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Text: another of MB's typescripts, though a faint blue carbon, and marked 'Draft'. The typescript gives us the reading as well as the date. Two emendations to the typescript have been made in the belief it contains shorthand errors. The word 'spiral', at the end of the fourth paragraph is actually given in the typescript as 'stile' but this seems to be wrong. The word 'situated' in the paragraph beginning 'And you will say' is given in the typescript as 'situate' but this seems too much of a classicism for White Eagle. The phrase halfway through the teaching, 'But, White Eagle, is it not good for us to develop these inner powers?' has to be read with 'not good' as a connected pair, i.e. detrimental or destructive.

*Context*: according to the typist the reading was Galatians 4 : 1-7, 19-21 and 5 : 13-16, 22-25. Note the communion at the end, as in the June talk.

General Notes: the overriding theme of this talk is vision. The reading from Galatians might be summed up in a couple of phrases from the chapters cited: 'Ye have been called unto Liberty' and 'Walk in the Spirit'; but in the verses mentioned, the 'bondsman' to whom WE refers does not appear, so it is possible the excerpts were not quite as listed. The message of the opening passages is 'You think you are in bondage, but actually you are free'. There is an interesting passage about science having discovered the non-material world, but unless the sub-atomic world is meant it is not clear whether the scientific discovery referred to is something still awaited or something that has come. The whole address might be re-titled 'the search for clear vision'. White Eagle talks of the invention of television but relates it to the akashic screen shown to the soul after death – so that there is an interesting 'take' on karma in this address. He also says that this viewing of the life past is the beginning of clairvoyance, but goes on to differentiate very clearly between psychic development and spiritual unfoldment. White Eagle gives a definition of one-pointedness: having our eyes firmly set on the golden mountain heights. There is a particularly beautiful communion at the end, one which follows more closely than usual in White Eagle's teaching the ceremony from the Last Supper. References: for the Galatians references to bondsmen and bondswomen see in particular 4:31, 'we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free' which seems closest to what White Eagle is saying. The discussion continues, though, in Galatians 5. 'Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven' is Matthew 6: 333.

#### White Eagle's Address:

Beloved, beloved, everyone present, we would speak to you on the subject of vision. There are many different interpretations of this subject, but at the commencement of our talk we would draw your attention to the reading from Galatians. For in that reading we find a clear picture of the plan of the Lord God for His children. The writer refers to the bondsmen, to those who are at present in bondage. But he clearly reveals to the reader that the bondsman is not only a servant. Although he appears to be a servant in the flesh, he has within him the seed of the Son of God. He has the potentialities of God.

And this is the one true vision which all on earth must get. You must all hold this vision for ever before you, remembering that you are not bondsmen or bondswomen. You are the sons and daughters of God. You are the heirs of God. If you remember this every morning on rising, you will unfold that inner vision of truth. You will see your daily experiences in a different light. You will see in a true perspective – and, as the reading has told you, this is the purpose, the plan of life.

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Now, we are continually telling you this, reminding you that it is not always easy for you to hold your vision. The bondage of the flesh is very great and you are held down by the heaviness of a material life. You have to make an effort to keep your vision upon your Creator and the plan which has been given to you.

You know this is a beautiful thought, that God has created man in His own Image. And He has also given to man the knowledge that he is spirit. There are many on your earth denying this knowledge, claiming to be merely the prisoners of the brain. But these people are beginning to doubt the materialistic outlook of material science, for there is proof for the physical scientist that the world is not what it seems. Continually there are changes in the scientific field. Man is being shocked into realisation that life is not merely a physical one, but there are worlds beyond the physical life. There are stars and planets and suns beyond and beyond and beyond man's present knowledge. And, when this is proved to man, then he will have his vision opened to the vast panorama of a spiritual world and the material world will appear to be very small in comparison with the Infinite.

Now, you will see, you will see our words coming true shortly. You will hear of discoveries by eminent scientists, those who are not only brainy but spiritually evolved also. They have discovered a wonderful universe, a spiritual universe, and this discovery will change the face of this Planet. We are going to say this, that where religion has failed to convince man of his origin, his heritage and his future, science will do it. You are at a critical stage of human evolution. You are at a point where the discoveries of material science will battle – well, are battling – with spiritual science. You have the discoveries of the atomic age. Man is improving all the implements of destruction but side by side with this is developing man's innate spirit of goodness and truth. For God has planted within man His own Life, a part of His Divine Intelligence – and this, we believe, will gain ascendancy. And with this will come a change, a development of religion. The old will pass away and the new will come forward to help mankind on its journey on the upward spiral towards God.

You already have demonstrations of worlds beyond this earth, but the instrument which is the receiving station is not yet perfected and this is the reason why the scientist does not accept, not altogether accept, the findings of psychical research. Man has to progress a little more before he is a fitting instrument through which may flow the knowledge of a message from these more beautiful worlds around the earth

You have, in the last few years, received a wonderful demonstration of vision. You call it television, a vision of some object which is photographed at a long distance. These waves of light carry an image to your home and on a suitable instrument – on a screen – that vision is shown to you. Man in his ignorance think that this is something quite new. But maybe you will believe what we tell you, that this method of throwing scenes upon a screen has been used in the spirit world for ages, we were going to say for all time. It is a method used particularly when people come over to our side of life in ignorance of death and the hereafter. They are taken to a cinematograph performance. They see things thrown on the screen which affect them very much. Their conscience is often touched. They see things more clearly. They are beginning their first lesson in clairvoyance, clear vision.

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It is not always pleasant to have to see yourself on a screen enacting a scene of your past life. On the other hand it can be very pleasant and the humble soul is grateful to be shown these things; although it finds it very difficult to believe that it was the actor in a scene which is wholly kind and unselfish. You know that it is one of the strong points about humility, true humility. And this is seen on our side of life without any shadow. The humble soul is quite unaware of its own goodness and truth, but the screen in our world never lies. What is there on the etheric screen is always exact; an exact reflection of the individual – the soul of the individual. And as we have said, when you see that picture you get the first lesson in clairvoyance, clear vision. This is the method used by the elder brethren in their remote places in different part of the earth – usually in the mountains – when they wish to see you. And we use that as an example. This Lodge, the people in it, they merely have to switch on their set and they can see what you are all doing. Now, this is a serious fact: if the elder brethren wish to see what is happening in any part of the world which comes under their care, they use this same method. The scene is thrown upon the screen and there they can tell exactly what is happening at the other end of the world. This is only the beginning of such demonstrations of the inner secrets of nature.

You are, dear children, so ignorant of the powers which are not only within you, but in nature and in the universe. But when you are ready, as you tread the path which has been indicated to you by our elder brethren, so you will acquire those powers enabling you to overcome time and space. It will enable you to uncover the secrets of nature. This is what is called being admitted into the inner mysteries, the heaven mysteries. There are many people, you may be of their number, who long to develop clairvoyance. Some of you have developed a degree, a small degree of inner vision or sight into the world immediately surrounding the earth plane, but we should not call you clairvoyants. We should say that you have taken one small step on the path towards the mysteries.

Jesus said; 'Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven and all these things shall be added unto you'. And, in the schools of esoteric mysteries the teaching is most precise. Never rush forward. Never try to force psychic development. In the course of spiritual evolution this vision is bound to develop. But if the individual is in a hurry, is curious and tries to force the doors of the psychic vision, there is danger. Tread the path slowly and remember that the first thing is to follow the guidance of your elder brethren. Live the life of the spirit. A spiritual life is more important than one of psychic development.

And you will say; 'But, White Eagle, is it not good for us to develop these inner powers, these psychic powers?' We do not say that at all. If you wish to develop them, you may do so. As you wish, but there are penalties, that is all. We say there are penalties and you are on safe ground if you follow the teaching of the Master Jesus and make love and truth and kindness to one another the first lesson. To develop psychic powers you are most certainly broadening your vision. You are reaching out. You are expanding on a certain level, but you are not necessarily deepening your spiritual life. You are not necessarily developing spiritual qualities that will lead to the Kingdom of Heaven. There is a great difference, a vast difference in expanding psychically and developing spiritually. Now then, by adopting the

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latter method – that is to say, going in humility and in truth towards the altar situated in your own soul and there worshipping God with all your heart and all your soul and mind – by this method you are opening the vision glorious. You are rising in consciousness and *nothing*, *nothing*, *nothing* will stop you from uniting with the Divine Spirit, the Divine Intelligence.

You cannot develop clear vision unless you have your heart in God; unless you love truth and love and goodness with all your heart and mind. When you do you will be on the heavenly paths. You may still have your life on earth – but the difficulties of that life, the limitations and restrictions of that life, will mean nothing to you. You will not be a bondsman or a bondswoman. You will be free on those mountaintops of spirit. And on those mountaintops, remember, there is a very clear vision. You will see into the past and into the future. You will know that your present life is the result of the past. You cannot help that; you have to accept it; and our present life is the result of the past whether you believe in reincarnation or not – it makes no difference. This present day is the result of days gone by. When you are viewing the life from the heights, you will not only see the past – the way you have journeyed – but you will see exact justice carried out. You will see wisdom as well as justice. You will see love as well as wisdom and justice. When you have that clear vision, so that you see yourself as you are, you truly are, without any frills. Just as you are, you will turn and look forward to the future. And you will see your future simply because you can see your past and you will know that what has happened in that past life which you are responsible for has brought about your present. And you will see that your present life is bound to bring about certain conditions in the future. It is a purely mathematical sum. Two and two make four and you cannot escape it; there it is.

This beloved children of earth, is what all mankind is living for. To develop, through pain or joy, clear vision; this vision of God and the heaven world, the vision of himself, his true self and the outworking of his life. Now, isn't this encouraging? Isn't it an opportunity for every one? And you can make your future. You cannot help your past. But you can help that future and you can make it now. You can make it a beautiful future; a future life either on this earth plane or in the spirit world. You can make it as God planned it for you; a life of intense happiness and harmony, opportunities following fast after the other opportunities for growth, for pursuing any hobby – you call them hobbies – any subject that you wish. Opportunities will be given to you without hindrance or limitation, for you will have earned the right to have these opportunities.

Now, this vision of the heights, the spiritual heights of God's worlds, comes when you learn to go into the inner temple. The way to unfold this clear vision, this clairvoyance, is by way of meditation, contemplation and the life given selflessly in loving service wherever that service is needed. But we do say this: be one-pointed. Be one-pointed in your vision; and by this we mean keep your eyes, your spiritual eyes, upon the heights, upon the golden-topped mountain heights and never, for one instant, take your vision away from those sunlit mountain tops. You will not only reach them very soon, but you will remain there. As we have told you, the world with all its turmoil and ignorance will have lost its power to hurt you or disappoint. We know, do not think, children, because we talk to you from the spirit life that we have not experienced your disappointments and your loss of faith.

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Now any great teacher will tell you that faith is essential to every man. The substance of faith are [sic] the things unknown but believed in. If life has dealt hardly with you and has given you cause for regret and bitterness and great sorrow, hold fast to your faith in a God of Love. Hold fast to your faith in a God of Love. What do all these earthly disappointments matter? What does it matter if your brother misjudges you and calls you names that are untrue? What does it matter? If your vision is upon the heights and if your faith is strong and sure, you will never be disappointed. You will have proof, not only of God's love and justice and wisdom, but of the same potential qualities in your brother man. And so long as man seeks the way of the sword and criticism and cruelty, so long will he himself suffer the pains and the tortures of darkness and ignorance. You cannot set the world right: you cannot hope to set the world right, but you can set yourself right.

And if every man, woman and child living in a physical body would remember this and discipline themselves according to the law of Divine Love, Divine Wisdom and Divine Justice, then humanity will see the World Saviour. And this is the meaning of Christ, the Saviour of humanity – not because He hung, [not because] His physical body hung upon a cross, but because of His own freewill he allowed his earthly self to be crucified. But not His spirit, not the Son of God that was his essential self; that was never crucified. And this is the way Christ saves sinners and saves the world. Christ the Son who is heir to God's kingdom. And you are all sons and daughters of God. The Christ in you is your saviour and every man must understand that upon him is the responsibility. Christ saves the world as man allows the Christ to be his life.

In our midst at this very moment we see the Presence Form of the Lord Christ before the Table of Communion. It is spread with the pure white cloth. He takes from the atmosphere, the surroundings, the symbol of the bread, white ether, the symbol of the substance of His body, His cosmic body. 'I am the Bread of Life'. He takes from His heart the cup, the chalice of the Holy Grail. See, it is filled with the wine, the essence of His spirit, His nature, His love. He raises His hands and calls to His Father–Mother God to bless this spiritual communion. He breaks the small loaves. Take, eat; brother, sister, eat. Eat this symbol of My Body. Take; drink of the essence of My Spirit, My Love.

The Bread and the Wine of Life for every man on earth, the mystic power of our Father–Mother God envelops you, heals you, restores you to health, to faith, to love and to peace.

Amen.

May this sacred heavenly peace abide with you now and ever more.

Amen

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