

# The Unconquerable Christ

A086 Sunday Address 13th April 1941 St Mary Abbots Place, London Easter Sunday Service

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*Context:* White Eagle had already given a Palm Sunday address the previous week and the new Lodge had opened just two weeks before that, on 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

*General notes:* White Eagle gave the address its title, and explains it at the outset. A strong sub-theme is the role of women in the New Age. In this talk White Eagle refers to the Second World War, maybe for the first time, as an initiation for all humanity, though earlier addresses have implied it. There is some implication that the war is only truly over when there is a 'true, noble, spiritual victory'.

*References:* the story of the woman, Mary Magdalene, going first to the tomb, and hearing the angel, is from the accounts in John, chapter 20, and Luke, 24 : 5-6. The exhortation, 'Love one another' are Jesus's words in John 13 : 30.

## White Eagle's Address:

This is the Easter festival, one of the oldest and perhaps most beautiful of the whole year; and while usually associated with the Christian Church, the festival is as old as the world, and holds a much deeper meaning than is recognised by orthodoxy. We would tell you that all the festivals of the sun's solstices are kept in the spirit world in a most powerful form. The earth and earth's humanity, and the spirit within the earth and within humanity, receives a special baptism on these occasions by the Son of Life, the Cosmic Christ.

As already said, the Cosmic Christ is the Son of the Father-Mother God, the third aspect of the Trinity, and in the world manifests as the unconquerable and unquenchable spirit of man. Therefore, this talk we would call: 'The Unconquerable Christ'.

The word 'unconquerable' may suggest some form of material conquest or victory of material force, of opposing armies and battle and defeat. We use the word 'unconquerable' in the sense that the spirit, the eternal fire or life-force in all life on earth, is unquenchable. You may demolish buildings, you may apparently destroy the beauties of nature, burn, ravish and kill; armies can overrun the crops and make desolate the face of the earth, the high powers can even cause the sinking of continents, the complete clearance of races from the face of the earth; but in a short while, after the cataclysms have passed, life again springs up from mother earth. When any movement which has at its heart the eternal spring of truth, the eternal life-force of the unconquerable Christ, is persecuted and overthrown, it will rise again and give forth greater things. In nature one could almost say that each winter season is an initiation, a preparation for the recreation of life, of the food upon which mankind depends for his physical sustenance.

In the midst of a physical conflict humanity is passing through a major initiation. We would draw your attention to the spiritual evolution behind the war. Many lose sight of spiritual values at the present time and think only about putting every ounce of energy into the war effort. But that which mankind needs today above all is a spiritual effort. We do not belittle

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the sacrifices of men, but we remember that there are varying degrees of life, of the quality of man's consciousness. When you analyse your present world with truth and sincerity, you must accept the fact that what is taking place today is a spiritual war; it is an uprising in the hearts of man, a cry for liberation from material bondage. In all men, in all nations – whether misguided in ideals or whether misled by their leaders – the urge is for liberation from bondage. This urge is like the green shoot of spring uprising through the dark soil of materialism. Humanity would find liberation and seek the Sun of Life – the Sun being the Christ, the Lord of all humanity and the Lord of your own being.

We would urge all men and particularly all women to give first thought to spiritual values in their daily contacts with their fellow companions; to seek always the way of the gentle, the unconquerable Christ, and to lay aside or to turn their backs on the king of darkness. By this we mean reject all thought and speech which is demoralising and weak, fearful and hurtful, and which robs a fellow man of aspiration to noble ends. Truth, justice, goodwill amongst men is the hallmark of the Spirit of Christ; and men and women little realise how they fail when they adopt a defeatist attitude, for by doing so they ally themselves with the master of darkness. We know well there are two opposing poles in every human being, the positive and negative, and the latter would pull man to earth and keep his eyes glued to the gutter, so that he forgets the shining angel by his side. The holy angels, God's messengers, have always watched over humanity from the beginning. In prehistoric days, angels walked and talked with and taught men. But as man became more immersed, as man grew more earth-like, the angels withdrew out of sight of the ordinary man. But they are still with humanity and will take every opportunity to assist humanity to rise again.

Think then, of the hosts of the invisible, and of those advanced beings of earth's humanity, teachers and prophets who have gone on to within the veil, but are not outside the influence of the earth.

The spirit of Christ was known thousands upon thousands of years ago. Our own memory is only as a flash compared to the ages of the past, but we remember the coming of Christ to earth; we remember the resurrection of the sun after the darkness of winter. The festival of Eastertide is not a Christian festival only. The spirit unconquerable of the Son of God has ever lived on earth and within earth's humanity, and will so live and rise again in resurrection in spite of all the efforts of the power of darkness.

The present war is actually warfare between selfishness, materialism, greed, fear, defeatism on the one hand; and on the other the oncoming spirit of goodwill, brotherhood, construction, progress and spiritual emancipation. Spiritual effort and service is vitally needed; the need is greater even than for material service; for you can give every case and attention to material progress and domination, and lose utterly the power of Christ, the living spirit.

We do not deny that any material service of man to his brother rendered in love is as much service of Christ, a service given forth from the spirit centre and on the inner planes of thought. But men and women who would truly serve humanity must draw upon the reservoir

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of the eternal spirit of Christ if such service is to be of value. There is no question about the outcome of such a conflict as the present, but of the length of time that victory – *we are speaking of a true, noble spiritual victory* – will take to come. Had mankind opened wide the heart to this spiritual inspiration long before, this material or physical conflict would not have been – at least, not in the present form. Humanity has now the opportunity to adopt the spirit of goodwill and brotherhood, even towards those who are in the clutches of the Master of Destruction. The only power that will conquer is the power of love, or Christ. This does not mean mere sentiment but rather a spirit of understanding and goodwill, a pure desire to assist humanity on to a nobler plane of life, both material and spiritual. There will be no room in the new age for selfishness and greed, for arrogance and pride, but only for co-operation, kindness, goodwill, of comfort for the sorrowful, healing for the sick given freely from the spirit of Christ within the healer. There will be no room for slums and inequalities – all these things will be swept away, to leave instead a community of brethren contributing to the common good of all.

The words of Christ are so simple; and yet for two thousand years men have toyed with them. Have they not read from the gospels, Sunday by Sunday, “*love one another*”? – but the words have been laid aside when it comes to the practical issues of life. They will, however, have to be practised in the very near future, for then, and only then, will peace be restored. And by peace we do not mean a passive sentiment, but a dynamic force of goodwill, ever striving, ever working for the good of all, a peace which springs from the eternal wells of truth and love.

In closing we draw attention to the fact that it was the woman who went first to the tomb of Jesus; to the Woman that the angel spoke, saying “*Why seek ye the living amongst the dead?*” The gospels record something supposed to have taken place at the beginning of the Piscean age, two thousand years ago. Now we are advancing across the threshold of the Aquarian Age in which the Women will carry the Christ’s message to His Disciples. Woman (or the spirit of wisdom) will bear the message of the arisen Christ, the unconquerable Christ in life, into the world of men. Therefore, we appeal to the spirit of women in all humanity to rise up and become bearers of the Light and truth to the world. Christ is risen! His spirit is not dead; and we follow the unconquerable spirit of Christ, Who taught us to love and to Whom all men look for love. The Women will be, *when they choose to be*, messengers to the world of truth that Christ lives and is unconquerable; and tell man that if he wishes to progress and to find happiness and achievement and fulfilment on earth, he must follow the Christ.

This is the message which we from the Spirit leave with you on this Easter day. Let it not linger briefly in your minds but be an inspiration to be up and serving from now on! You do not need to be set in high places to be of the greatest service to mankind, for a woman in her home can be the brightest light in the world, and as such can draw men to the Light by her influence and sincerity and truth.

A blessing:

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*Peace we leave with you on this Easter Day, and light ... radiant, all enfolding ... the Light of the spirit of Eastertide, of the Unconquerable Christ in man.*

*Amen.*

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