

# Forgiveness

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*Text:* MB typescript, quite a faint carbon, the tape recorder copy (marked 228A and A25B by RAE). Once again we have included corrections in RAE's hand in the belief that they arose as he listened to the tape; this time, there are quite a few of them. In the third paragraph, the script has 'And what is his right?'; we have altered this to 'And what is this right?' Sometimes RAE's writing is too faint to be read with certainty or too small: in the mention of the jewels in the cave near the beginning we have just done our best.

*Context:* MB notes the scene: 'White lilies on the Altar, and red poppies on the Cross'. Brother Faithful announced the first hymn as 'For all the Saints', no. 202 in *Songs of Praise*. Minesta's Invocation was recorded elsewhere. Brother Faithful then read from THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERIES: 'the last part where W.E. is giving his interpretation of the mystery of Revelation'. The second hymn was 'Turn back, O Man, forswear thy foolish ways', no. 329. It was followed by the prayers and then the Choir offered Bach's 'Jesu, joy of man's desiring'. MB once again says it was 'beautifully rendered'. After White Eagle's address, there was 'Beautiful organ music from Brother David', and Brother Faithful announced the last hymn, 'Jerusalem' (no. 446). Minesta's Benediction, again recorded elsewhere, preceded the Vesper.

*General notes:* a memorable injunction at the beginning of this address: 'If you want to worship your Creator, your God, be kind to your brother man, to your brother animal, to the life in the waters, in the seas, the life in the air in the winged creatures, and even the very life in the earth.' There is useful explanation of the being of Christ – not a man, but the light in human hearts, manifesting in a personality. There is reassurance that every soul passing over is befriended, but, as White Eagle says, there is still the healing of the soul to take place; and this is the recognition of work still to be done, of karma. 'All healing comes from within your own being'. There is useful explanation of the symbol of the dot within the circle. 'Great lessons are being learnt at the present time, by all peoples.' A very clear explanation of the path to the new Jerusalem, the Golden City, follows, and then a section about God beings coming to Earth from another planet. The 'last word' is perhaps the most eloquent in the address: a paragraph on the sheer nobility of human beings in their acts of service. White Eagle refers to being in a circular temple, but he means the spirit temple – the physical temple at New Lands did not have services until June 1974.

*References:* 'the pure in heart ... shall see God' is from the Beatitudes, Matthew 5 : 8. 'Forgive them, for they know not what they do' is Luke 23 : 34. White Eagle quotes the hymn, 'For all the Saints', when he says 'stream forth the countless host' – actually he slightly misquotes it, and RAE has tried to correct it, but illegally; we have simply quoted it correctly from the hymn.

## White Eagle's Message:

Beloved brethren of the earth life, we speak to you from the world of spirit, from the world of light. We bring to you the love of that world. All around us now is a company of shining spirits, the great white army. And it comes to bring to the Earth love and blessing, to bring a message of life, not death: life, *life eternal*.

And you on the earthly plane of life cannot yet comprehend a life eternal. You cannot understand what is meant by eternity, nor infinity. But man is trying to solve the mystery of space and time. And man will eventually arrive at a glimmer of the truth that life is eternal. All is here and now, not in some distant future. And this is the message that we have to bring to you on this day of Remembrance. To remember, to remember the service not only of those

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noble men and women of the past two wars who laboured valiantly and with compassion for their fellow creatures. Indeed they laboured for the right.

Now, what is 'the right'? And this seems to be the great problem on your physical plane. Men are quarrelling about their rights. And what is this right? And no man seems to be satisfied. Men are unable to agree about the rightness of situations, the rightness of governments, the rightness of the people.

Now, we who come to you from the world of spirit have a slight advantage over you, because to a limited extent the veil has been drawn aside for us, and we are able to speak to you of those things which are true and beautiful and eternal, because we have seen and heard. Therefore, we know of the life in the spirit which is lived in harmony, in brotherhood, lived in communities that are serving God first of all. All that is good – not an anthropomorphic god, someone away in the sky – but a God that is living in every human being. Never forget this. If you want to worship your Creator, your God, be kind to your brother man, to your brother animal, to the life in the waters, in the seas, the life in the air in the winged creatures, and even the very life in the earth.

Now, man has much to learn about rightness of living. And this rightness will gradually be unfolded to every man in his own heart, through his own vision, through his own divine intelligence. But first man has a great deal of darkness to clear away; and the only way to overcome darkness is to introduce light. If you go into a dark cavern you can see nothing unless you have a little light with you, a little torch. And even then you have to grope your way in the caves, and peer, and perhaps [see] a little jewel in the rocks, or little ferns growing in the rocks. And you are touched, you see the wonderful, the beautiful colour in that jewel and beautiful colour in that little fern.

On earth there is much darkness. But the spirit life, those of us who dwell in that life of spirit without the limitations of the physical body, we are working under the directions of the Ancient Masters, and above all of the Grand Master, which so many people on your earth plane deny at the present time, the Great Master Who is the Son, the Light. Now, when people say, or think even, of the Son of God, they think of a human being. They think of the Great Initiate. He certainly was a Great Initiate, the Master Jesus. And as many of you know, there is a confusion particularly in your orthodox religions about the Master Jesus and the Son of God.

Let us get this quite clear tonight. The Son of God of whom we speak is the light, the *light*, the sunlight, the light in men's hearts. It is all that is beautiful and good in man himself. But this light also manifests in a personality. Now not one personality, but countless personalities. And man on earth has to learn to recognize this light, this son of God, in his fellow man. And this is not easy, dear brethren, because man has to evolve and gradually work his way through the mists and darkness and the passions of the physical body, the physical body which is full of emotion and mental arrogance sometimes.

Now, this is our message. And what did the Great Teacher and Initiate say to the multitude? 'Look within. God is within your own heart, and only the pure in heart shall see God.'

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Now, when your loved ones are released from the physical body, whatever the manner of that release, whether it is by an explosion, or by drowning, by shattering of the physical body, whatever the method of the so-called death, the death of the physical body, that soul is released without knowing what has happened. He just finds himself with a friend. Now make no mistake about it, every soul who comes over to our life, to our world, is befriended. It does not matter who he is, or she is, or what harm they have done, how wrong they may have been according to earthly standards, that soul is welcomed by a friend, one who really gives love.

Now, many of your friends come back to you with always the same message, 'It is so beautiful over here. We have found peace.' Now we do want to stress this message to you tonight. But remember this, that after the soul has been befriended, then the healing has to take place. 'Man heal thyself', you have been told. But you see, my dear ones, all healing comes from within your own being. But you are helped, greatly helped, by the healers and by the teachers, call them what you will. The friends come to you and you will wonder how they come, and why they come. They come under the direction of a divine law. Remember this, that each one of you is a child of God. And as a child of God, you are eternally linked with that source of life, that centre.

You know that was one of the ancient symbols of the White Brotherhood thousands and thousands, countless thousands of years ago, the little dot within a perfect circle of light, a dot. And that little dot represents every man. You are all like that little spark of light within a circle. And do you know what that circle is? It is the love of your Creator – let us remember.

Now in your world today, all over your world – but we are speaking at the moment particularly about your own nation, your own British Isles – there is a great deal of conflict. And you wonder how it is all going to end. The details of how it is going to end are not so important, but they will end perfectly, harmoniously, when those who are at variance recognise their brother man as their brother, whoever it is, or whichever sides. We take no sides. We only deal with principles, heavenly or divine principles. And what we say to you is this, that there are great lessons being learnt at the present time by all peoples. And this is the only way that man is going to work through the darkness into that world of *light*.

Now, this is the important message for us to give you. You, my dear brethren, are the saviours, every one of you; there isn't one exception in this congregation. *You are the savours of the world*. Recognise this, realize it now, because it is your outlook, your attitude towards your brother man and all life that is going to eventually bring all peoples to that golden world.

Now, particularly at the present time, we know that there is a great deal of cynicism and criticism about religion. Many people ban it, have no time for what they call religion. But they are making a big mistake. We are not saying they are making a mistake by choosing their own path to God. But no man can live without God in his consciousness, in his life. You see, he goes into suffering; if a man banishes all goodness and the light from his own heart, he is wandering about in the darkness, and he becomes embittered. And he rejects everything which is for his good. He cannot see anything but his own desire. He wants what he wants, and because he wants what he wants he takes himself into the darkness. He takes himself into

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suffering, sometimes only physical suffering or illness, sometimes into emotional distress. He is all confused. And there is only one way to solve all these human problems. And that is by goodwill. You may feel very resentful, but it won't do you a scrap of good. The only way you will find salvation – shall we call it – or redemption, if you like that word better, is by the way of goodwill. 'Forgive them, for they know not what they do.' But we beg you all to live with that vision before you, the vision of the Golden City.

We have just referred to the denial of the earthly people, the denial of religion, of the stories about the New Jerusalem. Is there such a City, is there such a place? Oh yes, there certainly is such a place. But man has to come to it within himself. He has got to find this world of light, this new Jerusalem, this Golden City, through his own endeavour; not by condemning his brother. You see, if each individual obeys that ancient and infinite and eternal law, the law of love, he puts himself right into the stream of light, that golden light, and it carries him along; and he does not suffer by condemning his brother man. He just takes his brother man by the hand gently and leads him into the light. Now you are all leading some one. Remember what we are saying to you. We can see so plainly tonight.

Man has to obey the law of cause and effect. If man brings about or sets in motion a certain cause, he is bound to come to face the effect of what he himself has set in motion. You may not like this, but all we can say to you is we are giving you the Ancient Wisdom. And we know, dear beloved brethren, that God has given you freewill, freewill to love, freewill to be wise, freewill to serve life. And it does not matter very much what the other man does to you. It all falls away. But what you do to him matters very much to you eventually. And this is [the way].

We are sorry if we appear to be preaching. We are not preaching at you. We are only telling you of this Ancient Wisdom which all the Brotherhoods down the Ages found for themselves. And you will remember, dear ones, that we have spoken to you about the Essene Brotherhood, and the Albigense [*sic*] Brotherhood. And remember that these Brotherhoods belong or have come from a long stream of brotherhood groups right down to the very beginning of human life on this earth. Now, no one knows, no ordinary man or woman living today knows, anything about the beginning of life on your earth. But you will learn and you will prove the teaching of the Ancient Ones, for it is the Ancient Ones.

Now, we are going to add something it will be very difficult for you to swallow. You will say, 'Well, I take it with a pinch of salt'. Well do, because a pinch of salt adds flavour to your food. But you are all interested today in interplanetary communication. You look at what you call science fiction and you think, 'Oh, it is a lot of rubbish'. Do not be too sure about that. Certain men and women are touching just the chords, the strings, of beautiful harmony. Well, put it that way. But interplanetary communication has always been known in the Cosmos. And in the beginning of life on this physical plane there were – which we have told you before, but no doubt you took it with a big pinch of salt – God-men, advanced men came to this earth plane from a friendly planet, from another friendly planet. And they brought to this earth plane this eternal and ancient wisdom. And each age, each – shall I call it – breath of souls who came to this earth plane, came as tiny babes, even as you have the illustration of Jesus the Christ being born as a little babe. There is a great truth in that story, only it has been



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misinterpreted and not understood, but it will be understood. But every soul has come to this earth as a tiny babe. We do not mean a physical babe. We mean a little spark of divine intelligence, divine life. And those little sparks of life have come through into incarnation, we were going to say, 'bit by bit' – not a very good way of saying it. Now you had a hymn tonight saying, 'Stream forth the countless host'. Now, if you can, think of the souls streaming forth from the Cosmos onto this earth planet to be incarnated, to be born in the flesh. And remember they come through time and time again. And these groups of souls that come onto the earth plane in their simplicity as a babe, they have to grow towards this understanding, this peak of perfection.

The ancient Brotherhood would say that Jesus was one of the Christed Ones, a man perfected by the light of the Son of God. 'In the Beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And God said, "Let there be Light" [– that was the First-born, the Light –] "Let there be Light, and there was Light".' And when the light came to the earth, then life commenced to grow and develop. Just get a little adjusted in your old-fashioned ideas about religion, and try to understand the deep truth and beauty and the goodness there is for you.

Now, our last word. Because they, the loved ones who are all around me as I speak to you, they want you to understand this. Remember, remember the nobility of the human spirit – the nobility of the human spirit. And it is that nobility which comes out from time to time in sacrifice, in courage, in goodness, in love. And this is the purpose of our Remembrance Service. We remember God, we remember the nobility of our fellow creatures, whether they be of the air, the water, the earth or the spirit world. All are as one vast family. And so we forgive when people are very annoying and irritating. Children, forgive them, forgive them, for they have trying lives the same as you have, and it is not always easy for them not to be annoying. So we are speaking very humanly to you, forgive them and remember the kindness that you have received. And as the master so often said to be thankful for what you have received, and to give from your heart in thankfulness that others too may receive as you have received.

And now, as we draw to a close, we want you to come with us into our world of spirit, and use your creative power, your imagination, which you use a hundred times a day without realizing. Imagine this temple built of light, this round temple depicting the love of God, the encirclement of that love, and see there as you enter the temple the great Shining Hosts. For these are they who have come through great tribulation, and who are now the Christed Ones. Men made perfect through the Light, through the love which they have practised in their own life. These are they, and we greet them with heartfelt thankfulness – remembering.

And he who is the Grand Master of love, the embodiment of the light, the firstborn of the Father, comes right down into the centre of this vast congregation. This is now being enacted in the temple of the light. And before Him is that golden platter, the symbol of the Son of the light, the golden platter, and on it the broken pieces of bread which you need. They are the symbols of life, of the Cosmic Body of the Son – of the Christ, if you like that word better. 'My Body' – he says – 'given for you. Take it, absorb it.' He holds up this crystal cup filled with the golden essence, the wine, the essence of love, divine love. Sip it, take it into your

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being; be still, go into this inner silence, receive with bowed heads, which means humility. Receive the bread and the wine. And feel the at-one-ment with your loved one in spirit. True spiritual communion, heart to heart in the knowledge, in the power, in the glory of the living God.

And in the silence, remember. For two minutes, remember the nobility, the sacrifice and the goodness of these souls now in spirit.

I am with you. I am with you. In love there is no separation. There is no death, only life. Life, life more abundant. Amen. Amen. Amen.

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