

‘We will go into the House of the Lord’

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Text: a blue typescript (top copy) by MB, heavily written over with IC’s editing, apparently done in two stages (fountain pen, red biro). The script gives the anthem and the reading, and the title is taken from IC’s editorial work, the rest of which work has been ignored for this project. There also red biro markings by YGH. The address appeared in *Stella Polaris* in April 1960, with IC’s title.

Context: according to the List of Activities printed in the December 1957 *Stella Polaris*, the usual New Year service in London, with White Eagle’s message, would have been held on 5 January, but no text survives. This, from the next month, was given at Candlemas. The anthem is set out as ‘I was glad when they said unto me we will go into the House of the Lord’, but whether this was Parry’s elaborate festival version, or another setting of the text, is not clear. The reading is said to have been from the Aquarian Gospel, chapter 28: an intriguing story of Jesus in India, at Benares, where he speaks about universal brotherhood. There is a communion.

General Notes: early in this address White Eagle makes a very deliberate distinction between the words ‘atonement’ and ‘at one-ment’ and leaves the reader thinking over the meaning of those two words. In context, it sounds as though he is making ‘at-one-ment’ into two words but he probably means us to understand that the two words are ‘atonement’ and ‘at-one-ment’. There is an interesting paragraph about the confusion among the congregation which slowly turns into clarity as they focus in the service. There is one about the Star, and how vast (and yet how small) it is. Another very helpful section deals with the process by which we learn to love one another, primarily through developing our imagination. Then there is a section on brotherhood, and how it can work or fall apart. Lastly, there is one about intelligences on other planets. We end on a note of love, and with a communion.

References: the reference to ‘the whole world in His hands’ may relate to the Afro-American Spiritual of 1927.

White Eagle’s Address:

Beloved, beloved children of the earth plane, we speak to you from the plane of spirit, not earth. We must ask you to be very still in your thoughts of the earthly life and to come with us onto a higher plane of spiritual life.

Many of you know that there are other planes of life or consciousness. You have experienced getting into contact with a world which has seemed to you to be infinite. It is very difficult for you to describe your feelings and your reactions to these higher worlds or worlds of higher ether than your physical world. You can only feel the touch, the impression, the upliftment of a higher world or worlds. Some of you may react to this world of spirit through music, others through art or drama and still others through meditation. Perhaps some can go into magnificent landscapes and feel uplifted and removed above the physical plane of life. But whichever path you choose, you feel the impression of infinite power and beauty. You feel the stirring within your breast of an emotion which can only be described as love; a feeling of at-one-ment with that particular source of your inspiration. You feel the impress of that power, call that power what you will. It is the Source of everything, the Source of the Universe, of your solar system and other solar systems beyond. It is Infinite in its Power and yet it is able to touch the smallest manifestation of life on all planes.

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Your world seems to you – your everyday life – to be a world of conflict and confusion. You are told that the Creator, God, holds the world and all His creation in His hand. You are unable to comprehend this truth until you become at one with life. It is a beautiful word, ‘at-one-ment’. Not atonement – that is an entirely different thing to at-one-ment. But at the same time remember that when you reach that state of at-one-ment you realise, you recognise the profound meaning of the work ‘atonement’. We leave you to think over those two words; At-One-Ment.

At the present moment you are in spiritual consciousness. You are raised above the level of the earth plane. You have risen perhaps unconsciously; nevertheless you have been raised to a higher level of consciousness. We would describe it to you like this, that if you were clairvoyant, you would see that you are not confined in a material building, a small lodge, but you are in a vast Temple of Light – no limit, the dimensions are limitless. You are conscious of a great flood of Light on to you. And in that Light there is a vast congregation of human souls. And they are of varying degrees of spiritual attainment; and yet there is complete brotherhood amongst them all because they have all the same common origin. They all originate from God. And God is Love! Love is God! And Love is Light! So where there is love, there is a glorious Light. There are degrees of Light. There are degrees of Love. But all the children of the Light, or of God, all feel love.

Now you cannot always, all the time, feel this inscrutable quality which is called love. But man on the physical plane is beginning to learn how to feel love. As we have already said there are many degrees of love; and what one individual calls love would not be so to another individual. Remember there are degrees and varying manifestations and demonstrations of love. But from the beginning of love, there grows and grows in the human heart something which is Godlike. The spirit of the Cosmic Christ grows in the heart of man when he is inspired with kindness and tolerance to the rest of life. You see it is very simple. It is not impossible to attain this awareness of the Supreme Light. This evening in your Service you all concentrated upon a Star. Most of you here are familiar with the projection of the Light of the Star.

Now we would like you to understand that in a congregation like this, when we first come into your midst to talk to you, there is a confusion of thought, a tumult of thought. And as the service proceeds, this thought power gradually assumes order. It quietens down. It becomes brighter and flashes of colour appear in this mass of confused thought.

Now this is quite clearly visible to the one who has clairvoyance. But remember this, everyone has clairvoyance. Some believe it and accept it and know that it is one of the senses of man which has still to be developed. Others reject it. They slam the door upon progress, upon the penetrating higher ethers. In the concentration of the Star and the sending out of the Light, the clairvoyant will see the form of a very large six-pointed Star gradually becoming more distinct in this mass of nebulous thought power. The Star grows clearer as you continue with your prayers and the Light streams forth from it.

We could not give you a true idea of that Star if we limited it to size. There is no size as you understand the meaning. This Star is all sizes. Now that will be very difficult for your finite

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mind to understand. But that Star is there and it is built by your thoughts and your prayers. Rays of light stream from it, penetrating all matter and interpenetrating the world of thought outside. Now this may seem very unlikely to some of you. Nevertheless, the time will come when everyone who is now seated in this congregation will understand the basic truth of what we are saying, the truth of the power of thought, the power of spiritual aspiration and the power of love. To love, to help mankind, to uplift man from the darkness of ignorance and to reveal to him his true state of life and the world in which he lives. To reveal to him that there is no such thing as death of the real individual, death of the spirit. How can spirit die, when it is God? And God is the Creator of all things! And the spirit of man, or the spirit within man is God, or it may be more acceptable to you if we say Son of God.

Now the Son of God is the Word; the Word of God. And that Word of God is *love*. And love is implanted in the soul of every man. Love is light. Love interpenetrates all matter.

Remember what we say to you, because in a very short while you are going to have demonstrations of the power of God, working through the brains of man. Even now there are demonstrations in physical matter of extraordinary powers in the elements. Man will shortly realise an enormous revelation, we are going to say from God, because God is ALL and everything emanates from God.

Up to the present time in this Age only a very small part of the power of life, the power in the earth and in the elements and in man himself has been touched. But remember, we are now on the age, the cusp of the Age of Spirit – the Aquarian Age – and the spiritual state of man and the higher mental state of man will be stimulated, and quite rapidly. Can you not feel yourselves the powers that are around you? Does not the young man of today feel within himself the longing to tap those powers which he feels certain are imprisoned in the elements, in the earth, even in himself?

The message that we are trying to bring to you tonight is the need for you to seek knowledge and understanding of your life and what is all around you on the physical plane and in the higher ethers. You must seek the simple way first. You must seek the quality of consciousness which makes you recognise the power of love.

Now what we mean by love is a feeling, I put it very simply to you, *a feeling for your fellow beings*; a feeling for the pain and suffering and hardships of your fellow beings and also to be able to rejoice with your fellow beings. It is a question of putting yourself outside yourself into the heart and life of others. This is very simply the art of beginning to love. But this art of loving must be very steady and calm. It must not sweep over you in a gush of emotion. It must be an inner awareness of the feelings of others, the feelings of those who are close to you, those with whom you are brought into contact through your daily life – and especially a feeling for the feelings of the lesser kingdoms and the animal kingdom and nature’s world. It is an identification of yourself, your highest self, with *all* life. This is what we mean by love and *at-one-ment*.

There is quite a lot of talk on earth about universal brotherhood. There are groups of people who are striving to learn about universal brotherhood. It is so easy to talk about it. When it

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comes to practical application, universal brotherhood falls down very often, because there is always an excuse. But may we just say here that all over the earth planet at the present time there is this slow awakening to an universal brotherhood of mankind. It is not always agreeable to man. Some very queer things are happening in other countries which cause you some indignation. You may not agree with the methods which are being used to establish on the earth this ideal of brotherhood. Nevertheless, it is slowly coming; the brotherhood of man, the brotherhood of nations.

Now all this springs from the simple love which man finds within his heart. There are many degrees of love, many forms of expression, but the source is the same, *God*. And there is this power behind humanity working slowly through the evolution of man to establish universal brotherhood and to open man’s vision to wonderful worlds.

Oh yes, we commenced by telling you that here in this congregation were hosts of companions that you cannot see, or you may see. They are here! They live in a world of freedom. When we say freedom – freedom to move about as they wish within their own limitations. They, themselves, as you yourselves, create in your life your own limitations. But as man evolves on the spiral of spiritual evolution, these limitations fall away and he becomes freer and freer until he is at one with Infinity. Now that may be a long way ahead, but at the same time it is possible, if a man is striving in the simple and true way to follow the path of right and goodness, it is possible for him to have a flash of that infinite consciousness, a flash of cosmic consciousness.

Don’t you see what a wonderful life awaits you? What a wonderful world there is here on your earth when you are able to penetrate the mysteries of life and especially the mysteries of Heaven!

Now, as there lies within the elements of earth, air, fire and water, an infinite Power and infinite possibilities, so there lies within you infinite power and infinite possibilities. So there lies within the life of man infinite possibilities.

Before we leave you we have one more thing to say.

There is a good deal of chatter, unwise chatter – and certain wise talk – about visitors from other planets. This again is one of those events which is bound to come in the course of man’s evolution. This linking up with other planets in your solar system, and eventually linking up with your solar system [and] other systems in the Universe – a universal life, remember.

But man is awakening from his long sleep and he is still very sleepy and dull and – pardon us – stupid. But he is slowly stirring. He hears a little noise and a little tap from outside, and he shuts the door and says, ‘Nonsense, go away’. Yet he could open the door and say, ‘Brother, come in, we welcome you’. Now this is what the visitors from other worlds are looking towards. They are looking towards you, humanity, for the spirit of true brotherly love. They are looking for this manifestation of Christhood, a manifestation of goodwill and a spirit of willingness to listen, to learn. Why is it man detests learning? He doesn’t want to know. ‘Dangerous!’, he will say. And yet, as we have said before, within the earth, within the

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elements, within man himself is infinite possibility for greater happiness, a more beautiful life, for the overcoming of the dreariness and the darkness of death itself.

Now to you all, our last words; do not fear the future. Do not fear your own future. Do not fear the unknown, not even death of the physical body. For with every step you take forward you are coming into a more beautiful life. And if you lose your present physical body, it is only to enable you to step forward into a world of greater beauty, into a world of light. But do remember that here on your earth, by your thoughts, your aspirations and your actions, you are preparing yourself to awaken in a world of light. Without the action, without the right thought, without the love, you cannot awaken into a world of Light because you will have no vision to see it. This is why you are always being told from the world of spirit to develop the God-qualities within, the Christ qualities within to give you light – so that as you step forward, you carry the light with you, and are able to see the beauties of the life into which you are advancing because all the beauties of the spirit life emanate from your soul.

Within, my brethren, *within* is the Light. Give it forth.

And He, Who is the Light, the Cosmic Light, now enters our midst. He brings you the symbol of the Heavenly Feast, the Bread of Life, the Heavenly Bread to eat. Take, eat in remembrance of the life lived for humanity, lived for mankind; a life of example, of love, purity and all goodness. His figure is the Cosmic figure – indestructible. He only waits for you to recognise the truth. He brings upraised in His right hand the Cup of Wine, the symbol of Divine Love, the essence; the essence of man’s divinity. ‘Drink’, he says, ‘of this Divine Essence, and let it flow through your being. This is My Life, My Love for you.’

A flood of heavenly light is poured upon you now. May you be caught up in this glory of the Light, the Eternal Light, the Life of God.

Amen.

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