

Peace and Truth

A429 Sunday Address 11th April 1971 New Lands Easter Day Service

Text: there is some confusion about the address of this date as a version exists which seems to be largely that of 16 April 1933. The text that follows exists in two copies, one of them with marks by YGH, not included here. The heading matches that of the Easter Service for 1969 and a regular typist who was not AMI may be projected. In this script, the first time for a New Lands typist, we have an 'Opening Prayer', maybe by Minesta, and a Benediction, which does not feel like Brother Faithful's style so may be hers also. A hand, possibly that of RAE, who seems to have looked this over (YGH's hand names 'Anthony' in red felt-tip and then 'Philip' after, in blue ball pen, so the former's comments are not unlikely). In keeping with them, in the middle of the script, we have used 'the earthly mind will not accept' in place of the script's 'the earthly man will not accept' and a number of other minor re-readings. There is a whole phrase added near the end, after 'But you are all healers' which is unreadable; it might be a repetition of the phrase or it could say 'you could all be healers'. We have included the latter phrase but it is very tentatively done.

Context: see 'text' for a note on the opening and closing prayers. No other information about the service survives.

General notes: White Eagle begins with a clear identification of peace with truth. He says human conflict arises because of an inner conflict between the spiritual and the physical, leading to an uneasiness and desire to act. From then on the address is specifically about resurrection (rather than crucifixion). The reason for life on Earth is to release oneself and recreate that same life as beauty. By self-discipline, he will bring the Golden Age. Not uniquely, but very beautifully, White Eagle identifies spring with the golden flowers, the same colour as radiates from Jesus in art. The earth is a strangely small planet, and best seen in the imagination as a concentration of the same golden light. White Eagle then moves on to the need for forgiveness and how it is a release from karma. He then offers a wonderful promise of a short message only halfway through the address he actually gave, maybe a record! Yet what follows is the beginning of the message becoming meditational – an excursion into the garden which holds the tomb of Jesus, and the significance of the stone. We are here to develop the celestial body and with vision can see it in those who have passed on. Mastery is only seen from the true level of mastery, but it is there for us all. He then speaks of ancient brotherhoods. Here the typist, by capitalising 'the Holy Isle' evidently assumes White Eagle means the separate location in Northumberland, but he may have meant 'Iona, which is the holy isle'. There is a fascinating reference to the Cathars and to the Consolamentum as a love awareness, rather than simply a means of overcoming death. The request to dismiss the idea that Jesus was only a medium relates to a common claim within Spiritualism specifically. At the last, the communion offers a particularly beautiful insight into nature within the heavenly garden. We think 'silver fish' is to be taken literally – there is no link with the insect known as a silver fish. The reference to the being who stands beside Christ is, we think, to the Master R.

References: 'Forgive us our trespasses' is of course from the Lord's Prayer, Matthew 6 : 12; halfway through the address, roughly, there is a claim by White Eagle that man can aspire by looking into the world of nature, and that the master Jesus teaches this. We are not sure what passage in the Bible White Eagle would give to back up this statement. Shortly after, the phrase 'as you condemn, so you condemn yourself' is an echo of 'Judge not', Matthew 7 : 1-3. For the 'terrestrial body and the celestial body' see 1 Corinthians 15 : 50. For 'no more death' having been prophesied in the Christian religion, see Revelation 21.

Opening Prayer:

We feel the peace of heaven drawing very close to our service, and we withdraw from the outer world with all its conflicts and sorrows, and we seek that inner centre of communion, the spirit of God in all life and deep within our own being: God, our Heavenly Father. And we see the evidence in all nature of the Great Mother, the Great Mother of all form. And our

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hearts swell in praise and thanksgiving for this life, eternal life, and we know that we are, at this moment of communion and meditation, at one with all creatures. We are one in the spirit of our Heavenly Father and we rejoice and give thanks for this knowledge, for this ever-increasing wisdom which is slowly unfolding in our consciousness, and for the presence of the Great White Brotherhood of all time; for the nearness, the presence, the blessing of the great masters and saints, especially for the presence of our Lord the Christos, the Sun of Life, the Light. For the presence of this eternal sun of life we are thankful and pray that each individual here in this service may have renewed vision, clear vision, and a deeper understanding of Eastertide, the glorious message to all humanity of Easter. And in this quiet service, on this hill top, we raise our vision and open our heart to the inpouring of that light; and we thank Thee, O God, for this beauty, this life, this fulfilment, this joy, and all love goes forth from us to the Great White Spirit and to the Son of God.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

White Eagle's Address:

To our beloved brethren in the physical life we bring peace. Peace be unto each one of you; a quiet tranquillity be in your souls for, when truth speaks to you, you will know that all is well in your own life and that underneath you are the everlasting arms of love, and that God has given his angels to watch over you, to love you and to guide you. Now when this awareness of the truth dawns in your heart, then peace is with you, and this is the message which we bring from the world of spirit.

We know that it is not everyone who, at the present time, will agree with our words. Nevertheless, they are true, and all men will discover, as they gain experience in life, that all things must work together for good for the man who has found good, or God, deep, deep within his heart – and all men are moving on the path, however rough it may seem at the present time. All men are moving along that path which will bring them right up into the golden world of spirit.

There is conflict on the Earth because there is conflict in man's own heart about physical matter and spiritual life, and the two aspects are so often at war in man, and this is why man has to suffer – and he becomes agitated and anxious and wants to do something. This is all very well. We would not prevent any one of you from acting according to the Law, the spiritual law, which you will find within your own innermost being whenever you enter the temple of spirit to pray and to listen to the voice of God.

Beloved friends and brethren, at this point we would like to say how happy we are to welcome you to this service of resurrection! Think what it means! Resurrection from darkness and the cold of wintertime. This is what you all suffer, in your northern hemisphere at least: the dark and the cold of winter. But it is an illustration to you of what takes place in the soul of man when he does not attune himself to the sun, to the warmth and the love and the light of the sun.

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Now in your religion – let us take the illustration of your orthodox Christian religion – you have there an illustration of the deep mystical truths of life, but in the past man has become so enslaved by the material conditions which he has created, or which have been created by man on your Earth plane. He has become enslaved by these material conditions. Think of this, because it is this enslavement of physical matter which man has to free himself from. Now this does not mean that the physical life is unimportant. Oh dear, no! The physical life on your earth is of the utmost importance. Man has been put into a physical body for a purpose, and this purpose is for him to learn to overcome the imprisonment of the physical life and to fill the physical life with the beauty and the happiness and the well-being and the health that God intends him to have. It is only by self-discipline, by overcoming all the lower instincts, the selfishness which is in the flesh, that man can be reborn into the spirit. And the spirit will overpower the whole Earth in time, and this has been prophesied for a very long time. The Golden Age!

Have you noticed that at this time of the year, in the spring time, when the sun shines and brings warmth and lightness and joy to the Earth, nature bursts forth in flower, in pale green leaves, which you can see quite clearly interspersed with that lovely yellow, the gold, the gold which you will see radiating from the form of the Christos? He is depicted by artists with the aura of light, but you have no conception yet with your physical mind of the beauty of that golden light which is radiating from the Lord Christ. He cannot repress it. It just shines forth like a blazing star with so many rays all over the Earth plane.

We want to say something else to you today. You may or you may not realise what a small world or planet you live upon. We would like you to conceive your world, the Earth planet, as a world in which there is a concentration of this golden light. Now to a materialist this will probably sound all nonsense but, you know, even materialists are sometimes confronted with what we can only call a miracle, and the earthly mind will not accept the truth of spirit. Nevertheless, spirit continues to manifest in so many forms of beauty, and it is for man himself to look for the beauty in the world, not only in nature but in human nature, and we are simply repeating to you this Resurrection Day the same teaching which the beloved Son, the Christ, taught to his disciples and is still teaching to his disciples throughout this Earth planet.

It is so easy to rise up and judge the actions of others, but we would say to you, dear children, refrain from condemning others; for as you condemn, so you condemn yourself. Strive to be tolerant and to give forth from your heart the gentle spirit, the tranquil spirit of the master soul. Jesus the Christ is a Master Spirit, man made perfect, and this is the purpose of this life of Jesus the Christ; this is why this highly evolved and perfected soul was incarnated – in order to reveal to people, to individuals, what they could attain themselves if they followed his simple, gentle ways.

Forgive! Whatever is in your heart, however hard you may feel towards any soul, and possibly with justification according to material standards, we say to you, pray to forgive as he taught in his simple prayer: 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive others, those who trespass against us'. Do you realise that by forgiving others you are releasing yourselves? You release yourself as soon as you feel forgiveness in your own heart, and so long as you keep harshness and judgment over your fellows, whether they be individual people or nations

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– so long as you refuse to forgive or continue to judge or condemn, you are holding that condemnation and that judgment on yourself. You see, dear ones, life is one great spiritual law and this is what mankind has to learn, Law. And the law of love or God is supreme.

And now, before we leave you, after our short message, we want to take you to the garden, the beautiful garden, the heavenly garden (shall we call it?), and in that heavenly garden was a tomb sealed by a stone. The stone, we suggest to you, is a symbol of that material mind, that hard mind of man; but the angels came and they rolled away that hard stone which sealed the tomb wherein the form of Jesus Christ was laid. And the spirit of Jesus came forth, and he was clothed in his heavenly body so that even his disciples did not recognise him and his very close friends did not recognise him.

Now we would like to leave you with this particular message.... Now, when your loved ones pass away from the physical body, if you saw them as they truly are in that beautiful heavenly body which they had built around themselves, you would not recognise them; you would not recognise them. Now this is one reason why we would guide you to develop your own spiritual potentialities – so that you have within you the spiritual sight and the spiritual hearing. As the great master, St Paul, said: ‘Man has a terrestrial body and a celestial body’. The purpose of your life, children, on this Earth is to endeavour to develop that celestial body so that you have clear vision and understanding, so that you can see through the darkness and the mists of confusion on the Earth, and you can see into the heaven world; and when we speak of the heaven world, whilst we mean an actual place, we also mean a state of consciousness that you are meant to develop so that you live in the awareness of that glory, of that heavenly life; and when your friends leave you and they slip away in a state of sleep from their physical body, you will be able to see them and commune with them and communicate with them – and they will talk to you and you will be reunited with them in their world of spirit.

There will be no more death. Now this has been prophesied in your own Christian religion. All these things – death and sickness and cruelty and war – all these things will pass away and man will evolve spiritually to a spiritual being like the masters.

What do we mean by a master? Who is a master? Do ordinary men recognise a master? No. No man can recognise a master until he himself has developed the qualities of a master spirit. Remember this, but do also understand that to every one of you, to every man and woman and child living in the physical body, there will come a day of resurrection into the light, and may that resurrection come to you in the springtime when the sun is shining, and then you will rejoice for having listened to the voice of the spirit, to your own inner voice; and this, my children, is the salvation. This will be the salvation of mankind: not a crucifixion of their master on a cross but the mystical conception of that crucifixion of the lower self or the body and the release of that glorious Son of God. This is the resurrection of all people, of all mankind: the Eastertide – and in the future will you never forget the true meaning of Eastertide? It is not the celebration of death and physical crucifixion; it is the celebration of life and recreation and an awakening from materiality into the beauty and wonder of that true spiritual life – not after you die and leave your physical body but whilst you are living in it on this beautiful Earth, in this beautiful world which God has caused to be – God, the First Great Cause of life.

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And this is the magic, my children, the magic which was known to those simple brothers in the East and those brotherhoods that are known to have lived and travelled in the Mediterranean area and who came up into the northern hemisphere and started the brotherhoods in such places as Iona, the Holy Isle, and Glastonbury, and many centres in your own land of Britain. These were the Christian brothers, and when we say Christian, we are not confining Christianity to any orthodox church but only to the Christ church, the church of the living Christ. And this knowledge of love and light was the knowledge which brought to these brothers the magic of healing.

You are all interested in healing. You would all like to be healers – but *you are all healers*, you could all be healers – not you, the personality of Earth, but you are an instrument, and that magic, that white magic which all the white brothers had unfolded within themselves – that white magic is the true healing power. It is the Comforter, and as our Albigenian brethren – or Cathars, as they were called, received that mysterious gift known as the Consolamentum. They received it in their hearts because of their love, because of their vision into that glorious figure of the Son, the Son of God.

Do dismiss all the materialistic thought that Jesus was only a medium. He was truly a channel; a medium, if you like; but it is a very crude word – but he was a channel for that blazing light, and in this way he became symbolised to earthly people in the form of the Star, that six-pointed star which is the star of power, wisdom and love. And in due time you will learn how to use that inner magic for the healing of the sick and the healing of the nations.

And now, in the stillness of this little service, we ask you to use your creative power. Call it imagination, if you like; it is the power of creating an image. Create the image of the Lord Christ with his disciples and all the animals round him. See how the animals look up to worship him. See the butterflies and the little creatures of the lower orders of life. Look into the clear water of the pool in your garden and see the goldfish and the silver fish. See the birds swimming on the surface of the water. Try and hold the whole of creation in your picture and see him, the centre of it all, with his gentle spirit, his loving smile, and feel his love enfolding you in this power. A pure life, a pure physical body, a pure mind, a loving heart, and you will enter into this fuller consciousness of the world about you, the world of spirit. And for you this day will surely have been a day of resurrection.

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And by the side of the Master, Christ, there now stands another great being who brings as a symbol to you of this new age life the white rose, the white rose of purity – fragrant and sweet. This is it. This is the resurrection morn for everyone who can see it and live it; and we leave you now, my children, to meditate upon the Master surrounded by all his creatures and holding before you the symbol of the Holy Grail. And in the silence we beg you to sip from the holy Grail Cup.

Benediction:

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And so we open all the windows of our heart and soul to the light and sweetness of our heavenly Father God; and we bow our heads in simple prayer and thanksgiving for this wondrous blessing of spirit return. And the peace of God which passeth all worldly understanding rests and abides with us now and for evermore.

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