

Tongues of the Spirit

A341 Sunday Address 21st May 1961 New Lands, Liss Whitsunday

Text: photocopy of an unmarked typescript, probably by AMI. The address was printed in *Stella Polaris* for June-July 1962 and the title derives from the printed version.

Context: there is no indication on the typescript of anything other than the address itself. This is a Whit Sunday service: such came to be a regular feature of the year but up to 1961 it is hardly known in the White Eagle addresses. His second paragraph underlines the importance of this festival. Whitsun or White Sunday is the name in the UK and in the Anglican communion for Pentecost, and it does have links to folkloric ceremonies. The name 'probably derives from the white robes worn by the newly baptized on Pentecost' (Wikipedia). It occurs seven weeks, or properly fifty days ('pentecost') after Easter. The communion given here by White Eagle is particularly beautiful; it is one in which he stresses the meditative response that is required from his listeners if they are truly to receive the symbols of communion.

General Notes: from the start White Eagle treats Whitsun as a ceremony from pre-Christian times, celebrated on a hilltop. As Pentecost it is, certainly, a Jewish festival that predates Christianity. White Eagle speaks of such festivals as being an opportunity for communication with higher spheres via an 'unknown quantity' which science has yet to discover. As this address was being prepared there were discoveries being written about around the 'substance' (it is properly not a substance) of plasma; these are as yet untested and unverified as opportunities for communication beyond the planet (see Robert Temple, *A NEW SCIENCE OF HEAVEN*). He also speaks of the inner preparation human beings must make if they are to be contacted by beings from space. White Eagle links the festival with the Christ Festival which comes shortly after. From this he moves to what actually happened for the disciples at the Whitsun time, and then to the cruelty in human life which must be overcome. He foretells a big debate about vegetarianism which he says is imminent; while it possible happened as predicted, it certainly has come about at the time this project is appearing, through the recognised need to eat less meat for the sake of avoiding global warming.

References: the brethren who have passed through great tribulation have been mentioned more than once recently. See Revelation 7 : 14. The story of Whitsun as a Christian festival is told in Acts 2. 'Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven' is Matthew 6 : 33.

White Eagle's Address:

Beloved brethren, we speak from the plane of spirit and we bring to you all the blessing of love and peace. We pray that everyone present will endeavour to be still, receiving in the silence the baptism, the blessing of the Holy Breath.

This is a special service on a special occasion and we welcome all our most dear brethren to this service. Apart from the congregation clothed in a physical body, imprisoned and limited in your life and actions, we assure you that there is present a company of shining brethren clothed in white raiment. These are they who have passed through great tribulation and who have overcome, and this is why they are clothed in white.

Now, in ages past, the ceremony of clothing in white raiment was quite a usual one. The brethren of advanced knowledge and spiritual understanding on the physical plane met together for their festivals and always robed in white. Whitsuntide or White-Sun-tide means the descent to the earth of the pure White Light. It was the outpouring of the spiritual sun and those brethren who had a slight understanding of the power of the spiritual sun used to gather in companies on the hilltops, because that signified the raised consciousness, and there was a pure vibration on those hilltops. Brethren of the Light always chose such places for their

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ceremonies. There are many centres in your own magic isle of Britain where there were those gatherings and the hilltops still remain, and when man visits such places, if he has developed a sensitivity to register the vibrations of the ancient brethren which are still there, he feels the power. He is uplifted in spirit. He becomes exalted and through his inner vision which the power unfolds he is able to see into the past. He knows the truth of the spiritual workings on these higher ethers.

Man in his physical body, limited and bound down by his material or mortal mind, is unaware of the help that can be obtained from these higher worlds. But in the New Age, in time to come, not only will man himself become more exalted and his soul attuned to these finer spheres of life, but science also will have advanced to the extent of discovering an unknown quantity, something which is in the higher ethers, and it will discover a method of communication not only between those higher invisible spheres of life which are immediately around the earth planet, but also communication with those advanced beings on other planets in your solar system – and not only the known planets, but those other planets which at present are beyond the scope, beyond the sight of ordinary material or physical apparatus, for there are those spiritual planets which man has yet to discover.

From these worlds will come to humanity highly advanced beings. They are watching the evolution of the earth, watching the development of mankind. They are directing their soul power to this dark planet, but it needs humans on earth to aspire and to provide in themselves the necessary conditions. It needs mankind to create harmony and beauty. It needs man to achieve a degree of knowledge, wisdom and power, the power of love, so that man can be responsive to these finer influences and learn how to prepare the conditions on earth through the right life of God's children on earth.

All this evolution appears to you to be a very slow process. Nevertheless we can assure you that humanity and the earth itself has reached a stage where it will commence to unfold and develop quite rapidly. Pioneers on your earth, pioneers are now in incarnation here. You may not recognise them. We go so far as to say that there are souls clothed in earth matter who come from other planets and even they themselves are not fully aware of their origin because they have taken upon themselves the conditions of the present age on the earth plane. It needs the common man or woman, the ordinary soul – the good, kind human soul – to pioneer and spread the gospel of the Great White Light.

Now we speak in simple language. We talk to you about the Great White Light. It may convey much to you. It may convey very little. Nevertheless, we proceed with our work of spreading the gospel of the glorious Christ spirit upon the earth.

We will tell you again another reason why Whitsuntide is a very special time. It is close, very close to what we in spirit know to be the Christ Festival – the Christ Festival for which all the great souls who are working with the Golden One, with the Christ, assemble in a vast congregation and, for a long period (hours, if you want us to speak of time – days. What is time?) ... for a considerable period these great ones in the assembly of the lesser White Brethren pour forth through their souls this Great White Light. It has been called the Holy Breath. It has been spoken of in your Bible as the descent of the Holy Ghost. It was seen by the disciples of your devoted and beloved Master Jesus in the form of tongues of fire sitting

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upon the head of all those who were obeying his command to meet together at a certain place, at a certain time, to await the coming of the Comforter. This is the Holy Baptism of the Christ Light.

And what manifestations came to those Christian brethren? They were able to speak in the tongue of the spirit, which means that they were able to speak to the multitude in such language of the spirit which those in the multitude who were attuned to the spirit were able to comprehend. Those present here that are attuned to the power of the Great White Light are able to comprehend the language of the spirit. And the language of the spirit conveys to the human soul a certain way of life. This is what is to come from on high. The power of the Christ spirit will take possession of men's hearts and minds, inspiring them to the right way of life.

Many people at the present time are concerned with cruelty, cruelty which man is continually inflicting upon the animal kingdom and upon the very earth itself, cruelty which man inflicts upon his brother man. People look out over the world and they see nothing but harshness, killing, murder, slaughter, greed, covetousness; all the ignorance of the flesh run riot. Many people think that man must learn to be kind – kind to one another and kind to animals.

Should man be a meat eater is one of the questions which is going to be very much in the news and very much discussed before long. When people ask us what we think of vegetarianism or giving up the eating of meat, what *do* we think about it? The answer is simple. When man has reached that level of consciousness where he is able to absorb and take unto himself that Great White Light which gives him compassion and purity of thought, he will naturally, without any question, refrain from eating his brother. That is a thought; eating his brother. Because remember that all life is from the same spirit.

There is much evidence, if you seek for it, of proof that an animal, particularly domestic animals, live after the death of the flesh. Animals, have they a soul? Yes, but remember that all life is according to degree. All life is of the same spirit. All comes from God and, with his baptism of the spiritual sun, the Son of God, the Christ Spirit, man will naturally live by the law of love: love to one another, love to all creatures, love to God. Oh, it is not a man's gospel we are speaking of. It is the law: the law of Divine Love which gradually will replace the present laws – crude and unjust as they are – which govern earthly life.

So, my dear beloved brethren, the way is open for everyone to endeavour to receive the baptism of Whitsuntide and to be filled, filled with the Holy Breath and Divine Love....

He who is All Love, the Perfect One, shows himself now on the higher planes, for he is come to you ... brings to you the gift of the spirit.

We shall pause that you may have a short period of silence. With your inner eyes, with your power of imagery, see on those higher planes of life His powerful, beautiful presence. See the compassion and the love shining from His eyes, shining from every part of His being, for He stands before the altar, the ancient table of communion, and on this table you will see the golden plate, which has great significance; and it holds the bread, the heavenly bread. And,

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by its side, the golden cup which holds the golden wine, the heavenly wine, the symbol of this divine power.

He bids you accept these symbols of communion with God; the bread and the wine. Feel the strength from this heavenly substance and the power which will flow through you as you sip the heavenly wine; the love, the life from the inner spiritual sun of God.

The Lord God has blessed you. Peace be with you now and remain with you through your life. Never forget, dear children of earth, it is the inner things which will give you all you need. Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven and all things shall be added unto you.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

All the company are there, happy to be with you. Your own loved ones are so near you now. You have prepared the way. They are with you now. Be happy, dear ones, brethren of the Great White Light. Go forth in joy and happiness.

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