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DEDICATION

This book is humbly dedicated to The Beloved Sanat Kumara and Those Other Blessed Guardian Spirits Whose Love, Patience, Confidence and Faith in the Light within the hearts of men has preserved our planet and its people to this present hour.

Through the words and feelings of The Ascended Masters contained within its pages may The Flame of God within the hearts of the gentle reader expand and help to release The Great Lord of the World and His Spiritual Court from Their self chosen exile, that They may return to Their Planetary Homes.

It is time, now, for the earth and its mankind to arise and assume their responsibility to the Universe, walk in Freedom's Robes, and become the Light of the World. Thus the shadow star will become a sun, its cry of pain become an anthem of praise to the Heart of Creation, and its place in the Solar System be assured for Eternity.

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FOREWORD

To understand the opportunity that lies within the beneficent outpouring of the Seventh Ray at this time, I must ask the reader to kindly turn the attention for a moment to the Three-fold Nature of God which has been referred to in Christian Thought as the Holy Trinity.

The August Presence of God, Creator of the Universe and Director of our System, is known as the First Person of the Holy Trinity. He is the First Cause, Divine Mind, the Parent, the Divine Guardian of the Evolutionary Scheme. He has been represented on earth to mankind time and again by Exquisite Beings who embody His Divinity and form the pattern of His Perfection to the evolving consciousness. These Incarnate "Fathers" are known as the Seven Manus of the Race. They are represented in the Hierarchy by the Chohan of the First Ray.

The Godhead, in taking the responsibility for evolving a race upon the planets of our particular universe drew forth billions of spirit sparks from the Great Central Sun of our System, and gave each one—Individuality—moulding such Divine Archetypes after His Own Image and Likeness, and each such beautiful Presence became "the

only begotten son," representative of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity.

They are represented in the Hierarchy by the Chohan of the Second Ray.

These Divine Presences, in time, sent out a portion of themselves into the world of form in order to expand their own Divine Nature and widen the borders of The Father's Kingdom. The personalities which form the inhabitants of the earth plane are the projected selves of these Divine Presences, who have, unfortunately, forgotten their God Purpose and God Identity.

When one of these Divine Archetypes was enabled to fulfill Itself through the personality which it had created on earth, a manifest Christ (Son) was revealed to the age in which such an one achieved this God maturity. This manifestation is known as "The Second Coming" and is a state that must be attained sooner or later by every Son of God. The Lord Buddha and The Master Jesus are among those who have stood revealed in "the glory which they had with Him before the world was."

All of the Divine Archetypes created by the God-Parents of our System, who abode for countless centuries of time within the Inner Spheres, were gradually drawn toward some particular phase of expression which interested the intelligence of that particular lifestream.

The drawing forth, the moulding into expression and general use of the life energy belong to

the Activity of the Holy Spirit and it is by His intervention that the God Ideas of the Father are made manifest through the Sons in every realm. Thus, the work and activity of the Father through His Sons, by whom life energy is poured into moulds and sent forth to externalize the Beauty and Perfection of The Kingdom, come under the direction of the Third Person of The Holy Trinity—the Holy Spirit of Life in action. The Representative of this Cosmic Creative Endeavor, by which each Son of God externalizes some of the Divine Patterns and Perfection of the Inner Spheres, is known as Our Lord The Maha Chohan.

The purpose of the creation as well as the sustenance of any system of worlds is to allow each lifestream called forth from the Universal Heart of God to unfold a Spiritual Nature and become Master of energy and vibration through the conscious control and use of his own Creative Faculties (Thought and Feeling). In order to become such a Master Presence, the three-fold Nature of the God-Parents has to be nurtured and developed within every man. Each one must become a God-Director of his Life Plan—(the Father), an Externalized Son of Right-use-ness (The Son), and a Dispenser of the Holy Comfort and Spirit of Life to the world (The Holy Spirit). To assist in this development, certain Cosmic Rays have been created and are sent earthward in rhythmic pulsations which give the same nourishment to the Spiritual Nature as the seasons of the year provide for the kingdom of nature. These Cosmic Currents are as orderly in their outpouring upon the earth as is the beneficent radiation of the Spring, Summer and Autumn Seasons. Also, the nature of each man-determined by whichever one of the Seven Inner Spheres forms the Home of his God-Presence—will be greatly influenced by the cycle which corresponds to His Ray of Development. For instance, the early crocus and violet bloom in the brisk atmosphere of March, while the chrysanthemum lies dormant until the August Sun brings the impetus to mature into its life plan. Thus, the Seventh Ray men will, for the most part, slumber more or less during the period when the preceding Six Rays are active and are only stimulated into action by the presence and activity of their Ray in the atmosphere.

The Cosmic Wheel, which allows the play of certain Spiritual Stimuli upon the earth and the inner bodies of her people, has one complete revolution in every fourteen thousand years.

During the first two thousand years of each cycle, the predominant activity is the Power of Divine Mind through the First Ray, in the course of which cycle one of the Great Manus incarnates and forms the pattern in the mind of men for the Religious, Governmental and Individual Endeavors for that Day of Brahm.

During the second two thousand years of each cycle, the predominant activity is in the development from among the evolving mankind of one

or more lifestreams who, moulding their individual unfoldment after the example laid down by the Manu, becomes a perfect Divine Son, who "takes the government of the Father upon His Shoulders." He, then, becomes the World Teacher for the remainder of the cycle, relieving the Manu of further responsibility. He, in time, secures the assistance and cooperation of those lifestreams who can represent Him in their Age, teaching the Word of God by example as well as precept. This is the Second Ray Activity.

By the time the cycle has turned to the Third Ray, sufficient Spiritual preparation has been made for countless thousands of Divine Presences to attempt to externalize their God Design through personalities in incarnate form. The action of the Holy Spirit is very evident at this point as His Office is to vitalize, sustain and expand the Gift of Life through these Divine Sons, each one functioning according to His particular part in the God Plan.

As you will see from above, the Divine Presence of each one has already made Its choice of Divine Service at Inner Levels, and because the nature of God is so diversified and His Love so magnanimous and because there are so many facets by which His Perfection can manifest, the Activity of the Holy Spirit (or Third Person of the Trinity) must, of necessity, be divided into "sub-Rays" by which each particular type of God-Man may be given an opportunity to draw, mould and expand

the creative energies in the World of Form.

To give such individuals the proper supervision, guardianship and radiation, the Holy Spirit—unlike His Cosmic Brothers, (the Manu and the World Teacher), chose to divide His Ray into Five Distinct Facets of Cosmic Force, and, through these Five Rays, which represent the Cosmic Hand of God, He superintends the work of translating the Ideas from the Mind and Heart of God into externalized form.

At the head of each of these five Sub-Rays He placed a Perfected Being, who represents the Holy Spirit so far as that particular Ray's Gifts to earth are concerned. These Great Intelligences are called "The Chohans of The Rays." The Maha Chohan (or Holy Spirit), through each of these lesser Rays, pours forth the vitalizing Fire of Life Eternal through each successive two thousand year cycle and the Chohan at the head of each of these Rays becomes the predominant Power and Pattern for the evolution of the race during the time His particular Ray is emphasized by the Holy Spirit.

The Cosmic Wheel has now turned to a point where the last of the Five Sub-Rays of the Maha Chohan is about to be emphasized in its Outporing to the earth, and the particular spiritual gifts, stimuli, powers, and activities of this Ray are to become the predominant activity in the individual, Religious, Governmental and Planetary progress of all people. It, therefore, becomes the responsi-

bility of the Chohan of the Seventh Ray to set into motion, through those life-streams who can respond to His Vibration, the spiritual currents which will form the foundation of the New Age which will embody all the perfection, the culture, the love and freedom of Its Glorious Representative, whom we know and love as Our Brother, Saint Germain.

Let us emphasize that the progress of the evolutionary cycle is as inevitable as the succession of the seasons of nature, and that it is no more possible to hold back the blessings and benefits of each Ray and Its Great Lord than it would be for a man to stop the outpouring of the physical sun. He may run into the cellar and hide, refusing to allow its life giving essence to vitalize his being, but the Cosmic gift of creation goes on—with or without—the acknowledgment and acceptance of the individual.

You will see that the activity of the Seventh Ray gives not only the outpouring of the Master Saint Germain, but it is also the final facet of expression of Our Lord, the Maha Chohan, whose Cosmic Pressure upon the final finger of the Hand of God completes the outpouring of the Holy Spirit for this Cycle of Time. This is why the work of Saint Germain and the Maha Chohan are so closely intertwined and why the present hour is of particular significance to all who choose to engage in the

building of the Foundation of the Age of Freedom, when all who work on the Seventh Ray are imbued with the Gifts and Powers of the Holy Spirit.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE HITHERTO UNPUBLISHED LETTERS AND INSTRUCTIONS OF THE MASTER SAINT GERMAIN, CHOHAN OF THE SEVENTH RAY.

TO OUR READERS

Dear Friends of the Sacred Cause of Freedom, I Greet You in the Name of the ASCENDED JESUS CHRIST.

Through His Electronic Light Body do I extend My Hand in Holy Friendship, realizing for you that no activity can connect with your world of experience through That Consciousness unless it be of God.

For how many centuries has this Great Brother protected the earnest, seeking soul of man from the seen and unseen powers of evil through His Name and by His Presence!

In those Dark Ages when the Power of Light was all but lost to the outer consciousness of man, it was good indeed that the Sign of the Cross and The Name of Jesus remained a Force that could not be denied, and many thousands of good men and women owe the continuance of their spiritual lives to that Watchful, Kindly Presence.

Today, we are again in a New Era of Light. It is also a Day when the inner perceptions of the individual soul are tested against the Full Measure of Truth and through this Spiritual Discernment they will find that "the fruit falls not far from the parent tree" nor "the Master's Word and Work from the Father's Throne."

The two thousand year cycle of the Piscean Age governed by the Sixth Ray and known as The Christian Dispensation, is drawing to a close, and as all cycles overlap, the sensitive "inner ear" and "inner eye" of The Watchers have glimpsed the Dawn of the New Day through the vibrations of The Seventh Ray which are making themselves felt in the hopeful hearts of the Forerunners of The New Age.

THE SERVICE OF THE CHOHAN

My service to the life of this planet as Chohan of the Seventh Ray is connected with its transmutation, from a Star of Darkness and Shadow into one of Light and Freedom. I have seen the vision of this Free Planet in the Heart of the Eternal Father and I have seen the glory of each lifestream incarnated upon it in its natural Christ Estate, achieved through the same power of transmutation.

Having looked upon the pattern, you will understand my eagerness to mould the substance and energy of the physical appearance world into that Glorious God Design, and my desire to help each free-will acting being to become the Perfect Presence which the Father intended him to be.

In order to accomplish this, I "called forth" my friends of the centuries and imparted to them as much of this vision as I was enabled to pour through their human consciousness, assisted as much as possible by the sensitivity of the incarnated Representative of My Ray.

However, no man can work with bound hands and feet nor with sealed lips and blindfolded eyes —I must have My Friends walking in Freedom's Robes if they are to assist me in the attainment of this glorious destiny for our planet and its people.

With this end in view, the Master Morya (Chohan of the First Ray) offered to present a petition to the Great Cosmic Law for a Dispensation whereby (we) the Seven Chohans (working together) might draw into close association a group of lifestreams belonging to the different Rays and through them go forward with the establishment of the Seventh Ray Activities for the planet. He went forward with the idea and we were given this Grant in the Summer of 1951.

Encouraged by our success, the Master Morya again asked The Cosmic Law for permission to write to a few trusted chelas and friends, outlining a little of our Plan. It was with considerable reluctance that this Grant was given; in fact it was only conferred with the proviso that upon the response would depend any further Dispensations.

You will understand then with what trepidation My Great Friend and I awaited the reply from the human consciousness. Out of seven letters written we had five responses, three of which were of minor significance, these persons having had previous contact with the Masters in this embodiment and of whose cooperation we were more or less assured. However, the result was sufficient for the Maha Chohan to sanction further correspondence, which resulted in unprecedented success.

An impersonal publication was designed, wherein the Masters might express Their Own

Views in Their Own Words; give current news of the activities of The Great White Brotherhood, and, to a great extent pierce through the veil that separated the inner and outer realms. Through this means, to our added joy, we came into contact with a growing number of persons who were only too eager to throw the full weight of their combined consciousnesses into furthering the activities which were engaging the interest and energies of The Brotherhood at any given time.

It was designed to offer this service as reasonably as possible so as not to tax the means of the people; to bring comfort to the masses, and to allow the students of Life the satisfaction and joy of developing their own spiritual faculties and capacities without the necessity of having to pass through human personality in order to hear the Word of their Liberated Brothers.

This publication (and any others proceeding from the same source) are the property of The Great White Brotherhood. They are offered freely to all people everywhere at a price within their means, in the hope that they will avail themselves of the extraordinary blessings presented to them as a boon at the commencement of the New Cycle, and it goes without saying how grateful My Brother Chohans and Myself are to all those, ascended and unascended, who have assisted us in opening these channels through which we may pour the Gifts of Our Rays.

THE SEVENTH RAY

As My Beloved Brother, El Morya has explained elsewhere, the Seventh Ray which comes under My jurisdiction, is destined to be the predominant Outpouring upon the Planet Earth and through the lifestreams of all upon it during the next two thousand year period. It is called "The Ceremonial Ray" because it deals primarily with the invocation, condensation and radiation of Spiritual Energies through the conscious control of freewill acting beings.

In the Higher Spheres, beautiful and inspiring rituals, the very fringe of which have not been touched by the imagination of man, are now being prepared and will be lowered gradually into the world of form.

The Seventh Ray is the final one to pour its life giving essence upon the planet in each four-teen thousand year cycle of time. In the course of the history of the earth the Cosmic Wheel has turned many times in these cycles (just as the smaller seasonal wheel has turned countless times in its yearly cycles) and The Seventh Ray has been given the opportunity again and again to fecundate the particular spiritual characteristics which comprise the primal nature of Its children.

At each such revolution certain lifestreams were called forth from the Inner Spheres who had in the course of their evolution become imbued with the nature of the Seventh Ray and who had served in the Seventh Sphere preparatory to their taking incarnation in order to work out their final destinies in the world of form. These lifestreams who chose incarnation along the Seventh Ray each time it struck the earth in its evolutionary cycle became "The Children of The Seventh Ray." Some achieved the Ascension under Its benign influence in preceding cycles, but many did not. From those who remained, the Master acting as Chohan of The-Seventh Ray, has always chosen the lifestreams most developed along the line of His Spiritual Nature to assist Him in expanding and perfecting the Gifts of His Ray to the earth and her people during the time His Ray is active.

At the same time, from among The Seventh Ray Children, potential Chohans for the future are chosen and, under the supervision of the Maha Chohan, trained to assume this Office as the preceding Chohan is graduated into wider cosmic service. I was among those chosen, prepared and finally vested with the Office of Chohan of The Seventh Ray, in which position I now appear as Representative of this Cosmic Outpouring to the carth.

The Service of the Seventh Ray to the evolution of the planet and its people lies in the education of the consciousness of unascended beings in the power of Invoking, Directing and Sustaining Spiritual Forces for the upliftment of all manifest life.

From among the lifestreams who chose at inner levels to develop their talents and capacities along the lines of The Seventh Ray, I have (like my Illustrious Predecessors) chosen those presently incarnate spirits who respond to my Keynote and Endeavor to bring a workable knowledge of the purpose, design and method of expanding the Activities of the Seventh Ray which will accrue to the greatest possible blessing to, and upliftment of the peoples of the planet. These pages are a foundation and also serve as an invitation to those lifestreams who may choose to assist us in our endeavors at this time. It must be understood, however, that the Great Cosmic Law does not permit of any coercion on the part of a Master to persuade lifestreams to join His Cause, any assistance given must be a voluntary free-will offering on the part of the individual who proffers his help.

The natural flow of life through the "silver cord" is subject to the free-will choice of the individual. Through the long centuries that have passed, each man has allowed this life energy to slip through the avenues of his outer senses, becoming in its discordant manifestations the conglomerate mass of human appearances to which every individual who ever took embodiment on this planet became a natural heir.

The dissipation of these evil creations is possible, if we can reach, interest, train and secure the cooperation of a certain number of the human race at this time. This should not prove a too difficult task since, during the past century or so, many thousands have been made aware of the actual existence of the Beings in the Higher Spheres and have also received a more or less comprehensive idea of their relationship to their Source.

This is all in accordance with God's Divine Plan for the awakening of humanity and is only an infinitesimal part of the Blessings that will accrue to the planet under the benign auspices of The New Day.

Through the influence of the Seventh Ray Activities, the members of the Angelic Kingdom, the Nature and the Human Kingdoms will learn to draw and blend their combined energies harmoniously, first for the dissipation of evil and then in the creation of Causes that will manifest on the screen of life as Peace, Health and Prosperity, which will be a culmination of all the lovely "hopes" for a state of happiness, which may be enjoyed here and now by the people of earth instead of pinning their faith in a precarious state which may only be reached after they have "passed over" to the Great Beyond.

I take this opportunity to give acknowledgment to the Great Lord of the World, Sanat Kumara, to My Lord, the Maha Chohan, to My BrothersThe Chohans of the preceding Six Rays and to The Great White Brotherhood; All of Whom, together with Their Chelas and Students have given me not only Their valuable assistance, but great encouragement in this Endeavor, and I herewith invoke the Blessings of the One Eternal Father on Their individual lifestreams for Their ceaseless efforts to widen the Borders of God's Kingdom. I also acknowledge with gratitude the tremendous assistance I have received from the Seven Archangels, particularly Lord Michael and Lord Raphael and the Angelic Host as well as the sustaining power of Their Love during this first difficult period of introduction of a New Era through The Seventh Ray.

HOW A CHOHAN IS APPOINTED

I thought it may interest My Friends to learn how it was that I was chosen to be the Representative of the Seventh Ray.

You have been told elsewhere that long before the inhabitants of the earth took embodiment and while they still abode in innocence in the bosom of the Eternal Father, many were drawn by the pull of complementary vibrations in themselves toward one or other of the various activities of Light in the great Inner Temples devoted to the service of the expansion of some Divine Quality or Virtue by which the evolving life in the universe might be enriched.

So it was, in contemplating the Nature of God in those early days that I became attracted to the Quality of Freedom. I worshipped at Its Altar!—I became a devotee of Its Flame!—I longed for the opportunity to embody Freedom and bring its feeling of emancipation to all the evolving life I might contact. Thus, when it became time for me to take embodiment I applied myself to the necessary discipline by which I might qualify to become the Messenger of Freedom to the planet earth, with the hope that I might be privileged to ensoul this God Quality with my own lifestream's Intelligence and Directing Power.

Finally, after long ages had passed during which I still pursued my course in cultivating this great Emancipating Quality, I found myself "Vested" with the Freedom Flame, which was tied into my physical heart. I learned then that my activity from here on was to interest and secure as much energy from the mankind of earth as I could, in order to increase the power and momentum of this Flame, building always toward the Cosmic Moment when Freedom's Flame would be required to appear upon the screen of life as manifested upon the planet.

It was at this Initiation that the Cosmic Temple of the Fiery Flame of Freedom's Love was inaugurated at Inner levels. Great Angelic Beings offered to guard and sustain the concentrated Essence of this Flame of Freedom while I finished my round of incarnations, endeavoring always to interest lifestreams in the Cause of Freedom, with the hope that they would become sufficiently fired to expand the Flame of Freedom through the limited expressions of the Age in which they lived.

Each time, at the close of my embodiment, I brought over with me more of the energy and substance of the Third Dimensional World contributed by the lifestreams who had found that Cause good. Between embodiments I continued my endeavors with those in the realms where I awaited summons by the Karmic Board for reincarnation, and, through the help of the great Lord Michael (the Archangel) I also visited the

lower realms where many discarnate souls (also awaiting re-embodiment) dwelt.

Thus, the Cosmic Flame of Cosmic Freedom grew and waxed strong, and, the stronger it grew, the greater its radiation and pressure through the hearts of the people became, until the majority began to stir with a desire to know, to experience, and to become Freedom, incarnate.

This was the Cosmic Summons required by the great Cosmic Law before the full power of the Seventh Ray could manifest Itself through the Religious, Scientific and Educational Channels of the race.

You will see how the demand for Freedom has been asserting itself all over the planet for the past several centuries through those lifestreams who were particularly attuned to the Freedom Flame at Inner Levels, who had made their abode in or near the Freedom Temple between embodiments.

These people were the forerunners of the Spiritual Order which has just begun to emerge from the Inner Spheres and which is being sensed by the most discerning among the Sons of Men.

Thus, when the Chohan who would represent the Seventh Ray to the Planet Earth for this cycle was to be designated, the Great Cosmic Law chose to honor your humble servant with the appointment, succeeding the Beautiful Master Who had been Chohan of this Ray in a former cycle, and who was going forward now to greater heights of Service on the Cosmic Ladder of Evolution.

THE COSMIC WHEEL

The Cosmic Wheel, which allows the play of certain Spiritual Stimuli upon the earth and the inner bodies of her people, has one complete revolution in every fourteen thousand years. During this time each of the Seven Rays is given an opportunity to play upon the earth and give the nourishment and love of its particular quality to the evolving life upon it in order to unfold the spiritual nature of each of its component parts.

The Cosmic Cycle is divided into minor cycles of two thousand years; each one under the direction of a Great Being especially dedicated to a particular quality of the Godhead necessary to the evolution of the earth life for that period. These Beings are called "Chohans of the Rays," the word "Chohan" meaning Lord and "Ray" the color and activity of each of the various Spheres which make up the Aura of God.

The first two thousand year cycle is under the direction of the Chohan of the First Ray, representing the Father, or First Person of The Trinity. This Being sets the pattern for the Religious, Governmental and Individual Evolution of the souls taking embodiment in that cycle. He embodies the Will of the Father.

The second two thousand year cycle is under the direction of The Chohan of the Second Ray, representative of the Second Person of The Trinity, The Son. His Office is dedicated to the development of the qualities and precepts laid down by the Will of the Father under the First Ray.

The last ten thousand years of the Cosmic Cycle is under the direction of the Great Being called the Maha Chohan, Who represents the Third Person of the Trinity, or the Holy Spirit, to the earth. His Office is so diversified in its nature, in that He is responsible for externalizing the Will of the Father, with the cooperation of the Son, through every expression of life on the planet, mineral, vegetable, animal and man, that He has chosen to sub-divide the ten thousand years of His reign into five minor cycles of two thousand years each, thus completing the fourteen thousand year period of the Cosmic Cycle.

At the Head of each of these minor Cycles, the Maha Chohan has placed a Great Being, representative of the Ray and Sphere presently active, Who is particularly dedicated to the qualities and nature that are to be developed in the evolving lifestreams during that period. The Maha Chohan holds the Office of Advisory Director to all of the Seven Chohans active in the Great Cosmic Cycle.

The Cosmic Wheel has now turned to a point where the last of the five Sub-Rays of the Maha Chohan is about to be emphasized in its Outpouring. In this final cycle, every lifestream on the

planet is expected to put forth its effort to fulfill the Plan for which it was created.

The purpose for the creation and sustenance of our planet is to allow each lifestream evolving upon it an opportunity to unfold his spiritual nature and become Master of energy and vibration through the conscious control and use of his creative faculties. In order to become such a Master Presence, the three-fold nature of man must be nurtured and developed. For this purpose alone was the Cosmic Cycle instituted and sustained to the present day.

As each new minor cycle opens, a New Method, we shall say, of incorporating the energies of the people is presented to the incarnate lifestreams. This is done through the kind assistance of a representative of the Chohan who is Head of the Active Ray. This representative is always an unascended being who has been closely associated with the Chohan during past incarnations and also between embodiments, so that in his inner bodies he is well acquainted with the Chohan's Ray and Service. Unfortunately, however, it sometimes happens that by the time the Cosmic Moment strikes when the Chohan's particular Ray is to play upon the earth much of the human nature of the unascended representative is woven into his interpretation of The Law. However, as the people's consciousness awakens to the requirements of the hour and their discriminating faculties are sharpened they are able to detect these discrepancies and go forward without any deviation from The Path.

The Cosmic Law, in Its Mercy, allows what is called an "Avataric Incarnation" to take place at the beginning of each of the sub-cycles of the Lord Maha Chohan. It is understood, of course, that an Avatar is a Being, who, like the Master Jesus, has worked out His karma prior to His incarnation as Avatar, and is, therefore, a pure channel through which the finest essence of the Ray is incorporated into the activities of the New Religion. Before His Coming and after His Coming, the work is left in the hands of good lifestreams who insist on "explaining" The Law as their consciousness sees it. We are presently in this before stage, and while the forerunners of the Seventh Ray activity have done well, they have not touched even the periphery of the Truth concerning the Power of invoking, wielding and dispensing the Spiritual Currents that are the Seventh Ray's Gifts for the upliftment of the race.

THE ACTIVITY

As the Seventh Ray comes at the end of the Fourteen Thousand Year Cycle, it will be seen immediately that It represents the drawing forth of all the wealth and unfoldment of the preceding Rays and the development of the "highest" manifestation in every constructive activity sustained by the Life and Substance of the Holy Spirit.

The Activity of the Seventh Ray has been described as "Ordered Service." It must develop the capacity within the lifestreams to consciously draw, focus, mould and project energy, which becomes the Master Control of all circumstance and form.

The development of Ceremonial Worship, whereby individuals can be collectively, as well as individually, educated in the methods of invoking and directing spiritual energies, is one of the most beautiful activities of this Ray.

Through such evolved Ceremonials and Rituals, all the energies by which the various Chohans have endeavored to enrich mankind's consciousness and experience will be transmuted, sublimated and purified, so that the greatest gifts of each Ray may pour forth through the individuals who are the natural open doors for their release. Thus, we are, in a manner of speaking, opening the doors of the

consciousness of the race to the perfection from the Seven Spheres in one of which each man's God-Presence dwells.

As the Angelic and Devic Hosts and the Elemental Kingdoms deal with primal energies and are not so concerned with form, and as mankind deals primarily with form and seems apparently oblivious to the power within directed energies, it is expedient that the consciousness of angels, men and elementals be drawn together consciously and blended into a cooperative endeavor to effect the Perfect Age of Freedom. This is another facet of the establishment of the Rituals which will form the worship of the masses in the future.

In This Hour, only those who have shared the Vision of the Full Freedom which the Seventh Ray will bring to the earth, have been able to incorporate their voluntary energies in the endeavor to set into motion this New Era, but as We are enabled to design and execute the God-Pattern for such Ceremonial Worship, the mass of mankind will be drawn toward active participation in it, as the moth is drawn to the Flame.

I would like to touch lightly upon the methods that can be applied to the invocation of these subtle energies, so that the Friends who have responded to My Call may set them into motion through the strength of their own Light and elaborate upon them through the promptings of their own inner inspiration. . . .

ENERGY BECOMES POWER THROUGH QUALIFICATION

The primal, electronic light substance of the Universe is drawn into the atmosphere of earth through the Sun. It is concentrated through the Maha Chohan and directed into the facets of nature under His Direction. Through the Chohans of the Rays this same energy is dispensed as spiritual nourishment into the activities which engage such members of the human race as are participating in forwarding world progress on the Rays—Three through Seven.

The Angelic Host and the Devic Kingdoms are natural conductors and directors of the vast seas of energy which form climatic conditions, etc.

Man now comes to a point where he must be illumined as to the power within his own life-stream to draw, focus, mould and direct energies. This is the Educational Activity of the Seventh Ray.

The energy of man that flows through his heart responds to his thought force, his feeling and his qualifying power, as well as the passions and appetites of his bodies.

Energy has been directed by God to obey the Creative Powers in man. The condition of the world today is the result of this "blind obedience" of energy to the untrained embryonic gods and goddesses which constitute mankind. Yet, on the other hand, in this very obedience of energy to act

under man's direction, is the hope of his redemption and freedom, for it requires but the training of man in the proper use of his invocative, creative and directive powers to undo the mistakes of the past and to build anew, according to the God-Design.

Energy is drawn and qualified through the following channels:

By the instruments of consciousness (Thought and Feeling).

By the invocative powers of mind, ritual and the spoken word.

By the talisman of magnetized forms.

By the use of music.

By cooperation among Angels, men and elementals.

By the use of the Sacred Fire.

It is, of course, evident that, in order to have beneficial results, the energy drawn through any of the above channels must be harmoniously qualified.

"I AM THAT I AM"

"I AM Present" is the announcement of the God Presence of the universe focalized at a particular point, ready to manifest the Powers and Mastery of Life for a given purpose, subject, however, to the free will of the lifestream making the declaration. Nevertheless, over and above the words "I AM" is the Consciousness in the energy of the Breath—the Un-Nameable One—Who announces His Immanence in the words "I AM" here (Present).

The Power Whose Presence is announced through the thought, feeling or spoken utterance of the "I" is the *Qualifying Presence* of unformed life or substance.

This Great God Center or Central Sun of the Universe endowed His Children with the privilege of sharing His Powers of Creation in the use of the acknowledgment "I AM Present." Every self-conscious ego may use the "I" but the qualifying activity following the announcement of God's Presence within him, through the feeling body, becomes the Law of his individual life.

The primal life essence that sustains the heartbeat of each individual is beautiful, harmonious, pure, intelligent, obedient and neutral in its essence. The lifestream is a constant flow of this life from the Great Central Source of Life into the God Presence which is the Divine Pattern of each individual. From the Individualized Presence, this obedient, intelligent, unqualified life flows into the physical heart. The consciousness abiding in the physical form which the heartbeat sustains (who is endowed with the honor of bearing the Name of the God-Presence "I AM") then becomes the qualifying presence and the use to which he puts this qualifying activity determines the form or appearance this life substance will take for him.

Thus, every Emancipated Being who has become God-Free, adds the full power and momentum of His or Her Own Name or Nature to the "I AM" Presence and becomes a Qualifying Center of perfect God Life wherever He might be, even as every human being prefaces his qualification of life with his or her name or nature and it acts according to his individual momentum for good or evil.

It is clearly evident that, although all men share the power of qualification of life in the announcement "I AM Present," the nature of the Qualifying Consciousness determines the amount of comfort or distress which such an announcement would bring. For instance, "I, the Ascended Jesus Christ—AM Present," fills the heart with gladness, whereas the same announcement pro-

nounced by an evil or degraded human consciousness has the very opposite effect.

Therefore, in the use of the acknowledgment of the Qualifying Power of the Godhead, let every man so develop his individual Power of Endowment with a constructive momentum, so that in his use of the words "I AM" only perfection may manifest, not only for himself but for his fellowman and his planet.

Why does creation take place after the utterance (proceeding from the thought and feeling centers) of the "I"?

Because the Qualifying Power of God is the endowment given with His Name to man.

Each free-will thinking unit is thus made a law unto himself. Each man is a God-endowed individual, qualifying life, empowering form and appearance according to his beliefs, desires, inclinations and intent, and none may say him nay.

In turn, man endows his religion with the power to comfort him, and he endows his business with the power to supply him.

In the same manner man may endow his Christ Self with the power to heal him and set him free. He may endow the Powers of The Sacred Fire with the efficacy which They will manifest through him. This is Truth. "According to your endowment be it done unto you."

CEREMONIAL WORSHIP

In each two thousand year cycle a Religion is evolved by the Intelligences who represent the Godhead for that period. This Religion is based on the natural tendencies of the lifestreams who are to be the focal point for the establishment and maintenance of the spiritual culture of the era. The religious worship is also based on the specific beneficial outpouring which the Chohan of the Ray desires to release to and through the evolving life intelligences in this period.

As we enter the two thousand year cycle of the Seventh Ray, we are beginning to set into motion the type of religious worship which will become the predominant activity of the masses in the future. This worship will include all the best expressions of previous religions as well as the fresh, new impetus of the Chohan under whose direction the New Era will move to fulfillment. (In this case, my humble self.)

At its inception, those blessed lifestreams who have volunteered to assist Me are among the first to respond to the New Vibrations, and later when the foundations have been well laid and the beautiful rituals and ceremonies developed, a greater

number of the people will enjoy participating in these uplifting and inspiring services.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DIRECTOR AND THE GROUP

In order to participate intelligently in the Ceremonial Activity of the Seventh Ray, every person must be in conscious cooperation with the individual who takes the responsibility of directing the group Activity. In fact, each such an one becomes a Priest or Priestess of The Flame through the magnetic power focused through his own heartbeat.

The energy of the director directs and focuses the energies of the group, but there is no such thing as passive enjoyment of the service from the premise of the "onlooker." Each lifestream is, rather, a participant in the actual performance of the successive steps in the ritual.

The director and the students may invoke the Powers of the Sacred Fire—the Masters and Angelic Beings—through the power of visualization, contemplation and directed thought and feeling. This may be done through song, through the spoken word and through the performance of certain rituals, employing pure floral scents and certain musical compositions of a spiritual nature. True efficiency comes when the director and the group can combine all of these faculties and means of invocation toward this end.

I must refer here to the position of the one

entrusted with the responsibility of representing the Master to the group, that is, the leader.

The privilege and responsibility of the director is to unify the consciousness of the group through directed visualizations, decrees, songs, and active invocations of the Powers of the Sacred Fire.

The unity of the energies released by each individual of the group into the collective thought form for the ceremonial is the *strength* of the service of that group to the Cause of the Brotherhood. This collective thought and feeling form determines the amount of spiritual energy that is drawn earthward and used to dissipate evil and set into motion new *causes* for world progress.

The ability of the director to obtain and hold the interest of the group, as well as the joyous, willing cooperation of the individual unit, determines the efficacy of the service.

Energies that are released through a sense of "duty" or "fear" are practically useless in the Master's work. Joyous, happy energy is the hope of Heaven.

Each lifestream who has professed enough interest in the Activities of the group to come to the meeting will find himself contributing more freely and willingly through some one of his inner bodies rather than another—(mental, emotional, etheric, physical, and, on rare occasions, Higher Mental). It is for each one to examine impartially his own development, and, if he find his mental, emotional or physical body to be the lazy one of

his vehicles, he should endeavor to bring this particular body to greater obedience through directing it to cooperate with that portion of the service that seems distasteful to it. Here, the bodies of each individual must be treated like children.

The director must also endeavor to give all of the bodies equal opportunity to serve and not lean toward indulgence of the particular vehicle which he, himself, has developed, to the detriment of the other members of the group, who, perchance may miss an opportunity to serve at that meeting because their most highly developed vehicles have been given no opportunity to express themselves.

For instance, many people love physical action and can participate happily in songs and decrees, but they are mentally lazy or undeveloped and soar off into a daze during the time when the mental body should be helping to cut out of the Universal Mind Substance the form which is the Protective Canopy of the room, locality or nation. Others derive great emotional pleasure from instrumental music, but rebel at the physical effort required to decree.

In cooperative endeavor, it is better to have a fifteen minute span of a certain activity and keep it "alive" than a much longer one which strains the undeveloped bodies of the individuals in the group. By changing the type of service from that which requires the cooperation of the physical body, such as song or decree work, back to that requiring the cooperation of one of the inner

bodies, greater service can be rendered than by holding the students too long at one particular type of service.

Ceremonial Worship is the balanced use of all the faculties, powers and vehicles of the lifestream—harmoniously blended and utilized to draw, focus and direct energy—to create new Causes for Good and dissolve those of an inharmonious nature.

Decree: "My world is The World of Freedom and the full, unconditional release of all the Mastery, Faculties, Power and Powers of the Light of My Higher Mental Body."

The primal requirements for an efficacious service are:

1. The quieting of the inner and physical bodies of the participants through carefully chosen musical compositions of a soothing and inspirational nature.

(This enables the members of the Angelic Host to prepare the inner bodies of the students to receive the greatest possible blessings from the meeting and also raises each individual to his own highest "potential" service to the group and the Master Intelligence, who is presiding and working with such a group.)

2. The purification of the bodies and auras of the students, the director and the atmosphere which

is to form the focus into which the spiritual energies are to be drawn through the invocation of the Powers of the Sacred Fire, in decrees.

- 3. The protection of the students and the location which are to be the chalice for the direction of those spiritual energies from The Higher Octaves. This protection is drawn forth by the use of the creative centers (thought and feeling) of each individual, focused and concentrated by the director's audible directions.
- 4. Recognition of the God Power focused through each participant, which is the authority by which energy is set into motion and directed toward ultimate good effects.
- 5. Acceptance of the Presence of—and access to—the Ascended Host of Light, the Angelic, Devic, Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts, as conscious coworkers in the Activities of the group work.

When these requirements have been met, the Directing Intelligence of the Godhead, either through the God Presence of the director or an Ascended Master or Angelic Guest, will utilize the Ritual to the greatest possible extent according to the requirements of the hour.

Music

As by far the greatest number of the Beloved Chelas who participate in the group Activities are engaged in service in the outer world and are obliged to come to their meetings directly from such service, the part that music plays in quieting the feeling world of the individual, relaxing the physical body and stopping the rapidly revolving thought patterns in the mental bodies, cannot be over emphasized. By this means the atomic structure of the students' bodies is re-polarized, and the vessels through which the God-Self of each individual will endeavor to co-operate in the service are prepared for their part in it, during this musical service.

The Angelic Host, then, begins to weave the spiritual structure under the direction of the Presiding Master out of the very substance and energy of the individuals in the group.

The type of music used will determine the class of Invisible Helpers drawn into the atmosphere of the Meeting, which will form the unseen but palpable audience of Divine Beings whose energies and assistance are without limit in elevating the consciousness of the unascended members of the group, as well as condensing the energies drawn by Themselves to render specific service for the good of life.

Beautiful thought forms are builded by these Invisible Beings, and where the audience participates in vocal accompaniments to the music, the inner forms are clothed in the physical energies of each singer and become a potent power in sublimating energies of a lower nature in the bodies

of the participants as well as in the locality in which the service takes place.

These musical forms are greatly amplified by the Angels, the Devas of Music and the Builders of Form, and are then carried into hospitals, asylums and other places where there is great need for the assuagement of physical, mental and emotional distress.

You will see that where instrumental music gives assistance at inner levels, the group singing is most efficacious in lowering the spiritual forms into the substance of the physical world, in the same manner that the decrees lower the mental forms of the visualizations into the condensed energy of the third dimensional plane.

At inner levels, the Great Music Temples are established in each of the Seven Spheres and, through the Music Devas, these Cosmic Temples often connect with a particularly fine presentation in the physical world and pour through such a musical presentation Their Cosmic Outpouring of the particular God Quality and God Power which is Their Gift to Life.

THE SACRED FIRE

The actual specific powers of the Sacred Fire are endowed by some Intelligent God Being. This means that some Spiritual Intelligence drew the Fire of Creation from the Heart of God and qualified it to act in a certain specific manner. Dedication to such qualification through the centuries has created momentums of the Powers of the Sacred Fire to Heal, to Purify or Transmute, as the case may be. The Intelligences Who have endowed the Sacred Fire with specific God Qualities, as well as the full gathered momentum of these Qualities held in the consciousness of these Beings, are always at the command of the Sacred Fire which is the heartbeat of each individual when invoked by the directive intelligence of the lifestream, because it is all the same element acting.

Therefore, when a group of individuals gather together and, In the Name, Power and Authority of their own Immortal Flame of Life command any Activity of the Sacred Fire to come into their presence, It must obey. This is the Power of Invocation invested in the individual by the very nature of his own Immortal Fiery Heart Center.

As the nature of the Seventh Ray is to purify the Substance and Energy of Life, and as the Chohan who is the Authority for this Ray (Myself) has endowed it with the Merciful, Transmuting Power of Love Divine, you will see the use of the Sacred Consuming Fiery Flame of Freedom's Love is the privilege and opportunity of all life to benefit by Its Presence and Activity in and through the Group Work.

METHODS OF INVOCATION OF THE SACRED FIRE

The magnetic power of the Fire Element within the heart cannot be denied by any Intelligence or Power of the Sacred Fire in any realm-human or divine. This is irrefutable law. We move forward then on the premise of certainty of accomplishment. The way and means by which this Sacred Fire may be drawn, focused, moulded and directed will differ according to the individual development of the student as well as the natural Ray to which the student belongs and the requirement of the current hour in local, national or world happenings.

In order to fully develop the Invocative Powers within himself, the individual must first recognize that within his own heart is a focalized Ray of the Presence and Power of the Godhead, containing within Itself the pattern of his own future greatness, even as the seed contains within itself the pattern of the future flower.

This focus within the heart is referred to as the Immortal Three-fold Flame of Life. In the unawakened man it is but a "Spark of Divinity," but when the individual self-consciously places his feet upon the Path, this small Spark takes the form of the God Presence or Christ in miniature, and begins to grow and expand in size, finally emerging from the "airless cell" in which It has abided (bursting from the tomb) and takes Its Rightful Command of the physical body as The Master Presence and Power of Christ. This is the "Second Birth" referred to so often in the spiritual teachings of the past.

The recognition and acceptance of this God Presence within the heart, and the conviction within the feelings, that through that Presence and in the Authority of Its Power he may invoke and draw from anywhere in the universe whatever power and powers may be required to render assistance in the environment in which he is presently functioning, makes the individual a Conscious Priest or Priestess of the Sacred Fire, who is capable, with increasing efficacy, of invoking and directing Its Flaming Presence for the upliftment of his fellow-man and the greater freedom of life everywhere.

VISUALIZATION AND CONTEMPLATION AS A FORM OF INVOCATION

The power to think that lies within the consciousness of man is one with the Creative Faculty by which the Godhead moulded the unformed substance of the universe into stars, planets and systems of worlds. As soon as man thinks a thought—a form is made. The degree of development of his mental body determines the clarity and perfection of the thought-form.

The life which fills the thought-form and makes of it a living, breathing, palpable presence is released through the feeling body of the individual. The quality, nature and development of the feeling body determines the purity and strength of the energized thought-form.

These creative centers of *Thought* and *Feeling* are energized by the director of a group in cooperative visualizations, whether for the focusing of certain activities of the Sacred Fire, such as the Cosmic Fiery Flame of Freedom around the individual, group or nation; or the establishment of the mystic "ring-pass-not" which forms the protective shell around anyone's aura.

The ability of the Director to create a clear thought-picture and to stimulate the cooperative feeling nature of the assembly will determine the efficacy of this portion of the Service.

Builders of Form and Angelic Beings assist in this portion of the Service. Into these thoughtforms are poured the actual substance and essence of the spiritual energies released from the blessings of individuals serving in their particular locations and gathered up by the Masters and the Silent Watchers of different localities who utilize these meetings toward this end.

THE RING-PASS-NOT

The Mystic "Ring-Pass-Not" of which the Ancients spoke may again be created by the conscious student through the power of visualization and decrees, as explained above.

The natural radiation from the "Golden Man" within the heart, pouring forth through the physical and inner bodies, forms such a Golden Circlet of Fire around the physical body.

When the attention is drawn to this indwelling Christ Presence, the Outpouring of the God-Light intensifies this Circlet until It becomes an actual Transmuting Force of all substance and energy either consciously directed toward the student, or through which he must pass in his orderly course of daily living.

DECREES AS A METHOD OF INVOCATION

"Thou shalt decree a thing and it shall be established unto thee."

The clothing of the Ideas and Truths in the physical energies of the individuals who make up the groups, through the spoken word, covers the thought and feeling forms created by the mental and emotional body with the actual substance of the third dimensional plane. It lowers the vibratory action of the spiritual energies to a point where they vibrate on the same plane as the conditions that need adjustment.

This provides a mighty "stockpile" of qualified physical energy which is utilized by the God-Beings to dissipate evil forms and foci of every kind.

As most of the conditions affecting mankind are vibrating at a rate similar to that which can be released through the spoken word, the power to remedy these conditions is greatly intensified by the individual or group who chooses to be the step-down transformer of the more subtle energies which form the Master Authority in the higher spheres.

Truth is, but It manifests on every plane only as some Intelligence grasps that Truth and posi-

tively releases It through the plane or sphere in which he is functioning at any given time.

The efficacy of the Decree is determined both by the amount of feeling and conviction that is released through it, and the clarity of the picture held in the mental body, which actually forms the pattern around which the physical energies of the worded fiat coalesce.

For instance, The Flaming Sword of Lord Michael, the Archangel of Deliverance, is His own thought form, vitalized by His God-Feeling of absolute Mastery, and directed by His Will, and often His Word, into conditions that require assistance. If He had no clean-cut thought His Sword would be vague, vapory, poorly formed and would act with little efficacy.

The ability of the student to picturize the Activity which he is decreeing to be established unto him or through him and the amount of positive feeling in the efficacy of that Activity to manifest control of a situation, form more than eighty percent of the power in the decree. Therefore, the interest of the student must be behind the decree and his energies must be positive and controlled if he is to have results of a positive nature.

The amount of *power* which is released through the decree varies according to the nature of the student. I have seen a man struck dead by a whispered decree of hate and venom which was charged with sufficient force to shatter the physical envelope. (Of course, the generator did not realize that he was signing his own death warrant the moment he released his decree.)

The control of energy through the vocal chords is determined by the amount of Mastery which the individual has over the emotional body. The volume of sound released is not as important as the quality of the sound. For instance, the hysterical scream of a person in distress releases much volume, but renders no constructive service. Yet, there is the controlled summons of the Initiate which raises the dead to life and which in both volume and power is known to shatter glass and blow out walls.

Some individuals can, by nature, be extremely positive in the use of a low, Masterful tone. Others cannot convey feeling except by the exertion of a measure of physical force which gives assurance to the lifestream of accomplishment. Here, Freedom is the order of the day. Action is the requisite of the hour. Balanced control of energy, whether it is coupled with the "loud voice" by which Jesus raised Lazarus from the tomb, or the Voice of the Silence by which the sun is bidden to rise each morning from the bed of night.

When the decree is coupled with the visualization of the activity of the Sacred Fire, which is being invoked, the positive quality of the voice will avoid the "sense of battle" which is sometimes apparent in the uncertain life energy of the student.

On the other hand, more feeling is charged into the group which will be revivified in their individual activities if the decrees are given in a good, firm manner.

The importance of the audible decrees lies in the fact that the thought and feeling forms are clothed in the substance, energy and vibratory action of the octave in which most of the distressing appearances abide.

I would emphasize that power is drawn and focused through the rhythmic invocation which emphasizes the *feeling* of the student body, clarifies the thought form and builds the momentum in the release of the energy, not only of the unascended beings, but of the Great Ones who always respond to such calls. Unless the group with which one is working are Masters of Invocation, force is scattered by changing the pattern and decree too often and little is accomplished thereby.

When I am called upon to work with a group of chelas, My first endeavor is to center the consciousness of the individuals within the Heart of the Sacred Fire. From this Center, the Invocative Powers of the lifestreams are most effective.

"I consciously enter and abide within the Heart of the Sacred Fire—the True Center of My Being."

"I AM the Presence of God within the Heart of the Sacred Fire and I speak and command with authority."

"I AM VESTED with the Power of the Three Times Three."

"I AM VESTED with the Power of Transmutation."

"I AM VESTED with the Power of Precipita-

"I AM VESTED with the Power of Levitation." on and on ad infinitum.

Short, clear endings are preferable because they seal the decree in the feelings of the energy of the students as well as the conditions which are being transmuted. Then in the command and authority of the Presence within the Heart of the Sacred Fire, utilize the Power in one good, rhythmic decree and let the momentum build. . . .

"In the Name of the Presence of God which I AM—"

"Through the Magnetic Power of the Sacred Fire Vested in me, I command . . . etc."

In the Decrees I advocate using constructive thought patterns, rather than destructive ones like "tornado," because all destructive activities of nature picturized add to the coming appearance when nature's forces are unleashed.

If you were in a position to have the inner sight opened for a moment and could see the tremendous response of the beings at inner levels, when a group of mankind Vested with the Conscious Power of the Sacred Fire send up the rhythmic release of their energy in a word pattern, it would fire you with the

desire to stay with that form until the signal of your feeling world acknowledged full accomplishment.

The Ascending invocation completes its pattern on the last word of the Decree and the God-Beings begin *Their* Outpouring on the first word of the Acceptance.

On the next rhythmic wave, the Ascending Invocation rises to the top of the preceding crest and then, with the added momentum of the increased energy, pierces further into the Upper Spheres and brings back an amplified Outpouring.

The competence of the director in drawing the energy into a *rhythmic beat* determines the efficacy of the decree and the *height* to which it can reach, with the subsequent return of the God-Light into the world of men.

This is exactly the principle followed in using a "battering ram" against a locked door, or used to harness the energies of men in the old days at the oars of the galley or the ropes of the Volga boats—today we use it to more constructive ends.

The volume of sound is not so important as the unity of the energy. Some people can accept accomplishment only through the strong release of the spoken word—others can accept accomplishment through the feelings—it all depends upon the evolution of the individual and the tendencies of the nature.

Suffice it to say rhythm, one-pointedness, clarity of the pictured activity and sufficient speed of

timing—to keep the inner bodies alive—are requisites to God Accomplishment.

As there is no limit to the Powers of the God-Protection that can be called forth—and no limit to the Transmuting Power of the Cosmic Christ Love, you have everything at hand by which to draw forth, protect and sustain your God Endeavors.

RHYTHM

The universe is builded on rhythm, precision and harmonious expansion and contraction. In decreeing, in singing, in breathing, in walking, perfect rhythm is the balanced activity of life, and when it is incorporated into the Ritual of the Seventh Ray there will be no sense of exhaustion or depletion.

When the energies of the lifestream are "off center," endeavor becomes effort.

Color

The different vibratory action of the various colors is a subject in itself. Suffice it to say that the Colored Spheres that surround the Presence and form the Spiritual Aura, or Causal Body, are representative of the Natural Color Vibration of the Seven Spheres.

Each lifestream on the planet has proceeded from one particular Ray and his Archetype or Presence dwells in the particular Sphere to which he belongs. It must be understood, however, that this Individualized Presence is not confined to any sphere, but may visit any one of them at will.

The unascended lifestream will respond most

favorably to the color which is representative of his particular Ray. If he is in doubt as to the Ray or Sphere to which he belongs, he may, through contemplation of his habits and tendencies and through meditation on his own Presence, arrive at the correct position his lifestream holds by right in God's Kingdom. He will also find that he is almost irresistably drawn to a certain color, which may be taken as an added confirmation of his Ray and Sphere.

As the Outpouring from the Godhead emphasizes the Color and Ray of each successive sphere in the course of the seven days of the week, when the individual knows the Ray to which he belongs, he will usually find his vital forces more stimulated on the day when the color and radiation of his Ray and Sphere are honored by the Cosmic Light.

The Vestments which are to be incorporated into the Rituals of the future will be designed to emphasize these particular daily outpourings, as well as any specific Power or Activity of the Sacred Fire which is being utilized for the benefit of the Race through a particular Service in the Temples and groups.

THE SEVEN SPHERES

Considering the Godhead as a Sun, there are, surrounding and enfolding this Central Focus of Intelligence Seven Mighty Spheres of Consciousness, each one separated from the other by its own periphery line which forms the natural boundary of that particular Sphere. These Seven Spheres are the Aura of God, each one inhabited by Great God Intelligences, all intent on doing The Father's Will, expanding His Kingdom and His Consciousness.

The development and unfoldment of His Kingdom is accomplished by the rhythmic release of pulsating waves of His Own Divine Consciousness, within which are the spiritual germs of all form and manifestation from the smallest blade of grass to the most brilliant star with its Cosmic Tone.

As these God Ideas pass from Sphere to Sphere in ever widening circles, They are absorbed by the Beings and Intelligences within each one, Their Shining Glory modified by the vibratory action of the natural elements within that Sphere. They then pass outward on Their course to the next Sphere and the next, ever journeying onward toward manifestation in the World of Form . . . Their Glory mercifully dimmed to a point where

the Beings of the next Sphere can best absorb Their Blessings.

A constant modification of the God Light—a constant clothing of the God Consciousness—is achieved in each Sphere so that God's Ideas become embodied in the electronic substance of each Sphere in orderly sequence, and eventually reach the Seventh Sphere or Etheric Realm where they await precipitation into the physical World of Form.

The First Sphere represents the Heart of Creation Itself. The Great Beings who form the Directive Intelligence of this Sphere are known as The Manus of the human race. The Master who activates Their Will in the World of Man is called the Chohan of the First Ray-El Morya. It is His Service to Life to carry the God Ideas and Directives from the Godhead into the minds of Those Beings in the Second Sphere who clothe them in actual workable form. In this First Sphere also abide the Seven Mighty Archangels who have volunteered to guard and protect the evolving human race. Here, in this First Sphere, is born every idea. design, plan and blessing which will one day manifest in the physical world. Its Inhabitants are Beings whose service to life is to embody these God Ideas and carry them on their outward course to the periphery of The First Sphere, and here entrust them to the waiting Messengers of the Second Sphere.

What finite mind could conceive of the beauty,

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the perfection, the joy and happiness of these ideas! Here live the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts, Messengers of the Most High, bathing in the Fire of Creation, embodying Its Essence in Their Very Selves and then, beginning the great Cosmic Ritual of Cosmic Precipitation of the Blessings of Heaven from Realm to Realm, which will take Them in time to the furthest borders of the Kingdom and the periphery of the Seventh Sphere. Containing the purest essence of Divinity within Their Shining Selves, They swing outward in Their Cosmic Course, carrying the Light of Heaven into the consciousness of the Beings in the Second Sphere.

The Celestial Inhabitants of the Second Sphere most lovingly receive the Cosmic Messengers and the Ideas from God's Heart, assimilate them, clothe them in the substance of Their Own Great Light and the universal light substance which forms the atmosphere of this Sphere, and then-in turnpass them onward to the receptive consciousness and atmosphere of the Third Realm.

In this Second Sphere, the God ideas and patterns of future greatness are moulded into form through the use of the creative powers of the Higher Mind Force . . . thus the seed of the Father falls on fertile ground (Intelligent Individual Consciousness) and begins to take definite form in the world of Divine Thought.

The God Intelligence Who governs this Second Sphere is the Lord Buddha, who, together with His Great Brother, Lord Maitreya, interpret the God ideas from the First Sphere through the formulation of World Religions and Faiths. Their Representative, the Chohan of the Second Ray, Kuthumi, further consolidates Their Cosmic Service through the educational channels both of the Inner Spheres and the physical appearance world as well.

So great is the wealth of the Father's Outpouring, that this Essence must be ever rushing onward, clothed in intelligent thought patterns, desiring always to give of itself in rhythmic blessings. Thus the Third Sphere is alerted to receive of the Divine Outpouring.

In the Third Sphere, the glory and radiance of the Second Sphere has already clothed the Divine immanence in thought patterns, so that it is better assimilated by the vibrating consciousness of this Realm. These God Ideas are ensouled with life and become living, pulsating foci of "things to come." This is the Realm of the Holy Spirit under the direction of that Great Cosmic Representative of the Third Person of the Trinity, whom we know by the title of Maha Chohan.

In this Third Sphere, life essence is imparted to the thought forms descending from the First and Second Spheres. Until thought is clothed with the life through the feeling nature, it does not become a living, vital force so far as expression in the Third Dimensional world is concerned. Thus, the Third Sphere vitalizes all manifestations which will ever externalize on the planet earth.

The activity of the Third Sphere, like the prism, divides the spiritual rays through which flows the life which makes thoughts become things, actualized, and the radiation and gifts of the Third Ray proceed through the five sub-divisions of this Great Ray into the world of form. The Great Chohans of these Five Rays, therefore, work under the supervision of their Overlord—the Maha Chohan.

The First subdivision of the Third Ray is under the direction of the Chohan known as Paul, The Venetian. His Cosmic Service to life is to receive the blueprints or divine thought forms which contain within themselves world movements, as well as simple individual blessings for the human race, and dividing them as to their subject matter and potential service to life, He gives them to the Chohans in charge of the dispensation of those specific activities. These Chohans, in turn, project them from their Spheres of Activity into the world of form through conscious or unconscious chelas who are open to Their Cosmic Impressions and Influence. Thus, the Venetian becomes the Outpost of the Maha Chohan, and the step-down transformer of His Energies so far as channelling the blessings of God through the proper facets in the World of the Real.

A group of Beings from the Third Sphere joins the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts as they prepare to pass outward with the living, embodied thought forms, into the Fourth Sphere of Conscious life. Again, a great diffusion of spiritual effulgence, a richer radiation through the atmosphere of the Sphere of Visitation . . . the Divine Ideas pulsate through the electronic substance and are absorbed by any receptive consciousness within the Fourth Sphere, to develop as it wills.

The Great Chohan of the Fourth Sphere is known as the Master Serapis Bey. The developed thought forms of the First and Second Spheres, endowed with life of the Holy Spirit in the Third Sphere, find their first point of contact with the individual consciousness of unascended beings in this Realm. The far greater majority of Divine Archetypes (Presences) dwell within this Fourth Realm. Here, the God Ideas, Patterns and Designs are received by these Christ Egoes, developed by Them through centuries of endeavor, and are projected by Them into the world of men through their own physical personalities or through advanced pupils functioning in lines of endeavor similar to those being developed and perfected with this Realm. Those Ideas not ensouled by Conscious Intelligence in the Fourth Realm pass onward, carried by the Seraphic and Cherubic Hosts and the escort of Honor from the Fourth Realm, into the consciousness of the waiting Beings of the Fifth Realm.

Within the Fifth Realm, the seed of the Father, particularly in connection with scientific discoveries, inventions and medical research, is scattered and received by the Receptive Consciousnesses of Those engaged in this endeavor in the Temples

of Science that are active within this Sphere, and from these Temples are directed into the minds and hearts of those selfless men and women who are working along these avenues of expression on earth. The Great Chohan of the Fifth Realm is known as the Master Hilarion. He was Saint Paul of Biblical days.

As the Fifth Sphere pulsates with the Essence of Godliness, we see that the blessings are no whit lessened, and that even as we watch, the glorious energies await transmission into the Sixth Sphere to widen their circle of manifest expression.

Within the Sixth Sphere, we find the causative centers of the Christian Religion, wherein devotional and emotional worship are the particular fount through which the spiritual energies are being released to bless the human race. Here, in the Highest Heaven of orthodox thought, dwell the great Celestial Choirs. From this beautiful Sphere flows the inspiration to those men and women who have responded to the "high calling" of religious leaders and who are "leading their sheep" to the best of their ability.

The Great Chohan of the Sixth Sphere is the Master Jesus, and through the beautiful Temple Services, both He and His Mother, Mary, bathe the Christian World, the Devas who guard and protect the beautiful churches erected in His Name, and all who have accepted the Christ, in the Spiritual Essence of Their Divine Christhood.

As the Cherubic and Seraphic Hosts make ready

to bring the blessings of the Father into the Seventh Realm, we realize that this is by natural destiny the periphery of the Kingdom and that the Third Dimensional World of today has sunk below this boundary line of safety.

It is to the Seventh Realm, and its Chohan, (my humble Self), that we must look for the first point of contact between the outer consciousness and the divine patterns of the Will of God and His Messengers. The Seventh Sphere holds within itself the etheric pattern of every manifestation of the God Plan which has been lowered rhythmically through the Six Preceding Spheres and which awaits expression in physical form. It is the first Sphere above the human octave of limitation and imperfection into which the soul ascends on its journey back to the Heart of God.

It is, therefore, the office and responsibility of the Chohan of the Seventh Ray to provide a way and means by which mankind may again unite its consciousness with the Inner Spheres, and become individual conductors of the Divine Perfection from these Spheres through the consciousness of the outer self.

The Ascended Masters have said repeatedly that this Realm is literally "bursting" with all the good things that have been handed down from one Sphere to another.

Because of the resistance and refusal of the outer consciousness of man to accept the Divine Plan of God, the Etheric Realm has not been able to pass on the blessings and glories that have descended from the Higher Spheres, and thus complete the outgoing rhythm of creative endeavor. Any member of the human family may offer his consciousness again to Me and ask that his individual self may be an outlet for the blessings and perfection contained within My Realm.

Every man, woman and child that lives on the earth today, or who will come here in the future, has a Divine Presence, a God Pattern, an Archetype, that dwells in one of the foregoing Seven Spheres. Each such incarnate lifestream is meant to be a radiating center of the spiritual force from the Inner Sphere where his Presence dwells. He must understand that his own Higher Self is actually living and serving life in one of these Spheres, developing certain God Designs picked up by His Higher Consciousness, which Designs await the receptivity of the outer mind in order to find expression in the world of form.

The present characteristics of the individual, no matter how poorly developed, are indicative of the Ray and Sphere to which he rightfully belongs, and as the individual purifies his own world he will raise the vibratory action of his Ray to its most powerful and perfect expression through his personal self, and also become a radiating center of the Spiritual Force from the Sphere in which His Presence dwells and which has a beneficent effect upon all life around him.

DIAGRAM OF THE SEVEN SPHERES

Natural Service	Rulers, executives	Teachers, students	Arbitrators, peace- makers	Artists, musicians	Doctors, inventors	Gold and Priests, ministers, Ruby healers	Diplomats, gentle- men, mystics
Color	Blue	Yellow	Pink	Crystal	Green	Gold and Ruby	Violet
Quality in Developed Man	Power and initiative	Wisdom, Mind Force	Love, Tolerance	Artistic Development	atheistic Scientific Development Green	Devotional Worship	Ordered service, cul- Violet ture, refinement, di- plomacy
Quality in Unde- veloped Man	Aggressive human will, Power and initiative domination	Intellectual arrogance, accretion of world knowledge	Human love, licentious- ness	Bohemianism, uncon- ventional behavior	Agnosticism, atheistic tendencies	Religious fanaticism, Devotional Worship zealous inclinations	Snobbery, prudishness
Master	El Morya	Kuthumi	Venetian	Serapis Bey	Hilarion	Jesus	St. Germain
Ray	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh

THE LAW OF THE CIRCLE

The Law of the Circle governs all manifest life, from the smallest molecule to the Godhead Itself. Every expression of life is endowed with a certain amount of energy, according to its needs and development, and is, therefore, given an opportunity for better living with each indrawn breath.

It may not be generally understood, however, by the majority of mankind that they, as self-conscious expressions of life, are held responsible by Cosmic Law for every particle of this precious energy drawn from the Heart of the Godhead, nor that this energy is charged, by Divine Edict, with absolute obedience to man's will and command. This is the highest expression of God's Love and Generosity to His children.

This Light Energy is the channel over which vibrations travel. The distance it covers depends upon the intensity with which it is projected, but both on its outward and homeward journey it obeys the Law of the Circle and, while it is absent from the aura of the individual who is responsible for its projection, it attracts to itself vibrations corresponding to its own rate, so that by the time it completes its circle and returns home it is accompanied by a goodly number of the same

quality of thought and feeling vibrations with which it started.

There is never a mix-up in the return of anyone's energy; each returning wave knows unerringly its own generator—the Cosmic Law is exact. The moment the returning energy touches the aura of its projector it settles down, as it were, and begins to germinate seeds which produce a harvest according to their nature. If the outgoing energy was harmonious and kindly, the return to the individual will be peace and plenty; if the thoughts sent out were of a discordant or harmful nature, then the harvest to the individual will be correspondingly bitter. Jesus made no idle statement when He said, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap."

The Law of Retribution; the Law of Cause and Effect and The Law of the Circle are synonymous and refer to the same aspect of the Cosmic Law. While it has worked unerringly in its consequences in the experiences of mankind, they have failed to learn through its effects that it would be far wiser and safer to live within the Law of Harmony until the Love element within has developed to a point where they want to abide by Love rather than the Law. Jesus said, "Moses brought you the Law—I bring you Love."

Under the New Dispensation, man's attention is again being turned to the Christ within his own heart. He is being told to raise his eyes to the perfection of his own Archhetype, made in God's image and likeness, and is being taught the power

of invocation by which he may call to his Eternal Father to restore to him his Eternal Divine Memory and to reveal to him "the Glory which he had with Him in the beginning, before the World was."

COSMIC CYCLES

Great Cosmic Events also move in these gigantic cycles or circles and the great Cycle governing the fourteen thousand year Dispensation of the Seven Rays must also come to a close in the joining or welding of the First and Seventh Rays.

This is why the Great Chohan of the First Ray, the Master Morya, and Myself, as Chohan of the Seventh Ray, with our respective chelas, are presently so closely allied in interest, purpose and endeavors.

This does not mean, however, that the other five Chohans with their chelas are not also vitally interested in the glorious activities coming into being now, which are characteristic of this Ray and the yet more magnificent ones that will be made manifest as we proceed into the full action of the New Day. As a matter of fact, one might call the Dispensation of the Seventh Ray the Cosmic Harvest, because it is really the gathering together or harvesting of the best endeavors of all the Rays since the cosmic cycle's inception. It could also be likened to the final act of a great Cosmic Opera when all the efforts of the musicians and artists are presented in one glorious final

symphony, with all the actors or participants on the stage.

Every individual who has taken embodiment within this great cycle has an integral and active part in the activities of the Seventh Ray, and whether they are ascended or unascended, will share in its ultimate glory.

Under the auspices of this Ray, therefore, an opportunity presents itself whereby every member of the race is invited at this time to "put his or her shoulder" to this Great Cosmic Wheel and thus speed the day of Its triumphant final endeavor.

During the coming two thousand year cycle, the earth will go through a period of unprecedented activity along every channel of physical and spiritual endeavor and every individual within its compass will be given an opportunity, in the light of the new instruction, to attain his mastery and thus harvest the fruits of his endeavors through his many centuries of embodied service under each one of the preceding Rays. Every individual belonging to the planet, regardless of the Ray to which he belongs, who did not attain his spiritual freedom up to this time, will be given an opportunity to reincarnate during this Seventh Ray Cycle; will be educated along true spiritual lines, and, through his knowledge of the Sacred Fire. will be able to consume "the tares sown by the enemy" (his lower self) and at the same time offer a bountiful harvest to his Lord.

It will be readily seen, therefore, that all of the Seven Chohans are vitally interested in the harvest of each individual under Their care and all Great Beings and Powers of Light Who are connected in any way with the evolution of the planet are joining Their forces under the auspices of the Great White Brotherhood in one Grand Endeavor to free the earth and her people from the dark forces that have threatened to engulf her. We only await man's answer now to the call.

The close of this Great Cosmic Ring will usher in a permanent Golden Age when the Gods and Angels and Men will walk together in peace and harmony and the earth will take her rightful place among the triumphant Stars in God's Firmament. Truly, the time is not far off before the fulfillment of the prophecy—

"Eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man the things God hath prepared for them that love Him."

will be made manifest before all men.

THE FIERY COSMIC FLAME OF FREEDOM

Mankind in general are not aware of the fact that while they have fallen from their Godly Estate, yet through the Gracious Love of the Eternal Father they have never been divested of their Creative Power. They do not realize that they, themselves, create every experience, both good and bad, that manifests in their worlds. Students of the New Day, however, while accepting this Truth, are not yet fully convinced in their feelings that they also possess the power to dissolve by means of the Consuming Flame, the unhappy experiences that make their daily lives so uncomfortable.

Man's Directive Intelligence is the authority over the energy of his lifestream. Energy is God's Life in action. It is the substance out of which every manifest and unmanifest creation is formed. It is the emanation from the Body or Consciousness of God and is charged by Divine Edict with unquestioning obedience to whatever mandate or command the will of man imposes upon it, whether the user is conscious or unconscious of the action.

While this pure life energy of God cannot be contaminated in its *pure essence* or inner light, it can be *clothed* with the quality of the conscious-

ness wielding it and thus it obediently assumes any form the generator wills, whether good or ill.

It is these dark garments clothing the pure electronic light that make up the shadows in our otherwise shining Star and it is the frightful shapes that the misqualified energy assume when it returns to his aura that makes man's sojourn on this planet such an unhappy one.

My Service to the earth as Chohan of the Seventh Ray is to teach men how to consume mistakes by the Consuming Flame of Freedom's Love and actively inspire them with a positive desire for a purer, cleaner, happier way of life. With this end in view I have stressed without ceasing the importance of the continual use or application of the Purifying and Consuming Aspect of the Sacred Fire and I do not exaggerate when I make the statement that no one uses this Cosmic Violet Fire of Freedom's Love sufficiently when it is remembered that the lifestream has re-embodied on the earth thousands and thousands of times in the long course of its evolution and has been misusing the energy of life almost continually during that long sojourn.

The Master Jesus made the statement that man is responsible for every "jot and tittle" of energy that he uses and even We, in the Ascended State, are held responsible and have to give an accounting to the Cosmic Law for every ounce of that precious life substance that we expend. Therefore, as Chohan of the Seventh Ray's Dispensations, I

am eternally grateful to the Eternal Father of All Life and Light, Who has provided man with the opportunity, through the use of the Consuming Flame of Freedom's Love, to wipe out all the centuries' accumulation of discord from his being and world; cleanse and purify his mind that there may not be a recurrence of the manifestations and so raise his outer consciousness to the place where he can join forces with his indwelling spirit and thus go forward quickly to his Eternal Freedom, even while he still walks the earth in human form.

HOMES AND RETREATS

It is the privilege of the individual who is sufficiently advanced along the Path of evolution to warrant his Ascension, to maintain a Home in any of the planets in which he has served life, and he may return to this Home at will in the performance of his duties.

Many of the Liberated Host still hold such a focal point on the planet earth, to which They very often return for one reason or another. This is generally a habitation that They have loved during Their bodily existence, and while it may be occupied presently by other earthly tenants, it does not prevent the Master from holding the etheric record of the place in his consciousness as it appeared in His day and His coming and going do not in the least disturb the current occupants, rather does this circumstance make of it a focus of Light and radiation in the location in which it is placed.

Some Masters sustain several Homes in this way. Besides My Home in Transylvania, I also maintain one in the Etheric City over the Sahara Desert, from whence came the pattern for goodly living that was established on the earth thousands of centuries ago when we all knew great perfection, peace, plenty and happiness and, most important of all, had a conscious, intelligent, unbroken connection with our own God-Self.

I very often return to the glorious peace of this perfect Home, from whence I enfold the earth and its people in the Divine Essence that is its natural atmosphere.

Should you care to tune in to the Celestial City where my Home is, you will find returning to you on the beam of your attention the peace and harmony that form a permanent part of its environment.

THE GREAT WHITE BROTHERHOOD

The Activities of The Great White Brotherhood are so diversified in their scope that it takes hundreds of free God-Beings to direct the various lines of force by which the progress of the race is ensured. At Shamballa you will see a steady stream of visitors passing to and from the Throne of the King, all of whom are engaged in widening the borders of God's Kingdom.

It would be an utter impossibility for one Ascended Master to completely govern and execute the diversified activities of the Mind and Heart of God, then how much less could one unascended being attempt to so concentrate the good that is planned for the progress of our Star (the earth) through the limited confines of a human consciousness. A moment's clear, unprejudiced thought will show the sanity of such a statement and the impossibility of such a service on the part of any one individual.

If one unascended being could possibly provide the way and means of raising a planet and some ten billion souls to the Christ Estate, do you not think that the Avatars who have lived and who have embodied all the Christ Power of the Godhead would have performed this service? Yet,

Buddha has come and gone—and even Jesus, leaving room for other lifestreams to offer the energies and talents of their individual worlds to this evolutionary scheme.

In Our Octave, the Great White Brotherhood was formed by Sanat Kumara in order to raise the consciousness of some of the children of this planet to a point where they might become Lords of the Flame and then engage their life energies in teaching other members of the race how to so emit their own self-generated light. It is the *nature* of God to allow His children the opportunity of becoming co-creators with Him. In fact, it is the very reason for which the worlds were formed and men and women sent forth to experiment with energy that they might have the joy of creation through their own self-conscious endeavors.

When an individual, or group of individuals, refuses to allow other lifestreams an opportunity to unfold, develop and assist in the Divine Plan, such channels are not expressing the generosity of the Godhead or the Great White Brotherhood, which is constantly endeavoring to secure the enrollment and cooperation of the Sons of Men.

BROTHERHOOD OF MAN

There are not many lifestreams who can comprehend the task of stirring a desire for Brotherhood in the hearts of the people, not to mention the far more difficult endeavor involved in the sacrifice of the outer self to the Cause. Down through the centuries, since mankind fell from his natural estate of spiritual perfection, one could almost count on the fingers of one hand the incarnate lifestreams who worked with intensity to turn the attention of the human race to its Divine Plan. Then, almost invariably, these dedicated spirits graduated from the wheel of birth and death through their own self-conscious endeavors, leaving the scene of earth's struggles to the remaining few who had seen their vision and endeavored to follow it.

All spiritual endeavors on the part of the "Shepherds" of the race are only as efficacious as the feeling of love within them. The sole purpose for rules and regulations in any endeavor is to assist the groping lifestreams up the ladder of evolution, but so often it is found that "the letter killeth" where the Spirit should give life.

The Masters of Wisdom always endeavor to inculcate the desire within the student of life to

comply with certain laws, for then the progress is joyous and fruitful, and this is the True Way to lead the "sheep" out of the cavernous shadows of human appearance into the light of God's awakening.

It is commendable to hold aloft a lighted taper that its comforting beam may illumine the dark and tortuous pathway that leads from the world of shadows into the Light, but when the "oil of the spirit" is poured into a "New Lamp," wise are they who fill their individual lamps at its source, lest the "wick" run dry in times of greatest need. Then, with what shall we light the way for the lesser Sons of Men? Many an individual stands with an empty lamp in the hour when its light is needed most; he has not then the sustenance (light) to guide those who look to him for the Way.

It is truly worthy of a Spirit Guardian to choose to remain with his people, but even We, of the Ascended Host who live in Harmony's Heart, visit often the Sun of our System to be replenished, that we may better serve.

SERVICE TO LIFE

In so far as service to life is concerned, the majority of people pursue a course set by their hearts and all are given the gift of free-will in this respect by Cosmic Law. However, it will be found that the more the consciousness of man opens itself to the Light of Truth, the nearer he will come to the comprehension of the mandates laid down by Those who have trod the Path to Liberation before him.

At the "Last Supper" the Master Jesus gave the world an object lesson in humility when He washed His disciples feet. Here we have an exemplification of the fact that "the greater always serves the lesser" and this nobility of service is strictly adhered to in the service of the Liberated Host of Light to a bounden and suffering humanity. In every realm outside of the Kingdom where there is special need for assistance or in moments of great emergency, there will always be found these selfless Sons and Daughters of God, serving their hapless brethren, unknown and unthanked.

Many of these Masters of Love serve life in the deep shadows of the astral plane, and often, with Their bare hands, strip the lifestreams whose karma compels them to dwell therein, of frightful-

appearing human creations accumulated through many centuries' misuse of God's pure life energy. Others serve in places of still deeper shadows where the light very rarely penetrates, striving to alleviate, through love and mercy, the karmic debt of suffering souls.

Those Selfless Servers are Emancipated Beings, many of Whom once walked the earth in garments of flesh, and Who, through adherence to the Cosmic Law of Life, self abnegation and service, won Their eternal freedom, yet, who, when the Gates of Heaven opened wide before their eyes, voluntarily turned from the Glory and Happiness which they had so well merited, to serve their suffering brothers in whatever realm their karma placed them.

In the case of the spiritually awakened man still in human form, the Mercy of Life offers him an opportunity to serve his fellowman in so far as his knowledge and capacity permit, while there is still unredeemed energy to be requited. This service is measured by Cosmic Law against his karmic debt and in this way it is permitted him to balance his debt to life in a few short years, which in the ordinary course of events would take many embodiments. Therefore, in his service to life under the Dispensation of the Seventh Ray, the individual who serves is actually the greatest beneficiary. As the Master Jesus said—"Greater Love than this no man hath, that he lay down his life for his friend."

COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR

Human consciousness is unpredictable; sometimes it strays off into paths of its own choosing through free will, but after many tortuous windings it eventually finds itself back again on the straight and safe Pathway that leads to Life Everlasting. The Channel of Truth also takes many unnecessary windings, but from the Cosmic Fount has ever flowed the Living Waters by which the spiritual natures of mankind have been nourished, and if one door closes itself to the Outpouring, the Water of Life must ever flow onward through such another channel as Life will provide. But, flow onward it must, impelled by the Love of God that seeks ever to reach and expand Himself through His Children, and impelled also by the magnetic pull of the souls of men whose desire for Understanding cannot be denied.

Have you not seen a rivulet dammed up by debris find for itself another course and make a new bed through which to pour itself toward its goal? This is the nature of life—birth and death—ebb and flow—inhalation and exhalation—and no human being can ever interfere with the natural flow of the rhythm of life.

The sun cannot limit its shining to one beam,

nor the Love of God to one human consciousness. The souls of men are the concern of the Masters of Wisdom—all men, brown and white and yellow, in all countries—because from the Flame in their hearts will come the illumination which will make this Dark Star a Flaming Sun of Freedom.

Through the expansion of their light the Great Sanat Kumara will be able to return to His Home on Venus after His centuries of exile on this planet where, unknown and unrecognized, except by the few, He has made up the balance of Light from His Own Heart which the Cosmic Law demands from any star or planet if it is to hold its place in the Solar System. Our earth has fallen far behind its quota since the Fall of Man to the present day and if it were not for the sacrifice of this Great and Mighty Friend in continually making up our deficit in the generation of Light, this planet would have been dissolved long ages ago.

Now, however, since a certain number of humanity have responded to our call for the expansion of more Light, we have hope that through our cooperative endeavors more and more of mankind will awaken to their responsibility in the release of more harmonious energy so that we may meet the quota of Light demanded by Cosmic Law and our Great Benefactor will be released from His self-imposed task of carrying our rightful obligations.

Both Venus and the earth are scheduled to pass through very severe initiations in the not too far distant future and it is imperative that Sanat Kumara be with His Planet as she passes through this crucial experience. It is also obvious that He would not abandon the task that he voluntarily took on Himself of standing with the earth and her people until she could meet the Cosmic Law's demands herself.

You will not wonder then, that the Sons of Heaven, being aware of this Cosmic condition, are making extraordinary efforts through Their combined energies to arouse mankind from the lethargic sleep of the senses to a point where they will recognize the serious position in which this planet, which is really their home, occupies at this Cosmic Moment, and understanding this, will add their full share of endeavor to the task of expanding their Light, which will not only release the Beloved Sanat Kumara, but will ensure the earth her rightful place in our system by reason of her Light, Her Cosmic Song and her contribution to the Melodies of the Spheres.

THE LAW OF FORGIVENESS

The question has frequently been asked what is the proper attitude to take when one becomes aware of a projection charged with anger, hate or other evil intent against oneself or perhaps another person who might not be conscious of the attack.

In cases of this kind, I have always thought that the most merciful and divinely intelligent proceeding is to immediately seize that energy mentally, surround it completely with the Cosmic Fiery Consuming Flame and thus cleanse and purify it before it can take the form of some destructive manifestation and start back on its return journey to its sender. I would then call to the Christ Self of the projector, asking It to illumine the consciousness so that it will see and revoke the error of its ways.

It is the unconsumed evil creations on the earth that, when they meet, create those great rip tides that spew forth destruction in the shape of tornadoes, earthquakes and all the other frightful manifestations the human consciousness is pleased to label "accidents."

It is an act of great merit to invoke the Fiery Consuming Flame to sweep into all vortices of evil and to seek out by means of Its Omniscient Consciousness the generators of that misqualified energy, consume all the motivating impulses back of them and transmute by the Power of Its Flame the evil appearances already created.

There is nothing gained by driving misqualified energy back into its creator, because by the very act of misqualification, the generator proves that he is ignorant of the Divine nature of all energy and is in dire need of the application of the Cosmic Fiery Flame of Love and Mercy rather than an intensification of the quality of evil which would be caused by the return of his own energy before the discord was consumed, with the added qualification, perhaps, of the witness's disapproval or resentment.

Persistent and consistent use of the Purifying and Consuming Fiery Flame of Freedom's Love will ultimately free the lifestream entirely from the accumulation of discord which makes the present Karma and limitation. It will also build an impregnable Wall of Light around the user, keeping out the discord that is continually floating in the atmosphere caused by the emanation of others. When perfect harmony is evident in the daily life of the individual, then it may be said that he has used the Merciful and Forgiving Power of God's Cleansing Flame enough.

Here, I would remind the students that the Creative Centers (thought and feeling) in the consciousness must be employed in moulding out of

the Universal Light the manifestations and substance they require to replace the appearance to be dissolved.

There is no substitute for the visualization of dynamic, positive thought and feeling forms that will externalize as good of every description. Generalities are not specific. When we choose to precipitate a dinner, for instance, every loaf of bread, every piece of fruit is designed within the consciousness. Our life is breathed into the Light Substance to form the design and not until then is it lowered into form. So must it be with everyone who chooses to enjoy the beautiful manifestations of the third dimensional plane.

Experiment with your creative faculties. I did this myself for years before I attained my complete emancipation from the limitation of the human consciousness. Choose a simple design and mould it out of the Light Substance. Then when you hold its manifest form in your hands you will have more confidence in the power of your own life energy to create and sustain your heart's desires within your own sphere of influence and in the attainment of your own individual governing power. Take the motto—"Know, dare, do and be silent." This makes for success.

HEALING THROUGH VISUALIZATION

We come now to an opportunity for every chela of the Masters to assist in the work of the New Day, the fullness of which has not yet dawned upon their outer consciousness. We, however, are deeply aware of the future service each student may render in the Cause of Freedom to the earth, and through the up-raised consciousness of the aspiring one we shall endeavor to assist in every possible way through counsel, radiation and application on his behalf.

The following little episode taken from my "memory book" may be of help to someone struggling with bodily handicaps, for it must be remembered that We, the Liberated Brothers, also walked the earth in the more or less distant past and wrestled with the limitations of human consciousness and personal karma, even as humanity is doing today.

Once, in a "long ago" embodiment, my travels took me through parts of Russia and Siberia where sanitation and hygiene were unknown commodities. One of my feet had become frostbitten and I had only a knotted rag to keep my flesh from the sharp, frozen ground. One night, as I lay groaning in a peasant's hut in close proximity to some pigs,

an odoriferous goat or two and some chattering human beings of little spiritual or intellectual comfort, the smoke from the flueless fireplace filling the room, adding to the general chaos and discomfort, my foot and leg assumed larger and more important proportions in my consciousness with each throb of blood through my veins.

I had been receiving certain instructions from a Master, whom I had visited in the flesh, and who was able, when necessity required, to project his thought and directions toward me. Suddenly, through my unhappy thought there passed a Ray which was like a Commanding Hand, silencing my human thinking. I realized He was trying to reach me and composed myself as best I could, emotionally. Then the familiar relaxation in my feelings told me He was near. He did not speak, but literally projected into my mind a picture of the most beautiful pair of feet I had ever seen, either with the inner or outer vision. Underneath the feet there seemed to be what looked like twin suns, one under each arch, that poured up in rays through them; the whole picture reminding me of the Action of God moving across the face of the earth-in His Name.

I became so interested in this vision that the room, the external environment—everything—faded away. Afterwards I realized that He was impressing the perfection of those feet into my mind, my feelings, and, through the visual sense, into the substance of my physical body, as well.

Finally, after what seemed hours of contemplation on just two feet, He spoke—"These are the feet which God endowed you with in the beginninguse them." With that His Ray withdrew and the vision vanished, but I was able to recall it at will and I began to superimpose those God feet over the poor manifestations which I had humanly created, until finally my physical feet began to express the perfection of that inner vision. In that embodiment I succeeded to a great extent in perfecting my feet until they represented what looked to me like a fair replica of those heavenly feet that I saw in my vision on that cold night in the peasant's hut. In later embodiments I was set to completing the task, and, would you believe itat the time of my Ascension, when My Presence was revealed to me in Its Fullness, the first thing I became aware of was the Feet—and then the rest of the Glorious Selft

According to the Cosmic Law this is backward, but it shows the tremendous impression that visualization makes on the consciousness, and, in turn, that consciousness makes on the flesh.

It is more difficult for an individual to "conjure" up a vision of the perfection of the Presence than it is to have the Master direct that perfect vision into the outer consciousness—but, if you will call on Me or any other Master, We will help you to hold a perfect picture of the Presence in your mind, and no matter what part of the body needs assistance, if you will see with your mind's eye that particular portion of your physical body transmuted into the perfect body of the Christ Self, you will have the same results that I had with my frostbitten feet. The whole secret of healing lies in the visualization, substituting the perfection of your own Christ-Self for the poor human manifestation. Try this both for yourself and others and let us rejoice together at the perfect result.

THE ANIMAL KINGDOM

The question has been asked many times—
"How about animals—what part, if any, have they
in the evolutionary scheme?" It has been said
that if they did not have a right to existence God
would not "have commanded Noah" to build the
ark and save as many as he could from the destruction of the Flood.

Perhaps the following explanation regarding the presence of animal life on the planet earth today and the responsibility vested in mankind to assist that life into its own natural beauty and perfection of expression will help in the solution of the vexing problem. . . .

Every form that is manifest in the third dimentional plane is an outpictured idea held in consciousness. Even physical beauty is merely externalized thought.

In the first Golden Ages when mankind chose to accept the responsibility of incarnation on the earth, the Angelic, Devic and Elemental Kingdoms preceded mankind in order to "prepare a place for them." These Angelic, Devic and Elemental Forms were beautiful in the extreme, out-picturing the God-Image of each one's own Archetype which was held in the mind and heart of God Himself.

Even the repellent octopus of today was once a lovely, golden miniature sun, its tentacles rays of iridescent light and the oyster and clam of today were once beautiful little fairy forms. These elementals were destined to journey with the mankind of earth, serving him, obedient to his every direction, throughout the long pilgrimage from eternity to eternity. There was no unpleasant or impure form on the earth before mankind came.

When the first group of Souls left the Sun, they, too, outpictured the glory of their own Electronic bodies and the physical garments they wore externalized the God-Image which they remembered clearly in their consciousness. This was a time of great beauty, great happiness and great peace. There was no veil between the Inner Presence and the outer mind, and, constantly dwelling on the perfection of their own Archetype or Presence, absorbing Its beauty with their physical sight, enjoying Its Presence with their feelings, the pliable substance of elemental life (of which their bodies were composed) obediently manifested that Divine Image in man, woman and child. Truly this era was aptly described as the Golden Age and the peoples' habitation "The Garden of Eden."

As time went on, man's attention wavered; he no longer directed the full power of his thought and feeling consciousness to the "blue print," the design of which he was to outpicture. The vision of the God Presence began to fade in his memory—the lines became blurred—the outline distorted—

as when one looks at his image through disturbed water. Then—because the consciousness no longer held the True Image—the projected form (which is no more than the film in the camera) took on a like distortion and the physical bodies of the people outpictured the cloudy concept of Divinity, which had filmed over, so to speak, the Immaculate Conception of their own Archetype.

In like manner, mankind began to impress the more innocent and childlike consciousness of the elemental forms, which absorbed the distorted pictures through their own sight, hearing and feeling senses (see the story of Jacob and the spotted cattle) and, being Obedience Incarnate, the elementals took on the characteristics and distortions of their masters (?). Thus, did the beginning of animal life on this planet take place—the innocent elementals, imprisoned in the forms suggested by man's thoughts and feelings and externalized by the degraded will of the human nature into which man had descended, outpictured the various forms of animal life on this planet.

Century after century passed and more and more of the concentrated qualities of mankind's lower nature became embodied in these innocent animal forms until you had the terrific beasts of the so-called "pre-historic" ages, such as the dinosaurs, etc. This was the darkest point in the earth's history. From then on, through the mercy of God, began the slow upward climb in the evolution of man, elemental and beast, toward civilization.

There is only one road up for all life and that is through love. Love is the primal essence and the development and final attainment of this quality in the individual consciousness are the only means by which any expression of life can be set free. Here and there lifestreams have been found who had generated the qualities of gentleness and love and thus the emancipation of even the elemental kingdom began. Nevertheless, mankind in general is held responsible by Cosmic Law for the degradation and downfall of the elemental and animal kingdoms, as they appear today, and before the blame for this blot on life can be lifted from the shoulders of mankind, some members of the race must be found with enough justice and charity in their hearts, coupled with balance and understanding, who are willing to love this life free.

Great men and women, as, for instance, Our Brother Kuthumi, in His embodiment as Saint Francis of Assisi, have loved hundreds of thousands of these imprisoned Friends free through raising their consciousness and natures by both love and association, until they were never again required to incarnate in forms less than their divinely natural estate. Some lifestreams are naturally suited to this service. Some have volunteered at inner levels to assist these kingdoms because of particular indebtedness to their members through past activities of one kind or another. This does not mean that people should fly off at a tangent and generate undue sentiment regarding these creatures, but

rather hold a steady, balanced, middle course, aspiring to the "harmlessness of the Holy Spirit" in their relation to all life expressions, calling on the Law of Forgiveness for man's selfishness and ignorance, and through their knowledge of the Sacred Love of the Sacred Fire, bathing the planet with its teeming life expressions in the Cosmic Fiery Consuming Flame of Freedom's Love, thereby helping to raise this innocent life into its former state of freedom.

In certain Esoteric Orders there have been stipulations prohibiting the presence of animals in the environment of its students. There were several reasons for this, one being that the neophyte was expected to devote his entire attention to his spiritual search, therefore his association with any form of life, even that of his own kind, was absolutely forbidden during his novitiate.

Many people, therefore, prefer to eliminate as much as possible any presence, human or animal, which might adversely affect their own auras; failing to take into consideration the fact that the strength within their sphere of influence might be the "leaven in the loaf" of the lesser intelligence. However, this is a decision that each free-will acting individual must make for himself, but it would be well for the student to hold in mind that the ultimate achievement of the lifestream is the attainment of Perfect Love, therefore the more tolerance and patience he will cultivate toward the innocent expressions that are also strug-

gling up the ladder of evolution, the sooner will he find himself in the Heart of God where ALL life is one.

The presence on earth of any form which is expressing less than perfection should not only be a reproach to man for his remissness in the past, but an appeal from the imprisoned life within those forms which interpreted by the merciful, reads—

"Love Thou Me Free."