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*Context*: the date once again is based only on the premise that addresses were normally printed to match the season, twelve months after they were given. The time of year is confirmed by the paragraph beginning 'At this season of the year'.

General notes: this is White Eagle's absolutely classic description of the Sun beings, but it also has interesting information about the disciples of Jesus in this context, and of the 'Silent Brotherhood' in the beyond. There is also comfort for us all: 'Do not think aeons of time will pass before you realise the Christ life within your own heart'. The address refers also very beautifully to the presence of Sun beings on earth and how their presence may be felt, and contains a vision of the circle of 'white-robed spirits'.

*References*: 'the works that I do shall he do also' is from John 14: 12. 'Be ye perfect' is Matthew 5: 48. The Golden Arch of initiation, at the end, is a Masonic term.

#### White Eagle's Address:

We pray that your hearts may be uplifted, that you may receive a sweet and gentle blessing from the invisible Presence; that you may be impressed by the companionship of unseen friends, for you all need this companionship, and to understand that our world of spirit is closely interwoven with your world. For although the two states do indeed intermingle, it is not always easy for you to appreciate this truth; for you are enslaved by physical matter and all the demands of the body and mind. Until you can find a way to disentangle yourselves from this bondage you cannot comprehend the beautiful life which is all around you.

There are ever two aspects of life – those of the body and the heart. The latter is expressed in worship of the Creator, in worship of all that is true, beautiful and loving. The former is that of the body and the physical world, which hinders your aspiration all the way through life, because this temptation to succumb to physical things and the earthly mind does not cease so long as man remains of the earth, earthy. But do not give up hope; did not Jesus Christ say, 'What I do ye shall do also'? – meaning that man, by following path of the Christ, would in time become a Sun-man.

What is a Sun-man? A Man of Light! Long, long ago the Great Ones or Sun-Men came to the earth to show men the way to live if they wished to unfold from within the seed of the Christ. They taught men the way to live. They could not then enforce their teaching any more than today, but what they did was to bring to their disciples, not only words but a Presence, a Power. They brought illumination, they brought peace and joy, and above all the way of life in love.

The Sun-Men are still helping humanity. There are some who are, perhaps, greater in their God-consciousness than others. There are degrees among these Sun- or God-men, the greatest of whom you know as Jesus Christ. For above all is the Supreme Grand Master, and the channel that He used in His last manifestation on earth was the Lord Jesus; and we stress his message tonight because of His great human understanding.

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Humanity is today unfolding, evolving very rapidly. Some of you may doubt whether this unfoldment is good. We would reassure you. All is good, for the Creator is omnipotent. The Great Architect of the universe holds the plan. His children of earth have a degree of free will. They can choose; they can respond to what is pure, true and lovely, or they can succumb to the darkness and bitterness of earth. But the soul of man has to learn to develop and uplift this Sun within him through human experience. Jesus came to bring this supreme message, that man's destiny is to become full of a love which is selfless, which demands nothing for itself, but thinks always of the good of the whole.

How many here can earnestly and truly say that they think and live daily only for the good of others?

At this season of the year, men inhale the perfume of spring, the scent of the newly turned earth, and – seeing the fresh green of the trees – cry out, How beautiful is the world! Flowers of gold and white shine under the sun, and your hearts are uplifted with joy. What would it be like for you if spring never came? If you did not see the flowers and smell the sweetness of the earth?

But Jesus brought to humanity a Light which is inconceivably more lovely than the physical sunlight of spring. He carried it with him throughout his earthly pilgrimage: and he revealed this Light to his disciples when they were raised in consciousness, when they had withdrawn from the noise and clamour of the world. They were a waiting, silent Brotherhood. They saw the glory of his spirit at the time of the Transfiguration. This was a demonstration to the earth man that he was a Sun-man, a Man of Light. Moreover, he beautified the lives of all who came near him. He lived to heal, to comfort and to illumine. What a beautiful life! What a glorious son! The pity of it is that today Jesus appears to be very remote to most people. Only a few understand how near is the human presence of Jesus Christ, that he still heals and comforts men. Millions of people pray to Jesus, worship, and talk about Jesus; but think only of the historical Jesus of long ago. At the same time, they do not realise that the records of the true life of Jesus are yet withheld from the masses, but are kept by the Silent Brotherhood.

There is indeed such a Silent Brotherhood, although men know little if anything about their work. For this Brotherhood works behind the whole scene of earthly life, brooding over the lives of men, and working without cessation to help humanity towards its goal – its Christ initiation.

Do not be discouraged; do not think aeons of time will pass before you realise the Christ life within your own heart. Man cannot comprehend time. When your scientists have discovered a few more facts about the physical world, you will perhaps believe that it is impossible for man with his finite mind to comprehend infinity or eternity. So, your attainment of the Christ man cannot be measured in years, for divine illumination can come in a flash to any soul ready to surrender. But there are qualifications necessary for this supreme initiation. One is purity; sincerity is another; and a third is simple divine love expressed by putting the good of others first. That is self-sacrifice, but with wisdom.

We see around us now a great company of white-robed spirits, the companions of your

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earthly toils. You are never alone. This is a fact of which you have no realisation. You can hardly believe what we are saying to you now, but in time it will become natural for you to think in terms of the companionship of angels or of those messengers from God who come to you. You have perhaps heard of people in some great danger, who were suddenly visited by an angel and rescued from their peril. Some will say, 'Miracles don't happen today'. Nevertheless, wonderful things (which are usually ascribed to human action) are continually taking place.

There is not one soul present here who has not had something like a miracle happen in his life. These miracles result from the spiritual light and power of the Christ working in human life. Do not make the error of thinking that Jesus was the only great Sun man. All over your earth are centres of power and light. The crowds – in your overcrowded island – visit these centres, hoping to see something extraordinary. They usually miss what can be seen only with the inner eye. They see perhaps a fountain of light arising from some hillside to bless the earth. They do no perceive that at that place a Sun man once lived, who was a channel for the spiritual Sun, and that his aura still blesses the earth.

Do the ministers of your church to-day go out into the fields to bless the seeds before they are sown? In days gone by it was a regular practice for the God-man to perform this ritual. He blessed the seeds with the White Light. There are still people who can make anything grow. You say, he or she has green fingers; but what is meant is that he really loves his plant, not with his mind but with a quality in his heart. He pours into their roots a white substance, the White Light. That is how the growing things should be blessed and nurtured.

Everything in life comes from the one Source and the two aspects of that Source – the evolved and the unevolved – are called good and evil; and as man progresses along the path he will learn to balance these two opposites. Man uses his earthly mind for earthly things, but must use the spiritual mind and heart to find spiritual truth.

Before we leave you, we want to raise you up so that you may contact the mountain retreat of the Silent Brotherhood. In the great circle of white-clothed Brethren there comes he whom you know as Jesus, the carpenter's son. He is so simple, so pure of spirit. He radiates purity and simplicity of life. He says, 'I am the carpenter's son. I have to execute perfect work with the tools and the material handed down to me by my Father. I am the example of the perfect craftsman.'

Then follows a great silence. The truth strikes into every listening heart, for he says: 'Be ye perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect'.

Then the glory of the Lord will be upon you, and you will know the beauty that awaits you when you pass through the great Archway, the Golden Arch of Initiation into the glories of the perfect life ...

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