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#### **Invocation**:

O almighty and all-loving Father, we pray that the light may come into our waiting hearts. We pray that each soul assembled in this sanctuary may be touched by the power of Thy love and wisdom. We pray, O God, that the light of the ages, the eternal light which floweth from Thy pulsating heart of love, may quicken within our souls. We thank Thee that Thou hast drawn us together to receive Thy blessings of spiritual enlightenment, that we may enjoy the beauties of the heavenly places in our souls, and we pray that each may go forth glowing from within, carrying the rays of peace and wisdom. Thus shall Thy kingdom be becoming on earth; may healing and light rays go forth from this centre to glorify Thee in Thy children.

Amen.

Greetings, beloved, greetings. We endeavour to bring to you something of the light which has come to us. We do not say you must believe these things, but only reveal that which we have found in the temples of wisdom. May you find words which will give you encouragement on the road of life.

We speak tonight on the Aquarian Age, or the new age fast approaching. For truly you must find your world in a state of chaos. Do not however think of the chaos, nor share in the thoughts of darkness and fear, and doubt. For you are sorely tempted to go with the tide and to expect the worst, but as children of the new age, we ask you to make it almost a ritual in your life not to participate in thoughts or words of doubt, fear or negation. Be positive, be constructive, for the wise child of the Living God is able to penetrate the mists and darkness with a ray of light from Him. Remember that the vibrations which emanate from the God Centre will penetrate through the mists of the densest matter.

You who desire to participate in the great work of spiritual reconstruction must resolutely obey the highest commanding within you. You must *love* the Lord Thy God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. With heart, with emotion, with your whole mental body you must love the Lord God and see in the darkness and chaos the seed of light, of God, which is germinating there. You can enter into the depths of hell—and there find God.

We speak simply so that you may understand clearly what we would teach. We want to get to the heart of truth. Although in the process of man's\* becoming, the soul passes through experiences on the many planes of life both seen and unseen, there remains throughout but the one central truth; reach to the heart of God, and trace the past from your contact with the heart of God, and you will see clearly, you will understand, but you will find your understanding most difficult to put into words.

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

Many here have passed through periods of great and wonderful illumination, but if you try to clothe such experiences in earthly language you seem to repeat merely a mass of words. Language conveys so little of spiritual truth and spiritual experience; books can tell you little

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more, for literary expression is but a clumsy and rude gown enwrapping a perfect celestial form or idea. Only those who enter the Silence reach indeed to truth—but how elusive!—with an elusiveness never to be caught and imprisoned in words. For when a soul breaks the limitations of personality and becomes at one with the universal wisdom or cosmic consciousness, it just *knows*, with a knowing not to be expressed in words. Therefore, you will never find truth, complete truth, in any book.

The secrets of the inner schools seem to be shrouded in mystery and it is reputed that no secrets are ever written. In a masonic lodge, there are certain things which are passed from mouth to mouth but never set up in print, and in the East the yogis teach by word of mouth, or rather by communication from spirit to spirit. Can you understand? Pupil and Master are so attuned that no word is necessary. This is why the pupil cannot come into contact with his master until he is thus attuned.

To come to this great Age, which is fast approaching, let us make it clear that in the process of man's becoming attuned to the God-consciousness, he has clothed himself in many garments, has passed through a process of involution, clothing himself, creating the subtler bodies. In each of the long stages of his being he has acquired a subtler body—think of these garments, placed upon him through every age.

We are not dealing merely with time as you understand it, but rather with a vastness—eternity—but not until one is released from the finite mind can one understand eternity. Eternity is *now*—it always has been and always will be. 'As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end....' Can you, through endeavouring to glimpse eternity, get a real understanding of those great cycles of life, or ages of which we speak—one intermingling with the other, one breaking from another, one being born from another, even as the planets are born from the sun, and the universes are born one from the other? It is stupendous!

But let us deal with the simpler processes of life. As man comes from the heart of God, without consciousness of his true nature, so he creates in the process of his experience those subtle bodies which now he is using. We have reached the outermost rung of human evolution in the density of this earth plane. With the creation of the developed intellect which man has acquired, it would appear that he has reached the limit of involution. Now he turns his face upward. Man has bottomed the depths and faces now the upward arc; he reaches towards the angelic life.

The Aquarian Age, then, is that age wherein man becomes conscious of his real nature. Look about you, those who feel you have attained a little knowledge, and see your brethren—have they a spirit at all, you ask? ... so full of animal lusts and desires they seem, so far removed from the angelic. You witness with saddened heart the clamouring for blood, the desire to fight and down the other man, the struggling for supremacy.\*

[\* How White Eagle's listeners really saw other human beings in 1936 is unknown, but it is probably as well to hear this in the context of its time, three years before the Second World

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War. He is of course talking about our perceptions, not the actual state of individual human beings.]

But do not be harsh. As you see the struggle and passion and lust take possession of these your brethren, try to understand that which grows within them; see a seed breaking through the dull earth, a seed struggling for expression, fighting through the density of earth. In the Aquarian Age there will descend to the earth a tremendous outpouring from the Sun—such a vibration, such energy and light that you cannot at present comprehend. At the time of the crucifixion of the body of the Master Jesus, there was released a vital spirit, a world baptism. It has taken long, according to your understanding, for this vital body of the Sun to permeate the particles or atoms of the physical body of man. For all have participated in that baptism; within your vital body flows a life-giving stream from the vital body of the Christ.

Have you considered the crucifixion, a crucifixion still continually taking place with every violation and denial of the Christ man which is living in humanity, in you, in me? When you think of this, you become sensitive, do you not, and think that it is a terrible thought? But it is not so. We would create rather the impression of a glorious and continual growth taking place in humanity. In the Aquarian Age you will find this consciousness of the living Christ fully developed in man on earth. There will be no more slaughter, no shedding of blood, innocent or guilty, but an intermingling with all planes of spiritual life. Do you remember the symbolism of the gospel story: when Christ was crucified, the temple veil was rent in twain and the Holy of Holies revealed ... a portrayal, a revealing of what some day will take place: the rending of the veil, the intermingling of those higher or spiritual planes of life with the physical planes? Mankind will open its eyes to the glories of heaven.

There will be no more separation. 'Behold, I see a new heaven and a new earth';\* there shall be no more weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth ... the terror and sorrow and sickness to which the flesh seems heir will be overcome, will lie as dust, for by the birth, the resurrection of the Christ within, man will have entered into the kingdom of the living God and all limitations will have passed away.

[\*Revelation 21:1]

Beloved, we do not attempt to teach you; we only pray that the power of the light from God shall be with us all. Not by our words alone but by the intermingling of the angelic ones who are here, in the permeation of their aura with yours, may you be illumined.

Q.When will the Aquarian Age come?

A.It is in the throes of birth even now.\* Watch! In the ordinary span of a life, you will see an amazing raising of the consciousness of the people. The very fact that we are talking together like this tonight is an indication of the birth of the Aquarian Age. Actually the vibrations went forth at the time of the Master Jesus, permeating and quickening the whole human family. The terrible experience of the Great War was as the quickening of the child in the

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womb; 1918 brought a tremendous outpouring upon humanity, and one of the great archangels touched human evolution and turned man towards the higher consciousness.

[\*Authorities differ about when each Age begins.]

What do you want to know times for? Times, my brother, are in God's hands and God's consciousness alone. We have no power to tell the exact time. Time is nothing. The full incoming of the Aquarian Age will take a long time, and you cannot at the present moment understand the full meaning nor the glory and beauty which come to man with the coming of the Aquarian Age.

Q.Do you believe it possible for a human being by pure love-thought towards the Christ to so prepare the pathway of light and love that he may see the all-revealing presence of the beloved Master Jesus the Christ?

A.Beloved brother, there is no question, no doubt, but that that brother has been enfolded in the aura of the Beloved.

Well, beloved, if you all feel such joy as we feel in this communion, you are indeed happy. Before we withdraw we leave this thought with you: picture a mountainside, radiant with colour and light, not of the earth but of spirit, a glorious panorama unfolded before us; see multitudes of God's children in shining raiment listening to the voice of the Teacher. You feel great joy in this our hour of communion—beloved, think of communion in spirit with multitudes of souls and their Master!—this waits for us all when we have entered into the full consciousness of universal brotherhood.

# With one heart one voice—O Gracious Spirit Eternal Eather. We thank Thee. Peace

With one heart, one voice—O Gracious Spirit, Eternal Father.... We thank Thee.... Peace on earth, good will to all men.

Amen.

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