

By the Will of God

A290 Sunday Address 3rd March 1957 St Mary Abbots Place, London Twenty First Anniversary Thanksgiving Service

Text: from a typescript made by MB, although the address was also printed in *Stella Polaris* in April the same year. In the very first paragraph, we have silently changed 'of' to 'in' to give the sentence 'There are also many here tonight who are unconscious in their physical body that they are here' because 'of' does not make sense.

Context: quite a fuss was made of the twenty-first anniversary, the Lodge's 'coming of age'. *Stella Polaris* appeared with a silver cover and contained photographs of the London Lodge and New Lands. In the following issue, April–May, not only was this address printed, but a report both of the anniversary party on 21 February and of this 3 March service too. We learn that the choir processed in to the hymn, 'All people that on earth do dwell', and that there were also two anthems and a special vesper. The anthems were 'Let us rejoice' and 'Thou hast a work for me to do', the latter by R. W. Robson. Mary Brameld had composed the first of these anthems, and also the vesper, 'Christ in us'. On top of this, there was a setting of the words from the absent healing service, 'As the rays from a sun or a star radiate afar', to music by Mary Heald, another brother. MB's text describes the flowers on this occasion: 'Beautifully arranged on the Altar on each side of the Cross, white lilies, red and gold roses against a background of quiet green eucalyptus leaves and the violets beside the Altar light exquisitely symbolised dear White Eagle's Teaching'. She also notes the readings, which were verses from Psalm 84 ('How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts!') and a White Eagle reading from pp. 97-8 of *THY KINGDOM COME*. There is no record of a White Eagle address for February.

General Notes: there is a fine statement near the beginning of the address: 'This Lodge came into being not only by the will of man. Man was used as an instrument to form this Lodge, this meeting place. But it was by the Will of God and those who serve Him in the spheres of Light.' White Eagle has plenty to say in this address about the Aquarian Age and the limitations of the mind. He also mentions the two particular Masters behind the Lodge work, the Master Jesus and the Master R. He also reminds us of something he had said as early as 31 May 1934, in a talk given the title 'The Language of the Gods', that those at his own level of life communicate with one another silently, not in words. In a way not uncharacteristic of White Eagle, he lulls us into acquiescence and then comes out, at the end, with the quite forceful request, 'Remember to work upon that rough jewel which is in your heart'. There are words of thanks for the choir at the end. The final words, 'We shall not cease....', are particularly powerful.

References: White Eagle quotes the second verse of the Lord's Prayer, the whole of which is to be found at Matthew 6 : 5-15.

White Eagle's Address:

Beloved friends, we are a grand assembly here. For apart from the large number of you in a physical body listening to us, there is also a large company in spirit. Some of them once worshipped and worked in this Lodge. Some of them are brothers of the Star Brotherhood. There are also many here tonight who are unconscious in their physical body that they are here. We speak of friends who live in the farthest parts of this planet. Their bodies lie sleeping, but their spirits are present in this service.

Perhaps you do not realise that when you go to sleep at night you are free, and you journey to places afar off. You do not understand yet, dear brethren, the wonderful life of the spirit. You are confined in the flesh. You are in bondage, limited by time and place whilst in physical life. But there is a way for every soul to release itself in full consciousness from the flesh.

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This Lodge came into being not only by the will of man. Man was used as an instrument to form this Lodge, this meeting place. But it was by the Will of God and those who serve Him in the spheres of Light.

Many of you know that humanity is passing from one age to another. This happens, roughly speaking, every 2,500 years or so of your earth time. When it takes place there comes a tremendous wave of spiritual power onto humanity, onto the very earth itself.

Now, you, during your lifetime, have seen changes – unimaginable changes – in your system of life. Something has touched and is touching the hearts of men and women. The minds are developing. Science is racing forward. But to balance this scientific race for knowledge and application of that knowledge for the betterment of mankind, there is also another force which is working in conjunction with science. If this were not so the foolish and ignorant men could, and would, bring about destruction of the world.

But remember, dear brethren of ours, that there is a Divine Intelligence watching the development on the earth plane. And this Divine Intelligence is not Mind as you understand mind. It is Divine Mind, but it is also a Divine Heart. It is from this Heart of Love that life proceeds. Life was created by the Will of Divine Love and Power. And so you see that side by side these two aspects of life proceed on the cycles of evolution. The purpose is wholly good. It is a continual evolution ever progressing towards perfection on all planes of life, through all kingdoms of nature, through all kingdoms of life.

You are constantly praying to your Creator, to this Divine Intelligence, this Divine Heart of Love: ‘Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth as it is in heaven’. Those men and women who have arrived at that level of evolution where they have been touched by the Supreme Love of God are opening in consciousness to the world of spirit.

Now, we have just said that humanity is passing from the age of Pisces and passing into the age of Aquarius. Aquarius is the age of the mind and the spirit. Do not imagine that mind – that is, the intellect, the brain of man – is all-powerful. The brain through which the mind functions can go so far and no farther. This again you will recognise as the providence, the wise providence, of the Creator. And in this Aquarian age, side by side with this mental development, there is growing a spiritual awakening. At present, you will say, ‘It is a very poor manifestation of a spiritual awakening’. You see it all over the planet; these countries who are seeking development, seeking freedom, those who are striving for brotherhood. Maybe at the present time [it is] a crude manifestation or demonstration of the spirit in man, but with patience and love and tolerance we shall see a grand development in human life. Humans will be raised to the dignity of the spirit. They will no longer be wallowing in the darkness, in pain and in suffering – suffering wrongs of cruelty of man to man. They will be raised physically, mentally and spiritually, for Aquarius is the age of spirit. It is the Age when the Spirit of God will be poured out upon humanity. The veil between man and the spirit life will be penetrated.

Now, some of you may think that the veil between the two worlds has already been penetrated. My dear brethren, mankind is living in a state of mist. How many of you here can

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at any moment pierce that veil of materiality and see the true life in spirit? Nay, but the time is coming when mankind will have developed those powers of God. You worship your Creator. You feel the stimulation in your heart of adoration and worship of your Creator. This is just a little flickering light in you. But, in this New Age, with this outpouring of spiritual power upon mankind and the stimulation of the God-qualities in man, there will cease to be the cry, the hungry cry of man for God.

There are some that proclaim themselves atheists. They say they do not believe in anything beyond physical matter. Yet those same people will spontaneously and instantly call upon God when they are in distress. Men cannot deny nor escape the love, nor the power of their Creator. God is in man, and those who search for God will not find Him through the intellect. They will find God within their own hearts. This will be the coming, the Second Coming of God through the Son, the Christ Spirit.

Every living soul, no matter what colour or caste or religion, every living soul has within his heart a divine jewel. And if man would find God, he must worship God in the silence of his own soul. He must commune with all goodness; *goodness*. He must ever look for goodness. He must look for goodness in his fellow man.

‘All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.’ You are so used to these words. But think about them: the praise, the worship, the outpouring of love to the Creator or the Son of the Creator. The man, the woman, the child, all humanity is searching for God. Look, look, look towards each other. Look for the God in your brother and sister. If you cannot see it instantly, bear patiently with the outer form, which is of the earth and very earthy. Do remember, dear ones, that this physical life is a very hard life, and everyone suffers in some form. But no one seems to recognise the suffering of his brother man. Now this is what must be done. The search for God in one’s brother, then the God within one’s self commences to come to life.

In this new age of Aquarius you will see this spiritual awakening on your planet and it is coming very quickly. According to time it is coming very quickly. It must, because there is going to be not only an international brotherhood on your planet, but there is going to be an interplanetary brotherhood of your solar system.

Now you present tonight have been called by the power of spirit. And our message to you is, listen to the message from the spirit life. Develop, first of all, the good that is within yourselves and your brother man by your own actions. Develop also that divine light within.

Now with this coming of the age of spirit, the message of the Master Jesus will be made clearer to the world. At the present time it is distorted out of all recognition. But the message, the mystical message of our brother, the great Jesus of the last age, will take effect as man begins to recognise the mystical powers which are within his own soul.

If we say to you there is no death, you may say, ‘No, there is no death, we are sure of that’. But are you quite sure in yourself? Are you quite sure that there is a world of spirit? Have you journeyed to it and seen with your own eyes the spirit world? Some of you maybe, but

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not all of you. But we say unto you that, as you follow the path outlined by the Master Jesus, as you follow the guidance and the directions given to you by that other Master you know in this Lodge as the Master 'R', you will commence to be so raised in your consciousness of a spiritual life that you will find before you leave your physical body that our world of light and beauty is also your world.

The two Masters who are behind this Lodge, who, by the hand of Higher Powers, have worked unceasingly with you, are bringing to you the knowledge of the mystical teaching of Jesus. They are bringing also the knowledge of how you may develop those higher psychic or spiritual powers whereby you will not only be released from bondage, [not] only will you be able to heal the sick and comfort the bereaved, but you will be able to live in full consciousness in a state of true spiritual brotherhood. The whole world is being raised. Communion with those you have loved will not be as it is today very confused. It will be clearer, perfect, true.

You know in our world of spirit we communicate with each other silently. And yet there is a vibration in our world which comes to our hearing as music. The language of the Spheres is a language of harmony, of attunement and of at-one-ment.

In a little while, mankind will understand that thoughts have power. Thought creates and that is what has happened on your earth. For so long wrong thoughts have created wrong conditions. Wrong thought in every one of you creates either inharmonious conditions or happy conditions. Thoughts are creative. You are what you think you are. You will not believe me, but it is true. When mankind realises the power of thought and can send forth good thought, *good thought*, constructive thought, he is going to create a beautiful world; a God-world.

We have told you before that in the spirit when a soul has passed through the process of cleaning and he is able to shed all the darkness of earth, the first thing he becomes aware of is God. God everywhere, love everywhere, for God is love.

And our last word is, *carry on bravely*. Dear brethren and members, you are not only members of this earthly Lodge but you are members of a Lodge which is not of this earth. Work in harmony with the Brethren of the Light. Look to the Brethren of the Great White Brotherhood. No matter what you are, who you are, you have your place in the grand scheme, the plan of the building of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Our love to every one of you – and thank you, so many of you, for travelling long distances to be with us here on this joyful occasion. There is an exceptional concentration of spirit power here. It must go forth into the world to inspire mankind, to heal mankind and to help mankind on the upward arc of evolution until at the end of the grand cycle all are gathered into that eternal and glorious kingdom of the Living God.

The Presence of the Cosmic Christ is with you all.

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And thank you, our dear beloved Choir, for your music and for all the help and the joy which you have contributed to the services in this Lodge.

May the peace and the vision of the Christ within be with you through the future years.

We shall not cease. We shall not cease to work until we have accomplished this great awakening on earth – until all the fear of death has been swept away; until every soul living can see the vision of Heaven.

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