

The Winged Disc

A410 Sunday Address 2nd March 1969 St Mary Abbots Place, London Thirty-third Anniversary of the White Eagle Lodge

Text: MB typescript, a blue top copy, heavily worked over in various hands (but all alterations here ignored apart from one correction noted in 'Context' below)

Context: MB tells us that 'The altar and various places in the Lodge were graced by the very exquisite white lilies, yellow daffodils (Lenten lilies), narcissus and blue irises so beautifully arranged'. Brother Faithful's opening words are reproduced here; he introduced the first hymn, 'Ye holy angels bright', no 701 in *Songs of Praise*. Minesta's invocation was recorded elsewhere and then Ylana introduced the Choir item, 'The heavens are telling', from Haydn's *The Creation*. MB tells us this was 'Beautifully rendered by Ingrid as soloist and White Eagle's Choir' but YGH has corrected 'Ingrid' to 'Valerie', probably Val Calkin. Brother Faithful commented, 'Beautiful!' and read from *The Christian Mysteries*, from the top of p. 91 to the end of the first paragraph on p. 94. MB added a question mark in brackets as though she was not quite sure of this. There followed hymn no. 307, 'O brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother'. After the prayers, the Choir rendered Bach's 'Jesu, joy of man's desiring' which MB describes as 'exquisite – also the organ accompaniment'. After White Eagle's address, Brother Faithful gave a few words as usual and introduced the hymn, Jerusalem (no. 446). Minesta gave a benediction, separately recorded, and the service closed with the Vesper.

General notes: White Eagle speaks from the outset to the typical 1960s individual: 'You get angry and hurt, you get very passionate, you get very sorrowful'. Therefore, he seeks to take them into the garden of the spirit. On this Anniversary day the heavens rejoice with the earth. There is a particular tribute to the Choir, which White Eagle said was a particular request to a small group at the beginning of the Lodge. Twice this year White Eagle speaks about clearing away accumulations of old stuff, and this is one of them – he acknowledges that confusion will occur. Then there will be building, and he compares the great monuments of ancient Egypt, first as the archaeological wonder it is, and second out of the context of 'the fleshpots of Egypt'. 'What you think today [manifests] in the future.' There is a little discussion of positive thought, and then an exhortation to give from the spirit, and also to open the vision. This leads into a very short communion.

References: for 'not a sparrow' and the reference to 'the hairs on your head' see Matthew 10 : 29-31. There is a veiled allusion to the 'pearl of great price' of Matthew 13 : 45-6.

White Eagle's Address:

Beloved brethren of the earth life, once again we come to mingle with you, dear faithful brethren living on the physical plane sometimes painfully, maybe sorrowfully; but we hope in many cases joyfully, for those of you who have found the jewel of truth, the truth of eternal life – life everlasting. Yes, for this is the life of the spirit.

But we want first of all to tell you, dear ones here assembled, of the grand company of spirit beings, amongst them your own dear loved ones, who are now here; and we would ask you to close your senses to the physical things of life and (if you can) close your ears to extraneous sounds, and come with us in your innermost spirit into the white temple in the heavens.

Now there may be many of you who do not yet realise that you whilst living on earth do so in a very small compass. Your vision is limited, your hearing is limited, your feelings are not controlled. You get angry and hurt, you get very passionate, you get very sorrowful. O my dear ones, we and those who are with you come to raise your thoughts and feelings above the physical limitations of pain and grief, to raise you into that true home, that spirit life, that

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heavenly life from which you have all come and towards which you are all journeying. Remember this, and remember that all around you (a little above you, maybe) there is the beautiful garden of the spirit; and it is from this state of life with its beauty and peace and the love of its inhabitants, that we draw close to you in your physical life.

And we come to you because, dear brethren, we love you. You may not know us as well as we know you. And every soul in this Lodge tonight is known to the Masters of the Lodge, and beyond the Masters to the Great White Spirit, divine intelligence, divine love, wisdom and power. Did not the wonderful initiate, Jesus, tell you that 'Not a sparrow falls but the Father in heaven knows it'? Now, why is this? Because you, and all the birds, all the animals, all the flowers, all nature, is a part of that one supreme Being. And therefore, everything about you is known to God; for even the very hairs of your head are numbered; and not a cry goes out from your heart, either in anguish, or in love and thanksgiving, but your Father in heaven knows it, *knows it*. Now we bring to you that truth, that infinite truth, that you and your heavenly Father-Mother *are one*; and that all creatures and all peoples, no matter who they are or where they are – they may be the highest in the land, or the lowliest soul apparently clothed in rags – but all are part of that one supreme Spirit.

And we want you now to feel that we, whom you know as the Brotherhood of the Great White Light, rejoice with you on this very special day of your thirty-third Anniversary. The great masters, and your own guides, all the heavenly company who are now with us, bless you and rejoice in your response to our world of spirit; and to the message which we pass down to you from those even greater than ourselves. We are the messenger, but we speak for the lovely company who are now assembled in what we describe to you as a temple of white substance which is sparkling and radiating light – *light*, like a most beautiful pearl. Can you conceive such beauty? For it is within this temple of the pearl that your highest spirit now reaches to join those whom you love, and all the Brotherhood of the Light. Keep this vision at the back of your consciousness and return to it many times. For we shall return to it before we have finished what we have to say to you.

We in spirit could not have accomplished the work which has been done during the past thirty-three years without the co-operation, the goodwill and the love and the loyalty and the hard work of those whom we trust and honour in their physical bodies on your earth plane. We are only a small part, we play a small part, in the work which is being done in this Lodge. We shall, with God's help, never fail you – and we believe that your spirit will never fail God, nor the angelic ministers.

We are particularly pleased to see in this assembly friends who have not been to the Lodge for quite a long time. And so, dear ones, particularly those who have journeyed far to sing in our choir, we give thanks. We give you loving thanks for coming, and especially for those who have denied themselves, and who have come simply and humbly to this Lodge, those who are the instruments of the Master. We know, we know the hard work which you have done in preparation for this particular anniversary, and we in spirit thank you; and the blessing of the Most High is upon you.

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When we were instructed by those in higher authority to commence this work and help humanity during 'the Years of Fire', we asked a little gathering of Brothers around us to do their best to establish in the White Eagle Lodge beautiful music. And these simple and humble brethren commenced their work of building a choir and directing the singing. You know, my children, that music has a very big part to play in man's spiritual unfoldment. We depend upon your music, and we are so pleased that you have endeavoured to fulfil our wish,

Now we have referred to the days – the 'Years of Fire' – which those at a higher level could see. They knew that the time had come for the breaking up of old conditions because a new flow of knowledge and wisdom was about to come onto the physical plane. And if you want to plant a new garden or build a new home, or create a fine building, you have first to clear the ground of rubbish and the remnants of a time which has fulfilled its purpose, the remnants of an age which has fulfilled its purpose. And so there must be (as there is at your present time) rather a noise and a disturbance on your earth. The young souls, or the young people, we will say – they are not all young souls, for many of them have their duty to perform and their mission to perform – they have come back with a mission, and this mission is to break down and clear away old ideas, to cleanse the earth of outworn, outmoded shall we say, conditions of living. And so, you will see a certain amount of disturbance, disruption. And some of these young-in-body people are making themselves heard. But they are not always very discreet, and they may cause noise and they do things which you may not approve of. And we do not necessarily approve of all that is taking place, but we have to remember that the individual acts rashly at times. And their emotions are out of control, they lack discipline. Nevertheless, they are doing a certain work, which is to break up that which is unwanted, clear it away in order to bring to humanity, human life, more justice, more beauty – and open the way for humanity to see higher worlds.

Now you are all very concerned with your earth world, with the conditions on the physical plane, and so you should be, but never forget the hierarchies and those who are influencing the evolution and the development of man's life on the physical plane.

Now we are just coming into the age of the *mind*, the age of science, and you will see extraordinary developments. But we in spirit are doing our best to open the consciousness of man to the invisible worlds which are all around him; to open to man a vision of beauty, of harmony, and a life wherein all people live together – the whole world, all nations drawn together in the spirit of brotherhood and love. Now this seems impossible, but we assure you it is not impossible; and it is an age to which you are now advancing. You know so little, my children about the vast invisible worlds. You know nothing of the great solar system of which your earth is a part, but knowledge will come to man of all these other worlds in outer space, and through man's own spiritual unfoldment he will get the vision, and he will see for himself these worlds, the invisible worlds. We beg that you will not be so foolish as to deny all the possibilities of the *life of the spirit* which is so much more important. Yes, more important than your physical life.

Now man has to understand that God has given him the tools to build a world and a life both [on] earth and in the present invisible world. *You have within your own being* the tools. We may call you an apprentice, perhaps, an apprentice into the art of building, not building with

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solid matter, but with a spiritual substance. Isn't it a wonderful thought that God has placed in you certain senses, spiritual senses, by which you can escape from the bondage of your physical body?

What do you think the winged beings of a past age meant? Why is the sphinx shown as a winged being? Why was the symbol erected on the great buildings in Egypt, a winged disc? Yes, my children, God has given his children wings! And the disc is the symbol of the sun, the spiritual Sun. And the spiritual Son can be seen by those with vision, in the heart or in the centre of every man, woman and child. The sun is in your heart – call it what you will; call it love, call it the voice of conscience, call it the Christ voice, of the Christ spirit, it is all the same. It is the one great sun of life, and this is what the ancients recognised – the Son (Sun) which gave to man wings to fly – to rise above the bondage of the land of Egypt, the flesh-pots; to rise into the world of *light*, to fly into the future.

Every man has within his heart, within his spirit, the power to visualise, the power to vision the future. He knows the past. The present makes the future. What you are today, what you *do* today, what you *think* today you will see manifested in the future. And this is how, in a certain way, the future can be seen. We do not mean the little snippets of prophecies which might be or might not be accurate; we mean the great vision of the future is seen when the soul rises to the mountain top, for there the vision is clear, the future is known and seen.

But it does not mean that man has no freewill. Man has his freewill, limited freewill, but he cannot do entirely as he likes – if he could, the whole of creation would crumble. But there is a state of Power which holds life and all the planets on their course, and man cannot shake this great infinite and eternal Power. Divine intelligence, the great Being, who holds all life in love. I was going to say, in the heart.

So, my dear ones, our last word. We ploughed in the early days through problems and difficulties, through the Years of Fire, on a material and physical plane. But now, we are going to work through the years of fire of a mental nature, because the emotions of the people will be stirred, and there will be many demands and many conflicts. Nevertheless, there is one supreme Power and Light which will work through the heart of humanity, and through your heart and through our heart, although we do not now use a physical body as we did in the past. We are speaking from the spirit, but we are involved with your problems and with your emancipation – is that a word you use?

So, upon this anniversary day when you are all working very hard to gather together the bricks for the earthly temple, remember that as you build the White Temple on the hill (which is so symbolic) you are building your own temple. You are as the rough 'ashlar' which has to be smoothed and perfected before it can be built into that heavenly temple. And the gifts are in you. You must unfold your spiritual vision, your understanding and your wisdom. And this you have every opportunity of doing in your daily life. And as you prepare yourself in the building of your own temple, so you will be contributing to the building of that vast spiritual temple which will be built from Earth to heaven on this physical Earth. Do you understand what we mean? You have all the symbolism in all the scriptures of the world, not only in your own Christian scriptures, but in all the scriptures, the same symbols.

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What you can do, *do it now*, my brethren. Give of your own spirit. Give of your truth, give of your substance to build this vast temple on the earth plane – the Temple which will reach right up into the heavens and house and comfort and bring joy and happiness to all humanity and to all living things on earth.

And as we withdraw from speaking to you, we point to this wonderful Being, the Christos, the human embodiment of the Son of God in your midst now. Open your vision and see him.... Open your ears and hear the harmony of the spheres around you. Take what he offers, the heavenly bread, the substance of his cosmic body blended, *blended* with your own. You are a part of all life. And sip from the goblet of wine, the symbol of his divine love ... love ... love, my friends.

He comes to bring peace on earth and goodwill amongst all peoples, healing to the nations, healing to all life.

Yes, man's next step is the exploration of the spirit spheres, and this cannot be done by the mind alone, but by the science of human love and human aspiration to God. The blessing of the Most High we pray for on this work, upon its progress. We pray for the most loving hearts of all our people in this land, in this mystic Isle.

God be with you.

Brother Faithful:

I sometimes think we have here within these walls the most silent, the most attentive, the most devoted and reverent congregation perhaps in Britain. I wonder how many of you would agree with me? – perhaps none? That is my private thought about you! We close this service with Jerusalem, hymn no 446....

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