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#### Invocation:

Let us pray to the Almighty Spirit, our Creator that we may be receptive to the blessing of the heavens; and with humble hearts all here assembled give thanks for the care and love which beautifies their lives. O, Great White Spirit, thy children seek knowledge, wisdom and vision beyond the earth into the worlds of light and perfect life. May the presence in form of thy Son, the Lord Christ, bless this gathering; that hearts may be stimulated to go forth on the path to serve their fellowmen; and to bring light and more light into this dark world. Amen. Amen.

We come with love and peace, praying that we may utter words that will give you food for thought, as well as stimulating the spirit of the Son of God in your hearts. Remember all humanity belongs to God. Some of His children are very young but some are older. As we look out upon humanity we see in all a jewel in the heart; we see the potential Christ-man even in the most unevolved.

We propose to talk tonight about the planet Venus. We will speak as we know life there. We warn you that it will not be easy to accept all that we could tell you. Nevertheless we will proceed. Venus of late has been much in your minds. We can read your minds sometimes, you know, and we can see the questions you would ask. 'Is it true that people live on Venus? Scientists tell us that no other planet is peopled except the earth.' Dear, dear, dear! We are going to say that these wonderful planets of great brilliance in our solar system are more advanced in every way than this earth. The earth is the least evolved. Yet you must all understand what a wonderful opportunity is yours because it is the inhabitants of a planet that can help to make it brighter and beautiful. Not only will humanity then evolve but the very earth itself. Time as you understand it does not really count in space, in outer space. You are limited by your conception of time. Time is a question of the life-consciousness of the individual. As there are babes born without power to help themselves, so there are spirits born helpless; for when a spirit is born or breathed forth from the heart of the Creator it is as a babe and does not know itself. The process of life is this slow evolution of the spirit. Now, spirit is pure; spirit is the perfect seed produced or breathed forth from the heart of God, but the purpose of its life is to gradually develop its own inner powers. You should all know this by now, but we have to go through this preliminary explanation before we can follow on with what we have to say next.

Now, in the beginning when man\* was in this helpless state, he needed guides and teachers. These he still needs, for some men live entirely in matter, learning only about material things. Man is gradually rising out of this, but has some way to go yet. The people in those far-off days had guides and teachers from other worlds, principally from Venus. They were simple, kind and human, friendly. They taught the earth people how to discipline themselves. They taught them of the spiritual laws which must be obeyed. Some people followed the wisdom-teaching of the God-men (as they were called—or the Sun-men). There were others who, gaining a little power and feeling their feet, wanted to dominate their fellows. This eventually caused great disturbances resulting in catastrophes and all kinds of suffering. Nevertheless, the loving, beneficent Power always came to the rescue, gathering into the fold

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those brothers of the light who were truly following and obeying the laws of love and goodness. They were cared for and protected, and only those who deliberately turned their backs on the light had to follow a path of pain. You cannot conceive the vast space of time occupied by this development, or the slow growth of the earth and earth's humanity. If we speak of millions of years it means nothing and is beyond your comprehension, as is the word 'eternity' to the finite mind; therefore all you can do is to accept the eternal 'Now.' Nevertheless it is interesting to look back into the past in order to get a glimpse of the evolution, the growth and development of humanity, even if you cannot get a comprehensive picture.

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

To return to the men from Venus who were the messengers to this earth, Venus being the planet of love. (Even that minute scrap of knowledge has remained with the masses so that Venus is still regarded as the goddess of love and beauty.) The planet Venus is a planet of love and beauty. It is not impossible for men, providing they have reached a certain state of spiritual development, to journey to Venus. This takes place not infrequently from the spirit side of life; for when man has attained pure spiritual consciousness, he for a time appears to lose all contact with this earth. You often wonder what has happened to the many, many souls who have gone hence on a long journey. Their journey takes them to other worlds, to other planets, principally the planet Venus, where they meet congenial friends and companions they have known on earth. They live there for a time in wonderful happiness. Yet they do not sever themselves entirely from the earth. Many of those illumined ones, particularly members of the Brotherhood, return to visit groups on earth who are working for the enlightenment of mankind. It is not so many years ago—say, fifty years ago—when people said: 'Hear people talking from the other side of the world? Nonsense, it is impossible! See a picture flash on to a screen in your own home and be told that that picture was transmitted from across miles of space-what ridiculous nonsense! How do you know that men go to Venus and live there? Don't tell us such fairy tales.' You see, this is the way the human mind operates. So, will you be tolerant, remembering what has happened during the past fifty years? Keep an open mind when we tell you that you people are in far closer contact and communication with the people on Venus than some might think possible.

Now we touch on a rather delicate subject. We wondered whether we should say too much about Venus and the souls who live there. The guidance we received was: 'Tell the earth people all these things, and it will prepare them for developments which are now taking place and which will bring great changes in the life of the people on earth.' Their knowledge can open your vision to something true and beautiful which you will find of great comfort, help and encouragement in your own drab lives. We are to speak about 'dual souls.' Some believe there is no such thing; others believe that all is true. We would say right away that you are not intended to look for your twin soul on earth and so abandon your karmic responsibilities perhaps with your existing partner simply because you have found someone whom you think is your affinity. This may sound a little harsh. However, as a general principle you must realise that you have been placed in a certain position in life with karmic responsibilities as

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well as opportunities. Your whole purpose here is to grow spiritually, and to grow spiritually you must honour your responsibilities and the debts that you owe to your companions.

Nevertheless it is true that there are two aspects of the perfect soul, the feminine and the masculine. For the purpose of spiritual evolution, these two opposites separate in order to find their experience during their physical life or lives. Eventually, having earned the right to happiness, they are allowed to meet; they come together, usually after death. Sometimes, when the conditions are right and the soul has attained to a degree of spirituality that permits it, these two live for a period in a state of perfect happiness. You think always in terms of life after death as being in a spirit world. Remember that you are always living in a spirit world; you are living now in a spirit world but you don't know it. This is like putting a blindfolded man down in beautiful country. He is there but cannot see it. Only a few of you are catching glimpses and so you are learning how to release yourselves from darkness. During times of true and pure meditation you are released; you are in a state of spirit and you live and move in that world of spirit. When you finally leave the body and it falls away; when you have finished with this dress for a time, you move on in a state of spirit; you are in what you call the spirit world. In that world spirits journey or-it is not very far, you know-spirits find themselves in a new world which is often the planet Venus. Is it then unnatural that dual souls are drawn to a planet which is one of perfect love (not of physical passion), pure love, loving service, perfect companionship, perfect harmony, the two blending as one, but always by mutual consent the two can separate when the need arises?

In reality, however, once that union has been made in full consciousness there can never be separation again. In pure love there is no separation. Remember then that the whole purpose of life is this growth of consciousness. Until you are conscious of yourself in this world, you are not really living; until you are conscious of the God within you, you are unable to enjoy the expansion of the eternal 'Now.'

The planet Venus, by its very constitution, is made of a finer matter than this physical earth. The earth plane is dark and dense. Venus is of a very much lighter substance; it is almost—well, of a finer ether altogether and the Venusians have scientific knowledge, spiritually scientific, which has not yet reached the earth. Until man becomes a truly spiritual being he cannot discover the secrets of the higher or spiritual science. The Venusians have evolved; they are much more advanced than humanity because of their practice of living brotherhood and love and their worship of God. Yes, they worship and adore God and the Son. We tell you most earnestly that many of the ancient ones have come to earth from Venus, not in intentional disguise but wearing a form similar to the human which to the earth people would be acceptable. Someday the visitors will be in Venusian bodies. They will bring a great spiritual power as they did before. They will bring knowledge that the more spiritually advanced earth people will be able to bear and understand, although the masses will be unaffected and untouched. Nevertheless, there are more advanced groups which will be ready to receive their brethren from other planets. The first visitors will come from Venus, and with their coming there will be-well, there are younger members of the human family who are still foolish. They may not come forward to meet the visitors with any confidence. They will

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possibly try to defend themselves. They will quickly learn then that their neighbouring planets are peopled with more advanced souls than themselves.

The law governing all and every department of life in this beautiful planet of Venus is the law of love, harmony and brotherhood. Beautiful vegetation, beautiful flowers and fruits, beautiful colouring, wonderful methods of imparting knowledge are there. Advanced spiritual science is practised. There the people live in communities, in groups, and there is no separation. There are no different countries all fighting for supremacy. There is a perfect brotherhood of all life. It is an Utopia, as you would call it, a perfect state of life. When people from a higher grade or degree of spirituality descend to a lower sphere, there must be a stepping down of the power; there must be an adjustment of the vibration in order for them to contact the more lowly members of a community. In the spirit world if there is an expedition from a higher level to a lower, the higher ones clothe themselves with a certain vibration or cloak (if you like to call it that) so that they will not cause too great a shock or disturbance. It is exactly the same with the Masters; they have to lower their vibrations and adjust themselves because it would be impossible for people to bear their very powerful radiations.

We suggest that you think kindly about what we have said tonight because, if you think on things which are beautiful, good and true, you will find yourselves released from the limitations of the frontal mind. You need not worry. There is no deception in God. If you are seeking God and to know more of God's universe and of this solar system, you cannot be deceived. You will go on and on and on. This is the thought we want to leave with you. At the present time you are living in a little closed box; you want to break its sides and come out into a world of infinite loveliness. Realise that you are not God's only creatures; there are other worlds more beautiful than anything you can imagine. So wise and so loving is your Creator that He has placed within you a key which will unlock the door of these glorious heavenly mysteries. That key is in your heart. Your heart is the centre of love. Love, goodwill, tolerance and kindness working in you will enable you not only to release yourself from bondage but to rise into countries of light, and to find true companionship. All life is spirit. All beings on other planets are spirits, as you are spirit. All spirit is clothed in a form of matter which is harmonious with the planet upon which the spirit is living. The substance of Venus is Venusian and it clothes the spirits who live on Venus. The substance of your earth is earth, and it clothes the spirits who live on earth in physical matter.

#### Benediction:

Shall we, as one spirit, open the way for the incoming of the glorious Son of Life. May there be, O God, advancement for these earth children whom we love and whom by Thy Grace we are able to speak with. On the mountain top we stand as a brotherhood with hands upraised to the Omnipresence, the Omniscience and Omnipotence.

Amen.

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