

When the Very Stones Cry Out

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Invocation:

We bring all love, to bless and to help raise you. Now may the earth and all material things fall away from you, dear children, for around you are wings of light. Try and feel this protection, this enfoldment; feel that you are encircled by the soft wings of the spirit, and that those who come to you now from the spiritual spheres come by the power of love, which is the will of God. So, close your senses to physical matter. Open your heart in prayer and supplication to the Great White Spirit. In spirit let us all kneel humbly, prayerfully, saying:

O Gracious Spirit, Who art all love, our Father-Mother, humbly we surrender to Thee. May love fill our hearts, for we would learn of Thee concerning the wisdom of life. Thou, dear Father-Mother God, dost understand the turmoil in the human breast, the weariness of the physical body, our longing for greater comprehension of our relationship to Thee. We pray that we may be receptive to Thy demonstration of love, here, tonight. May Thy presence be very real to all souls in this assembly and may the knowledge of Thy love penetrate the mists of the heavy physical life of man,* so that the veil may be lifted and sunlight stream into him. May he henceforth live as Thy child, recognising his relationship to all creatures in every kingdom of life on earth and to the Kingdom of Heaven, in which dwell the angels.

Amen.

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

May all of you in this assembly realise that you are accompanied by an illumined soul from the spirit world, by a guide, companion or teacher; and certainly by the one who is the affinity of your spirit; where love is, there is no separation. So, my children, if your particular loved companion is in the spirit life, realise that the etheric bridge has been crossed. Truly angels and your loved ones can come when once you have raised your consciousness to them.

You meet across the bridge. So try to realise this truth within yourself—realise that you can create the bridge by your love, your belief in God's love, your belief in love itself. When doubts assail you, remember that your doubts are only the voice of the material mind, of what you are sometimes pleased to call reason. It is this lower, this material self which cuts you off from those you love who now live in spirit.

We have a particular reason for giving you these truths tonight. We can see troubled hearts here; we can see loneliness and in some cases here almost a despairing spirit. This message is especially for those who feel the need of comfort, who want reassurance of the continued companionship of a loved one. We do not wish to materialise the spiritual life or endeavour to give you proof to satisfy your physical senses. But we pray that we may raise you to that level whereon you may contact for certain the beautiful life of the spirit realm.

Of course, there are people who declare it impossible for those in heaven to reach those on earth, saying that those in a heavenly state are cut off forever from earthly life. They may be if the persons on earth do the cutting off, but if the earth people are unfolding their spiritual life, they will naturally rise heavenward. Indeed, it is the will of God that His sons and

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daughters should learn to penetrate the heavy mists surrounding them, caused by material living, material thinking—by living a selfish life. Selfishness cuts man off from the heavenly world. The lower self holds man down to physical matter, but man, by right living and right thinking, by aspiration and often by the way of crucifixion, can find his way to the heavenly state, and once there he knows, he finds truth.

Such a man finds truth through love; it may be love of others or love of nature, of music, love of God, but the love of God that man finds is really the love which he finds in his brother man. Many people say you must get beyond personality. They do not understand what personality means. Do you remember Jesus saying: 'How can a man love God when he does not love his brother?' because in man, in his personality, is the spirit of God. No, this is not easy to find, but Jesus pointed the way. He lived to demonstrate this profound truth because he was all compassion. He looked into the soul of his friends, of those who drew close to him; he saw their suffering and he saw even more than present suffering; he saw their whole life, the karma of the individual, and so he had compassion. He forgave so much. He showed the way. Forgiveness is often difficult, my children, but as soon as forgiveness comes into the heart, there comes release of the spirit; the soul that has been in bondage and perhaps stretched upon the cross of suffering no longer suffers.

Before man arises from the grave, he passes through an initiation called the crucifixion. Jesus demonstrated this experience, which awaits every soul. This story is sometimes questioned. Men ask, 'Was Jesus really crucified, as the Scriptures tell us?' Certainly Jesus lived among men and was crucified—an event held as sacred by the orthodox Christian church, and wisely, because in the past age of Pisces it was necessary for humanity to be able to picture the spiritual conflict which takes place in every soul. This was a personal demonstration on the physical plane of a profound mystical truth.

So both aspects of the crucifixion are correct—that is to say, the physical demonstration and the profound spiritual truth which the physical experience demonstrated, teaching the younger soul the story of the soul's struggle to release itself from the bondage of earthly thoughts, earthly happenings, physical suffering. All this is embodied in the crucifixion of Jesus the Christ. Now you have all suffered, and you know in how many different ways man can be crucified. You see, it comes not only once; it seems for some a continual crucifixion, continual pain and suffering, and a wrestling all the time to get beyond, get above this pain which is the lot of physical man.

A word to you about personality. When you hear it said that you must get beyond personality, it means that the spirit within you must develop and grow strong and pure and full of light, so that you are not deceived by appearances of any personality. When you can escape from the consciousness of being bound by personality, or by earthly things and earthly life, then you are above and beyond personality. This is what is meant by getting beyond personality. But at the same time remember the value of personality. Now through the personality of Jesus, the Christ, the personality of the Divine Mother is represented to you—a personality which helps you draw nearer to an understanding of that Divine Spirit. When you can see Jesus presented to you as a loving, tender saviour; if you like that word, it gives to you a picture: it conveys

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the essence of the love of a benign saviour, and your soul, irrespective of man on earth, reaches up towards the embrace and blessing of that divine love, which is the essence, or the saving grace of mankind. For when man sees the divinity of Christ his Saviour, he becomes *en rapport* with that Divine Spirit. It comes into him; it goes forth from him.

This is the value of personality. Jesus, in few words, spoke this truth. But how many people understand, even yet? He said: 'The Father is in me and I am in the Father. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.'* You see the value of a personality, beautified, perfected by the divine spirit? Then imagine all humanity manifesting this same spirit of love. Why, this would be universal brotherhood; it would extend to the animal level, to all nature, even to the very gems in the earth. Then 'the very stones' would indeed 'cry out.'**

[*John 14 : 7] [**Luke 19 : 40]

A divine essence which is God is the Creator. God is love, and all life and all form is created by love; whatever love operates on (even if it be of a low order) which creates form. Let us say here that form is not only created on the physical plane, but on other levels of life. Is it possible that form can be created in the spirit world? Our answer is: 'Most certainly.' Is a woman denied the joy of motherhood in the spirit world? Why should she be? As below, so above; as above, so below. If she longs to hold her babe in her arms, that joy awaits her in the spirit world.

What we are trying to explain is this—that there is this interpenetration of life from above to below. All life is one, but man has to learn by living, by experience, in the—shall we call it?—the most dense form of consciousness of the earth, because, remember, he is created to become master of matter. Even there at that physical level he is part of his Creator; he is a son (or daughter) of God. All creation, natural, human, angelic, all forms of life are of the one Spirit, and all are one great family with God the Father, and the Divine Mother. This is a deep mystical truth and its symbol is the triangle, the Trinity. The last principle which we gave to the White Eagle Lodge is that the final goal of man's life was re-union with the Holy Family, or the blessed Trinity of Father, Mother, Child. In other words, the little seed or spark of life once breathed forth from the heart of God travels far, gains much understanding and eventually returns with a full consciousness of itself as part of God. This is the goal of every human soul. Now think of what lies before you. Do not be discouraged. Do not be weary of well-doing. Do not lay down your tools until you have completed your task.

To your country, to your northern hemisphere, comes the season of spring, Easter. Close your eyes and maybe you will be able to see the form now which has gradually come into our midst; that of the beautiful Divine Mother, Mary; Mary, the great Mother Spirit; and in her arms she holds pure white lilies. Now the lilies change their form into the form of a babe. Out of purity is created the Child-form of pure love; the purity of the Divine Mother brings forth the Christ Child. That child, a spark of the Creator, comes to the earth life, to live a full life like all children; it plays; it hurts itself; it is healed. In like fashion the young soul of each man suffers through contact with physical life, which is sometimes very painful, but that

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child grows and grows, and with each successive incarnation on earth it gets a very little nearer to its goal until eventually it becomes the perfect man, Son of God and Son of Man.

This is a wonderful, wonderful mystical truth—this coming to earth and growth of the soul, the ever-unfolding realisation of its potentialities. As you will see, the crucifixion has to be enacted many, many times until there comes a time—as it came to Jesus—when only the onlookers see, or think they see the suffering body and soul. But the soul is not there; the soul is away from it all.

In your Apocrypha you can read that Jesus was with his disciples talking with them while his body was being crucified. He himself was free, not with the body, because he had attained mastery over it. This is a very important thing for you to grasp because, when you have to (apparently) be crucified, during your spiritual fight with the lower self or with selfishness, you, the true child of God, are above it. People may say: 'Oh, how terrible is this to see! What suffering!' That is right, you must always feel love and sympathy, but you know what the sage would say to you: 'A wise man never grieves, never grieves either for the living or the dead.' He has passed beyond, he knows that the soul is in the hands of God, pursuing its appointed path and that out of suffering, out of crucifixion comes the resurrection.

Now as we speak of Resurrection we see the spirit world ablaze with the flowers of spring, the bursting trees, the running brooks; we hear the orchestra of the little winged creatures. Spring is here! Crucifixion is over and the resurrection come, reborn. This is what we would impress upon you all—that after periods of pain and suffering, which you must accept resolutely, look forward to the new life, to the rebirth which will come in your heart. All such mystical truths are demonstrated for you in some form or another, either on the earth or when you arrive in the spirit world. There you will see these profound mystical truths enacted, demonstrated in form, such as you will be able to understand. But beyond, beyond in the higher spheres, you will see indescribable beauty and happiness, all in the cradle of love. So, my children, may Easter time be for you a time of joy and promise.

The saints who have attained, all gather round you. There is neither past nor future. All is now. All are with you. The spirit of Jesus is with you, and as you make this companionship real to you in your heart, so you will perceive form, his form on that higher level of manifestation, and it will be a real and perfect form of the Master Jesus. In the same way you will create and bring through your soul effort and the spiritual power from God, you will create the form of any saint. It won't just be fantasy; it will be the real being because that being is at-one, is a part of God, and you too will realise that you are part of God at that time. This is what may be called a state of cosmic consciousness, when all are one and you are with all. All that you have ever known, loved, admired, will be with you, for in love there is no separation. Keep your vision on your goal, which is God, the eternal, everlasting Life, and go bravely forward.

Benediction:

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All the great company of the White Brotherhood are gathered around. We are in a temple of the Light, the eternal, the living Light of the Spirit. O Beloved, Beloved, Whom men call God! We thank Thee – oh, we thank Thee, for the ecstasy of joy in the vision which Thou givest. May these be aware of Thy blessed outpouring upon them, which brings to the earthly soul Thy peace, Thy peace, and certainty that Thou art in them and they in Thee.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

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