

## [A Message from the Council in Spirit]

A061 Sunday Address 10th September 1939 Pembroke Hall, London See note below on 'Context'

*The text of this address is as issued in the magazine Angelus after it was given, apart from correction of errors*

*Text:* a supplement to the duplicated magazine *Angelus*, October 1939, also issued separately. It is there untitled apart from the explanatory sentence.

*Context:* unclear. War was declared at 11.15 am on Sunday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup> seems to have been the scheduled monthly service at which White Eagle spoke. Either there were, exceptionally, two September Sunday services, or there was some special meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup>, called hastily. If so, it may have been a Brotherhood meeting but it makes no mention of the Brotherhood and was issued publicly, using language that feels as though it is intended for the public, and so it is included here, with Sunday addresses. Reference the two Sunday services in the month, it may be noted that White Eagle also spoke this year both on November 5<sup>th</sup> and on Armistice Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

*General notes:* this is not merely an apologia for the 'no war prophecies' but a clear statement implying that all earthly channels were deliberately given the same message to promote, namely that war was preventable. The temptation to collapse of morale must therefore have been all the greater, and part of White Eagle's point is to rally confidence, not to justify his earlier statements. The points made have enduring significance.

We feel that the following message, given by White Eagle on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September, may prove helpful to you.

### White Eagle's Address:

We want you to understand that the Spirit Guides all work under a Supreme Council from whom we take our orders. It is foolish for man, once he has given allegiance to these Spiritual Forces, to doubt or question the rightness or wrongness of orders which come. We are all links in the chain, you on earth, and we in the spirit spheres; there are grades of life far beyond the earth, and from these come commands or messages. We ourselves receive our instructions from the Lords of Wisdom.

There has been a great question amongst Spiritualists as to why the message that there will be no war was given through so many mediums, through so many occult channels. The message was decreed by the Great Lords Who are watching and working, in a way not yet understood by men, for the salvation of souls. All agents received this message, and passed it through to you. We in the beyond do not question those in a higher position; they speak with greater authority than we. This was their instruction, their broadcast to men. This we want you to realise firstly because it is a test of your faith and courage. Secondly, we want you to get some idea of the enormous conflict there has been and still is between the Light and Dark Angels. And thirdly, man's criticism and condemnation if our work proved an apparent failure was not our concern. Our one aim was to keep hope alive in as many hearts as possible for as long as possible, for once hope had died the channel for spiritual light and power became closed.

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Fear is the weak spot in us all, and this fear abiding in the hearts of humanity had to be counteracted, even to the last possible moment. Thus it became necessary to use every channel available to inspire confidence, for without confidence and hope the Forces of Light could no longer hold the fort against the enemy. We have fought long and we still fight. Ally yourselves with us. Do not allow yourselves to be overcome by fear, because we keep our contact with the earth plane through the positive thoughts of God's love in men's minds. If you lose your contact with God's love, it makes the future difficult. Although you may find your faith shaken for a little while, nevertheless we say again: there will be a sudden cessation of hostilities. God is omnipotent. So far and no farther can man go. Man's freewill is encompassed by the will of God, and God's hand will be stretched forth at the appointed hour, when lessons have been learnt, and 'halt!' will be called.

We bring a great and human love for you all, with understanding of the sorrow and suffering and testing that is yours. But we see joy and rejoicing, we see a glorious peace as the outcome, a rapid growth of brotherhood on earth. Already the brotherhood is being born. Birth pangs must always be painful. God will not test you beyond your strength, and even through these troubled days you will find compensation. If things are taken from you on the one hand, other things of greater value will be given to you on the other.

And so we pray that the power of God will enable you all to keep your faith, and to continue your work to restore peace on earth and to spread the gospel of brotherhood.

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