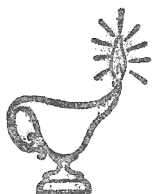


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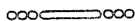
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# Precepts for the Rosicrucian Student



Christ Jesus will be his ideal.

Remembering the admonition of the Christ: "He who would be the greatest among you, let him be the servant of all," he will endeavor each day to serve his fellow men with love, modesty, and humility, in whatever capacity may be offered.

Having a firm faith in the wisdom and goodness of God, he will work with the trend of evolution by endeavoring to speak, act, and see only the good in his daily associations with others.

Truth, honesty, and justice being fundamental qualities of the Divinity within, he will strive to express them in all his thoughts, words, and deeds.

Knowing that his present conditions are a result of past actions, and that he may determine future conditions by present actions, he will waste no time in envying others, but devote himself to exercising his divine prerogative of free will in sowing good seeds for the morrow.

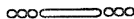
Realizing that silence is one of the greatest helps in soul growth, he will ever seek environments of peace, poise, and quietness.

Self-reliance being a cardinal virtue of the spiritual aspirant, he will strive to practice this virtue in thought as well as in deed.

Knowing the Within to be the only worthy tribunal of truth, he will endeavor to establish this tribunal and refer all matters to it for final jurisdiction.

Each day he will devote a certain period of time to meditation and prayer, endeavoring to lift himself on the wings of love and aspiration to the very throne of the Father.

Knowing that failure lies only in ceasing to try, he will, in the face of all obstacles, continue patiently and persistently to strive for the high ideals taught by the Christ.



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# THE *Mystic* ... LIGHT



## Prophecy--A Warning Signal

JACK L. BURTT

**A**T times like the present, when disturbances are shaking our whole social system, interest in prophecy seems to become greatly increased, and understandably so. At the same time, both sceptics and believers appear to have a very limited understanding of just what prophecy implies and just what is its place.

The sceptic refuses to see anything at all in any kind of prognostication, whether biblical or secular, regarding happenings where prophecies have worked out according to his way of thinking, as "merely coincidence." He entirely overlooks the obvious fact that plain reason will often indicate the probable course of events without any special "divine revelation." On the other hand, the enthusiastic believer becomes equally fanatic in the other direction and, once having worked out to his own satisfaction what the portent means, he will strain ideas and events to an alarming extent in order to make them fit. As usual the true answer lies somewhere between these extremes.

Prophecies may be of almost any type from the results of simply observing the trends of events and of human thought, though we do not generally use the term prophecy for these predictions. In fact, we generally, as we shall do in this article from now on, mean the prophecies

put forward in the Bible and in other religious writings, those to which we feel we must imply at least some measure of "divine inspiration."

It is these, of course, that the earnest believer tends to hold as divinely appointed and absolutely infallible predictions. If this be so, we may ask, then why disturb the thoughts of the people and stir up unnecessary fear and worry if nothing can be done about it? But fortunately, prophecies are not infallible and predestined. Paul stated very definitely that "whether there be prophecies, they shall fail," a statement with which we are all very familiar. But is Paul right? It is true that in general biblical prophecies do work out, as witness the prophecies of the coming of the Saviour. Even so, where prophecies have been warnings of disaster, as in the case of Jonah's predicted destruction of Nineveh, they have sometimes been averted by the change of heart of the ones against whom the warning was given.

In order, therefore, to understand just who and what were the biblical prophets we must first of all put aside, at least in part, the popular concept of them as being old men wandering around the country, heavily bearded, who suddenly received a divine impulse to go forth and give these warnings of calam-

ity to all and sundry, particularly to the rulers of the nation. The idea may perhaps have some merit. Most of them were men of mature years, by the custom of the times wore beards, and at times they did seem to appear rather suddenly. However, we need to look beyond this outward seeming, whether correct or not. So we ask quite reasonably, "Who and what were they, then?"

The key to this question is given in more than one place in the Old Testament writings where, from time to time, we read of "the School of the Prophets." This certainly disposes of the idea that they were more or less ignorant men suddenly divinely inspired. That they were inspired we do not doubt, but divine inspiration does not come suddenly to one who has not heretofore been prepared for it (consciously or otherwise). These Schools of the Prophets were very definitely the Mystery Schools where men of spiritual attainment were prepared for such missions. There is no question but that they were Initiates, perhaps in some cases even Adepts, men having very great spiritual understanding as well as the ability to put such understanding to practical use. They must also have had a deep insight into what we call "human nature," and were able to see the probable development of human thinking, and therefore acting. This, coupled with a considerable knowledge of the future as part of the divine plan, made it possible for them to point to the results of human thinking in almost certain future events. Changes and seeming calamities must occur in our evolution as a race, which necessarily implies changes in the planet on which we live, but these changes may well occur without the horrors and terrors that so frequently accompany them as a result of our evil deeds.

It is this continual misuse of human will that produces the real calamities. We accept that, do we not? But the human will, with its lust for material

wealth, and particularly its lust for power over others, is so stubborn that the prophecies of calamity, in spite of warning after warning, in spite of lesser preceding calamities, almost invariably are fulfilled. Remember though that word "almost," for, as pointed out above, there have been cases where the warnings have been heeded and the calamities averted either wholly or partially.

As always we may turn to analogy to help clarify the point. In writing about debts of destiny Max Heindel uses the illustration of a man about to shoot someone. The gun may be loaded and aimed, the safety released, but until the trigger is actually pressed and the bullet clear of the barrel it is still possible to avert the crime, either by persuading the man to relinquish his intention, or in an extreme chance, by knocking the gun aside. Then perhaps he may be reasoned into changing his thinking and refraining from repeating the attempt.

Another simple illustration may also help. When one is speeding along the highway and a red light appears ahead, there are three choices open to the driver. He may, and will if he is sensible, begin to slow down so that by the time the warning light is reached he can stop easily and safely. He may, on the other hand, keep speeding, figuring that if the light does not change before he reaches it he will still be able to trust to an emergency stop. Thirdly, he may, if he be really foolish and obstinate, continue right on through the red light, figuring that any cross traffic will give way to him anyway.

Here the light may well be called a prophecy, one that is made hour after hour, minute by minute. It says, "Think and act sensibly and with reasonable consideration, and all will be well. Act otherwise and disaster looms ahead." That is what the prophets invariably warned. They did not want to see the calamities. Rather they would have re-

joiced to see the people take warning and avert the suffering. But how often were they bitterly disappointed!

The particular prophecy that brought to light these thoughts is one that seems to have a definite application to these present days. It is one that has not been greatly noticed, being in one of the Old Testament books not often read. It is found in the fourteenth chapter of Zechariah. We quote here two or three of the most significant points.

"Then shall the Lord go forth and fight against those nations....and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west....and it shall come to pass that the light shall not be clear nor dark... and this shall be the plague wherewith the Lord shall smite all the peoples that have fought against Jerusalem. Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth...."

We note that these conditions are an exact description of the results of the Hiroshima bomb, which was perhaps a warning and a beginning of greater horrors to come.

Let us go back for a moment into ancient history. There is a great geological fault running between the northern arm of the Red Sea, through the Jordan Valley, and immediately north of Jerusalem by the Mount of Olives into the Mediterranean Sea. It appears that at some ancient time this formation was open, and there was a direct passage by water between these two great seas. A great civilization, it is obvious, must have grown up along this great waterway also. The Genesis account of the destruction of this civilization names two cities, Sodom and Gomorrah, but these are perhaps only incidental to the destruction of a much greater area. It is geologically certain that this great waterway closed up as a result of a tremendous earthquake accompanied by

volcanic activity. Hence the impossibility of finding any remnants at all.

Now before the destruction of Sodom we are told that some great one warned one of their leaders, Abraham, of the destruction they were bringing on themselves, since the Powers of Good will not forever tolerate a state of unmitigated evil. As we know, being an Initiate and filled with compassion, he begged for a reprieve, finally getting the assurance that if "ten righteous," a mere handful of dedicated ones, could be found, the calamity could be averted.

Let us look now at the later prophecy, the warning that seems so very certainly intended for our present day. We have the awful example of the former destruction. Are we going to heed it, or must we bring upon our race the unimaginable horror of nuclear war? We must remember that the old fault is still there and constitutes a line of weakness, and that a rain of nuclear bombs on Jerusalem could well start a calamity that could open once more that ancient channel to the destruction not only of Palestine but, by spreading reaction, a great deal of the Mediterranean area, not to mention the fact that such a war must spread throughout the whole world.

The answer remains exactly the same as before. If there are sufficient righteous, a sufficient group of those really dedicated to righteousness, then they can exert sufficient influence, even quietly and in the secrecy of their own hearts, to change the thinking of the nations, all of whom are guilty, and so bring this age to an end peacefully and without such utter destruction.

The prophecy ends with an assurance of future recovery, apparently a non-mechanized civilization, for it reads, "and it shall come to pass that every one that is left....shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of Hosts.... In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses

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## Direct Communication

Dear Friends:

My family and I are vacationing at a lake in the northern part of Minnesota. It is very beautiful here, and so utterly peaceful—especially at 4 A.M. It is 8:00 now and will be time soon for the wife and daughter to be up and looking for breakfast.

Just spent some time watching the loons on the lake getting their breakfasts. With the help of the 7X50's. This area is a game refuge and the deer are many. Coming into the cabin, we saw a young deer, a faun, with spots yet. Also watched a shrew squirrel this morning, a tiny little fellow not much larger than a mouse. Watched the fish catch flies out on the lake. By the splash one would guess them to be rather large—the kind the fishers like to catch. They are very wise fish, that's why they are so big.

Nature, as we see it in these places, is a subject for observation and study for any student of the occult and spiritual subjects. Here one gets much nearer to truth. As I told a friend, communication is the key to experience. Nature communicates. All the creatures, the plants and insects which make up what we call "Nature" whether wild or domestic, do communicate with one another. But it is a different sort of inter-change; it is rather a sharing of existence. We think we are far ahead because we share *ideas* with each other by communication—but the thought occurs to me that our communication is greatly hampered by the necessity of using spoken and written symbols. It is because of these symbols we think we are ahead when in fact they are necessary to us because we have *lost* the art of direct communication.

We have become so separated from

each other that we have to wave a flag, a symbol, to signal our meaning across a great distance. And how often those signals are too indistinct, too undefined, too confused in their connotations to carry our meaning clearly to others! It is not so in Nature. There are few errors as to what is meant. Nature doesn't *talk* about "principles" as man does. Those creatures *act it out*, express it or them in what they do and how they do it unto one another. Only man *talks* about them but too seldom obeys them.

I do not find Nature to be a "rending of flesh with claw and fang." True, there are predators and prey, but in this balancing function in the economy of natural things there is no evil, no cruelty. In fact, there may be seen an expression of self sacrifice, love, and co-operation.

As we look and listen to Nature in the wild woods, we perceive the whole of it working together to bring forth "forms" for the expression of *being*. Life is here, dynamic and full of energy. No creature, animal or vegetable, struggles *against* any other, but rather *co-operates with* every other. If not, then the whole of Nature would be only Chaos in the housewifely sense of being a confused mess.

No, I believe man has lost the art of true communion; and has, for that reason, to depend upon symbols, words oral and written. Just as, some will read these words of mine, and because of the bias in their minds, fail to recognize my intended meaning. It is not that they could not, it is rather that the symbol system is so inadequate. It confuses the meaning more than it conveys.

Time for breakfast. Hope you are all as contented as I am at the present.—  
*John Hilliard.*

# Re-birth and Christianity

A. M. COLEMAN

**W**HEN considering the relation of Rebirth and the Law of Consequence to the Christ and our transgressions, we find there are two ideas which on the surface appear incompatible, but which in the light of the Western Wisdom Teaching have a deeper meaning apparent to those who are willing to study along occult lines.

"Personal responsibility" is a strong tenet of the independent Spirit, eager to find out and stand or fall on his own merit. "Atonement," the opposite idea, is the attitude of the average orthodox Christian, who casts all his cares upon his Lord and Saviour, and then hopes for the best.

The Rosicrucian Teachings seek to harmonize these two ideas so that one can realize there is an aspect of truth in each one.

When one begins to think independently along religious and philosophical lines, when one no longer accepts the leading doctrines of the day just because they are taught, or, as is the case with many today, when one is brought up with an open mind on all matters of that kind, and is not expected to believe anything until he has sought and found for himself—when one comes to this state of independent thinking, usually the first thing that is questioned is the continuity of human consciousness after death.

Many who have great faith, believe that life is continuous without concrete evidence of such a fact; others, differently constituted, must have these matters proved to them or they feel they cannot go forward; the complexities of life confound them, and they question deeply within. When there is a sincere desire for enlightenment on this matter, that desire always has some suitable response from a Higher Source, and

ways are found to show and explain to the earnest student that there is something more to be learned, something ahead of his development, something of a more divine nature than his own.

Some are permitted to experience and witness different phases of superphysical phenomena, and are then able to know with a thorough conviction that which the one of faith believes by the strength of his faith alone. Thomas could not believe until he had placed his hand in the wounds which were shown in the body that the Christ had gathered temporarily after His crucifixion. The doubting Disciple could then say that he knew One, at least, had manifested Himself to the physical senses after the change called death.

But no matter what the attitude, it does not alter the fact, for proven fact it is to those who know. Because of this fact of life after death, we are as thinking entities forced to look farther than the purely materialistic horizon which shows only results or effects.

This further thinking and probing is often brought about when circumstances face us with a strain. We may have to make a grave decision; we may have a great sorrow, or even an unexpected joy. For some there may be a long period of soul-wearying monotony, and often there may be ill-health or privation. When these circumstances come, the usual cry is, "Why has this been visited on me? what have I done?"

We observe that each Spirit is placed in a physical body for a varying span of life, in a certain environment among certain people, in differing climates, races and countries. Immediately one wonders: was there any choice in the matter, and if so, why was one particular Spirit chosen for one particular life and no other?

Scientists know that all things science has so far investigated conform to certain laws which can be relied upon as unalterable under the same conditions. All things in Nature conform to laws which can with diligence be discovered and worked upon; the mathematical precision of the movements of the stars and planets must be a never ending source of wonder to the astronomer, to name just one wonder.

Yet, when many come to study the multitudinous aspects of humanity, they are utterly unable to offer any reasonable or logical explanation.

The occultists, however, by working in a different manner from that of the materialistic scientists, have by their efforts of earnest study, personal discipline, and deep meditation come to know of laws that transcend those known to science. These laws help to explain a great deal about this apparently mad and oftentimes hideous jumble we find to be man's life here.

Most people are concerned with their own particular lot in life and seek an acceptable explanation, particularly for handicaps. Good fortune is taken more for granted but is nevertheless mostly the result of good causes set in motion. Heredity does not explain these variations sufficiently; it certainly does not entirely explain the infant prodigy. Heredity can explain the form, but not the character of the life that ensouls the form. Environment does not explain it all either. Else how is it that members of the same family brought up together vary so greatly?

Re-birth, however, can and does supply a reasonable explanation for these puzzling inequalities and tragedies.

One hindrance to many people in the acceptance of this law is that we do not usually remember our past lives and seldom meet any who does. There are, however, revealing individual experiences that can truthfully be related by many people in various walks of life.

The Bible tells us: "Seek and ye shall

find, knock and it shall be opened unto you." Nowhere does this apply more strongly than to the search for spiritual truths; the facts are all around us waiting to be found out.

But the fact of rebirth alone does not suffice to explain conditions; its companion law must be taken into account, the Law of Consequence or Cause and Effect. Does not the Bible say: "As a man sows, that shall he also reap?"

The popular religious doctrine is that every soul is newly created when a child is born. But it cannot truthfully be denied that every child brings a character with it, and the Laws of Rebirth and Cause and Effect will give a very acceptable explanation of how the character came with the child.

Cause and effect are equal and opposite, and every thought, emotion, and act has its consequent result. If we apply the Law of Consequence, we find it can explain very fully why an individual is born into one set of circumstances and no other.

By being born into successive physical bodies we are given the opportunity to work out the effects of past causes that we have set in motion, as well as to build for our future embodiment by making entirely new efforts, good, bad, or indifferent, as our will and desire are permitted to operate by us. The Law of Destiny is the law of Nature. It is the law as given by Moses: "An eye for an eye," etc. Unless superseded by a higher law it is always in operation while we are tied to the wheel of re-birth.

Under the guidance of Jehovah humanity was taught, through fear of consequences, to recognize and respect this law, and in many religions and philosophies it is still taught. All thoughts and acts bring consequences, or, "debts," but these debts may be paid in different ways. They may be paid willingly or reluctantly; they may be paid instantly in the same life, or be pushed away until the Lords of Destiny deem it wise to bring them forward in

a future embodiment as inescapable destiny. This means that payment or fulfillment at a given time has become inevitable.

There is no question of punishment, as such, by a Higher Power in the Laws of Re-birth and Consequence. Re-birth is the means whereby we are able to obtain a more highly evolved and slightly better constructed vehicle in each successive incarnation; the Law of Consequence, by constantly bringing before us the results of our previous shortcomings and good efforts, will in time teach us to understand more of the works of God, our Creator.

Max Heindel states: "When the Spirit comes to rebirth, it has a varying amount of free-will, according to the life previously led, to fill in details. Also, instead of only unfolding past causes into effects, there are also new causes generated at every turn by the Spirit, which then act as seeds of experience in future lives.

"This is important and is a self-evident truth. Unless it were so, the causes that have already been set going must at some time come to an end, and that would mean the end of existence.

"Thus, we are not absolutely forced to act in a certain way because we are in a certain environment or because our whole past experience has given us a trend toward a certain end. With the divine prerogative of free-will man has the power of Epigenesis or initiative so that he may enter upon a new life at any time he wishes.

"Therefore, life advances not only by involution and evolution, but especially by Epigenesis. This sublime teaching of the Western Wisdom Religion of the Rosicrucians explains many mysteries not otherwise capable of logical solution."

When we come to understand that we have a certain amount of freewill and choice of action, and can acknowledge that there is a Divine Wisdom working for our good behind all that

we experience, then we are able to grasp a little of the higher law as demonstrated and taught by the Christ when He was on earth. We can also understand a little of the work He is now doing to purify the desire body of the Earth—providing us with better desire stuff for our desire bodies.

The law of Moses, given under the guidance of the Race God, Jehovah, was one of fear—fear of the consequences of disobedience to the law as given at that time. But the law that will in time supersede that law of fear is the *higher law* of love as taught by Christ Jesus.

Our debts under the law of consequence are heavy. History pictures the events of earlier times, shows the insensitivity or downright cruelty that was common in our earlier embodiments. As bad or undeveloped as many aspects of modern life are, those in the past were much worse.

The Christian Law of Love now points the way to remission of our sins, shows us how by love and service we may use our free-will towards the betterment of ourselves and those whom we contact, and thus cease making the more serious debts.

Although we realize we need the sacrifice of the Christ to help "atone" for our transgressions, we also realize we must make our own contribution and shoulder a *personal responsibility* in order to be worthy of His great sacrifice.

The Rosicrucian training teaches one a scientific way whereby he may here and now commence to live so that an understanding and respect is acquired concerning the law of Moses as a basis for the higher Law of Love as taught by the Christ.

Therefore, although we know that we are bound by our yesterdays, we also know that it lies within our power so to live that our tomorrows may be free—free to love and serve humanity, free to serve our God as we strive toward perfection.

## “A JEWEL”

*At the foot of a mountain  
 I found a stone, only a stone—  
 Mud-encrusted, scarred and dull.  
 As I held it in my hand, I wondered  
 Whence had been its journey—  
 And its history, since it left  
 The matrix of the earth.  
 Had it come from some volcano, which  
 Hid forever the secret of its birth,  
 Cast from without its molten home  
 To cool and rest among a million  
 Of its kind, buried from the light of day  
 Deep on the mountain side, until one day  
 Nature's endless changing dug it out again  
 And a little stream of water rolled it  
 Merrily along—until, like a child at play,  
 Tired, it left it by the way?  
 Perhaps it was the shifting sand that cut  
 This grey and lifeless pattern on it;  
 The sun and rain with time as well  
 Had etched their mark upon it.  
 But as it lay within my hand, I felt  
 That life was still within it.  
 So I took it to a cutter  
 And he cut away the dross—and lo!  
 Within its heart a jewel gleamed,  
 A thing of beauty from a thing so grey!*

—Howard Osborne Reed.



# The Song of Being

By K. B.

**M**USIC is the Song of Being sung by the Master Musician—God—throughout time and space.

The opening verse of St. John's Gospel reveals the importance of tone or music in our creation and spiritual evolution, for the words: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God," may be freely rendered: "In the beginning was *Music*, and the *Music* was with God, and the *Music* was God." St John in using the term "The Word" suggests by it harmonious tone or vibration and all harmonious tone or vibration may be called music. That was the Creative Fiat that started the world into being.

The God of our solar system has three aspects: Will, Wisdom and Activity. God willed into being Melody or Tone: then in His wisdom He harmonized this melody into form; in His activity He made this formed tone into movement or rhythm, pulsating as rhythmic cadence in all that lives and moves. Thus through creation all sings—all is music: all was *created by music*. So with the composer when he takes a melody, harmonizes it, and gives it rhythm, his composition is an infinitesimal reproduction of the creation of the Almighty pattern by God.

It is stated in the *Cosmo* that the forms we see around us are the crystalized sound-figures of the archetypal forces which play into the archetypes in the Heaven World. How ignorant the average human being is of this fact that the very vehicle he uses to function in this Physical World is made by music in the region of Concrete Thought. Without it he would not have a dense body in which to function in the dense world.

Sometime, in some incarnation, each and every human being must awaken

to the vibrations of music, must become conscious of its ethereal and spiritual power. Before we are finished with life on Earth through its different Periods we must become musicians, for we must, in our scheme of evolution, become creators in very truth by learning to speak, to sound, the Creative Fiat. This we shall do if we are to fulfill our destiny.

There are three classes of humans who are not musicians: First, those who will say that they do not care for music, and have no interest whatever in hearing it. In their present state of evolution they are outside this discussion on music. Second, there are those who say they like to hear music but do not know anything about it. For them there is hope as musicians in the near future. Third, there are those who, though they do not perform musically, take an ardent interest in hearing music. These people are very near to developing musical talent. They have in some past life awakened to an interest in music, increasing this interest through different lives until they become intense music lovers. Then they develop, through the sublimated essence of accumulated experience with music in past lives, a talent to perform on some musical instrument, or to sing, developing this talent through many lives until they become creators of music: composers. Then they have begun to penetrate beyond the physical and tune in on the musical vibrations in the Second Heaven, the Region of Concrete Thought, especially in the life between rebirths.

There is a joy in creating music that is comparable to probably but one thing: Mystic Initiation. It is in its own way a lesser degree of Mystic Initiation when the composer becomes advanced enough to compose very great works.

Then he has reached cosmic vibrations much higher than does the ordinary composer, and in this exalted state is closer to God, even as the Mystic Initiate has come closer to God than the ordinary human being. When the composer has penetrated to these higher vibrations in the Second Heaven he is really hearing God speak. True, it is still at a very great distance, but it is a very great advancement in evolutionary development, a position he has worked for through many lives; not a privilege, as so many think, but a reward for much endeavor in past lives.

It is true that the sculptor, poet, and painter also tune in on the heavenly vibrations, but the vibrations they use are



found in the higher region of the Desire World known as the First Heaven, while the musician goes higher still to the region of Concrete Thought where the Second Heaven is located, where Tone is the originator of color and of form. So, of all the arts and creators in art, music and the musician have reached the highest. Therefore, it is the highest expression of soul life that we have in our existence, and it is logical to assume that it would have even a more refining influence on the desire body than the other branches of art. As Max Heindel says, "None other ranks so high as the musician. His is the highest mission, because as a mode of expression for soul life, music reigns supreme." He also says, "Only in the region of Concrete Thought where the archetypes of all things unite in that grand celestial choir which Pythagoras spoke of as 'the harmony of the spheres' do we find truth revealed in all its beauty." So we see

that it is here, in this region of truth in all its beauty that we find the home world of music.

Why, if music is such a great stimulus to spiritual growth, do we often find musicians whose lives morally or ethically are at variance with their ability as artists? This has puzzled quite a few persons, as there seems to be an impression that a musician should be, in all his characteristics, on a level with his power to create or interpret music. It is true that we often find this contradictory condition, and the reason is that such musicians have devoted many lives to the development of music, concentrating on its development to the exclusion of the development of other characteristics. Constantly etching this devotion into the spiritual seed-atom, and always bringing it back to each succeeding incarnation, it so deeply etched that they can express themselves on the higher plane musically in spite of their slower growth in other characteristics.

In the life after death, when man finishes with the lower region of the Desire World, purging himself of the errors of his previous life, he then enters into the First Heaven to receive the rewards of the good deeds in his past life. He is then purified and ready to enjoy the rest between incarnations.

On leaving the First Heaven he finds himself enveloped in peaceful quietude, a peace of pure soundlessness, so perfect and so vast that it is overwhelming. For the first time since he commenced his last incarnation he experiences peace that is perfect. We all know peace while in the physical life, to some extent, but on the Ego's change to the Second Heaven he knows complete peace, though not of the senses, for he does not need them any more. He is engulfed in a great stillness. When his Spirit has bathed in this utter tranquillity and he has absorbed its immensity, which he is capable of doing in a measure equal to the spiritual growth he has developed, he is ready for the activities

of the Second Heaven. Now the extent to which he has developed himself in the past as a musician will reward him greatly, for his experiences in this realm are all akin to music, and it is his capacity for understanding music that will govern the amount of joy he will take out of this realm. From now on he begins the preparation for his next incarnation by spiritual absorption.

On the threshold of the Second Heaven he is awakened from the peaceful state of quietude in which he has been immersed by the sound of perfect music. As he crosses this threshold he enters the Workshop of God, ushered in by this perfect sound—perfect music. This is, indeed, a true Paradise, to the musician.

This Second Heaven is in the Region of Concrete Thought; all thought here is the expression of tone. Everything existing is put into existence by the tone in this region. It is the vibration of life; the melodious, harmonious, pulsating rhythm of all life. This realm of tone molds everything into shape or form from the rocks, the sand, the simple flower, the tiny bird, the beast, up to God's highest creation—Man. Here the Ego is greeted by the most perfect music it can encounter; far transcending anything it has heard on earth.

It is indeed true that the Second Heaven is a composer's paradise, for here he can bask in the sound of music such as he may have dreamed about composing while in the physical body but was unable then to translate into concrete form. Here he composes to his utter content, drawing from the sound around him to form a mental composition that is as real to him now as anything which he put on paper during earth life was real to him then. If he desires to reincarnate as a musician he will prepare himself for it while in this realm. He will learn to build the ear, hands, and nerves that are supersensitive. He is helped in this by the teachers from the higher creative Hierarchies.

Max Heindel tells us that the proportion of musical ability is dependent on the adjustment of the semi-circular canals of the ear, and that it is not only necessary to have the proper adjustment of these canals, but there must also be an extreme delicacy of the "fibres of Corti," of which there are about ten thousand in the human ear, each capable of interpreting about twenty-five gradations of tone. These fibres in the ears of the majority of people do not respond to more than from three to ten of the possible gradations. An ordinary musical person has no more than fifteen sounds to each fibre, but the master musician requires a greater range. Therefore, it is easy to comprehend why teachers from the higher Hierarchies help the musician, especially the composer, during the time he is building the archetype for the next physical body, for as Max Heindel tells us, "the higher state of their development merits and demands this and the instrument through which man senses music is the most perfect sense organ in the human body. The ear is the first organ man began to develop way back in the Saturn Period; thus it is the most highly perfected organ at the present time."

While the musician hears this perfect music and can compose while in the Second Heaven, he is unable to express all he heard there fully when he returns to physical life, because he is hampered by the low vibrations. As we go on, however, in our evolution, we will raise the vibrations of our dense bodies, and gradually be able to absorb higher vibrations, thereby the composer will be able to compose a higher type of music than now. Therefore, when we have reached the state of development when we no longer need a dense body to function in, we will be able to bring back the higher tones we hear in the Second Heaven, until we go so high that we will have all this heavenly music in our earth lives.

It is music that makes the individual's archetype, and the higher the rate of vibration necessary for the creation the more gloriously beautiful is the tone and harmony that creates it. The individual keynote of the human body placed in the back of the head is a tone, a distinct musical tone, and builds and holds together the mass of cells known as our body.

When you turn to music it will stand between you and the unbeauteous things of life. The sordidness of materiality that often burdens the heart is lessened by the gentle touch of music. It is a great nerve tonic. If one is tired and will sit quietly and relaxed listening to classical music, the vibrations of the body can, in a very few moments, be raised above the point of fatigue.

At the present time experiments are being conducted in various hospitals of this country for the application of healing power in music. Its true force as a healing power is only superficially understood as yet. When we learn to use music in the proper relation to our different bodies: the mental, desire and vital bodies, and through the vital to the dense body, we will no longer require medicine to heal.

With God all is Melody, Harmony, and Rhythm, for the thoughts of God are Melody; the creations of God are Harmony; the movements (or gestures) of God are Rhythm. If God uses music as the medium through which He creates, why should we not emulate Him and use music to create a higher spiritual self, a purer soul-essence?

—*Rays*, 6-43.

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We need copies of the January, 1933, issue of our *Rays from the Rose Cross* in order to have some more yearly volumes bound. If you have a copy you can let us have, please let us know immediately.

## PROPHECY—A WARNING SIGNAL

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### HOLINESS TO THE LORD...."

So there it is. The prophecy is ripe for fulfillment; the gun is loaded and aimed; the red light is blazing forth. Shall we this time heed the warning, or shall we fail once again? The answer to this question lies, as always, in the answer to the question, "Will there be ten righteous found?" Is there a sufficient nucleus of dedicated men and women, who, by their earnest prayers and efforts for righteousness and peace, can so change the thoughts of the war-mongers as to bring that new and happy civilization without the terror?

Surely there is, and we have not far to seek. Quite apart from others whom we do not know, there is surely a sufficient body of Students and Probationers of The Rosicrucian Fellowship to call down such a wave of spiritual power that war and its horrors cannot continue to obsess the minds of our race, so that the prophecy can be entirely averted, except for the promise of the new and holy civilization to come. The question remains, "Are we sufficiently dedicated to do it?" Surely we can accomplish this much!

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### THE ROSICRUCIAN FELLOWSHIP

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## Our Etheric Body

I want to tell you a story. I believe it is true because I know it is within the range of possibility, and also I can trust the veracity of the source.

The incident concerns a relative who received her training as a nurse sixty years ago in Toronto, Canada. Her eldest son, a fine young man of nineteen years, was the apple of her eye. He was strong for his age, and he would come home down the street singing at the top of his voice with a little child on one shoulder and another one holding on to his coat.

This fine young man left Vancouver and went to Texas. While at work there he was so badly burned in a fire that he survived but two or three days. When his mother received the sad news of his death, she broke down, began to cry, and could not stop. For several days this went on, and comforting words made no impression on her mind. One of her neighbors finally asked her, as a last resort, to come along with her to visit a certain lady who might be able to help, but at first she refused to do even this. But her neighbor persisted until finally, to get rid of her, as she thought, agreed to go along.

When they met the lady at her home, her friend introduced her as one in need of help, but she spoke up to say that it was her neighbor who had come to see her, and she had nothing to say.

The lady looked at her for a time without speaking. Finally she said: "Well, I want to tell you something. There is a young man standing beside you. He has an arm around your shoulder and he is saying to you: 'Don't cry, Mother! It hurts me.' "

There was little to say after that. There was really no need to say anything. The mother returned to her home, wiped away her tears and never shed another. She realized that her beloved son was with her still, and that in God's

good time she would some day meet with him again.

Another incident occurred a few years ago while we were on a visit to the Pacific Coast. We spent an hour or two with friends, discussing the various strange and mysterious incidents that come to our attention from time to time. On this occasion the wife of a neighbor who lived a few doors away related how one night she underwent an experience that might well frighten the average person.

She awoke from a sound sleep to find herself standing beside her bed, wide awake and perfectly self-conscious as to where she was. Her gaze went toward her bed, and behold, there lay her physical body, the one she used during the day, sound asleep! She had no feelings, such as curiosity as to what had happened, except the impression that it seemed natural and required no strain or effort to bring it about. Presently she became drowsy, and fell asleep again while standing on her feet. In the morning she awoke as usual, none the worse for the strange experience that left such a vivid impression upon her memory.

We did our best to explain to her that when she stood thus beside her bed, away from her body, it was then revealed to her in that manner that she possessed not one but two different bodies. The one on the bed was her physical body made of chemical matter, while the other was a body made of ether, a substance that is a constituent part of the Physical World. To us it is a comparatively new element, so refined as to density and physical properties that it easily interpenetrates the chemical matter of the dense body. St. Paul refers to it as the *soma psuychicon* in the fifteenth chapter of 1st Corinthians. We call it the *soul body*, which all mankind is to evolve and perfect in the future.—H.J.W.L.

## HEART-RENDING FACTS

In a recent leaflet from *The Humane Society of the United States* (1145 Nineteenth St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C.) we find the following heart-rending statements:

"More than 175,000,000 vertebrate animals are used every year in American research laboratories.

"These animals undergo every extreme of agony that flesh and nerves can endure—and some that are wholly beyond endurance. They are burned alive, scalded without anesthesia, crushed in steel presses, starved to death. They are subjected repeatedly to painful experimental surgery, they die slowly of induced cancer, many are miserably housed and many go totally mad from years of cruel confinement without humane care.

*(The Humane Society of the United States will supply proof of the truth of these statements to anyone who desires it. Write for Proof of Cruelty in Laboratories, a booklet of documentary evidence.)*

"Much of this suffering is unnecessary and inexcusable, even by the criteria of medical research. The cruelty does not advance science; it retards medical progress; it wastes millions of dollars that in other use could save human lives and prevent suffering.

"But only an effective law—Federal law—can abate the cruelty being inflicted on laboratory animals. There are more than 9000 animal-using laboratories in the United States. Most of these laboratories operate in great secrecy. Their doors are locked; visitors are unwelcome.

"It is utterly impossible for 9000 laboratories, employing 200,000 persons and using more than 175,000,000 animals a year, to agree on and to enforce human standards for use and care of animals. It is not even possible for scientists in each of these locked laboratories to know when they are uselessly

duplicating work already done in some other laboratory.

"Humane control of the use of animals in reasearch can be achieved only by Federal law.

"A bill that would effectively reduce cruelty in laboratories has been introduced in Congress by Rep. William J. Randall of Missouri.

"The Randall bill, H. R. 4856, would rapidly improve the quality of medical research and would save huge sums for taxpayers, besides preventing cruelty.

"Essential provisions of the Randall bill are:

1. *It establishes rigorous standards of humane use and care of animals.*

2. *It requires all government agencies and all laboratories getting grants of Federal funds (almost every research laboratory in America) to abide by the established standards.*

4. *It orders the Department of Justice to enforce the law.*

"To inflict or to permit avoidable suffering, whether of a human being or an animal, is cruelty. Cruelty is immoral. On this all the the great religions of the world, all ethical philosophers, are agreed. The principle that cruelty is immoral and should be prohibited and prevented is already universally and deeply embedded in American law.

"Cruelty is abhorred not only because of what it inflicts on its victims but because of what cruelty does to its perpetrator.

"Under present conditions, the American people are financing and tolerating a vast and terrible cruelty. It is a cruelty that should be promptly ended, for the moral health of our nation as much as for the protection of the helpless animals that suffer."

We would also hasten to call attention to the terrible debts of destiny being piled up for reaping in future lives by the perpetrators of such.—*Editor.*

# Inner Experiences

M. K.

**I**N the early hours of the dawn of a spring day I returned from—somewhere. It seemed to me that I was carried by a group of beings, holding my arms, to the bed where my physical body lay. As I sank into my body, I heard their parting words: "Now you know what and why."

I remember the awe, the exaltation which this experience left with me. Although I did not recall other details, my consciousness was lifted and my devotion to the Teachings increased. Since then I have felt assured that the purpose of life is to perfect character. Somehow I was made to recognize the causes that had established the habits of thinking, feeling, and speaking which had brought unhappiness into my life. I lay in bed with thoughts of gratitude for my new understanding, and resolved anew to strive to be a co-worker in God's great plan for me and the rest of humanity.

On another occasion I was shown (during sleep) the traffic on a busy city street, directed by two women dressed in peculiar costumes. Their name, I was given to understand, was "Watchword," and they were performing their duties very carefully and systematically. I was told that if they did their duties very carefully and well there would be dividends. When I awakened and pondered on this experience, I realized that my attention had been called to my need for learning the lesson of careful, systematic action. I had always been too impulsive, ready to act without proper thought. It has been a difficult lesson for me to learn, but I am making progress!

On yet another occasion it seemed that I was leaving my body, while those around me were awaiting my death at any moment. After a few moments of

discomfort I was freed from my body, and began to tell those about me that I was more alive than before. Suddenly, I found myself in Greece, floating through the air. I went into my father's house in K—, but soon left, feeling disappointed. Then I was in the home of a dear friend but after a short time left her, again feeling disappointed. From there I found myself coming back, creeping over a very dangerous path alongside a deep dark sea.

I was treading that path very seriously, stooping down on hands and knees so as not to fall. I was so absorbed in my efforts that I paid no attention to a group passing me on the right side, riding merrily in a vehicle which was directed into the sea. One of the women of the group, having an ancient Greek coiffure, was clad in a majestic Grecian gown with a pastel blue collar, and her name was Wisdom. The other was dressed about the same, but the hair was more plainly done, and the color of her robe was pink. Her name was Poise. They whispered together, and I heard one say: "Look! She goes alone without asking our help."

Even after I heard them talk I did not raise myself to see them, but continued my dreary path with the same earnestness. After a while I did stand upright, and then found myself over their shoulders, being carried, as there was no room for me elsewhere. Now the vehicle entered the sea, all of us happy together. Poise threw a ball into the water, and joyfully went toward two others of the group, a little boy named Intellect, and a lady, Mother Nature, dressed in white, standing by him. The little boy went after the ball and returned it to Poise, who happily repeated the same play. We were having a merry

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# MAX HEINDEL'S MESSAGE

*Taken from His Writings*

## THE ROSICRUCIAN MYSTERIES

(THIRTY-FIRST INSTALLMENT)

### Life and Death

*(Continued)*

**S**OMETIMES it is drawn by magnetic attraction to relatives of the Spirit whose clothing it was, and at spiritualistic seances these *shells* generally impersonate the departed Spirit and deceive its relatives. As the panorama of the past life is etched into the shells they have a memory of incidents in connection with these relatives, which facilitates the deception. But as the intelligence has fled, they are of course unable to give any true counsel, and that accounts for the inane, goody-goody nonsense of which these things deliver themselves.

When passing from the First to the Second Heaven, the Spirit experiences the condition known and described previously as The Great Silence, where it stands utterly alone, conscious only of its own divinity. When that silence is broken there floats in upon the Spirit celestial harmonies of *the world of tone* where the Second Heaven is located. It seems then to lave in an ocean of sound and to experience a joy beyond all description and words, as it nears its heavenly home—for this is the first of the truly spiritual realms from which the Spirit has been exiled during its Earth life and the subsequent post-mortem existence. In the Desire World its work was *corrective*, but in the World

of Thought the human Spirit becomes one with the nature forces and its *creative* activity begins.

Under the Law of Causation we reap exactly what we sow, and it would be wrong to place one Spirit in an environment where there is a scarcity of the necessities of life—where a scorching sun burns the crops and millions die from famine, or where the raging flood sweeps away primitive habitations not built to withstand its ravages—and to bring another Spirit to birth in a land of plenty, with a fertile soil which yields a maximum of increase with a minimum of labor, where the Earth is rich in minerals that may be used in industry to facilitate transportation of products of the soil from one point to another.

If we were thus placed without action or acquiescence upon our part, there would be no justice, but as our post-mortem existence in Purgatory and the First Heaven is based upon our moral attitude in this life so our activities in the Second Heaven are determined by our mental aspirations, and they produce our future physical environment. In the Second Heaven the Spirit becomes part of the nature forces which work upon the Earth and change its climate, flora, and fauna. A Spirit of an indolent nature, who indulges in day dreams and metaphysical speculation *here*, is not transformed by death respecting its mental attitude any more than regarding its moral propensities. It will dream





away time in heaven, glorying in its sights and sounds.

Thus it will neglect to work upon its future country and return to a barren and arid land. Spirits, on the other hand, whose material aspirations lead them to desire so-called solid comforts of hearth and home, who aim to promote great industries and whose mind is concerned in trade and commerce, will build in heaven a land that will suit their purpose: fertile, immineralized, with navigable rivers and sheltered harbors. They will return in time to enjoy upon the Earth the fruits of their labors in the Second Heaven, as they reap the result of their life upon earth in Purgatory and the First Heaven.

In the Third Heaven most people have very little consciousness for reasons explained in connection with the Region of Abstract Thought, for there the Third Heaven is located. It is therefore more of a place of waiting where the Spirit rests between the time when its labors in the Second Heaven have been completed and the time when it again experiences the desire for rebirth. But from this realm inventors bring down their original ideas; there the philanthropist obtains the clearest vision of how to realize his utopian dreams, and the spiritual aspirations of the saintly minded are given renewed impetus.

In time the desires of the Spirit for further experiences draw it back to rebirth, and the Great Celestial Beings who are known in the Christian religion as the Recording Angels, assist the Spirit to come to birth in the place best suited to give it the experience necessary to further unfold its powers and possibilities.

We have all been here many times and in different families, we have had relations of varying nature with many different people, and usually there are several families among whom we may seek re-embodiment to work out our self-generated destiny and reap what

we have sown in former lives. If there are no special reasons why we should take birth in any particular family among certain friends or foes, the Spirit is allowed to choose its own place of birth. Thus it may be said that most of us are in our present places by our own prenatal choice.

In order to assist us in making that choice the Recording Angels call up before the Spirit's vision a panorama in general outlines of each of the offered lives. This panorama will show what part of our past debts we are to pay, and what fruits we may be expected to reap in the coming life.

The Spirit is left free to choose between the several lives offered. But once a choice has been made no evasion is possible during life. We have free will with regard to the future, but the past *mature* destiny we cannot escape, as shown by the incident recorded in the *Rosicrucian Cosmo Conception*, where the writer warned a well known Los Angeles lecturer that if he left his home upon a certain day, he would be injured by a conveyance, in head, neck, breast, and shoulders. The gentleman believed and intended to heed our warning. Nevertheless, he went to Sierra Madre to lecture upon the fateful day. He was injured in the places stated by a collision and later explained: "I thought the twenty-eighth was the twentyninth."

When the Spirit has made its choice, it descends into the Second Heaven where it is instructed by the Angels and Archangels how to build an archetype of the body which it will later inhabit upon Earth. Also here we note the operation of the Law of Justice which decrees that we reap what we sow. If our tastes are coarse and sensual, we shall build an archetype which will express these qualities; if we are refined and of esthetic taste, we shall build an archetype correspondingly refined, but no one can obtain a better body than he can build.

(To be continued)

## Studies in the Cosmo-Conception

*This department is devoted to a study of the Rosicrucian Philosophy by the Socratic Method, the material being taken from the Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception.*

### Descent for Rebirth

Q. Now that the reincarnating Ego has descended through the Region of Concrete Thought and the Desire World, what is the next step in its descent into matter?

A. The seed atom of the vital body is next aroused into activity, but here the process of formation is not so simple as in the case of the mind and the desire body, for it must be remembered that those vehicles were comparatively unorganized, while the vital body and the dense body are more organized and very complicated.

Q. How does this alter the procedure?

A. The material, of a given quantity and quality, is attracted in the same manner and under the operation of the same law as in the case of the higher bodies, but the building of the new body and the placement in the proper environment is done by four great Beings or Angels, or the "Lords of Destiny."

Q. Is special attention given to any one organ?

A. The vital body is built by the inhabitants of the Heaven World and the elemental spirits in such a manner as to form a particular type of brain. But mark this, *the returning Ego itself incorporates therein the quintessence of its former vital bodies and in addition to this also does a little original work.*

Q. What is the purpose of this original work?

A. This is done so that in the coming life there may be some room for original and individual expression not determined by past action.

Q. Is this important?

A. It is very important to remember this fact. There is too great a tendency to think that all which now exists

is the result of something that previously existed, but if that were the case there would be no margin left for new and original effort and for new causes. *There is an influx of new and original causes all the time.*

Q. What part does this play in evolution?

A. This is the real backbone of evolution—the only thing that gives it meaning and makes it other than an unrolling of latent actualities.

Q. Is this the "Epigenesis" of the Rosicrucians?

A. Yes, meaning the free-will that consists of the freedom to inaugurate something entirely new, not merely a choice between two courses of action.

Q. Do not involution and evolution fully explain man's destiny?

A. Involution and evolution in themselves are insufficient, but coupled with Epigenesis we have a full triad of explanation.

Q. What is the extent of man's free will?

A. With regard to our past we are to a great extent helpless, but in regard to future action we have full control, except insofar as we are hampered by our past actions.

Q. How can this limitation be overcome?

A. By and by, as we learn that we are the cause of our own sorrow or joy, we shall awake to the necessity of ordering our lives more in harmony with the laws of God and thus rise above these laws of the Physical World. This is the key to emancipation.

—Ref: *Cosmo*, 134-135.

# WESTERN WISDOM BIBLE STUDY

## The Revelation of St. John the Divine

### INTRODUCTION

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John.

Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all the things that he saw.

Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

—*Revelation 1:1-3*

In interpreting the Holy Scriptures, and particularly the Book of Revelation, we should, first of all, realize that it is necessary to probe underneath the "vestment" to find the priceless truths hidden within. As Max Heindel reminded us:

"It must be noted that those who originally wrote the Bible did not intend to give out the truth in such plain form that he who ran might read. Nothing was farther from their thoughts than to write an 'open Book of God.' The great seers who wrote the Zohar are very emphatic upon this point. The secrets of the Torah (the Law) were not to be understood by all, as the following quotation will show.

" 'Woe to the man who sees in the Thorah only simple recitals and ordinary words! Because if in truth it contained only these, we would even today be able to compose a Thorah much more worthy of admiration. But it is not so. Each word of the Thorah contains an elevated meaning and a sublime mystery. . . . The recitals of the Thorah are the vestments of the Thorah. Woe to him who takes the vestment of the Thorah for the Thorah itself! The simple take notice of the garments and recitals of the Thorah alone. They know no other

thing. They see not that which is concealed under the vestment. The more instructed men do not pay attention to the vestment but to the body which it envelops."

Occult philosophy has been given by "the more instructed men" (initiates) and therefore in its teachings concerning the origin, evolution, and future development of man and the universe, we find the key to the innermost secrets of the Bible. St. John himself was among those highest initiates who have so zealously followed Him who declared: "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by Me," that they are able to read the imperishable records in the Memory of Nature (the World of Thought and the World of Life Spirit) and thus acquire information not to be found in any other way. In *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* it is stated that the beloved John symbolizes the Venus initiation.

So it is that St. John's "revelation" or "vision" pictures (in symbols) for those who have the eyes to see a sublime record of the past, present, and future of man, the microcosm, or the God-in-the-making, and the universe, or macrocosm. These conditions entail not only the material changes in the visible bodies of man and the Earth, but also in the less perceptible metamorphosis that takes place within the inmost recesses of the human being as he progresses from clod to God. The coming of the Christ as the indwelling Planetary Spirit of our Earth opened wide the doors of initiation to "whosoever will," and all those who heed the ever-resounding call, "Come unto me," will be among the "redeemed" of whom St. John prophetically speaks,



## The Eighth House

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**T**HE experience of transition from the physical dimension to the invisible planes is one which humanity, for the most part, regards with a feeling of anxiety, dread, and in some cases, sheer terror. In no phase of astrological service is the astrologer required to be more sensitive, more impersonally compassionate, and more truly sympathetic than in those times when he is called upon to interpret a chart of someone whose grief-stricken reaction to the passing of a loved one has, temporarily, neutralized his capacity for on-going. Since each house in the wheel has its basic principles—as an experience-pattern—this material is presented with the hope that it will help all astrological students and practitioners to come into a clearer realization of this most occult of houses and thus to enlarge their ability to deal with people who are “walking the darkened pathway.”

The principle of the eighth house is regeneration; and, at this point, a word of explanation may be offered:

A certain fine man whom the author knows has magnificently demonstrated the power of the regenerative viewpoint in the face of a shattering separation. His honored wife made transition from this incarnation at a time when she was at the height of fame and fortune, loved and respected by many people. She had, as we would say, everything

ot live for; yet Life removed her from this chapter under drastic and calamitous circumstances. A little more than a year ago this fine woman's chart was made available to the writer who sought to unravel the secret of this particular transitional experience. Focussing the chart-analysis on the seventh and eighth, twelfth and first house patterns, this conclusion was reached: above and beyond any worldly fame she had attained, this woman was a truly great soul who, as a gesture of love-service, chose to make transition in this drastic way in order that a great redemption might be made. It is more than possible that this heroic deed has provided the possibility of great fulfillments for her in the future. This particular chart is a most marvellous example of the linking of relationship-patterns from the past and their fulfillment in the present incarnation. The challenge to the husband's courage and integrity of spirit was gallantly met and, in consequence, he was moved to a gesture of service which, being fulfilled, has already proven to be a source of regeneration and renewal for his remarkable work.

To get at the essence of the eighth house prepare a mandala as follows: a blank, twelve-housed wheel; number the first, second, seventh, and eighth houses; intensify the diameter made by the cusps of the second and eighth. This

is a simple picturing of the eighth house and its polarity, the second. Turn the wheel so that the eighth cusp becomes the Ascendant; the seventh house thus appears as the twelfth. Essential meanings of the twelfth house of anything are: (1) the link between the past incarnation and the present; (2) needed redemption which impels the present incarnation. From this standpoint the meaning of the eighth house of the present incarnation is seen to be regeneration of desire-pictures which are the hidden memories of reactions to marital and relationship experiences in the past incarnation. These desire-pictures have their roots in the sexual instincts and in the consciousness of possession which, in marital or sexual relationships, reach a peak of intensity greater than they do through any other phase of experience.

To refer to the original mandala: the polarity, or opposition, made by the relationship of the eighth and second houses to each other may be interpreted in this way: the enemy (opposition aspect) of regeneration (eighth house) is attachment (primitive phase of the second house); the enemy (opposition aspect) of stewardship (second house), is failure to regenerate desire (negative eighth house). Stewardship is "right use of materials"—proportioned, equilibrated income and out-go; attachment to materials is all in-come and no out-go, a state of unbalance by which the consciousness eventually becomes "land-locked" in its preoccupation with material evaluations.

The negatives of both of these houses "feed each other." Desire without Love, sex without fruition remain fixated on possessiveness; intense desire for money and things *without* balanced release through exchange congests the intaking pictures and a sort of paralysis results due to the ever-increasing demands of the desire nature. The loved person is regarded as a possession; the focus on money or possessions to the exclusion of

right personal relationship neutralizes, gradually, the love-potential and, in either case, congestion results which, in its turn, breeds all kinds of ills on all planes of human consciousness. The powers symbolized by the eighth house are those which provide release for these congestions of the desire nature. This release is symbolized by the dynamic vibration of Mars: constructive action; through Venus: mutuality.

The transition that we are accustomed to call death is actually a large-scale expression of the Principle of Regeneration, which in turn, is the essence of the onwardness and upwardness of any Life-expression. Our bodies are continually being renewed and regenerated when they are in a state of health; congestion—or "un-ongoingness"—is the thing that results in disease. On the emotional-reaction plane, congestion is any reaction that results in the person's inability or disinclination to keep himself adaptable, responsive, receptive and enthusiastic toward newness of experience. If we cling, in feeling, to things that no longer have a part to play in our constructive living, we congest in some way. If, however, we keep open to, and responsive toward, the significance of newness, we welcome the advent into our lives of other moldings into which we can pour our potentials.

Congestion, as a reaction to a loved one's passing, results in such manifestations as self-pity, morbid brooding over the past, resentments, and tendencies to self-isolation. These, in turn, pile up the energies into dust-heaps of misanthropy, despair, escape-tendencies and neuro-mental confusions. When we cling to that which life has proven to be outworn, we do not stagnate—we regress. We are either with life in generation and regeneration, or we are against life in congested degeneration. The transition of the person loved by your client is not your client's problem; his problem is to tap the sources of inner power

that will result in the neutralization of his down-going reaction-patterns. It is a vital part of your responsibility to help such a person understand that "there is no death, there is only life." Impress on his consciousness the eternal "livingness" of life and the importance of our responsibility to adapt to change of circumstance and release the best of our on-going possibilities.

Make your converse with such a person completely life-giving; *never* predict transition or even try to describe the means by which it might come about. Morbid curiosity on this point is not to be indulged. (From a purely astrological standpoint, anyway, it is not wise to attempt this kind of interpretation; the same pattern that designates death also designates the emergence from the old into the new during incarnation.)

You, as an astrologer, must have a clear, clean perspective on transition and its meanings if you are to assist in any way. Fear of death cannot be permitted to lodge in your subconscious

if you are undertaking the service of "throwing Light on another's shadowed consciousness." Ground yourself thoroughly in an awareness of eternal livingness and if you ever experience a tendency to react with shock, fear or anxiety to a death picture train yourself to neutralize it immediately by the most efficient means at your (philosophical and psychological) command.

Another approach to the eighth house can be made when we realize that it provides a key to unlock problems of all kinds that may be shown in the chart. A problem is the result of mis-directed energy: because of the intensity of quality implied in the eighth house pattern, a little redirection at that point could have a noticeable effect in re-directing almost any other negative condition shown in the chart. Actually, all of our relationship patterns now are sequences from the past and are, in the final analysis rooted in our desire-consciousness from many incarnations of relationship-experiences. Our desires run the entire keyboard: self-preservation and self-maintenance; possessions of all kinds; power over materials and people; sexual gratification and mutual possessiveness of two people toward each other; property and prestige before the world; fame and renown; and so on—all of these desire-pictures and impressions and memories have impelled us into specific patterns of relationship with other people all along; congestions on any of these points have been "inner deaths" from which we have had to find releasement some way or another.

There is something in the human heart that is continually searching for enlightenment, and when the astrologer has a "grief problem" to deal with he recognizes that his first and foremost responsibility is to stimulate the bereaved person's capacity for courage and intelligent adaptability. When we realize that the eighth house is also called the house of sleep-experience we recognize the value of our daily period of sleep

### Your Child's Horoscope

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as a regenerative agency. Rather than continuing in the miasma of dread while facing the "unknown" (which has, incidentally been faced by all of us many times in the past), any bereaved person is instinctively searching for a clearer understanding of this experience-pattern than he has ever had before; he will in fact, continue to search until he has found the answer whether in this incarnation or in the tenth one from now. Help him, therefore, to see the transition of his loved one in as merciful a light as possible; remind him of times when he was so exhausted by physical effort or pain that he wanted a few hours of sleep more than all the gold on earth. Then present the picture of the consciousness of the loved one (which has manifested for millions of years) as needing a few hours of sleep before resuming the next phase of experience. Make "death" known to his awareness as a rhythmical, natural, needed phase of experience. Then turn your attention to the client's eighth house because he is still here and must go on with his life. The suggestion is made that you "white-light" the ruler of his eighth house, and study its sign and house position accordingly. This is suggested because it is your opportunity to alert him to the very best of his on-going possibilities—and you must make your comprehension of this part of his chart as inclusive as possible.

Do not, in such readings, make the mistake of interjecting your own personal reaction to his broken relationship-pattern. Recognize that a woman can love her husband above all other people, even her children; a man can love his mother more than anyone else, even his wife. Remember that no matter how deeply the client loved the deceased, the latter's passing provides more room in the client's life to extend his love-potentials in other directions and it is evident that such extension is required at that time. Study the solar-eclipse aspects that were made previous to the

passing; this will indicate, if the eclipse conjuncted a planet, that a severe testing will be manifested between then and the next eclipse. But remember too that the previous eclipse may have trined or sextiled a planet in the client's chart; this is promise of a very significant "opening up experience." The transition may have made that opening up possible.

Progressed Moon aspects current at the transition (that is, current in the client's chart) must be watched closely. What he puts into action during a progressed Moon aspect bears very significant fruit. If his reaction to the transition impels him to retrogressive action he stamps his consciousness with a deeper-than-ever impression of that aspect. So, again, we say that persons must be encouraged to release in constructive action for a mutuality of good when regenerative patterns are in effect.

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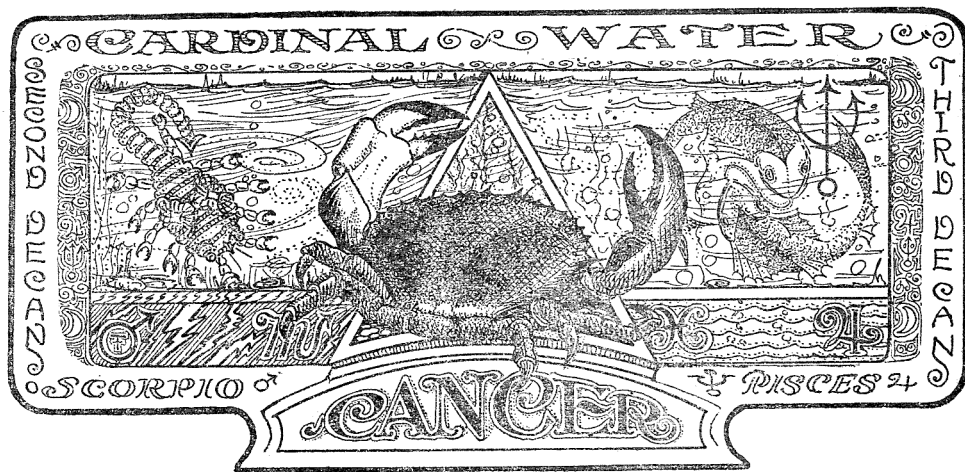
## INNER EXPERIENCES

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time, but suddenly I remembered my quest and said in a pleading voice, "Please let me go to my Father's house."

My dream quickly ended and I found myself again lying in bed, recalling the experience and realizing that I must seek for wisdom and poise to become emancipated from the distracting illusions of the material world. My emotions must be kept in balance, and my excess energy properly directed. The intellect must be educated and directed. Mother Nature waits to take us all to our Father's House, the destiny of all mankind.

Although I have not completely learned the lesson shown for me, I can truthfully say that I am still striving toward the goal, with faith and persistence.



## The Children of Cancer, 1963

*Birthdays: June 22 to July 24*

**N**ATIVES of the sign of Cancer, which is the cardinal sign of the water triplicity, have a basic nature of active emotions and thus make soul growth through the transmutation of the emotions during much activity.

Those born with the Sun in this fourth sign of the zodiac are not only strongly emotional, but sympathetic, psychic, and, like the Crab which is the symbol of the sign, very sensitive and retiring. However, they want and need friendship, and when they get well acquainted can be quite exacting and autocratic with their friends. At the same time, they are usually very conscientious and use considerable discretion in what they do, so that one may safely trust them to keep a secret.

The vitality of the Cancerians is not very pronounced, and they may therefore be indolent, even when not actually ill. As a rule, they like peace and avoid quarrels, hence are harmonious and agreeable in the home so long as they are not asked to work too hard. This position of the Sun tends to make the first part of the life barren of fruits but brings success in the later years.

The restless Moon rules the sign Cancer, and therefore changes of residence, position, and vocation, are frequent in the lives of these natives. At the same time they can be very tenacious whenever they have undertaken to do a certain work or fulfill a particular obligation. Neither do they run haphazard into anything. In fact, there are times when they are inclined to be too cautious, and may be given to undue anxiety and worry.

The Cancer solar month this year opens with a number of beneficent vibrations, two of which last all of the solar month: Saturn sextile Jupiter and Neptune sextile Pluto. These aspects indicate basic strength of character, a deep and philosophical mind, a benevolent disposition, and a strong sense of justice and fair play. There is also sound financial judgment and the ability to grasp opportunity when met.

The sextile of the Sun to Uranus lasts from June 22 to July 3, making the native intuitive, original, inventive, and independent. The ideals are high, there is admirable self-control, and many friends are attracted.



Also beginning June 22, and lasting until July 6, is the conjunction of Venus and Mercury, giving a cheerful, companionable disposition. There is ability for music and poetry, as well as a suave, persuasive personality.

Another fine venusian aspect is the sextile to Jupiter, lasting from June 22 to July 1. This is one of the best signs of success and general good fortune. The nature is jovial, optimistic, generous, and philanthropic, and the mind is broad and liberal. Health, wealth, and happiness are all favored.

During a part of this same period, from June 22 to 28, Venus squares Mars, a stellar pattern which will require the exercise of will in controlling the emotions for its transmutation. Extravagance and excess will need to be guarded against. However, the trine of Venus to Neptune during this same period will help greatly to raise the moral standards and purify the emotional nature. It also gives a fertile imagination and musical ability.

Mercury sextiles Jupiter from June 22 to 30, a very fine mental aspect, giving a cheerful, optimistic disposition, as well as a mind that is broad, versatile, and able to reason correctly. Success in law, literature, and travel is favored.

A less desirable mental vibration is the square of Mercury to Mars, lasting from June 22 to 28. This gives sharpness and alertness of mind but a tendency toward impulsiveness, quick temper, and prevarication. Selfishness and egotism are apt to show themselves at times and bring unhappy experiences.

From June 22 to July 8, Mars sextiles Neptune, and from June 22 to July 2 it conjuncts Pluto. These aspects intensify the emotional nature and give a leaning toward the study and practice of occultism. The ability to penetrate into the invisible worlds in a conscious manner is also strengthened.

The Sun sextiles Mars from June 26 to July 24, indicating a super-abundance of vital energy, along with daunt-

less determination and courage, an indomitable will, and both executive and constructive ability. The disposition is frank and open, but may be too blunt and brusque at times.

Also beginning June 26, and lasting until July 6 is the trine of Venus to Saturn, making the native faithful and true, just and methodical. Simple in his tastes, of sterling honesty, and having unimpeachable morals, he merits the honor and esteem that come to him.

Mercury trines Saturn from June 26 to July 3, a splendid mental vibration giving ability to think deeply, logically, and persistently. Power of concentration, diplomacy, and tact also come from this aspect.

From June 27 to July 14, the Sun trines Neptune, intensifying the spiritual vibrations of the aura. Love for the occult and ability to hear the music of the spheres are favored.

The Sun squares Jupiter from July 2 to 19, suggesting that children born during his period be given special training in self-restraint, thrift, and honesty.

Also beginning July 2, and lasting through the 8th, is the sextile of Mercury to Uranus, giving an original, independent, and inventive mind. The ideas and ideals are lofty and a literary or scientific career is favored.

The Sun conjuncts Mercury from July 6 to 21, favoring the mentality and memory on the days when the orb of aspects is 3 or more degrees.

From July 10 to 18, Mercury sextiles Mars, giving a keen, sharp, ingenious, and resourceful mentality. There is a love for argument and debate, as well as an inexhaustible fund of wit and humor. These natives also have remarkable dexterity and can turn their hands to practically any task.

Venus squares Jupiter from July 17 to 24, warning parents of these children to give them special training in self-control, circumspection in the affections, honesty and uprightness in all dealings with others.

## Readings for Subscribers' Children

DOROTHY H. S.

Born August 20, 1960, 8:05 P.M.

Latitude 38.38 N., Longitude 90 W.

Signs on the cusps of the houses: ASC, Aries 0; 2nd, Taurus 11; 3rd, Gemini 8; 4th, Cancer 0; 5th, Cancer 22; 6th, Leo 19.

Positions of the planets: Mars, 12.11 Gemini in 3rd; Moon, 13.27 Leo in 5th; Mercury, 18 Leo in 5th; Uranus 21.52 Leo in 6th; Sun, 28 Leo in 6th; Pluto, 5.08 Virgo intercepted in 6th; Venus, 14.21 Virgo intercepted in 6th; Dragon's Head, 16.22 Virgo intercepted in 6th; Neptune, 6.41 Scorpio in 7th; Jupiter, 23.48 R. Sagittarius in 9th; Saturn, 12.20 R. Capricorn in 10th; Part of Fortune, 15.27 Pisces intercepted in 12th.

This is a remarkable chart. The most noticeable feature is the stellium of planets in Leo in the 5th and 6th houses. Here in this fixed-fire sign we find the Sun, Uranus, Mercury, and the Moon. A strong will, a dominating personality, abundant physical strength, and natural leadership are at once indicated.

The Sun is in conjunction with Uranus (in the 6th), trine the MC and Jupiter in Sagittarius in the 9th, and sextile Neptune in Scorpio in the 7th. Dorothy has a disposition that is sunny and jovial, kindly and sympathetic, trustworthy and benevolent. A born leader, she is blessed with both good judgment and executive ability. She also has considerable spiritual understanding, along with high ideals and a desire to help others. She will undoubtedly travel much, on both the material and super-physical planes. However, she is rather highstrung and should be taught to cultivate a poised, deliberate attitude,

avoiding over-exertion in both play and work.

Mercury and the Moon are in conjunction in the 5th, sextile Mars in Gemini in the 3rd, giving a mentality that is positive and strong, as well as keen and active, along with a retentive memory. Resourceful and ingenious, interested in children, the theater, education, and publication, she will be an entertaining and instructive conversationalist and teacher. However, since the Moon squares Neptune, she should be taught to avoid all negative psychism.

The combination of Aries and Pisces on the ASC suggests contradictions in her personality and mentality at times, which may puzzle herself as well as her associates. However, the fire of Aries will blend with the fire of Leo to augment her initiative, pioneer instinct, and courage.

Venus in Virgo in the 6th gives a deep sympathy for the sick, along with an interest in nursing, diet, and chemistry. It also points toward pleasant relations with employees. The better traits of Venus (faithfulness, tenderness, high morals, etc.) are brought out by the conjunction with the Dragon's Head and the trine to Saturn, but her square to Mars gives a warning note to overcome a tendency toward extravagance and excess in affection.

Saturn in Capricorn in the 10th gives ambition, determination, persistence, and systematic application to business. Although Saturn is retrograde, holding its power in abeyance to some extent, it is strong by sign and house position, and is well aspected—to Neptune and Venus. Thus Dorothy would be expected to use her position and talents for the welfare of others rather than for herself. This child seems destined to play an important and constructive part in world affairs in this life. She has the potentialities for performing notably

in government, education, and publication. It could be for her own country chiefly, or it could be in the larger field covered by the United Nations.

### WILLIAM A. G.

Born April 7, 1962, 1:52 A.M.

Latitude 33 N., Longitude 117 W.

Signs on the cusps of the houses: ASC, Aquarius 0.39; 2nd, Pisces 12; 3rd, Aries 20; 4th, Taurus 19; 5th, Gemini 13; 6th, Cancer 5.

Positions of the planets: Saturn, 9.50 Aquarius in 1st; Dragon's Tail, 14.43 Aquarius in 1st; Jupiter, 2.39 Pisces in 1st; Part of Fortune, 6.21 Pisces in 1st; Mars, 20.26 Pisces in 2nd; Sun, 17.47 Aries in 2nd; Mercury, 8.20 Aries in 2nd; Venus, 4.16 Taurus in 3rd; Moon, 22.49 Taurus in 4th; Uranus, 26.42 R. Leo in 7th; Pluto, 8.05 R. Virgo in 7th; Neptune, 12.48 R. Scorpio in 9th.

In this little boy's chart we find the Sun and Mercury both in the fiery, Mars-ruled sign Aries, in the second house. The Arians usually bubble over with life and energy, perhaps to such an extent that it may sometimes be difficult to hold them within the bounds of safety and common sense. Self-assertive and aggressive, they like to lead and to pioneer into new fields of endeavor. The unexplored regions of thought and physical action are eternal challenges to them. Since in this chart the Sun is unafflicted, and trines Uranus in Leo, William will have the faculty for leadership into progressive, humanitarian facets of life. Although an idealist, he is original, independent, and inventive. His earning capacity is excellent, but he should guard against a tendency toward extravagance at times.

Mercury in Aries gives a fondness for argument and debate, and since it sextiles Saturn (in Aquarius in the 1st),

William has the ability to think deeply and seriously, to concentrate, to reason correctly, and to persist patiently in accomplishment. The presence of both Saturn and the Dragon's Tail in the 1st house helps to provide a happy balance for the Aries impulsiveness. Saturnian caution will blend nicely with the Aries aggressiveness to give a good measure of forethought and deliberation in action. Fixed signs on all the angles add to the stability of the nature in general.

Jupiter and the Part of Fortune are also in the 1st house, in conjunction in Pisces, and sextiling Venus in Taurus in the 3rd. This is a splendid configuration, favoring health, wealth, and happiness, and indicates a nature that is optimistic, generous, tolerant, jovial, and fond of pleasure and traveling. There is also talent for music so that William should be given training in the use of some musical instrument. However, Jupiter opposes Pluto and Uranus, indicating an inclination toward impulsiveness and insincerity at times which will need to be curbed.

The Moon in Taurus in the 4th, sextile to Mars in Pisces in the 2nd, favors the health and finances, and adds to the determined, self-reliant side of the nature. However, the Moon squares Uranus and opposes the MC, pointing toward a touchy, overbearing, and conceited facet in William's make-up, and problems along these lines to work out with women. By cultivating the strong, positive side of his nature he should be able to handle these negative tendencies.

Saturn near the cusp of the ASC, squaring Venus and Neptune, suggests that this child may be having difficulties with his venous circulation and kidney elimination during his early years, but if his diet is carefully looked after, the succeeding years should bring health and fine achievement in the world. As an accountant, writer, sculptor, interpreter, or footwear dealer he could use his natural talents to good advantage.

# VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE ADVICE

*This page is a free service for readers. Since advice is based on the horoscope, we can give a reading ONLY if supplied with the following information: full name, sex,*

*place of birth, year, day of month, hour. No reading given except in this Magazine and ONLY FOR PERSONS 14 to 40 YEARS OF AGE.—EDITOR.*

## Merchant, Naval Officer

LEWIS C. G.—Born May 22, 1927, 11:05 P.M. Latitude 42 N., Longitude 88 W. This chart shows the Sun and Mercury in conjunction (but not combust) in Gemini in the 4th house, sextiling Jupiter in Pisces in the 2nd, and Uranus in Aries in the 2nd, trining the ASC, but squaring Neptune in Leo intercepted in the 7th, and opposing Saturn in Sagittarius in the 10th. A quick, alert reasoning mind is here indicated, interested in many things, but slanted particularly toward advanced ideas and ideals. Optimism, friendliness, and generosity may, however, at times be combated by depression, pessimism, selfishness, and confused thinking. The Moon in Aquarius in the first house accentuates the mental side of the nature, but is intercepted and has no aspect save the square to the MC. Jupiter in Pisces in the second, trining Saturn, the MC, and Mars, and sextiling Sun, Mercury, and ASC augur extremely well for financial prosperity, as well as for a generous charitable, trustworthy, and friendly nature. There is a strong sense of justice, enthusiasm for accomplishment, and much ingenuity and constructive ability. Since Mars, ruler of the Scorpio MC, is in Cancer in the 6th, and trine to Jupiter, there is interest and ability in shipping and naval pursuits. Saturn in Sagittarius in the 10th, trine to Jupiter, indicates ability in merchandising, law, religion, and journalism. The Capricorn Ascendant, sextile Jupiter and Uranus, and trine the Sun, adds to the executive ability and ambition. This native could succeed as a merchant, importer, naval officer, clerk, banker, or lawyer.

## Art Dealer, Real Estate Agent

ROXANA J. L.—Born April 5, 1929, 1:25 A.M. Latitude 34 N., Longitude 118 W. It is interesting to note that this chart shows some of the same features as the previous one, particularly in regard to vocation. The same signs are on the angles, giving the same rulers for the 10th house, the Moon is intercepted in Aquarius in the 1st, Neptune is intercepted in Leo in the 7th, and Mars, ruler of the Scorpio MC, is in Cancer in the 6th. However, Mercury and the Sun are in Aries, are not in conjunction, and posited in the 2nd and 3rd houses. Uranus is also in Aries, conjunct Mercury and the Sun, and the solar orb sextiles the Moon and squares Mars and Pluto. This native has great drive and ambition, and much ability to forge ahead on her own merits. The square to Mars, however, suggests an excess of energy, which will need to be held in check and directed properly. The conjunction of Mercury with Uranus and its square to Saturn in Capricorn in the 12th indicates impulsiveness at times, as well as a tendency to be sarcastic, bitter, and selfish. The optimistic attitude should be assiduously cultivated by this native, in all departments of life. Jupiter in Taurus in the 4th, in conjunction with Venus, sextile Mars, trine the ASC, square the Moon, and opposing the MC, along with the Dragon's Head in the 4th, indicates that this native's home will mean much to her, and she will spend generously to make it comfortable and attractive. The strong Venus in Taurus gives interest and ability in art and music. She could serve well as a dealer in art and curios, as well as in real estate.

# Daily Thought and Guide

*These daily meditations are based partly on the planetary hours of the day, daily aspects and vibrations.*

## MONDAY—July 1

Benevolent vibrations come to us on this first day of July. We are aware that the glory of God surrounds us. "The heavens declare the glory of God."

## TUESDAY—July 2

Today again can be a happy one. Our love nature can express freely and our mind will find it easy to delve into interesting problems. We can let our light shine, but the glory belongs to our God.

## WEDNESDAY—July 3

Today it will be possible for us to solve some of our many problems for we can get in touch with true wisdom. It is a day for meditation on the deeper things of life.

## THURSDAY—July 4

"Freedom is that faculty which enlarges the usefulness of all other faculties," the wise philosopher Emanuel Kant tells us.

## FRIDAY—July 5

On this fine Venus day many things work together for good, and we can gain a deep appreciation for the inner values of life.

## SATURDAY—July 6

There may be great activity today and much can be accomplished. In all the tumult let us seek some rest and quiet contemplation.

## SUNDAY—July 7

Today it will be easy to be full of faith and courage. "Where faith is there is courage, there is fortitude, there is steadfastness and strength."—*James Allen*.

## MONDAY—July 8

A quiet Monday, when we faithfully perform our duties and look about us to find where we can be most useful to our fellowmen.

## TUESDAY—July 9

On this fine active day our head and heart are in tune and right thought and right action make good feeling prevail. With all our getting let us get wisdom.

## WEDNESDAY—July 10

"We are members of one great body. Nature planted in us a mutual love and fitted us for a social life. We must consider therefore, that we were born for the good of the whole."—*Seneca*.

## THURSDAY—July 11

Let us take advantage of the good vibrations the planets bestow upon us today, for intuition will guide us to make the best use of our many opportunities.

## FRIDAY—July 12

As mixed vibrations prevail today let us pay quiet attention to our duty. "Human improvement is from within outward."—*Froude*.

## SATURDAY—July 13

The vibrations are mixed on this active Saturday also. Action leads to experience; through experience we gain understanding, and discrimination follows.

## SUNDAY—July 14

A fruitful day for spiritual activity. "I know not where His islands lift their fronded palms in air; I only know I

cannot drift beyond His love and care."  
—*J. Greenleaf Whittier.*

#### MONDAY—July 15

Today we reap the good we have sown in the past. Let us apply our understanding to all the experiences we meet and let us be grateful for the discrimination which results from this.

#### TUESDAY—July 16

The Sun, the giver of life, shines upon us with benign influence today. With St. John let us acknowledge: "The true light which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

#### WEDNESDAY—July 17

A quiet day with time for work and reflection. "Only deeds give strength to life, only moderation gives it charm."—*J. P. Richter.*

#### THURSDAY—July 18

On this fine day of Jupiter we can live to the fullest, as with all the good vibrations of the others planets, Mars gives us energy in good measure. Let us be grateful for God's many blessings.

#### FRIDAY—July 19

Our affections will be strengthened today and it will be easy for us to help where help is needed. We will be inventive and also can trust our intuition.

#### SATURDAY—July 20

The planets aid us in many ways. After duties well performed rest and recreation are in order; but keep undue expenses in check.

#### SUNDAY—July 21

Today is a day to make calls on the sick, encouraging them with sympathetic understanding. "Be still and know."

#### MONDAY—July 22

Mixed vibrations bring their challenge today, but self discipline will

result in self control and Jupiter, the benefic, will bestow his blessings and all will be well.

#### TUESDAY—July 23

On this quiet day we say with Emerson: "All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen."

#### WEDNESDAY—July 24

"It behooves us to think carefully before we act today, but we can experience moments of enlightening illumination if we take time to sit quietly in meditation for a few minutes occasionally.

#### THURSDAY—July 25

Much can be accomplished today, but we must not overdo, the Sun, Moon, and Mars send us strong rays. "Rest in the Lord."

#### FRIDAY—July 26

A pleasant day when we may have fine understanding talks with family and friends and constructive activity in the home. "He is happiest, be he king or peasant, who finds peace in the home."—*Goethe.*

#### SATURDAY—July 27

Let us perform our work with love and understanding and all will be well. "The Lord will preserve thy going out and thy coming in."

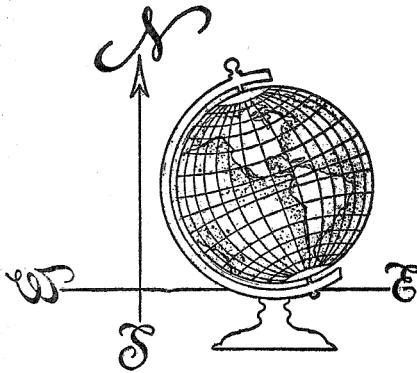
#### SUNDAY—July 28

Today we may use originality in our contact with our fellowman. And let us always remember that "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

#### MONDAY—July 29

The mixed vibrations of today call for mental exertion. Jupiter the benevolent planet is standing by, and much good may result.

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MONTHLY

# News

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## Gospel by Radio

Several Protestant radiobroadcasts are spreading the gospel of Christ in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, according to Mary Hornaday in the *Christian Science Monitor*. A new million-dollar, 100-kilowatt shortwave station has been dedicated in Addis Ababa by Emperor Haile Selassie I, and will beam religious radio programs to Africa, the Near East, and Europe.

A missionary station has been set up on the island of Curacao, off the coast of Venezuela, which is powerful enough to be heard in any spot on earth. The station plans to broadcast in 25 languages.

A 50,000-watt shortwave station has opened in the Philippines, and others are planned for Asia. Not only are the stations preaching Christianity, but they are broadcasting lectures on health, safety, and homemaking. They offer classes in music, English, history, and kindred subjects.

For years the Voice of Prophecy has been broadcasting in many languages over hundreds of radio stations around the world. In Revelation 14 the giving of God's message in the latter days is symbolized by an angel flying in the heavens. How descriptive of the giving of the gospel by radio and television in these times. God bless the use of the modern instruments of communication to spread the knowledge of His love to all men.

—*These Times*, June, 1963.

The two brass pillars that Solomon set up before the temple which he built in Jerusalem have been used as symbols, even from the time they were built. In I Kings we find names for them: the right pillar called *Jachin*, meaning *He shall establish*, and the left pillar *Boaz*, meaning *in it is strength*. Inside the

temple, before the altar were the two further symbols of the shew-bread on the right, and the seven-branched candlestick on the left, equating once again the symbols of the right as the outer materialising physical world and the left as the source from which this physical world was created.

All of this lengthy introduction to our readers is to impress once more upon them that, although most of the comments of this department are directed to scientific progress, we recognize and support the work that our left hand does, too. The scientific teachings that we give of the cosmos are given only that man may believe with his mind and start to live the religious life which alone can bring about true fellowship. We echo the last words of the article quoted above, "God bless the use of the modern instruments of communication to spread the knowledge of His love to all men."

## International Understanding Grows

The first "modern" workcamp was held near Verdun, France, in 1920 when young people from France, Germany, and other nations helped rebuild war-ravaged farms. The movement has grown, especially since the second world war, until now each year some two million volunteers from all continents and most countries gather for from three to six weeks in camps of five to 200 (the average is 25) to make a personal con-

tribution to the welfare of their less fortunate neighbors.

During the day there are long hours of hard physical work: slums are painted in the U.S.A, France and Great Britain, schools built in Bolivia, Ghana and the Ukraine, roads laid in Yugoslavia, India and Togo, flood and earthquake damage repaired in Morocco, Chile and the German Federal Republic....

In the evening, guitars, recorders and mouth-organs are brought out to accompany folk-singing and dancing. Or else, lively, sometimes heated (and always earnest) discussions spring up. In some camps, those devoted specifically to improving Orient-Occident understanding for instance, lectures and discussions are carefully prepared in advance, but volunteers everywhere join in with youthful verve—usually tempered by the experience of trying to do something concrete about the problems they are discussing.

—*Unesco Courier*, 4-63.

We are always glad to find examples of growth in international understanding. It will not be too many centuries before there will no longer be any nationalities as such, and all of these tentative steps point in that direction. When that happy time arrives each of us will be accepted for his own accomplishments and abilities and not for his family background or his nationality.

## Magnetic Fields

In the dark ages of medicine, some people had the weird notion that comets heralded the plague, and that a full moon meant a full house at Bedlam. Maybe they were right

Dr. Robert O. Becker, an orthopedic surgeon at Syracuse Veterans Administration Hospital and New York's Upstate Medical Center, is not so sure that the old theorems—revolving around unseen celestial and terrestrial forces—were simply superstitious nonsense. He is going back to medicine's dim folklore to try to explain questions that now baffle doctors. Most physicians know, for instance, that the body follows a strict daily cycle in producing certain hormones, and some diseases flare up mainly in certain seasons—but no one knows exactly why. Becker believes the answer may lie in the magnetic field which

arcs invisibly over the earth from pole to pole. "Subtle changes in the intensity of the geomagnetic field," he says, "may affect the nervous system by altering the body's own electro-magnetic field."

The whole idea sounds strange, Becker admits, yet he and his associates have found intriguing evidence that lends weight to the theory. For one thing, they have established a direct relationship between admissions to mental hospitals and activity in the earth's magnetic field... How would magnetic forces miles above the earth disturb the brain of a schizophrenic? A likely answer, Becker feels, is through the direct-current field which surrounds the body and seems to be generated by the brain and spinal cord... "These currents," says Becker, "seem to determine the responsiveness of the nerve cells themselves, and therefore could be the bridge by which external electrical charges might reach the nervous system."

—*Newsweek*, 5-63.

Copernicus, Tycho Brahe, Johan Kepler, Galileo, and Newton—in fact, all of those great minds of early science who crossed the rainbow bridge to the archetypal world and brought back the basic tenets upon which our modern scientists have built their kingdoms—believed in astrology. The writings of one of the greatest scientists and metaphysical minds of all times, Immanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772) have been searched of late by our medical scientists. He insisted that the motion of the brain synchronized with the respiration and not with the heart action as his contemporaries believed. Over a hundred years later his theory was proved correct.

Today Kepler's treatise on a trip to the Moon, written in 1609 is being studied by our space researchers. So we are not surprised that the "far out" researchers are looking into the "weird notions" of those pioneers. The alchemists of old were three hundred years ahead of their time, and if one of them should step into a modern laboratory and change lead into gold, we would only say that that was old stuff; it had been done fifty years ago. (It



is still too expensive to be practical!

The study of electro-magnetic forces and of bio-electrical forces may help to explain the whys of a host of medical mysteries. Why, for instance, do ulcers seem to flare up in the spring and fall with the changes in the intensity of the geomagnetic field? Dr. Becker has discovered that electric currents are given off by the human bone during the healing process of a fracture, and suggests that perhaps electric currents may some day prove useful as a means of speeding the mending of broken bones.

The faith that we have in the higher astrological forces will be justified, but only by dint of patient work in the physical laboratory. In doing so we will have developed a trained mind and gained an understanding of the workings of natural law.

## Surgical Marvels

With their new machines and new skills, surgeons know practically no limits to the range of patients they can help. Operations once regarded as foredoomed to failure and fatality if attempted in the very young, in the aged, or in those seriously weakened by illness are now carried out on the youngest of babies or on the oldest and sickest of patients.

For a child born a "blue baby," the surgeon's probing hands delve into the innermost recesses of the heart, open up valves that nature has botched, and sew in patches where nature has left something out. They put artificial valves into hearts scarred by rheumatic fever. In an old man's belly, they implant an electrical pace-maker, the size of a railroad conductor's watch, with electrical leads to spark a faltering heart. They thrust a thin tube through the brain and freeze to death a tiny bundle of nerve cells to relieve the tremors of Parkinson's disease. They take a beam of fierce laser light and aim it into the eye to cement a detached retina back into place.

They remove a kidney from a healthy donor and transplant it into a patient who would otherwise die of chronic kidney failure. And to make such a transplant work, they wash out the body's liquid wastes, rebalance its acids and alkalies,

lower its potassium—biochemical feats no less remarkable than all their surgery.

On the average, one out of eight operations today is of a type that could not have been done at the end of World War II. At the Brigham recently, there have been as many as ten such new operations a week.

—*Time*, 5-63.

The truly marvellous techniques involved in these new operations that bring people back from imminent death have stirred the world, and we join in venerating those trained minds and steel nerves of the individuals who perform the operations. Along with the development of these radical procedures there have been remarkable discoveries or disclosures of how the body normally functions, and it is to these biochemical processes that we look for our next advance.

Do you know the first question the people recovering from one of these operations ask their doctors? "What must I do so that there will not be a recurrence?" So far the doctors have not had a sure answer. We look forward to the day when our contemporary society will have evolved some new method of handling the health problems of mankind, comparable to the ancient Chinese system of paying the doctor for keeping him well, and not paying him when illness strikes.

The Rosierucians traditionally have had sources of healing not apparent to the ordinary observer. They use Invisible Helpers who work on the diseased body of the patient while he sleeps, purifying and purging accumulations of poisons from wrong living habits. The members of The Rosierucian Fellowship, while their own bodies are resting in sleep, help this work, joining together in congenial bands to work under a trained worker who often is a doctor during his waking hours. People who possess etheric sight testify that, in the hospitals and homes where there are sick, they have seen many

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# Readers' QUESTIONS

## A "Bad Deal"?

### Question:

If it be true that the individual Ego elects, itself, to re-enter life on the Earth plane and later, upon arrival, discovers he has probably, through ignorance, made a mistake, who, it might be asked, should be held responsible for this? Is the Ego perhaps entirely or partially responsible? How is it that the Ego before entry had not been sufficiently advised or educated so that this seeming mistake could have been avoided? At one's present stage of evolution this state of affairs is not properly understood and seems very unfair. As the die has been cast, however, there is nothing to do but proceed to the best of one's ability, making the best of that which might seem—A Bad Deal.

### Answer:

We believe that the crux of the answer to your question lies in the fact that man has free will, and consequently may learn the necessary lessons either by observation or experience. Most people have to learn by experience, but the choice is always theirs! Since we became individual, indwelling Spirits, with a measure of free will, only *we* are responsible for what comes to us. We actually do not make a mistake in choosing a certain life pattern (when we have merited a choice from several), be it ever so difficult. The Recording Angels give us exactly what we need for our development, but sometimes it is difficult for us to see that our experiences *are* what we need! When we analyze this thoroughly we must find that our task, really, is to learn the

lesson involved in the experience. Perhaps the experience is for the purpose of teaching us humility, tolerance, discrimination, or any other one or more of the traits that we *do* have to unfold in our evolutionary journey.

It is a great mistake to think that we ever get "a bad deal." To allow ourselves to think along this line sets us *against* the tide of evolution. On the other hand, when we take the attitude that we ourselves are entirely responsible for attracting to us certain people and certain circumstances, and resolve to change our associates and improve our circumstances by changing *ourselves*, then we are going forward *with* the tide of evolution and will soon find pleasant changes taking place in our immediate world.

Constant soul searching is absolutely necessary if one is to progress on the spiritual path. It may be very painful at times to admit our own shortcomings. It is so much easier to put the blame on someone else, but when we do we are listening to the lower self and not to the Spirit, which *always* guides us aright. By turning within, prayerfully, to that "inmost center where truth abides in all its fullness" and looking for the cause of our difficulties, we will find them. Then—we must face them, and meet them by *changing ourselves*.

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## Recognition in Desire World

### Question:

If it is possible to change one's looks in the Desire World, does not that interfere with the recognition of friends

and relations who have already passed into the Great Beyond?

*Answer:*

No, actually it would not. A Spirit may change its appearance completely in the Desire World, may allow its form to blend with forms of other Spirits, and it may even permeate a physical body if it so desires, and still retain its individuality and be recognized by someone previously known on the Earth plane. The reason this is possible is that each Spirit vibrates to a particular keynote which is all its own and different from that of all others. In the spirit worlds it is the *keynote* of the Spirit and not the form that distinguishes each being from another one. Therefore any change in outward appearance in no way prevents the positive recognition of people by those who have known them before they were bereft of their physical bodies.

## Effects of Alcohol

*Question:*

I have always thought that delirium tremens was the result of frequent indulgence in alcoholic drink over a long period of time. However, I have recently discovered that many habitual drunkards have never had delirium tremens, while this disorder is common to many who have not drunk nearly as long nor as frequently. How do you account for this?

*Answer:*

The alarming increase in the drinking of alcoholic liquors during the past decade or so must surely constitute a major concern of those Higher Ones who have the spiritual progress of humanity in charge! If people all over the world (though the greatest responsibility is with the Western World) knew the real facts about alcohol and its dangerous effects upon human beings at this time

in their evolution, there would undoubtedly be more concerted effort to stamp out its use.

First of all, it should be realized that alcohol is a spirit, though a *false* spirit. That is the reason why when taken into the dense body it has a direct effect upon the spirit of man. When an Ego lives a pure life full of loving service to others, some time during the course of his evolution the spinal spirit fire will be enkindled and set into vibration to such an extent that it will vibrate the pineal gland and the pituitary body. Then the spinal spirit fire will play between these two organs, forming an arc which will unite the two, one of which is positive (the pineal gland), and the other negative (the pituitary body). This spiritual illumination will enable the Ego to see that which was heretofore invisible to him. All sight depends upon rates of vibration, and the fact that the rate of vibration set up in these two organs is of the same pitch as that of the invisible worlds makes superphysical sight possible.

When an individual takes alcohol into his dense body, its vibration becomes considerably accelerated and a high pressure is set up in the spinal canal. When the increased vibration is great enough Desire World vision results.

In the Desire World each strata has its own vibratory rate, and each of these strata is inhabited by beings who vibrate to the particular conditions existing there. When the spinal spirit fire is enkindled by the legitimate means of high and noble ideals, the Ego who is living a pure, regenerate life creates a vibration which will correlate it with the higher realms of the invisible worlds where all is harmony and beauty, but the low evil vibrations generated by the spirit of alcohol correlate the Ego to the gross bestial regions where the hate, sensuality, passion, desire, and other evil emotions of humanity have created thought forms which have become ensouled by a low class of entities such

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A spiritual Religion cannot blend with a materialistic Science any more than oil can mix with water. Therefore, because the Great Leaders of humanity saw the tendency toward ultra-materialism which is now rampant in the Western World, they took steps to counteract and transmute it at the auspicious time. They did not wish to kill budding Science as Science had earlier strangled Religion, for they saw the ultimate good which will result when an advanced Science has again become a co-worker with Religion.

Centuries have rolled by since a high spiritual teacher having the symbolical name Christian Rosenkreuz — *Christian Rose Cross* — appeared in Europe to commence this work. He founded the mysterious Order of Rosicrucians with the object of throwing occult light upon the misunderstood Christian Religion, and to explain the mystery of Life and Being from the scientific standpoint, *in harmony with Religion*.

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as are seen by the victim of alcoholic drink.

There are in the world today two general classes of people: the sensitives and the non-sensitives. The difference between these two classes is that in the vital bodies of the sensitives the two higher ethers are not as closely interlocked with the lower vehicles as they are in the non-sensitives. Where this connection is loose anything which accelerates the dense body vibrations will bring about a slight extension of sight, but where the interlocking is close it is not possible to raise the vibratory pitch of the dense body high enough to contact the invisible planes. It is only the sensitives who are subject to the horrors of delirium tremens.

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seemingly miraculous things happen. Coupled with this invisible work the Healing Department at Mt. Ecclesia personally urges every one who writes in for healing to cooperate actively by using fresh, pure, wholesome foods and by living an unselfish, other-person centered life.

You may ask about those blue babies mentioned in the article quoted from *Time*, and about those whom "nature has botched," when we insist that pure wholesome food and a kindly, unselfish life are the requisites for a healthy body. One of the tenets of the Rosicrucian Fellowship teachings is that of Rebirth, and consequently the incoming Ego who has piled up unsettled debts in a former life is now faced with the rewards. We always reap what we sow, either now or later.



## Removing Corns and Callosities

J. D. MATHEWS, M.A.I.C.H.

**P**HYSICAL and mental vitality is intimately involved with the health of the lower limbs and feet. Too often will a weakened foot condition be a predisposing factor in general poor health, and in many cases a painful corn or callous causes the sufferer to be moody and depressed.

A corn is the hardening and thickening of the skin due to friction and pressure. When a corn forms, back pressure from the shoe tends to pinch the nerve endings under the corn and severe pain results. The cause is flat-foot conditions and tight fitting shoes.

Callosities, only found on the sole or edge of the foot, are caused by friction, and the skin thickens over a large area. This condition makes the feet tired and heavy. A continual burning ache is present, in contrast to the brief twinges of pain accompanying a corn. For corn and callous conditions the usual form of treatment is paring by a chiropodist. However, there are several home remedies which, when applied carefully, give excellent results.

A simple recipe for a (hard) corn is  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. salicylic acid,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. vaseline. Lanoline may be substituted for vaseline. The chemist (druggist) will powder the salicylic acid for you so that all you need to do is to mix it in with the vaseline until the mixture becomes an even paste.

When applying the cure ensure that healthy tissue in the vicinity of the corn is properly protected. By taking about three inches of one inch elastic adhesive dressing you may cut a hole in the center of it just big enough to allow the corn to come through. The corn cure is then applied to the affected parts as an ointment. To prevent the ointment rubbing off, a thin layer of cotton wool is placed over the top of the corn and then powdered.

It is important that this treatment be attempted only before going to bed at night. During the day socks and shoes will transfer the ointment to an undesired area.

As they generally occur between the toes of perspiry feet, soft corns present many difficulties. Tight shoes which have permitted the toes to rub together are the basic cause of soft corns. Consequently, broader shoes should be worn, and some form of padding instituted to keep the toes apart and allow a free circulation of air. A suitable pad need only be a piece of quarter-inch felt the size of a sixpenny piece (a dime) strapped near the top of one of the offending toes. It would be best to have a surgical chiropodist deal with the case before application of this form of treatment.

Vascular or nerve corns are common to people suffering from over-action of

the thyroid gland, or thin sensitive skin.

A naturopath who successfully diagnoses the cause of such a corn can do much to facilitate a cure.

The corns themselves usually appear on the ends of the toes. They are not very thickened and appear like chilblains because of their red appearance. A chiropodist should apply treatment in the first instance, but there are some home treatments which are beneficial. Again, small felt pads can be used. Strapped around the base of the corn they relieve shoe pressure, and blood circulation to the corn improves. Walking and foot exercises are other aids to improving circulation and hence nutriment to the afflicted part. Further, use may be made of an infra-red lamp placed at a distance of 18 inches from the foot for 15 minutes, twice a day, until relief is obtained.

When a callous appears across the ball of the foot, it is necessary that this excess skin be pared away. In lieu of professional treatment it is suggested

that the feet be soaked in warm, soapy water. Wash until the skin softens. Then apply a coarse pumice stone until you have rubbed off the excess skin. It will probably take three or four treatments to ease the trouble. A felt pad can now be cut out and applied below the affected area to support the transverse arch and take any pressure that comes to bear down the midline of the foot. The shape of the pad should be that of a broad horseshoe with the center cut away to take the calloused area, and should be strapped in position with adhesive bandaging.

Consultation with a naturopath or chiropodist on these matters is always advisable. After treatment by a chiropodist it will be necessary to continue caring for the complaint with frequent massage, using a skin cream. To facilitate healthy tissue growth, Friars Balsam can be applied to corns and mercurochrome to soft corns between the toes.—*Health and Vision*, 167 Collins St., Melbourne, Australia.

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## INVISIBLE HELPERSHIP

In the year 1930, when I was convalescing from an operation and childbirth, I was completely exhausted one night after having attended my young son, who was also ill. Finally I was able to stretch myself out to rest, sighing deeply with relief, although aching and sore.

Suddenly, to my utter astonishment, I felt as if some invisible person were stooping over me, sending from two very large hands a beneficent current as if to protect and heal me. I was so overwhelmed by this strange experience that I woke my husband and told him of the immediate relief from my extreme weariness. He advised me to consult the doctor next morning and ask him to explain the incident. I assured him I

would do nothing of the kind, as I did not wish to be considered a psychiatric case!

Up to this time I had never heard about or experienced anything psychic, nor did I have any idea about the existence and activities of the Invisible Helpers. About three years later I found the Rosicrucian Teachings and welcomed them as old friends. They explained my strange experiences to me, and you will understand with what joy I became a Probationer and tried to help others at night.

One night since then I saw a woman standing hesitant and undecided in a surgery, where she was to undergo some sort of medical attention—or was she going to have a baby? A doctor and a

nurse stood talking quietly as they waited. The woman was anxious and feared the treatment, but I stood behind her and was able to put her mind at ease, assuring her that she need not be afraid as I had come to help her.

Feeling that she was not alone in her ordeal, and bolstered by the courage I was able to instil in her, the woman yielded to treatment. Then I set about my proper task of helping and healing, and upon awakening I felt my etheric hands moving back into my physical hands, which laid quietly and without tension. When I had fully regained consciousness, it seemed my etheric hands were still vibrating and felt tired. I was astonished to find that my physical hands were also vibrating vigorously in the same way. I had a sensation of having worked intensely at some *net work*. Later I found that I had been handling an interior body tissue, probably the placenta.

It must have been about 1941 that I awoke one morning with a vivid remembrance of a very peculiar and lively dream for which I could not then give an explanation. My first remembrance was that I had assisted a Russian woman. I felt that I was behind her head and gradually I seemed to have entered (her) and became herself. She was nervous, having just fled from a bombardment, and besides having at least two children, she kept some packages under her arm. This was a moment of utmost tension. She was hiding in a corner amongst newly-made ruins and apparently she decided to run farther on. At this critical moment I called to her emphatically, "No, no! Stay here, it is not safe to cross the street yet."

I myself was not aware of what caused me to warn her, but I felt that we must keep the children back, and so we did. At exactly that moment an aeroplane came suddenly out of the clouds, flying very low and firing *out of its backside* into the streets. The pur-

pose was, I later realized, to clean the streets of fleeing people after the bombardment.

I was then awakened by the shock, puzzled by the dream, for we had then never seen or heard of such a diabolical invention as the backfiring plane. Next morning I told my son about it, and he, the all-exploring junior, said, "Oh Mom, it must have been a German Stuka (spitfire). They have guns in the back."

"My dear," I asked, "how did you happen to know that?"

"Well," he replied in a matter-of-fact tone, "my friends and I found Technical Weeklies which the German soldiers left behind when they changed their quarters. We have quite a lot of them."

This recollection seemed to me proof that I had been serving as an Invisible Helper during the night, and though it seemed a little thing, I was filled with gratitude at the thought that I may have helped a fleeing mother save herself and her children.—*M.E.A.E.M.*

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## FLAVORING WITH HERBS

A pinch of dried herbs is usually sufficient for a medium size food portion (2 or 3 people).

Season sparingly until you know the strength of the flavoring herb.

Long cooking dissipates aromatic oils and the flavor of herbs. For foods requiring long cooking, sprinkle herbs on food an hour or less before removing from fire. For soups and stews use herbs tied up in cheese cloth with string attached, so they may be removed when desired.

The flavor and aroma of an herb should barely be detected. Don't ruin food and respect for flavoring herbs by overdoing. Start with less, add more the next time, until you realize the proper strength of each herb.

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### FROM OUR PATIENTS

*Florida*—Anyone that saw me one year ago would not believe the improvement possible. I still think, more than ever, that your letters help greatly to lift one's soul up out of the mist. With a prayer for you and the Invisible Helpers, I thank you.

*Texas*—I am feeling so much better now, you may take my name off the healing list. It's wonderful how my body and mind have responded to the proper food in your diet suggestions. I am very grateful for your prayers and help. May God bless you all.

*New Jersey*—Getting gradual but constant improvement in my health. I feel very good and optimistic for the future. Every fast day, which I observe usually on Saturdays or Sundays, I greet with joy, because I know they all are steps forward to my recovery. I enclose my healing signature report and wish you ever growing success in your so beneficent and blessed work for people.

*Arizona*—Thank you from the depths of my heart for your wonderful letter answering my application for healing. You may be sure I will give all the co-operation I possibly can. Since writing you, my digestion has improved as well as my general sense of well-being, and I feel happy and optimistic.

*Canada*—The news is still getting better. I heard the children laugh through my right ear the other day, the first time for many years. I had had the use of only my left ear but now it appears as though I may get my hearing back in the right ear. Isn't that just wonderful? My whole mental attitude has improved and now if only my eyes would improve, I'd really be a new person.

*California*—(Written to the Fellowship by a 9-yr.-old boy!... Dear Fellowship Healers: Thank you very much for the strength and courage you are giving me. I received your nice letter and the

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## Music Heals

**T**HE use of music for healing purposes becomes increasingly recognized as it is realized that music harmonizes the "organic rhythms" of the human body, which may bring better physical and mental health, raise moral standards, and heighten the level of accomplishment.

When one comprehends that "orderly rhythmic sound" is the builder of all that is, the healing power of music is more easily accepted. This is expressed in the Bible in the Gospel of St. John which tells us: "In the beginning was the Word...and without the word was not anything made that was made," also and "the Word was made flesh." Every human being created through the power of sound has his own "keynote," which determines his vibratory rate and the type of music to which he will respond.

"Thus, since our bodies function at a certain vibratory rate, it is reasonable to expect that the diseases to which we are subject may be due to inharmonies spiritual or physical which we may produce within ourselves. If the direct cause of this inharmony can be determined and remedied, the physical discomfort will be overcome."

Here music can perform a vital service, for it invites the indwelling Spirit, the Ego, to remember its divine source. The highest type of music speaks of the spiritual realms and awakens the dor-

mant realization of our spiritual heritage. Thereby we are led to living consciously in accord with God's laws, unfolding the innate spiritual powers which can overcome all disease and disharmony.

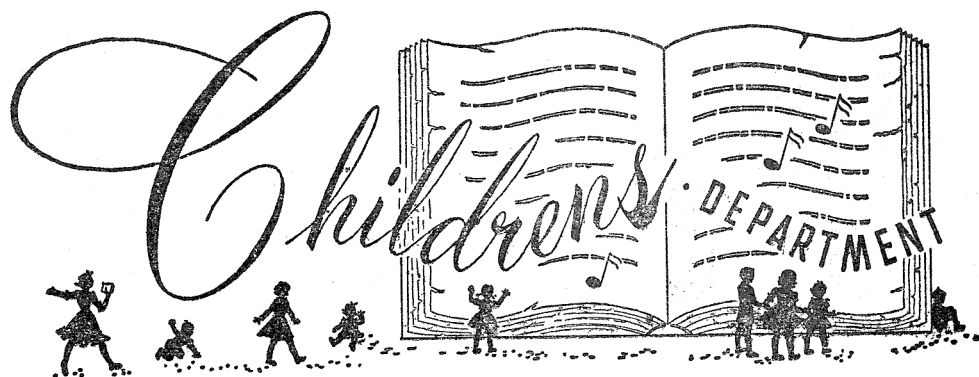
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Visible Helpers are just as necessary as Invisible Helpers, and our friends and patients may share in a high privilege, as well as add much to the power of liberated healing force, by joining us in prayer for the sick. Our Healing Service is held every evening in the Pro-Ecclesia at 4:45 P.M. when the Moon is in a cardinal sign on the following dates:

### HEALING DATES

June .....	1—8—15—21—28
July .....	6—12—19—25
August .....	2—9—15—22—29

Relax, close your eyes, and make a mental picture of the white rose in the center of the Rosierucian Emblem on the west wall of our Pro-Ecclesia, and concentrate on *Divine Love and Healing*.



## Donna Dee and the Rainbow

ETHEL ALEENE PANNELL

"I'M busy, Betty," replied Donna Dee to her friend's telephone call. "I can't come over and play today. Perhaps next week."

She would so much rather watch Zeen and his helpers mold and color the flowers and leaves in the garden than to play with her little friend.

"You never come over any more," said Betty wistfully.

"I'll try soon, Betty, honest I will. I have to go now, but I'll come over soon."

"Well—come when you can."

"I will, Betty. 'Bye."

Donna Dee hung up the receiver and hurried toward the kitchen door.

"Why are you so busy that you cannot play with Betty this morning?" asked Mother.

"I must go and see Zeen. He will be working on the Sweet Alyssum border this morning," answered Donna Dee.

Her mother looked at her searchingly.

"I'm sure Zeen can work in the yard without you for a little while."

"But I like to watch him and he tells me all about his helpers, the Nature Spirits."

"You would rather watch these Nature Spirits than play with your little friend?"

"Yes, sometimes, Mother. I love the Nature Spirits. If it wasn't for Zeen and his helpers, we wouldn't have any pretty flowers."

Mother sighed. Donna Dee was so sure about these little people she called Nature Spirits. So Mother said no more as Donna Dee hurried on.

She followed Zeen from one flower bed to another all morning. When it was nearly noon, Zeen looked up at the sky.

"You will have to stay in the house for a while this afternoon. The Earth is quite dry so I have sent word to the sylphs to get some water particles from the undines because we must have moisture. The sylphs said they would go right to work and get a storm brewing."

"Oh, I remember the sylphs. They were the spirits with the beautiful gauzy wings that looked like little rainbows. I met them at the Festival of the Fairies."

"Yes, they are the ones."

"All right, Zeen, if you need moisture, I'll gladly stay in the house, but I'll be out just the minute the rain stops. But what are the sylphs and the undines made of, and you, too? You are not like I am and how can they make it rain?"

"I'll tell you after lunch. It is time now for you to eat. My—my—I'm glad we don't have to eat. We would never get our work done."

"It is a nuisance, but we can't live without food."

"Without food, indeed. You Earth people have odd habits."

"I suppose it does seem like that to you," sighed Donna Dee.

Just then her mother called her to lunch.

"I'll be out as soon as I eat," called Donna Dee as she began running across the lawn. Suddenly she stopped, hearing someone say: "Hello, Donna Dee!" and saw Goba peeking up at her from between the leaves of the aster bed.

"Hello, Goba. What are you doing?"

"I'm making these asters purple."

"They will be beautiful, Goba. I have to eat lunch now. See you later."

During lunch Donna Dee's father said: "I think I will mow the lawn this evening. It is getting quite high."

"But it will be wet, Daddy."

"Wet? Nonsense. It isn't going to rain. There isn't a cloud in the sky."

"Nevertheless, it is going to rain."

"Who told you that?" he smiled.

"Zeen. He has charge of all the Nature Spirits who are working on our flowers and plants. They are coloring the little new leaves and sprouts as they come through the ground. I watch them all the time."

"Must be very interesting," smiled Daddy.

"You don't believe me," said Donna Dee. "But you'll see. It will rain this afternoon. Zeen says we need moisture."

After lunch Donna Dee hurried out to find Zeen and hear him explain about the Nature Spirits and the rain.

"Well," he began. "There are different kinds of Nature Spirits. Some are more conscious than others."

"What do you mean by conscious, Zeen. Isn't everyone who is awake conscious?"

"In one sense of the word, Donna

Dee. But I mean the other kind of consciousness which means understanding and spiritual growth. You grow strong in body," went on Zeen, "by eating the right kind of food. To grow spiritually, you must also have the right kind of food."

"What can I eat to grow spiritually, Zeen?"

"Eat, indeed. Food for spiritual growth is not to be eaten, but is the good deeds you do, and the love you give other people."

"I set the table every night for Mother," said Donna Dee.

"That is a fine start. But now, back to the Nature Spirits. Your body is built of skin and bone and muscle, but the undines and the sylphs and we gnomes are composed of ethers."

"What are ethers, Zeen?"

"What, indeed! Ethers are an element of gasses. Do you know what gasses are?"

Donna Dee frowned. "Like the gas for our car, Zeen?"

"Well, yes—but different." He placed his finger on his nose. "Our bodies are made of gasses or ethers which makes us invisible to most people. That is why no one will believe you when you tell them that you can see us. Most grown up people lose this power, but you have not lost it yet."

"Do I have to lose it?"

"No, but young people forget as they grow older and get busy with school and parties and such earthly things."

"I'm going to try not to lose mine."

"I hope you don't. Now for your question about the storms. You must always remember that the wind and storms are a form of life just like you are. The undines, or water spirits, separate the water from the surface of the sea into finely vaporized particles. Then the sylphs come darting down and take these particles and carry them as high into the sky as they can. They must hurry for the particles begin to thicken and form into clouds. Then the sylphs

push these clouds around with the wind, which is their war cry.

"Yes, I've heard the wind many times," exclaimed Donna Dee.

"When the undines discover that the sylphs have stolen their water particles, they fly up after them to get their particles back again. It is a sort of game between them. But the sylphs do not want to give up the water, so a battle begins. When the water comes down from the sky to return to the oceans through the rivers and streams, you Earth people say it is raining."

"But sometimes there is lightning and thunder, too, Zeen."

"Lightning and thunder, yes indeed. Sometimes the salamanders, or fire spirits, enter into this battle between the sylphs and the undines. They make the lightning, and they are also responsible for the explosions and volcanic eruptions in the Earth. They light the lightning torch of separated hydrogen and oxygen and send its red flash through the black clouds."

"But Zeen, what is hydrogen and oxygen?"

"What, indeed. They are two more kinds of gasses. You will learn more about them when you are farther along in school and study chemistry. Now where was I?" He laid his finger along his nose and frowned. "Oh, yes, the thunder. The noise made by the thunder is the sudden expansion of the air in the path of the lightning. I guess that's about all."

"Oh, thank you, Zeen, for telling me about the rain and the Nature Spirits who make it come true. It's interesting."

"Interesting, indeed." He turned his wrinkled little face heavenward. "See, the clouds are gathering."

"So they are. You know, my Daddy laughed at me at noon when I told him it was going to rain this afternoon."

"Ha! Maybe he won't laugh now."

They watched the clouds coming closer together and soon a big drop fell right on Donna Dee's little nose.

"The undines have taken the water particles from the sylphs," cried Donna Dee.

"They have, indeed."

"Where will you and all the other Nature Spirits go while it rains?"

"We will keep right on working. A little water doesn't bother us."

"Donna Dee, it is raining, dear. Come in," came Mother's voice from the kitchen door.

"Oh—oh, I have to go in, Zeen, but I will be out as soon as it stops raining. Good-by. Don't work too hard."

"Work too hard, indeed."

Near the back door, Donna Dee stopped and chuckled, for under a big poppy sat Taro, sound asleep. Zeen will scold him good for going to sleep on the job, thought Donna Dee. She decided not to wake him. Maybe Zeen wouldn't find him.

As it rained, Donna Dee watched out of the big window and thought about the battle going on up in the sky. She thought about the Nature Spirits out in the garden working to make the leaves and stalks green and the flowers all colors. She was not afraid of the lightning now for she had met the salamanders at the Festival of the Fairies.

As soon as the storm was over and the Sun came out smiling at the clean fresh world, Donna Dee hurried out to find Zeen. He was busy finishing the color on a chrysanthemum.

"Oh, Zeen, what a beautiful storm. The undines worked so hard to get their water particles back to the sea."

"They did, indeed."

"Oh, look! See that beautiful rainbow over there?"

"Beautiful, indeed! The rainbow is the bond between God and Man."

"What do you mean by bond?"

"It holds God and Man together. It is like a bridge that leads up to God."

"That is a beautiful idea, Zeen. I like it. Whenever I see a rainbow now, I will know I can go right up to God."

Zeen laid his finger along his nose.

"Well—it isn't quite as easy as that. You go up to God without a rainbow in the sky every time you do something nice for someone or have a loving thought for someone. You can't go up a rainbow, even if you can see one, if you hurt someone or are a bad girl."

Instantly Donna Dee thought of Betty. "I did hurt someone today, Zeen."

Zeen's keen eyes looked at her in surprise.

Donna Dee nodded. "My friend, Betty wanted me to come over to play. I told her I couldn't because I was busy. I wanted to be out here with you."

Zeen shook his head sadly. "You cannot walk up the rainbow when you do things like that"

"I'm sorry Zeen. I'll go right in and call her."

"Very good, indeed."

When Donna Dee returned she was smiling.

"Betty was happy when I told her I would come over in the morning."

Zeen nodded approvingly.

"Zeen, why does the rainbow always come after a storm?"

"It proves that there is always some bright event or thought when things all seem dark. See, the rainbow has a background of dark clouds. And the Sun must be more than half the distance between the meridian and the horizon. The nearer the horizon the Sun is, the brighter the rainbow."

"You have taught me so many beautiful things Zeen. I love you very much."

"Hm-m. Well, you have grown very dear to me and to all my helpers."

The next morning, Donna Dee took her favorite doll in its buggy over to Betty's house and they had a wonderful morning playing together.

After lunch, Donna Dee hurried out to find Zeen to tell him all about it. but he was no place to be found. His helpers were all gone, too.

Donna Dee sat down and looked at all the colorful flowers and shrubs and she thought about all the wonderful

things Zeen had taught her. And she also had the petals from her beautiful satin pink rose bud Goba made for her. And she had her wonderful memories of the Festival of the Fairies.

The flowers were all blooming now and Donna Dee knew she would see Zeen and his helpers next spring when he would come back to her garden.

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## DAILY THOUGHT AND GUIDE

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TUESDAY—July 30

Today's vibrations bring experience which will fashion character. In the words of Humboldt: "Only what we have wrought in our character during life can we take away with us."

WEDNESDAY—July 31

As the month of July leaves us we find spirit uniting with personality and we will feel that "All's right with the world."

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## FROM OUR PATIENTS

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picture of Jesus. I will hang it up in my room and take good care of it. I don't eat very much meat and sweets. I eat lots of fruits and vegetables like you told me to. My mother got me some acidophilus, but could not afford the rest of the diet but maybe I can use a vitamin made by.....Co. They are natural and Momy can buy them at a discount. When I get your letters I like them so much I cry. I say my prayers every night.

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The Rosicrucian Fellowship is an association of Christian men and women banded together for the purpose of helping to make Christianity a living factor in the world. Its teachings are designed primarily for the Western peoples, giving a definite, logical, and sequential explanation of the origin, evolution, and future development of the world and man, from both the spiritual and scientific aspects. The Fellowship has no connection with any other organization.

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This profound course will help the Student to recognize in the Bible a spiritual guide of inestimable value given to humanity by the Recording Angels, and will enable the Student to interpret and understand its hitherto unrevealed secrets of life and being to such an extent that they find its truths corroborated and illumined by scientific discoveries. Parables and seemingly insignificant incidents become revealed as purveyors of basic scientific spiritual laws upon which a more satisfactory and truly successful life may be patterned. (28 lessons)

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The *Junior Course* covers the setting up of the chart and then advances to the reading of it, showing the Student how to synthesize the horoscope as a whole and arrive at a point where he can read the message contained therein. (26 lessons)

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### APPLICATION BLANK

The Rosicrucian Fellowship, Oceanside, California, U. S. A.

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Astrology ☐

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# STUDY AT HOME

## By Correspondence

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### **Rosicrucian Philosophy:**

Using *The Rosicrucian Cosmo-Conception* by Max Heindel as textbook, the Philosophy courses give a logical explanation of the origin, evolution, and future development of mankind, and open the way to a deeper knowledge of this great subject. This philosophy seeks to make Christianity a living factor in the world, and to combine the eternal facts of Science, Art, and Religion. This study is open to all.

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The Western Wisdom Bible Teaching is a correspondence course of 28 lessons compiled from the writings of Max Heindel. This Course, by making clear the inner meanings of the Scriptures, reveals the underlying principles upon which both science and religion are based. Max Heindel, an Initiate of the Order of the Rose Cross, gives a scientific analysis of Genesis which has "restored" the Bible to thousands.



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# Summer School at Mt. Ecclesia

July 29 through August 23, 1963

The 1963 Summer School classes at Mt. Ecclesia are scheduled to begin Monday, July 29, and last through Friday, August 23. Morning classes will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 and 10:40 to 11:40, and an afternoon class from 2 to 3.

## CLASSES

Classes will be taught in the Rosicrucian Philosophy; Spiritual Astrology, Erecting and Delineating Chart; Western Wisdom Bible Interpretation; the Rosicrucian Method of Healing; Nutrition; Art Appreciation; Music Appreciation.

## LECTURES AND SOCIAL EVENTS

In addition to class lectures there will be evening lectures by resident and guest speakers. Weekend entertainment will be arranged.

## SERVICES

Chapel services are held daily at 7:45 A.M. (Sunday 8:15) and 4:45 P.M. In addition, on Sunday there are Lecture-Services at 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. All are welcome.

Healing services are conducted daily, Monday through Friday, at the Healing Department at 8:45 A.M. All are invited.

Temple services are attended only by probationers and are held daily at 6:15 P.M. and Sunday at 6:45 P. M.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Rooms available at Guest House at the following rates:

	Day	Week	Month
Single.....	\$3.00	\$18.00	\$60.00
Single.....	3.50	21.00	70.00
Single.....	3.75	22.50	78.00
Double (twin beds).....	4.50	27.00	90.00

Please make your reservations early. Guests are requested to abstain from the use of tobacco, intoxicating liquor, and flesh food while at Mt. Ecclesia. Vegetarian meals are served at the Cafeteria on the grounds.

Please address all requests for reservations to: Reservation Desk.

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