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LETTING IN THE LIGHT

Many decades ago, in the difficulties of the World War years, an eminent spiritual Teacher urged all those who were learning to serve the human family to act with *steadfastness*, *service* and *sacrifice*. And, although the world is not at war today, at least not physically in the same sense, these words seem equally appropriate in the tumultuous times that we live. Most would agree that it requires sacrifice to stand steady in a spirit of love and not become indifferent to the injustices and deepening crises in the world. In response to the pressing needs and challenges confronting humanity, a number of thinking people of goodwill are learning to serve rhythmically with the ebb and flow of spiritual energy.

Many of you are familiar with the pattern of the yearly spiritual cycle. Each month, at the time of the full moon, divine energies are available for planetary and human transformation. During these periods, there is an unimpeded alignment or path between the sun and our planet. And, in particular, at the time of the full moons of *Aries* (Festival of Easter), *Taurus* (Festival of Wesak) and *Gemini* (Festival of Goodwill), there exists a special opportunity to co-operate. Collectively, these three spiritual Festivals constitute a “unified spiritual approach of humanity” to work at a deeper level so that the light can shine in a *dark place*.

The inflow of light into the human kingdom is not only revealing the good, the beautiful and the true, but also defining the inadequacies in human society. It seems that all the conventional pillars of the world order are in a perilous state, whether it is in religion, economics and finance, law and order, science, or governance. All these models appear to be failing the human family in some way or another. It is as if the new, incoming energies require new forms to work through, as the old structures become inadequate to clearly reflect the higher vision. No doubt, in the coming decades, visionary and intuitive minds will more clearly formulate and hold before the gaze of humanity the archetypal pattern through which the new world order can emerge.

In the face of the unprecedented global challenges, one of the great services we can offer is to stand with steadfastness in the radiance of the group work and so allow the clear light of the Triangles Network to irradiate human living. The Network, created and vitalised by selfless human thought over many decades, acts as a planetary interface. And it is through this lighted portal that the higher impressions embodying spiritual ideas can inspire thinking to rebuild the shrine of human living. Piercing light is disturbing age-old traditions, and nothing ultimately can arrest progress.

KNOW THYSELF

The timeless Delphic injunction: *Know thyself*, is considered by some to be an inspired utterance intended, through the Law of Analogy, or Correspondences, to help the seeker after truth arrive at an understanding of cosmic principles.

Through formal meditation or deep reflective thought the thinker is able to penetrate the mask of the threefold form comprising the physical body, the emotional body and the concrete mind. When this mask is drawn aside the true spiritual Self is revealed. Through the illumined mind man is able to reflect on the Law of Analogy or Correspondences that states that the functions, structure and characteristics of a human being have similarities to the solar system and the cosmos. To know the higher Self is no easy task – it involves a long process of strain, struggle and crisis for the individual and also for humanity as a whole. Knowledge is never complete; it is ever unfinished business. The law of Analogy gives indications but not precise directions towards that greater truth which always lies ahead of the thinker. And of overriding importance is that humanity must gain knowledge not for its own sake, but for release in service of the greater good.

Viewing the microcosm, it is clear that the well-adjusted individual, who is in sound health in both body and mind, has a working system where the many parts and organisms function in a unified manner with the molecules, cells and atoms serving the greater whole. Also, according to science, the billions of cells in the human body work entirely through electromagnetism.¹ Interestingly, in this connection the occult law “as above, so below” holds good, for the Ageless Wisdom teachings confirm that “Everything in Nature is electrical in nature; life itself is electricity...”²; now some scientists, through their own observations, are approaching this esoteric truth.

On a wider scale, the observer of the night sky sees, on a dark night in the countryside with the naked eye, some of the planets of our solar system and vast numbers of stars – points of lights that we know are suns similar to ours. Through observation of the vast vault of heaven the majesty of the Milky

Way and the intricate patterns of the constellations can be seen with the physical eyes and, subjectively, intuitive observers may imagine that everything is connected and interrelated.

Furthermore, scientific observations, with the aid of powerful telescopes, confirm that there are billions of stars in our galaxy – the Milky Way; and there are billions of galaxies in the Universe. The mind can hardly take in this amazing picture but we have been considerably assisted by wonderful images from the Hubble telescope.

Thus the knowing Observer is beginning to understand that all of the parts make up the greater whole whether in the individual or the universe. This Observer may also intuitively sense that the pattern of the universe is a blueprint for integration in the human kingdom – in families, communities, nations and in the international community. It is possible to imagine that the basic pattern in the evolutionary process is relationship – a goal to be achieved through struggle, crisis and tension.

The global network of Triangles which is built by the power of thought and invocation uplifts human consciousness and transforms the mental and spiritual climate of the planet. The network is helping to transform the magnetic field surrounding the physical world of humanity – the energy body of the planet which is being transformed from a pattern of squares – the fourfold forces of the personality to the three energies of the soul. This mental and spiritual transformation will end the rule of the square and transform the etheric body of the planet. Because “the etheric body is the archetype upon which the dense physical form is built, whether it is the form of a solar system, or of a human body in any one incarnation”³, transformation of this body will help to anchor the divine archetype here on earth leading to right human relations and the spread of goodwill and understanding among all peoples.

¹ Almost Everyone’s guide to Science by John Gribben, p.132

² Esoteric Healing, p. 377, Alice Bailey

³ A Treatise on Cosmic Fire, pp. 81-2, Alice Bailey

THE PLANETARY NETWORK

The planetary network of light, love and service is transforming the mental climate of the planet, reorientating humanity to spiritual attitudes and values. The groups and activities reported in the Bulletin reflect different aspects of the network.

African Goodwill Network

In this age of global communications, the plight of many people in Africa is apparent for all of us to see. So, it is a joy for us to bring news of a positive spiritual initiative in South Africa that we recently heard about.

The *African Goodwill Network* aims to serve humanity in general, and the continent of Africa in particular. The Network invites men and women of Africa:

- who believe in the potential for good in every human being;
- who believe that right relationship between peoples and nations, between humankind and the earth are the key to world peace and progress;
- who accept responsibility for establishing right relations and who will work daily to establish unity and goodwill in the world;

– to join in our effort in meeting the need of the day by creating right human relationships with each other and with the earth.

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The Parallel Community

The Parallel Community describes itself as a “linking network and a platform where people can express and develop their positive contribution for change”. Underpinning its ethos is a “collective responsibility to care for and have compassion for all life and the earth we live on – this is our starting point”.

The Community started in the southwest of Britain and its mission is to “set in motion a parallel community of souls around the world.... dedicated to making things easier for people who are active in bringing new light, new ways of thinking and new initiatives into the world, to take practical, positive steps towards their goal. We are creating a platform where people may help, teach, inform, learn from and assist each other, wherever they are, in doing their chosen work”.

Amongst its aims are:

- to inaugurate a ‘parallel community’ programme with which people who are concerned about current global thinking on economic and political matters can identify, and through which they can make their own positive contribution towards solutions.
- to re-establish our natural rapport with all other beings on the planet and in the cosmos.
- to acknowledge our collective responsibility to care for, have compassion for, and love our fellow humans, recognising that while we have amongst us a plethora of belief systems, we must respect these differences and move beyond them.
- to understand that as many hundreds of thousands of people in discussion in small groups feel exactly as we do, and while at the moment there is no effective platform to express our collective distress, we must make use of modern technology to bring our aims to the notice of all such people so that we can perhaps combine to make our voices heard.
- to use the massive energy available in human minds to make a difference to our future.

In the words of the Parallel Community: “the future will be guided by determined groups of people getting together and using their innate talents in smaller, real communities to create lifestyles suitable for their native cultures, natural assets and spiritual needs”.

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THREE SPIRITUAL FESTIVALS

There are three major spiritual Festivals which form the high point in the annual cycle – **the Festival of Easter, the Festival of Wesak, and the Festival of Goodwill.** Through the steady, persistent meditation work of many individuals and groups in all parts of the world, these Festivals are now achieving a subjective anchorage in the consciousness of the human family.

In the future all people of spiritual inclination will keep the same holy days. This will bring about a pooling of spiritual resources and a united spiritual effort, plus a simultaneous invocation. The potency of this will be apparent. The three major Festivals each year are concentrated in three consecutive months and lead to a prolonged annual spiritual effort which affects the remainder of the year. These are:

The Festival of Easter: This is the Festival of the risen living Christ, the teacher of humanity and the head of the spiritual Hierarchy. He is the expression of the love of God. On this day the spiritual Hierarchy, which he guides and directs, is recognised and the nature of God's love is emphasised.

The Festival of Wesak: This is the Festival of the Buddha, the spiritual intermediary between the highest spiritual centre, Shamballa, and the Hierarchy. The Buddha is the expression of the wisdom of God, the embodiment of light and the indicator of divine purpose.

The Festival of Goodwill: This is the Festival of

the spirit of humanity aspiring towards God, seeking conformity with the will of God and dedicated to the expression of right human relations. On this Festival for two thousand years the Christ has represented humanity and has stood before the Hierarchy and in the sight of Shamballa as the God-man, the leader of his people and “the eldest in a great family of brothers” (Romans VIII: 29). Each year at this time he has preached the last sermon of the Buddha before the assembled Hierarchy. This is, therefore, a Festival of deep invocation and appeal, of a basic aspiration towards fellowship, of human and spiritual unity; it represents the effect in human consciousness of the work of the Buddha and of the Christ. This Festival is also observed as **World Invocation Day.**

Although they are not yet sufficiently related to each other, these three Festivals are a part of the unified spiritual approach of humanity. The time is coming when all three Festivals will be kept throughout the world and by their means a great spiritual unity will be achieved and the effects of the Great Approach, so close to us at this time, will be stabilised by the united invocation of humanity throughout the planet.

(Adapted from the **Three Spiritual Festivals** pamphlet)

2009:

Easter Festival: 9 April

Wesak Festival: 8 May

Christ's Festival/World Invocation Day: 7 June

Triangles is a world service activity in which people link in thought in groups of three to create a planetary network of triangles of light and goodwill. Using a world prayer, the Great Invocation, they invoke light and love as a service to humanity. Further information is available on request from Triangles.

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