

# Rich Blessing of Harvest

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*Text:* carbon of a typescript, maybe by AMI, no markings. The typist has recorded Minesta's Invocation, probably from earlier in the service. The address was printed in *Stella Polaris* in the October 1960 edition, whence the title.

*Context:* as stated. It seems to be becoming a regular event that White Eagle speaks at New Lands at harvest time, maybe because of the anniversary coinciding. The typescript includes the identification of the reading as being from the Aquarian Gospel, and beginning, 'A sower took seed and went into the field to sow'. The reference is Aquarian Gospel 115 : 2. There is a communion at the end of this address.

*General Notes:* once again, White Eagle is keen to get away from any notion that he is the only person speaking. Once he begins, he launches into a very interesting account of the significance of holy communion – in this instance, the special Harvest communion that the gifts before the altar indicate. 'As a man sows so he must reap, and as he reaps it is made into bread and that bread he eats in his earthly life [i.e. karmically]. White Eagle is particularly keen in this address to acknowledge the 'innumerable' small groups all over the earth doing similar work to the brotherhood at New Lands, and says 'they all have their visitations from the spheres of spirit life'. In this address White Eagle speaks quite freely of human beings inhabiting other planets, and decries the rejection of this thought in a memorable phrase, 'Break down all barriers! There is nothing too beautiful, too glorious to be true!' White Eagle says that this is the true harvest: the realisation of all the beauty and joy in the universe.

*References:* 'as a man sows' is Galatians 6 : 7-8; 'those who have passed through great tribulation' comes from Revelation 7 : 14. 'Thou shalt learn to love the Lord, Thy God' is not biblical as such, but undoubtedly depends on Matthew 22 : 37. Similarly 'He gives himself and does not count the cost' is dependent upon the prayer of St Ignatius Loyola. For 'the glories which the Lord God has prepared for them that love God' see 1 Corinthians 2 : 9. See 'Context' for the parable of the sower, which in the Synoptic Gospels is to be found at Mark 4 and Matthew 13.

## Minesta's Invocation:

Let us pray to the Source of Life, to our Creator, the Eternal Spirit. We leave aside all earthly entanglements and pray that we may rise in consciousness to the heavenly state of life. Let us be still in mind and body that we may become aware of the unseen presences. We pray that our inner vision may open to the truth of spiritual and eternal life. We welcome the heavenly hosts and we give sincere and humble thanks to our Creator, Father–Mother God, and to the Son, the Eternal Light, the Cosmic Christ.

We thank Thee for our creation and all the blessings of mortal and spiritual life. We thank Thee for this service today, for the fathering of all our friends and dear ones, both in the physical body and the spiritual body. We thank Thee, O Lord, for the harvest of the earth, for the harvest in our daily life and for the rich harvest in our hearts and in our spiritual life. We thank Thee for the guidance, the sustenance and the help which the workers in this Lodge have received over the years, and we earnestly pray that the light and power in this centre may increase to be used in the service of Thy children on earth and for the glorification of Thy Holy Spirit. May the presence in form of the Lord Christ be seen and felt and recognised by all of us who are on earth; may the light stream forth to heal, to comfort and to bless all life.

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Amen.

### White Eagle's Address:

Beloved brethren, we bring all love and blessing. We speak not alone and not from ourselves. We speak for the Brotherhood in the world of spirit. Many of you in this congregation are well aware of the Brotherhood in the world of spirit, the Brotherhood which is working to help humanity on earth. We know that only too often even the best of you are liable to forget the power of the spirit which is behind all physical life. Our particular message to each one of you today is this: remember that of yourselves you are insufficient. You cannot do everything. Although man thinks he is self-sufficient, he is not – because man depends upon the blessings of the Great White Spirit. He depends upon the Eternal Spirit for his life, his food, his health, his wellbeing and, above all, for his spiritual food. It is the spiritual food which brings to mankind happiness, joy, beauty and love.

This little Lodge was brought into being on this hilltop with a purpose. We are now on a very ancient centre of spiritual power. Few maybe recognise these reservoirs or centres of spiritual power on the earth. Man thinks that he has to live a material life in a physical body unconcerned with invisible forces. Now this is not wholly true. Man must depend upon the life forces, the spiritual forces which are invisible to him. The more a man recognises the Source of his life, his health, his well-being, then the greater will be his happiness, his inner happiness.

You are celebrating on this day the anniversary of the establishment on the outer plane of a Lodge of the White Brotherhood, not the White Brotherhood on earth but the White Brotherhood in the spheres beyond the earth. You are also celebrating the festival of the gathering of the harvest, the harvest festival. This is visible to you. The fruits of the earth are brought into the sanctuary as gifts. They are laid before the altar; which means, in symbology, before the Lord Creator, before the holy table of communion. The bread of earth and the bread of heaven are set upon the communion table. Many, many questions are asked about the meaning of this communion, which has been established not only in the Orthodox Church, but throughout the ages. All peoples have set aside a time for thanksgiving and for communion with God, but there are many in the modern day who, in ignorance, set aside the value of this holy communion. They object to the idea of taking, partaking of the body and the wine or the blood of their Lord because they have not been revealed to them. The symbolism of this age-old ceremony has not yet been revealed to those who are unready to comprehend the meaning of this holy communion.

You bring to the altar the fruits of Mother Earth. You thank God for the food which sustains the physical body, but behind that there is the symbolism of the divine law of life – the law of karma, which so many reject. What a man sows, he must reap and he must eat, and in this holy communion you have the symbolism of the cosmic body of the Christ, the body of the cosmic Christ invisible. Man has to accept and eat daily this body, which he has a part in creating. Man cannot escape his karma. As the Great Master Jesus said – and other great

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teachers throughout the ages have said the same thing – as a man sows so he must reap and, as he reaps, it is made into bread and that bread he eats in his earthly life.

Now this, dear brethren, is a simple but profound truth. It is the core of life. It is the foundation of all the problems and apparent injustice on your earth. You may legislate to put things right on the surface. That is a help, to readjust injustice where you can, but we from the spirit life remind you that it must be from man's heart that the readjustment of earthly life must be made. Therefore we come down to very simple facts. The great plan formed in the heavens is to send to earth messengers, illumined spirits, which means those who have passed through great tribulation and who have worked out certain karma (though they can speak from their heart with sympathy and understanding for you); and these messengers come back to bring to humanity the light of the spiritual forces that man on earth may understand more clearly the divine law which governs his life.

These small groups, like this group, are innumerable all over your earth, not only in Britain but in all countries – in countries you least expect. They all have their visitations from the spheres of spirit life. These little centres of light are at work to help humanity to understand the purpose of life, the plan of life – how to set in motion the right forces which will create good conditions, happy conditions for man in his earthly life. It is true that the earth will, in time, be filled with the glory of God, the glory of the spirit.

Now this, dear brethren, is the harvest for which you are working. God sends the inspiration, the spiritual power, the invisible forces, to play upon the earth and bring forth fruit. Do not imagine that it is only the physical manure which helps the vegetation to grow on your earth. Man is a bit confused. He thinks that all is due to man's brain, man's activity; but God needs man's activity. Man must do his part and must work physically by ploughing the ground and sowing the seed, but man cannot give the warmth and the rain and those vital conditions which are necessary before the miracle of birth and growth can take place in the physical life.

And man has another harvest to reap and he has to work for that harvest too. Man does not reap a rich and glorious spiritual harvest unless he has put in hard work on himself. As in the teaching of the ancient mystery schools such as ancient freemasonry, man must work upon the rough ashlar of himself and smooth and perfect the cube that has to be set in exact and perfect position in the grand temple which is being raised in the heavens: not a heaven which is mythical and imaginary, a heaven which is eternal.

We look down; we look through physical matter and we are able, at times, to read the thoughts and see the souls of men, and we know that there is doubt with many people of earth – doubt as to whether there is a life in the spirit world above the physical life. Many would like to believe this, and many do partially believe it, but there are times of doubt, particularly when the soul is very stressed and tried. The eternal question comes, 'Why? Why? Why? If there is a God of love, why do I have to suffer like this? Why is the world in a state of travail?' And the answer? *Thou shalt learn to love the Lord, Thy God.* And when a man has truly given his heart to the omnipotent Spirit, he no longer questions or doubts. He works. He gives himself in service to life, to his companions. He gives himself and does not count the cost because such a man has within himself realised heaven. He is one who is able to

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penetrate heaven with his inner vision. With the love which is in his heart, he is able to rise out of his physical body. We are not telling you fairy tales. We are telling you fact, truth, dear brethren. Such an one is known as an initiate, and there have been many initiates throughout the ages, many who have been referred to in the Scriptures – not only your Christian Scriptures but all Scriptures of the earth.

References are made to the initiates who are able to rise and who are caught up in a chariot of fire and removed to the heavenly world. Why there is proof on your earth; records which can be investigated if man is sufficiently interested and can give and pay the cost – not the physical, not the material, but the spiritual cost. These records may be investigated which prove to you that man does not necessarily have to die physically to be caught up into the light in a chariot of fire, or in a great cloud of light, and be taken hence into those higher spheres of life. There are references, as we have already said, in your Christian Bible, and the greatest record of all was the Resurrection and the Ascension of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

Do not fall into the error of thinking that what you cannot comprehend with your intellect cannot be true. There is so much that man's intellect and present brain is unable to comprehend, but it does not mean that there is no truth in the things which are told to you by those who have had experience, who have the power to rise into those higher worlds, and those worlds of spirit are as tangible and as real and as solid as any physical matter. Do not imagine that when you pause in meditation, and you are able to see those places that you are looking upon smoke or an ether which is almost invisible and is just unsubstantial. These worlds of spirit to which man eventually passes when he dies in his physical body are beautiful, natural and perfect – for as man by service, by worship, by devotion to his Creator, develops the gifts in himself which enable him to perfect his nature, then he is able to comprehend and see the glories which the Lord God has prepared for them that love God. Those that love good, love life, love brother man and all the creatures of life.

This truth, dear earthly brethren, is the true harvest of man's life: a life that is given to him by God, by a loving Creator, which has for its goal in the heavens an indescribable beauty, harmony and happiness, not only for humanity on the earth plane. Oh, break asunder all this limitation of thought on your earth, that there is only one planet in your solar system which is inhabited by humanity! Many planets and stars in the solar system are peopled by humanity, and beyond your solar system there are incalculable numbers of other systems with a humanity far superior to anything which you, at present, can comprehend. Break down all barriers! There is nothing too beautiful, too glorious to be true! There is nothing too beautiful for you to attain. And this may be, O God shall it be, the harvest of dear humanity of the earth planet; the humanity that we love tenderly and come to serve humbly and gratefully.

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The Lord cometh in the silence of your innermost being and offers you the bread of His cosmic body and the cup of the Holy Grail, the Essence of Divine Love. Accept. Take and eat your daily bread which is the bread of heaven, which is part of his cosmic body. Humbly accept your way in life and be refreshed by the sip of wine which He offers you – the wine of Divine Love and spiritual communion.

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O Lord God, we Thy children thank Thee. We thank Thee for this rich blessing and for the harvest which cometh.

Amen.

May this peace, which is beyond all worldly comprehension, be with you and remain with you.

Amen.

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