

Capricorn Full Moon Gathering in the Festival Week of the New Group of World Servers

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A Bridge of Souls and Servers

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Good evening friends. Our task this evening is to further raise the work we have been engaged in throughout this festival week of the new group of world servers, and to stand together as part of the bridge of souls and servers that stretches between the human kingdom and the spiritual Hierarchy. Our aim is to keep the bridge strongly magnetised through focused meditation so that divine ideas can pass along it and into human consciousness. The full moon signifies the optimum time for the reception of spiritual inspiration, a time when the bridge is fully charged and brimming with life. Each of us now plays our part in an electrically charged chain of being, sensitive to impression and inspiration from above and passing it on to help below.

This reception and transmission of light and energy is the essential work of the new group of world servers. They are an integrating group of mystics and knowers belonging to all groups and yet knowing no barriers; they are a synthesising link between enlightened men and women everywhere in the world, of all faiths and in all walks of life, ever laying the emphasis upon subjective relations and united service. These are words easily used but of prime importance; they emphasise the enhanced responsibility of group relationship – of exceptional love, understanding and right action.

There is an important difference between a person of goodwill who loves, understands and serves others to one who in addition, works within the ambit of a subjective group. This relationship forms a new type of training ground whereby the group or soul intention is uppermost and the orientation towards higher impression for the solving of problems of humanity becomes a fixed orientation in consciousness. The person of goodwill progresses from outer actions of service to understanding the nature of esoteric service and the value of building the bridge of consciousness to the inner realms to facilitate the flow of inspiration from the Real to the Unreal. It is with this great Approach in mind that we conduct our group service at the full moon with complete self-forgetfulness, harmlessness and right speech.

Serving upon the “plains of Earth” is a creative enterprise that the energies of Capricorn supplement in powerful ways. This sign is a driving force that carries “the will of Shamballa to the Hierarchy or to the world initiates, giving to Them that dynamic and enterprising spirit which will enable Them to carry forward to completion the Will of God on Earth.” The deep purpose behind the energy of this sign is apparent and we are reminded further that it was the “angel, born under Capricorn” which came to Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane and fused His individual will into the divine Will and thus enabled Him to carry out His mission to completion. This was not only the revelation of divine love to the world but—as the legend in the Masters' Archives goes on—He came “to fabricate the gossamer thread which bound the two together and linked the place of the Most High (Shamballa) with

the Holy City (The Hierarchy). The bridge between the Holy Place and the Holy of Holies was securely anchored. The will of God could now be carried to fruition."

This provides us with further insight into the Great Service which Christ rendered, facilitated by the weaving of the angel from Capricorn between the Centre of Love and the Centre of Will. Now the Christ's group, the new group of world servers and all people of goodwill are strengthening the connecting bridge from the bottom up, using the ray of creative intelligence which governs both the personality and soul of the disciple in Capricorn, to serve the Plan and humanity. Let us pause at this stage to say together the mantram of the new group of world servers :

*May the Power of the One Life pour through the group of all true servers
May the Love of the One Soul characterise the lives
of all who seek to aid the Great Ones
May I fulfil my part in the One Work
Through self forgetfulness, harmlessness and right speech.
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Capricorn's planetary ruler, both orthodox and esoteric, is Saturn - the transmitter of the third ray of intelligent activity. The key words describing the lower effect of Capricorn on the individual are: 'And the Word said: Let ambition rule and let the door stand wide'. Across the bridge souls descend to earth to fulfil ambition and gratify the senses, learning valuable lessons in the process. At a certain point, saturation occurs and nothing is left to entice and hold the soul a prisoner of the planet. However, accumulated karma has to be paid off to loosen the bonds with the earth and this is aided by Saturn whose influence assists the paying off of this debt and propels the persistent and hardy goat towards the mountaintop where Light and new vision awaits.

In *Esoteric Astrology*, we read that the energies of Capricorn are augmented "by the pouring in of forces from a still greater constellation which is—to our zodiac—what the zodiac is to the earth...From certain angles, the circle of twelve signs or constellations constitutes a special unity which revolves within our universe of heavens as our planet revolves in the centre of our circle of influences...Groups on earth can avail themselves of the tide of Capricornian influences which flow into our radius of registration every seven years." When this coincides with the period of the full moon as it does this this time round, the opportunity is highly significant and special preparation should be made for working with the energies that become available.

Capricorn is truly a gateway to a new state of consciousness and perhaps another reason why the festival week of the new group of world servers is celebrated at this time. In this sign we realise the truth that "the great theme of Light underlies our entire planetary purpose" and at the centre of every atom of substance, dwells a point of divine life or light. At the time of the transfiguration, or third initiation, the initiate is finally released from the influence of Saturn, the Lord of Karma, and comes under the influence of Venus. At this point, "the interlocking forces of all the twelve constellations... pour into and through all the kingdoms in nature, carrying with them, not only their own individual potencies but also

those of the seven rays, focussed through the sacred and non-sacred planets—the discovered and undiscovered planetary Lives. It has been occultly said that a vision of these powers and their many weaving lines (seen as rivers and streams of light) is given to the initiate from the mountain top of Capricorn, once that summit has been reached. It is at the Transfiguration initiation that this vision appears before the eyes of the astounded disciple. The great experiences upon the various mountain tops as related in the Bible have all to do with Capricorn.”

Capricorn is, then, the sign of initiation, and initiation itself embodies a recognition of the end of a cycle of happenings, a prevision as to an unfolding yet imminent cycle as well as an acceptance or recognition of initiation occurring in the present. This ability to include past, present and future is described as the “consummation of all vision and visions” for the initiate and ends karma as we understand it as he no longer needs vision as an incentive for his progress. For humanity however, vision is much needed to draw the eyes inward and upward, to cross the bridge of consciousness and to reveal a wonderful destiny of endless progression into meaning and purpose. Humanity needs vision to tackle the huge and complex problems that have manifested in the world - to draw forth with the assistance of the new group of world servers, new combinations and experimental ideas to meet these challenges. In this process the great law of cause and effect must be clearly identified and understood. This law governs substance, is innate in matter and underlies all manifestation. Once it has been mastered it is possible to wield this Law rather than be subjected to it and when this occurs the mystical vision which has been followed up to this point changes into one of predetermined choice and planned activity.

In this connection it is heartening to see so many groups around the world in touch with emerging ideas and occupied with programmes of goodwill and service. As this continues and the Law of Group Progress takes effect, we can expect the steady appearance, gradually and cautious applied, of the energy of Shamballa, which corresponds to the presence of the monad at the third initiation, the transfiguration. Some time ago the Tibetan noted that “Today, so many members of the human family — in incarnation or out of incarnation — have taken the first two initiations that the attention of Shamballa is being increasingly turned to humanity, via the Hierarchy, whilst simultaneously... [thought is] being turned to the Plan, to the use of the will in direction and guidance, and to the nature of dynamic force...” The incoming seventh ray which is so effective on the physical-etheric planes forms a direct line along which this first ray energy can travel and here again is another reason for its appearance at this time, because, in the releasing of the life into the new and improved forms, the old ways of living, of culture and of civilisation have to be destroyed or modified. This is a clear description of what is happening today and the building, balancing forces of the new group of world servers, acting as a world saviour, are bridging between that which must now be left behind and that which governs initiation into new areas of understanding and expansion.

The new groups appearing everywhere all over the world are revealing and interpreting a new vision, a new way of creative living and service. The groups upon the outer plane, with their diversity of names and stated aims, are beginning to evidence signs of

a living organism as they adapt and modify their work and vision into a wider perspective of being within a greater whole – aware of the connectedness of all things. These living organisms are continually using the bridge of consciousness that stretches between the inner and outer planes through the invocative power of their lives. In fact, it is the process of invocation and evocation that creates and sustains this bridge as a stream of inter-communicating energy between two great kingdoms.

Therefore, one of the most important things we can do is to keep invoking the energy of the fifth kingdom of nature into our lives by having a clear spiritual goal and by burning away all the dross which obscures and veils our view of it. To do this we have to practise the art of relinquishment wholeheartedly so that spiritual quality replaces form as the main focus of our attention. As every manifesting form is destined for change and transmutation anyway, it is both futile and painful to identify with it. Spiritual quality is the true constant in life that never dies, for it is the Christ force and only grows more beautiful and profound as the heart is steadily opened up to it. When we willingly acquiesce and lift our consciousness to the Christ, we find we are constantly charged with creative power and we can move with freedom, creatively weaving in and out of the life wave, in order to manifest aspects of the Plan as part of the new group of world servers.

In this noisy, restless world, we have to learn how to take time to be alone with the still quiet voice within rather than constantly running away from ourselves and hiding in the distractions and non-essential activities of life. As we live a purposeful and pure life, energy is not wasted and if we had sight on the subjective side of life, we would see that we are forming geometrical patterns and rhythms of energy that evoke higher, spiritual potencies. Using an analogy of a stringed instrument, living the invocative life in this way keeps the strings of consciousness tuned and responsive to the touch of the master musician – the soul.

The habitual use of the Great Invocation is a way of keeping attuned to the sound of the Coming One. It also keeps us in alignment with “the centre where the will of God is known – ‘Shamballa’” – touching a chord deep within our psyche that resounds to the divine chorus and grants us the power to keep serving with strength and fortitude. Enunciating the Great Invocation “As If” it is issuing forth from deep within our soul sees us take our stand in the chorus of souls that we call the spiritual Hierarchy, ensuring a direct and continuous inflow of the Will nature to restore the Plan on earth. The more we can attain a degree of group consciousness to sound the Great Invocation in this way, the more the note of humanity will synchronise with the note of the Hierarchy and we are assured that there will come a dynamic and immediate response from Shamballa. The interplay of this demand-response pattern has the capacity to become one of the greatest liberating forces for humanity.

For us to have been entrusted with the use of this Invocation to bring forth the Will-to-Love is the greatest of privileges. It bestows tremendous responsibility on all of us who recognise its authenticity as a mantram ordained by the Christ and the Hierarchy. Through its correct use, and the use of other mantrams such as the 5 o’clock link up with the new group of world servers each day, we can rise to meet the challenge of subjectively presenting to humanity a fresh vision “of a compelling and conditioning nature”. If a world-wide group

can stand together with one united invocative spirit in this way, results are inevitable as the law of invocation and evocation is simple – that which is evoked always responds and in proportion to the power of the invocation made.

Ironically, it is partially as a result of the invocatory power of the new group of world servers that we live in such unsettling times as the new incoming ideas clash with the old habitual patterns of world thought. But this shaking up of humanity is allowing the dross to fall away. It is causing humanity to rethink, re-evaluate and recreate an approach to life along sounder and truer lines. And so the new group of world servers in every field of human endeavour are “the hope of the world”. They are a living bridge of light between the unmanifest and the manifest. Thanks to the illumined and interpreting eye of the new group of world servers, coupled with the instant communication systems of today, the choices before us are clear. The door of initiation into freedom and brotherhood stands before a world weary humanity, and as spiritual aspiration and a desire for liberation becomes an impelling impulse, the moment will finally arrive when a true sense of reality dawns.

So let us now align ourselves with the higher planetary centres and meditate together to keep the bridge of souls and servers vitalised, and then enunciate the Great Word of Power – the Great Invocation, the Christ’s own mantram, with a united dynamic intention to restore the Plan on Earth. The keynote of the disciple in Capricorn is: *Lost am I in light supernal, yet on that light I turn my back.*