

Harmonies of the Spheres

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Invocation:

O Great White Spirit, our Creator, Thou who art all love, wisdom and power; we turn our faces towards Thee, and the eternal light, opening our hearts in simplicity and humility, waiting to receive Thy blessing. In Thy holy name, and in the name of Christ the Son, we call upon the angels, and all the illumined ones and the guardians of the holy mysteries, to encircle this group and to bless each soul here assembled.

The White* Brotherhood are projecting their light, their love and their power to us, so that your consciousness may be raised above and beyond the physical life and thought to the spheres of harmony and love. We pray that many present will be able to see or sense the presence of these noble companions.

Amen.

*[*The word refers to light, not colour or race.]*

You may remember that we told you some years ago that this little hilltop where New Lands stands was once a centre for the White Brethren, and that the impression left by their holy lives rests here still in the white ether. Those who develop their finer senses will, at the right time, see them. We have also said that in this chapel in which you are gathered, a time will come when your Elder Brethren (whom you describe as masters) will be able to make themselves visible. The earthly mind might describe this prediction as fantastic because that mind can only contact life through the physical senses and so has no means of measuring the truth of our statement. My children, as you proceed on the path of spiritual unfoldment, your sensitivity will increase and you will be able to appreciate the possibility of the truth of what we say.

The whole curriculum or plan of the White Eagle Lodge teaching is to gently and slowly encourage the aspirant on the path to develop these finer senses. This does not mean development of the solar plexus centre only so that it at all times reflects the very close astral conditions around the earth. Each physical sense—that is, the senses of touch, smell, sight, taste, hearing—has its replica in the soul. Man* will eventually develop or learn to use these soul-senses (and beyond these the spiritual senses) which will reveal the most beautiful worlds to him.

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

We might describe this process of development of the finer senses as being like listening to beautiful music. You will admit, we think, that in your present time and age there is greater general interest in and love of music. This is a most important development. Some people strongly object to what they will call ‘raucous music’—to the noisy and jangling sounds. Yet others find something in that particular music which they like. Be tolerant about this, and remember that this kind of music manifests on earth with a purpose.

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It arrived, we think, about the time of the First World War, and has continued ever since, so that today some young people (and even older people) seem to have lost all sense of perspective in their desire for this particular type of music. Away and beyond the jazz type, some of the modern 'classical' music may seem discordant to some people. We want you to know that this also has its purpose, which is to break up outworn conditions of life. Before a new building is built the old structure must be demolished. This is what the particular noisy music has done and is doing. It has broken down outworn conventions and conditions. In other words, it has a place in the process of evolution and progress.

Let us come now to the great harmonies which have been and are still pouring through in the form of inspiring and uplifting music. Notice how young people are seeking the recreation of music in all its different forms, from the lowest kind of noise, then to that music with a rhythm which encourages them to dance and, unknown to them, stimulates the chakras. In other words, it is waking up (in a kindergarten sense) certain centres in the etheric body and even the soul-senses. This is also the case with more beautiful music by your old masters and even by some of the new. You can see today deep interest in and love for music both in the young and in the old; and this is playing a most important part in the spiritual awakening and unfoldment of the hidden soul.

We have been talking about the clearing away of old and unwanted states of life. Although we do not advocate war, we must remember that if man (because it is man who does it) is determined to fight, obviously he has something within his nature of which he needs to be cleansed. In many of man's pursuits on the material plane there is an accumulation of unwanted and unnecessary form, both in man's method of life, and the types of recreation, in his forms of worship—all has to change; all has to pass away and fresh inspiration has to come, which means a quickening of the spirit, functioning, manifesting through earthly matter.

We, with you, work for the day when there will be beauty in all aspects of life—beauty manifest in man's physical body, in his home life, in the communal life of the people, in the service of people towards each other. In other words, we are working for the coming of a new age of brotherhood—a brotherhood which will be lovely in harmony and which will overcome or absorb into itself all suffering. You see, the soul of man is like a great burning fire, if you could see truly the inner things of life. And man absorbs. He suffers, but he also consumes that which is finished. It is transmuted in his soul.

So, the rubbish is burned as in the fires of Gehenna—those fires which burnt the rubbish from the Holy City of Jerusalem. In that piece of symbolism lies an occult truth of life, well known to the master Jesus. Fire being a consumer is also the great cleanser. You may or may not know that the candles on an altar—the little light on the altar here—are all drawing to themselves and consuming any forms of thought around which are undesirable. When a great fire sweeps through a city, leaving devastation and ruin, it seems to have happened through someone's carelessness—who knows?—but also may have had a divine purpose behind it: the much-needed cleansing of the aura of that city.

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So, having touched upon the finer senses of man, which work through his nervous system, we would again raise your thoughts to the spheres of spirit life. Very few men and women know that man has within him senses which can enable him in due time to contact many, many spheres, each more beautiful than your earthly mind or brain can comprehend. You may conceivably picture seven great rays of colour, but if we told you that each one of these can be broken up into countless numbers of finer colours, it might be beyond your comprehension. So we shall concentrate upon the seven rays of colour with which most of you are familiar, and which you use in your healing work.

When you talk to people about this method of healing the sick by coloured rays, many are very intrigued and interested, and will say: 'How is it done? How interesting! I wish we knew more.' You have been given a very simple method of selecting and using certain colours to heal sickness or trouble of various kinds; you will also notice that in our healing we concentrate a selected colour upon a certain chakra in the patient's body. Each chakra is centred above a ductless gland and point of nerve-concentration. So it is through the nervous system that man absorbs and responds to influences from higher spheres.

The earth people owe a great deal to the wise teachers and masters who once lived in Greece. You may or may not know that Pythagoras was the master who (presumably accidentally) discovered the play of vibrations of sound and colour. He discovered that every note and every sound produces its own colour, and also that every colour produces perfume. So Pythagoras in his day used music to heal the sick. Many patients came to him to be healed. You all know that the master Jesus is at the head of the healing ray. All healing, whether people admit it or not, therefore, comes under the direction of this master, assisted by the Master R, who, as you know, is master of the great brotherhood of life. They both understand how to use these finer vibrations in the form of sound and colour, the Master R working also on the higher psychic plane to help mankind to unfold the soul powers about which we have already spoken.

*[*See also teaching no. T 013.]*

A vibration from sound and colour creates or causes a perfume. All three have a considerable effect upon man's soul and nervous system, so when incense is used in a chapel like this, or for any religious ceremonial, it is because incense has a purifying power. The incense swinging in the censer is to purify the conditions. Use of the right incense and perfume will help to gently loose a soul which is entangled in earth conditions. There are cases where spirits so long to get back to earth that they get entangled in its etheric web and cannot extract themselves. Sometimes the use of right music, colour, incense, the sprinkling of water will release a soul that is entangled.

Therefore it is unwise to say: 'I do not believe in incense. I do not believe that music has any effect. I do not believe that colour can influence the individual soul,' for all these have a great part to play in the life of man. In this New Age, as man becomes more developed, refined and sensitive, he will study and will discover unimaginable beauty and will gain unimaginable help from them. He lives now with bandaged eyes but, as the blindfold is gradually removed,

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by man himself keeping an open mind and heart and being ready to absorb fresh truth, then he will be freed.

Shall we picture, my children, ring upon ring of colour and light like the most perfect rainbow all around your hemisphere above the earth—all representing levels of consciousness, levels of renewed life? In those spheres which you have not yet reached dwell those souls who have attained the freedom of this glorious life of God; for in the music and harmony of the spheres dwells the perfect life of man, who is son of God and who will in due time enter into his inheritance through purification of his physical, his mental, his emotional bodies, and the bursting forth of the divine spirit which burns at present as the tiny spark in the heart chakra. We hope, if these quiet and semi-private groups continue at New Lands, that it will be possible for us to bring through many truths concerning the harmonies of the spheres.

The Christ Being, Son of God, at the apex of the holy mountain, is sending forth over the earth, continually, vibrations of the Christ love. In the Christ love are all these countless colours seen neither by the physical nor the etheric eye of man as yet. This thought we leave with you. In the pure Christ ray is everything man needs for body, soul and spirit. When Jesus said to the people: 'Love one another,' he gave the key to the whole of life. In your universe and in the vast universes beyond are systems waiting for you to explore in the future. The way is through self-discipline, striving, humbly keeping on keeping on obeying the Law—and the reward is infinite joy.

God be with you. God bless and strengthen your resolve to live for one thing only; to find God through service and love of your brother man. To all who work in this Lodge, to all who have helped it forward – in whatever capacity, great or small – we give our thanks, for it is a great work, my children, a great work.

Benediction:

Great white wings are spread over us... The dew of heaven gently falls upon you all. To the bestower of this gentle blessing we humbly give thanks, earnestly praying that we may be steadfast on the path of service to Thee.

Amen.

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