#### A013 Sunday Address 12th August 1934 Kenton Spiritualist Church Sunday Service

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*Text*: duplicated bound copy entitled 'The Second Coming of Christ'. No contemporary markings. *Context*: place given as Kenton, presumably the Spiritualist Church. A Sunday, so a Sunday service is assumed. Ends with a Communion.

*General notes*: properly, although White Eagle attributes Jesus referring to the end of the world, Jesus used no such phrase, although he certainly spoke of what White Eagle calls 'great happenings'. The Abrahamic religions in general have a linear view of time (beginning, middle and end) whereas White Eagle tends to a cyclical (more typically Vedic) view. For him the 'Second Coming' has to do with the beginning of a new age rather than the end of things. The reference to John the Baptist coming from Egypt to Palestine is non-biblical.

The address mentions a reading, apparently of the nativity story despite the August date – presumably Luke 2, which tells of the angels appearing to the shepherds. The address also mentions the Armistice, though that is a November celebration.

*References*: 'Render unto Caesar', at the beginning is from Matthew 22 : 21. 'O love, that wilt not let me go' is the first line of the hymn of that name by the Victorian hymn writer George Matheson. 'As a man thinketh': the book of this title by James Allen was first published in 1903. For the story of the angels and the shepherds, see General notes, above; the Wise Men, mentioned afterwards, are described in Matthew, ch. 2. The Angel with a flaming sword guarding the Garden of Eden is not a reference to the Book of Revelation, but to the creation story – see Genesis 3 : 24. 'Peace on earth, good will toward men' is a rendering of Luke 8 : 14. 'You know not the day nor the hour' is Matthew 25 : 13.

#### White Eagle's Address:

'Greetings, beloved children. We speak tonight on a subject of the deepest interest to all – "The Second Coming of Christ", an event much talked about by the varying sects of the Christian faith. It is of interest also to you who call yourselves Spiritualists. Is there to be a Second Coming? He who was the greatest teacher in history spoke to His disciples of the time when he would come again. He prophesied of world affairs, of great happenings to take place before what he described as 'The end of the world'.

The end of the World! – But not the end of man! Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's – unto God, the things which are God's. Render unto the world the things which are of the world; and unto heaven, the things which are of heaven. For the end of the world, interpreted in the esoteric sense, means the end of worldly life, and of worldly thought. Saddest amongst worldly thoughts stands forth that of War – born of inharmony, selfishness, of greed and egotism, and fear.

Before the coming of the end of the World, there is to be, according to his teaching, great catastrophe, wars and rumours of wars, the sorrows and terrors of the worldly life. Only when men have passed through the fires of Gehenna will they become purified. For all of the world will have been burnt in the worldly fires, and Man, the Son of God enter into the Kingdom of Light, the Kingdom of Christ...

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You may see these things dawning today, for man is on the verge, on the cusp of a great era; the Aquarian age is at hand and the Aquarian Age, according to the wisdom of the wise men of the East who this day watch over the evolution of mankind – the Aquarian age ushers in the Age of Spirit. According to the your wise men who know the stars, those born under the sign of Aquarius, who come under the Aquarian ray, are children of the Spirit, and vibrate to those spiritual rays of power, because they have within an answering note.

What did the Master mean when he spoke of a Second Coming, when he himself would ride upon the clouds and would gather unto His heart the Elect? Those ready to respond to the Christ light would go forward into the next cycle of evolution. Did he mean that the unready would be cast into the fire forever?

No, no, beloved children! Your Father God is a Father of intense love – "O Love, that wilt not let me go"...Of so tender and wise a love that those who cannot reach that note must wait, must stand aside and wait until the next age dawns.

Regard life as a wheel which revolves with exact precision. Regard every event which takes place in the individual as well as in the universal life as the result of an exact Law, a Law no man can escape. It works with exactitude, but man may find himself caught in the spokes of that wheel, revolving in a way which is uncomfortable for him, if he does not attune himself to a universal infinite love. And so we find in the individual life – chaos and mental suffering which in time creates physical suffering, because the physical body responds to the mental vibration, to the mental direction. <u>As a man thinketh, so is he</u>. Whatever your problem in life, if you resent life's discipline, if you poke your elbows out, they will be caught in the spokes of the wheel and you will be bumped, your poor old physical body will be bruised. But if you can hold yourself erect and open to the infinite source of light, you will be carried along the path of life with harmony, with health, with joy and with happiness. And your eyes will open to the vision and you will see the coming of the Lord.

This is what will happen. Man, during the past two thousand years, has been travelling on a certain path laid upon open to mankind by the coming of the Son of God, Christ...

He was born... into flesh. He who was born as a babe was not Christ but the great initiate Jesus, <u>the Initiate and Master of this age</u>. You have recorded in this book the history of the tests and the initiations which Jesus passed through to attain a higher degree in the Great White Lodge than any who has yet trod this earth plane. The Master Jesus, being the greatest Master, sits in the Chair of the Great White Lodge. He attained to the degree of Christship; and his Initiation is recorded in the temples of the great Pyramid in Egypt; in Tibet and in Central America. Through that Attainment came upon the earth a Ray of Power from the Christ Soul.

Jesus was baptised by John, the prophet who journeyed from Egypt to Palestine. John was the forerunner, who had seen the long preparation of his Master, and knew that the Christ was to be born in Jesus, the Master Initiate.

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The reading tonight told of the story of the birth of Jesus and how the angels broke through the clouds – interpret this not as rain clouds, but the clouds and the mists which surround the earth even today – and the angels broke through the clouds, illumined with their light and spoke but not to the great intellects of the earth, not to the great scientists, not to those mighty brains of which the world thinks so much today; but to the shepherds, watching their flocks, to simple souls in touch with the universal truth, accustomed to long hours of meditation, men of humility. The angels came and shed their radiance upon the simple and the wise...

Today also the angels are breaking through the mists and the clouds surrounding the earth, to shed their radiance upon the wise men... and the simple. As in the days of old, the angels are giving proof; hence we see, here, there, everywhere, the creating of small groups of which are two sections, the esoteric and the exoteric. The Spiritualist Societies and Churches are the shepherds who hear the Voice, the angels who come to minister to you are continually giving you proof of the reality of the spirit, of a life which exists without the physical body, of the life-force which interpenetrates the world. The other groups are those fitted to receive the magical teaching, who are the Wise Men, the Magi; for remember, the Wise men came from the East, for had they not see the Star of the Angels, and so had travelled to meet their Lord and Master...?

Two thousand years are as a moment; time is nothing in the universal, for those things which happened yesterday are happening today, are <u>here</u> – and <u>now</u>!

It is difficult for the finite mind to understand the infinite, therefore you must raise yourselves above the finite and touch infinity. Only through your intuition can you feel the truth. Don't search for truth – feel it! Feel the power which is pulsating and vibrating in this room tonight. None here, if they be true, can say 'I cannot feel the power of the infinite, of the unseen of the spirit, speaking of my soul at this moment'.

Of such is the Second Coming... When each soul is touched by and sees the light, and having seen the light, is in more degrees a Christ, is indeed a Son of the Logos.

Sixteen years ago the Armistice was signed – each year you celebrate that day by a silence. Nearly all men feel the power of Christ break down the mists during the two minute's silence. You think of angels maybe as figments of a bygone age, imaginative, yet picturesque as they stand with outspread wings around a blazing throne, those angels who are depicted as succouring men – but pretty pictures, alas, no more!

Your Bible speaks of angels guarding the Gate of the Garden of Eden with flaming swords of power, of Initiation. One such touched the earth plane when your Armistice was signed – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month – "a pure coincidence" says the lower mind, the mind of earthly man. O beloved, I tell you there is no such thing as coincidence … remember the revolving wheel – every detail either in individual, national or international or universal life, is the result of a Law. You press a certain button to get a certain result. Moreover the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month has a deep occult significance, for it brings into alignment with the earth plane certain planetary

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and angelic forces which broke through the mists surrounding the earth. Then again the angels cried "Peace on earth – good will toward men!" This was the ushering in of a new age, the age of Aquarius, of the Christ spirit. Birth is a slow procedure and the War significant of the first birth pangs.

Beloved children, you await the Second Coming. It is at hand. It may come to anyone of you this night; watch and pray, for you know not the day nor the hour in which the Son of God cometh; when he breaketh in upon you with the Light of His Love.

What are your earthly difficulties? – I speak not mere words when I say they will be dissolved, that every suffering will disappear to you individually with this, the Second Coming of the Light of Christ, Who is the Son of God, the Son of the Logos, the third aspect of the Deity. Those who are working in this little Church, labour not in vain.

Beloved, lift up your hearts to the most high! Eat of his bread; drink of his wine – the food which is the life, the wine which is fire, which is spirit. Commune with him daily, and you shall enter into the light of heaven.

"Father... I come... "Christ... Brother... I come – unto You...

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