



THE LIVING CHRIST, THE KINGDOM OF SOULS

The whole story of humanity is a graded series of divine revelations which lead to expansions of consciousness and evolutionary progress. In order for this process of revelation to occur, divinity requires an intermediary, an agency through which it can both act and be known. Such a body exists, and its members are known by many names – Agents of Divinity, Divine Messengers, the Kingdom of God and the Spiritual Hierarchy of our planet. They are a great redeeming group of liberated beings, and evidence of their existence, and their interaction with humanity, has been preserved in the religions of all nations throughout history. The name 'Hierarchy' signifies a system of graded ranks of spiritual capacity, and therefore a chain of responsibility which extends from the highest Being upon the planet to the smallest unit of consciousness, the physical atom. This great planetary Chain of Hierarchy establishes a divine circulatory flow and unimpeded communication between all lives and kingdoms in nature.

Having been exposed to profound misuses of power, humanity often perceives the principle of hierarchy through a vision clouded by these failures, but its true meaning has no relation to oppression or domination. The Spiritual Hierarchy have transcended the human stage of evolution. They have achieved a state of total and undeterrable harmlessness and therefore will not interfere with humanity's free choice. They are an expression of perfected love which is also called Pure Reason, and this love is "the cause of all creation and the sustaining factor in all living".

The relationship between Hierarchy and humanity is characterized by a metaphysical call and response; the invocation of humanity evokes an unfailing response from the Hierarchy. Humanity's consciously focused spiritual aspiration – its demand for more light, love, and the fulfilment of divine purpose – allows the Hierarchy to release these energies into human consciousness. Through this magnetic connection, humanity is drawn ever onward in its spiritual evolution. This energy exchange can be enhanced by meditation, and to this end the Triangles meditation is particularly helpful as it serves to make the planet's etheric web more responsive to soul impression and to distribute these beneficial energies worldwide.

As we approach the Easter Festival on the 28 March, a new spiritual year presents an opportunity to intensify this service. Esoterically, it is known as the Festival of the Risen, Living Christ, and we meditate on the Christ principle of entering into greater Life. Through such efforts, the soul yields its greater light and understanding of Christ's simple message of Love. With heart and mind enlightened in this way, we stand united, attuned to the power that makes all things new, distributing lighted goodwill in line with the divine Plan.

¹ Discipleship in the New Age Vol.2, p.541 by Alice Bailey

REVEALING THE LIGHT OF WISDOM

Arising out of ongoing crises of climate change and a global pandemic, humanity's theoretical understanding that every form and organism in nature is somehow intimately related is being transformed from theory into fact. After the destructiveness of fake news and alternative facts, knowledge and science are gaining ground once again as sources of truth. There is a growing sense that the light of knowledge is a field of service, and this is a cause for hope. But even so, the chaotic state of the world acts as a mirror reminding us that this knowledge must now be translated into wisdom through the dynamic power of love.

This endeavour must go forward in the clamour of our times. Spiritual teachings tell us, "Wisdom must be attained in the very midst of intellectual turmoil and the work of cooperation with the Hierarchy on the inner side of life must proceed amidst the devastating racket of modern life in the great cities." Yet the quietening down of Covid-19 lockdowns has provided opportunity for some to think through values and future direction. Reflection on one's life and humanity's life, leads in time to an expressed wisdom. This comes through an "examined life" to use Carl Jung's phrase, requiring inner quietness and attentiveness in order to listen, so that new dimensions of thought and relationship can be realised.

In the past, wisdom was the domain of the few. Today, such is the progress of human evolution with its expanded consciousness, that wisdom is seen shining out of a wide diversity of individuals. Many work actively as part of a group to transmit light through the distribution of ideas, and to transmute the light as it moves from knowledge into the light of wisdom and intuition. Triangles workers play their part in this transmission of the soul's light, and an opportunity for planetary healing becomes possible as each Triangle contributes to the illumination of the world of thought.

The light of wisdom has been beautifully described as "the interpreted result of long experience' and it is strongly associated with the Buddha, the Revealer of the light and the wisdom which comes to us from sources far greater than our planetary Life. His wisdom has brought us the key to freedom from earthly struggle through an understanding that all suffering is due to misplaced desire. The impulse of desire is characteristic of the sign of Taurus, as symbolised by the bull of personality desire which rushes forward blindly and destructively until, through pain and lessons learnt, the will and wisdom of the soul finally conditions. The sign Taurus with its Spiritual keynote, "I see and when the Eye is opened, all is Light", occasions the great Wesak Festival, the Festival of the Buddha, which will be celebrated in this sign on Tuesday, 27 April 2021. In this annual gathering of the Wise, we are invited to participate in the illumination of hearts and minds so that greater understanding will prevail on Earth.

¹ Discipleship in the New Age, Vol.1 p.6, by Alice Bailey

GOODWILL, THE EXPRESSION OF HIGHER ENERGIES

Without definition, the call to goodwill, often heard in public discourse, can be dismissed as a 'nice theory', or a worthy sentiment. Yet it is at times when 'goodwill' is in the popular mind that the special work of Triangles can be most easily recognised. This is because, through their focused thinking, Triangles participants can clarify understanding of what a power goodwill really represents, consciously lifting the comfortable dream of 'good people' into an ideal that can inspire action. Through this means, a thoughtform is created that recognizes the practical implications of harnessing and applying this power in individual lives and in human affairs.

As points of light in a network of prayer and meditation, it is vital for Triangles practitioners to lift their thinking beyond all sentiment. Holding the energy of goodwill "in the light" can assist in this practice, pondering the meaning of goodwill, and seeking to penetrate its energetic essence. The more each member of a triangle can enter the heart and livingness of this fiery energy, the more spiritual fire there is in the triangle, and hence the greater amount given to the pulse of goodwill energies flowing through the Triangles network for distribution in service.

The daily work of using the Great Invocation in a triangle can be understood as a concentrated act to bring the natural and often unspoken human aspiration to right relations into direct alignment with the "Plan of Love and Light" as held in the mind and heart of the "Masters" referred to in the Invocation. This is the essence of goodwill – the process whereby humanity's often unconscious wish to express goodness, beauty and truth and to live in right relation to soul, self, others, the natural world, the planet and the cosmos becomes focused and concentrated into a life-transforming sense of purpose and will.

There are many initiatives right now to suggest that goodwill energy in this sense is being wielded by more and more people around the globe. It is here that we can see the seeds of transformation, regeneration and resilience so often referred to in reports and dialogues driving human planning for a post-coronavirus world.

From the esoteric perspective underpinning Triangles, the three spiritual festivals of Easter, Wesak and the Christ represent the high point of the spiritual year – culminating in the Festival of the Christ which is also known as the Festival of Humanity and the Festival of Goodwill. There is much to learn from this momentum, culminating in a focus on Goodwill as the particularly human expression of the Christ energies. World Invocation Day, observed at the time of this third Festival, presents the opportunity for spiritual service, invoking the higher energies available and observing their human presence in goodwill.

SHARING GROUP THOUGHT

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Now well and truly recovered from the Coronavirus, I count myself fortunate to be well again. I have a new Triangle and one of the members who came to this work late in life told me that she feels she has won a great prize. I clearly remember thinking the same thing many years ago, a tremendous experience, for I knew that I was being given an understanding of what true wealth is. So I count my many blessings — my health, my job and my family but most of

all my meditation work and my link with this work giving me a sense of purpose.

The meditation group is now linking together regularly and of course we are all taking part in our own homes. We look forward to the Zoom broadcasts. Of course, it is not the same as being physically present together, but I am ever grateful to Zoom and thank God for the wonders of science.

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The spiritual high point of the year begins in Aries. It brings a fresh influx of divine energies to inspire the next stages in the evolutionary work of the New Group of World Servers. The spiritual servers at the heart of this group work receive these energies and clothe them in a mental form more readily accessible for wider distribution – a unique opportunity for group service. During this time, the full moons that occur are the Festivals of Aries (Easter), Taurus (Wesak) and Gemini (The Festival of Goodwill and World Invocation Day). Each one focuses a different aspect of these new energies – in Aries, divine love, followed by divine wisdom in Taurus and then in Gemini, the expression of spiritual unity – the divinity within humanity. These festivals focus on the divine vibration received which holds the seeds of evolution. Through our group efforts, their energetic seeds will be radiated far and wide to be shared the world over.

Festival of Easter (Aries)	28 March 2021
Festival of Wesak (Taurus)	27 April 2021
The Festival of Goodwill, Christ's Festival and World Invocation Day (Gemini)	26 May 2021

Please check locally for the actual days of the Festival Meetings

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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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