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THE SCIENCE OF SERVICE

There have always been those few enlightened souls who have lived exemplary lives of service, shone a light in a dark world, and shouldered their responsibility in lifting humanity closer to God. Increasingly, year by year, this recognition of responsibility towards our fellow human beings and to the little lives that embody the three lower kingdoms waxes stronger in the unfolding spiritual life of the human family. Service has been beautifully described as a “spontaneous outpouring of a loving heart”. There are today a growing number of people who look above, and serve below. They have developed a heart that resonates to the rightful needs of humanity, and a mind that is alive and awake to the spiritual realities. More and more human beings are finding that the world of the soul is their realm of inspiration, where they draw their spiritual sustenance and direction, and the arena of human life is their sphere of service and influence.

All who serve in the Triangles work are participating in a relatively new planetary service initiative, yet one that has been firmly anchored in human consciousness since 1937. Today, many thousands around the world are drawn to serve in this way and to help prepare human consciousness for the Aquarian values and principles that will characterise the next two thousand years or so. A few minutes spent each day in consecrated thought is helping turn the focus of human thinking to the light, to those higher truths that hover on the periphery of human consciousness and await condensation and emergence into the outer world of form. These truths are the new models that embody the principle of sharing and co-operation, and that will anchor the progressive paradigms in governance, economics and education in the coming centuries.

As we move into the Aquarian age, the science of service will become of increasing significance, study and practice. The methodology, the underlying impetus, and the ability to work more closely with the cyclical ebb and flow of life, presenting as they do periods of ‘apparent’ inactivity and periods of opportunity will be studied more closely. This rationale and approach will swing the ‘auras’ of Hierarchy and Humanity into ever closer contact and alignment, so that these two major planetary centres will work in closer accord and collaboration.

In the rhythmic movement of the sun through the celestial spheres, great and conditioning energies emanating from extra-planetary sources eternally influence human living. In the sun’s passage from Pisces to Aquarius, new patterns of thought are emerging. And, as humanity becomes more sensitive to the “steadily imposing will of that great Life who informs the constellation Aquarius”, in like measure the science of service will take on added significance. These incremental shifts in consciousness will eventually reveal the noble purpose of the human family to serve the greater good for all eternity.

REFLECTIONS ON SERVICE

You will all awaken some day to the realisation that the Science of Service is of greater importance than the Science of Meditation, because it is the effort and the strenuous activity of the serving disciple which evokes the soul powers, makes meditation an essential requirement and is the mode which brings about the intensification of the spiritual life.

Alice Bailey (adapted)

Everybody can be great... because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.

Martin Luther King Jr.

There is no higher religion than human service. To work for the common good is the greatest creed.

Woodrow Wilson

We have expressed our belief that one of the major sciences of the coming age will be built up around the active rendering of service. We have used the word "Science" because service, as a spiritual quality, will rapidly be recognised as the phenomenal expression of an inner reality, and along the line of a right understanding of service will come much revelation as to the nature of the soul. Service is a method of producing phenomenal outer and tangible results upon the physical plane; I call your attention to this as an evidence of its creative quality. By right of this creative quality, service will eventually be regarded as a world science. It is a creative urge, a creative impulse, a creative momentous energy. This creativity of service has already been vaguely recognized in the world of human affairs under varying names, such as the science of vocational training. Recognition of the impetus coming from a right understanding of social relations and their study is not lacking. Much is

also being studied along this same line in connection with criminology and the right handling of the youth of any nation and national group.

Service is, par excellence, the technique of correct group relations, whether it be the right guidance of an anti-social child in a family, the wise assimilation of a trouble-maker in a group, the handling of anti-social groups in our big cities, the correct technique to be employed in child guidance in our educational centres or the relation between the religious and political parties, or between nation and nation. All of this is part of the new and growing Science of Service. The imposition of this soul law will eventually bring light into a distracted world, and release human energies in right directions. It is not here possible to do more than indicate this briefly. The theme is too large, for it includes the awakening of the spiritual consciousness with its responsibilities, and the welding of the individual into an awakened group; it involves the imposition also of a newer and a higher rhythm upon world affairs. This constitutes, therefore, a definitely scientific endeavor and warrants the attention of the best minds. It should also eventually call forth the consecrated effort of the world disciples.

Alice Bailey

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

Rabindranath Tagore

I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.

Albert Schweitzer

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.

Foundation for International Collaboration

The Foundation for International Collaboration is a new initiative in the UK whose mission is developing human potential; peace and reconciliation; justice; and leadership. The Foundation explains: “If we, as individuals, change the way we think and collaborate to a common positive goal, we can achieve exciting things, addressing today’s world challenges. We strongly believe that through collaboration we can achieve far more than if we act as individuals – to quote the old adage: the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.”

The Foundation believes that positive developments can only be achieved if individuals are motivated to make a positive change in their own lives and in the greater whole. The Foundation aims to bring individuals and organisations together in order to map out a more positive future for all.

Using their connections with governments, the Foundation will act as a clearing house for skills and resources, working with individuals, delivery agencies and funders. The group comments: “We are building a pool of skilled people, experiences, knowledge and abilities to help address challenges in the most effective way.”

The Foundation has organised several events in 2014 to publicise its work.

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Godspeed Institute for Spiritual Learning

The Godspeed Institute was founded in 2001. The Institute is dedicated to promoting spiritual life skills and religious tolerance.

Its purpose is to communicate and educate about all the world’s spiritual and religious paths to meaning and connection; to provide sanctuary for the spiritual heritage of humanity; to promote the necessity of spiritual values, principles, ideas and practices in all affairs; to help all people find peace, joy and real prosperity through spiritual principles and practices; to promote and foster religious tolerance and celebration of all faiths; and to create opportunities that encourage humanity toward balance of mind, body, spirit and heart.

Each week the Institute hosts a Radio Program which explores the world’s religious and spiritual traditions as an ‘on-air classroom’ to help people understand each other and to promote tolerance and foster peace. Recent programs have included interviews with Gloria Crook who founded The School of Ageless Wisdom in the USA, William Bloom, a well known author and educator in modern spirituality, and Tim Boyd, president of the Theosophical Society in America.

The Institute explains: “We celebrate and educate, sharing the wealth of our diverse spiritual heritage as a source of knowledge, a path leading toward tolerance, and a way for all people to learn about and strengthen spiritual life skills.”

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SHARING GROUP THOUGHT

Every year we are pleased to feature in the Bulletin a selection of thoughts on Triangles that we receive from co-workers around the world. We hope, too, that you will be encouraged to share your insights with the worldwide group. You can send your papers by post or email to headquarters or submit online at: www.triangles.org.

While there is much beauty and symbolism in the work we do as Triangles participants, it is the Purpose of bridging and building an energized network of mental and spiritual unity that is so urgently needed. Humanity very much needs this work to sow the seeds of unity – visualizing lighted Triangles in bridging cleavages among Humanity and building connections of pure energy to better balance spiritual energy and redeem the material emphasis of our planet. Thanks to all who assist in restoring the spiritual balance. The need is great and the hour is now. All who invoke Light, Love, and Will-to-Good on behalf of mankind in both our meditations and our daily thoughts are serving at the highest causal level.

USA

Thinking about how the work of Triangles is serving humanity the following three areas stand out: 1). Purification of the planetary aura leading to the relief and gradual eradication of world pain. 2). Anchoring the meaning of the Great Invocation into planetary consciousness of which we are all

connected. 3). Strengthening the planetary antahkarana – the bridge of light, consciousness and love, ensuring the reappearance of the Christ.

UK

The role of Triangles makes me aware – every day – that we are world servers. The world starts close by – at home and at work, with friends and with those I meet. Gradually, in these contacts, I find the purpose for humanity as a whole, that we all have the same need and capacity for freedom and love.

France

Over the aeons, the Triangle has always been symbolic. The Holy Trinity is a solid spiritual foundation.

Triangles is a generator of energy, a reservoir of light. Surely the network of light will continue transforming the planet and bring about a better abode for us all.

Nigeria

Divine energies pass through the network of Triangles, like our sun shines on the earth through the atmosphere. The network is the atmosphere, which protects and supports our inner nature on earth; it disperses spiritual energies enabling all peoples to contact these energies for constructive use. The brighter the network the better the atmosphere.

Moldova

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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