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Presented here is a series of addresses by the Ascended Master Kuthumi, present World Teacher, as given through the messenger of the Great White Brotherhood, Geraldine Innocente. These were given as part of the special dispensation by the Karmic Board, called "The Bridge to Freedom."

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This teaching is designed for those individuals, who are searching, in life, for the highest aspect of truth.

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THE BELOVED ASCENDED MASTER KUTHUMI
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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to the beloved Ascended Master Kuthumi, the Brothers of the Golden Robe and all Ascended Beings on the Second Ray of Wisdom and Illumination.

It is also dedicated to those precious chelas, who are ready to follow in their footsteps, to put their shoulders to the wheel, thus assisting the Ascended Host, as active co-workers in the Light, in bringing in the New Golden Age.

FOREWORD

In this publication, Ascended Master Kuthumi illustrates the relationship between a devoted student (called a chela) and a Master, how to attune to a Master and how to acquire his accumulated momentum. Beloved Kuthumi also explains, to the students, the experiences and initiations he had to undergo to successfully achieve the ascension. The knowledge thus obtained, will enable the student to do likewise, and to apply the newly-gained fountain of knowledge and wisdom in his daily life.

The student learns how to acquire the discrimination necessary to distinguish between different presentations of truth, one of the chief requirements for spiritual mastery. This publication is a valuable guide for all sincere seekers of truth, including teachers and group leaders.

Master Kuthumi's retreat is the Temple of Wisdom, in Kashmir. This focus is also used by the Brothers of the Golden Robe. Master Kuthumi, the present World Teacher, is a member of this Order. The Brothers of the Golden Robe are the teachers of mankind. Through wisdom, illumined obedience and inspiration, they formulate ideas into a workable plan, pattern and design.

This book was compiled from the dictations of Ascended Master Kuthumi. Three articles by the Ascended Masters Lord Maitreya and El Morya were added. The details on beloved Kuthumi's former embodiments are based on information gained from the "Bridge to Freedom."

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Part 1

The Guru and the Chela

INTRODUCTION

By Ascended Master El Morya

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 suggestions 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. It is far easier 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 admiration 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 limitations, you have been firm in inspiring spiritual application for the many, often hiding your own shortcomings behind a front of bravery, so as not to affect the doubtful consciousness of those not yet grounded in the 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!

THE EMBODIMENTS OF ASCENDED MASTER KUTHUMI

Kuthumi's primary teacher was Lord Maitreya, but he was also trained by Jesus, Lord Himalaya and the Lord Maha Chohan.

In Biblical times Kuthumi was Balthazar, one of the Three Wise Men who followed the Star to the birthplace of Jesus. He had transmuted his karma at that time and could have ascended then, but postponed his ascension, as El Mor-ya did, in order to bring forth, at a future date, the teachings of the Theosophical Society.

One of Kuthumi's embodiments was that of the Greek philosopher and mathematician, Pythagoras, in the Sixth Century B.C.. Pythagoras settled in Crotona, in Southern Italy, around 535 B.C. Here he established the Pythagorean Order, a school for, primarily, young people. At Crotona, Pythagoras made many important discoveries, in various fields, such as mathematics, astronomy, and music. He established the term, in geometry, later called the "Pythagorean Theorem," determined that the Earth was spherical in shape, that the Real Self was eternal and, together with a new physical body, came back into embodiment. Pythagoras taught these doctrines at his school.

The disciplines at Crotona were very strict. Much time was spent in absolute silence. The students were given slates on which to write, also using the arched eyebrow and the gesture as a response. This way they were forced to listen to the still small voice in their hearts, rather than to the sometimes riotous whirling of the emotional and mental bod-

ies. The mornings and evenings were spent in listening to the music that Pythagoras received from Vista, the Elohim of Music.

Pythagoras taught that, within the heart of each lifestream, is the real teacher and that the four lower bodies can be refined, through good music, to become a purer vessel. Through carefully trained chelas, Pythagoras endeavored to raise the vibratory action of the Earth, allowing these chelas to “step up” their own personal harmony.

The students of Pythagoras became aware that the substances taken into the body as food are most quickly felt by the physical atoms of the brain. Pythagoras taught that to achieve dexterity of the intellect, alertness of body, and illumination of the mind, the diet should be carefully prepared and adhered to.

Unfortunately, these endeavors at Crotona were not completed, because of some base and selfish destructive influences within certain lifestreams, who did not know or understand his motive.

Pythagoras saw his beautiful school at Crotona burned to the ground and within it, all the records of a lifetime—all the exquisite achievement of pupils, including art work the like of which had not been since the days of Atlantis. Marble figures had been dashed from their pedestals and crushed by vandals’ hands. Gardens and exquisite trees were destroyed—until only a rubble remained of a vision into which he had invested a lifetime.

And yet, the experiences within that life were such that,

they did enable Pythagoras to become master of energy! His teacher said, “You are now a harmonizing presence, which will never again be disturbed by any external distress nor any internal weakness. You are fit to enter my service and become a member of my court, and one day soon, if you choose, shall wear my cloak upon your shoulders!” Although the tears rolled down Kuthumi’s cheeks, as he saw his dreams destroyed, he was happy to hear that, and it helped him to hold a certain amount of peace, even in that suffering.

Master Kuthumi and other Ascended Masters urged the students of the “Bridge to Freedom” to assist their effort in purifying Earth, by expressing harmony, at all times, and to listen only to exquisite music, containing no broken rhythm. This would assist Kuthumi and the other members of the Great White Brotherhood to do their part in re-establishing the Earth as “Freedom’s Star.” As part of this effort, and as a means of attunement to the Ascended Host, the students of the “Bridge to Freedom” were given, by them, about forty melodies, which contained the keynotes of members of the Ascended Host, together with the keynotes of their retreats (temples).

Later on, Kuthumi embodied as Saint Francis of Assisi. He was a great lover of animals, and helped thousands of them to the point where they did not have to come back into embodiment. Therefore, he was of great assistance to the elemental kingdom. Saint Francis was a very patient and gentle man. He could spend hours or an entire day, observing a flower come into full bloom. Birds and other animals were drawn to him, because of his peaceful, harmonious au-

ra. He founded the Order of Saint Francis, which today pours out a continual, impersonal love for life.

Saint Francis joined the Crusades although he did not fight along with the Crusaders, because he wanted to see and bless the birthplace of beloved Jesus. He wore no armor and the knights with him thought not much of Saint Francis. Saint Francis finally arrived at the Holy Land. Here he felt the radiation of Jesus, that still remained. While the mighty army of the Crusaders prepared their plans, Saint Francis walked into the camp of the “Infidels,” where he met the leader. They stood, side by side, at the Holy Sepulcher. Saint Francis found that the Prince of the Infidels and he WERE BROTHERS. THEY WERE ONE! When he returned to the camp of the Crusaders, no one would believe his story.

From the World Book Encyclopedia we learn that Francis of Assisi lived from 1182–1226 AD and that he preached to the Crusaders at Damiette, Egypt, in 1219. After visiting Palestine, St. Francis returned to Assisi in 1220.

At a later time, Kuthumi embodied as the Indian Ruler, Shah Jahan, who built the Taj Mahal in India (1640 AD.), one of the world's most beautiful buildings. This completed the embodiments of Master Kuthumi.

Kuthumi’s final embodiment, during the days of the Theosophical movement would take place, using an etheric body, prepared and sustained for this purpose. El Morya explained to the students that it is difficult to contact man through the pure medium of the Electronic Presence, as they had to do under the “Bridge to Freedom Dispensation.” To materialize the etheric double is very easy, but to materialize

the Ascended Master Presence is a terrific shock to the chela, until he is very, very well grounded in that peace that truly does “pass the understanding of the mind.”

Master Kuthumi made his ascension when the Theosophical outpouring was completed in 1905. He has golden hair and blue eyes. His keynote is found in the melody “Kashmiri Song.” (Pale Hands I Loved.)

Kuthumi functioned as Chohan of the Second Ray until 1958. Together with beloved Jesus, he now fills the position as World Teacher. He is on the Second Ray of Wisdom and Illumination and he is a Brother of the Golden Robe.

Kuthumi officiates at the Temple of Wisdom over Kashmir, located in the ethers over the gently rolling hills of Kashmir, in northern India. This focus is also called “the Cathedral of Nature.”

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THY KINGDOM COME

"Thy kingdom come! Thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven." - Jesus.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can we know God's will, when we must rely upon the integrity, spiritual honor and purity of unascended lifestreams, who represent that will to us in so many and varied forms?

GURU—Blessed Chela: DISCRIMINATION, WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING – ALL ATTRIBUTES OF THE SECOND RAY – MUST BE CONSCIOUSLY INVOKED FROM THE I AM PRESENCE AND FROM THOSE WHO REPRESENT THAT RAY IN THE ASCENDED MASTER REALM. This causes the “Light of illumination” to arise from within the heart, which Light then permeates the mind, the feelings and the brain consciousness.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Spiritual freedom is much stressed in the doctrines of today. How can we discriminate between the personal opinions of ourselves and our teachers and your directions or that of our own I AM Presence?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The measure of your teachings and also your personal promptings by comparison with the nature of God will clearly define their origin. That which endeavors to stimulate the feelings, thoughts, actions and spoken words toward externalization of the holy spirit (as represented by our Lord Maha Chohan) are of God. THAT WHICH EVEN MOST SUBTLY STIMULATES THE LOWER BODIES AND THE SOUL TO PERSONAL AGGRANDIZEMENT AND INFLATION OF THE SEPARATE “EGO” IS NOT OF GOD.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Sometimes we feel deeply, sin-

cerely and honestly prompted to follow a course of action that may or may not be in compliance with spiritual law as presented by men and women. What accounts for this?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First, the ray to which you belong will cause you to have an affinity toward certain devotions, spiritual exercises and practices, second, the far more subtle desires of the emotions, thoughts and memories of the past will seek life, continuity of expression and importance, through securing the cooperation of your yet untransmuted soul. These promptings are often not recognized as of human origin, for the natural tendency of the evolving soul is to outpicture the subtle feelings, thoughts and human nature created through ages past. EXAMINE HONESTLY THE MOTIVE behind such promptings and you will easily discover whether they are the divine impression of the I AM Presence and the Ascended Host or the buried ambitions of the outer self.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Beloved Jesus taught us to pray “Thy kingdom come! Thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven!” This prayer we earnestly desire to repeat in the pattern of our lives. How can we make these words LIVE in our personal and group activities?

GURU—Blessed Chela: First, you must remember the other statement of your Master Jesus: “Except ye become as a little child, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven.” This means renouncing all the accretions of mental concepts, of inharmonious, suspicious and impure feelings and the acceptance of the FATHER, “I AM”, as a real, living PRESENCE! The individual must become STILL and KNOW that I AM Presence. Then, ALLOW it to flow freely through the imper-

fectly-qualified energies of the outer self. When one feels that PEACE, he is in the kingdom of heaven (harmony). There is the “false peace” of personal self-justification and there is the REAL PEACE, which not only fills the individual's world, but emanates from him as the Light flows from the Sun. This REAL PEACE need not be affirmed, claimed nor boasted about, because, in itself, IT IS PROOF OF THE ALIGNMENT OF THE OUTER SELF WITH ITS SOURCE!

DEVELOPING THE POWERS WITHIN

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, individual 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 recognize 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 recognize 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 hostelrys, 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 elder 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 stay here on Earth, 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 pow-

er 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 reorient 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? Have people, among whom you've 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 PHYSICAL WORLD? 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 self-condemnation 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.

EFFICIENT STUDY

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 accrue 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 Com-

munion 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 me 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 is 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 a 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.

HUMAN JUDGMENT

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 to live up to his own Light, and then, through voluntary study and application, raise him 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, oftentimes to the neglect of his physical well being, as well as to 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 a one must learn to balance his abstract devotions with practical mastery of the creative process of moulding, 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 a 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 CHELAS. 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 individual.

FIFTH—THE SEEMING HAPPINESS, SECURITY AND WELL BEING OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE WORLD IS BUILT UPON 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 recreate the sun, is 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 en-

ergies through the flesh. Then no other person, place, condition nor circumstance will affect their tranquility, security and peace. It is such training of the chela that often brings only a temporary relief, because the outer consciousness is so easily satisfied once its desire is met and unless the Law, itself, is mastered, no further effort would be forthcoming, as the consciousness begins, again, the spasmodic endeavor to recreate 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 ups and downs or various turns of chance of earthly experience, some of them re-embodiment 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.

INDIVIDUAL CONSCIOUSNESS

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 not! 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 by himself developing 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: Should we then be asking for 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) 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! The student may sustain his creation so long as he desires, and etherealize that which is no longer of use, at will. Such a 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 form.

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.

MEETING THE PROBLEMS OF LIFE

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 weigh 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, and even 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. It is sad, 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 oftentimes 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: Would the individual who serves willingly, perceiving opportunity, then be a 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 crisis. 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 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. Do not abandon your application, 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 a 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 must be maintained by 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, built 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 also 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.

DESIRE FOR MATERIAL POSSESSIONS

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it wrong to desire “things?” We have heard much of the state of “desire-lessness.”

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 moulded 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 endeavoring 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: Are such endeavors of precipitation 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 personal 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.

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 the outer 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 uncertainty of accomplishment, and into the delicate etheric substance that is clothing his form in preparing it for mani-

festation. 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 CAUSAL BODY

CHELA—Beloved Master: What exactly is the Causal Body?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Causal Body is the forcefield (aura) created around the individual's I AM Presence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How is this Causal Body created?

GURU—Blessed Chela: When the individual I AM Presence is projected from its God Parents, an individualized focus of the Immortal Victorious Threefold Flame of God is created. This individualized focus has the potential powers of the God-Parents, i.e. it can think, feel, create from primal life that which it desires, through the use of free-will. The attention of the I AM Presence thus created magnetizes primal life from its Source and directs this primal life into some type of constructive activity. The result of such direction (acting according to the Law of the Circle) returns to its creator and director and becomes a qualified radiation and virtue around the I AM Presence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Are all Causal Bodies alike?

GURU—Blessed Chela: NO! Each individual I AM Presence uses the prerogative of free-will and engages in different experimentations with the use of life in the seven inner spheres. The size of the various color bands, which form the Causal Body, is determined by whatever type of endeavor has taken the most energy, attention, time, application and service of the individual I AM Presence. THE LARGEST BAND OF COLOR (REPRESENTING ONE OF THE VIRTUES OF GOD)

DETERMINES TO WHICH RAY THE INDIVIDUAL I AM PRESENCE BELONGS.

CHELA—Beloved Master: After physical embodiment has taken place, can the personality, then created, contribute to this Causal Body?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Yes, all endeavor, secular and spiritual, involves the use of energy. This energy, qualified by some specific, constructive endeavor, rises, and becomes a part of the Causal Body of the individual, even when he is out of physical embodiment, or sojourning at inner levels, between embodiments.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Of what use is this Causal Body at cosmic levels?

GURU—Blessed Chela: As it forms a battery of energy around the I AM Presence of each lifestream, which energy is already qualified and charged with perfection, the Causal Body can be and is used by the Presence as a momentum upon which that Presence draws, to direct and focus its rays at Cosmic, Ascended Master and angelic realms, thus helping in the activity of cosmic creation. The more energy qualified constructively, the larger the Causal Body of the I AM Presence and thus, the greater pressure of radiation is created, which forms the drive behind the rays sent forth by that Presence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Of what use is this Causal Body in the physical appearance world?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The momentums of faith, wisdom, love, purity, concentration, ministrations or invocation in

the individual's Causal Body qualify the unascended being to serve in the progress of the race along some specific line. The release of the fully-gathered momentum of the Causal Body *through* the physical, etheric, mental and emotional bodies of the unascended lifestream is the purpose for the service of the Maha Chohan, particularly.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can unascended individuals release the good of their Causal Bodies for practical use?

GURU—Blessed Chela: *First*, by recognizing that these momentums are already gathered around one's own I AM Presence.

Second, by desiring to purify the four lower bodies, so that the I AM Presence can and will release the gifts and powers of the individual's Causal Body through the Christ Flame within the heart.

Third, by actually cooperating in such purification, by the use of the Violet Fire of transmutation and the kind services of Astrea, Lord Michael, the Elohim of Purity and all who are concerned with purification of the outer self.

Fourth, standing alone in the privacy of one's own room and raising the arms to form a cup of the upper part of the body, DYNAMICALLY “CHARGE” ALL THE GOOD OF THE CAUSAL BODY INTO THE PHYSICAL, ETHERIC, MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL BODIES, for the use of the outer self, to give greater blessing to all the life he contacts. The activity of “doing something” with the upraised hands, gives confidence to the outer self when dealing with so called “invisible powers.” Quickly bringing the hands down, allowing them to be conductors of the gifts of the Causal Body, in, through and

around the individual, gives this sense of confidence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can the individual know what particular momentums are gathered in his own Causal Body?

GURU—Blessed Chela: This is not necessary. As the individual truly begins to invoke the fully-gathered cosmic momentums of his own Causal Body, through his lower vehicles, he will gain the feeling of the positive energy from within that glorious storehouse of all good. The intellect here does not need to cooperate. In fact, predetermined intellectual knowledge is rather a detriment to this application. Just know it is there. Reach up and charge it into, through and around you, and the result will speak for itself.

CHELA—Beloved Master: What does the Causal Body look like?

GURU—Blessed Chela: It is formed of seven concentric bands of color around the individual I AM Presence. It is (as I have said before) the spiritual aura of the I AM Presence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is there any other service this Causal Body can render besides helping the I AM Presence to cooperate in the activities of creation at cosmic levels and expressing itself through the outer personality?

GURU—Blessed Chela: YES, WHEN AT LEAST 51 PERCENT OF THE ENERGY OF THE ENTIRE LIFESTREAM IS QUALIFIED WITH PERFECTION AND ANCHORED WITHIN THE CAUSAL BODY, IT ACTS AS A MAGNET ASSISTING THE INDIVIDUAL TO ASCEND. Thus it becomes the “cause” of the ascension, from whence comes its name – the Causal Body.

THE EMOTIONAL BODY

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

GURU—Blessed disciple! 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 “unforgivable” 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 individual seeks expression and ultimate mastery over energy, substance and vibration. It is better to have it as a friend and servant rather than to have it as an 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-Self. Gradually they will be trained in serving it.

(NOTE: “Chela” implies an individual whose life is wholly dedicated to the Masters' cause and service, and therefore he is worthy to be entrusted with more than ordinary power and assistance from the Ascended Beings.)

THE ASSISTANCE OF A MASTER

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 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 with 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 VOLUNTARY 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, climb 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. Is this 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, if that chela does not live up to his Light, the Master must balance the investment of his energy in a project worthwhile to the Cosmic Law. It would be better not to “court” the association with a Master unless one expects to serve mankind and the evolution of the planet, as a balance.

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. 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 a 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 be upon you.

GAINING A MASTER'S MOMENTUM

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 ALSO IN THE ACTUAL NATURE OF THE MASTER, [*which includes his feeling, Ed.*] THE RESULTS IN MANIFESTATION ARE INCREASED A THOUSANDFOLD.

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 towards 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 fully 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.

PICTURES AND STATUES

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 individual. 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: 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 available which can register the high frequency of vibration of the electronic body of the Ascended Being.

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 vestment or Western modernism. THE IMPORTANT THING FOR THE CHELA IS TO REMEMBER THE BEING WHO IS REPRESENTED, NOT CONCENTRATING UPON THE REPRESENTATION. This would otherwise lead to the exclusion of receiving the benefits of radiation which 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.

ANGELS

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.

THE ANGELIC HOST MAY BE CLASSIFIED INTO THREE DISTINCT TYPES OF MESSENGERS AND SERVANTS OF ALMIGHTY GOD. THE SERAPHIM ARE THE GREAT MESSENGERS OF THE SUNS OF THE SYSTEM. They can and do travel in full freedom from one solar system to another and, in form, they are extremely beautiful, delicate of feature and very aesthetic. THE CHERUBIM EMBODY THE NATURE OF GOD. They bathe in the radiation of any of the temples of their choice in any one of the Seven Spheres. Then, when they have learned to sustain in their feelings a particular virtue, they are directed to carry that feeling forth and radiate it to and for the blessing of all in the sphere to which they are sent to serve. The general angelic hosts are composed of those angels from the spiritual courts of every Divine Being and their service is determined by the Divine Being whom they have offered to assist, such as the guardian angels of

individuals and homes, the protecting angels of Lord Michael or the healing angels of beloved Jesus and Mary.

They are drawn by the sweet essence of love, which is emanated from the heart of man. As angels do not recognize form, it is not the empty shell of thought creations but rather the perfume, color and virtue of God-feelings which magnetize them. Thus, when a planet (still in form) ceases to radiate love, the angels recede! When a planet, together with its evolutions, learns to radiate love, the angels come ever closer into association with the evolutions thereof.

The “Open Door” through which they come into the atmosphere of any planet is the feeling released therefrom of love for God, the Universal I AM Presence and for the angels themselves. If it were not for the direction of the great Archangels and the Archaii (Twin-Flames of the Archangels), together with the love of Sanat Kumara and those who recognized the angelic host upon the Earth through the ages, the angels would have long since returned to their heavenly home. Then the Earth itself eventually would have ceased to be and her evolutions would have been thus deprived of a planetary home upon which to fulfill their divine plan.

Learning of the nature of the angelic host, accepting their help, serving with them consciously, in love, should be the assignment of every sincere chela of the Ascended Host! They are powerful allies! They are essential beings in the redemptive processes now going on in Earth's atmosphere and we cannot urge you too strongly to help us in expanding the acceptance of their presence as part of the Earth's redemptive process at this time!

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 farther and farther 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 and environment?

Guru—Blessed Chela: One individual, who believes in the existence of the angelic host, is a joy to heaven. Such a 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.

ENTERING THE SILENCE

GURU—Blessed Chela: 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.

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 one of his divine representatives.

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 ani-

mating 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 rebellious 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 pay conscious homage 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, 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.

FLAMES

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 recognition 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. [It is a flame that has been qualified by an Ascended Master with a certain God-quality, such as

truth, Ed.] 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 colors). 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 directing 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. It is then the opportunity of every lifestream to qualify the primal life passing through their own heartbeat with some specific radiating power to bless mankind. Then we become foci of the Sacred Fire.

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 individ-

ual 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. Will it be 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 the outer 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 become 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 for interest in this subject, dear to our hearts.

THE SACRED FIRE

CHELA—Beloved Master: What is the Sacred Fire mentioned so often by the Masters?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Sacred Fire is a flame consciously qualified by some God Intelligence with a specific virtue, radiation and activity which is beneficial to evolution.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Where is the focus of this Sacred Fire?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Within your own physical heart is a focus of the Sacred Fire, which is an intelligence, qualified by the God-parents who created you. WITHIN THIS THREEFOLD FLAME WITHIN YOUR HEART IS A SPARK OF EVERY GOD-VIRTUE, RADIATION AND ACTIVITY WHICH YOU CAN DEVELOP, NOURISH, EXPAND AND UTILIZE, PRACTICALLY IN YOUR EVERY EXPERIENCE. Also, there are foci of the Sacred Fire in the retreats of the Masters in this physical appearance world, at inner levels and, of course, in the hearts of all God-free Beings.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can a student tune into the greater foci of the Sacred Fire which the Masters and angels have developed?

GURU—Blessed Chela: An individual can tune into the FEELINGS, ACTIVITIES, VIRTUES AND RADIATIONS OF THE ASCENDED MASTERS BY TURNING THE ATTENTION TOWARD ANY ONE OF THESE BEINGS. Along the beam of your own life (attention) the momentum of the Masters and angels flows back into the Sacred Fire in your own heart and begins to expand that same, virtue, quality, radiation and activity

through your own physical, etheric, mental and emotional bodies. It is a splendid practice to develop the latent God virtues which are within your own “Spirit Spark” (the Three-fold Flame of life within your beating heart).

CHELA—Beloved Master: Can this Sacred Fire be contacted and seen in the physical world?

GURU—Blessed Chela: In times past, when mankind was purified, the Sacred Fire was visible to the physical sight of mankind. Various specialized, qualified foci of the Sacred Fire have been drawn into the physical world and the very sight of these magnificent flames gave faith, courage, confidence and strength to the devotee seeking added assistance through pilgrimage to the foci where the Sacred Fire was established. These days are to come again. They are a part of the new Golden Age, when temples of the Sacred Fire, will be erected and certain dedicated lifestreams will magnetize and sustain the presence of the Sacred Fire, so that all who so desire may have the blessings of their radiation.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Presently, the Sacred Fire is not visible to the student except on rare occasions. Why is this so?

GURU—Blessed Chela: This is so because man has created, about himself, a shell (aura) of slowly-moving energy and, looking through his own atmosphere, he is unable to perceive the glory of the Kingdom of Heaven, which beloved Jesus said IS AT HAND. Also, the present students have not drawn, through their flesh bodies, the luminous rays of their own immortal Threefold Flame. This, too, will be done in the future and every chela and student will be a manifest temple

of the Sacred Fire through self-luminosity of the flesh and the glorious aureole of color in the aura. At present, mankind is so intent on leaning upon outer form, that the tendency would be for him to turn toward the visible presence of the Sacred Fire outside himself (which would result in a delay to his spiritual progress) rather than turning to the focus of the Sacred Fire inside his own heart. Consciously and persistently focusing upon the flame within the heart stimulates the evolution of the etheric consciousness which we seek to develop.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Does the Sacred Fire have more than one form of expression?

GURU—Blessed Chela: The Sacred Fire has many forms of expression, dependent upon the specialized virtue, activity and service which it is to render. It is one reason why our Lord Maha Chohan has been teaching you to create “forcefields,” to specialize upon one activity of service and generally to prepare yourselves to be guardians of a specific focus of the Sacred Fire, whether it be protection, healing, mercy, illumination, faith, comfort, love or any other God-virtue and God activity.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How can a sincere student find his way into the Sacred Fire within his own heart?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Again, I repeat, he does this through attention upon this focus, acceptance of its reality, invitation to its presence to act through the outer self and sincerity in invoking the Masters and angels who are specialists in that particular virtue which the student or group desire to magnetize and radiate for the blessings of all life.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is the focus of the Sacred Fire within us “the Secret Place of the Most High” referred to by King David in the Psalms and is it the “kingdom of heaven” which Jesus taught is within us?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Truly you have spoken. In all religions, the spirit of God is thus referred to, although perhaps it is in different terminology. That spirit is always spoken of as being anchored within the heart of each one's being.

THE USE OF THE SACRED FIRE

CHELA—Beloved Master: So many conditions arise wherein I seem to find myself helpless before circumstance. How can I remedy this?

GURU—Blessed Chela: When man comes to a realization that his own misuse of energy has caused all the distress and limitation which he experiences, he is then ready for instruction upon the use of the Sacred Fire of Transmutation (the Violet Fire). Until this point is reached, he is either rebellious against God and circumstance or submissive to conditions, feeling that these unhappy experiences are the will of God. We await the realization of God's Illumination in the outer consciousness of man to the fact that he, himself, is the creator of all his distress. Then we are enabled to assist him to help himself to dissolve the cause and core of all limitations and know personal mastery over energy and vibration.

The old adage “Behold, I send my messengers before me to prepare my way” is still true.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Who and what are these messengers?

GURU—Blessed Chela: You have been taught that within your heart is the immortal Threefold Flame of God, the embryonic Christ Self. This flame has two specific powers: one, to magnetize and invoke the radiating assistance of Divine Beings, the other, to direct and send forth, before you, the powers and very presence of these beings to prepare your way. The “type” of messenger which the king or man of power sends before him will determine the happy accommo-

dations and reception of the king, himself. It is likewise true of unascended beings. If one chooses an unworthy representative, the resultant reception will be based upon the consciousness and preparation which such a one receives. On the other hand, if the king sends a man of intelligence, wisdom and loyalty, he will receive the welcome to which he is entitled.

CHELA—Beloved Master: Is it not selfish to call messengers from divine heights to make our pathway clear?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Remember: IN SERVICE EVEN DIVINE BEINGS GROW IN GRACE. THEY LOVE TO BE CALLED AND THE TYPE OF ASCENDED MASTER, ANGELIC, SERAPHIC OR CHERUBIC GUARD who will answer your summons will be determined by the requirement of your assistance, as well as by your faith in your invocation of their presence.

CHELA—Beloved Master: How do I make such a summons on the heavenly host for assistance?

GURU—Blessed Chela: *First*—By learning, through study, who these messengers are and what they can do for you, *Second*: By believing they can help you (faith in their reality), *Third*: By recognizing that, within the immortal Threefold Flame in your own heart, there is a POWER to draw them to you and to allow their fully-gathered momentum and power to radiate the God-quality of perfection, letting that flow into and through your own immortal flame, at your direction. The help which you thus draw forth from these beings will follow a consciously-directed beam of your attention to the person, place, condition or thing you desire raised into harmony, balance and peace.

CHELA—Beloved Master: After a chela understands that these beings ARE, what is the next step in enlisting their aid?

GURU—Blessed Chela: Every Ascended Master and member of the angelic host hears the slightest call (prayer, decree, invocation) from man. They are Beings of Mercy, Compassion and LOVE. They will answer, by their presence and radiation of perfection. This increases the power of the individual (through his own immortal Three-fold Flame) to direct the fully-gathered momentum and actual presence of these beings toward the conditions requiring assistance. From the Master Presences so invoked, as well as by the radiation of centrifugal force from the individual's thus expanded immortal Threefold Flame of God, SUBSTANCE flows in a directed ray to the person, place, condition or thing to be prepared by the “messengers” qualified with faith, understanding, love, purity, consecration to service, desire to minister to mankind, or purification through the Violet Fire. Thus, when the chela arrives, these wise messengers already have prepared the perfect atmosphere and conditions into which the hopeful chela may safely walk. If, however, the individual only uses outer thoughts (also energy) of fear, dread, disappointment and distress as his messengers, they, too, will act.

So, the place to which the chela goes, will be prepared according to the type of messenger which the chela consciously chooses to be his ambassador. Every unascended being has some experiences of a human nature to handle. He may try to handle them through his outer personality, but the efficacy of employing the messengers of God, who assist him in the development of the potential positive qualities

that lie within himself, is much more efficacious and permanent in results. This builds a confidence in the Christ within, as well as in the Masters' willingness and ability to assist all who call, to develop that Christ power and, in general, to handle all discordant energies by a "higher power," call it what you may.

CHELA—Beloved Master: We encounter the timid, uncertain, vacillating individual who cannot seem to accomplish anything, because of his very nature. On the other hand, we sometimes encounter the overpositive individual, who accomplishes temporary victory over others by means of mere humanly-qualified force of energy. What is the "happy medium?"

GURU—Blessed Chela: In both the above cases, the individual is working only with the outer consciousness. Jesus, himself, said: "I, of myself, can do nothing. It is the Father, the Christ within, that doeth the works." When the individual truly can accept and know that the Presence of God "I AM" is anchored within his beating heart, he allows that Presence to connect with the Father, or any of His Ascended Messengers, and then allows the POWER of such a spiritual alliance to expand through him and to do the perfect work. Consciously or unconsciously, the individual endeavoring to work alone accomplishes little of a permanent nature and, sooner or later, such a one is brought to his knees before the only power through him which can and does serve when invited, invoked and allowed to act.

FORCEFIELDS

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 individual magnetizes, through his Threefold Flame within the heart, a certain amount of life energy, which he qualifies according to free will. This energy passes through his four lower bodies, 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 – it 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 built. 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 built by the obedient angel devas and builders of form, around the thought form of the leader. Sometimes, when such a one does not take the initiative, the “forcefield” assumes the pattern of an etheric focus which previously was active in the locality. Oftentimes, 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 that these “forcefields,” such as those gathered 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 or 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.

THE LAW OF BALANCE

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 consciousness of mankind.

CHELA—Beloved Master: The members of the Great White Brotherhood 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 miss the opportunity at hand, awaiting a cosmic summons, 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 a 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 despite all your achievements 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.”

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 an individuality as well as an etheric consciousness. If the use of energy was constructive, the individual 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 individual 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 individual, was unable to fulfill the divine plan. Only when there was absolutely no possibility of utilizing the etheric consciousness of the individual, did the I AM Presence disconnect its vitalizing flame from the individual. [After this step, Ed.], the individual used up the accumulated energies of the lower bodies, and the form finally disintegrated completely. Later 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 the etheric consciousness of man to a point where the Pres-

ence 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 Board 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 Board 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 Board and appear before it. 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)

HELPING THE PLANS OF A MASTER

CHELA—Beloved Master: It is my desire to create an interest in the current endeavors of the Masters. 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. It has proceeded for millions of years, 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, achieve our purpose in your name?

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, 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, will 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.

EXPANDING 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 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 oneself 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, practi-

cally, 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 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 Father’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 souls of men instinctively recognize 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.

GROUP ACTIVITY

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 collective 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 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 individuals 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 [the shaven crown or patch worn by monks and various clerics, Ed.] help but little, but the changing of life and the mortifying of passions make a person perfectly and truly religious (Christ-like).”

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 (built into the etheric body), the race into 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 KARMA, 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. Furthermore, 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 a channel for that benediction, into the lower atmosphere. 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, WERE PERFECTED, BEFORE SHARING HIS KNOWLEDGE, ENTHUSIASM, FAITH AND SPIRITUAL LIGHT WITH OTHERS, WE WOULD HAVE NO REPRESENTATIVES IN THE PHYSICAL REALM. 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 (meet the expression of) 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 partici-

pating 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.

THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE REQUIRED

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 realm, 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 in 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.

CONSECRATE YOURSELF TO SERVICE**By Beloved Lord Maitreya, Former World Teacher**

How can I describe the association between a Guru and a chela? It is closer, by far, than any physical blood tie of mother and child, because it is built on the hope and the energies of the God-free, abiding in the full spirit of freedom, to externalize through unascended mankind a divine plan. It depends on that frail thread of energy and that consciousness, for fulfillment and externalization.

It is not enough to contemplate the beauty of the inner spheres, it is not enough to share the communion of the Saints, it is not enough to bask in the love of these friends who guard you. THIS IS THE DAY WHEN YOU MUST GIVE AND CONSECRATE YOUR MIND AND FEELING WORLD TO YOUR MASTER, and at any moment allow him to flash through it hope, confidence, courage or peace to anyone who requires it, at any instant, as you move along the daily pathway of your existence. CONSECRATE YOURSELF TO THE MASTER!

Beloved ones, there is much to contemplate in the life of your Master—there is much to embody through the energies of your own world, to intensify and increase the power of the Christ where you stand. Let us then be about our Father's business.

Let those of us who profess to love God, loose the Presence from within us, and let that Presence go free in active works! I summon you—where there once was ONE CHRIST, there now must be MANY. Where there was one Master of Light, there must now be ten billion strong. Where one white-robed figure, hair bronzed in the sun, rode triumphant-

ly into Jerusalem, stopping sometimes to feel the soft ears of that sweet donkey, and to give a blessing and a benediction as he passed—where there was one such, NOW MUST THERE BE MANY!

Join, then, with the great Beings of Light, in a consecration of yourself and of your life energies to service!

Part 2

Preparing Teachers For The Golden Age

THE TEMPLE OF WISDOM (I) (Cathedral of Nature)
Retreat of Ascended Master Kuthumi
By Beloved Master El Morya

Within the heart of the gently-rolling hills of Kashmir, in northern India, the great Lord Maitreya and his pupil, Kuthumi, draw, around themselves, those chelas and students particularly interested in becoming teachers of men. Here, under the vaulted dome of heaven, the Masters of the Golden Robe open their hearts to the pupils who have responded to the magnetic pull of love divine, and who choose to fan the fire of their own hearts' light in the presence of the Great Ones, whose particular office and service to life is to prepare the consciousness of dedicated lifestreams to carry the word of God—his nature and his purpose—to the children of Earth! It is a focus dedicated to the 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 Second Ray serves mankind by developing the consciousness of those gifted to impart *wisdom and illumination* through all the avenues and channels which serve mankind. 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.

Whether under the light of the sun, or the gentle radiance of the moon, the chosen vales of Kashmir, with their carpets of emerald green, studded with the beautiful flowers of the East, the blue waters of her lakes, the sweetness of the bird song, lend themselves to the sweetness that is the embodied nature of the Lord Maitreya and his beloved Kuthumi, as they intensify the feeling and substance of the nature of the World Teacher and convey that nature to the aspirants, who drink in their every word, in reverence and in gratitude.

Throughout the twenty-four-hour cycle, Brothers of the Golden Robe, authorized by Lord Maitreya, are in attendance, and from all over the world there come, in their inner bodies, those lifestreams interested in education, in any phase of teaching—secular or religious—and in the wisdom of the Brothers, each such aspirant is placed in a group where his own particular interest is being discussed and developed by one of the Illumined Ones, who has ascended the ladder of evolution upon the same ray as the pupil who becomes his charge.

There are circles of yellow-robed figures seated around holy men of Eastern evolution, others listening to the seers and poets and saints of every race and area. Advanced chelas, as well as Masters, offer to assist in developing the consciousness of those who have applied to the Throne of God for illumination, as expressed through the Second Ray.

Mankind, when they place their physical bodies to sleep, are always drawn toward the central focus which has formed the vibration of their waking consciousness through the day. Thus, it is not difficult to understand how the souls of men

are magnetized by these spiritual centers, when the heart and mind and feelings desire so earnestly to find truth and understanding, even while the outer self is pursuing the seemingly mundane tasks of “making a living.” Although these teachers of angels and men pursue this spiritual course all through the year, the intensification of the magnetic power of the Cosmic Christ (World Teacher) will make it possible for so many more to visit these councils, as the attention of the Brotherhood and mankind are all drawn toward the hills and vales of Kashmir and toward their illustrious guardians, during the 30-day period when the Master Kuthumi becomes host to the world.

With the return of the great Lord Buddha, guru of Lord Maitreya, who is also a Brother of the Golden Robe, the intensification of the illuminating presence, through all who tune into these great councils, will be a blessing beyond words to describe.

Once, in each twelve-hour-period, Lord Buddha, himself, Lord Maitreya, or Kuthumi will deliver a discourse. At this time, all the smaller circles, with their gurus, disband as individual units and join together at the feet of the Holy Ones, to receive of their love, their light and blessing.

May the love of Lord Buddha, the wisdom of Lord Maitreya, and the gentleness of Kuthumi enter the hearts, minds and consciousness of the shepherds of the race, the teachers of men, and the souls of our gentle readers, and there abide, until each one faces his own divine teacher – the Christ Self – which is within his heartbeat, learns to recognize its voice, follow its promptings and become itself in action, both here and for eternity.

THE TEMPLE OF WISDOM (II)

In the great sphere in which my consciousness abides, there are temples which have been drawn forth by God-beings, who have been intelligently working to further the cause of God's will since before this present Earth was drawn into being from the heart of the Elohim. Each of the seven spheres has a localized section, you might say, which deals specifically with one of the planets of the system. Within the second sphere, in its fullness, are the intelligences who evolved the perfection of the Second Ray on Mercury and Venus, and there will be God intelligences whose cosmic service will be to the planets that follow the Earth as habitants for an evolving mankind.

So far as the planet Earth is concerned, I now hold the position as Chohan of this sphere [as of 1954, Ed.] and am responsible for furthering the cause and purpose of this ray, insofar that it affects the evolution of the Earth, its nature kingdom and mankind. There are other Chohans, and there will be still others in the future, whose responsibility will be to further the activity of the Second Ray to other planets and other evolutions. (The Ascended Master Kuthumi has since been elevated to the position of World Teacher, along with the Master Jesus.)

From within the Temple of Wisdom and Understanding, Lord Maitreya (now the present Buddha) is endeavoring to reach the consciousness of the teachers of the race. We are establishing, throughout these second-sphere schoolrooms, to accommodate those lifestreams who are ready, instructing them while their bodies sleep at night. All these teachers

wear the yellow mantle of the beloved Lord Gautama and it is a beautiful and encouraging sight to see so many of the sons of men voluntarily entering these groups of students, as soon as they loose themselves from their fleshly garments at night. It keeps us extremely busy and we are always evolving new ways and means to expand our service and invite new lifestreams to join with us.

Since the expansion of the Earth's light, the Lord of the World has given us all much greater freedom to pursue those individual courses of inspiration, which we feel will help to speed up the evolution of the race. THIS TREMENDOUS RELAXING OF THE COSMIC LAW ALLOWS US TO ACT WITH A FREEDOM HERETOFORE UNKNOWN SINCE EARTH ENTERED THE REALM OF THE SHADOWS, [the Fall of Man, Ed.] and we are like children out of school, rejoicing in this freedom.

Try to come to the Golden Temple of Wisdom at night. The doors are ajar. My love is the magnet to which the nature of your souls must, by their very being, respond, and I will show you the real joy of living, that lies within the love of God and the love of His children, bound and free.

THE SERVICE OF THE GOLDEN FLAME OF ILLUMINATION

IT IS THE SERVICE OF THE SECOND RAY TO THROW THE LIGHT OF ILLUMINATION UPON THE INDIVIDUAL DIVINE PLAN OF EACH LIFESTREAM BELONGING TO THIS EVOLUTION. The Second Ray also intensifies the radiation of comprehension, discrimination and understanding, through the outer consciousness of those who desire to help fulfill the divine plan of the entire race, besides developing and externalizing their own portion of the divine plan through co-operation with their individual I AM Presence. This Golden Flame of Illumination is no figment of the imagination, but rather a specific “searchlight” of directed God-energy to make clear and distinct, heretofore vague impressions, which sometimes enter the consciousness of the earnest chela. It helps such an individual to distinguish between the promptings of his own, personal self and the promptings of his I AM Presence, as well as those of the Ascended Host of Light.

The personal self is willing and eager to accept as “gospel,” those promptings which issue from the emotional, mental and etheric vehicles that tend to build up the ego and glorify the personality. This personal self is not so willing (and, in fact, reluctant) to accept the impersonal promptings from the I AM Presence and the Ascended Host which are contrary to the concepts, opinions, preconceived ideas and desires of the unascended individual.

It is well nigh impossible to express perfection, unless one has a pattern or design to follow! THAT DESIGN WAS PROVIDED WHEN THE GODHEAD CREATED MAN IN HIS OWN

IMAGE AND LIKENESS. The service of the Second Ray is to remove the clouds that obscure the divine image and allow man to see, know and accept that image. Then, through whatever applications are best suited to the individual, he must endeavor to recreate that divine image through his emotional, mental, etheric and physical vehicles. TO THIS END, THE BROTHERS OF THE GOLDEN ROBE, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE WORLD TEACHER, STUDY THE EVOLUTION OF EACH LIFESTREAM WHO PROFESSES A DESIRE TO RETURN TO HIS OR HER GOD ESTATE. Then, a course of study and application is provided (usually through a natural channel, books, teachers, etc.) to see if the desire will manifest through action.

IT IS TO HELP IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMILITY IN THE STUDENT, THE DISCRIMINATION OF THE CONSCIOUSNESS, AND THE OBEDIENCE TO THE WILL OF GOD, THAT ILLUMINATION'S GOLDEN FLAME IS DEDICATED. Be assured that any prompting, direction, advice or counsel which builds up the personal ego, stems from the impure energies of the lower bodies or the directions of other individuals, who wish to use the weakness of the personality through such promptings and commendations. Be also assured that any promptings which tend to sublimate the personal ego and make of the individual a humble, but positive, power for good in the world of form, come from above.

It is pleasurable to enjoy the experiences of fact and fancy, but it is wise to call illumination's flame, so that you may discern between fact and fancy! When the souls of the laggards came from the other planets to the Earth, they came not in great conveyances, but through the ordinary

gates of birth! Individuals who come upon this planet from other stars and systems, (some of you have so come), did not arrive in a chariot of fire! You, gently or otherwise, came through the gates of birth! Nature's laws are always practical and never "flashy." The rising of your sun, the rise and fall of the tide, all things follow a course and a rhythm. They are not disturbed by the activities of the fancy of the outer mind!

Let us remember to ask for illumination, followed by a constancy of service, in whatever the illumination is, which is received through you. You, who have touched the illumination flame, I ask you now in kindness and in love, to call that flame forth into the outer mind consciousness of everyone connected with world conditions and national conditions, to give them illumination and then to give the constancy and courage required to use their illumination for the benefit and blessing of the entire race.

Breathe in that Flame of Illumination. Ask your own God Presence to forgive you and every lifestream belonging to this evolution, for all misuse of knowledge and power from the beginning of time! Ask that you be stripped of the capacity to use knowledge and power, and particularly spiritual power, for any personal aggrandizement of any kind or any personal gain. Accept, that all understanding you receive, all of the gifts that you are given of a spiritual nature in the way of instruction, may be used ALWAYS and ONLY for the GOOD OF MANKIND and the evolution of this planetary scheme!

If you will inwardly pledge yourself in the expansion of your power to become more humble, more loving, more willing to serve, more constant in service, more tolerant of your

fellowman – YOU WILL HAVE PEACE!

I bring to you the gift of illumination, and the two aspects of perfect illumination from the Archangel Jophiel and his complement, Constance, by active application, until the manifest form is expressed.

There is great difference between knowledge and illumination, or true understanding. Knowledge has been used through many ages, by many individual who have, through training and certain discipline, received certain powers which were used for selfish ends. That knowledge, because it works on absolute law, becomes for them a way and means by which to control multitudes of people in fear and distress and to build, for themselves, material empires. There was, therefore, in that knowledge, more of a mental accretion of fact than true illumination and understanding, which, within its very self, motivates the individual who receives it, to use it always in divine love for the blessing of all life.

You may trace the pattern and course of history as far back as your written records go. Those who accumulated knowledge but had little understanding or true illumination as to what their gift and talents and powers could be used for, to lighten the burden of the race, to hasten the entire evolution and make easier the pathway home for all the lifestreams embodying upon it. We are bringing you the flame of illumination, so that the little bit of the Law that you truly understand, that bit of the Law becomes an externalization of the grace of the Holy Spirit, of the nature of the Godhead and of the expression of your glorious causal body around your human form.

If you will accept this Illumination Flame, it will give you an understanding of all that you have been studying rather than just dry and bare facts. You can measure yourself in your studies, to see if they build a spiritual pride or arrogance, or if they build a greater humility, and if the studies make you more efficacious in helping your fellowman to understand, or if they separate you from your fellowman in self-righteousness!

Knowledge without true understanding becomes more dangerous than not knowing the law at all! If it builds into the personal self the weaknesses of the centuries, that have caused the decline of every golden age, then that knowledge is not to your benefit. If that knowledge builds in you a greater realization of your capacity to serve life, then it is being used for a good and constructive purpose and is ILLUMINED from WITHIN by the motivating power of love!

**TEACHINGS OF THE BROTHERS
OF THE GOLDEN ROBE (I)**

Beloved Children of God, the Father,

In the name of the Lord Buddha, in the name of the World Teacher, and in the name of the Second Ray, I bring you greetings and blessings of our light, which become, for you, the gift of illumination. 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 fulfill and manifest in expanding the will of God and the borders of your Father's kingdom.

YOU ARE THE SHEPHERDS OF THE RACE. You were chosen by the great Lord Maitreya because of a certain wealth of experience and momentum in your Causal Bodies. You have been given an opportunity to receive more understanding, to make you more efficacious for the spiritual work in which you are engaged, and that is, in purifying yourselves and carrying the word of the Masters to mankind.

The choice of lifestreams, who are to receive a more than ordinary blessing is dependent upon the wealth of accumulated good in the Causal Body, so there is never a mistake made when an individual is invited into the presence of the Ascended Masters and asked to partake of the spiritual food (instruction) at their tables.

As has been described to you, it is the Manu of each root race who chooses individuals for the first initial impulse of incarnation in that root race. They are lifestreams whose

Causal Bodies are rich in the particular qualities requisite to the building of a foundation of work, in the world of form. Those individuals are given the first invitation to participate in the glorious work of pioneering, while others, with a lesser store of the developed momentum of capacities and powers, come later to enjoy the fruits and the harvest planted by the valiant, the bold and the strong lifestreams, who have gone before them.

In our activity under the Second Ray, it is the responsibility of the current World Teacher to look upon the pattern which will be the evolutionary progress of the planet for each two-thousand-year period, (the entire cycle consisting of seven such two-thousand-year periods, making fourteen thousand years in all). The World Teacher then is required, through his lieutenants, to look upon and study the development of every lifestream belonging to the evolution. This is not a small task, because the type of religion and worship that are developed and externalized in each two-thousand-year cycle will depend entirely upon the capacity of the individuals belonging to the evolution to assimilate, digest and make of their own, the gift offered them.

So, when the great cosmic wheel turns in each two thousand years (the wheel making one complete revolution every fourteen thousand years), the World Teacher immediately begins to study the divine plan for the two-thousand-year period then in progress, after which, in cooperation with the Chohan who is to be the presiding Master for that cycle, he develops a system of religion, ceremonial worship, teaching and education which can best accelerate the progress of the individual and collective units who will use the Earth as a

schoolroom during that particular period.

As is evident, in the Earth's evolution, the great cosmic wheel has turned many times in its fourteen-thousand-year cycle. Initially, it was intended that at the completion of each fourteen thousand years, each new group of souls was to have reached God-maturity and attained their ascension. According to the divine plan, it would take approximately fourteen thousand years, from the time of incarnation, for one soul to achieve God-mastery.

The individual is exposed, every two thousand years to the predominant ray. The rays overlap and interpenetrate each other for a certain time.

At present, the Chohans, in the consecutive order of the rays, are: El Morya, Lanto, Paul the Venetian, Serapis Bey, Hilarion, Nada and Saint Germain. [This order was adjusted for a certain change that occurred in 1956, when Sanat Kumara left for Venus, Ed.] We have now entered the cycle of Saint Germain [which started in May of the year 1954, Ed.].

Of course, the present Chohans have not held these offices from the beginning of time. AT THE FIRST DESCENT OF MANKIND ONTO EARTH, THE SEVEN GREAT ARCHANGELS HELD THE OFFICES OF THE CHOHANS. Then, as various lifestreams evolved, the Perfected Ones of the race assumed such offices, giving freedom to the Archangels to serve in other fields.

The divine plan is that the fourteen-thousand-year cycle, as the wheel turns, is necessary to nourish the seven ganglionic centers within the consciousness and the vehicles of

man, and to make him, at the end of the fourteen thousand years, a God-dignified prince, similar to your Master Saint Germain, Lord of the Seventh Ray.

You will see that, as mankind has inhabited the Earth for millions of years, we are far behind in the progress of the entire evolutionary scheme, but now we have come to the turning of the cosmic wheel, again. The Sixth Dispensation governed by the Master Jesus, has actually closed, and the opening of the outpouring of the Seventh Ray has begun. With the details of this you are familiar, so I shall not burden you further, except to give you the aspect of the activity of the Second Ray in connection with this Seventh Ray service.

When Lord Maitreya began to design the world religion, with the Ascended Master Saint Germain, for his Seventh Ray Cycle, they had to take into consideration, first, THE AMOUNT OF ETERNAL LIGHT THE PLANET EARTH AND HER PEOPLE WERE REQUIRED TO GIVE FORTH BY COSMIC LAW, OR BE DISSOLVED, and, second, the capacity of mankind (the ten billions belonging to this evolution) to receive and understand the deeper instruction given. This was no easy task, because the climax of the fourteen-thousand-year cycle should have been reached, and every lifestream already developed, to the status of a Christ, under the Sixth Ray.

Every man, woman, and child, already under the Sixth Ray, should have manifested the mastery that you have seen expressed through the Master Jesus. Then, as the Seventh Ray comes in and the ceremonial activity is developed, the entire evolution should have been ready to participate in the glorious cooperation between the visible angelic host, the

divine God-men and God-women, and the shining elemental kingdom.

You can see how far short of this even the shepherds of the race (forgive me) are. YET, WE HAVE BUT A FEW YEARS to raise at least the shepherds, to a point where the instruction of the new day—the divine ceremonial activities of Saint Germain—can be anchored through these shepherds and then brought intelligently, by them, to mankind. However, at this point, we are fortunate that there are some men and women on the Earth who are even willing to listen to us.

My beloved brother, El Morya, and I have worked since early in the Nineteenth Century, to reach the consciousness of mankind. You are familiar with our endeavors through the Theosophical Society, which we bless forever, for having at least given an intellectual knowledge to so many people in the occidental world. We are grateful, also, to all other channels who have faith in us, for there is no way for the spiritual Great White Brotherhood to reach the mankind of Earth, except through some members of the human race who yet wear bodies of flesh. We must use your lips, your bodies, your consciousness, the conviction and faith of your feeling worlds and the clarity of reception in your mental bodies, to convey the pattern and plan for the New Era. You will see, therefore, that THE GREATEST INDIVIDUAL SERVICE YOU CAN RENDER US IS TO PURIFY AND HARMONIZE YOUR OWN VEHICLES, THAT WE MAY HAVE THE FREEDOM, THROUGH YOU, AND THROUGH YOUR FAITH, TO REACH MANKIND.

We are endeavoring, in every way possible, to present the activities of the various members of the Brotherhood to

and through you. Lord Maitreya and Saint Germain, in discussing these plans of activity for this new activity (The Bridge), determined, among other things, to bring the Ascended Masters through the veil in feeling, so that you can feel us as living, breathing beings. To this end, Lord Maitreya requested that we might share with you, certain personal experiences which we went through, by which we gained our victory, as well as certain happiness and also confusions, like those many of you are undergoing at present, by means of which disciplines we, through determination, raised ourselves to our present perfect estate (ascended master consciousness).

Beloved Lord Maitreya further desired that the students be made acquainted with the specific activities of the various members of the Hierarchy. We are all specialists by training, and when you reach this understanding, it will relieve you of the tremendous feeling of personal disquiet and human jealousy which some individuals manifest, with regard to the accomplishments of others.

Even WITHIN THE ASCENDED MASTERS' REALM, BELOVED ONES, WE ARE ALL SPECIALISTS. That means that we have taken primal life, which is the beat of the immortal Threefold Flame in our hearts, and invested it in certain activities, thus becoming masters of the constructive qualification of energy along specific lines. This, in turn, has builded into our Causal Bodies certain momentums of specialized energy that, like money in the bank, is ours to use and call forth when the requirement of the hour demands it. You, too, each and every one, are specialists in a particular virtue. Your own Causal Bodies contain certain momentums which you have builded

into them, through services in the various temples, perhaps in the Healing Temples, or in the political world, or the avenues of mercy or education, or whatever the service may be. Being specialists, as expressed in your diversified Causal Bodies, you have been chosen, as a woman would select a bouquet – each beautiful flower blending with the other – to make a great harmonious whole, the very blending of the colors and perfumes, the shapes and the fragrance making that bouquet an exquisite thing for all to see.

Thus have Lord Maitreya, Saint Germain, El Morya and every Master, connected with the fashioning of the heart-center of this new activity, looked upon the Causal Bodies of each of you, and have drawn you together, that the specialization of your own good might become part of the strength of the whole. IT IS A TREMENDOUS THING, BECAUSE THE BLENDING OF THE GOOD OF YOUR CAUSAL BODIES WILL BUILD INTO THIS “BRIDGE” THE STRENGTH REQUIRED TO CARRY THE WEIGHT OF THE ENTIRE RACE, THAT THEY MAY PASS INTO FULLER AND MORE PERFECT FREEDOM.

Speaking of our specialization, except for the esoteric students, mankind has not understood much of what the various Chohans, Archangels, Elohim and members of the Brotherhood have done or are doing. So, Lord Maitreya has asked us, whenever we are given 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 I have worked out a course of religion and ceremonial worship which we are endeavoring to direct, through this heart-center, into the consciousness of interested people, and later, by contagion and example set

by our chelas, into the consciousness of all mankind.

It is regrettable that, so far, so much of our energies have been used in the coaxing of the reluctant energies of the various selves of the student body into any semblance of unity. Thus, we have not been able to bring forth the beauty of the ceremonial worship, which I know will delight your hearts. However, at this point, we feel that that unity, harmony and oneness, which come with understanding, will perhaps give us a platform upon which we may build in the future.

You are men and women who have left the mass-mind, for one reason or another. I know you all well, having had association with every one of you through the centuries, and I love you very much.

Now in this embodiment, you have chosen to rise up, throw off your child's estate, face God and ask for your reason for being. That is a magnificent initiation and accomplishment. Do you know that no angel, Master, deva, or elemental would presume to ask for life, or the sustaining of that life, without knowing his reason for being? Then they strive that all of that life be dedicated to the fulfillment of that very reason and purpose.

You, beloved ones, are developing, within yourselves, a respect for life, a reverence for the Source of Life, and an honor and integrity toward that source. Allow me to suggest that you ask, every morning and every free moment through your day, that you may be shown, the reason for your being. When that is made manifest to you, you will not be dishonest enough to take or use any part of God's life for any other

purpose. You will so live, that you will not allow any words, acts, thoughts, or feelings to benefit only yourself, nor to swerve you from the path, but rather you will see to it that every electron will fulfill your reason for being. When this time comes, you will have made the great surrender.

Then, no matter what the challenge of the day, resting in that serenity, knowing your reason for being, you will expand your Light to widen the borders of the kingdom of God on Earth, and bring the words and understanding of the Ascended Masters to mankind. You will not be weary, you will know no discontent, loneliness, depression, selfishness, or sorrow. You will be like the angels, the Masters and the devas—JOYOUS. You will have found your reason for being—to do THE WILL OF GOD.

We, the Ascended Masters, shall be most joyously grateful when every student has learned the reason for his being, and has consecrated all of those vital energies that flow so freely, to fulfilling that reason. That will come, in time. We have learned to be patient, for we have waited so long. That patience you, too, will learn before you walk, innocently, into the resentful energies of the masses, to carry your light. You will wear the garments of patience. That selfless benediction of love, from our realm, will enfold you, and your victory will then be assured.

I am asked, again, to be commentator upon the activities in the heart of the Royal Teton. I was the first one given the opportunity of describing the Transmission Flame Activities, and I have enjoyed it, extremely. I am, therefore, rather familiar with the process, and so shall endeavor to give you a

“bird's eye view” of the activity today (July 1954).

The Karmic Board, as you know, listens to the great petitions from the hierarchs of the mighty retreats throughout the world. Everything works in sequence—in ordered service and precision—in the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, our great spiritual Lord, Sanat Kumara, and the court at Shamballa, presented their petitions first. They had to do with the vow which was taken, voluntarily, by the entire evolution of Earth. Three hundred million lifestreams were chosen, by the Karmic Board, to incarnate in the following twelve months.

Through the intercession of unascended beings and the calls that were made, these three hundred million stood together, before the Temple of the Sacred Heart of the beloved Mother Mary, and they pledged the Threefold Flame a vow, that when they took embodiment they would live to serve the Lord of the World and all unascended life.

As they took that vow, and as the unascended beings sang that glorious song to the Threefold Flame, the little flames within the embodying spirits' hearts, expanded, until they were visible through their white garments. Those were the individuals, in their etheric bodies, awaiting embodiment. So much light was drawn in enthusiasm, that the entire evolution (the ten billion individuals belonging to the race) gathered around, and a great many others also took the vow.

Sanat Kumara asked, as his petition, that a brother from Shamballa be allowed to stand by every lifestream incarnating, to help him or her to fulfill that vow through the flesh, (because, beloved ones, you have taken many, many vows and broken them, all through the ages).

You, the guardian spirits, vowed never to let a shadow touch this Earth, yet look at her today! So, vows taken lightly, when you are in the freedom of the etheric body, are not always remembered when you wear a heavy garment of flesh. It was the petition of Sanat Kumara that the Brotherhood at Shamballa come in with the incarnating individuals, stand in the aura of the parents, establish a pulsation in the homes where they are to be born, and see that not one fails in that vow. It is a most magnificent thing.

The beloved Lord Gautama then made his petition. ONE LIVING BUDDHA—ONE GOD-FREE BUDDHA FROM THE INNER REALMS—OFFERED TO INCARNATE IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS. This is a being who has no karma and has no reason for embodiment. He was accepted! Lord Gautama's petition was for the protection of this blessed incoming being and its parents, for assistance from his (the Lord Gautama's) cosmic heights, to see that this child matures (say, in about twenty years from then) and renders a great service to this planet and her people.

Lord Maitreya made the petition for the restoration of the divine memory of the shepherds, for those of you who came from other stars and planets particularly, because you, too, made a great sacrifice, in that you came to Earth to help mankind and now you have also forgotten the way back home. He asked that your perfect, divine memory be awakened—which included the memory of all the mastery that you knew, in your I AM Presence, before taking [the first, Ed.] embodiment, and the mastery you knew on Atlantis and Lemuria, the record of which is in your etheric bodies—be restored to you, to flow, again, through your outer minds.

He also asked that those of you, who were with our beloved Jesus, might again vitalize and externalize miracles similar to those the beloved Master performed. He further asked that when an individual of great light passes from the body and chooses to incarnate again, the wealth of his consciousness would be at his fingertips, and he would not have to go through the slow process of growing up to maturity and drawing it out of the etheric body, again.

Your beloved friend, the Maha Chohan, has asked for many grants. Due to your time limitations, I can give you but a few brief outlines. He asked that, through Pallas Athena, TRUTH that has never come forth on this Earth before, might be revealed through “The Bridge Activity,” through the cooperation of the students in magnetizing this truth, and through the cooperation between the Ascended Masters and students in bringing it forth.

He has asked for a dispensation (because it is his service to breathe the first breath into the infant's body and to take the last breath from the individual passing out, in the change called “death”) of painless birth, and happy, fearless death, as long as the latter must ensue. He has asked for schools to educate the imprisoned elementals who are, at present, so antagonistic to mankind and who form the cause and core of the cyclones, earthquakes, tornadoes, tidal waves, and various destructive cataclysmic activities—for he feels that if these elementals can be won over and illumined, they will no longer have that feeling of rebellion and desire for retaliation toward mankind.

Through this activity, many cataclysmic changes might

be averted that would otherwise occur. He requested, again, as you students of Saint Germain have, authority from the Karmic Board and Helios to remove the energy and life from the destructive substance that grows on the surface of the Earth, such as poisonous plants, particularly those from which narcotics are produced. He took a long a time in the presentation of his many petitions. It is interesting to note that the Karmic Board, throughout the hearing, maintains a most impassionate expression o their countenance. After the plea is heard, however, they ask who, among the assembly, would choose to join in the petition and the responses of those who do, are recorded in their consciousnesses. Later, after all the petitions are heard, they confer together and make their decisions on the various grants.

Beloved Oromasis has also asked for a dispensation. He has secured a great number of fire beings (salamanders), and he has asked for a grant to immediately dissolve every deceased form, as soon as it is buried in the ground, so that it would not be necessary for the elementals to work on that decaying substance.

OUR BELOVED ARCHANGEL MICHAEL, AS YOU KNOW, OFFERED TO FREE YOUR LOVED ONES FROM THE NECESSITY OF RE-EMBODIMENT. I MIGHT SAY, THIS GOES BACK THREE GENERATIONS [The students who founded the “Bridge to Freedom” Activity, and who formed its initial impulse, were promised, by the Ascended Host, their ascension at the end of their embodiments, together with the ascension of their close relatives, going back three generations, Ed.]. Lord Michael asked for and received permission to bring all of these blessed ones from the Ascension Temples, where they have

been studying, to stand before the Karmic Board and ask if it saw a change in these people, who have been given the privilege of association with the Ascended Masters and the Violet Flame.

He is going to ask that every lifestream who passes from this Earth may not have to come back at all, so that the mankind of Earth may be freed as quickly as possible, thus permitting the new root races to come in, go through their evolution once, and finish off the cycle, quickly. All of you have loved ones within those Ascension Temples. We will appreciate your using the Violet Flame on their behalf. Many beautiful things take place within the Teton Retreat.

God be with you today, and every day.

**THE TEACHINGS OF THE BROTHERS
OF THE GOLDEN ROBE (II)**

Beloved Friends,

I bring you, today, from the Brothers of the Golden Robe, my gift and theirs, the gift of an understanding heart. Contemplate that! In the earnest, sincere application that you make, walking along life's way, how many truly understanding hearts do you meet? Moreover, how many can you count in your association throughout an entire embodiment? We, upon the Golden Ray, endeavor, through the service of our collective and individual instruction, to widen the capacity of the chelas to understand the upreaching hearts within mankind, within imprisoned angels, within small elementals, within those who have passed through death and wait at the gates of birth, and, as the understanding grows, tolerance grows with it. Then, love naturally ensues in the consciousness of the individual who has developed an understanding heart. Dear ones, to understand the motive behind action is to treat a situation with a great deal more of God-love, God-wisdom, and God-authority.

To allow orthodoxy and accepted mental concepts to close the mind toward the growth of understanding—through fear, through superstition, through bigotry and the various activities that seek to hold the mind riveted upon one aspect of truth, not allowing the consciousness to grow through understanding of the other members of the race, their conditions and their past experiences with their racial and karmic backgrounds, and everything else that makes them what they are today—is not the way of love and wisdom.

We are endeavoring to widen the scope of the human consciousness as a whole, and this day, throughout the entire world, angels from the temples of Lord Jophiel are coming into the atmosphere of Earth and into the aura of individuals who hold positions of trust and authority of every nature, everywhere, so that we can endeavor to give peoples of every nation, every race, every nationality and background, a greater understanding, one for the other. THERE CANNOT BE MANIFEST A TRUE WORLD BROTHERHOOD, UNTIL AN UNDERSTANDING HEART IS DEVELOPED THROUGH THE OUTER CONSCIOUSNESS OF MANKIND privileged to be embodied upon the Earth today, especially in that of the future teachers.

This does not mean that you should be indiscriminate. It does not mean that you should loosely follow all sects and credos, losing the contact with the Ascended Gurus, but it does mean the development of a sense of discrimination, discretion, and an understanding love, that enables you to stand firm upon your own path, convinced, within your heart, of the truths you have been privileged to learn, yet able, like the teacher in school, to understand the requirements and the immediate instruction to the pupils. How much do you know of the cultures of Asia and of their poverty and limitations?

As the beloved Morya told you, some time ago, there might be an instant request for you to go, as his envoy, into Asia, Tibet, China, South America, or any of the places where there is great need! How much understanding do you have of the background or the nature of the various people whom you may be called upon to serve, whom you will be called

upon to instruct, to whom you will be called upon to present this truth, building it upon the foundation of their own already-accepted doctrine, finding the heart-truth within that doctrine and building thereon?

For instance, in the Christian world, it is easy to take a text from your Bible and build around it, some aspect of cosmic truth. Individuals who are within orthodox channels feel a foundation and a firmness in instruction when you have a script of their own doctrine upon which you can elaborate. It is the same with the Buddhists, with the Mohammedans, and with every group of individuals who have learned, from childhood to maturity, how to develop some aspect of worship of the Deity. When you come to them with the greater light and greater understanding, you must have a common ground of meeting with their consciousness. “Ah,” but you say, “that common ground is our love, and we will need no words.”

It truly will be so, when we can say that your love is intense enough, when it has expanded, through the power of the Gods, through the development of the Holy Christ Self to a point where your own physical vehicles, your mind, your feelings and all the energy in your etheric bodies are a radiating center of love. Then you have developed an understanding heart, a radiating presence of the Christ made manifest, and there will be no need for words.

Until that time comes, I ask you— those of you who love the Light, those of you who have followed the beam of light from the heart of the Ascended Ones, throughout the course of not only this embodiment, but of many that have gone

before—do not be reluctant or fearful of learning a little of what goes on around you, in order that, in a split second, on an instant, when the requirement comes, you will be able to meet all individuals on a common ground and build upon their aspect of truth, developing it into maturity.

Now, in the Golden Sphere, where the great teachers, under the aspect of the Second Ray dwell, there, between embodiments, gather those whom the Karmic Board have sent to us for instruction on the Cosmic Law. Here individuals gather together individuals who are to come into embodiment shortly, and here they learn the meaning of the coming of the Universal World Teacher. Here, in the temples of the Brothers of the Golden Robe, all incarnated souls are instructed, while their bodies sleep at night, and they absorb the teachings they will be called upon to impart, as well as the requirements of the moment, to the multitudes. The brain structure of the physical body usually does not vibrate quickly enough for the etheric garment to convey, even to the most earnest chela, the fullness of the instruction received.

As the Violet Transmuting Flame is used, as the electronic substance of the flesh body is quickened, as the brain, itself, is purified and the electrons moving around the central cores which form the atoms making up the skull, become pure enough, they become more receptive to the divine direction from the individual I AM Presence and the Ascended Masters, AND THE ETHERIC ENVELOPE, WHEN IT ENTERS THE FLESH BODY IN THE MORNING, CAN AND WILL BRING THE FULLNESS OF THE MEMORY OF THE INSTRUCTION GIVEN AT NIGHT, INTO THE OUTER CONSCIOUSNESS. When this occurs,

there is not that sense of forgetfulness which so many students deplore.

At present, however, forgetfulness is really a mercy, because, dear hearts, you have enough to handle in the unpleasant experiences you have had in this embodiment, through association with individuals with whom you have come in contact, without having the remembrance of all the previous contacts you have had with them, since man first fell from the state of grace. Therefore, there is great mercy, wonderful mercy, in so-called death, and in the dropping of the bands of forgetfulness over the centuries that have been, wherein there has been distress. There is even mercy in the present state of your evolution, while you are not in full control of your vehicles—there is mercy, I say, in your not remembering the full glory that you have while you are out of the body at night.

For instance, when you go to the Rocky Mountain Retreat, when you salute the great Lanto, when you meet in the council hall with the members of the Spiritual Hierarchy and discuss with them the magnificent plans and petitions that are to be developed there—when you associate with the angelic host and you see the magnificence of that retreat it would be very difficult for you to come back to a rather monotonous, mundane existence in the morning, with the full cognizance and remembrance of the freedom you enjoyed at inner levels.

It is difficult enough for advancing chelas to stay within the confines of the flesh, but were there more freedom allowed to enjoy the bliss of the inner realms, there would not be so much manifest expression in work well done down

here. That is one of the weaknesses of the oriental culture—the enjoyment of the raised consciousness, contemplating the beauties of the higher spheres, but refusing to translate that beauty into manifest expression. For instance, in the India we love so much, there are many holy men, oh, many holy and true, but yet there is much poverty. Many teeming millions die of actual starvation in India. There, we have the contrast between the ascetic's radiation pouring upwards, and the backwardness, shall we say, of the great mass of the people, excepting, of course, in the large cities like Calcutta, New Delhi and Bombay, which cities have been infiltrated by Western culture.

In the Far East, there is that decline because the tendency of the chela is to try to raise the consciousness into a state of heavenly bliss (nirvana), but yet not follow the example of the great Gautama, who, himself, tells of having reached the Ultimate, and then, returning, bringing that Ultimate forth for the blessings of mankind. That is why the beloved Morya and myself and those of us, who organized the Theosophical Society, looked to the West for some strong vehicle to whom we could impart some of the wisdom of the ages, and begin the presentation of truth of the Ascended Masters of Wisdom through that society first, and then on upward unto the present day.

It is the Western consciousness that, grasping this understanding, is helping to create, for Saint Germain, on this Earth, the kingdom of Almighty God. You live in it! You dwell in it! You come sometimes almost consciously into its presence but, in between, you are serving in a world that cries with pain.

MASTER KUTHUMI'S EXPERIENCES AS ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The minds, hearts and consciousness of many of mankind dwell with kindness, with reverence and with perhaps, a little awe, upon the lifetime of St. Francis of Assisi.

Because this mass consciousness is directed toward the experiences of Francis, it stirs the etheric and akashic records within my own consciousness and brings forth again, the sweetness and beauty that I was privileged to feel through touching the hem of the Christ Consciousness.

In Assisi, I belonged to a class called, by the mind of the senses, "the nobility," which title, however, was shallow and empty of the inner meaning. I well remember, during those gay and carefree days of my youth, how there pressed upon me, from time to time, a passing breath, that contained an illusive scent and feeling of another realm, to which, somehow, I felt that I had once belonged. As this experience intensified, the "richness" of my daily life palled upon my senses and an unrest rose within me, that sent me often and more often into the beautiful countryside, where my soul seemed to experience a temporary peace and this yearning and searching fire within me was, for the time being, assuaged.

I can remember yet, lying on the green grass by the side of a small, but very clear stream and hearing the rustle of the wind in the trees above my head, while my soul, yet bound to the body, hovered on the brink of eternity—reaching, reaching, reaching toward an indescribable and unexplainable SOMETHING of which I knew not, but which my soul, in itself, sought, knowing no restraint of reason.

Those months and years, when the body and the soul were at odds, were strange and restless ones, for, when the body sought its pleasures, the soul was distressed, and when the soul would burst its bonds of flesh, intent upon an individual search which reason could not understand, the body, like a sulky child, restrained its pinioned wings and deliberately set obstacles before its groping, upward reaching. There was no peace within me, and, according to my family and friends, there was no peace around me, nor in my company, for I was torn between allegiance to both these factors, that seemed determined, in themselves, to secure supremacy over my going out and my coming in.

This day I speak of, when the sky was blue and the wind was not aggressive, but gliding through the trees in playtime fashion, the soul within me (which always received the greatest impetus in the cathedral of nature), was in the ascendancy and my outer self, like a good-natured baron, contemptuously allowed it a few hours of freedom. All at once, during her faltering, stumbling flight, searching, seeking, reaching, there came a great light and within that light was the perfume—the fullness of all that my soul had sought.

Within it, also, stood a beautiful being, whose outline became clearer as the trembling of my heart was stilled and then I saw the most beautiful face that ever God ever created. Then, I somehow knew that, in that majestic Presence, I saw myself as I was meant to be and the words spoken, so many centuries before, swept through my memory, “This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased,” and I also realized that this shining vision set before my eyes, was the Father’s example of what all men should become.

The great Master Jesus (for it was he) did not speak, but yet the love that poured from his presence filled me with a courage, a strength and a feeling that, from the shapeless mass which I yet expressed, there could be fashioned such a being as he. I felt the presence of the Father and I knew that in Jesus, the Father had given us a glorious manifestation of himself, hoping that it would bring to our remembrance the glory we had with Him, in the beginning.

The vision vanished and I felt that I was no longer alone, but that I had a purpose and a memory that became the impulse of my life. No longer was there a question, but that all my being must now be bent toward becoming the son. I knew that not only the Father, but also the beloved Jesus, filled my spirit from that hour henceforth, and all the miracles that have been accredited to "Francis," are but the blessing of the Holy Trinity, which, through me, endeavored to bring to mankind's attention, again, the example of the beloved son in whom the Father was well pleased.

Perhaps this simple, homely talk may give you, my friends, a little courage or comfort, and, perhaps, in a major sense—"purpose."

May I again offer you the blessing that has become associated with my name!

May the Lord bless thee and keep thee.

May He show his face to thee and have mercy on thee.

May He turn his countenance upon thee and give thee peace.

May the Lord bless thee. Amen.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCES OF KUTHUMI
AS ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

In my days in Assisi, the great Crusades were going on, to draw the Holy Sepulcher from the hands of the infidels. I, among many hundreds and thousands of greater men, marvelous warriors, knighted soldiers and crusaders of merit, within my own heart, felt that I, too, would like to see and bless the birth place of that great and beloved Jesus, who had given to me illumination and that freedom which I knew. So, I proceeded, as best I could, with nothing but my habit and that which the kindly folk along the way provided in the way of food, securing, by constant and conscious prayer, passages in various boats and parts of various caravans. I admired much the magnificent armor, the blazing swords, the shining helmets of all those brave men who wore the cross of the Crusaders. They never thought much of me. We finally arrived at the Holy Land. Never shall I forget, when I placed my feet upon that earth, and felt the pulsation that still remains, from that vibrant figure who walked that earth some centuries before.

While the mighty army of Crusaders prepared their lavish plans and were gathered together, whetting their swords upon the stones, and while they fitted their coats of mail, I WALKED ACROSS THE FORBIDDEN LAND AND I MET THE PRINCE OF THE INFIDELS – and we stood, side by side, at the Holy Sepulcher, and do you know, WE WERE BROTHERS, WE WERE ONE! When I walked back, the Crusaders asked me where I had been, and they were amazed and disbelieving.

In my life in Assisi, I had all the wealth and happiness of

a young man of good family, surrounded by gentle folk, and my life knew naught of the thorns of oppression that often turn people to God. The godly impulse began to awaken, within my heart, without any invocation, except, that which I now know came from my mother's heart. When I became immersed in the deep, devoted love for Jesus, my life became one of strange calm and inner peace, which continued to grow as I left the ways of men and entered the heart of the silence. For many years, this unfolding presence expanded within me. Never by preaching, BUT BY RADIATION did I secure a disciple! For me, the path of the silence was not one of repression or suppression, but the beauty of God's presence in my heart was so great, that my outer self was in a constant state of loving adoration before the gift that God had afforded me in that unquenchable burning flame.

I felt so AT ONE with that flaming presence. I learned that I could find it burning in the hearts of all I contacted. Through their eyes, I saw the reflection of the love of God that was within my Presence. It was found in the flight of a bird, or the patter of the wild folk of the forest. In all of that, I heard the pulse-beat of my father's heart and as I entered deeper into a grateful submission to this power, that began to flow through my arms and entire being with a warmth and a peace that made me seem constantly held within the embrace of an angelic form, I began to hear and see through the veil!

When a man is accorded this privilege, he finds no need for words. Sometimes after six or seven days, as I walked through the woods, I would find that seven or eight disciples would have joined me and walked silently in my aura. I

would accept them and break bread with them in the silence! They said that somehow they were uplifted beyond the thinking of their minds and the feeling of their bodies, and they were able to see and know more of God when they were near me.

Thus, I pursued a singularly-quiet course, and the great numbers of monks and sisters that formed the orders of Saint Francis were endowed with the spirit of that great all-encompassing life which I, myself, endured. In the homes and hospitals of Saint Francis, there is that continual out-pouring of impersonal love of life.

THE RAY OF WISDOM

By Master Kuthumi

The Ray of Wisdom, of which I am but one facet, is little interested in the world of man. It does not deal with knowledge—which is an accretion of intellectual facts—nor mental genius. True wisdom comes from facing the Sun within, and drawing forth the conscious realization that all reality, truth, beauty and understanding may be found within the flame of one's own heart! BY LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF THE SILENCE IN HUMBLE AND SILENT REVERENCE WITHOUT MENTAL CONCEPTS OR EMOTIONAL RESTRAINTS, ONE BECOMES IMBUED WITH WISDOM. THE WISER ONE BECOMES, THE MORE SILENT IS HIS TONGUE, THE MORE PEACEFUL HIS EMOTIONAL WORLD, AND THE LESS THINKING HE DOES WITH THE BRAIN.

This is the second person of the Trinity, referred to as the "Son," although this is often taken as a parental-child relationship. Its inner significance is S-U-N, and when you really know that the only reality is this SUN, the world of ma-ya [physical appearance world, Ed.] can no longer touch you. This is the path of wisdom, the period of listening and waiting, that signifies the cross-legged Buddha resting from the arduous climb on the ray of strength and purity.

Outwardly it will be a period which, in comparison to your struggle, will seem peaceful, quiet and serene, for you are not tested in strength now but in patience inwardly. However, let me warn you, that it is one of the most difficult steps on the path, for until you can hear the Voice of the Silence, you are running on the periphery of life, shouting

with the multitude the hollow hosannas that resound nowhere but in your own ears.

You will find me, perhaps, a gentle and lenient Master, because the way of the silence cannot be forced, but let not my gentleness deceive you, for beneath it is the “rod of iron.”

THE LAW OF THE CIRCLE

By Master Kuthumi

When self-conscious intelligence and the gift of free-will were given to man, his subsequent use of life required the assistance of divine intelligence to help him (when he was ready) to set his world, again, into divine order. The Law of the Circle – creating causes and reaping their ultimate effects, is inexorable. Energy magnetized and constructively used by man must return to that man as happiness. If it was destructively, it returns as unhappiness. Man, caught in the web of his own making, feeling the return of the misqualified energy of his imperfect causes, sooner or later calls for help and assistance from God. It is then that such a man receives greater assistance. The Lords of Karma, serves all evolutions impersonally, with but one idea in mind, to help the individual, the planet and the universe to express more of God's perfection.

The Law of Cause and Effect gives the individual a tremendous opportunity to learn how to use the priceless gift of life. By the distress he experiences, after placing his hand upon a hot stove, a child learns to avoid burning himself in the future. So also does the student of life learn how to avoid setting up causes of future distress, through the generation of inharmoniously qualified energy in any of his four lower vehicles. THE MORE ADVANCED THE STUDENT, THE QUICKER DOES THE ENERGY SENT FORTH BY HIM RETURN WITH MORE OF ITS KIND.

Mankind has used life rather promiscuously through the ages. Because life is obedient and intelligent, it has obeyed the directions of mankind's thoughts, feelings, words and actions. Life has taken on the form which mankind, itself has

created. These forms are not always pleasurable to the outer self. When mankind realizes life – in itself – is immortal, obedient and intelligent and that they, themselves, have the power to direct it into constructive channels, they will come to a point where self-mastery is possible. Truly it is said, “He is worthy to command who has learned to obey.”

The Earth is a schoolroom, where mankind has been endeavoring to learn how to mould life-substance into beautiful forms, beautiful colors, beautiful radiations, for their own blessings, as well as for their fellowman. However, man has “fumbled” a great deal, in this process of learning, and as the apprentice-carpenter leaves many shavings from the beautiful wood upon which he practices, so have mankind left many similar “shavings” in the atmosphere of the Earth, where their experiments have taken place. Many of these “shavings” are not of constructive expression and are called “human creations.” It is to clean up the “shop” (the Earth) of these imperfect expressions of the use of life, that the earnest student is dedicated.

Even as the worthy apprentice must sweep clean the “shavings” of his crude endeavors, so must the student who wishes to use life constructively, engage in the task of cleaning up the discordant creations and clumsy efforts of his ages of experimentation with the use of life. For this purpose, the Violet Flame of Mercy and Forgiveness has been created and its use given to a few, among the sons and daughters of men. If they willingly use it, as the apprentice-carpenter uses his broom to clean his room, then they are ready to be given the instructions which lead to the conscious direction and channeling of their life energy into forms of beauty, harmony and perfection of expression. We are in this period now!

THE THREEFOLD FLAME

By Master Kuthumi

Primal life-essence is constantly flowing from the individualized I AM Presence of each lifestream, into the immortal Threefold Flame within the heart, while one is in physical embodiment. The God-given gift of free-will has allowed those who have used the planet, Earth, as a schoolroom to nurture and develop, as they chose, one or more of the virtues of that Threefold Flame of love, wisdom and power.

The fashioning of the emotional body from the electronic substance of the world of feeling, the fashioning of the mental body from the world of mind-force, the fashioning of the etheric body from the world of etheric substance and the fashioning of the physical body from the world of physical elements was accomplished by the magnetizing power of the immortal Threefold Flame of God, within each beating heart.

The ability of mankind to use these bodies, to develop the strata of impure thoughts, feelings, spoken words and actions (which has been done) was the result of mankind's conscious use of free will, which gift he voluntarily accepted from his God-parents, thereby assuming his responsibility for the use of life. Also, the sublimation of these strata by the conscious use of the Sacred Fire of Purification (Violet Flame) is a conscious activity in which mind, feelings, actions and words are employed. Such conscious application, upon the part of the chela, results in the gradual ascension of his vehicles of expression.

As within one drop of water all of the elements of the ocean and sea are present, so within one immortal spark all of the elements of the Sacred Fire abide, waiting to be called

forth for the redemption and resuscitation of the four lower bodies. Many sincere students look without for redemption, rather than within. It is to turn the attention and consciousness of the student back to the flame within the heart, that we come. Here, contemplating the potentialities of his own, immortal flame of life, the student quickens to a realization that, from this individualized flame, there will flow whatever qualification of the Sacred Fire is necessary and expedient to set his personal world in order, as well as to become a part of "The Light of the World."

Unfortunately, in the masses of mankind, the outer consciousness, would rather revel in the use of already developed powers, than undertake the more "trying" and arduous task of developing those which have been neglected, sometimes for ages! However, the accomplishments produced by the use of the already-developed powers sometimes tend to inflate the human ego which, of course, results in a lack of balance in the activities and affairs of so many well-meaning people, even at this present hour! "Knowledge becomes power through use." All of the knowledge in the world of form or, for that matter, from our realm as well, will never set any one free unless it is applied! The true teacher (ascended or unascended) encourages his or her student TO MAKE USE OF THE INSTRUCTION GIVEN AND, UPON THE AMOUNT OF CONSTRUCTIVE APPLICATION WHICH IS MADE, DEPENDS THE GIVING OF MORE KNOWLEDGE. Ponder on this!

COSMIC CYCLES

Each 2000 year-period, a new ray is predominant on Earth. The cycle may be likened to the spokes of a wheel, in the colors of the seven rays (blue, yellow, pink, white, green, ruby and violet). Seen with the inner eye, that wheel turns slowly. It takes 2,000 years for each successive "spoke" to focus its radiation upon the Earth and its attendant evolutions. The Earth is now under the radiation of the Seventh Ray.

Because of certain gathered momentums of discord, which have been drawn about the Earth and her people, created by their destructive use of free-will, the spiritual progress of the entire race has been greatly retarded and mankind has not advanced as he should, with the turning of the cosmic wheel to which we referred. Many, many times, the Seventh Ray and its attendant Chohan have endeavored, in vain, to complete the divine plan for the Earth and her evolutions. Now, we are again in the perfect place, spiritually speaking, wherein, by the use of his God-given gift of free-will, mankind can cooperate with the present Chohan of the Seventh Ray and complete the divine plan for themselves, individually, and for the planet, as a whole. It is our desire to see this two thousand year cycle manifest the kingdom of heaven on Earth and to this service we all pledge our love and assistance to the great Chohan, the Ascended Master Saint Germain, Lord of the Seventh Ray!

THE WESAK FESTIVAL

I, Kuthumi Lal Singh, of the province of Kashmir, where the waters are blue and the mountains most verdant, where the sheep grow the softest wool, and the song of harmony is woven into the beautiful tapestries and rugs known and famous the world round, come to bring to you a slight remembrance of the beauty visited upon the planet Earth, in this sacred spot!

The Vale of Kashmir, even in its sound, conveys the “peace that passeth the understanding of the mind.” The variegated colors, that only nature’s grandest mountains can effect, are reflected upon the still waters and over those waters are reverberating, from the hills around, the chants of the Kashmir tribes who have, generation after generation, dedicated themselves to the weaving of the fine wool which is produced only in Kashmir.

The great, annual Wesak Festival represents the fullest outpouring of nature represented by the month of May. Since the planet Earth must be served through her natural facets at the time of year when the currents of Earth are turned outward toward manifestation, when every leaf, tree and bud and blossom is unfolding the beauty of its own heart center, the hierarchy utilizes this natural force for their greatest outpouring of nourishment to the soul and spirit of man.

It was the beloved Gautama Buddha (now Lord of the World) who first joined the mighty course of the river of his life to the natural currents of Earth, in his visitation, that first night in May. Year after year since, every member of the

right way has voluntarily joined the substance and energy of his or her own lifestream, to increase the crescendo of spiritual overtones that flow forth at this mighty festival. (The Wesak Festival is held on the day of the full moon in May.)

There is no outer invitation to the Wesak Festival – the light within the heart draws each wayfarer and pilgrim, both in their inner and outer bodies, to the place where it is held. There is never mention made as to the exact location where the visitation will take place.

The tribes, nomads and disciples of Lord Gautama Buddha start into motion in March and April and are led only by the prayer of their hearts, which points their feet toward the great light, which is the only magnet and invitation that can draw them, without compass or guide.

From China came the blessed sisters and brothers from Peiping and the Order of Confucius. From Lhasa have come the delegates from the Dalai Lama. The Buddhists have come from Malaya and India, and from the Indian temples come the Brahmans. All Asiatic countries are represented. Enthusiastic pilgrims are crossing continents without thought of time or effort. They have all entered into the heart of Kashmir.

Some of them have been a month and six weeks en-route, and they had no bridge, not outer word, no letter by which they knew this gathering was to take place. They had only the magnetic pull that they felt within their hearts. In answering that, they rose up, each one, and followed the path of the heart into this glorious vale. We took a large valley this time, that we have not used before—anticipating that

great numbers would be present, and already over 10,000 of the pilgrims and nomads of Asia, in their physical bodies, are gathered here. It is a large round bowl-shaped valley, and the hills rise gently around it. Those of you who have been to Kashmir, know the coloring of the flowers and the exquisite song of the birds that I have never seen nor heard elsewhere upon the Earth. Within this environment of natural beauty, the Great Ones, who are the Brothers of the Golden Robe, are playing host to those who are the teachers of the secular activities of the outer world, as well as the religious orders of every kind—orthodox and metaphysical as well.

The pupils in the West, whose light is great and who are drawn by that light and whose inner bodies are a part of the receiving, as well as the outpouring of the energy, are oft-times entirely unconscious of the tremendous experience which has bathed their souls in the celestial and eternal light, but they will return to their mundane tasks and duties greatly enriched by their experience.

As Lord Maitreya spoke to the disciples this evening, I am sure their hearts were filled with the love that was within his words. The beloved Lord Buddha, early this morning, took his place on the elevation which faces east, so that all of the disciples looking toward the individual, who is officiating, might have the blessing of the eastern light. Lord Buddha, in his outpouring, spoke no words. He just made visible the outpouring from the Great Central Sun which, anchored within his own Ascended Master Body, looks very similar to the stream of light from your Presence into your head and heart.

In the case of the Ascended Being, the connection is from the Central Sun behind the Sun and, of course, it is very much wider, and enfolds the entire Ascended Master Body and the aura as well. The beloved Buddha's aura is larger than our entire planet, and as he opened the inner sight of all the pilgrims, they could see those lotus flames flowing down from the Sun into his being, and then outward into the world. That is the blessing which a Celestial One brings when he descends below the octave in which he normally abides. Do you see, when an Ascended Master or a Cosmic Being, like the Buddha, rises into the higher octaves, the periphery of the outpouring which forms his individual cord of light, connecting with the Central Sun, ends in the sphere in which he abides, and descends no lower.

It flows out and fills that sphere and returns again into the heart of God. But as that being descends through sphere after sphere and enters the lower atmosphere of Earth, then the outpouring from his Tube of Light and his own silver cord, you might call it, becomes world-wide, and those celestial lotus flower vibrations just flow forth and permeate the lower atmosphere. As each one looked at that great cord of light, representing the lifestream of Buddha, the chelas' lifestreams and cords of light began to expand, too, and to enfold their physical forms. Thus, by example and radiation, everyone watching the Lord Buddha accomplished the same thing.

At the close of his service, the Lord Buddha returned into the invisible, and the beloved Lord Maitreya gave a worded expression of love to the shepherds, and his devotion to the soul light would melt the heart of a stone. He spoke of the

tenderness which a shepherd of the human race should have for the soul of man, for the delicate petals that are awakening from the soul sleep of the ages, and which respond to kindness, to love, to understanding and to compassion, and which can be shriveled by the wrong consciousness and attitude of those who have been entrusted with their care and development.

As he spoke, he individualized an innocent soul who belongs to the orthodox world and showed the tiny white soul light like a small, tight white rose within the heart. Then, he individualized a beloved minister, who is presently embodied, and showed the love and light from the emotional body of the minister pouring into that tight bud, and how the little soul began to respond tenderly, timidly, uncertainly at first, and then as the strength of the brother of the Golden Robe, who was guarding the minister, intensified the compassion and the wisdom through that man, the little soul received enough strength to become an active server in that church.

Lord Maitreya then drew a curtain over that example, and rendered us another service by showing another minister with a lifestream—strong, vigorous and powerful, but who yet thought of self more than the budding soul, and how that strong and dominant, overbearing personality of the would-be shepherd just closed in the light of that young soul, and caused the spiritual endeavor of the little soul to cease for that entire embodiment.

These word-pictures are beautiful, they are descriptive, and they show you, who are our hope, how important it is to be careful of the light in the hearts of those who will come to you, by hundreds and in thousands. We hope we can find,

among you, those who love God enough, and your fellow-man, to choose to bring light, understanding, confidence, faith and hope to hearts that are bewildered and in spiritual agony and pain.

Tonight, as you accept the light in the heart of Kashmir, and accept my own love, remember, I am no farther from you than your call. I am willing and more than eager to assist you, and I am desirous of giving my love, through your lifestream, to the people of Earth. Saint Theresa said, you will remember, that Christ had no hands on Earth to bless but hers, no eyes through whom to see, no lips through whom to speak, no feet through whom to carry the message of God, but hers, and I say to you, the same. Lord Maitreya, the Christ of the Universe, Lord Buddha, the heart of Love, and my humble self, have but your bodies, your feelings, your desires, through which we may reach mankind. We stand in the heart of freedom. We stand in the realm of truth, and our hands are stretched out to mankind, who do not even know we exist. They do not know that we have being—but you do! And through you, each one, who is a bridge from the human to the divine, through you can we reach the mankind of this Earth, and give them back the understanding by which they may set their feet upon the path and return home.

The path lies open before them, their Presence stands at the end of the way, but there must be those among the sons of men to point that way and to stand by, in rough times, to encourage them by love, to encourage them by light, and to give them the impetus of example and manifest works, until they come to a point of enthusiasm in themselves and they

become, like you, their “brothers' keepers.”

Beloved hearts, I thank you with all my own fully-gathered momentum, for even a mental acceptance of the Brotherhood. I thank you for even a passing interest in our work and service, and I plead with you that, in the silent time of your own prayers and meditation, you may ask the voice of your own Presence, if it would not be a kindness to life for you to incorporate your energy in unfolding the soul light in those men and women whom life will draw about you, if you so dedicate yourself to service.

I ask you, now, to so consecrate your life energy, after thought and consideration—not in a wild burst of enthusiasm, which dies down like the fires that are made of the hay from the field—but, in that steady, constant flow of love, that passes through every experience untouched, with but one thought—TO CARRY THE CUP OF COMFORT, AND NOT SPILL A DROP OF THE SACRED ESSENCE UNTIL IT HAS REACHED THE LIPS OF THE THIRSTY, UNTIL IT HAS FILLED THE SOUL WITH THAT SAME HUNGER AND THIRST AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS, WHICH WILL NOT LET THAT SOUL SLEEP, UNTIL IT HAS BECOME THE FULLNESS OF ITS OWN GOD-SELF. When you can so infect the consciousness of mankind with that realization and desire for mastery, then you have become ourselves in action.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TEACHER**By Master Kuthumi**

Beloved Ones of Light,

I greet you tonight in the name of the presence of harmony! It has been my joy and honor and privilege for many years, now, to carry the master control of harmony wheresoever I choose to move across the face of this Earth, and wheresoever I am invoked, to assist those beloved lifestreams who show interest in the teaching of men, to become a harmonizing presence in themselves, and, through themselves, the master control of all circumstances.

Every messenger who comes from the court of the great Sanat Kumara, sooner or later, must be the controlled power by which energy is channeled into constructive and beautiful form, through those chelas and devotees who, drawn by the radiation of the Light, choose to live within the periphery of such a one's aura. Until that accomplishment is woven into the energies of the lifestream, the secrets and powers of the Sacred Fire cannot be released in their fullness into the receptive consciousness of the teacher first, and, through him, imparted to his disciples. So, in a measure, does THE TEACHER BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AMOUNT OF TRUTH AND UNDERSTANDING FLOWING FROM THE EVERLASTING FOUNT, because upon the control and mastery of his own energy, does the message and the truth, which flows into the lifestreams of the disciples, in a movement, depend.

Within the heart of those great retreats and sanctuaries, which dot the surface of this globe, the most exquisite balanced control of energy forms the pattern for daily and hourly living, and were any one of you to consciously, within your

own physical bodies, step within such a holy and sanctified place, your first impression would be one of exquisite peace and relaxation. This accounts for the fact that even in the orthodox world, the kingdom of heaven is described as a place of exceeding peace.

In my service to life, representing, as I do, that great embodiment of cosmic harmony, whom you have come to know and love as our Lord Maitreya, it becomes my joyous opportunity, whenever given entrance into the consciousness of the devotee of truth, to remind the outer self that harmony, like mercy and love and compassion, is not a negative, but a powerful and positive force, belonging only to the strong, and cultivated through century after century of self-discipline.

It is often thought that individuals who sleep within the lethargy of inertia are expressing and experiencing harmony, but nothing can be further from the truth. Those messengers who are embodied peace are not only masters of the energy which is their own allotted gift from the Source of Life, but they are the constant masters of the whirling sea of emotion and thought force of even the physical bodies of those who are around them.

I have come, this evening, from Ceylon, where we all sat with our beloved Maha Sahib [the Maha Chohan, Ed.] and discussed the coming opportunity, when the attention of the illumined, as well as the aspirants, will be focused on the great teacher of all teachers, whom you know as Lord Buddha, the beloved Lord Maitreya, his assistant, the Brothers of the Golden Robe, and my humble self. The beloved Maha Sahib, in speaking with us, suggested that we emphasize,

through this entire thirty-day period, that every facet of expression, through the entire Seven Rays, is embodied harmony—whether it is the strong drive of ordered service, in which every wheel fits into its proper place, whether it is the harmony which comes from understanding, the harmony which is within beauty, the harmony that lies within the compass of the scientific balance of life, or that within the glory of our beloved brother Jesus' worship and ceremony, or the perfection and harmony within the Seventh Ray.

We are so desirous of coupling the knowledge which feeds the intellect, and stirs the feeling with that definite application, by which those of you who are chosen to wear the Golden Robe may become the master control of the energies that are yet within the compass of your sphere of influence.

The dispensation from the heart of the Great Central Sun increased the number of lifestreams to be given the opportunity in this next six-month period, to contact and blend with their own Christ Self. It becomes the service of the Brothers of the Golden Robe to, in some manner, infiltrate the consciousness of these chosen ones, against the mass pressure of the tides of energy which form the lower atmosphere of Earth, until they can sense, at least, the power of the Presence of God within the heartbeat.

Again and yet again in the East, century after century after century, is the disciple turned to that teacher of teachers, until he can recognize his voice. Then, comprehending his truth, he leans no longer on form of any kind—neither Guru nor Master, nor any externalized manifestation of the One. But in our beautiful East, where the heaven is open and the cathedral of life provides the natural setting for the develop-

ment of the soul, it is not difficult for the individual to become quiet enough, so that the impressed directives of the Master open the way for that communion by which soul growth and development and spiritual maturity are attained.

When we turn our attention to the West, the entire current and directives of our endeavors must adapt themselves to the rapid pace with which the vibratory action of mankind, at present, is so deeply enmeshed.

I long for the opportunity to take you, collectively, as well as individually, into an aura that has been protected and sustained in undisturbed harmony, for even thirty days. Long, long before my own personal victory, when I endeavored to draw the spiritual community at Crotona, my contemplations led me to believe that in the silence, this peace and harmony might be established sufficiently so that aspirants could, at least, find the way home. Some thought that discipline of the silence severe, and so it was, for it made every man face himself, and without the crutch of words or contact, he had to walk back alone into that Secret Place of the Most High, and there abide, becoming cognizant, through that endeavor, of the Christ.

As the beloved Saint Germain is intensifying the radiation of the Freedom Flame through his exquisite retreat in the Transylvanian Mountains, we are preparing to accept the consciousness of those of you who wish to go beyond the collective unfoldment of the masses, to that height of understanding which you all once knew. This is thus but a re-awakening of the dormant memory which stirs within you, when we come together, but which slumbers, again, when the stimulus of our flame and presence withdraws. With each

such coming, as our love enfolds you, that memory intensifies through the folds of your outer consciousness, and you sleep not as soundly as before, and so, in patience, we return again, again, and yet again, to gently feed that Immortal Flame of your life. We know that, in so doing, one day you, too, will become that Master Presence.

May I thank you on behalf of the beloved Morya, whom I love as much as life itself, for your kindness and willingness to serve with him. It was not so long ago that we sat together and he spoke to me of this design that he held within his heart, which he felt would help our beloved Saint Germain as he faced another crisis in his constant endeavor to serve the peoples of Earth. I was surprised to find him, ready to begin again, so soon after our endeavors through Theosophy, [through the activity of the “Bridge to Freedom”] but yet, in that decision which was his, I promised to stand by his side, for I love him. I love the service in which our hearts' light has bound us together in friendship which has been one of the sweetest experiences of my individualization. It is a beautiful thing for me to see that his circle of friends grows larger, and that those who feared him, fear no more, but have accepted the kindness, the sweetness, and the great love that is within his heart.

As the days unfold into years, and as you come to know us and to join in closer and closer association with us, I am sure you, too, will cherish that friendship. It brings us each into such a sweet association, dear hearts, that enables us, through you, to serve the race, and you, through us, to taste the glory of heaven, long before the day when your own individual call is come, the final page in your book of life writ-

ten, your record balanced, and your hearts return home. We, who have passed this way, know well this yearning, know well the sacrifice entailed in remaining, for it was not so long since we, too, struggled with opinions, and we, too, hoped and felt disappointments, through the accumulations of human selves, and we, too, stopped to build, again, upon the ashes of our previous endeavors.

I stood, myself, and saw my beautiful school burned to the ground [at Crotona], within it all the records of a lifetime—all the exquisite achievement of pupils in whom I had invested all the energies of my being, artwork the like of which had not been since the days of Atlantis, sculpture, marble figures, dashed from their pedestals and crushed by vandal hands. Gardens and exquisite trees were destroyed, until only a rubble remained of a vision into which I had invested a lifetime. I have never dared to revivify that vision in my free estate, nor have I looked back, until this day, and yet the experiences within that life were such that they did enable me to become master of energy, and one day my teacher said, “You are now a harmonizing presence, which will never again be disturbed by any external distress, nor any internal weakness. You are fitted to enter my service, and become a member of my court, and, one day soon, if you shall choose, wear my cloak upon your shoulders.” I was happy then that, although the tears rolled down my cheeks, as I saw my dream destroyed, that I had held a certain peace, even in that suffering.

If you could see, beloved children, how you build up that mastery, you would really welcome opportunities to flood the flame, from within your own God-Self through energy of a

turbulent nature, and one day, when you stand before Lord Maitreya and you feel the benediction and blessing, you will be happy, indeed, for every endeavor along this line.

I am grateful for your calls for rain, and I am grateful for the release through nature. I am sensitive, beyond all words to describe, to the song of nature and to her cry, for it was in the cathedral of nature that I found my peace and my ultimate victory. Even yet, wherever I am, so long as I remain within the orbit of this Earth, I sense and respond to any cry from the Earth, or from the nature kingdom, the four-footed kingdom, or your own body elementals, when distress causes unhappiness. I have felt for the people of India and China, where those great famines wipe out millions of lifestreams. I feel, exceedingly, for the people who suffer, because the creations of mankind have been such that nature can no longer abundantly supply them.

THERE IS NO REASON, THERE IS NO NEED FOR DROUGHT, FLOOD, OR ANY TYPE OF DISTRESSING SITUATION TO MANIFEST IN AN AREA, WHERE ASCENDED MASTER STUDENTS ARE LIVING. We always look with hope that one may open the door, that we may render the service and bring the balance. It is one thing for the unconscious masses to suffer, but it is an indignity to our own life and our friendship for those who are our heart friends to allow such suffering in their presence.

May I commend you, then, on your endeavors, and encourage you in my commendation to go further! I thank you, and I bless you. Good night!

DEVELOPING DISCRIMINATION

I greet you, tonight, and welcome you to the radiation of the Brothers and Sisters of the Golden Robe. You have chosen, through your very presence within this room, to become a part of that activity, by which we may acquaint the outer consciousness of mankind with the truth of life, the service of the Great Spiritual Hierarchy under our Lord, Sanat Kumara, and the conscious part which every incarnate lifestream and every soul waiting the privilege of securing an earth body may render, in redeeming their own personal karma, in drawing back, through the flame within their own heart, the miscreations of the centuries, and in making of this Earth a beautiful shining star of freedom, so it may attain the right and the honor of a permanent place in the solar system—one of the beads in the great necklace around the cosmic sun behind the sun.

We have loved this Earth. We have chosen to forego the great happiness and freedom on other planets. We have chosen, when we were given the opportunity of stepping into the heart of the ascension and passing into nirvana, to renounce that bliss and freedom to work among you and with you, in an endeavor to make of every man a God, to make of every lifestream a glorious song of life and light, to make of every heart, a chalice, in which burns that Immortal Flame and the glorious divine pattern and plan of the Christ, manifest through that heart, and revealed in the glorious mastery which the Master Jesus and others, well known to your outer consciousness, have achieved through the same self-conscious effort that we endeavor to incorporate into your daily living.

Beloved friends, over the continent of Asia stands the Elohim of Wisdom. Within the heart of this continent has been preserved, since the passing of the Golden Ages when mankind spoke with God freely, without the necessity of a mediator or an intercessor, the wisdom of the ages, and India, as you know, represents the head of our gracious and beautiful planet. Tonight, this great Elohim has chosen to weave over all of Asia, a glorious golden mantle from his own cosmic heart.

Those streamers of light, in the most exquisite, deep, molten gold, make a canopy of blazing light over our continent of Asia, and from it are being directed ribbons of light into the retreats and the sanctuaries, where conscious students are gathered, and a seven-pointed crown will be placed over the heads of the students, and fastened with a seven-pointed lotus on the forehead right between the eyes. As you feel that action, will you just accept it, for it becomes really a funnel into which the substance of the Elohim may enter the brain structure, and give certain assistance in the dissolving and melting of the atomic consciousness which has coated the brain, and makes it more difficult for the finer vibrations of your own Presence to reach you and to be interpreted through the outer mind, without mistake.

Every lifestream on the path, sooner or later, comes to a certain point where he begins to turn to the "still small voice" within the heart. At first, the individual begins to rely on intuition, then on inspiration, and, later still, upon that conscious contact, which precedes self-conscious mastery, the attainment of which constitutes his divine freedom from all human concepts and all human form.

THIS IS THE MOST DIFFICULT POINT UPON THE SPIRITUAL PATH, particularly for those in the western world, where your energies are woven so often into the mundane tasks of making a living, and the energies that could be incorporated into divining the depths of your own being are tired and worn out before you have the freedom of conscience in your daily service to life, to proceed on that inner pathway. It is to you that I speak, primarily, tonight.

I ask that when you come to the place where you enter into the heart of the Silence—where you commune with your own God-self—that you be extremely wise, alert and careful of the response that you will receive, first of all from your own bodies because you are a complex mechanism, a seven-fold being. Now, whereas the glory of your Electronic Body, your Causal Body and your Holy Christ Self can never lead you astray—YOUR LOWER BODIES HAVE VOICES, HAVE A CONSCIOUSNESS AND AN INTELLIGENCE OF THEIR OWN, and these voices, this consciousness and this intelligence within them, endeavors often to serve its own selfish ends, through you.

One of the chief requirements for spiritual mastery is discrimination. Call to me, if you wish, to my beloved Lord Maitreya, or to the great Lord Buddha for that discrimination wherein you may recognize the voice of the Silence. Know, always, that the prompting which builds up the personality, that which gives aggrandizement to the human ego, is not the “still small voice” of the Presence, but rather the etheric rumblings of your own past experiences, the emotional desires of your feeling word, or mental concepts and precepts from your past lives.

Remember, you have sat in the past before many teachers, who have given forth both truth and fallacy, and into your mental and emotional bodies and your etheric consciousness are builded those concepts, some of them solidified and petrified and lying dormant, within them, for centuries. As the flame begins to surge through you, these concepts are re-vivified and come forth, and you must recognize them for what they are—NOT NECESSARILY THE VOICE OF TRUTH!

As you proceed into an understanding of the Voice of the Silence, know that that which makes you pure, that which makes you harmonious, is of God. The feelings that stir within your heart that desire to make this star a planet of light, to relieve the burden of your fellowman, to raise those in pain and distress into understanding and harmony, that is of the Light. THAT WHICH DECREASES THE PERSONALITY AND INCREASES THE POWER OF CHRIST, THAT IS OF GOD! THAT WHICH BUILDS UP THE PERSONALITY, THAT WHICH SEEMS TO GIVE AGGRANDIZEMENT TO THE HUMAN EGO, IS NOT THE STILL SMALL VOICE OF THE PRESENCE.

You will remember, perhaps, those of you who are students of the Law, that Lord Maitreya required first, of the beloved Krishnamurti, on his path to spiritual mastery, the development of discrimination. Tonight, as I speak to you, may I point out, again, the necessity on the spiritual path for the development of individual discrimination. I congratulate you, who are among us tonight, for the discrimination within your own lifestreams, that has enabled you to discern my presence here, and a semblance of truth in that which we say.

Tonight, I wish to give you the encouragement that a Brother or Sister of the Golden Robe will always be at your side, if you choose to invite him. And as you proceed into an understanding of the voice of the silence, know that that which makes you humble, that which makes you selfless, that which makes you loving, that which makes you pure, that which makes you harmonious, is of God. The feelings that stir within your heart that desire to make of this star a planet of light, to relieve the burden of your fellowman, to raise those in pain and distress into understanding and harmony—that is of Light. That which decreases the personality and increases the power of the Christ, is of God. Do you understand my words and my feelings?

INVOCATION TO OBTAIN DISCRIMINATION

Beloved I AM Presence and beloved Immortal Flame of Eternal Truth within my heart, Holy Christ Selves of all mankind, beloved Lord Lanto, Kuthumi and Brothers of the Golden Robe!

SWEEP, SWEEP, SWEEP, your mighty Golden Ray through the four lower bodies of myself and all mankind. Dissolve and consume cause, effect, record and memory forever, of all human concepts, feelings and opinions, all destructive etheric records of mankind's disobedience to God, their resentments and rebellion against the fulfillment of the divine plan, all habits, thoughts and feelings that are not the fulfillment of that divine plan, and all misqualified energy in, through and around or driven against me.

Replace it by your fully-gathered momentum of divine wisdom, to direct and guide us, unerringly, in the way of truth, and give us the Ascended Master understanding and discrimination, to command and compel the complete fulfillment of God's great divine plan HERE AND NOW!

We accept this done right now with full power!

CHILDREN AND EDUCATION

By Master Kuthumi

I greet you in the name and spirit of Lord Gautama (formerly the Buddha, now Lord of the World), at whose feet we learned so much of the Law countless centuries ago!

Well do I remember the blazing sun that beat down upon our heads, the long and dusty roads that led us across the length and breadth of India, following an invisible course, by which our Lord magnetized the very substance of the Earth, itself, and sanctified certain locations where holy men of later embodiments would find truth by reason of his earlier presence there.

My whole purpose for being is to incorporate, into my nature, something of the sweetness and love of the beloved Lord Gautama, and then, through my students, offer that love to the young in body, who are the hope of the new day! To this end, those students, who are presently engaged in the almost hopeless endeavor of maintaining a spiritual, mental and emotional balance in the educational system, which you refer to as “progressive”, are under my constant protection and watchful care.

The Lord Gautama was the great exemplar of THE MIDDLE WAY! All the great visions for world brotherhood and progress have been inverted, and the communistic doctrines, with their attendant evils, that lay claim to “brotherhood” are behind many of the so-called “progressive” movements in educational channels, as well as governmental affairs.

Freedom of government, whether of a five year old, or a

grown man, or of a nation or planet is EARNED by the developed inner spirit! The freedom (?) which authorities insist be given to the impulses of the younger generation, should be conferred only upon those who have earned the right to direct their own energies. How many among the thousands on Earth today, have earned this right? Your answer lies in the fact that the Christ Self of every man will release the good of the causal body, without limit, when the outer self has proven that it can consciously and constantly draw and direct its energies harmoniously at all times, under all circumstances. Yet, the educators choose to give, to undisciplined children, the right to channel their energies, when, for the most part, even the guardians of those children cannot provide a suitable channel for which the sweet life-essence should be summoned from the heart of God!

In Crotona I did use the method which is being used in the school system today, but with this difference: Within the heart of each lifestream is the TEACHER! Because of the riotous whirling of the emotional and mental bodies, very few can make a contact with this teacher and must rely upon the kind offices of a consciousness which has developed this capacity. The heritage of knowledge and wisdom, that has survived the vandalism of the ages, provides such a store of knowledge from the illumined ones, and the lesser teachers, filling their cups at the cosmic well, thus "teach" the channeling of the energies through the arts.

In rare instances, where a lifestream embodies, who has already developed the capacity to contact the teacher directly, I allowed such a one full freedom to develop from within his own God-flame, and to them I gave a Guru, who gently

unfolded the wisdom from within. In the future, I hope to again establish such a school and draw the highly-evolved lifestreams into it, and with the help of good students, allow this freedom, but only to a select few!

However, in the field of art, music and general education, without the training by competent teachers, the younger generation will definitely not progress, until the situation is dealt with by the God-authority which – thank God – is to be allowed fuller freedom in the immediate future. Each man makes, for himself, the path and sets the pace!

I reverence the presence of God and its silent wisdom, which is so holy that I do not profane it by outer unnecessary sounds. I learned early in my ministry, that around me were many voices, which filled my mind and my being with confusion, until I looked up and heard the ONE voice, and then my ears were deafened to the tumult forever.

As there are not enough vehicles awakened to be the doors through which they can come, we must use as best we can the material at hand, and through so-called “circumstances” draw together the spiritual “wheat” which will be the nourishment of the future.

Many great and important spirits are taking flesh garments to carry on and expand the masters’ work for the centuries to come. Where, in God’s name, are they going to find habitation fit for their spiritual unfoldment and their delicate and refined vehicles? Through the length and breadth of every land, we find millions of unawakened humanity, whose homes and environment would completely stop the progress of the incoming soul for its complete embodiment.

In every land and every clime they come, and it is my individual responsibility to secure the best possible means for housing and raising them. In every nation, in every state and every island, there should be established a spiritual center into which these GEMS OF HUMANITY might be gathered, carefully reared and trained along spiritual lines and prepared to be the “bridge” for the less awakened masses. As there are not enough vehicles awakened to be the doors through which they can come, we must use as best we can the material at hand, and through so-called “circumstances” draw together the spiritual “wheat” which will be the nourishment of the future.

Your cosmic calls to raise up ascended master youth in the service of the light, are priceless! When they are raised up, where shall they tent? In Elysian Fields, sipping on nectar and honey, or shall they be conveniently located in the far Pacific and surrounded by man eating sharks?

Practical Christianity is godliness! One soul prepared to be a vessel for the masters is worth all the material wealth this country can offer!

I am he whose province it is to guard and guide very young persons and every in-coming child, and yet, unless the bonds of flesh bind the lifestream to the elders, it is well nigh impossible to find a wing, that will fold over one of my loved ones! Flesh bonds and blood ties will secure a home for a less-evolved being, but there are spirits walking the Earth today on bleeding, callused feet, who have not a cloak to cover their shoulders, nor a kind word for their heart-sore spirits, and yet, these tiny pilgrims are my ambassadors, that

carry my future plans in their tiny immature hands and in their great and stalwart hearts.

When you call for the young, call for shelter, for love, for kindly friends and loving hearts, for the young have been provided and they are coming fast.

I am teaching a great number of powerful souls, who are to embody in the New Age as teachers. They will be missionaries of this activity in the countries of the world. I teach them by pictures, showing them the embodiments they are going to live, each one able to follow his individualization, by the color of the robe he wears. They see, acted out, each great crisis and decision they will meet, and we run down the action and reaction of the several different paths they may take. When they go back into earth bodies, they will recall the proper divine plan and follow that!

Constant application of the law; constant drawing forth of the flame; constant charging and recharging of the world with light, and constant VIGILANCE is a requisite to victory.

THE HUMAN MIND

Whence comes the human mind? Are the human mind and the human brain synonymous? No!

The senses (sight, hearing, taste, smell, touch, intuition) are intended to be the instruments of creation. They were meant to be the receiver of the divine plan.

However, (after the event called “the Fall of Man” through distortion and inversion of the law, the senses began to draw into the brain structure the various faulty reports of the imperfect manifestations from the outside world.

Finally, the senses focus in the physical brain became a conglomerate mass of impressions reported to the brain by these faulty senses, and this conglomerate mass became the human carnal mind.

This human mind is a powerful creation which is not only an individual entity, but a mass entity which is the controlling power of the average human being. The Great Presence, endeavoring to direct the lifestream, projects the light ray into the heart and back up into this whirling, breathing individual being, who so enamored of his own thought and feeling processes, is seldom aware of the voice of the silence.

In the case of great men and women who have served the purpose of assisting the divine plan in nations, the God-power had to raise that individual to a point where his human mind was stilled and there could be revealed the vision of the God-plan.

In spiritual study the “mirror of the mind” has been re-

ferred to on numerous occasions. The outer mind is a sensitive impressionable “plate” used as a “conductor” for the divine ideas released from God’s perfect plan. It is the means by which the divine will is interpreted, and then, according to the facilities of the interpreter, it is put into physical manifestation.

The outer mind was never intended to be a generating center for independent through processes but really as the receiver of impulses from the heart center of creation, which the individual then utilized to fulfill his or her part of the divine plan.

In the great scheme of things, there is only ONE MIND – not many – and this great perfect mind of God was intended to express itself through the many manifestations of the ONE and the outer self was intended to be merely a conduit in the physical world to take the divine ideas, and through the uses of the substance of the four elements, mould them into form.

Because of the nature of the outer mind working through the brain, it is constantly reflecting pictures of one sort or another, because that is its natural avenue of service to the lifestream. Having lost its focus, instead of the perfect pictures of the divine self, it reflects the conglomeration of thoughts and feelings, and the written and spoken words of other outer minds who likewise are off focus! This conglomeration of “facts and fancies” form the intellectual accretion, which in an individual is referred to as a “good mind” or a “brilliant intellect!” In reality, it is but a trash heap for the effluvia of other ignorant or sometimes illumined individuals.

Every person must some day come to realize that the

outer mind is the servant of the Divine Presence! The original Crystal Gazers were fully conscious of this and the Crystal Ball represents the clear mind in which the truth of the universe is revealed.

THE BRAIN IS THE INSTRUMENT THAT THE MIND USES, BUT THE MIND ITSELF IS THE INSTRUMENT OF THE SPIRIT. When these three are ONE, you have a balanced union and an awakened Adept. When these three act independently of each other, you have an “off-center” expression which, through outer interests and desires, is often working wholly independent of the divine plan and seldom or ever is in accord with it.

The mind substance fits into the brain as a hand fits into a glove. It is etheric in composition. Pure ether is crystal in substance and the mind, to become fully alert to the impressions of divinity, must return to this crystal quality of substance. Therefore, to work eternally on the purification of the mind is to achieve great dexterity in transmuting the thoughts of divinity into expression.

This crystal, clear, etheric substance which is called the “outer mind” should be constantly at peace, with no thought of self-generating expression. It should be like the sea, reflecting the sun. It should be constantly open to the divine plan of the universe and then, seeing and knowing that plan, the individual should go forth and express it.

The case into which the mind is fitted, is the physical brain. This is made up of the earth substance, the elementals of the lower octaves, and is likewise impinged with the atomic chaos of wrong living.

Pure as alabaster, light as the sun, must the brain structure become and then the illumined mind is, in turn, a beautiful and strong instrument with which to work.

The substances taken into the body as food are most quickly felt by the physical atoms of the brain, and as soon as they reach the solar plexus, their effect is felt on the brain structure. That is why in Crotona I was so extremely careful of diet. To achieve dexterity of the intellect, alertness of body, and illumination of the mind – the diet should be carefully prepared and ADHERED TO!

Man is a very complex instrument and there are so many very fine cog-wheels in the perfect working of the mechanics that it is always a source of amazement to me to see students advance as quickly as they do in such a state of maladjustment.

I am extremely fond of the organ, and every note is tuned to the thousandth of an inch, so that the result might be perfect, and yet the average student has no attunement whatsoever. In my school work at Crotona, I used the music of divinity to bring harmony to the inner mind and to the atoms which make up the vehicle, and through that music I did achieve great perfection in my “instruments.” If the outer world of mankind had not destroyed my venture, I feel much would have been done to advance the progress of the race through the evolution of the gods and goddesses I was preparing to represent the hierarchy.

GAINING ASCENDED MASTER CONSCIOUSNESS

The transference of consciousness from one mind to another is known as education. The full, revealed truth remains ever-present in the universal mind of God, but the individualized intelligence of each of God's children must reach into this great mind and incorporate, into his own consciousness, as much of the great all-truth as he has the capacity to absorb and realize. Every man dips into the well of knowledge with his own cup of receptivity and benefits by his capacity to receive. It is a spiritual communion. The teacher is one whose cup has grown through many trips to the well, and he gives of its brimming essence to those not yet able to reach the cosmic brim.

Even in elementary courses of education, the teacher first fills his consciousness and then gently holds his cup of knowledge, that the pupil may sip of its sweetness, become enamored of its essence, and return, again, to the teacher's fount, until—perhaps—they are among the very few who will join the teacher at the cosmic well. Those who will not drink are never increased in worth. Blessed be those who stir the spiritual hunger, and blessed be those who feed the hungry.

The development of any faculty is relative. The report of any one of the senses is only as accurate as the sensitivity of the instrument. A master musician is able to detect tones and shadings of which the average man would be blissfully unaware. So, also, when the mystical power of vision exalts the consciousness of the neophyte, his description of the celestial sights he has witnessed, is a partial truth. The reports of the visionaries of the centuries vary according to the

development of the consciousness utilizing the faculty.

The wailing of the prophets, the soothing vibrations of the psalms, the wrath of Jehovah, the love of the Father—all result from the reports of the “uplifted vision” of individuals, whose varying degrees of awareness have resulted in the confusion of the masses and the constant cry of “Lo here and lo there!” Man must not be discouraged from exercising his power of vision—no, nor from enjoying and respecting the reports of the visionary! However, he must be warned that, like the guide on the Mount of Attainment, each new vantage point will yield a new panorama and all the guides are not at one point at one time.

The particular guide whom a number of lifestreams are following, in consciousness, will perceive that portion of the path directly concerned with the progress and safety of his charges, and his vision will be sufficient for that group, but there are other groups and other guides, so far above them, that they look like little specks on the shining apex of the mountain.

The initiate must be trained to CENTER his consciousness within the rhythmic life flame in the physical heart, and, from this premise, consciously delegate the energies to the body required to perform a specific function in the activities of manifest life. Most men are off balance, because the vital essence of their consciousness lies either in the emotional body, the physical body, or the mental body, and, in the case of the fanatic, in the etheric body. Thus, you have a four-wheeled chariot, with the charioteer riding under the rim of one of the revolving wheels. It is no easy task to disengage

the consciousness from the center in which it has housed itself, sometimes for centuries, satisfying particular appetites of a physical, mental, or emotional nature, but that is the self-imposed responsibility of the guardian brothers.

When the intellectual consciousness accepts the presence of God within the very life that beats the heart, the student is then ready to step forth upon the spiritual path. The spiritual beings who form the Silent Watchers of the expanding light in the hearts of men, then apply to Lord Maitreya, or myself, for a teacher for such a lifestream. This teacher provides ways and means by which the student is encouraged to contact his inner Presence, and, through the happy experience which such a contact brings, endeavors to create and sustain an active connection between the outer self and the God-intelligence which sustains the physical form.

If the teacher, at any time, deviates from the relentless task of driving the individual's consciousness back, again and again, into association with a reliance upon this inner Presence, or if the teacher causes the student to lean upon a source outside of himself, such a teacher has failed, in a large degree. All spiritual growth is a process of realizing and becoming the fullness of this inner Presence.

You are just beginning to taste the exhilaration that comes when the lifestream finds that there are no bounds of limitation to consciousness and that the self-conscious identity of every lifestream can enter each realm at will through the open door of his attention.

There is neither height nor depth nor width to the realm of consciousness and there is no barrier to any part of life

who chooses to function consciously in any realm or state of consciousness, except that the vibratory rate of his own lifestream must correspond to and become one with the vibratory action of the sphere in which he wishes to dwell.

Through the process of thought and feeling, man determines consciously his vibratory action and he lives, moves and has his being in the state or realm of consciousness which corresponds in vibratory action to his own. The average man, therefore, in the progress of an ordinary day, functions in many states and spheres of consciousness, moving like an ascending and descending elevator. The Law of Being is that the vibratory action of the rate of the energy waves released by the lifestream determines the state of consciousness in which said lifestream dwells.

You have learned how you may set a pattern of your thinking and feeling process through a call to the Ascended Masters, asking them to center themselves within the distributing center of the energy belonging to you, and your energy will follow the pattern of the Ascended Masters which will automatically quicken the vibratory action of your world and raise you into a higher octave or state of being.

You can only be drawn from the Ascended Masters' Octave through a voluntary or involuntary change of the vibratory action of your being, which acts like the electric button on the elevator and immediately brings you into a realm of being corresponding to your thought and feeling.

The Ascended Masters maintain their being in the Ascended Masters' Consciousness because they will not allow the energy of their lifestreams to be re-qualified with less

than perfection. They are masters of the energy in their own world and function in those spheres which they deliberately choose to enter by the conscious control of the vibratory action of their lifestreams.

When an Ascended Master chooses to become physical and tangible at any point on the Earth's surface, he immediately qualifies the energy passing through his body with a slow rate of vibration which makes the form visible to the physical sight. When he has completed his service there he merely quickens the vibratory action of his vehicle, just as the pilot sets the propeller of a plane in motion. The Ascended Master does consciously and under the direct control of his own directing intelligence what mankind does unconsciously. The Master, however, in lowering the vibratory action of his body, keeps it polarized through love, and love being the natural projection of life does not allow the vibratory action of the sphere in which the master visits, to influence his pure vessel.

Your consciousness is the canvas of the mind and there is no limitation to the perfection you can draw thereon. You may have towering mountain peaks, great crystal lakes or verdant plains. You may dwell in palaces or cottages, as you choose, and there is no time nor space in consciousness. Your exquisite freedom will give you a foretaste of what it is to dwell always in this realm of perfect expression.

Experiment with your powers of creation in the realms of consciousness. Open your consciousness like a sun to the outpouring of our Ascended Master Light, knowing that your freedom comes when you come to an understanding of what

consciousness and your relation to it is.

The only difference between an Ascended Master and a student is the quality of thought and feeling. Each has the same creative power, the same free will, the same energy to use, the same tremendous ability to mould that energy, according to one's own particular design.

THE FEELING WORLD CONTAINS NINETY PERCENT OF THE ENERGY OF THE LIFESTREAM. If the feeling world is permeated with the Ascended Master's consciousness, faith and power of light, the energy of that one's lifestream will follow the decree and bring almost instantaneous fulfillment.

Looking at the students, we see a certain intellectual knowledge and acceptance (10% of your energy) and a wild ungoverned mass of life (your feeling world) rushes hither and thither with every wind and tide! If you put a scale before you and place your mental accretion on one side and your feelings on the other, you would find that the ninety percent far outweighs the ten percent!

TO BECOME A MASTER, YOU MUST CONTROL THE ENERGY IN YOUR OWN WORLD, NO MATTER WHAT THE PRESSURE MAY BE FROM THE APPEARANCE WORLD. This can be done only through the drawing of the peace and virtue from above and making your feeling world a calm sea upon which your vessel rides serene. Feelings are living entities and cannot be handled by mental force.

**THE PRESENCE OF GOD IS READY
TO SERVE YOU NOW**

The Presence of God is waiting—waiting for the opportunity to serve, through you and through me. The beautiful, loving, all-powerful Father of Life stands in a constant attitude of listening, that, where he is called, he may answer in an onrush of his mighty presence, through the instruments created and prepared by his love, as the chalice of His being.

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!”

Beloved children of the Father, could your eyes but see the imminence of that holy Presence, when your innocent forms rise from their beds and place their feet upon the pathway of the day, you would understand the rudeness of the outer self in keeping that Presence waiting, and, in the press of unimportant things, sometimes a day, a week or a

lifetime passes and the Presence of God is still waiting for the opportunity to fill your cup with grace, with peace, and with healing.

Early in my own earthly experience, I learned of that mighty God-Presence hovering over my insignificant outer self with the love of the Holy Mother for her blessed son, and I realized that the tender care of Mary for the infant Jesus was but a limited expression of the Father's love for me and for all the brothers and sisters scurrying, like ants, upon their self-created paths of misery and woe. Thus, I enjoyed the bliss of raising up my soul, my heart, my being, to that ever-present embodied love—the presence of God—who was waiting, waiting my thought, my call, my silent invocation, that His greater wisdom might direct the imprint of my sandals, and so it was, that I became a “brother of peace.”

One day, as the presence of God filled my cup with the healing power of his grace, to alleviate the wounds of mankind's hate, my joy at this privilege was so great, that my heart nearly burst its bounds, as I hastened on winged feet to carry the cup to those who thirsted. Thus, every morning became a new joy, for the Presence of God had always some exquisite, particular gift for the children of men, and I, most humble and unworthy among them, with soiled hands and shadowed soul, could carry that cup to my brothers. My life became an ecstasy, and a great peace descended upon me, because my exaltation was bathed in the fragrance of love and its emanation was a happiness that comes from being God's messenger.

In the tales that are told, they have gathered a glory

around the name of “Francis.” You will find, repeatedly, that the presence of peace was a more powerful force than arms or rancor or might or right, because the Presence of God, ever waiting, desires, above all things, to establish peace in the sons of men—in their troubled hearts, in their ruffled minds, in their tortured bodies, and so, where want of peace was prevalent, I knew that the Presence of God was waiting with hands outstretched, to pour peace, if so invited. I knew, when I came to the bedside of the sick, into the presence of the “possessed,” that—long before I had come—the Presence of God in the afflicted one, and in myself, was waiting, hovering over the supplicant, as the Christ-Mother hovered over her child, and I acknowledged that Presence and from it flowed the answer to the particular need of the moment.

And so, my children, proceeding through the veil of human experience, remember—when your feet step upon the ground each morning—that Presence of God is waiting to fill your day with the fullness of Himself, if you choose to invite him! Remember, when there are those in distress, privation or limitation, that the Presence of God is waiting and will release the answer to the particular requirement, if you choose to accept that Presence and invoke His aid.

Today, as you read these lines, the Presence of God is waiting to bless you, each one, with the fullness of the “peace that passeth all understanding,” and I INVOKE that Presence to fill you, now, with that peace.

EXTERNALIZING GOD'S PLAN

Oh, for a long time the vision has stood before the inner sight of those of us who have renounced Nirvana, to incorporate into the substance and energies of this Earth the glories of the kingdom of heaven. However, again and again, as those souls, we love so well, were summoned by the Lords of Karma, to stand before them to receive their heritage of good and their heritage of evil, to be expiated in the life to come, and as those bonds of forgetfulness closed the spirits' memories around them, have we been forgotten, and the pledge of the heart and the love of the lips and the enthusiasm of the soul, carrying the weight of the creations of the centuries, found, not within the heart, the stimulation to proceed. We, who stand at the other side of the great abyss, awaiting the voluntary energies and the stirring of remembrance, thus find ourselves without a body in form.

Can you then feel the depth of gratitude within our hearts, when, through those sweet outer minds, you even acknowledge our presence, when, in the deep recesses of your heart, you breathe a prayer for remembrance, and when your feeling, weighed down with the accumulation of the centuries, asks for the fire and the courage and the constancy to follow the vision, and incorporating the energies of the self, helps us to externalize the God plan, which is for the blessing of all life!

I am grateful, indeed, that your souls and spirits choose to warm themselves in the fire of my own being, for contagion of enthusiasm and shared vision bring to us, through the "faithful open doors of consciousness," fulfillment! We

stand in a realm into which we have voluntarily stepped, renouncing, by so doing, the right to act in the spheres below us, except in agreement with the impersonal radiation that flows, like the light of the Sun. To this we contribute, for the general nourishment of the race and for the specific germination of our ideas and plans into such receptive consciousnesses as may, from time to time, magnetize the “floating particles” that permeate the lower atmosphere. These are, in essence, the plans and ideas of the Brotherhood. We rely, therefore, on the natural interests of men and women—and sometimes children—to magnetize our particular ideas out of the atmosphere of Earth and, if they are sensitive and determined enough, they sometimes follow that idea through, to a good manifestation. However, these ideas can also become “playthings” for the idle mind, if one has not the determination to give them the time and attention necessary for their fulfillment.

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.

“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom, and with all thy getting, get understanding.” [Proverbs 4:7, Ed.] 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 oftentimes 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!”

As educators of the shepherds and the human race, we are called upon, at this time, to emphasize the feelings of faith, and trust in God and his divine messengers. Herein, again, we must point out the use of God-discrimination and wisdom. Faith and trust in God are practical and require the loving, willing co-operation of the outer self of the chela, ac-

ording to his developed faculties. Many well-meaning men and women, who are taught to trust God, expect to receive manifestations of a superhuman nature, without any endeavor on their part to consciously co-operate with the inspirations and directions of God to and through them. They just “lean on the everlasting arms,” expecting God to do for them what he only can and must do through them!

Disillusionment and discouragement are bound to result from assuming such a negative and childish attitude. The very gift of free-will, in the use of life, is a sign-post to the alert that they, themselves, must cooperate with the God, who made them, and that his spiritual vitality will then sustain their endeavors. As has been said so often, “God needs a body” (through which to serve). The beloved Ascended Master Jesus was one who recognized this truth, during his ministry on Earth and, although he had absolute faith in his heavenly Father, Jesus, himself, was always (and still is!) PRACTICALLY “about his Father's business.” This spiritual partnership develops, within the chela, the strength of his own God-Presence acting through him and the joy of self-conscious creation of perfection. TRY IT!

MANKIND'S OPPORTUNITIES

Each individual determines, consciously or unconsciously, according to his spiritual development, how much of the spiritual blessings he will draw into his own consciousness. 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.

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 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 lead to the wiser use of life and the experiences of tomorrow can be anticipated with certainty, as days and years of peaceful, opulent, beautiful, harmonious manifestations, the result of the conscious creations that were builded today.

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 for 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.

There are many “wishful thinkers,” who enjoy contemplating a kingdom of heaven on Earth but there are NOT MANY WHO WISH TO START WITH THEMSELVES in establishing a manifest example of the divine pattern here on Earth. The “steps” (lessons learned from life's experiences) upon which the chela rises out of the impurity of wrong thought, feeling, spoken word and action are provided only as the motive of the chela signifies his determined desire so to rise. Many spiritual pilgrims are content to rest for many lifetimes upon one “step,” considering it the ultimate. Until that individual, through free will, desires to go higher, we cannot intrude.

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” is a song of praise of the illumined. 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 fellow-man. 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.

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, 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!

The Brothers of the Golden Robe are dedicated to teaching 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.

THE HARVEST OF YOUR EFFORTS

The only lasting harvest of man is to be found in the gathered momentum of specifically-qualified energy within the Causal Body found around the Presence of each lifestream. When the individualized intelligence is first created, the rays of light passing from the spiritual heart create a pure, white forcefield, or spiritual aura. The ensuing use of energy, [during the time period called “Journey of the Seven Spheres”, Ed.] its qualification and the return of the result of that qualified energy into the Causal Body, builds the colors into the Causal Body, before the lifestream ever takes his first embodiment. From the time the individual takes the first physical incarnation, the harmoniously-qualified energy used by that individual, in every lifespan, 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 constructively qualified energy. When a man chooses to return to The Father and to re-consecrate himself to serving life as The Father chooses to direct him, that man has come to a point of spiritual maturity. No longer 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 his specific reason for being is. 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 his 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 individuals, whose light signifies to the All-Seeing Eye of God that they earnestly desire to cooperate with the divine plan, the teachers’ and guides’ assistance to walk upon the spiritual path toward the HOMELAND and the presence of The Father.

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, 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.

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR BIRTH DATE

A birth date is a new beginning, because the cycle of each lifestream completes a circuit every three hundred and sixty-five days, and the energy of the individual's world closes the circle of experience on the day preceding one's birthday.

On the day which is the anniversary of the embodiment of the spirit, the Holy Christ Self releases a new pulsation of light and life into the four lower bodies, and from the presence there comes an added forward impetus, with the hope that the succeeding year will find a greater expression of the individual's life plan. This is why it is usually noticed that, in the period just preceding one's birthday, there is a let up of life's energy and vitality, and the period immediately following the birthday is usually the most opulent in spiritual unfoldment and inner well being.

As the embodiment of a spirit gives new opportunity for such a one to unfold his spiritual nature, so, in a minor cycle, is each birth date a new beginning, and a great deal of the accumulation of the lifestream, which the individual has drawn about itself, is dissolved at this time. It is also the privilege and opportunity of the Ascended Host to give the gifts of their qualities to that lifestream, even as unascended beings proffer their gifts in the material state.

Every person who passes through the gates of a new birth date, receives an outpouring from every ascended being and the practice of extending gifts here, below, is but a faint reflection of that inner experience.

WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL BECOMES A STUDENT OF THE MASTERS AND COMES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE ASCENDED HOST, HE RECEIVES SUCH A COSMIC OUTPOURING ON HIS OR HER BIRTHDAY THAT MAKES IT THE HOLIEST DAY OF THE YEAR! On your birthday, your lifestream is played upon, by all the cosmic friends in the kingdom of eternal freedom. The richness, the opulence, the spiritual illumination which they will give to you, will remain a part of your eternal identity for all time. Avail yourselves when this holy day comes and bathe in the effulgence of the presence of the godly.

My most personal felicitations and blessings are with each one of you as are the felicitations of our Lord Maha Chohan and other friends of Light. May the tremendous outpouring flowing into your soul and spirit assist you now, to the full and complete union with your higher self.

MOMENTUMS OF ENERGY

There has been a detailed discussion of the word “momentum” and the various talents and developments of the lifestreams, their various likes and dislikes, their affinities, aversions, etc., and these are referred to by the student as a “gathered momentum” of a certain quality, positive or negative. The student further realizes that “momentum” is a constant repetition of certain actions and reactions toward a certain qualification of energy, which gains in volume and intensity by such repetition and, therefore, becomes a pressure of reserved energy that acts almost independently of the conscious volition of the individual.

People in physical embodiment spend many years in developing a momentum of energy to acquire skill in many expressions of art, music, business, commerce, and then commence the study which involved the drawing of their God-energy forth and focusing it into a definite channel, with the realization that a certain amount of God-energy must be expended in order to achieve a reasonable amount of dexterity in their chosen field.

Kindliness, humility, genuine warmth of heartfelt feeling are developed by the lifestream, at first, through very definite conscious effort, and then, as the radiation becomes more a part of the individual, the momentum of good makes the sustained harmony almost automatic in its expression.

Every being, from the electron to the Godhead, expands by his or her conscious absorption of the God-energy, his particular quality, and directs it according to the free will of the self-conscious life. Each person, ascended or unascended, represents, today, the sum total of his or her own ener-

gy, qualified through the centuries, according to the individual's choice.

Some people, unfortunately, have a momentum of discord! In the New Day all previously-charged momentums of discord must be dissolved and then replaced through the conscious effort of the individual, by the drawing forth of the God-energy and a setting up of new qualities and new expressions that are in accord with God's will. Here is where we come to a very marvelous and little-understood explanation of how unascended beings are chosen by the Hierarchy and the Lords of Karma to assist in bringing forth the perfection which will form the pattern for the New Day.

The gathered momentum of each lifestream, in any constructive channel, forms a great "stockpile" of energy or force, which makes such a one a tremendous pressure for good through the already-developed inner nature. The Masters use that momentum, through instruments already prepared with certain faculties, which make them natural channels for the work at hand. It is like utilizing experienced actors, instead of absolutely untrained people, for the expression of their work. For instance, an individual who has taught for centuries, is an easier instrument for the Masters to use, to deliver a lecture, than one who had never builded a momentum of teaching. It is difficult to arrange the inner bodies in such a manner that the pressure of thought and feeling might be expressed forcibly and well.

That is why all groups of chelas and aspirants are chosen, not by their present outer expression, but by the momentum of inner talents and qualities that can be utilized in a certain locality, blended with others, for the greatest good of all.

THE PURPOSE OF YOUR DECREES

When individualization was conferred upon your individual identity, the Threefold Flame was created, which became a cosmic cause, and you, today are the effect of that cause. Therefore, because that Presence IS, you ARE, and because the cosmic cause decreed perfection, you are predestined to outpicture perfection as an Ascended and Cosmic Being, because all cause must of necessity have an effect.

When the Threefold Flame, which is your true identity, was created from out of the heart of God, like spokes from a wheel, seven effects were projected, representing the sevenfold nature of man—the seven bodies, etc. [The number “seven” is dominant and applies to every planet of our galaxy, Ed.]. Thus, you see, also in the physical appearance world, every cause has seven effects, and each such effect, in turn, creates seven new causes! These ramifications extend until, upon contemplation, one realizes that the responsibility of being a creator is very tremendous!

The reason and purpose of your decrees, when issued intelligently, is to set up new causes in your world, that must bring corresponding effects of prosperity, health, illumination, purity and harmony. The reason for the constant admonition for harmony is that when new causes are set up THEY MUST ACT, but as your decrees begin a pulsation of opulence, health, peace, harmony and at the same time, in your daily living, you set up millions of human causes, that also must have effects—and in the balance, your decrees are far outweighed by the irritation and distress of your daily living.

YOU HAVE NO CONCEPT OF THE FAR-REACHING EFFECTS OF UNKIND WORDS, THOUGHTS, AND FEELINGS OF IRRITATION, ANGER AND JITTERY EMOTIONS. The Master's decree is fulfilled, co-existent with his call, because his entire lifestream is in agreement with his decree and all the energy of his being is held harmonious, and the natural law of life expresses that which he has decreed into form.

PROTECTION AGAINST HARMFUL INFLUENCES

True God-illumination is, of course, the gift of the brothers and sisters of the Golden Robe, who serve on the Second Ray. Many are the pitfalls of human delusion, into which earnest chelas sometimes stray, in their search for knowledge and illumination upon mystical subjects, if they do not have the constant God-protection and guidance of the Ascended Masters. Their sole interest is in awakening and expanding the dormant powers of Divinity through the Holy Christ Self of every unascended lifestream. This God-protection and guidance is the conscious radiation of the Ascended Master, which radiation enfolds the earnest aspirant in divine love and protects him (or her) from both visible and invisible destructive forces, which would tend to lead such a one from the true path toward God-mastery.

Students who have attained a little knowledge of mystical practices, are often inclined, more and more, to ignore the loving protection of the Ascended Masters, by neglecting to call daily for such protection and “go off alone,” experimenting with the knowledge which they have intellectually stored within their own brain consciousness. Such independent experimentations so often result in enmeshing the soul and personality in various strata of the psychic and astral realms, linking such lifestreams with wholly undesirable “entities” (destructively qualified thought and feeling forms). These creations are often “mass entities,” which abide, particularly over heavily populated areas, and live by a vampire action upon the energies of embodied lifestreams, endeavoring thus to express themselves on Earth. The astral or psy-

chic plane surrounding the Earth (where these creations abide) is now steadily being purified, but until this is completely done, EVERY LIFESTREAM SINCERELY SEEKING TO SERVE THE CONSTRUCTIVE WAY OF LIFE NEEDS TREMENDOUS PROTECTION AGAINST EVEN THE RADIATION OF THESE CREATIONS.

At this time, too, there are also mischievous elementals who, unfortunately, have absorbed much of mankind's discordant vibrations and these, too, often influence certain individuals to do their will. You see, THESE DISCORDANT ACTIVITIES CONNECT WITH A LIFESTREAM THROUGH THE POWER OF ATTENTION, invocation and, sometimes, a similarity of vibration, somewhere in the world of the receiver of their messages. When these creations are allowed to act through their "mediums," they eventually do great harm to such individuals, as well as to the entire sphere of influence which the "medium" has created about him.

Calling to any Cosmic being, Archangel (especially the beloved Archangel Michael), cherubim, angel or to any Ascended Master for constant protection against such insidious influences, will bring immediate and quite satisfactory results. As this calling to such a Divine Being is wholly a free-will process, it cannot be forced upon any searcher after truth. Besides the above, there is also the unredeemed karma of the personality (present embodiment) and the soul (past embodiments) to be considered. This often desires expression and to the unwary, THESE "MANY VOICES" WHICH THEY HEAR (THAT SEEM TO COME FROM GOD), ARE MERELY THE PRESSURES OF THE ACCUMULATED ENERGIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S OUTER SELF, WHICH WANT TO CONTINUE TO

DOMINATE THE SOUL AND RESTRAIN THE SPIRIT. Absolute honesty on the part of the chela is essential, to achieve the spirit of grace, which enables him to recognize and obey the “still, small voice within,” which, of course, is the spirit of God acting through the Golden Flame of Illumination, right within one’s own beating heart [The Flame of Illumination is kept at the Retreat of God Meru, in the Andes Mountains, Ed.].

We are so willing and able to help any and all chelas who really desire to avoid such pitfalls (subtle or flagrantly apparent), by the giving of our advice, instruction and protecting radiation. We are willing to help you to rise emotionally, mentally, etherically and physically above all vibrations of a discordant nature and prepare yourselves to visit with, and enjoy the actual presence of the God and Goddess Meru! When you have had such an experience even once, no fraudulent energies will be able, even for an instant, to touch the hem of your spiritual vestments (purified aura). It is well worth your constant endeavor to persevere to this end!

**THE SPIRIT OF UNITY OF THE
GREAT WHITE BROTHERHOOD**

THE SPIRIT OF UNITY OF THE GREAT WHITE BROTHERHOOD [a living, intelligent entity, Ed.] IS LIKE THE SUN IN ITS IMPERSONAL OUTPOURING OF BLESSING. YET IT IS AN INTELLIGENCE THAT CAN AND DOES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF ANY INDIVIDUAL DESIRING TO SERVE THE EARTH'S EVOLUTIONS AT THIS TIME. It is particularly important for individuals seeking to sustain constructive activities in these seemingly chaotic times, to learn to know this spirit and to call upon it for help. Light is always triumphant over darkness but, as unascended helpers of God serve mostly in the astral realm, they require more than ordinary assistance to sustain their faith, constancy, love and patience in such service.

Here, it is suggested that you become acquainted with the actual PRESENCE of the Spirit of the Great White Brotherhood, who is like a Silent Watcher over all those desiring to maintain a constructive balance for man, elemental, four-footed creature and every living thing. You will notice in your group activities, and in your personal applications, that there will be LESS STRAIN AND EFFORT AND MORE BUOYANCY AND ENTHUSIASM IF YOU CONSCIOUSLY INVITE THE SPIRIT OF UNITY OF THE GREAT WHITE BROTHERHOOD INTO YOUR MIDST! TRY IT!

OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S WILL

Obedience to God's will requires DISCRIMINATION upon the part of the chela. This quality is often lacking in the student and we, the brothers and sisters of the Golden Robe, are so willing to help any earnest chela develop this God-quality of spiritual discrimination and discernment. Discrimination is not to be confused with "logic," which is purely an activity of the lower mind. True discrimination is a God-gift, which enables the chela to recognize truth and ACT UPON IT! Often, well-meaning teachers upon the Earth impose foolish disciplines upon their earnest followers and the hope in the hearts of such chelas, coupled with innumerable fears and doubts, causes them to follow such disciplines, in an endeavor to find Godliness.

Think, for a moment, of the exquisite freedom your own I AM Presence and Holy Christ Self have given you to use life, throughout the ages. Measure your present condition of mind, body and affairs against your use of free-will in the past and present, and then, honestly accept the truth that any distress or discord results only from your own personal abuse of such freedom, and your own free-will choice to disobey the Law of Love!

Any disciplines that raise your consciousness and the energies of your four lower bodies into a vibratory action of harmony, peace and love, are of God. Any disciplines that merely repress untransmuted feelings and cause frustrations of mind, body and soul, have little efficacy in your spiritual advancement. THE CHELA MUST WANT TO DO GOD'S WILL and be discerning enough to know what the disciplines of-

ferred are now doing, and will do, in the future, to raise his personal energies BEFORE he really begins the upward climb out of disharmony into peace, out of limitation into opulent supply, out of disease into health, and finally, out of Earth's evolutions into his ascension in the light. Thus did we, each member of the Great White Brotherhood, attain our freedom and thus will you!

Every morning, think about the nature of your Presence, the FEELING of your Presence, the power of your Presence, the mastery of your Presence; contemplate it quietly for a few moments. Then, will you please go further and try to BE THAT PRESENCE. This is what I ask of the lifestreams who desire to serve us.

If you will begin the active embodiment of the nature of your Holy Christ Self, you will find that the change in the vibratory action of your inner bodies will be so comfortable, that you will want to increase the time you are engaged in this service of discipline, in the name of your Kuthumi.

I love you more than you can know! I love you enough to challenge you to take on the nature of God – RIGHT NOW – and to accept, in your feelings, the power that is within it. If you will do this, then I shall have a mighty legion of shepherds to send forth, for people looking at that nature, embodied, will become like you!

I thank you for your love of the Light. I thank you for your comprehension of my words and my feelings. I trust you will remember KUTHUMI in your daily activities!

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY IN THE USE OF LIFE

Watching the descent of the radiant energy of the lifestream into the individual's conscious use, we see the tremendous responsibility that every individual has in being the dispenser of life. The glorious pure energy of God, each electron of which contains the fullness of the divine plan, not only for the individual, but for the solar system of all these planets, continues to flow into the individual's use under the conscious direction of the personal self, and for every electron loaned to the individual shall he render an accounting!

When you call to the Holy Christ Self and ask to have released into your conscious use all the powers of your being, the Holy Christ Self takes note of your use of God's energy in a twelve-hour period. THE ENERGY YOU USE DAILY IS ONLY ABOUT TEN PER CENT OF THE ALLOTMENT OF YOUR LIFESTREAM. How many of you can say that even during one hour of the twenty-four, these electrons, this radiant energy, the spiritual essence of divinity, has flowed through you clean and uncontaminated, and qualified only with divine love? How, then, can you be considered fit to be the conscious custodian of more of that precious life essence?

ASK, THEN, FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF YOUR CHRIST SELF IN THE DISPENSING OF YOUR LIFE ENERGY EACH HOUR OF EVERY DAY, AND NOT ONLY WHILE GIVING DECREES!

Man is constantly creating, using the God-energy, which is flowing through him. It is expressed in emotions, in thoughts and feelings, in the actions of the physical body, and in spoken words. Jesus' statement, "Be ye faithful over little things, and I will make you master over many," is this truth expressed.

Those who aspire to Godliness and a desire to give greater service, who desire the full use of all the energy of their lifestream, must make a concerted, conscious effort to guard the life flowing into them each hour. Check impatience and irritation and thoughtless words! Stop the conscious churning of thought processes that re-qualify God's pure life and energy, and instead, keep pouring forth as the great Lord Maitreya said, an emotion of "rest in action."

Then the Holy Christ Self, looking upon your use of the talents in hand, may double those talents in your experience. Otherwise, it would not be the part of mercy or justice to INCREASE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY, while you are yet unable to dispense, constructively, the small allotment of life that God has given to you.

When you study and contemplate, you draw celestial power into your world. When you decree, you pour forth this power to bless all mankind with your increased light. ACCORDING TO YOUR USE OF KNOWLEDGE, IS MORE GIVEN.

KUTHUMI'S MYSTIC MANTLE

My cloak is a golden mantle, soft as eiderdown and shimmering with iridescent light. It is a magic, mystic, merciful activity, that wraps itself around an individual, a problem, a home, or a nation, and gives protection and security in the place of exposure and punishment.

Accordingly, as you choose to dedicate yourself to my humble service, shall I spread for you the Cloak of the Silence, and show you the manner in which you may use that cloak for yourself, or others.

When I give this Cloak of the Silence to my friends, with it goes a series of instructions to ensure its full purpose, and I tell them that the continuance of its use carries certain obligations with it. My service to life, as you are aware, is the expansion of the Second Ray of Wisdom. This expansion means the full manifestation of the Christ Self within the heart, which brings spiritual illumination. It is the exemplification of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, whose manifestation is the divine destiny for every man.

TO SERVE, WE MUST RADIATE LIGHT, AND BEFORE WE CAN RADIATE LIGHT, IT IS NECESSARY THAT WE FIRST LIGHT OUR LAMP. THIS IGNITION IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE UNFED FLAME IN THE HEART, WHICH IS THE "LIGHT OF THE WORLD." Then, we must allow this Holy One to radiate through us by both precept and example, igniting other lamps as we pass through the world, by both radiation and contagion. Thus, you will be myself incarnate.

I ask my chelas to cover all imperfection that they see, know about, or contact with the GOLDEN, GLIMMERING CLOAK OF THE SILENCE.

Wrap its shimmering folds around all such mistakes, and by its magical properties, it will make them right.

When you start your day, place its soft and peaceful folds around your shoulders, and enter into the adoration of God clothed in the Golden Cloak of the Great, Great Silence.

When you serve others and do good, let the soft cloak of the silence enfold your service, that it may grow without outer acknowledgment.

When you reach the place on the path where you achieve full illumination and understanding, WEAR THE CLOAK OF THE SILENCE and your achievement will shine through it, without the necessity of words.

All growth, all evolution, all mercy, all healing takes place under the Cloak of the Silence.

If you can feel that cloak as a living, tangible substance, you will be able to see its mystic folds flash through the air to render the particular service of the moment.

As my gift for the New Year, I give to each one of you who will accept it, THE FULL USE AND AUTHORITY TO USE MY COSMIC CLOAK OF THE SILENCE. I thank you and I bless you.

Decree

Beloved Mighty Presence of God I AM and beloved Master Kuthumi!

Thank you for the gift of your Golden Mystic Mantle of the Silence. Let me wear it with honor, and let my outer mind be so obedient to the I AM Presence, that it may continue to direct me into my ascension. Let its golden substance of light melt from each of my four lower bodies cause, effect, record, and memory of every rate of vibration that would impede my spiritual progress or cause another individual to stumble on the path. Let the strength of your own Ascended Master Consciousness uphold my endeavor to fulfill my own divine destiny, that I may be a Light on the path, to guide the feet of all those I contact. So be it!

“FEED MY SHEEP”

Today, you stand upon the pathway of light, by your very presence here, signifying that you do desire to partake of the nature of your own divinity. You must look for it and find, within the deepest recesses of your heart, the REALITY of that God! Then, incorporate it into your daily and hourly living, for this is the only purpose of religious teachings, or religions, in fact, as a whole, to again awaken the outer consciousness to the true reality of God, that God might be embodied through the flesh and stand revealed as the Master Presence over form, substance and energy.

We, who work on the Second Ray, are dedicated, in spirit, to bringing illumination to the mankind of this Earth at the present time, because the predestined glory for every lifestream is to externalize the nature of the Christ. It was not only for the Master Jesus, or the few of us who hold the offices in the hierarchy, to become that embodied love. It is for all mankind. The great World Teacher, who is given the responsibility of assisting mankind evolving upon this Earth in every age, must evolve a way and means by which he can reach the consciousness of the masses, stimulate the interest in the higher things of life, and, in some manner, convey enough enthusiasm within the soul, that the lifestream begins to evolve that divine nature.

To all men, women and children, the message of God must come in every age. Each individual soul, most precious to the heart of God, must be given the greatest opportunity, in every age, to unfold his nature. It is God's plan and pattern. Teachers must be sent from our schoolrooms to many

individuals. This task is complicated by the fact that no two students are similarly developed, mentally, emotionally or physically. At inner levels, it has been our responsibility to educate, prepare, and develop these teachers, who, in themselves, have limitations and prejudices and accumulations, through which we must endeavor to present the goals of our message, to render the greatest service.

I long for the day when those of you who profess interest in becoming shepherds of the human race, may understand the wisdom and love that is within the design behind every religious movement. May you grasp how much of our substance, our energy and our love flows through that movement to the masses, who are gathered around some dear lifestream who is endeavoring, to the best of his ability, to “FEED THOSE SHEEP!”

THE ASCENSION

The quality of the energy which forms the vehicles of man is determined, primarily, by the free-will choice of each individual in the use of those vehicles through the ages. The vibratory action of these is also determined by what they have been “fed” by the lifestream through the long course of individualization. This “feeding” of the lower vehicles (the emotional, mental, etheric and physical bodies) is determined by the type of teaching which he has accepted, the associations with his fellow man, that which his attention is allowed to rest upon and, in general, the nature of his free-will choice of thought, feeling, spoken word, actions and memory.

Very few people know that they can govern, through calling to their I AM Presence, their thoughts, their feelings, their speech, their physical activities and their memories. Rather, most people ARE USED by their vehicles, instead of USING THEM as God intends. Thus the vehicles of a man become his master, rather than his servants.

Once man realizes that his powers of thought, feeling, spoken word, physical action and memory can be consciously controlled (not by human will but by the Christ within him), he comes under the direction of the brothers of the Second Ray. Their service is to show mankind how to take the “idea” and form it into an actual, practical cup. This requires the control of the mental body and its use in creating such a plan and sustaining it against the doubts, fears, ridicule and discouragement of himself and others. WHEN THE MENTAL BODY IS THUS TRAINED, IT ASCENDS OUT OF THE “MASS-

MIND” AND THE INDIVIDUAL TRULY THINKS. Most of mankind do not think for themselves, preferring to use the already-designed thoughts of others, accepting them as fact. This, is the lazy man's way and slows down the vibratory action of the mental body, which then just functions as a repository of all the knowledge already gathered in a certain strata of thought.

Such people repeat, like parrots, the already-expressed thoughts of others, rather than ascending into a receptive consciousness, where God, himself, can direct their thoughts. Then, if a student chooses to develop those thoughts, he can make of them practical, manifest expressions in the world in which he abides. The more a man really thinks for himself, the quicker the vibratory action of his mental body becomes, the more alert it is to the divine pattern and the less such a one becomes prey to the mass-thought of the day. Thus, using the mental body makes it elastic, alert, alive and receptive to divine inspiration. This is the ascension of the mental body, out of mass thought, into individual reception and individual creation of divine ideation.

When the Christ Self of the individual signifies, to the Cosmic Law, that the individual is ready for the ascension, the sponsor secures a hearing before the Karmic Board, whose duty and responsibility it has been to weigh the strengths and weaknesses of the soul, through all the centuries that preceded this development. The individual's “Book of Life” is examined, the lifestream, itself, has audience before the Karmic Board, and the assent of this board is requisite to the freedom of the soul from further re-embodiment.

Because of the exercise of free will, the individual may, however, refuse to accept its freedom, preferring to re-incarnate to further some particular cause to which it has devoted its energies, through many centuries. If one does refuse to accept the ascension, it is always with the clear understanding that such forfeiture makes the lifestream personally responsible for the creation of any future karma that might enchain him again, thus not allowing him the opportunity for full freedom when, and if, the individual should change his mind in the future.

What is the ascension in the Light? In your own aura, you joyously and willingly transmute all shadowed substance into its natural God-estate, by the use of the Violet Fire of divine mercy. Thus, you purify your miscreations of the past and thus remove the causes and cores of impurity in your own lifestream, which were the sustaining power of your distresses.

Usually, those blessed chelas who are about ready for their own ascension, voluntarily offer to transmute, not only their own destructive karma but, also, to help in the redemption of the karma of others, and of the race, itself. These lifestreams are interested not only in their own personal freedom, but also in the redemption of all astral and psychic creations which plague the masses. To this end, we have partners on Earth who have been, and still are, eager and willing to help us to create again (and permanently this time)—the kingdom of heaven on Earth. Thus shall we be able to give to our beloved Ascended Master Saint Germain, the joy of an externalized “Freedom’s Star,” upon which he may quickly manifest the PERMANENT GOLDEN AGE for the present and future inhabitants of our dear Earth.

THE IMPORTANCE OF SPREADING ASCENDED MASTER INSTRUCTION

The blessings of the World Teacher, whose mission is to stimulate the spiritual enthusiasms within the sleeping hearts, and to illumine and develop the consciousness of mankind, is upon you.

Great is the opportunity for those who know how to prove your faith! I bring to you the pressure of my flame and ray, to stimulate the selfless desire in which you are engaged, and in which we have invested our life. It is to acquaint the outer consciousness of the greatest number of people to the requirement of the cosmic hour.

In order to accomplish this, the mankind of Earth need to be purified! This is done through the invocations and directions of the Sacred Fire, by your decrees and participation in the Transmission of the Flame Classes, and generally, by drawing and radiating forth the powers of God and the activities of the masters, angels and ministering spirits from the God-free realms. The trained groups established throughout the world render this service.

In order to expand this service, new groups must be formed, and the present groups expanded, and all these students nourished, stimulated and educated, by understanding the import of the hour. This education can be done by the distributing of the literature which contains the Ascended Masters words and instruction. This is especially needed in the orthodox channels, by those who seek a greater illumination within their own beliefs, and when properly educated, they will walk forward on the path into service of a more spiritual nature.

Each of you have certain developed talents and momentums, certain gifts and capacities, certain substance and energy at your disposal. No man can “take count of your preparedness,” but you, yourself! From the store at your disposal, avail yourselves according to the promptings of your heart and utilize your life forces to spread the word of God, to create the light of the world, to raise every man to his own highest development, as a contributing agent to the Light required to free the world.

The field is large— world-wide indeed! Many good lifestreams have signified an interest in our service; they await the carrying of the “torch” to the flame – the inspiration, to obey the promptings of the heart. Opportunity is offered, even the attainment of the ascension, in a SPLIT SECOND and then the cosmic moment is gone! He who is wise moves with the tides of the spiritual opportunity and is ever alert for the SUMMONS, which often comes informally and without the clothing of authority, which so impresses the outer self.

It is expedient that you prepare your worlds and make your application for freedom— financially, spiritually, and in every way, so that when you are called, you may be prepared to respond at that moment!

We do not ask for fanatical zeal, for the neglect of the balance required to hold your physical requirements in this world of form, through the necessary rendering “unto Caesar the things that are Caesar’s,” but we point you to application, to make clear your way, and to provide yourself beforehand, with the freedom, financially, morally, and in every way, to move forward in our name!

**INVITATION TO BECOME A CO-WORKER
OF THE GREAT WHITE BROTHERHOOD**

In the search for peace, the soul of man must follow the inner light, the soundless music, the illusive perfume of the Christ that leadeth ever onward, but where, the seeking soul cannot yet tell. Love of God, and service to his creator, brings all out of the darkened morass of early striving, to the illumined path, where you consciously move upon God's way. It is love that sustains each one, during the groping years, before the fullness of the light has come. To enter the Ascended Masters' world, you must become ONE WITH US IN PURPOSE AND ACTION!

AMTF PUBLICATIONS

Archangel Uriel, referring to the teachings of the Bridge to Freedom, said on May 16, 1954, "Genesis and all of the succeeding Biblical Law is being written again. It is a Bible made up of the energies of the Archangels and the Ascended Masters, that will stand for the rest of the civilizations being brought forth on this planet Earth."

ASCENDED MASTERS AND THEIR RETREATS, 448 pp. Compiled from the teachings of the "Bridge to Freedom" by W. Schroeder. Presented in the first part are biographies of 107 Ascended Masters. Details include the tests, trials and initiations they had to undergo during their last embodiment to gain the ascension. The knowledge gained from the personal experiences of these Masters will help the students in successfully passing similar tests and initiations and in gaining their freedom as well. The second part of the books contains many details of 31 Ascended Master Retreats, including those that were active during the historic Transmission Flame Services which greatly helped our planet during critical times.

THE LAW OF PRECIPITATION, 256 pp. Compiled by W. Schroeder. How to successfully meet your daily needs. Using a step-by-step method, this book describes, in detail, the necessary building blocks in manifesting your wishes. In addition to describing the theory of precipitation, dozens of examples are given, showing how individuals have used this information to their own advantage. Included are 30 episodes, illustrating how William J. Cassiere, a messenger appointed by Saint Germain, used the laws of precipitation in healing others.

MAN, HIS ORIGIN, HISTORY AND DESTINY by W. Schroeder, 368 pp. Using a variety of sources, this title pre-

sents mankind's unrecorded history. Much of this material has not been researched before, and it has not been available to the general public. Written in chronological order, the reader learns of the conditions prevailing during the advent of man on Earth, including his origin, his age, the place where mankind first embodied and the coming of the laggards from other planets, causing the "Fall of Man" on Earth. Fascinating highlights of the Lemurian and Atlantean civilizations are given. Also depicted are accounts of the unchronicled history of Jesus and the oracles of Delphi. Archangel Michael's report of July 17, 1959 on the division of all of mankind. The new criteria is given that will be used in dividing mankind into two separate groups, one of which will find embodiment on a newly-created planet. The significance of this new process for the students of this teaching.

UNVEILED MYSTERIES, by Godfre Ray King, 288 pp.

This book contains Mr. Ballard's first experiences, following his meeting with the Ascended Master Saint Germain on Mount Shasta. We are happy to present to the students a full, unabridged copy of this priceless book, which heralded in the New Age. The new edition contains biographies of the Ascended Masters Saint Germain, Guy Ballard, and David Lloyd. A Chinese translation is also available.

THE SEVEN MIGHTY ELOHIM SPEAK ON THE SEVEN STEPS TO PRECIPITATION by Thomas Printz, 304 pp.

This book contains the unique and historic account of the principles employed in the creation of our planet, by the Builders of the Universe, known as the Seven Elohim. The Elohim explain how these principles may be applied by today's students in their daily affairs. Explanation of chakric centers and how to purify them. Why group activities form a

magnetic field of energy that can be used by the Ascended Host.

THE INITIATIONS OF THE FIRST RAY, 304 pp.

Description of the initiations necessary to gain the ascension, with emphasis on mastering the initiation of the God-virtues of the First Ray. The history of the “Bridge to Freedom” Organization from the very beginning all the way to its dissolution, including how the dispensation for the “Bridge to Freedom” was obtained, and the purpose of this endeavor.

The history of the AMTF, including how the teaching of the “Bridge to Freedom” was saved from falling into oblivion. We added the article “The Teaching of the ‘Bridge to Freedom’ and Other Groups.” Here we are emphasizing that none of the persons, considered today as channels, supported the effort of saving the teaching, or republishing and distributing it.

El Morya’s trip to the birthplace of Jesus, as one of the Three Wisemen. In the chapter, “The Spiritual Caravan,” El Morya extends an invitation to students to join him in a global effort, bringing in the New Golden Age. Why the “Bridge to Freedom” was established and the tasks of the Bridge Builders of today.

THE INITIATIONS OF THE SEVENTH RAY, 304 pp. Description of the initiations necessary to gain the ascension, with emphasis on mastering the initiation of the God-virtues of the Seventh Ray. The Law of Karma including the Karma of Omission. The Law of Forgiveness.

How to establish and conduct Ascended Master Teaching Groups. Featured are primal requirements for an efficacious service, and the responsibilities of each group member, in-

cluding its leader. The book is an indispensable aid for those involved in group activities.

Beneficial Radiations (weekly cycle, 2000 year cycle, radiation of the Elohim and other Ascended Beings, the retreats of the Ascended Masters, and the 12 temples around the Sun, also called “the Zodiac”). How to take advantage of these radiations.

MEMORIES OF BELOVED JESUS AND MOTHER MARY, 416 pp. These dictations by Jesus and Mother Mary, presented in chronological order, give the reader a complete account of their last embodiment. Many of the events are not given in the Bible, such as early life experiences of Jesus and Mary, Jesus trip to India and details of his ascension. Jesus explains the true purpose of his mission. The reader learns of Mary's journey to Europe, including her travels to Fatima, Lourdes and Glastonbury. Mother Mary explains the Law of Healing and the establishment of healing centers.

THE ANGELIC KINGDOM, 448 pp. This new title contains ALL of the dictations by Ascended Beings on the subject of angels, including text from the booklet “Archangel Michael and his Helpers.” These dictations allow the reader to get a comprehensive view of the activities of our unselfish, loving, helpers from the Angelic Kingdom. Each of the Archangels radiates one of the virtues of the Godhead, such as protection, illumination, and peace. This book contains personal addresses to the students from members of the Angelic Kingdom, showing them how to use these virtues for achieving their own freedom.

MANIFESTING VICTORIOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT, 304 pp. (formerly “**I AM Discourses**,” by the Cosmic Being Mighty Victory). It was Mighty Victory who was able to set

the Occult Law aside. This tall Master from Venus embodies the God-Virtue of Victorious Accomplishment. He has offered to assist students to manifest this God-Quality in their daily affairs.

We added dictations by the Cosmic Being Mighty Victory, given through Geraldine Innocente. These dictations complement the discourses previously given through Mr. Ballard, demonstrating that all of these published dictations came from the Great White Brotherhood, as presented through their accredited messengers.

21 ESSENTIAL LESSONS by W. Schroeder, in 2 Volumes. These graded instructions contain a summary of the teaching and all information necessary, if applied, to make the ascension in this embodiment. They are written in an easy-to-understand manner. A must for both group leaders and dedicated students, who study alone.

Volume 1, 336 pp. It contains the basic concepts of the teaching, such as the I AM Presence, the Violet Flame, the Protective Pillar of Light, the Law of Karma and why and how we should decree. It also describes the functions of the elemental and angelic kingdoms.

Descriptions of the God-virtues of the Seven Rays and how to attune to Ascended Masters, Elohim and Archangels.

Volume 2 (320 pp.) is intended for those students who wish to become chelas of the Ascended Masters. It describes the functions of the Hierarchy (Governing Board) of the Earth, how their messengers to mankind are selected and group activity. It is also explained how a chela may achieve the ascension, by successfully completing the various initiations and by performing the required service to God and to mankind.

ELECTRONS, THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF THE UNIVERSE, AND THE ELEMENTAL KINGDOM, 320 pp. 101 dictations explaining the origin and function of electrons as well as their relationship to individual life. Explains energy and vibration. Dictations by the Directors of the Kingdom of Nature (earth, air, water, fire). The chapter on elementals explains the different types of elementals and their function in the kingdom of nature. These details lead to a better understanding of elementals such as sylphs, undines, gnomes and salamanders. Causes of catastrophes and how to mitigate them.

SONGS AND DECREES, 80 pp. For personal application and group work.

DAILY MEDITATIONS, 48 pp. These meditations make use of the prevailing radiation of each day of the week. This knowledge and application accelerates the spiritual progress of the student and blesses the location as well.

TEACHINGS FOR THE NEW GOLDEN AGE, 256 pp. Compiled by W. Schroeder. Presented in this publication is a series of addresses by the Ascended Master Kuthumi, present World Teacher. Students will welcome the opportunity of becoming acquainted with messages that are vital in bringing in a new Golden Age. The study and application of this material will enable students to become teachers, themselves, thus assisting the Ascended Host in implementing their plans.

MOTHER MARY'S ASSISTANCE TODAY, W. Schroeder, 256 pp. Mother Mary describes, in great detail, the cycle of life, death and re-embodiment, including the experiences after so-called death. This information has never been published, by anyone. Experiences after death include: meeting family members, judgment before the Karmic Board, assign-

ment by the Karmic Board to Temples of Learning (in preparation for re-embodiment), Mother Mary's assistance and her service at the Temple of the Sacred Heart, the selection process for embodiment, creation of the pattern for a future physical body, preparation and schooling for new embodiment and how parents are selected. Learn about the "Fountain of Youth," how individuals can have a longer life-span and steps everyone can take to have perfectly-born and healthy children. Explains how to maintain perfect health.

BRIDGE TO FREEDOM JOURNAL. These original dictations of the Ascended Masters were published in the monthly magazine of the "Bridge to Freedom" Activity. **These messages are the very core of the teaching** and cannot be found in any other book. They are a practical guide, leading to spiritual development and a better understanding of the activities of the Ascended Ones.

Book 1: 4/1952–3/54; Book 2: 4/1954–3/1956; Book 3: 4/1956–11/1957; Book 4: 12/57–7/59; Book 5: 8/59–6/1961. All in soft cover. Books vary from 368 to 500 pp.

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