

# Communion between the Two Worlds

A200 Sunday Address 6th February 1949 St Mary Abbots Place, London Sunday Service

*The date of this address is conjectural (see below), while the text is as issued in the magazine Angelus after it was given, apart from correction of errors*

*Text: from Angelus, March 1949*

*Context:* the date is highly conjectural but accords with the general policy of printing an address in the issue following its delivery. The opening tells us one of the hymns, 'The King of Love', with words by Sir H W Baker (1821-77), and probably sung to either 'Dominus regit me' or 'St Columba', as they were the usual White Eagle Lodge tunes.

*General Notes:* there is an interesting contrast of the way vision operates either side of the veil. White Eagle mentions the arising of altruism in human terms as 'the awaking of a public conscience'. In spirit, he says, it is seen as 'the arising of the light in humanity', or man's discovery of 'the golden mountain' beneath his feet. It is also a teaching about the values of the East and those of the West blending until they bring that illumination.

*References:* the reference to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's 'New Revelation' is directly to his book of that title, published in 1918 – his first major Spiritualist work. However, the reference is surely also to his messages through Grace Cooke published in the book which in 1949 was still known as 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Later, it would reappear as THE RETURN OF ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE and is NOW SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE'S BOOK OF THE BEYOND. It is also an address about the coming of illumination to men and women and could justly describe itself as a 'new revelation'.

'Children, love one another' is interesting. The exhortation to love is given more than once in John, but notably at John 13 : 34 and 15 : 12, but it is not preceded by 'Children'. White Eagle is speaking to the disciples in both cases. The words, 'Little children, love one another', are however the reputed dying words of John to his followers, as reported by St Jerome. 'The Father and I are one' is John 10 : 30, and 'The Father ... doeth the works' is John 14 : 10.

## White Eagle's Address:

As you were singing those lovely words, 'The King of Love my Shepherd is', you were creating circles of light. Surely you must have felt raised to a higher state of consciousness as you sang? We want you not only to believe what we tell you, but realise for yourselves that life here is only transitory, and that your real life is in a world of spirit, a world of greater beauty and perfection than this.

We are always speaking about the light. The spirit body is composed of light, as is your mortal body, to a certain degree. When you pass out of this body you will find yourself in a world finer and more beautiful. We wish you to know that here and now within yourselves you hold the gift, or the power, to see into this world.

In this present age man will further develop this inner power which enables him to see the world beyond. We speak at this moment to those of you who have perhaps recently 'lost', as you call it, a dear friend. Your dear one has awakened in a gracious world, and between that world and this a bridge can be built of light and love. By your thoughts of light, you can cross the bridge – which you must build – and meet your loved one. If you remain in a state of darkness, in a state which is material and gross, a veil will stop your communion. This does not mean that your dear one has become so angelic as to be unapproachable – oh dear no! He

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or she is exactly the same in nature as when in this physical body but is functioning in a grade of matter vibrating at a higher rate than the physical.

The fact of survival after death has been known to many, many of the ancient races. It is no new truth. Modern Spiritualism, as you call it, is a part of the ancient wisdom, but is being presented to the world afresh at this time. If you study past religions, you will find that this truth of life after death or of the immortality of the soul, and even of communication between the spheres, was understood and practised. We would add also, without reservation or apology, that this opening of the door between the two worlds is to some degree fraught with danger. For this reason. The peoples in the past practised *spiritual* communication between the two worlds. Later they made use of occult power. The masses were in general left in ignorance of this mighty truth of communication between the two worlds because the priesthoods knew that in the hands of those who were spiritually undeveloped dangers might arise. They might exercise a spiritual power of occult power which could overthrow that of the priests. So this knowledge was sometimes kept as a secret.

Nevertheless, it should be free to all, for God has implanted in the human heart this truth. The soul could – while still attached to a body – journey over the bridge and hold communion with those who dwell in the spheres of light. In the past, as many of you know, this occult power was misused for selfish gain – to acquire power and domination over the rest of the community. This misuse caused great suffering to those who used it. Mark our words, *to those who used it*. So a time came when a knowledge which in the earlier races had been natural was withheld from the people. Nevertheless, the safe method, as we have said, is by aspiration to build a bridge between the two worlds.

In the present day this knowledge is again being opened up or released in the human soul. But a long period elapsed before this restatement or new revelation, as our brother Arthur Conan Doyle called it, came to the earth, during which time the teachings of the Master Jesus were given, not only to the western world, but to other nations. Christianity seemed to become the religion of the foremost nations of the earth. With the coming of this great Being, the Christ, the world was baptised with spiritual light. The cosmic Christ was an inspiration, we say advisedly, to all the world. We are speaking of Christianity as a great spiritual impetus which came to the earth about two thousand years ago; and the purpose of this spiritual baptism was to bring about a state of spiritual understanding and aspiration because, as we have told you, in the past the misuse of occult power became rife.

Many souls are in incarnation today who are now working out karma set in motion in those past ages. With the coming of the Christ light people began to learn the importance of the spiritual life. For the main teaching of the Christ was, 'Children, love one another'. Many times he also stated another great truth, not yet fully understood. This truth is: 'The Father and I are One'. Jesus demonstrated in his life the meaning of this statement. By such a life and teaching he raised the consciousness of the whole world.

How blest you are in your present age! You spend a lot of time bemoaning your fate and maybe grumbling about the state of the world. My children, we would most earnestly impress

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upon you the greatness of your opportunity in this your present incarnation, and also the measure of happiness coming to those quickened in spirit; for you are being awakened to the beauty of life, not only here, but life as a whole – eternal life, immortal life. This – shall we call it? – peculiar power is stirring within and manifesting in your life and in the lives of all people, all nationalities, in different ways and in different degrees. Most definitely is this light of God or of Christ manifesting, causing men to think of the needs of their brother man; causing men to endeavour to live for the blessing and the happiness of their brother man instead of entirely to themselves. You may call this the awakening of a public conscience, if you like. We who come back regard it as the arising of the light in humanity.

This spiritual light has two aspects; it is first a light in the mind, in the consciousness of the individual, causing him to think more tolerantly, more kindly, more nobly. At the same time it is causing a stimulation of the spiritual or life forces in the physical body, so that its very texture becomes more refined, more sensitive; and as it grows more sensitive it begins to register sound, sight and vision of that world beyond. The veil is thinning because of the stimulating effect of this power which we are calling light.

We stress the importance of this manifestation of the true life through the great Teacher and his disciples and of all the Christian saints. This teaching has brought about a balancing, an equilibrium. It has stimulated great and noble lives and has put down or levelled that occult power which once caused much havoc. We know the truth of what we say. Because the physical vibrations of mankind are becoming finer, the earth is being raised in spiritual light and glory.

At this time many great beings of light, great teachers who have at one time lived in a physical body and taught men the truths of life, draw near again. They passed out into the invisible; now, with this stimulation, the great ones will come again into invisible form. After all, what is your own life but a coming out from the invisible, and a manifesting to one another in visible form? When you have had enough you will withdraw again into the invisible. That is all. In that invisible state are countless hosts of people who have gone through schools of training, both on earth and the astral plane and even in higher worlds. They are there, and you can meet them when you have prepared yourself for so joyous an experience.

The time will come when all men will go up to the top of the mountain. You know what this means? Always when Jesus was giving his most profound spiritual discourses he ascended a mountain. All men will someday ascend such a mountain. In other words, they will be raised in consciousness.

This is the message we have endeavoured to give. The time is coming when you, my children, will have the opportunity and the great joy of raising yourselves to that height – which also means the raising of the spiritual light and force within you to your highest part, which is the head. When this spiritual power reaches the head there comes great spiritual illumination. Man has reached the mountaintop, the crest of the golden mountain. He himself is become like the golden mountain, because he is filled with illumination by the spirit of

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God. By work, by life, by prayer, by aspiration he has raised himself to a state of divine illumination.

‘Look to the East for the light’, you are told. We also say, ‘look to the East’. What does it portend? You wonder what is going to happen when the two great forces of the East and the West meet. We will tell you. The East has a peculiar gift, a spiritual gift, but it requires balance. The western world has also its own peculiar gift, that of intellect – some call it materiality. Some say that the western world is too material in outlook; nevertheless, it is progressing along its appointed path, and learning to be very exact, or what you call practical. When you get a blending of the intuition and the practice of meditation of the East with what you call the common sense of the West, you get a valuable combination. For the East has much to teach the West and the West has much to teach the East. The Lord Jesus is closely working with the ancient teachers of the East to bring about this wonderful unity. When this comes the whole world will be raised, for the spiritual light will then be allowed to manifest through the practical affairs of the world.

We have so much that we would like to give you, but we are limited as you are limited. So be patient and tolerant with all that we have said, which is truth, my children – spiritual truth.

May you find within yourselves that divine light, that glory and power of which the Master Jesus was always speaking. As he said again and yet again, ‘Not I but my Father Who dwelleth in me, He doeth the work’. We pray that each one of you this night will find this divine light and power which will recreate your own body and your life – and bring to all that deep eternal peace which lies behind all outward manifestation of life. God be with you always. Goodnight.

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