

The Solar Force

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Invocation:

Great White Spirit, we bow in prayer before Thy glory. May Thy blessing be upon the work of the illumination of mankind.* May all those assembled in this room be drawn together in the spirit of love. May they receive illumination of their hearts and minds and become aware of the multitude of spiritual beings, angelic and human, with whom they live although they know it not. May this meeting be blessed with the gracious presence of our Lord and King, the Son Christ.

Amen.

*[*For editorial policy around gender, see the introduction.]*

Beloved children, we spoke last on the subject of the invisible worlds. We would like to consider this again in our talk. You may remember we spoke about the centre of our universe being not only the physical but the spiritual sun behind the physical sun. We spoke of the rays of light and power which fall upon the earth and earth's humanity, of which the people of earth, the masses, are still hardly aware. Yet it is this spiritual sun on which they depend for not only their physical life but their spiritual and their eternal life.

This power was known to the ancients as the solar force and its secrets were very jealously guarded. Had the masses possessed the knowledge, or the power which the knowledge would give, they would have destroyed themselves. Nevertheless there have been occasions when the mysteries became known to certain priests who were not strong and pure in love, and these priests conveyed the mysteries in the wrong way to others. Then the power, the solar force, was used destructively. This was not intended at first, but when man's lower self was not under control it rose in selfish desire for power over his fellow beings. This sin which causes the angels to fall creeps in so subtly; that is another aspect which we may have opportunity to deal with later—the subject of fallen angels. As you know, we prefer to centre our attention upon the constructive aspect of life, upon the angelic messengers from the sun.

We were talking some time ago about the ancient sun-gods. You may remember that we referred to these men as being like giants, half as tall again as the average man of today. Full of the glory of the sun, they were beautiful to look upon, their most striking feature being their eyes, which shone with the glory of the spiritual sun. These god-men, or sun-men as they could be called, possessed the secrets of the solar force and their work was to teach the young souls as they came into incarnation concerning the secrets of life, and as we have just said, some of these young souls used the secrets unwisely, bringing about the downfall of themselves and others and the disruption of the earth.

As mankind grew deeper into heavier and denser physical matter, he became concerned only with his physical appetites, losing contact with angelic beings and the god-men and almost losing contact with the solar force—almost but not entirely. The only way this knowledge could be passed down through the ages was through the initiates or the sages. If you study the ancient philosophers with a certain amount of understanding and knowledge, you will recognise in their teaching knowledge of the solar force.

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A few centuries ago there came to Europe a revival of what is known as masonic teaching or the Lodge of Freemasonry*. The secrets were embodied again in masonry but they were referred to as the 'lost' secrets. They have become lost because man has enclosed himself in dark earthliness and has concerned himself too much with his own selfish life—not a wicked life but an ignorant life. Ignorance has enfolded man. Because of this ignorance which wrapped him round, he lost that which is symbolically referred to in freemasonry as the lost secret or the lost word. In the past the secret was spoken, transferred, imparted to the brethren by initiates, teachers and sages. Since then they have never been wholly lost because God has never left man without a witness. These same secrets concerned not only the high initiates and priests of ancient cults, but men and women of today. But until the present time, as already said, humanity has been enslaved by materialism and so was like a prisoner bound hand and foot and unable to rise by its own power, being dependent upon brothers of the spirit to assist it to rise. Those who were at the head of the great religions kept the power and the knowledge to themselves, maybe wisely—we do not know. Possibly they felt it unwise for the masses to have knowledge which might prove dangerous. On the other hand the masses needed help. So it came about that a century ago—or it may have been somewhat more—the Great White Brotherhood which watches over the progress of the earth people planned to send men a key which would enable men and women of devout heart to unlock a door which would lead them on to a path of light.

*[*See teachings T 071 to T 074 inclusive.]*

We are referring to the introduction of what is known as modern spiritualism. Its object has been to break up this dark cloak which hung round humanity. While it is true there were still wise men who held the secrets of the mysteries, they dared not divulge those secrets to the masses. Nevertheless, the initiates decided that the time had come for the veil which hung between the two states of existence to be lifted. Then psychic demonstrations commenced to come to simple people, pointing to the fact that there were unseen human intelligences with power to communicate. From that time the veil began to thin between the two states of life.

This was the way chosen by the Masters of Wisdom to put into man's hands the key which unlocked the door leading to a path of light. This path, if patiently and wisely followed, would enable man step by step to unwrap himself, as it were, to shed the dense clothing first of all of the Earth, then of the Water element, then of the Air element, and then to receive the full power of the Fire element, the divine fire, the solar force. Man would be able to unveil his God-like potentialities not only in his actions but in knowledge. He would learn how his higher vehicles functioned. He would learn how to direct this solar force right through his being and through himself direct it to the earth.

Did you know—maybe you have forgotten—that these sun-men possessed the secret of atomic energy? Part of the secret of atomic energy has been discovered recently but the present situation is dangerous because man has not sufficient spiritual development to balance the discovery. The urgency for spiritual wisdom and love to be imparted and unfolded in man's own being is extreme. But first of all the doctrine of Christ must be

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imparted more clearly. People must (scientists particularly) recognise the Christ-life's place in the scheme of things if mankind is to be saved from self-destruction. Have no fear, my children, about this. Do not allow yourselves to fear because if you do you will be going over to the enemy—not that we quite like the word—you will be going over to the negative forces. You will perhaps glimpse how gravely significant it is for the gospel of wisdom, love and knowledge to be imparted to the young, so that step by step they may advance into the Temple of the Mysteries.

Modern spiritualism has a grand opportunity; its function is not only to bridge the two worlds, not only to console those who are bereaved, but to open the way for higher intelligences to come to impart knowledge about the higher worlds. Intelligent people question the communications which emanate from the other side. We believe that such statements as, 'Nothing of importance ever comes through,' are sweeping and incorrect. Apart from this, we say that it is the opportunity if not the duty of those who have proved the life of the spirit and the power of communication between the two worlds to encourage the training of channels to receive more and more and more knowledge, wisdom and love from beyond.

My children, although you do not realise it, you are surrounded at all times by a vast company of spirit beings. You possess certain vehicles or bodies through which you can make contact with the different planes. Your physical body enables you to contact physical matter. As we have already said, most of humanity is only concerned with their body. This is not the only vehicle of man. Man has within him the four elements: Earth, Water, Air and Fire, and has separate bodies or vehicles through which he can contact those worlds.

The world of Fire is directly connected with the solar force, the sun power, and also with the heart and with the spirit of man. It is that power which is cohesive and holds all life together. It is the pivot, first of the greater universe and then of the smaller universe of man. We put it to you that it is the spirit of Christ; it is the sun within, and the sun within manifests in human life as human love, human kindness. As it unfolds it manifests with greater power. You know it by various names. Shall we call it tonight the power of the I AM? You remember the quotation: 'Before Abraham was I AM'—the Son of God, the Son of the Father, the I AM, the solar force, the sun-light, the love within the human soul. This power is the same power that can create universes. In man it can transform a life from darkness to light. You can witness it for yourselves very simply. Look carefully at those of your friends whom you know are following the path of Christ and you will see that they are full of abundant energy. They seem to be untiring in their service to mankind. You are aware of their aura of light, power, peace and tranquillity. That is a manifestation in perhaps a minor degree and perhaps a major degree of this solar force.

Solar force is the healing power. You can depend upon the guides, upon the healers and the angels to bring you healing power. When you realise that within you is the sun and centre of that force, you will then become not only healers of sick bodies but healers of nations, healers of life—animal life, vegetable life, physical life—and then healers of the soul and the mind,

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because this solar force works through all the planes surrounding the earth and the bodies surrounding the physical body.

The Water element is concerned with the emotions and passions, and you will realise how important it is for water to be under control, under the command of the Master. Hence the parable of the boat being tossed on the lake.* The disciples were fearful. They were seeking their master, remember, as you may be disciples seeking your master. When you become storm-tossed by fear, anxiety and passion, the divine power, the force which should control you, is sleeping. The disciple calls, 'Master, master, save me or I perish!' You call in your daily lives, 'I am afraid'. Everything is tumbling around you. The boat of your soul rocks in a great storm. When the soul calls rightly the master hears. In you rises the divine power which causes you to be still, to be tranquil. Be at peace. Your master takes over control of your boat—which is your soul—and you become calm.

*[*Mark 4 : 35-41]*

Do you not see, my children, the true meaning of Christ being the saviour of mankind? It is not the fact of a physical body being nailed to a wooden cross which saves man from his sins, but man himself when he rises to that supreme plane of consciousness where he contacts the solar force, his solar self, the Christ. The Christ takes possession of all the vehicles and bodies. This is the salvation of man—not the death of another man on a cross, although that has a wonderful symbolism. Such symbols have been used all through the ages to convey to man's understanding the divine mysteries. O, my children, my children, do you not see the way before you and the glory which awaits you? Even the bitterness and disappointment and frustration of your plans—all these things will be smoothed away and will be as nothing to you when you have caught the vision glorious.

This mystery teaching we are imparting in a minor degree has existed through millions of years. Great temples in remote parts of the world are mysteries to your investigators today, and they will remain mysteries until man learns the inner secret. When they become possessed of spiritual secrets, then they will understand the purpose of the temples of Egypt, Tibet, China, the Andes, Mexico, Atlantis and the temples in our own Britain where the priests of the sun, the priests who had the wisdom of the solar force, worshipped and worked to control and direct the elements and the great masses of beings belonging to those elements for the creation and the projection of a rich and beautiful life in a beautiful world. This is God's gift to man—God's plan for man—not the present state of greed and selfishness which exists. Cannot you see that the only way for the true reform, for evolution to come, is not that of rebellion and revolution amongst the masses and the nations but by the way of spiritual evolution? Then there will come true peace, lasting peace, and the golden age will be ushered in.

Q. Am I right in thinking that most of one's work in spreading the light has to be done in silence?

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- A. The Master said, '...neither cast ye your pearls before swine.'* You see, there is a time to be silent and a time to speak. You have to learn when to speak, and if you are not sure, it is always better to be silent. You may not agree, but it is never good to try to force people to believe or even to follow a certain line of thought or religion. You can do far better by manifesting love, demonstrating the beauty and power of the spirit of love. People will more readily absorb that. They will not speak of it. This is the way to spread the light in the world. From the innermost self, let the light shine. Let it shine through your nature, through your actions and through your speech, which must be wise and kind and harmonious. Answer questions when they are asked. If people ask you, 'What do you think?' always give them an answer. Speak when you think it is wise and helpful but otherwise remain quiet. Give on the inner planes the love, the tranquillity and the harmony from your heart. Yes, you are doing good work, my little one, better than you think. Be encouraged and go quietly on. Do not be discouraged but encouraged.

[*Matthew 7 : 6]

Benediction:

Now, beloved, let us all draw together as one whole to thank the Great White Spirit for the revelation of truth, of the spiritual force which is now coming to mankind. Let us pray that we may have courage to stand for this truth and to impart it by life, by service to the spirit of our brother man. May we be caught up in the fire of divine love, the Christ spirit, and be held forever in its heart.

Amen.

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