

The Angels of Light and Darkness

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Invocation:

Let us put aside all disquieted thoughts and approach the innermost centre of peace and truth; let us worship the All-wise and All-loving Father-Mother God and be receptive to the enfolding vibrations of peace. Let us pray that our inner hearing may be quickened, that we may catch the music of the heavenly spheres, and our inner vision cleared so that we may see in to glories of heaven, and at the close of this communion may each return to his earthly home with the memory of the experience of heavenly things made plain. May the blessing of the holy and glorious spirit of our beloved Lord and Master Christ bless and sanctify our service.

Amen.

In the midst of the Holy Ones is the Grand Master, Christ the Lord. Will you attune your souls to the vibrations of love which he is sending forth to earth, and try to realize that he is the leader of a vast multitude of invisible beings, angelic and human, and that the world in which these beings dwell will be *your* world when you have laid aside your physical body? Moreover, through your aspirations and through your training and meditation, you may enter that world whilst you are still attached to the physical body. Only bodily domination over the soul can bind a soul to earth and keep it from entering the spiritual realms. As soon as you pray and aspire to become free from the thralldom of the lower senses, you are guided by your own guide to the Halls of Wisdom in the planes of spiritual life, and there your soul is fed and you receive into your heart centre the pure healing vibrations of the Son of God, personified for humanity in Christ, the Lord of humanity.

So far then it is clear, but many on earth live in a state of mental confusion and spiritual mist. It is not the fault of the human mind; we must remember that all souls are upon the evolutionary path—some have travelled a little longer upon the path and so they find it somewhat clearer. They contact more easily the spheres of spiritual truth, but to the ordinary man or woman life is usually chaotic. So many problems arise in earthly life that the human soul cannot answer, yet continually we tell you that even mortal life is controlled by perfect laws and that from the highest to the lowest all is law and order.

You look at your world today and you do not understand why it is chaotic, but some of you have reached the point of knowing intuitively that there must be a wise purpose behind apparent chaos. You do not understand the law, but intuitively you have felt this truth. You say, 'Yes, there is a wise purpose and one day we shall understand. At present we cannot understand why God seems not only to permit but apparently inflicts so much suffering upon innocent victims.' Beloved ones, you have taken a great step forward on the evolutionary path when you can truly say, 'There is a purpose.' As soon as you can recognize this you are coming within the vibration of truth. Truth may not be revealed to you yet, but you are responding to the vibration of that fundamental law of the cosmos.

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We intended to call our talk ‘The angels of light and the angels of darkness’ and by these preliminary remarks we have prepared your minds. We recognize then, behind all chaos and suffering of human life, a cosmic law, not only impersonal law but an individual law, and although the individual is called upon to undergo suffering because of his very state of undevelopment or, shall we say, his childish (not childlike) state of understanding, this law which is guiding each life is one of perfect love and wisdom.

There are two aspects of life which man calls respectively ‘good’ and ‘evil’. On the one ray, the ‘good’, are many beings working under the directorship of our Lord and Master, Christ. On the other are hosts who are called ‘evil’ or angels of darkness who, although their work is different from that of the angels of the light, are yet working under the law of the cosmos, God's law. If you accept God as a Father of infinite power, you must recognize that what is called evil (or that which comes within the sphere of the angels of destruction or suffering) is yet within the hand and under the control of the Infinite Power, otherwise there would be absolute chaos. If this were not so, you could have no faith, no confidence, no trust in that Divine Love, which has been preached to mankind* through all the schools of mystery teaching, which in their turn have fed the religions throughout the ages. Always there has been revealed to the true pupil of the Master a law of infinite love, guiding, protecting, inspiring and bringing good out of apparent chaos.

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

We must establish this firmly and clearly in our minds: that the angels of light are working under the supreme command of the Lord and Master of Light who is Christ the Son and the angels of darkness are working also within the law and under the command of our Father God, but that their work is opposite to that of the angels of light. These two aspects of life are fulfilling the great purpose of the evolution of the spirit of man. These two forces are playing upon humanity with a definite purpose, and the purpose is to cause progress, to bring about evolution, to bring man to the consciousness of his own innate godliness. For in the beginning the human spirit, the individual spark of the Divine Fire, was breathed forth to descend through many stages of life until it became clothed in matter with the purpose of educating and causing that divine spark of unconscious godliness to grow into a conscious god-being. You have the example of the human man perfected in the divine God-consciousness in our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

This brings us to the great problems of the Fall of man. We always prefer to describe this as the descent of man rather than as a fall. The Bible suggests that man fell from this god-like estate in Eden because Satan tempted woman (and man) to sin*. It is not good in a meeting of this nature for such deep secrets as this to be revealed; we can only perhaps sow a seed in your minds so that you may think this out for yourselves. Cosmic truths should never be spoken or written, but must come to the soul in the silence of its own temple. Do you understand? The inner secrets of life will come to you at initiation. This is what initiation brings. It means an expansion of consciousness, and at these times a great light flashes into the mind and the soul is changed. The soul henceforth sees life entirely differently. The prophet Saul when on the road to Damascus, was struck by a blinding light that caused him to

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change in the twinkling of an eye, and Paul speaks later of the last trump, when initiation takes place and there is a great resounding through the temple of the soul like to a trumpet, and in an instant the soul is changed—a blinding light flashes through the soul and it knows and sees truth.

*[*White Eagle's use of the term 'sin' here is characteristic of the context of the 1930s in which this teaching was given and does not imply condemnation. As the rest of the teaching reveals, White Eagle is without judgement with regard to human behaviour and feelings.]*

In the Garden of Eden, the angel, or Satan, or Saturn, or the angel of Lucifer, or wisdom, came to the human soul and whispered—gave a certain urge to that young soul which, like a babe, had as yet no knowledge of good and evil. The teaching is that the two sinned and fell from their high estate, but what actually happened is that Lucifer, or Satan, was urging the soul to gain experience. This angel would be called, to those who do not fully comprehend, an angel of darkness. These angels of so-called darkness are always at work upon the human soul, and there are corresponding angels of the Lord Christ, angels of the light, angels of love, who also labour for the salvation of man. The human soul has a free-will choice. Whilst it has to accept certain experiences which the angels of suffering are urging upon it, the soul also can respond to the angels of love. So the human soul, whilst it must experience suffering and sometimes pain and degradation, has always a good angel near to whisper 'God is love, look up my brother, all is well! God enfolds you in His love.' Thus in the midst of all human suffering is that little voice to which all can respond—but many do not—which says, 'Hope, my brother, good will come out of this experience. Look up, love God, love your Master and Christ.' This is the free-will choice of man, this is the voice of Christ within that speaks, but remember also that no soul can escape experience that the angels of darkness will bring.

Knowledge of the influence of the planets, cosmic influences, upon human life is of the utmost importance if you would enter into the inner mystery schools of life; you must learn of the influence of the angels of light and the angels of darkness. The angels of the planet Saturn are evil or malevolent the mundane astrologers declare, but these are angels which actually bring wisdom through human experience, bring strength of character and a deep patience. The angels of Mars, thought to be malevolent, also bring to the soul a creative urge, although one aspect of Mars causes great suffering. Again, the angels of Venus being so-called good influences, can also bring suffering, because while causing harmony and beauty and luxury, they are teaching that comfort and ease can destroy the divine life in man. With knowledge of the planetary influences on human life, you can recognize that the angels of light and darkness always work in harmony: although they appear to be opposed to each other, all are working together to bring about good in the individual and universal life.

So we would have you think of life as one great experience in which even disharmony and suffering have their place. Vibrations playing upon the earth and upon the human soul have one divine purpose. There is no such thing as chaos in the universe. The law is exact and perfect and all works together for good. The man or woman who will receive the greatest good must learn to accept all that comes with thanksgiving and joyousness, and the deeper, the more shattering the experience, the grander the ultimate reward. Why, you are privileged

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to be living in these days, although there are many who would prefer a quieter and more peaceful time, but these are days of great awakening, great spiritual force and power; the angels of Mars bring to human life the creative fires to create a New Age, a new world. Great progress is being and will be made; the old structures must fall, must be broken down. Remember that all are under the law of cause and effect, and those who are to serve and to live to see this Age ushered in—no harm will come to them through eruption and destruction. Their souls cannot be touched; their bodies will be enfolded and encircled by a ray of light. Nothing can penetrate nor destroy the physical vehicle chosen to be used as an instrument by God in the great work of laying the foundation for the building of the temple of the New Age.

Q. Some schools of thought rather give one to understand that the Fall of man was an accident that happened in this cycle only, but I feel that the Fall of man is something that takes place in every cycle and is an integral part of the process of evolution?

A. A good question. There is no such thing as accident in God's universe. God's universe cannot go wrong—if you are going to admit chance or mischance, then there is something wrong with God. Why then does God permit such a tremendous accident as the Fall of man? In our school of wisdom, we look upon our Creator and His Plan as being omnipotent. No man or being has any power to upset the Divine Plan. Great cataclysms like the sinking of Atlantis, due to the apparent lack of equilibrium between the forces of good and evil, may be regarded as accident by some. This is not so; God does not allow His universe to slip out of His hands like that. There could not be anything outside the will of our Father God. The so-called Fall of man is a cosmic event created for the evolution of the child of God. It is and must be; it brings about an awakening, a realization of man's power to choose for himself—free will. There is a small radius in which the human soul vibrates or can swing, and he can choose within that radius. The choice is given to him in order that he may gain experience. Outside that radius he has no power.

Q. Can one ever be conscious of previous incarnations?

A. Very often. As the soul strives to reach the higher consciousness outside the limitations of the physical brain, certainly the memory of previous incarnations can be recalled. With many people it is just a nebulous feeling, or there may be certain tastes and characteristics brought back from the past: love of embroidery from China, love of dancing from Greece or Spain, love of Egyptian art; or some little trait in the character may betray a link with some past civilization. These memories do not come through the earthly brain so much as through the spiritual brain centred in the heart. It is through the mind in the heart that contact with eternity is made. It is another name for intuition.

Benediction:

The supreme power of our Father-Mother God blesses and keeps you safe within His heart. Peace be unto you; peace remain with you.
Amen.

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