousness of the mother during the period of gestation and the early Earth life.

These individuals were born by women. The parents of these "laggards" performed one of the greatest sacrifices known in any galaxy, taking into their physical bodies, consciousness and homes, these individuals whose radiation was such that it has drawn the Earth to this present condition, today. Now, what happened? Here is the point where you left the I AM consciousness, beloved ones. After birth, when these egos grew to a certain age, the Holy Christ Self had to release a certain amount of their karma, with opportunity for redemption. However, instead of redeeming it, they yielded to its malign influences and began to create secretly, in thought and in feeling, forms of an impure and distorted nature. These began to spread into the atmosphere, just like a smog over a city and were picked up by the sensitive consciousnesses of the race.

Previously, these were used for drawing only beauty from the Presence and externalizing divine perfection. While the temptation could have been repelled and the mind not allowed to accept or entertain those thought patterns and feelings, some among the race, in secret, opened their consciousness to those thought patterns and played with their feelings, until finally there began to be externalized imperfections of form.

Curiosity, rebellion against holding true to the divine pattern and the use of thought and feeling in creation of imperfection, began the building of what you call the "soul." It is a consciousness apart from the full purity of God. The first thought a man had that was imperfect and impure, energized by a secret feeling, was a CAUSE and that, sent out into the atmosphere, created an EFFECT. Like a boomerang, the effect came back into the consciousness and made a record. That record was the beginning of an impression. Energy sent out in a certain manner returned to affect the lifestream who had sent it forth and there began to be created a shadow between the I AM Presence and the human consciousness. Endeavoring to contact the Presence, the individual would find these "tramp" thoughts and feelings flowing through that line of contact until more and more imperfect was the conscious use of them. Finally, those centers got completely away from the control of the ego and acted independently. Anything the individual saw, registered on the mind, was energized by feelings, and manifested. Acting independently of the Presence, thought and feeling created most of the conditions in which you are functioning today.

The Etheric Consciousness - The Soul

Through the ages, blessed children, the creation of thoughtforms and the energizing of those forms by feeling, as well as the action that follows through the flesh, has built an etheric consciousness. The "soul" is the accumulated consciousness resulting from your experimental use of life, action and reaction. The tendencies, habits and nature of your "soul" are determined by the ways in which you have used life through the centuries and what life has returned to you, age after age.

Your "soul" endures in embodiment and between embodiment. Your "soul" will continue to live until it is transmuted by the flame in your heart and there is no longer this shadow self that thinks and feels apart from the Christ. Your "soul" lives through every personality (embodiment) that you use. Today you have a name, you were born into a family, you live—if fortunate—approximately threescore and ten years and then you "pass away" as a personality. That personality is no more, but the "soul" of you, in the etheric garment, influences each personality which you become in each succeeding incarnation. If you were to look at an unbroken stream of say, one hundred of your Earth lives, you would find that the "soul" was more or less the same through each personality.

NOW WE HAVE TO UNDO THE EFFECT OF MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF THESE EMBODIMENTS, IN THE MATTER OF A FEW SHORT YEARS! We are endeavoring to teach you to enter, again, into the authority of your own I AM consciousness, drawing primal life and GETTING DIRECTIONS FROM YOUR PRESENCE. You must learn to silence the cravings of your lower bodies, the etheric rumblings, the human tendencies. Then, in the mastery and control of your own life, you must begin to build anew, as your God Self would have you do, until there are not two—the "soul" AND God—BUT GOD ALONE. Thus, are you re-instated as the I AM consciousness, Master of thought, feeling and action, absolutely non-recordant to the impressions of the human selves of others,—these vicious conditions of the etheric bodies which manifest as disease of flesh and distress of affairs.

Beloved ones, contagion caused the fall of this Earth. Contagion of doubts, fears, impurity, lust, depression, is a force which you must diligently prevent, IF YOU INTEND TO BE MASTER BY THE POWER OF YOUR GODHEAD. You are in a constant sea of moving energy, besides your own accumulation of the "soul." Every paper you read, every piece of music you hear, every picture you look upon that registers in the mind and which the feeling animates, adds to the accumulation of your limitations, your financial lack, your needs. Do you know that even racial characteris-

tics are just a matter of contagion and acceptance? I have seen lifestreams completely remove all racial imperfections IN AN UNASCEND-ED BODY IN ONE EMBODIMENT. CAN IT be done? IT HAS BEEN DONE! IT MUST BE DONE by those who are the teachers of the race.

What is the greatest avenue of teaching? EXAMPLE! You are the Guardians who offered to protect those who "fell from grace." Not only did they "fall"—but you have gone after them! THEREFORE, IT IS TO YOU WE COME FIRST WITH THIS EXPLANATION. IT is not enough to ENJOY it—Oh, I IMPLORE YOU WITH ALL THE LOVE OF MY HEART TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT! The simple sincere call for the purifying of your "soul", oh, THAT DOES MORE THAN YOU CAN KNOW. As those mighty currents of purifying energy surge through the etheric body, in answer to your call, I tell you blessed ones, I have watched the benefits to your "soul." The "souls" of men are weighted down with all manner of human distresses.

Now it is your "souls" to which I speak! The I AM of you is happy, the I AM of you is God-free, the I AM of you has never known limitations. I AM THE SERVANT OF THE "SOUL" OF YOU,—THAT part of you which seeks redemption, that consciousness which is the thinking, feeling self of you and I SHALL NOT LET YOU GO UNTIL THAT "SOUL" IS WHITE AS SNOW,—UNTIL the hour comes when, in great relief, you can say "the Father and I are one!" It will come! IT MUST COME, for love—the greatest activity in the UNIVERSE—CANNOT BE DENIED! I embody love and I am one with the Christ of you.

Speaking now through the "soul's" self asking for release, asking for authority, asking for redemption, asking for freedom, I AM the CHRIST in you come again! "I AM" THE CHRIST COME AGAIN! ALL THE EARTH HEAR ME TONIGHT! I AM—TONIGHT—THE CHRIST COME AGAIN!

The "second coming" is not a mystery. It is the re-instatement of your GODHOOD upon its throne of authority, accepting the reins of your thought and feeling and again moving as the majestic, embodied God, which you really are—that "I AM"—and THAT YOU SHALL BECOME! Thank you, my children.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK EXTERNALIZING GOD'S NATURE

MAHA CHOHAN

It is my responsibility and obligation to the Cosmic I AM Presence to nourish, develop and externalize the Holy Spirit through every lifestream upon the planet Earth, or who belongs to its evolution. The Holy Spirit is the true nature of divinity and it is foreordained that every child of God must, sometime and somewhere, manifest a Holy Spirit through the energies of his own world. When the spark of divinity signifies that it is ready to begin upon that endeavor, I come to assist in the development of the Holy Spirit of such a one.

EL MORYA

God, the Father, the Cosmic I AM Presence, created man in his own image and likeness. The son, so created, then was given free will to externalize the spiritual nature of the Father, through his own thought and feeling centers. Thus, each such son develops a Holy Spirit of his own. It is the first step upon such a path when a man desires to "rise and go unto his Father"—to become like him in nature. Then, we are privileged to assist such an earnest man to raise the vibratory action of his thoughts, feelings and outer self CONSCIOUSLY, so that he becomes a radiating center of the Holy Spirit.

KUTHUMI

The I AM Presence within every heart knows, within itself, that its ultimate destiny is to direct, control and expand the radiation of love, harmony, peace, purity, balance, faith and beauty. Through the usurping of the energies of the lifestream by the outer self, the I AM Presence has been denied the opportunity to direct and qualify those primal energies to bless all the life around it. The emotional, mental, etheric and physical bodies of MANKIND—CREATED TO BE INSTRUMENTS OF THE I AM PRESENCE—HAVE become, instead, the directors and qualifiers of the use of primal life. The resultant chaos, limitation and distress of the individual's aura, as well as the world's atmosphere, is a far cry from the natural beauty and perfection of God's kingdom, which is intended to be established on this Earth for the pleasure of man and the glory of his creator. Educating the outer consciousness to the proper control of his vehicles of expression and bringing the direction and qualification of life back to the I AM Presence, is part of the service of the Brothers of the Golden Robe.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

A man CAN learn to consciously control the type of thoughts he allows to enter his mind and which he allows to develop there. By learning to reject and refuse to allow thoughts of a negative nature to enter and dwell within his mind, he raises the vibratory action of his mental world and it becomes sensitive to the promptings of the I AM Presence rather than to the stimulation of the impure thought-patterns which are the product of mass thinking. Such conscious elevation of thought must be practiced and sustained through an effort of free will. When the mental body is so elevated, even for short periods of time at first, it becomes a magnet to draw thoughts from the higher spheres toward it. These thoughts become the SEEDS which, if cultivated by feeling, will grow as a harvest of beauty in the individual's world and environment. THUS, THE SPIRIT OF HOLINESS IS EXTERNALIZED BY THE MAN WILLING TO DISCIPLINE HIS THINKING.

SERAPIS BEY

A man's emotional body can also be trained to reject emotions of violence, anger, resentment, rebellion and to cultivate feelings of tolerance, love, understanding and compassion. These feelings raise the vibratory action of the emotional world and magnetize the feelings of like vibration, radiated forth by Masters, devas, angels and other God-free beings. When the mind and the feelings are held upon constructive patterns, the individual is beginning to be a magnet for the cosmic radiation of the spirit which helps him to become a Holy Spirit in himself.

HILARION

The interrelationship among the emotional, mental, etheric and physical bodies of an individual cannot be stressed too much. What affects ONE affects ALL, constructively or otherwise. Just as a charioteer driving four horses is impeded in his progress by the lameness or incapacity of one of his steeds, so is a man impeded in his spiritual progress by the insubordination or incapacity of one or all of his vehicles of expression. Therefore, each chela should take an impersonal inventory of the nature of his thoughts, feelings, words and actions and endeavor to nourish, discipline and develop the particular vehicle which he finds less amenable to the expression of the Spirit of Holiness, through his own aura and world.

IESUS

Every man created by the Father must complete his own trinity by reflecting and radiating the nature of that Father—the Holy Spirit—through his own consciousness and vehicles of expression. The present purification of the inner bodies of the students will make it much easier for them to keep their thoughts and feelings elevated and their resultant words and actions will reflect this inner purification. Finally, the inner bodies will come to realize their purpose in being, to CONSCIOUSLY, CREATE and radiate the virtue and beauty of the heavenly Father in all the God qualities and God ideas which will naturally externalize in their personal worlds as peace, health, beauty, opulence and spiritual grace.

SAINT GERMAIN

Measuring one's thoughts and feelings against the thoughts and feelings of the Master, is a good way to determine whether the vibratory action of those vehicles of expression has fallen below the natural estate intended for each chela. This need not be a severely imposed discipline but rather a happy experience for the person determined to be a radiating center of God's Presence on this sweet Earth. To every such one, we offer all the stimulation of our friendship, until the aspirant can sustain his vibration of holiness and sanctity by himself.

INSTRUCTION FROM BELOVED FUN FEY

(February is the month of birthdays of so many of America's patriots of old, we offer beloved Fun Wey's instruction on the appreciation of opportunity. As his name implies, Fun Wey is an Ascended Master whose main gift to life is God happiness and joy.)

America is called—and rightly so—"The Land of Opportunity." Where there is opportunity, there is possibility of growth, expansion and unfoldment of the nature in a nation or a consciousness. Where opportunity does not present itself, stagnation and inertia result there from. Opportunity is like an open door, through which the individual flame may pass to greater glory and wider experiences. It was to find new opportunity that the New World was discovered, explored and prepared for succeeding generations.

To the Oriental consciousness, which has experienced, century after century, the stagnation of the progress of the masses, due to lack of opportunity, the priceless heritage of the Americas is a source of constant gratitude, as well as wonderment. In the realms of light and in the search of the soul for greater unfoldment, the alert lifestream is, likewise, in a constant state of gratitude for the presentation of opportunity to expand the powers, activities and capacities of the nature.

It is here that my radiation and pressure of a joyous, happy feeling act as a lever in the substance of the emotional nature, where the individual has felt himself enfolded in problems which are merely accumulated radiations of energy. Within his own nature, he may feel himself surrounded by opportunities to expand his sphere of influence through the controlling power of his own God Self. For instance, the smaller the orbit of each one's world, the less is the responsibility to life in drawing forth the energy to sustain and maintain harmony, health, supply, and the other constructive radiations requisite to happiness.

However, when the life experiences of the individual widen the orbit of that one's world, by the infusion of more lifestreams, or what might appear as greater demands upon the resources of the mind, body or pocketbook,—rather than welcoming the expanded opportunity to draw the substance of the flame in greater blessings,—the individual usually accepts the mass consciousness of being weighed down by problems and appearances. Then the consciousness—instead of being filled with anticipation of expanding more light—becomes depressed with the feeling of human responsibility. All life is but a TRAINING IN THE USE AND QUALIFICATION OF ENERGY, until the individual becomes the Master control of circumstances and every activity within his sphere of influence.

When the Presence sees that the individual is capable of maintaining the God control of greater amounts of energy, rather than feeling it a problem or a responsibility that creates a depressive influence, such a one should welcome it as the Forefathers of America welcomed the wilderness as an opportunity to establish and expand a new nation.

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

Beloved Seekers After Light:

Welcome to the blessed peace and illumination of the Temple of the Blue Lotus. We thank the God of freedom that you can now, in the full freedom of projected consciousness, enter within the forcefields created by your own ingenuity of design, energized by your collective endeavors and journey in comfort and safety to this ancient sanctuary of wisdom. Remember that the substance, qualified energy and radiation which you

consciously draw into your physical bodies with your breath, becomes an actual part of your own inner and physical garments. As you join with the Spiritual Hierarchy at the feet of the beloved Himalaya, you shall partake of his wisdom and his peace! Breathe deeply of this rarified and spiritual sanctity and make it a part of yourself. Then, as you project and expand these gifts into the world around you, you are actual conductors of the light and peace held within this temple, to all mankind!

From all over Asia, the elect wend their way toward the Temple of the Blue Lotus and those who find it, add the radiance of their Presence to the already magnificent focus of peace and illumination that is here. Think, for a moment, of the centripetal power of love that can and has drawn men and women, at risk of life and limb, into these great mountains, to seek understanding. Be grateful, in the extreme, that you may receive this blessing with little discomfort, expense or expenditure of energy. As you stand contemplating the Blue Lotus, absorb the mystic perfume of its presence into your world, remember to invite a member of this Brotherhood to be with you, daily, this thirty-day period, during your times of contemplation and invocation. You will FEEL the acceleration of his presence! I shall meet you often in this sacred retreat, as will others of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

Love and blessings, Maha Chohan

The statement to be used for this Transmission Class is:												
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I AM	inbreathing	Himalaya's	feeling	of masterful	peace	which heals	all life					
I AM	absorbing	u	u	u	"	u	"					
I AM	expanding	u	u	u	"	u	"					
I AM	projecting	u	u	u	"	u	"					

Color of the flame: a beautiful azure blue, surrounded with an aura of gold. Hierarch, beloved Himalaya. Keynote: "Love's Old Sweet Song"

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASS

January 21, 1956

Dear, Dear Guardians Of Light:

God bless you! This brand new year, I call again to the heart of the Mighty Elohim of Peace and the beloved Himalaya, in the name of our own beloved I AM Presence (right within our beating hearts), to flood and seal your entire beings and worlds in oceans of their heart-flame of Cosmic Christ peace and Ascended Master God-control, which makes you master over all, everywhere you move today and forever. This shall be eternally sustained, all-powerfully active and ever expanding, until all are ascended and free!

Nothing can be *permanently* sustained, anywhere in this universe, without the *feeling* of God's gift of peace! Since it is more comfortable to have it than to live without it, but so many seem not to know how to possess it. There is a very simple exercise which all can use, with efficacy, on themselves and others—an exercise which will bring great blessing *if you will use it*!

If you feel irritability coming on, go by yourself, as quickly as you can, for a few minutes and be sure you are undisturbed. Then visualize the Elohim of Peace standing above you, pouring down over you a stream of soft, golden, healing oil, the color of molten gold. See that pouring down over the head and then flowing right down over the entire body and see the body absorbing that substance like a blotter absorbs ink. See it running down over the nervous system, clear to the ends of your finger-tips and toes. Consciously accept this substance and radiation for a few minutes until you can FEEL its benefit and call your I AM Presence into action to keep it sustained and ever-expanding. This exercise is good to use at night just before entering sleep and, with a little practice, it will induce the relaxation that brings sound, refreshing sleep.

One must keep the attention riveted upon this activity for at least two or three minutes at a time. During the day, if more time is available and you seem tired, needing more energy, see the stream of golden oil more sparkling until it becomes quite dazzling. It costs you nothing to try this and, if you persist until you get the FEEL of it, it will give you great help.

It would be well to use this exercise on others, too, when you see they need assistance, for many folks have the appearance of "frayed" nerves these days. Instead of a feeling of annoyance at those who find it difficult to hold the sustained peace in their worlds, let us all try this year to be "Good Samaritans" and help those who may not know how to help themselves in this way. Remember—wisdom is the right use of knowledge. Knowledge unused, passes from the mind. "If ye KNOW these things, HAPPY are ye IF YE DO THEM!"

Every God-gift of 1956 be yours in your daily experience life this year!

Frances K. Ekey

THE BRIDGE

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TO THE SPIRIT OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPT, ARCHANGEL GABRIEL!

As the Archangel Gabriel promised to come to beloved Mother Mary and intensify the divine concept of the I AM Presence of the Master Jesus before his birth, so does beloved Gabriel offer to come and direct his cosmic flame through the outer consciousness of every individual on Earth stirring the remembrance of that one's own divine image and likeness into ACTIVE BEING!

At this season, when the externalized perfection of the Master Jesus is honored, invoke the Presence of the beloved Gabriel! He will not fail you. Into the swirling confusions of thought and feeling, he will direct his constant flame and, for a moment, the remembrance of the perfection, the glory, the divinity of your own I AM Presence will stamp itself upon your mind. ACCEPT IT IN YOUR FEELINGS and ask beloved Gabriel to keep it sustained and help you as he helped beloved Mary, to nourish and develop that divine pattern through your outer self!

Archangel Gabriel! Come now into the atmosphere of Earth! Attend the consciousness of those gathered in the "upper chamber," seeking the true way! Bring to their remembrance the full glory which they had with their Source before the world was. Sustain their enthusiasm until the glory and perfection of that Presence is externalized in the fulfillment of their own divine plan, to their individual victory and for the encouragement and stimulus of their fellowmen.

Thomas Printz, Editor.

The Homes and Retreats of The Masters of Wisdom

THE RESURRECTION TEMPLE OF BELOVED JESUS AND BLESSED MARY

March 15 through April 14, 1956

The Resurrection Temple is focused in the etheric realms over the Holy Land and forms the spiritual focus for the magnificent Resurrection Flame, which is the hope of redemption for all life that has lost, even temporarily, the natural rhythm and harmony of God-expression.

The control of the vibratory action of the energy drawn from the Supreme Source of life is the responsibility of every self-conscious intelligence. The thoughts, feelings and actions of the individual qualify the energy so freely given to each lifestream and regulate the vibratory action of that energy as well. The resulting disharmony, sickness, limitation and various distresses which are externalized by the soul, fill the aura of the individual, "bog down" the vibratory action of his inner and physical bodies and plague him with shadows of various kinds. These finally lead the individual to a point where he calls for help to re-orient his life, to reorganize his own spiritual and physical forces and, at last, to arise again to his natural estate of harmonious mastery of energy and vibration.

The Resurrection Flame has been magnetized by great beings who have seen this need for spiritual resuscitation and who have wisely prepared the way to answer the calls for help, which they knew would inevitably come from the race when the shadows became so uncomfortable that they could not longer be endured. Thus, always, through the mercy of the Cosmic Law and through the interest and cooperation of divine messengers, there is provided a way to return to the Father's home, long before the souls of men even sense the need for help or desire to so return.

In the early eras, when each individual lived in perfect harmony with the music of the spheres and his own inner bodies and physical form vibrated rhythmically, according to the keynote of his own individualized I AM Presence, there was no specific requirement for a Flame of Resurrection, except insofar as it was used by the Directors of the Forces of the Elements, to awaken the dormant nature kingdom to its rhythm of productivity, after its rhythm of rest.

When mankind began to break the natural rhythm of his own vehicles, through destructive use of the free will, however, the Mighty Intelligences who have taken the responsibility of sustaining the spiritual selves of this evolution, saw that the Resurrection Flame would be required, in time. They knew it would be necessary to help THOSE SO DE-

SIRING ITS USE to regain the natural rhythm and harmony of their various vehicles of expression .

As all other foci of the Sacred Fire, the Resurrection Flame is magnetized, sustained and expanded through the cooperative endeavors of cosmic beings, who provide its beneficent radiation for all who choose to tune into it, bathe in its vitalizing power and become, in themselves, radiating centers for its HOPE in their own homes and localities. The beloved Ascended Master Jesus, whose own victory was accelerated by the knowledge and use of this Resurrection Flame, is one of its Guardians, as is also his Holy Mother Mary. The beloved Archangel Gabriel and his divine complement, the Archaii Hope, are also connected with this flame, the Resurrection Temple and its Brotherhood.

The Resurrection Temple is builded in circular form, composed of seven beautiful corridors encircling the Holy of Holies, upon whose altar the flame, itself, is focused. The radiation from the Resurrection Flame passes outward from corridor to corridor, lessening in intensity and power on its journey toward the periphery of the temple. Thus, in God's mercy, each group of initiates and chelas can find the corridor in which their own inner bodies are most comfortable and wherein they can absorb as much of the power of the Resurrection Flame as their particular development allows. As they advance in purity—and IN WORKS—THEY are drawn closer and closer to the center of the temple. Finally, they are privileged to stand within that flame and, utilizing its momentum of resuscitation, complete the transmutation of the human nature. Thus they become ready to dwell in the kingdom of harmony, with those who have learned to master the energies entrusted to them by God and to use those energies ONLY to increase the beauty and perfection of life.

The corridors of the temple of the Resurrection Flame are peopled by angels, the finer bodies of some unascended beings, and elementals, as well as by the Masters who have chosen to guard and develop those, who by their very presence here, have signified interest in the power of resurrection and desire to have the assistance of its radiation.

The Spiritual Law is very exact and a balance must be rendered for every added blessing of grace, understanding and opportunity. Therefore, those who desire to move toward the center of the Resurrection Temple cannot content themselves with merely enjoying the buoyancy and exhilaration which flows through them by reason of their proximity to its focus. Each beneficiary of the resuscitating power of the Resurrection Flame is carefully supervised by the Master or angel in charge of the group in which he is fitted to dwell. Those who utilize, TO THE BEST OF THEIR PRESENT ABILITY, the gifts, powers and radiation of the Resurrec-

tion Flame for the blessing of all life, are marked and those who merely absorb its essence are also marked by the supervisor of each group of aspirants.

Wise, then, is the chela who directs his consciousness toward the Resurrection Temple at night, with the heart-felt prayer that he may RE-CEIVE some of the hope, buoyancy, resuscitating power, general gifts and benedictions of that flame, BRINGING BACK into his own outer consciousness, his home, his business, his nation and his planet, a focus of that flame, which will become a radiating sun of resurrection wheresoever he is. Thus does the chela comply with the law of receiving and giving, in perfect balance!

(Note: for further information on the Resurrection Temple, please see *The Bridge to Freedom,* May 1953, and March 1955.)

EXTERNALIZING GOD'S GIFTS IS POSSIBLE TODAY Address By Beloved Jesus

December 30, 1955

Beloved children of God, I come to bring to you my consciousness of victorious accomplishment! That which I have done—that which I have manifested through a flesh form similar to the one which you presently WEAR—WAS NOT MIRACULOUS! It was something similarly ordained for every lifestream upon this planet. My endeavor to bring that manifestation of Christ-fulfillment before the eyes of men, was merely to provide an EXAMPLE by which every man, woman and child might BE STIRRED TO MAKE EFFORT toward a like development and a like maturity of their own Godhood.

One of the greatest mistakes which has "bogged down" the activity of the Christian Dispensation is the placing of Godhood upon myself, ALONE, and denying it to my fellowman. Of course, as we have come into a more enlightened age and some of the superstitions and dogmas of the orthodox thinking have been swept away by the braver men and women who opened the door to the spiritual path, there has come a spiritual realization that CHRISTHOOD IS POSSIBLE FOR OTHERS BESIDES MY HUMBLE SELF. Before I was even born into my final embodiment, THERE WERE MANY, MANY LIFESTREAMS WHO HAD ACHIEVED THE STATE OF CHRISTHOOD, full mastery and God-control, having sublimated the flesh FORM—KNOWING THE VICTORY OF THE ASCENSION! However, for the Christian Dispensation, it was my great opportunity to manifest the resurrection, which is done so easily every Spring by your nature kingdom. I

was to come and bring the Divine Presence right into the substance of Earth, developing it into a God-man, made in the image and likeness of the Father who, in the first place, created me. HE ALSO HAS CREATED YOU, IN LIKE MANNER.

The Perfect Divine Pattern

For every divine creation—whether it be angel, deva, Seraphim, or human being—there is the archetype of perfection for that creation. In the case of the human being, Saint Germain has chosen to call it "the individualized I AM Presence." This divine pattern of perfection is fashioned out of living light and within its heart is placed the immortal Three-fold Flame of Life.

Within that flame is intelligence and within it is consciousness! In lesser degrees of expression such as flowers etc, there is also a divine pattern created. If it is in the nature kingdom, the divine pattern is formed by the devas who are designing (let us say), the daffodils, which will be the glory of the country-side in the springtime. The divine pattern is fashioned at inner levels out of primal light, by the thoughts and feelings of those devas, energized by the directed pressure of some elemental life and then is focused within the bulb. The elemental, who is in charge of breathing his life essence upon the bulb, causes the divine pattern of perfection (already within the bulb) to expand, until the perfect replica and manifestation of the daffodil appears that divine pattern which is in the inner realms.

So, those who have given great honor to my particular mission might consider this with a little more wisdom and understanding. They would find that every daffodil which bursts into bloom, every flowering shrub, every tree that follows its natural pattern DOES, THROUGH THE NATURE KINGDOM, THAT WHICH I DID THROUGH A FLESH BODY. YOU, TOO, MUST DO THIS SOME DAY. Within your own individualized I AM Presence, you have your divine pattern and plan. You have been created and directed from the heart of the Universal First Cause by some great God-parents. Some of you came from Alpha and Omega's cosmic hearts, some from Isis and Osiris, some from Apollo and Diana, some from Krishna and Sofia or from Helios and Vesta. (NOTE: The above Sun Gods and Sun Goddesses are those in charge of systems closer to the Great Central Sun, than the system to which the Earth belongs—Helios and Vesta being the God-parents of OUR system. Alpha and Omega represent the Great Central Sun itself.) Your individualized I AM Presence was created in the image of the God-parents, who directed a Three-fold Flame from their hearts into universal light substance and around that flame coalesced

your glorious Electronic Body of light. Then, later, there was projected down into this physical appearance world a portion of that magnificent flame. It contains within itself (even as the bulb contains within itself the perfect design of the daffodil), the picture and the seed of your divinity and of your God-self. ARE YOU LESS, THEN, THAN A FLOWERING BULB OR A SEED THAT PRODUCES AFTER ITS KIND? Are you less than a chicken, which bursts from the egg, following the pattern of its parents? Ah, no! YOU ARE FAR GREATER.

However, YOU HAVE ONE THING which is not the gift of the nature KINGDOM—FREE WILL! Through the use of that gift of free will, YOU HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO LET the God who created you (the divine, perfect I AM Presence who is living within your heart) expand into its full perfection. From time to time, beings have been chosen at inner levels who have a certain consciousness of the capacity of "letting go and letting God" and these volunteer to come to Earth through physical embodiment to show the people the way to attain mastery, showing them how to develop into the full flower, the full bloom of the Christ.

Your Mission Similar to Mine

NOW, YOUR MISSION IS SIMILAR TO MY OWN! Before I came into the world of form, I was "charged" with a mission, to manifest unto all mankind the full perfection of our Father which is in heaven. YOU WERE ALSO SO "CHARGED" WHEN YOU WERE CREATED. When your beloved infinite I AM Presence projected down into your physical heart the Immortal Three-fold Flame, THAT FLAME CONTAINED WITHIN IT THE EMBRYONIC CHRIST, whose light we are now endeavoring to expand until it has stirred the outer self from its soul-sleep. We are trying to expand, that light to a point where its pressure is more powerful than that of the shadows of the physical and astral realms in which you presently abide.

Beloved ones, let us not feel that "becoming the Christ" is such an effort! Is it an effort for the bulb to release the green shoot, the lovely golden head of the daffodil, or the lily with its fragrance? Is it an effort for the nature kingdom each Spring to manifest the Spirit of Resurrection and, where trees with leafless branches signify the absence of life, to bring perfume and color in blossoms that garland your countryside with such beauty that it brings you closer to the Kingdom of Heaven?

Beloved ones, why is MANKIND ALONE content to allow the embryonic Christ within his heart to remain quiescent within its "shell"? Why is he content to let it remain within the "bulb" and not let the flower of his divine manhood unfold?

The perfume, beauty, dignity and gifts of God through each one should EXPAND to bless the Earth and her people—sick unto death with travail and all manner of distress.

What Is The "Second-Coming"?

ONE CHRIST IS NOT ENOUGH, even in a two-thousand year period! The "second-coming" means the awakening of many men and many women, many sincere and determined lifestreams who have had enough of their own way and who, in the privacy of their own rooms, are willing to kneel before their own God, asking that that Presence have its own way with them, externalizing the glory of the divine pattern and plan through their outer selves.

This was my message—it was my mission! It was the reason for my coming into being, the reason for which I went through every experience of the Earth life, even to allowing men to mutilate my flesh form. I AL-LOWED THIS, TO PROVE THAT THE IMMORTALITY AND DIVINITY OF THE GODHEAD COULD BE MANIFEST THROUGH ONE OF THE SONS OF MEN. This is my endeavor now, in drawing your attention, each and every one of you, to your own Christ. It is not as if you had to generate something INSIDE yourselves that is not already there. It is not as though the gardener had to INSERT the pattern and picture of the daffodil into the bulb. IT IS ALREADY THERE! The very fact that you have being and a beating heart proves that this divine Image and pattern is WITHIN YOU and it but requires the courtesy of allowing your Presence to develop to full maturity through your lifestream at this time. All over the world tonight, earnest and sincere groups of men and women have gathered together while we are endeavoring to pour our energies into their souls, dislodging in that process the desire to continue to use free will DESTRUCTIVELY!

Dear hearts, the removal of the destructive use of free will is the petition which you individually and collectively have made to the Karmic Board. I would like to explain to you that the desire to use the free will destructively (which continues to create and sustain imperfection) is in the FEELING WORLD. Thus, you may understand a little more clearly how it is possible for you, through application, to raise the vibratory action of your own world, the student body and then of mankind at large, to a point where destructive desires no longer exist. You know that the more rapid the vibrations of energy, physically, mentally, emotionally or ETHERICALLY, THE LESS OF DISCORD THERE IS. THE slower the vibratory action of the atoms and cells which make up your physical and inner bodies, the more prone they are to accept and become the recipients of vibrations of a low, heavy and discordant nature. Therefore, the accelera-

tion of the vibratory rates of your inner and outer vehicles is part of the reason for your decree work, your song and, in general, your collective group endeavors.

Acceleration of Decrees and Songs is Beneficial

When a group of students gathers together for a meeting, a great Master Presence or deva stands within the atmosphere. As the decrees, fiats and songs go forth in a fairly rapid but balanced tempo, the rate of vibration of the atoms making up your physical and inner bodies increases and there is thrown off much misqualified substance, which is instantly transmuted by the Great One in charge of the meeting. You would be amazed, could you see with the inner sight, how much impure substance of your worlds is thus transmuted by that beautiful, ever-present and all-willing Violet Fire. This impure substance has been lodged in your physical and inner bodies.

Violet Flame Around Every Sanctuary

This Violet Transmuting Flame is always blazing up around every sanctuary, once it has been called forth there, even when you are not present. It is so wonderful to know that the Violet Fire is always there. Whenever purification is called for, that Violet Flame goes into action. It frees the elemental substance from all impurities, returning it to the sun for repolarization by divine love.

Electrons, Atoms And The Four Lower Bodies

Now, to explain the activity of the atoms, we shall go back to our illustration of the electron and the atom which has been given you previously, (especially in the Autumn class of 1955). The Causal Body (represented by the circles of color around the upper figure in the Chart) may be likened unto an enlarged electron. Many of those electrons, swinging around a central core, form one atom. Between each electron there is a great distance (relatively speaking). As the electrons swing within their atom, they are either expanding their light or they are closed in by the discord and substance of the astral and psychic realm, which is like forcing pie-shaped wedges between these points of light. Now, when your thoughts, your feelings and your etheric memories dwell upon imperfection, you slow down the vibratory action of your electrons and then the substance of the psychic and astral realm closes in around them, lowering the entire vibration of your four lower bodies. In this way you become an easy prey to depression, poverty, ill-health, to any number of

the various negative aspects which mankind at large mirror and outpicture today.

Now, in order to quicken the vibratory action of your inner bodies, you must use that Immortal Three-fold Flame within your heart and you must make CONSCIOUS EFFORT to accelerate the rate of the electrons as they move around the center of the atom. This is done through your decree work, through your songs, visualizations and applications, individually or in groups. It is done, also, by a constant vigilance over the type of feelings you allow to rest in your emotional world and the type of thoughts you dwell upon. This vigilance is necessary ALL THROUGH THE DAY—NOT only during the hours while you are in class—at which time you are directed primarily by someone in charge, whose endeavors keep your attention above the consciousness of the mass mind.

The type of memories which you have and the type of physical environment, with which you surround yourself, also affects these inner vehicles. As you keep a vigilant watch over the activities of these inner bodies and you keep the vibratory action of each one of them up above vibrations of the psychic and astral realm, then there should be no difficulty in expanding the Christ Flame from within your heart. IF YOU ALLOW THESE BODIES TO DESCEND INTO THE REALMS WHERE DISCORD AND NEGATIVE CREATIONS ABIDE (THROUGH DISCORDANT THOUGHTS AND FEELINGS) THEN YOU HAVE AGE, DISEASE, LIMITATIONS AND DISTRESSES OF EVERY KIND AND DESCRIPTION.

Your physical body is interpenetrated by your etheric body. These are enfolded by your mental body and your emotional body. All of these are made up of atoms. Those atoms are composed of a series of electrons in constant motion, spinning around its tiny centripetal heart. Now, the quality of the atoms of every one of your bodies is constantly subject to change, to purification and etherealization, or to becoming more gross and more heavy. That is why individuals are sometimes very beautiful when they are young (around eighteen years of age). Their faces then are clear and unlined, their bodies are alive and buoyant, but after they have passed through the discordant experiences of some twenty or thirty years, you find that the vital flesh atoms have been lowered in vibration. This makes the flesh form less beautiful than it was before the discord was registered upon it.

Your emotional body is in a constant state of motion, as is even this seemingly inanimate lectern upon which I place my hand. Science has confirmed that THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS INERT OR INANIMATE MATTER. YOUR emotional body is made up of millions of tiny electrons in constant movement. These form the atoms.

Now, if that motion of the electrons is in accord with the rhythm of your God-Flame and is in accord with the constructive radiation of some Master, that is fine! Then your emotional body deflects all destructive feelings projected at you, as well as all the discordant energy which you contact. You are then the Master-control of all energy wherever you are! In other words, your feelings ride upon the surface of Life, just as a cork floats upon the water and it requires no effort to sustain itself in that buoyant, happy state. However, if the vibrations of the emotional bodies are allowed to submerge that body beneath the buoyant poised happiness of the Master (uninterrupted harmony), the form of atom changes and you have a heavy and uncontrolled vehicle, which is part of the mass psychic and astral realm of mankind. IN ORDER TO REFINE AND PURIFY SUCH AN EMOTIONAL BODY, THE STUDENT HAS TO KEEP USING THE VIOLET FIRE THROUGH IT CONSTANTLY!

Ways to Govern Lower Bodies

Here, let me digress for just a moment. Sometimes it is quite amazing to me to see what some people think about my feelings. My goodness! If I had been the lukewarm, sad-faced individual mankind picture me to be, I NEVER WOULD HAVE GAINED THE VICTORY. Beloved friends, divine love takes great strength! To honestly love in the face of betrayal, abuse and distress, takes great strength. LOVE IS NOT A NEGATIVE, LUKEWARM CONSCIOUSNESS which mankind so often accept in referring to the shepherd and the sheep. The shepherd is eternally vigilant and his love for his sheep takes him into many dangerous places, believe me!

Now going back again to this emotional body of which we were speaking. If you find that yours is heavy, if it has explosive tendencies and if it has various qualities in it, apt to rush off hit or miss, according to the pressures of the moment, all right! Let us be calm about it! You have created it throughout many centuries of living. It is made up of intelligent electrons forming atoms and these you have collected through ages of time. They are yours! No one can take them from YOU,—PROBABLY NO ONE WANTS TO! The very fact that it is yours, that it is intelligent and that it can be, should be an encouragement to you. Students get so discouraged the moment they see any expression of the "Dweller on the Threshold" (their own human creation) —the moment they see something in their worlds which needs correction. They go along for many years, or perhaps a whole lifetime in joy and happiness, when their strong points are confirmed, but it is the weak points which keep you from your ascension!

Dear hearts, we come to give you assistance in correcting that which

is wrong in your world and to help you create strength of character. Every time you have a flare of discordant feeling, it blasts through your emotional body, setting all the electrons and atoms ajar. What happens then? After these little electrons and atoms get over their shock, they are vibrating in a broken rhythm and any of the psychic and astral realm around them, vibrating at the same rate, connect with them and become part of the substance of your own emotional vehicle. Meantime, through the natural proximity of the mental body to the emotional, the electrons of the mental body are also set into motion and you have another set of discordant vibrations.

When the mental body is inharmonious, it tunes into other discordant thoughts and draws those types of atoms into itself. This stirs up etheric memories— somebody did the same thing to you twenty years ago, and the etheric body starts into motion (audience laughed). Well, beloved ones, I am glad, you can laugh, but this is what happens to the average chela and student in a period of twenty-four hours, once if not more often. Then, all of these discordant bodies react upon the flesh and you have indigestion, a headache or some other physical distress. The flesh body will be prostrated for the time being. Then, all over again, you have to start to recreate a harmony among the members of your household.

The beloved Maha Chohan brought out a good point of instruction, last night. You know, sometimes it is necessary for us to come together and discuss the class work, as well as your progress, individually. He said one of us should be sure to bring to the attention of the students the fact that REPRESSION OF EMOTIONS IS NOT THE ANSWER to this endeavor to sublimate the outer self. You see, REPRESSION of thoughts, emotions or actions WILL ONLY CAUSE FRUSTRATION, which will react in either physical distress, or some mental or emotional block in consciousness. TRANSMUTATION OF YOUR ENERGIES IS THE SAFE WAY TO GET THESE VEHICLES INTO ALIGNMENT. Now, you can use various methods of transmutation.

If you are a very dynamic, powerful and positive individual and you have a great amount of energy to handle, you can transmute that energy in some type of constructive service. Those of you who are gifted musically, when you feel a surge of irritation approaching, still yourself for a moment and then do something good with that energy. Play the piano, write a kindly letter, do something you know will make someone else happy, do something constructive and make the energy in the emotional body render some good service, rather than allowing it to explode in the unbridled emotion of the moment.

Please, dear hearts, do this with the mental body as well. If you have

recurrent thoughts of self-pity or depression and if you continue to go back to thought patterns of impurity (some lifestreams have more to handle along this line than others), TAKE CHARGE OF THOSE THOUGHTS RIGHT THEN AND THERE! If your mind is inclined to dwell on the negative side of life, on either impurity, poverty or limitation of any kind, put your mind to work on something just the opposite. Give it a book to read, give it something constructive to do and RE-CHANNEL THAT ENERGY to where you WANT it to go! Give your mind constructive decrees to learn and repeat. As long as it wants to work, then give it one of the books of the Ascended Masters to read and let the energy work itself out harmoniously.

The same thing is true of the etheric body. Individuals who have a lot of leisure on their hands, particularly those in mental institutions, old peoples' homes, prisons, etc. those who have not enough to do, allow the etheric body to continue to spin out records of past injuries, which have caused those conditions to manifest. The entire atmosphere in and around those places is permeated with that effluvia of depression. This is also true of students when they go on vacation or have too much free time. If the etheric body has not been fully purified, there will come out of this subconscious realm many things which cause you to feel a sense of being "hard-done-by", through the injustices of other parts of life. THIS IS SOMETHING TO GUARD AGAINST. You can do the same with this etheric body as you did with the other bodies, either use your music or your reading, or render some constructive service to your fellow man. This will keep your etheric body from that disintegrating practice of energizing past errors.

If you will do this, beloved ones, eventually you will get the electrons and atoms of all your bodies polarized and harmonized long enough to let God, through you, fulfill himself. The Godhead must get all your vehicles to a point of uninterrupted harmony long enough to allow that beautiful Presence to fulfill itself in glory, through you, in dignity and in mastery.

*(Note: The "Causal Body" is composed of a series of circles of constructive colors around the individualized God Presence of each lifestream (the I AM Presence). This Causal Body is the repository of all the good created and developed by that lifestream, including that created by the Presence and Holy Christ Self of the individual at inner levels, before taking physical embodiment, as well as all the good created, developed and expanded by the human personality through all the centuries of embodiment here on Earth (or on some other planet; if the individual came here from another Star). Beloved Jesus says in one of the Gospels in the New Testament that man shall be accountable for every word that proceeds from his mouth, also that every "jot and tittle" must be accounted for.

So it is! *Not one electron or atom escapes* from experiencing the results of the vibrations sent out by, the individual. The Law of the Circle is absolute and ALL must return to its source one day—either for purification or reward. That which is GOOD is deposited in the Causal Body and that which is discordant (because of its very density and low rate of vibration) stays around the physical body and its environment. It is this accumulation of evil which forms the astral or psychic plane! This discordant accumulation (individual as well as the collective discord in the astral and psychic realm) must all be purified and redeemed one day, before the ascension can take place. This purification is accomplished through the constant, dynamic use of the Violet Transmuting Flame. When 51% of the energy of one's lifestream has been drawn into the Causal Body, qualified with perfection, then that individual's ascension into his Presence (his source of God's Perfection) has begun.

THE MASTERS OF WISDOM SPEAK ILLUMINED OBEDIENCE

MAHA CHOHAN

One of the main sources of unhappiness, frustration and distress experienced by mankind, is the capacity to disobey the divine directions of their own individualized I AM Presence and the Ascended Host of Light. This choice between joyous, willing, illumined obedience to the directions of that Presence and the willful or ignorant misuse of their free will to create imperfection, is a personal matter between each man and his God. However, until each member of the human race comes to a personal desire to do the will of God, he will not know permanent happiness or the joy of victorious accomplishment, which brings peace, abundance and spiritual expansion in its wake.

EL MORYA

Studying the activities of the nature kingdom, any man with perception can see manifest the absolute obedience to divine Law, which makes order, harmony, uniformity and security a portion of the gifts of that kingdom to man. The Sun, moving in its cosmic orbit around the Central Sun of the galaxy, obeys the Spiritual Law governing its service and does not go off on a "tangent" into a path other than that ordained, for the safety, illumination, nourishment and sustenance of its planets. In like manner, each planet follows faithfully and obediently the rhythmic motion ordained for it in its orbiting of the Sun. The oceans rise and recede in perfect rhythm. The seasons of ploughing, sowing and harvest follow each other in dignified and orderly procession. What is man, that he shall

ignore the Creator and, establishing a rhythm of his own making, contribute nothing but dissonance to the planetary scheme of which he is so small a part?

KUTHUMI

ILLUMINED obedience differs from BLIND obedience, in which there is acquiescence based on fear of punishment, disfavor and blame. The individual who obeys blindly, goaded on by superstitious dread of punishment, is no nearer the goal of union with divine will than the arrogant egotist who accepts the promptings of his own inner desires for glory and power, as the directions of the Godhead. Illumined obedience requires a humble, simple heart, a pure soul, a quiet mind, a patient and controlled emotional world and then, the rare faculty of impersonal discrimination, which weighs the directions given against the many pitfalls into which fall the intellectually proud as well as the fearfully superstitious.

PAUL, THE VENETIAN

Man has not destroyed the conscious connection with his own individualized "I Am" Presence in a moment, NOR CAN HE REPAIR AND RE-ESTABLISH SUCH A CONNECTION IN A MOMENT! It requires patience, persistence, PURITY OF MOTIVE, a well developed sense of discrimination and a constant vigilance at the door of the outer consciousness, so that no pseudo philosophy can find anchorage in the personal self. This but delays the development of the true, permanent communion with the I AM Presence.

SERAPIS BEY

The divine plan, either for the individual or the race, will always be something which will have a permanent, beneficial effect upon the unit and the whole. Many aspirants who have come to Luxor with a desire to develop and mature certain powers, are found to have a motive of personal gain. Individuals are few and far between who are willing to actually "lose themselves" for the sake of the humanity of which they are a part. It is amazing how much the personal ego desires powers, recognition, adulation and aggrandizement and, for these gifts, is willing to undergo severe disciplines, undertaking hard and tedious training. However, we who SEE, cannot waste the time, energy and facilities of our retreat to assist such individuals. THE MOTIVE BEHIND THE SEEKER FOR KNOWLEDGE IS CAREFULLY PLUMBED AND UPON THAT MOTIVE IS OUR ASSISTANCE GIVEN.

HILARION

If one watches the courtesy of the Elohim who answer the summons of the Sun of a System and offer their combined energies to create according to the divine pattern designed by such a Sun, one sees a marvelous illustration of the developed faculty of ILLUMINED obedience. For instance, suppose the Elohim, looking upon the pattern for a universe (with several planets) desired within themselves to "improve" upon such a divine plan and create, say, nine planets rather than seven, in a spirit of generosity. This would mean that the original Sun, taking into consideration its power of centripetal and centrifugal force, would have to generate more light substance, increase its aura and carry the burden of sustaining the two extra planets thus created. The Elohim bow to the wisdom and intelligence of the Sun, offering (in loving, willing, illumined obedience) to create the universe that Sun has designed, through their combined energies and powers, without any embellishments or ramifications of their own. Thus harmony reigns in the universe! The Sun is not required to expand itself in greater intensity of light, fecundating power and energy than originally designed. A PERFECT UNIVERSE IS THE RE-SULT!

JESUS

The ego of individuals often causes them to "improve" upon a divine design created, developed and externalized by some self-conscious Intelligence. These endeavors, often well meant in the extreme, disintegrate the original perfection of the design and greatly hinder its perfect expression. The divine courtesy observed by every Cosmic Being, Ascended Master, angel and deva who are members of the Great White Brotherhood, could well be developed among the chelas and students upon the path. Every member of the Brotherhood offers his entire, combined, gathered momentum of good to every other member, to develop and externalize the divine pattern of the brother who has received it from the mind and heart of God. However, WE NEVER DREAM OF INTRUDING OUR OWN CONCEPTS UPON THAT PATTERN but rather give the strength, light and power of our own "I Am" intelligence to such a pattern, helping to bring it to fruition as its original Creator desires it to manifest. Would that mankind had the same courtesy, consideration and wisdom in serving with their brethren, in the many causes which could be of such assistance to the race, as a whole. However, the disintegrating forces within the members of such a cause are often its downfall. To work together for a common cause, without the desire to intrude variations in its expression, is to follow the directions and the nature of the Elohimic Builders, themselves.

SAINT GERMAIN

There are countless divine ideas pouring each day from the heart of God into the receptive consciousness of Cosmic Beings, Ascended Masters, Angels, devas, elementals and human beings. Each of these ideas is a seed, containing, within itself, not only a pattern which can be developed into a beautiful manifestation, but also the actual spiritual nourishment and precipitating power which can assist in the manifestation. In the case of unascended beings, however, many share these ideas before they are developed beyond the embryonic stage and they are dissipated by the doubts, fears, jealousies and uncertainties of the confidants.

Other ideas (not held firmly by a developed consciousness) are modified, diluted, distorted and literally "torn apart" by conscientious and enthusiastic fellow-workers, who THINK they know how to improve upon the delicate idea received by one man or woman. It requires a great deal of spiritual strength, confidence, faith, one-pointedness, persistence and constancy for an individual to "share an idea", in the hope of securing the added support of the voluntary energies of his fellow-man, without losing the purity of its form and the impersonal beauty, radiance and lasting beneficence of its effect upon mankind. PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF SUCH IDEAS,—BOTH that they may recognize them, accept them develop them and then, PROTECT them from either abortion, still-birth or distortion caused by the violently projected energies of well-meaning friends and fellow-workers, as well as the more lethargic resistance of the mass mind.

MONTHLY LETTER TO TRANSMISSION CLASS

March, 1956

Beloved Children Of God, Seeking A Personal And Planetary Resurrection:

I greet you and bless you for that very DESIRE to participate in the magnetizing, sustaining, radiating and manifesting of the Resurrection Flame through yourselves, your fellowman and the elemental kingdom of this sweet Earth which has so long been your planetary home.

As you have all, to some degree, contributed to the lowering of the vibratory action of the Earth and its attendant evolutions, you have the obligation and responsibility of restoring the harmony, beauty and perfection which the Earth once knew. The knowledge of the presence of the Resurrection Flame, its rhythmic manifestation through the nature kingdom each Springtime and its witnessed power as utilized by the Master Jesus, give you great opportunity to make of this flame a practical blessing to yourselves and your fellowman!

Proximity to any vibration causes the energy of unascended beings to unconsciously duplicate that vibration, unless they have become absolute Master of the energy in their own inner and physical vehicles. Proximity to UNDESIRABLE vibrations tends to LOWER the individual's personal vibratory action and, likewise, proximity to CONSTRUCTIVE, powerful vibrations tends to RAISE the individual's personal vibratory action. Thus when a chela CONSCIOUSLY directs his attention toward a God virtue and commands that his inner and physical vehicles ABSORB that vibratory action, that chela is blessed by such concentration upon the focus wherein that virtue (flame) abides. As the chela experiences the acceleration of the energies in his emotional, mental, etheric and physical bodies, to a degree he becomes a radiating center of that flame wherever his personal karma has caused him to temporarily abide.

As the process of breathing automatically expresses the absorption and radiation of life energy, it is easy to see how the earnest chela, transporting himself in consciousness to the Resurrection Temple, can draw into his vehicles (on the inbreath) the power of the Resurrection Flame. Then, on the outbreath, he can direct the substance, feeling and momentum of that flame forth to bless the planet to which he belongs. This is done under the direction of the Masters and angels when the chela is present in the etheric Temple of the Resurrection Flame but it can be done under the direction of the outer consciousness during the so-called waking state AT WILL. The more the students avail themselves of the presence and power of the various God virtues (flames) and the momentums gathered at the various retreats while they are particularly active, the more real, practical and sustained will become the result of such practices.

I AM hoping that the Resurrection Flame will become a reality in the feelings of the earnest chelas and a practical substance of qualified energy in each one's own world. By this he may transmute the various shadows and limitations of Earth-life into perfection! Let us see!

Maha Chohan

The statement for the Transmission Class of March 18, 1956, is:

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I AM	projecting	u	u	u	u	"	"	

Color of flame: Mother-of Pearl. Keynote of retreat: "A Perfect Day." Hierarchs: Beloved Jesus and blessed Mary.

GROUP MATERIAL FOR TRANSMISSION CLASS

March 18, 1956

Beloved Friends Of Freedom's Resurrection To The Earth:

God bless you! From the individualized I AM Presence of each of you and from the beloved Archaii Hope I call in, through and around you a gigantic pillar of the Resurrection Flame, sustained and expanded forever, raising you, your world and all you contact into that full perfection we all had with our Father, BEFORE THIS WORLD WAS! Consciously accept this very real gift to you and ask your Holy Christ Self to ACCEPT IT FOR YOU, letting it outpicture in your world as a permanent improvement in all your affairs. This SHALL appear, for it is called for! It in God's most holy name I AM and, since GOD IS ALL THERE IS, there is no power to oppose this decree! Think this through and FEEL the great comfort of this realization!

"Earth Hath No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Heal" is the name of a dear old hymn, which many of us have sung many, many times. It is absolutely true, of course. Since all originally came forth FROM God, then, following the Law of the Circle everything must eventually turn back TO God, there forever to remain in his ever-expanding glory always!

Nothing is ever hopeless! No disease is ever incurable! What appears to be so TODAY has a cure found for it TOMORROW and soon that partic-

ular disease or problem, as the case may be, has been mastered and its cause and effect obliterated from the screen of life. It has been said that "hope springs eternal in the human breast" and what a blessing that it does! "

There is a panacea for every ill, physical or otherwise, if mankind will persist until he finds it! One of those "panaceas" is the beloved Resurrection Flame which, perhaps because its action, is so obvious and so persistently rhythmic, mankind almost completely overlooks it as being available to him, individually, and as a people. That beloved Flame of Resurrection sweeps through all nature every Spring and stirs into dynamic action the life within the bulb and the seed. It causes that which seemed to be wholly lifeless, to be vibrant and beautiful again. What this flame does for the nature kingdom it CAN and WILL do for us IT WE WILL CO-OPERATE WITH IT AS THE nature kingdom does. Remember! That kingdom is absolutely obedient to the Presence and commands of the Resurrection Flame and so experiences the fullness of its victory. In the case of man, his refusal to so cooperate (because he has the use of free will) often stands in the way of his reception of that which would otherwise flow to him so freely.

THE USE OF THE STATEMENT of the beloved Jesus, "I AM the resurrection and the life" of whatever it is in which you wish to manifest greater perfection, WILL BRING THAT PERFECTION INTO YOUR OUTER USE if you will lovingly and faithfully cooperate with the Law of this Resurrection Flame. The use of the words "I AM" set that flame into dynamic action whenever and wherever you direct it, so USE that statement (if you want more supply, i.e. money or any good thing, for, remember, money is not all we need!) "I AM the resurrection and the life of my finances" (repeat 3 times and then follow with "NOW MADE MANIFEST.") Repeat this statement thus for five minutes each time, three times each DAY—FAITHFULLY for thirty days. Go about this as systematically as you eat your meals-never miss once-and see what that flame will do for you, even in that short period of time. Remember, GOD ALONE is the giver of ALL GOOD and IT IS HIS GOOD WILL TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM-THUS said the beloved Master Jesus! Wouldn't you like to prove this true for yourself, as well as others? You can!

Frances K. Ekey

SUGGESTED DECREE

Beloved Mighty Victorious Presence of God I AM in me, 0 Thou beloved Immortal Threefold Flame of Eternal Truth within my beating heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind and to the beloved Archaii Hope, Spirit of Resurrection, do I call:

Sweep the Flame of Resurrection through all my world today, Let its joyous, raising Presence ever with me stay! Sweep it through me constantly, renewing every part, Fulfilling all God's perfect plan that's held within my heart. Surge the Resurrection Flame through everything in me, Let it now reveal the full perfection I should be. Let it make me young and lovely, healthy, too and wise Drawing forth God's power to bring sight to blinded eyes. Let me use its power on those who cannot hear, Let that hearing be restored, perfect, crystal clear Let this Resurrection Flame bring balance to each mind That's lost its way, confused amid the shadows of mankind. "I AM the resurrection and the life of all I need", Whether that be manifest as money, word or deed. In short, the Resurrection Flame is God's great gift to me! Oh, Holy Christ Self, help me use it, setting all earth free!

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

On March 17th, we have the great joy of honoring the birthday of beloved Saint Patrick. Some of our gentle readers may be familiar with his life and experiences. If so, you will remember that it was the great Being Victory who conversed with Saint Patrick on that hill in Ireland which Patrick had ascended, vowing he would not come down from that hill until he had been granted the dispensations of mercy and light which he made there for his people. In this particular experience, beloved Saint Patrick was subjected to the initiations of constancy and perseverance. Three different times, the beloved Victory told Patrick to return to the valley from whence he had come, content with his own soul's salvation. However, Saint Patrick refused so to do—continuing his demands on the Godhead for certain spiritual assistance for the people of Ireland. He continued to storm the gates of heaven, even in the face of the celestial "rebuff" from beloved Victory.

Finally, the initiator (Victory), smilingly told Patrick that he had passed his test of perseverance and constancy of endeavor and that God's grant of mercy and spiritual benediction for his people would be his reward. Grateful, indeed, are we today for the strength of this lifestream who, as beloved Saint Germain has counseled us, "kept on keeping on," until that for which he asked was at hand! We ask him now to help each one of us who needs similar strength.

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