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Invocation:

Let us pray to our divine Father-Mother-God. O Gracious Spirit, we pray that we may be receptive to Thy love. We come into Thy Presence in thankfulness for the consciousness of Thee. We pray that the mission of Thy children of the Light may be blessed. We earnestly pray that many who dwell in the limitations of earth-matter may be touched by the message of the Spirit and find themselves released from their pain and suffering. O Great White Spirit, may these our beloved earth brethren feel Thy blessing, feel the presence of Thy ministering angels and of those loved ones who have passed into freedom of the spirit. May all this earthly assembly be raised up into the heights. For Thy blessing we humbly thank Thee, O God.

Amen.

Friends and brethren of our spirit, we bring all love to you both collectively and individually. We bring on this occasion the symbol of the rose and we place it in your midst. With your inner senses opened to spiritual things, may you absorb the perfume of this heavenly rose, symbol of the Christ Spirit which is the light of earth and the salvation of humanity.

Why does the Christian religion say so much about salvation? Because, my children, there is so great a need for this saving power. The earth planet has a long and dark history. We would have you realise that not only do disembodied spirits and angels come to help you but also beings from your solar universe, universal beings, who bring light and would assist man* to save himself through the grace of the Christ Spirit dormant within him.

[*For editorial policy around gender, see the introduction.]

The truth is that the earth planet has to be—shall we use the word 'saved?'—to be raised up from darkness into the Light of God. This is why spirits who were once men, and other beings from other planets and other worlds, come close. They are all watching the evolution of the earth planet. Nevertheless, essentially it is only humanity who can save itself from utter darkness—yes, and we will add destruction—and destruction of physical matter as it is known to men. This destruction is not in the divine Will nor the divine Plan. Man has been given the choice; he knows that he can do what he likes. Yes, true, he can, but he has always to pay for the outcome of blindly following the path of selfishness, an outcome which means self-destruction.

This is why we bring into your midst tonight the mystical influence of the rose, which is also [the] symbol of your own Britain, and especially the symbol of the Christ sphere. As you absorb its peace and beauty, you must inevitably be raised in consciousness to worlds of beauty and light. The earthly mind may literally drag you off your course and tempt you to despair and despondency by stressing all the suffering in the world, its cruelty and heedlessness. Material and degrading thoughts in plenty can come pressing in, but these thoughts represent and are the aggregate of thoughts of millions of your fellows who have allowed themselves to be absorbed in a besetting darkness due to material thinking. Instead, God has given you an impetus in your heart to believe in Him and to believe in His Son, the

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Cosmic Christ, which is the eternal light in humanity. We watch over your efforts to respond to the good, the true and the beautiful, and to the goodwill manifesting in the hearts of your neighbours. It is better to believe in your brother man and to be what worldly people call 'let down' occasionally than to disbelieve in him and let him down. The latter is a grave karma, which applies nationally as well as personally. Everyone should think the best, look for the best, believe in the best. No amount of argument can ever alter or deny the divine and cosmic law which is ever at work in human life and on the earth planet.

During the many millions of years the earth has been in existence there have been many attempts to help humanity to save itself, originating from other worlds either physical, etheric or spiritual. Those of you who have studied occult science (or even physical science) and human history will admit that from time to time great souls have come to the earth bringing a spiritual message. These are called saviours, avatars, prophets, seers, or later great men in science, art and literature. All their messages harmonise in that they teach one fundamental, one basic truth, that there is a God not only of your particular solar system but of other solar systems; there is a universal God, a divine Principle, dual in nature, and the object of man being breathed forth from the heart of God is that he may spiritually evolve through a process of learning and experience of human life in individual form into a higher and yet higher being and ultimately enjoy all the glories of a son of God.

God's gift to man is beauty; it is happiness; it is perfection. In the process of his development man is gradually gaining this happiness. Every time a ray of illumination touches your soul you experience an ecstasy incomparable with anything earthly. It is this very spiritual experience which brings that complete and perfect moment of happiness. It can only come through your own effort, only be experienced by yourself. Thus we see good coming out of evil; happiness and perfection out of periods of stress and strain. You could not appreciate the glory of the light did you not know the depression and fear of the darkness. You could not enjoy the warmth and comfort of sunlight if you did not know ice and cold. It is a wonderful plan that our Creator has set for the building of the temple of his heaven by each soul.

Think of the lives of the great ones, the peaks of humanity; think of their contribution to the light of the world. Some lives are lesser, some greater, but the greatest manifestation was the simple, the humble life of the Master Jesus. His message was: 'The Father and I are one.' He begged you to look to the Father, and great blessing would come. 'My kingdom is not of this world,' he said again and again; it was of a higher world. Those who can absorb in sincerity and truth the message of the Master Jesus and live out that message—which is far more than talking about, reading about, and even thinking about it—will become it in a giving, giving of the self.

This in turn brings us to the keystone of the royal arch*. This is the Christ, which represents service. The keystone in the royal arch, then, through which all must pass on their way to heaven, is the giving of service. What is meant is giving freely of one's soul and spirit in order to help and encourage others. This is the Christ way, the only true way of progress on the path into—we will simply say 'heaven', which is a state of perfection, a state of perfect happiness.

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[*A degree of freemasonry. White Eagle refers to freemasonry as a form of universal truth or teaching, with no specific reference to the freemasonry of today.]

Many whom you regard as the White* Brethren have come again and again to help you of their own freewill. It is their joy to bring light, to bring encouragement and to bring truth, the true story behind man's spiritual evolution. Occult science tells us that in ages past God-men came to this earth to help humanity to salvation. Young souls were being breathed forth on to the earth; like babes they needed guidance, they needed instruction, and for this purpose God-men came to this earth. The materialist will scoff at the very idea. He will say: 'Where did they come from?' We answer, they came from more highly evolved planets. Your scientists say that life cannot exist on other planets, only on dear little dark earth; and that there the most highly intelligent beings ever created exist. We deny this. Greater intelligences do live on other planets. These great ones are the silent watchers of humanity's progress, and are in touch with all the happenings of your modern world. They are waiting eagerly for some response in the human heart to their influence, which is of brotherhood and love. They came before, millions of years ago to help humanity, until at last humanity became arrogant and men thought they were standing on their own feet. Full of materialism, they then banished these great teachers. So they withdrew. It is the same today. Materialism is very hard and bitterly against anything from the invisible, from planes of life which cannot be wholly demonstrated in a materialistic world. The scientists say that all this is rubbish, a product of a diseased mind. If they could see themselves truly, they would see that their own minds are corrupted by the disease of materialism, which we could almost liken to a malignant growth. In spite of all this, however, intelligences from other planets still come. Do not be over-credulous or too incredulous about what you hear of visitors from other planets. There is a large percentage of truth in the reports. 'By their fruits ve shall know them,' and those who visit this earth from other planets will prove themselves by being God-like, Christ-like. Their message will bear the true stamp. They will show no intolerance, but only, as we said, love, goodwill, brotherhood.

[*Refers to light, not race or colour.]

Now comes a statement which some will find difficult to accept. The Master Jesus was a soul who volunteered for incarnation on your earth, from a more highly evolved planet. He lived on Venus in many incarnations. He who is called St John was a companion of Jesus on Venus. He also reincarnated voluntarily to help the Master Jesus in his mission. What proof can we give you of these things? A proof will come to you in the course of your spiritual unfoldment, when you analyse the message of Jesus, meditate upon it and at last understand it, and as you meditate about the great message of John the Beloved. The two brought to this earth planet the divine message of the Christ love.

Other great souls whom you call 'Masters' and 'Elder Brethren' are not all of the earth. Some are visitors to this planet, having attained their degree of Christ-hood. Also there have been groups of men and women drawn together by these highly evolved beings, which have worked and laboured long to radiate the spiritual light to men. It is truly said that God has

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never left man without a witness. These groups were known by many different names, such as that of King Arthur and his twelve knights, which is certainly a symbolic story, but only in part. There was the group of the Rosy Cross founded by one known as Rosenkreuz*. Many other religions have the vision from the heart centre as the core of their religion. Indeed all religions are the same so long as they are based on the one true light. Such religions see the Creator as a loving parent to the earth children. We have in mind also the Albigenses**, who not only believed but practised purity of worship and of life. The powers of darkness eventually exterminated them. Always this power works behind the scenes to destroy the light. Nevertheless, if man can be true to whatever religion he follows, in that his relationship to God the Father is the one true religion. Only the darkness of selfishness turns man's so-called religion to dust, ashes and corruption.

[*Refers to Rosicrucianism, a spiritual movement which arose in Europe in the early 17th century, although White Eagle states that it is older.]
[**Another term for Cathars, a gnostic Christian group persecuted in France in the 13th century.]

Now, my children, we are in the radiation of that great Eastern festival known as the Wesak Festival. This again is an attempt by the great ones to concentrate this glorious spiritual light upon the earth. It is for every willing soul to participate in this baptism. Those of you who give thought to holy and sacred things will attune yourselves always and ever to the vibrations of this Holy Breath which, from time to time, from age to age and from year to year, concentrates upon the earth and this to impress human consciousness with love for God, love for goodness, love for Love. Take every opportunity you can to meditate upon these holy things. Send forth your thoughts to the holy and great ones.

We want you to go home with a feeling of exhilaration. There is before you an unending path of glorious unfoldment, an ever-unfolding panorama of beauty as you pass along. Therefore we beg you to hold fast to the good, the true and the beautiful, and to be positively good in your outlook upon life, and to positively attune your minds and your souls to the influence of the messengers from other worlds. They are looking to you to respond and to believe in greater things than are yet known. Let life take a great sweep forward and you will see that there is no stagnation, no destruction, no death for you, but a continual outflowing of the Christ Spirit through you to stimulate and beautify all life.

We now leave you with the blessing of God's love and peace. Built up in the centre of this group is an immense rose, the mystic rose of the ancient and eternal Brotherhood of the Great White Light.

Benediction:

Almighty Spirit, Creator of all life, Great Son of Life, Great Light, whom we worship, we depend upon Thy Light for sustenance, physical, mental and spiritual. May we forever keep alive our consciousness of Thee, of Thy greatness and Thy power. May we forever surrender our little selves to the eternal love of Thy great Self. May every soul present be raised to be

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caught up by Thee and enfolded in Thy great heart of love. O Father-Mother-God, we Thy humble, simple children, thank Thee. We cannot live without Thee.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

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