

# The Joy of Easter

A251 Sunday Address 5th April 1953 St Mary Abbots Place, London Easter Sunday service

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*Context: no Easter service is recorded for 1953 except that this fragment of just over 450 words appeared the following year, and Easter 1953 is the most likely date for it. No further text has been found.*

*General Notes: White Eagle dwells most of all upon the outpouring of light from spirit that Easter represents for humanity.*

*References: 'To him that overcometh will I give eternal life' is a slight misquotation. Revelation 3 : 21 reads: 'To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne'.*

## White Eagle's Address:

YOU see enacted at Eastertime the great drama of crucifixion and release from matter, but the spirit can only be released from matter when it has purified and overcome matter. You remember the words of the Master: 'To him that overcometh will I give eternal life'. As spirit overcomes the limitation of the magnetic pull of the earth, man is able to transmute every atom of his being so that for him there is no death, only a passing higher and higher onto a plane of harmonious and perfect conscious life.

We spoke of the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus. All souls that voluntarily come into matter to help humanity make a very big sacrifice which earthly people take for granted; they think that the Elder Brethren voluntarily come back to earth to help them because it pleases them. It is true to some extent; those who come back to earth because of their intense love of humanity are blessed with a joy and a happiness beyond all earthly comprehension, but they come not for that reason. They come because their love is so great.

The Master Jesus was before the world began, and had a particular mission to bring to this earth. At the time of this Christ initiation or crucifixion of the man Jesus, there was a flooding of the earth with light. It was more than just a passing out of the physical body, it was a baptism of the earth with the Christ-Light. This is why Easter is not sorrowful, but a time of inexpressible joy. The joy which you feel at Eastertime is due to the outpouring of the love from the great Christ heart. You look out into the world and your heart thrills when you see the young shoots and hear the birds' song and see the young flowers. The daffodils, the Easter lilies, are symbols of the great outpouring, the great shout of angelic beings, and with this tremendous Word the whole Earth is bathed in light.

At Eastertide you feel this intense joy and happiness, but it is not only because of the beauty of nature. There is something behind nature which causes it to manifest in such glory and beauty. You are inclined to be prosaic and to seek a material explanation of the joy you feel, instead of looking up to the heavens, instead of opening your hearts to this outpouring of divine essence which streams down upon the earth at Eastertime each year.

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