

This is Real! This is True!

A327 Sunday Address 20th March 1960 Edinburgh Lodge, 46 Inverleith Row Sunday Service

Text: a carbon typescript on foolscap paper. It looks to have been typed by KIH on her electric typewriter. An edited version was printed in the February *Stella Polaris* the following year, whence the title.

Context: the Edinburgh Brotherhood signing-in book shows that Minesta and Brother Faithful, along with Brother Christian (YGH) were in Edinburgh for a Brotherhood meeting on Monday 21st; Radiance (KIH) was also there, which confirms that the typescript is most likely hers. There were three initiations into the Brotherhood on Friday 18th, and three more on Saturday 19th. White Eagle and Minesta were kept busy in March 1960, because WE gave the address in the London service on the 6th, and then the communion in the New Lands service on the 13th, and must have travelled to Edinburgh midweek for the present range of activities. The opening of the third paragraph seems to imply that several present had not heard White Eagle speak before. A footnote about an overflow room shows that the meeting was very well attended.

General Notes: White Eagle makes an interesting statement shortly after starting, that scientists are really in the process of discovering 'the secrets of the higher ethers'. Many would doubt that this had happened, but it is not unlikely that White Eagle is able to see with a clearer perspective and the scientists' discoveries just need a little more unlocking. White Eagle speaks of his own realm being in outer space. It is not entirely clear what he means by this, not least because it conflicts with the previous statement, that messages from outer space are the next manifestation to expect. It is interesting that White Eagle speaks of space being not a void or vacuum, but filled with life. This is corroborated by modern scientific awareness of a fourth state of matter, plasma, which consists of 'an electrically quasineutral medium of unbound positive and negative particles' (Wikipedia) and occupies most of the universes. By strange coincidence it was first identified by the scientist Sir William Crookes, who was a Spiritualist.

References: the Hydesville Knockings relates to the story of the Knox sisters in America, who claimed to produce rappings heard throughout the room in which they sat. Later in life the sisters made signed confessions admitting fraud; even the confessions, however, were set up in unusual circumstances and Spiritualism has continued to claim the manifestations as genuine. 'Thou shalt not kill' is the 6th Commandment (Exodus 20 : 13). 'I will pour out my spirit on all people' is Acts 2 : 17, also Joel 2 : 28. The prophets who were 'caught up in the chariot of fire' refers primarily to Elijah, who was taken up to heaven in a whirlwind (2 Kings 2 : 11); if there is a case to be made for the plural, 'prophets', then the other case would be that of Enoch (Genesis 5 : 24). The reference to Jesus is to the Transfiguration story (Matthew 17 : 1-8, Mark 9 : 2-8 and Luke 9 : 28-36).

White Eagle's Address:

Beloved brethren of the earth plane, we speak to you from the world of spirit, but we are only the mouthpiece of the Great Brotherhood of the Light, who are now so close to you; and in their name, we bring you great love, great love.

You do not know, because you are struggling in the mists of the earthly life and not many of you can see the shining sunlight just above you, that you can so quickly reach that sunlight by opening your hearts, as little children, to the love and the truth, the wisdom and the power of the Eternal Spirit – and to all those who have passed onward into the light.

Most of you who are listening to our words tonight have read our words in printed form. Many of you are dear friends of many years and we would now welcome you into the great

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family of the brotherhood of the spirit. We would remind you that space, or outer space as you call it, is filled with life. There is no vacuum. It is only your consciousness which has failed to penetrate those mists of which we have been speaking. Here and now we assure you of the shining throng, loved ones whom you have known in former lives, in life on the earth plane and many of whom you meet in the higher spheres when you free yourselves from the imprisonment of the flesh.

Now, my children, everything on your earth plane is advancing. Fresh knowledge of matter is coming through to you. Your scientists are wise and clever men. They are beginning to discover the secrets of matter. They are even going beyond matter and discovering the secrets of the higher ethers. These secrets have not been hidden in past ages. They have been known by the advanced egos on earth. The reason why such matters are kept secret from men is because they must be dealt with and used wisely and constructively.

Some people on the earth plane today are getting most anxious about the knowledge which scientists are discovering and which can lead to destruction. But remember, as well as your earthly scientists and people in authority on earth, there is a great host of wise and intelligent souls who are messengers of the Most High; and amongst those messengers are planetary beings. Do not think that you are completely isolated on your earth plane. It is necessary for man whilst in the physical body to aspire to the Source of his creation. This is necessary because our Creator has given man freewill. Man prides himself on his freewill, which is an important gift. It is the whole basis on which man's progress or his destruction is based. As man aspires to all good, as he desires to develop that seed of the Christ within him, he is not only advancing himself and his spiritual knowledge, wisdom and power, he is also giving forth light and an influence which is felt by many, many souls over the whole surface of the earth planet. This is why you have been asked to send forth light and to give light.

What is light? It is that kindness and goodwill, that constructive thought which always knows that everything works together for good for the man who loves God. Do you see what an opportunity each one of you has to work with the Great White Brotherhood, the invisible company, which is striving to inspire you and all mankind with the idea of progress, of brotherliness and the overcoming of all egotism?

Jesus, the Master, gave you the whole truth in three simple words, 'Love one another'. That does not mean just the one nearest to you that you fancy. It means giving love and tolerance and kindness, giving unto others the opportunity of growth, comradeship, brotherliness: giving unto others the same spiritual as well as material development as you are enjoying yourselves. And this does not only apply to the human kingdom. It applies also to the animal kingdom. Man must learn not to kill. 'Thou shalt not kill.' Men are beginning to learn not to kill each other, but they have not yet learnt that they must not kill nor inflict pain and suffering on the animal kingdom. Man must not rob mother earth by despoiling the soil and so limiting the produce of mother earth.

As the God-consciousness rises in you and in all mankind, thoughts of brotherliness and love naturally come flooding into the heart. The heart of man becomes all love. No one loses one iota by giving love. If man is to progress in knowledge and wisdom he will, of necessity, have

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to progress in understanding of the invisible life, of the spirit life. The knowledge of the inner secrets of life is there, but these secrets have to be earned. In the past, these deep spiritual secrets, all occult secrets, have been preserved most carefully by those who are the guardians of these secrets – which means that you, my brother, my sister, have to qualify in character, in understanding and in service to life and the whole brotherhood of life. When you have done this you will naturally begin to comprehend the inner worlds and the inner powers within man.

As we have said, all life on the earth plane is progressing rapidly. In the last century you have seen great changes. We want you to understand that there are the same changes coming in man's spiritual and psychic or soul nature.

Years ago ... we are thinking of the time when the Light of the heavenly world broke through the heavy darkness on earth ... at that time there was so much dissension about the Bible and about religion that man could no longer accept what is called orthodox truth because he did not understand the meaning behind the symbols given. At that time the Council above decided that man must be given something which would make him realise that there was a life beyond the physical life. And so there came, a century or more ago, those knockings upon the wall in that house at Hydesville in America and young children were used as media. The knocking came from the spirit world. You must all know the history of the advent of what is called modern Spiritualism. What we want you to understand is that the demonstrations of life after death were given in material form in a material age to arrest the attention of those poor people, who were in a state of darkness. Since that time there have been countless demonstrations to arrest the attention. Even your scientists were arrested and came out courageously and announced their conviction that there was a life beyond to which humans were wending their way. What the scientists said was accepted by some but rejected by the majority. Nevertheless, that etheric bridge was commenced to be built from etheric substance which is drawn from human souls.

Everything is advancing. You have arrived at a time now when you can switch on a knob and hear music or voices from the other side of the world. We prophesy that the time is coming when you will be able to hear voices from outer space. We are speaking from a side of life which is in outer space.

You also have television, which is no new invention at all. In our world of spirit one of the first lessons which a soul is shown is its own life on a cinema screen. In the early days of what you call radio, you had to be content with a very crude instrument. These inventions have improved and grown better and better, [and] so have the human instruments: those whom you call mediums; those who are the instruments who cross the bridge and receive communication from our world of spirit. That more solid substance which you call ectoplasm is no longer going to be used.

The same progress and change which has taken place in physical science is taking place in spiritual science and you are all going to learn that you yourselves are the sensitive points through which will come spiritual demonstrations – not physical demonstrations, spiritual demonstrations. That is why so much effort is now being made to give this knowledge. You

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can take it and use it and apply it in your own daily lives. When you learn to apply spiritual law in all the affairs of earthly life, then the inner secrets of a beautiful Godly power will come to you. They will not be taught to you. They will unfold within your own being. But great gifts have to be earned. They cannot come until the soil has been ploughed and tilled and the seed sown. This is what you are doing now.

O children, children of earth, we beg you to think on these mighty truths and to subdue the lower self and give unstintingly your service to humanity in simple ways. We do not mean you should stand on a platform and give marvellous demonstrations or great healing. We mean simple loving soul service to the brotherhood of life. That is ploughing and preparing the soil for the growth of the seed of the Christ spirit.

The old day is passing and the Day Star on high is shining through the mists. Then, as the Lord said, the day will come when I will pour out my spirit upon all people. This age which you call the Age of Aquarius is the age of the spirit. It is also the age of the advanced psychic, the water being the symbol of the psyche or the soul. The soul powers are now being developed in those who are looking upwards towards the heavenly state, to the time which has been so often prophesied, when man will be perfected by the divine spirit.

Beloved, beloved brethren, make the effort to rise above the lower self. Remember the pull between those two opposites, light and darkness, positive and negative, good and evil (which is the same as light and darkness). Remember you have within you the power to overcome the pull of the earth and the lower things. As you respond to the great light of the spiritual spheres, so you will be caught up in the great power of the light – even as the prophets were caught up in the chariot of fire and as Jesus Himself went up into the mountain and was there transfigured with the initiates of former days.

In conclusion, we would say to you that the day is coming when – man having learnt to put into operation divine law – sickness will no longer exist. Man will have learnt his lesson through sickness of the physical body. The day will come when man is made perfect, when there will be no more morbid death, cremation or burial. The spirit will have the power given to it by the Son of God, the Christ spirit, to change the physical atoms, and the body shall be raised in glory into that higher life in the heavens. We are not telling you a fairy tale. These things are happening, the promotion of the physical state of life into that heavenly condition – God's perfect life. But man has to earn it step by step. So, dear ones, be hopeful, look upward, refuse to be dragged down and keep on keeping on with your spiritual aspirations, your studies and your meditations.

Now, in conclusion of this blessed holy communion, will you close your senses to the physical conditions around you, to your own body? With your inner vision see the Presence in the blazing Christ Star here in your midst (*and in the room beyond**). See the loving tender face of the Christ Spirit. He stretches forth His hand to you, His younger brother and sister.

Oh, this is real. This is true. This will never pass away, for it is in the eternal life.

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Go towards Him in your soul body and take from Him the spiritual symbols of the bread and the holy wine. Take it. Eat, absorb. Sip this divine essence which is part of the cosmic body of the Son of God.

Let the bread symbolise for you your acceptance of God's wisdom in your life. You may err. You may make mistakes, but God gives you the remedy.

As you sip the wine, remember it is His life-essence. Let it flow through you and raise your consciousness to the glorious heavenly plane which is your true home. Keep your link always with that heavenly plane of consciousness. Even if it recedes to the back of your mind, let it always be there. Whatever you are doing, whatever experience has to be gone through, let it be there. In that higher frequency your own beloved ones can reach you. They can whisper in your ear and you can know the meaning of the peace of God. May it remain with you and be your strength and your comfort all through life's journey.

God has blessed you. Goodnight.

**An overflow meeting was held in the members' room with an amplifier.*

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