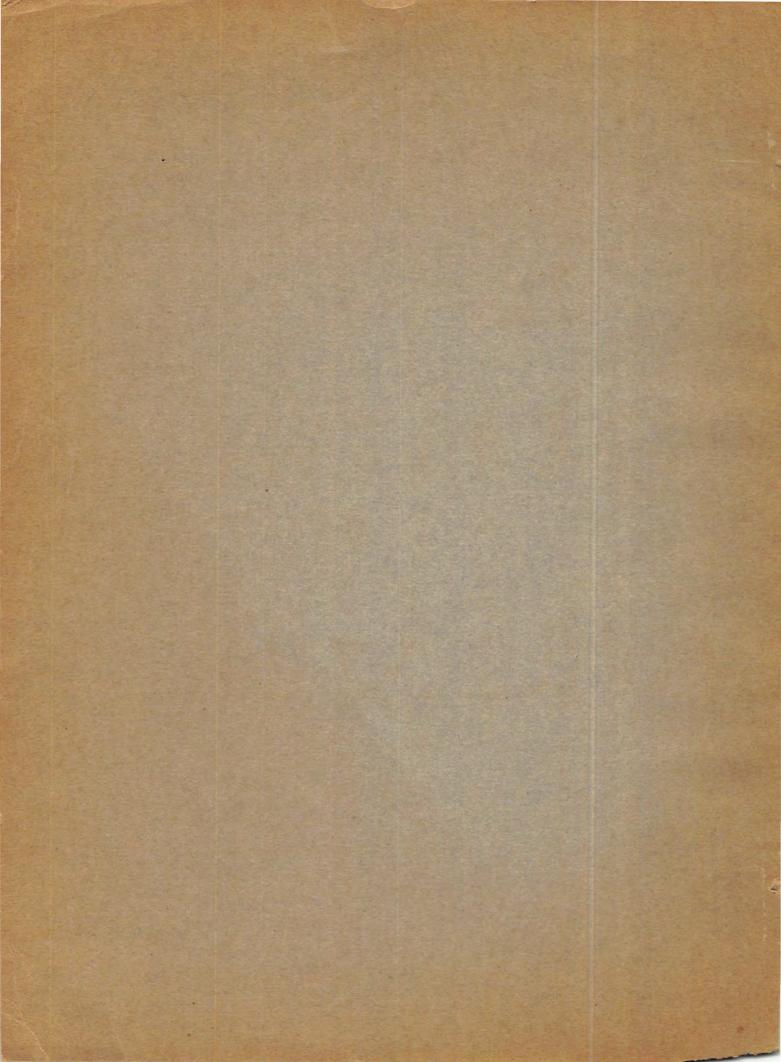
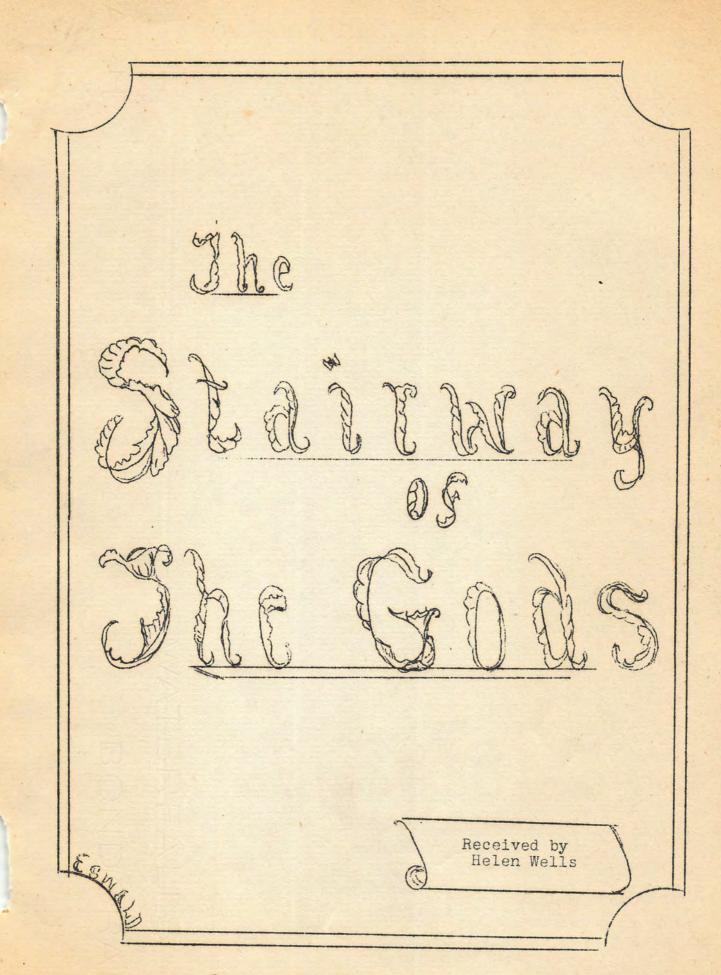
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To the Readers:

It is a self evident fact that no person who is not a <u>native</u> can understand the real conditions of a country as well as one whose whole conscious life has been lived amid those surroundings.

A Frenchman understands France, a Scotchman understands Scotland much better than any outsider. If you wish to arrive at an intimate knowledge of Ireland, allow an Irishman to instruct you.

So in offering this book to you of Earth, dictated by our beloved pupil and coworker, Ernest Wells, we feel we are giving you an opportunity to glean from the lips of one (whose stay on Earth was less than five moments), a more intimate view of the conditions which you will meet when you leave Earth planet.

We, who have spent a large portion of our years upon Earth, are surprised at the <u>facts</u> here which every child seems to comprehend. Ernest Wells came here at birth and is now forty-three years of age. In these letters to his Mother he tells her so many things which we - more recently of Earth, have not observed.

Mr. Wells is working with our Group and I highly commend both his brilliant mind, and his accuracy of statement. We are happy to count him in our list of writers.

He, with his brother Bertrand L. Wells, are closely allied with the School for Youth of which their uncle, - Evelyn Butler is Supervisor. Through the love-tie they find easy communication with our Instrument, Helen Wells. It is through this same love-vibration many of our Writers "tie in" - as your radio waves "tie in" to a vibration.

We extend our gratitude both to the writer and the Instrument.

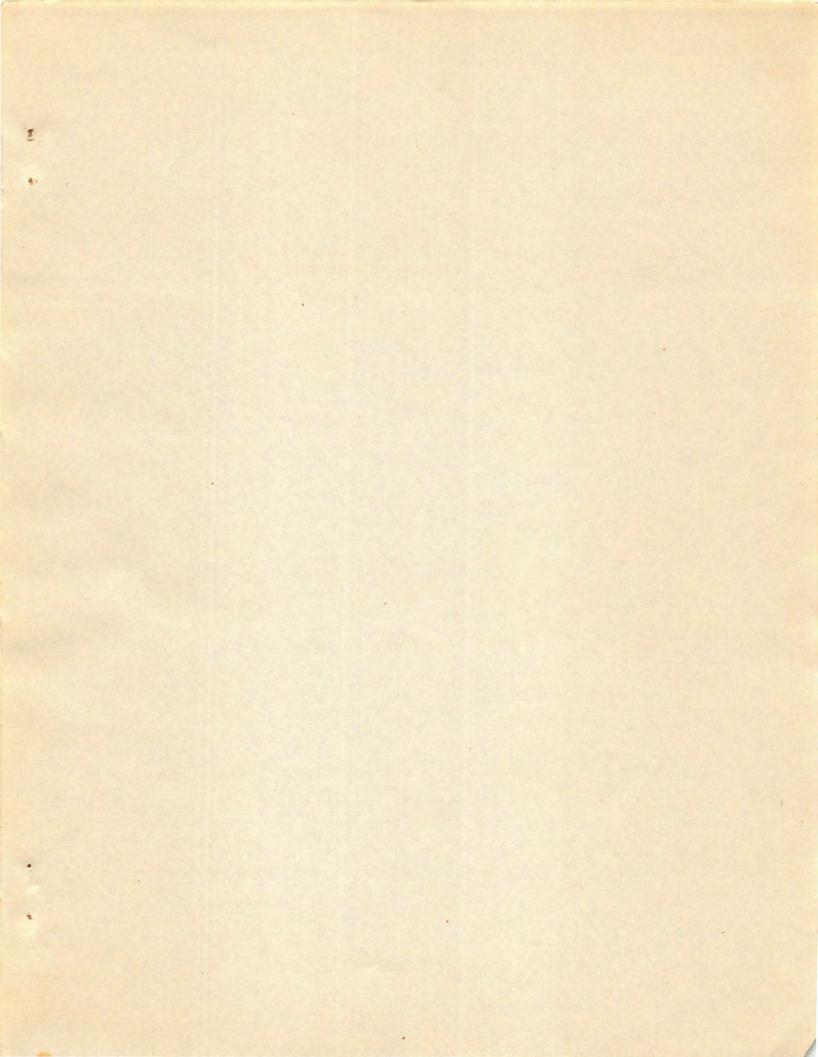
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Ernest Wells:

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"I have been made very happy over the interest shown to my little account of the life here and the babies development here. Of course I had to begin with the infants, as that is where we all begin, but I am anxious to tell you of the special advantages which a natural born citizen - (as you might call us of this plane) has, over one who is merely an emigrant who comes here often ignorant, but always becomes a citizen a oitizen in the due process of Time."

The Shadow of Thoughts Chapter I

It is strange how unconsciously Earth imitates some of Heaven's ways. It is as though the shadows of active thoughts here, filtered dowh to Earth and entered the mind and brain, and was registered upon the brain of some one in harmony with good. For we see, for example, in your Ellis Island, a reflections of our Haven. The Haven in which all baots are moored, and as in your Ellis Island each arrival is subjected to close examination both as to his credentials, his physical condition, his education, all of these things are but duplicates of what occurs in this Haven to which all men come.

Just as the examination of each individual decides their welcome into the freedom of the U.S.A. just so do the credentials of arrival here entitle them to the enjoyment of life in the Eternal Realm.

You see the "Eternal Realm", has to include Earth, and when we find an arrival who has learned to respect the laws of his particular country, who has learned the unwritten laws of life, who has been seeking to know the spiritual laws of life, we can - without any danger, place this newcomer in a society in which his soul will revel in joy, and in the Schools nearest the grade of education, (spiritual education) which he had pursued upon Earth.

There is one fallacy which we find is very popular upon Earth, which is erroneous in the extreme and very misleading, and it is this, that education in the laws appertaining to this plane of existence, is not necessary as a study while upom Earth. The supposition that if a man has led a kindly, charitable,

clean, moral life with strict attendance upon his religious duties, he comes into this kingdom fully prepared to meet all exigencies that may arise.

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Just suppose, for example, a mas has spent all of his life upon a farm, he was a good farmer, he understood the care of his animals, he was kind to his neighbors and to his family, truthful and all that, he read his farm papers, and his Bible, (his Bible more rarely), he had a very dim understanding of any of the truths contained in that Bible, but he acceeded to all of it, and called himself a model citizen.

Ho had not the faintest inkling of what "Communion of souls", means, He had no knowledge of life over here beyond a vague idea of floating with the aid of wings, and harp-playing (of which he doubted his own abilities). He was positive that any sins of ommission or commission had been wiped out from any after effect, by his belief in the "Blood of the Lamb"".

When he arrives here he is totally unprepared to meet life as it really exists here. No one disturbs him, and few of his old friends welcome him, usually through them he learns that he is expected to enter some school. He hears this assertion with a pitying smile, because he knows he can read and write, and besides, "In Heaven they don't read and write".

He begins to look around for Heaven, and when he questions, he is told, "Your astral body can not vibrate in such rapid vibration, you will have to stay right here, close to Earth, until you learn some of the laws that govern this World of Spirit".

Often newcomers resent this, especially if they have been Ministers of the Gospel for over fifty years, and feel they know all about the "plan of salvation". When they make this assertion, (which they generally do), the question is usually asked, "Salvation? from what?" and the answer often is, "Salvation from the pangs of Hell, and entrance into Heaven".

And the second question comes, "What and where is Hell?" and of course the old theological theories are brought out and aired, and one by one are disproved by what his eyes actually see. He is told, "Your salvation is from ignorance, and no one else can save you from the effects of your ignorance while on Earth, from which you are now reaping the results. You must learn the laws and acceed to those laws before you are in a condition to go into a higher rate of vibration."

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Many receive this knowledge kindly, many receive it wrathfully, but no one will argue with them, and no one will listen to them. They see others who came as ignorant as themselves, who seem deeply interested in the studies which they are pursuing, and after awhile a sensible person admits the errors of his Earth teachings, and begins willingly his upward climb.

You ask me, "Does not all this goodness and kindness while upon Earth count over here?"

I would say, "Yes, those very acts and thoughts have built the man onto a plane of better understanding of the conditions he meets, and the more of the virtues he has practiced the more beautiful is his astral body, and the more intelligent his mind".

And when once he becomes a naturalized citizen of this country the effects upon him is just the same as it is upon the emigrant who first arrives at Ellis Island and later becomes a citizen of your wonderful "Land of Freedom".

There is also another idea which I see floating around Earth, that are constant reminders that development of mind seems to give an idea that each one's freedom to do as he chooses is curtailed by some law. Not so, you enter the schools or the classes you wish to. It is your desire and as an understanding of the truth seeps into your consciousness, you become more and more in love with life here.

Your free-will-choice is much more abbe to expand into action here than upon the Earth plane, and the more man becomes in harmony, or in unison, with the spiritual laws while upon Earth, the sooner will his advancement here into the Higher Courts of the Almighty Good be accomplished.

To us, who come here as babies, there is no need for all of this doubt and indecision. We have been taught those marvelous truths - over which you of Earth expand in rapture, ever since we could begin to understand . Infinitude.

To a little child who has never seen water produced in any way except by a rain barrel or a pump, the very sight of faucets being turned and water coming out of the wall is a marvel, a miracle, while to one who has seen this all his life, it is no miracle at all.

To think a thing and have it appear to us, is one of the common realities of life here, and it is much easier to

draw the colors and the textures out of the air here, than it is for you of Earth to take your samples from store to store to try and match color or a texture.

We sometimes have what we call, "Thinking bees", or little parties, where a dozen or so of us who are interested in some one achievement, sit together and concentrate upon the idea which one of the numbers has explained to us. You see "materialization" is only, a drawing together of the atoms and their adherence to each other; and yet, what do you do upon Earth?

You think of a thing and then you go to others for their help in aiding you to obtain the thing for which you wish. You do not have "Thinking bees", over it, no, but you do go to a store and talk to the clerk about what you want and he does his best to select for you.

We have the advantage over any clerk in stores for our atmospheric stock is limitless, and if I, for example, should concentrate on a yellow vest and bloe coat, I would get it out of the atmosphere.

So after all, you see the shadows of the real life do float across your Earth and are often understood by you of Earth. And where there are connective lines made through the sensitization of the astral body, then we can come into close contact, as I am doing at this present moment, I am in the room and I am speaking to the astral ear of this instrument and she, -thank God, is hearing me clearly, and repeating distinctly what I am saying.

I am very happy to tell to you these little points which I so often hear discussed with much earnestness and much ignorance, and I would quote, "For the <u>Truth</u> shall make you free".

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Our Friendly Neighbors Chapter II

One ... can obtain a little better insight into the wisdom of the Great Plan, when they realize the value of the intercourse between planets. Dr. Mathewson has told you of the personality - if you can call it that, of each planet, and its value in aiding the developments upon every other planet.

As Earth is so closely allied to Jupiter and Jupiter is peopled with very brilliant minds and highly developed spiritual insight, you can see how things or inventions that are evolved through the needs of Jupiter's people can, through the thought-wave and the laws of vibration, be carried to Earth and be registered upon a human mind.

The old saying, "All inventors are dreamers", is a true one. Only we would say, "All inventors have a keener activity of their sixth sense", their power to sense spirit, than other men and women. The power to register what the spirit senses is another psychic gift. I do not believe if you were to ask any inventor where he got his idea, that he could tell you. "It came to him", he would say, and the fact is that he received it through his sixth sense.

You who have watched the shooting stars of fire-works sec one light ascend rapidly into the heavens and then open and a shower of beautiful colors fall through the space, can get a faint idea of what we mean by the vibrations carrying thoughts. These vibrations surround Earth and there is no part of that round ball named Earth, that does not receive its share of vibrations laden with something of value from other planets in their Constellation.

We do not try here to invent machinery, but we do try to quicken the senses of perceptive power of human beings on every planet, that they may be able to accomplish that which their mind's picture has presented to them as valuable. In other words, as near as I can understand it or have been taught, we of the World of Spirit are taught to help men to help themselves.

If that lesson could only be learned by you of Earth that the best aid man can give to another is to help him to help himself. If fathers and mothers instead of giving everything to their children, would teach them how to utilize the things by which they are surrounded, it would be a much better education.

It is difficult for one brought up over here under such different ideals of life, to understand an Earth child's mind and it is to learn better how to understand human beings that oft times little children here are brought to Earth as playmates to little children upon Earth. And through the conditions which the Spirit child sees we older ones can better grasp the necessities of Earth.

From my observations I would say to give a boy a good jack knife and a piece of wood that he could cut, and let him make a boat through his own efforts, is much wiser than to buy him a boat already made, and the boy's sense of observation and skill in handling an instrument, his knowledge of balance, of power and weight and proportion are all developed by his own experiences with a jack knife and a block of wood. And when the boat is finished and actually balances upon the water, the joy and pride of that child far surpasses the launching of a boat made by machinery.

The boy has learned many lessons in hewing out a boat from a block of wood. That is only a rough example. Over here we have only to develop those powers which come through the mental. We are taught as children how to concentrate our minds upon atomic forces, how to form garments through this concentration of thought and how to color them, how to wear them. All things are fitted here for man's needs, but man in his astral body living in another rate of vibration has to accommodate his mind's activities to utilizing that by which he is surrounded.

You see it is the same law which is worked out on Earth in material things. There is so much here that is of common interest when you are here, that it is impossible to explain, because you have no conception of the conditions, and have no idea of what the terms which we must use mean, for as you do not have those conditions you do not have the terms.

There is great necessity for a better understanding of the beauties of child-life here to be given to the weeping parents whose love for their children is the strongest emotion of their life.

We see mothers and fathers whose ambitions and hopes and plans are all frustrated by the death of their children. They feel there is nothing more to live for, they feel sure of nothing over here, and consequently their whole future looks blank and black.

If they could only realize the possibilities of aid which they can still give to their child by their constant hopeful, prayerful, loving attitude, and realize that the child is near them, is longing for expressions of love, and that their little hearts are aglow with the love of father and mother. They are not angels with no farther thought of Earth and mother, no desire for love from father, no, they have not changed, and because they have not changed they are still allowed to be very close in the home, they hear what you say, and we have to explain to them why you do not answer them.

Why mother is crying? Why father is so silent? Oh, can we not make you feel that it is impossible for you to lose your children? The tiny babes who have never touched Earth, who find their expression and their development here, do not have that love for parents, but the little child who is conscious and responsive to parents love <u>needs it</u> even though you can not see him.

Think of the comparison made so often to the blades of your electric fan, it sits on the table beside you and if a very small stream of electricity stirs into motion, you can count the blades as they revolve, because they are in the same vibration as yourself. Increase that electric current and the rapidity with which those blades revolve makes it impossible for you to see them at all, and yet they are there, they are on the table beside you, and if you can accept this conception of the nearness to your little child, you will find that there are moments when your own vibrations are raised and you can hear him, or perchance just get a glimpse of him.

I am so anxious that fathers and mothers should not sorrow needlessly. Talk to your little ones, tell them you love them, and just as you tell them when they start to school, "Learn all you can, so that you can teach me when I come over there, for my darling, I shall come, that is the law of Nature". And you will find a comfort stealing into your heart, a sensation that you are in eternity now, only you are functioning in a slower rate of vibration than the little fellow who has passed into a higher rate. But the edges of the two vibrations come closer and closer together, and love often makes the bridge over which the souls may meet.

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Oct. 16th, 1935

"Can My Child Come Back?"

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Wednesday, Oct. 23rd, 1935

No one can realize the great joy it gives to any child when it feels it can be of service to his mother or father or brothers and sisters. To be considered, "One of the family and an important one", is an incentive to every child whether on on Earth or over here. It is because parents feel that they have lost their little ones, they have laid them into the grave, the little mound shows always in their thoughts, and by the very thoughts, and by this very picture they are casting upon that child the saddest lesson it has to learn here, and that is, that father and mother are ignorant that they are alive and with them.

A child that had a happy home, loving its toys and loving its pets, is never snapped away from that home, that would be cruelty not kindness. Sometimes for days, weeks and months the child is allowed to be a part of every day in his old home surroundings. But whenthOne speaks to him, and the only attenti on he receives is tears and more tears, and moans and sobs, naturally a small child becomes almost afraid of his home. A nd when that sentiment arises, then other toys similar to those he has on Earth, other pets like those, are found for the child, and if the child is very small he is soon won into a sort of indifference to the lack of attention. in his Earth-home.

Because it is inexplainable why the parents do not talk to him or speak to him, that the little one begins his first lessons in the etheric <u>facts</u>, and after awhile his little heart is not grieved, and you often hear them say, "Oh well, Mamma don't know, or Papa can't hear me".

If parents could only realize how much comfort they could be to that child who is now surrounded by strangers; she longs for her own Mother and Father, and when she runs to them they do not see her, they do not hear her. Oft times a child at five or six years or above that, comes here who is very sensitive and very intensein their love for their Earth people, they are spared the agony of the parent'sindifference by a - what you might call, a half-hypnotic condition, which seems to act as a veil over the harshness of the sensing indifference. But it is difficult for a small child to grasp the truth that both father and mother and the child himself are alive and yet can not understand.

These are some of the sad effects of ignorance. To a little child, whose father perhaps came over here when the child wasypounger and he has been told that "Papa is in Heaven, "it is

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a very usual thing to hear the child ask, "Is this pretty place Heaven?" When told it is, the quick rejoinder invariably comes, "Well, my papa is here somewhere, can't you find him for me?Tell him I have come and I am waiting for him."

And no more blessed reward comes to a man who has been here long enough to grasp the eternal truths and assimilate the knowledge thus learned, than the eager joining with his beloved child. But there is a very sad side to this also, for the man who came here indifferent to God and good, and has remained indifferent, there is no joining between the stratum or rather the vibrations in which he functions, and the pure vibrations of a little child.

And to such a child all we can say is, "We will bring him, dear, when we find him". And many a little fellow over here is eagerly waiting the return of the father who is somewhere in the Spaces. This knowledge is always conveyed to that man by the Minimian and often acts as an impetus to drag him out of his lethargy. So it seems as if the old saying, "Love is the fulfilling of the law", works true over here just as it does upon Earth.

To a child who comes here with mind filled with fear of drunken parents, and memories of beatings and torture from those same parents, there is never a desire to return, and you will often hear them say, "Don't let my father find me, don't let mamma catch me, promise me". And fortunately with such children Time drops the veil of oblivion between their eyes and those unkind parents.

For your God is a merciful God. His tender mercies are outlined in all His laws, and often the sponge of forgetfulness wipes from the memory-cells of a child those scenes which brought anguish and fear, when they were enacted.

Do you ask, "When that cruel father or mother comes here is it every united with the child?" and we would answer, "Not until the parents have explated their sins, and have grown out of the lower rate of vibration and can function in a higher, mmd-mm-funktion are they allowed to meet each other.

Many a drunken father is kindness itself when not under the influence of liquor, and while the drinking is a sin against his physical body, it is not like the crime of cruelty, and after that father has overcome the mortal desires which are still in his astral body, he often mounts rapidly into a higher plane wherein his child dwells and then there is a glad reunion. *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods ** *** *** ***

Just as you are told so often, "Man punishes himself by the reaction of his mind's activities". If he chooses evil instead of good you can not help but react to evil. So the old saying, "Man works out his own salvation", is true. An astral body scarred by many sins is not entitled to a robe of white.

Intelligent repentance goes far in restoration, but intelligent repentance means activity or purpose, and through the activity of purpose man redeems himself, and little by little as the scars upon your flesh today, through Time's laws gradually disappear, so will they upon the astral body.

The Eternal Law is just as active on Earth, and is the same law that is active in the next range of life. No success is ever obtained upon Earth without the desire for success, and the steady plodding day by day along the path which leads to success. Eliminating evil thoughts, and becoming keener eyed to detect our own faults, and blinded more and more as to the faults of others, (for which you are not responsible, which you cannot correct, you cannot change). And more active in the watching out for the careless words you have uttered, or the bitter retort which you deemed so appropriate to the subject.

All of these are little things, yet they lead to wonderful results in spiritual growth. Oft times we hear some of Earth say, "I long to be spiritually minded, I pray and I pray and I pray", and then we watch that person, we find that usually that party does not know what prayer means. She repeats certain words over and over, oft times her mind is on something else, but such a prayer goes no farther than the atmosphere by which she is surrounded. And when she has dropped the sanctomonious attitude, which she flatters herse¥f as "spirituality", she is just as selfish, just as cruel, just as unkind, as she was before she mumbled her prayer.

One of your great writers (they tell me) have a wonderful definition of prayer, "Prayer is the heart's <u>sincere desire</u> unuttered or expressed".

So you see a person may pray even if they mey not speak a word. We sometimes smile to ourselves when we see someone so eager to do some work for the World of Spirit, fairly battling with themselves in order to be patient to the duties which they know are theirs to meet, and we always say to ourselves, "That woman knows how to pray, and she knows how to answer prayer".

Do not think that when you leave Earth the value of the little things will be left behind, little things count just as much here as they do on the Earth plane. Possibly that is the *** *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods ** *** *** *** ***

reason why so much patience is exhibited by the Teachers, both Teachers on the Earth plane and Teachers here. And the ever ready word of encouragment is given, for we well understand that the average mind on Earth and here, will strive harder to obtain praise than they will to escape blame.

To find that others appreciate what you are doing is a stimulant to well doing. Like the perfume from a flower it stays by you with a pleasant sensation, which keeps sending out little aspirations to do still betterwork, to create still more beautiful pictures, or more rythmic verse.No matter what your birth is, encouragment always is a stimulant that makes you happy and impells you to fresh efforts.

So if I were to give any word of advice to you of Earth I would say, be very generous with your appreciation of efforts on the part of others, be very free with your praise and very stingy of your blame. The larger percentage of people are well intentioned, just as the larger percentage of people coming here who are ignorant, are well intentioned.

They want to learn, they want to fit in to the new place into which they have entered, and they find great joy in the fact that there are schools into which they can enter, and soon they become en-rapport with the whole plan of life here.

Of course they are happy, they could not be otherwise. Of course they progress, they cannot help progressing. No remember always that in the millions of people coming here daily, the larger percentage are coming with a desire to know more of good. Our schools are filled, new schools are opened all the time. and as they begin to sense the beauty of all this their faces change, their astral bodies grow lighter and clearer and they too are, "Entering onto the joy of their Lord".

Coordination Of Mind And Body

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November 6th, 1935.

In the coordination between body and mind, we find the answer to all desires for progression, for through your mind -which can and does vibrate in a much more rapid rate than your body possible can, we are able to inject - during these hours of communion, many of the best thoughts garnered from the minds of the multitude here.

Under the Law of Attraction not only,"Like attracts like", but also "Desire attracts desire", and so your desire for advancement spiritually is coordinated with many others, whose trend of thought lies along the line of attunement. And just as one bird singing can not make as much noise as ten birds singing, this culmination of desire is reached often by the force of numbers.

Yet you have not asked for that, you have simply asked for aid, leaving that aid to be worked out under the laws best adapted for its fruition. Many a mother has prayed that the coming babe might be a daughter, and whose heart sank with disappointment when it proved to be a son, and yet the time has come when that mother thanked God for the wisdom that had directed the future through the coming of that boy.

So you see even though the desire be a good one it is not always a desire to be granted, because in the map of future it is often shown to those Higher Teachers, and they find your desire may not be in accordance with wisdom. I am not going to tell you so much of our work on the Earth plane because other teachers are telling you that, I want to confine myself more to our activities here.

As you know personality does not change and the boy who comes over here loving base ball or football or any of the games, loves them just the same, consequently there are great games played with only this difference, they are played according to the rules that never trespass upon the golden rule, consequently even out of the skirmish of football no one emerges with bruised feelings or forms.

We have many, many games for the youngsters of which you have never heard, for the inventive mind of other planets always takes care that the children shall enjoy games. When you eradicate all danger from a game you can see how the platform of games is enlarged. To be able to jump from a bended pole answering the strain of the pole and know that you will land on nothing that harms you, gives a new impetus to the game of jumping. And in this game or exercise our bodies become ac*** *** ***

customed to the swift fresh air which we also feel when we go into the lower stratum of Earth.

Our spirits may be wounded by the indifference of our friends, but our bodies can not be harmed wherever the law of love prevails. The Investigating Committees or parties which are sent out to visit other planets in our Constellation are very exciting and interesting events with us. We of Earth of course always pride ourselves upon the achievements of our own planet, but when we come to compare Earth's achievements with those of the most of the other planets, we do not brag!

To me, I found so much interest on Jupiter. As you know my father (Arthur Wells) has a strong inventive genius, consequently he is deeply interested in Jupiter's creations, and being of a practical frame of mind he still desires to bring over some of these inventions to minds that can absorb them on Earth. He says he "is a silent partner now, in several firms".

Personally, I am more interested in people than I am in machinery. Inventions do not interest me except in a mild manner. The study of the laws of vibration is to me deeply interesting. I told you about the color and the odor and the sound of vibrations, so you can see how easily we catch the disturbances upon Earth where any mind is uncertain, it throws a shadow around that subject.

There are people today who are just on the verge of discovery, but they are uncertain and instead of asking their thoughts to be confirmed, they stand and wibble-wabble from one foot to another and do not go forward at all. Saturn also has inventions but they are more along the line of compositions and spiritual conceptions of the great ultimate good.

Escaping volumes of thought are encircling Earth today from all derections, good, bad, indifferent. Do not be alarmed at anything you see or hear, it is impossible to have such strong bands both for, and against good, which your Earth is striving to accomplish, without a reaction upon the people of Earth.

The spiritual war of which^{Jensen} told you, is on, and kxxx battles are being fought in the atmosphere very near Earth. This has nothing to do with the battles being fought in Ethiopia or any other country. It is a battle of principle, versus ignorant audacity. As Earth has swung into this Aquarian period it becomes a necessity to clarify that stratum just above Earth, which you call the Haven to which all souls enter. *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** ***

And it is in this near-Earth atmospheric realm, that these mental battles are being fought. I do not mean that men are clawing each other, or biting and kicking each other. No, it is a battle of opinions, and some of these battles are fought in a most suave and perfect manner, but they are <u>battles</u> nevertheless.

Some old Hymn sings, "The Hosts of sin are pressing hard, to oust us from the skies". Naturally you will receive the vibrations which enamate from these mind-wars. Preserve your own calm, and be willing to let those over here fight their own battles without your concentration of thought.

Individually if you wish to pray for some one that you feel does not know, please do so. You have done pretty well under all the circumstances and we will not tax you longer this morning/

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"And All His Works Shall Praise Him".

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Wednesday, Nov. 13th, 1935

When I come into this bird sanctuary, I always have the wish that I could bring to you some of the beautiful warblers that have come from other planets and are still singing their somgs of praise to that Power which seems as though they recognized in their own fashion, and after all, that is what every phase of life is doing, recognizing God after <u>its own fashion</u> which translated means, its own expansion of intellect with which it can comprehend God.

Just how far or just how high a bird's mind may embrace scientific and theological ideas, I can not say, but they evidently do feel what is meant by the beauty of holiness, and the Eternal Choir would not be complete without the voices of the birds.

Someone speaks about the "Great Orchestra of Nature," and it is true, it is literal. It is as though all discordant notes were sifted through a ray from Venus, and passing through that ray all notes become in accord. The love vibration is very strong through the animal kingdom, therefore the closer you of Earth live in touch with and in harmony with the love vibration sent you from your pets, the more are you able to sense what is meant by the Music of the Spheres.

We do not have, over here, that constant display of selfinterest that we see upon Earth. We, who are fortunate enough to come here very early in our physical expression of life, seem to have grown up in such an atmosphere of thoughtfulness and care to others, that the intense interest in ourselves and our gains does not come to the front and expand itself, as we see it upon Earth.

So many of your mediums today, who are in touch with fine Spirits, are so engrossed by the thought of <u>their own</u> personality, that they do not and can not grasp the beauty of the very words they are rendering. I believe that trait comes more with the contact with other humans who are each one trying to climb up by stepping on the bodies of those they have pushed down, such men never achieve success, I mean the success that lasts. We do not have that element here, and it is very perplexing when we first begin to contact Earth people to see how self-interest lies in so many, which blinds them to that higher finer life.

I am not referring to those who are always reaching for the dollar, but I mean the kind of good people who always are seeking approbation. Gratitude is always received with gratitude, *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods *** *** *** *** ***

but the fulsome praise from immature minds is of no value whatever. It may not be the words you have spoken, or the thoughts which you have let loose into the ether that has impressed them with admiration, it may be simply a certain personal charm, a certain sympathetic tone, all of which is useful, but would hardly be the criterion with which to judge the <u>value of the words</u> that are spoken.

So yotasee how Earth people become a puzzling proposition to us who never experienced life on the Earth plane. I believe that is one reason why nearly all your Guides and Teachers are men who have suffered through the selfishness of other men while they were upon Earth. Men who know the experience of struggle for soul-expression to attain soul-altitude without encouragment, without comfort from any Earth person, and whose soul strength lay in their communion with God.

We understand combating forces over here, but they are relegated into a certain stratum above which they can not rise because of their materially laden astral bodies. So that when we enter in conflict with them we know exactly what we have to meet. And our problem is much more simple in a way than yours on Earth. Man may dearly love his wife upon Earth, he may yearn for development of spirit, he may pray for light and the Divine Light begins to shine into his mind, and the wife whom he loves is bitterly jealous of any thought that does not include <u>her</u> and so subtely and sometimes maliciously, there is a war carried on through the evil within her seeking to destroy the growth of the good within him.

I believe in your Bible something is said about, "For thy enemies may be those of your own household". That is the situation which we, who are what we call ourselves, "Natives" of the heavenly spheres escaped, because we mever lived on Earth, we escapes these propositions, they are given into wiser hands than ours.

So you can see how in our life here, there is this constant correlation bringing helpful care and helpful service not only to Earth but to each other. You know it is the same law. You do not expect a perfected violinist to be also an organist, or a pianist. In like fashion we each work in our own line of education.

In my work, first as messenger boy, and then to keep check upon the carrying out by the Spirits here, of orders given to them, and reporting same to our Officers, I was gradually brought through my interest in my mother and her friend into *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods *** *** *** ***

the position which I now hold, that of working upon both planes in the same line of work, "checking up", you call it. Your bookkeepers check up their lines of debit and credit. Your manufacturer checks up on his output and his income. Your housewife checks up on her allowance and her expenditures, so you see it is quite an ordinary line or profession.

I often follow people from a meeting to their homes and being unobserved I can check up on their church thought, and their home thoughts, often the result is beautiful, often it is laughable, often it is pitiful.

We over here make a differentiation between <u>exclusive</u> and <u>inclusive</u>. When you are choosing your own close a ssociates both in spirit and in flesh, we say be <u>exclusive</u>, when you wish to carry food that will feed the minds of those less blessed than yourself, we say be <u>inclusive</u>.

Who are you, with your finite mind, your almost obsolete ideas of what constitutes <u>real value</u>, who are you to judge of another soul's value or lack of value?

Jesus was bitterly condemned by the aristocratic Israelites because he ate with the Pharasies, with the sinners, because he preached to all. When he walked the streets he healed all who asked. He carried enlightenment into the souls of every one with whom he could contact.

Do you remember the parable or the story illustrative of this which Jesus told, of the man who wished to make a great feast and he invited his friends and only his friends to come to that great feast, and they one and all began to make excuses, one had work that he could not leave, another had married a wife and he could not come, another had a dead relative to whose funeral he must go, and they one and all began to make excuses. The man was appalled, he had provided this feast and his friends refused to come and accept it. Then he said to his servants, "Go into the high-ways and by-ways and bring in all that ye may find that they may eat thereof".

The different churches spread their tables with spiritual food (or food which they call spiritual), and they invite the exclusive few, and when the table is spread there is almost no one there. They seem to have no appetite for that kind of food. The churches have done their best, but under the law of growth they have not understood the process of enlarging their vision by closer contact with spiritual teachers. They still are going back to the Chronicles of olden times which fitted the needs of that period. Now comes the religion which you call Spiritualism, and it is preaching the glad tidings, "There is no death, there are no dead". 17 *** *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods *** *** *** ***

The doors of communion are set ajar And through that passage from near and far Are crowding those friends that you loved of yore. They are coming closer, the golden shore

Is only across the River of Death A little short bridge. You hold your breath And watch these dear ones coming to call Across that bridge, over which they all

Passed in doubt, and some in fear But finding the truth they seek to cheer You of Earth waiting to hear them call "We are living, we love you all".

What right have you, who possess this knowledge, to close the door to any human being, shutting him out in the darkness of ignorance and fear and suffering. No, no, no!

> Open the doors and let them in, Though they come from the haunts of sorrow and sin, Ope the door wide and to them say "Welcome, dear brother, come in and pray,

> For the God of Love, He heareth your words He sees the thoughts by which your soul is stirred. The Guardian Angel is bringing you here Though your sins are scarlet they shall appear

To you in their truth. For it has been said That color may fade, even though it be red. And the sunlight of truth will fade that staim And your own soul's whiteness you can regain.

Come in and listen, oh brother of mine, Sing with the singers and fall in line, Knowing your Father Who created your souls Knows His own sheep come. when he bell tolls.

So you of Earth to whom has been given Some of the keys to the Gates of Heaven Ope wide your doors and with smiling face Welcome all that are of the human race.

It is only the primitive soul who has not felt the glorious contact of others, who has not been buckyed up by the experiences of others, whose lives have been cast along different lines than his own. It is only these souls that can intone that prayer of the Pharisees, "I thank Thee oh God that I am not as the others". 18 *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of The Gods *** *** *** *** ***

From out the clod spring flowers with blossoms sweet They smilingly look in your face and speak "We come from the sod oh brother so fair, Wouldst thou banish us also from off heaven's stair?

We grow in the fields and beside river's brink, Do you suppose the flowers ever can think? Wake up oh man, from your lofty station And remember that flowers help make up a Nation".

And now comes a voice from out of the bog, It sounds very much like the croak of a frog. Ker-chunk, Ker-chunk, Kerchunk, we hear it say, "I came to Earth in God's Own way,

Don't feel so smart and despise Earth's sod For you could not live as f live in a bog!" And the frog seems to say as he sits on stone, "God planned, man better let well enough alone".

Note:

H.W. (Now Ernest is showing me a tallow candle lighted, the wick runs through the tallow, it stands in somekind of a holder).

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"This represents the exclusive soul, it lives and gives out only that which surrounds it, and is constantly burning up its wick, and absorbing the tallow part of the candle until it ends, after having given a very dim light all of its life in a little bunch of tallow. The wick entirely burned out because there was nothing new flowing into it.

Now compare this with our electric light which is being constantly fed from a greater power than itself. It may burn day and night and while it may use many bulbs, the <u>light</u> <u>shines on</u> because of the Great Powerhouse which furnishes the electrical current.

So again we say, "Be <u>exclusive</u> if you so choose with your intimate soul companions, but be <u>inclusive</u> to all the world who are seeking for food".

What Is Inclusive, and What Is Exclusive?

VI

November 27th, 1935.

It is rather difficult to define the word "Inclusive" and the word "Exclusive", because each stratum or plane of thought-life becomes exclusive to a certain degree, that is, one must attain to a certain mental comprehension before he can step from one stratum to the next.We could not include in our discussions and in our daily life those who are absolutely ignorant of all of our researches, and they would be just as unhappy as we to be forced to mingle with us.

A Greek scholar does not take a great deal of pleasure in conversing with a Kindergarten Class. So you see really every stratum or grade of school naturally has an inclusive side because all in that stratum are included, and an exclusive side which is built, not by the wish or thought of the members, but by Natural Law.

But when you of Earth begin to form your exclusive sets, as I have heard (though to me it seems impossible) that wealth or the amount of money earned, or inherited, becomes a boundary line of this exclusiveness. And the multi-millionaires do not care to mingle with the mere-millionaires, and the meremillionaires, are not interested in the near-millionaires and so on down through the ranks. Each line of demarkation being made by the possession of so much or so little dollars and cents of money.

This is an absurd idea, for many a half-wit has inherited money earned by the keen wits of his grandfather, and how the half-wit can be an addition socially, mentally, or spiritually, to a group of cultured people is beyond my comprehension. Meanwhile the cultured student who is hired to tutor this half-wit is excluded from this inclusive crowd because he does not have so many pieces of gold to his credit. This is a false estimate.

There will always be a certain exclusiveness because of the Law of Attraction, "Like attracts like". Thus you find in the common walks of life the warmest friendships between the woman who has brain-culture, brains and ability and no money, and the woman who has brain-culture, ability plus money, there is the mental attraction of mind to mind. This is what we call really exclusive society. *** *** *** *** *** *** Stairway Of the Gods *** *** *** *** ***

Any one is welcomewho is attracted by and in sympathy with these bright minds, and usually those who are excluded by their own desire. They are happier with their own kind, and again the liftle group is formed that is also both inclusive and exclusive. There will always be these differing grades of attraction, but the broader meaning of the word "Inclusive" is for each one in each stratum to include all of the others in their feelings of kindness, sympathy, love and interest. That is what is called here the Universal Love-wave, and the more highly educated in soul knowledge one becomes, the more tender are they of those who are not yet developed, who are just **xixxx** struggling through the mire of ignorance and reaching up into the sunshine of God's eternal knowledge.

You see the wisest one here is so far below the attainments of all, that he feels his ignorance, why should he boast of the few things already gained, when before him lies mount after mount of wonderful knowledge in which his heart will rejoice and in which his soul will expand.

There may be unity of interest and yet each division of that interest be entirely along the line of exclusiveness. Physicians, for example, on the Earth-plane, are interested in each other, they can discuss those subjects that are of vital interest to them intelligently with others who have also advanced along that line of thought. The Musician sitting beside him is his warm personal friend, they meet on a common ground of interest in other people and in other things, but when it comes to music then the musician becomes exclusive, only as far as his musical nature is interested.

The Musician may be a warm friend of the Archeoligist, and yet have a perfect horror of digging into unknown graves. So you see really everybody is both inclusive and exclusive. This only refers to planes of thought. No one mind has ever been able to be a specialist on every subject, therefore his mild interest in all subjects renders him able to appreciate even if he does not thoroughly understand each topic.

In all the schools to which we as children were admitted, we had perhaps a more general knowledge of the universal values than you of Earth. You see an Earth child is at a very early age imbued with the knowledge of the value of money, and when quite young he hears his parents planning what he is to become as a factor in a general commercial life.

He is to study this or that, and more often the topics for him are not those that are in harmony with his inner self. *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** *** ***

But obediently he follows the lines of least resistence, and becomes perhaps a carpenter, when he preferred to be a musician, a doctor, when his whole soul is yearning for a lawyer's acute studies. Consquently he never is a good carpenter, and he never is a good physician.

I have heard our teachers here say that one-half of the failures on the Earth plane are due to intrusion of the parents" desires, and their urgent power of forcing the child into acquiescence. A youth hardly knows what he wants, and to us it seems as though he should not be pushed into any line unless he shows a real desire for and interest in that line.

Of course we, who came here at birth have avoided all those complex and disturbing and discouraging elements which stifle the soul's growth upon Earth. We have nothing to earn in the way of money, Money means nothing here. We do exchange friendship for friendship, love for love, sympathy for sympathy, and we receive for our services or for our givings the coin of happiness. It is not a coin of substance, but it registers in our thought-world and we are the richer by possessing it.

You have your lessons given to you through the same law. You do a kind deed, possibly no one knows of it but yourself, and you receive a warm glow of electrical power from somewhere, you do not know who, nor what, nor how, that glow comes-but it is unmistakable and you say, "I feel satisfied about that". Now the spiritual you has fully appreciated the kindness shown to you, and immediately a loving desire loomes up to do something for the one who thus blessed you.

Do you not see it is a wonderful exchange of values? Much more satisfactory than shearing sheep for wool and making that up into cloth and putting them on your counters for people to buy.

Oh there is no comparison between Earth or any planet, and the wonderful life here, and the wonderful laws of lifecwhich are so much more easily recognized here. Who or just what the Great Force is whose rythmic beat pervades all Space I do not know, neither have I ever found anyone who did know. It is such a personal thing, and yet we never see this person or power with whom we contact. It is the Great Unseen Electrical Force, intelligent, loving, sublime, that pervades our whole being.

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As on the sands of Time we stand and gaze into the great Beyond, We wonder when the bugle call the cry will sound For us to join the others, who have passed beyond our ken. We know that we shall meet them, we know that once again We shall clasp each other in the loving warm embrace Which seems on Earth to smother those of the human race. Which know not of life's extension, who care not. If they care They view with apprehension the lines of life that are Working throughout the Spaces, calling them to come, For the chosen of all races enter the Eternal Home.

Life's Tidal Waves

VI

Wednesday, December 4,1935.

It is very interesting to watch the tidal waves of air which acts often quite contrary to the rules observed by the tidal waves of the ocean. That is easily explained, for the ocean lies in one atmospheric realm, and while it is moved by the vibrations of etheric, just as soon as the moon has turned its face the other way and thus releases its magnetic force, nature restores the equilibrium of the waves and they proceed in their appointed manner.

Vibrations of the waves of the wind you see, may start in many strata above Earth, and gathering force - as a river gatheres force by the little streams, may touch Earth in its travels with rather a rough hand and boisterous voice. In like manner vibrations that are neither wind or water have their method of either galloping through the higher Spaces or gliding. In one method you are apt to have Earth quakes and disturbances of all sorts, on the other we feel the gentle inflow of spiritual calmness and rest.

How much of this vibratory power emanates from the disquietude of Earth people I do not know. May be sometimes I will be able to ascertain more about the cooperative force from planets, with the vibratory force which is always beating through all atmosphere and all Space.

This is a great subject and I am only a child in these matters, I gather from what I have heard that there is a difference of opinion here on the part of the experts in regard to these *** *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** ***

things, and I know that Dr. Mathewson does not wish to give out anything until he has ascertained the premises as absolutely correct.

Often when you of Earth ask questions it is not possible to answer them, for it is beyond our knowledge, (of course it does not take long to get beyond my knowledge, but I refer to those older and wiser Scientists), We know there is a purpose in it all, but we do not know just what that purpose is.

In this country here which is designated as the Home Land, and I think it receives that title because it is inhabited by those who have attained enough knowledge and are enough purified to live in harmony with all. It is the first place where they begin to find their own homes. In this Home Land there is a strong desire to help those who are struggling through the sea of doubt and perplexity, to see the facts of their future existence.

We stay a long period in the Homeland, and its adjacent sections. Those who have thoroughly developed their six senses begin to move on to those delightful countries radiating from Homeland, as the center, very much in the way in which your people of Earth who have accumulated money move out of the crowded city into the beautiful estates near that city.

Do not think that the Homeland is crowded for it is an immense affair. It is the meeting place practically of the choice spirits whose desire is for advancement. They come here from all planets, and the friendship and affections thus formed will last through the eternal ages, because they are formed by intelligent, practical knowledge, not only containing the truths of life but the truths of each others characters.

In the Haven to which all souls come there must necessarily be a great mixture mentally and spiritually. It is the Ellis Island of this port. Those who desire to advance are separated from those who refuse to advance, and each decision as to their future is reached entirely by the individual himself.

To a man whose only Earth development mentally was how to acquire money and how to be able to drink more liquor, there would be no attraction to the man whose desire is for education in spiritual things, and who has lived an intelligent, clean, life.

You can not mix these two elements. If you put oil into a glass of water and shake them until they apparently are mingled *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** ***

in perfect harmony and set that glass down, you will find that gradually the oil and the water have separated by mutual consent. Now it is exactly the same process which takes place in the haven which you call Heaven.

You may ask, "But a man and his wife who love each other dearly, he being entirely materialistic, and she being very much on the spiritual line how do they stand when they come here?" Such a couple have never been spiritually in union, they are as far apart as the poles. Physically they may be united, but when you leave the physical down there in the grave, and your spirits come here, they just naturally separate. There is no longer a physical attraction, the man is very (as the Bible express it), "Carnally minded", and the woman, "Spiritually minded", and they part by mutual desire.

All these things occur in that first atmosphere above Earth, not always so far above it, or around it, and after the decision is made and the two are separated - like the oil, and water, the spiritually advanced mind seeks its own kind and enters into that Homeland where there is unity of thought and unity of purpese.

There is no animosity at this separation, the man has chosen that which to him means Heaven, and he stays just as close to his old haunts as he can stay. He finds he can quench his thirst for liquor only as he absorbs the essence of that liquor, so his astral body remains on the astral plane.

It was a wise man who invented the marriage ceremony, but how many couples repeating that realize what that promise means, "Until death do us part", for at death the oil will assume its position and the water will assume its.

In this Homeland there are many beautiful homes, and there are many who are still living upon Earth whose homes are not erected as yet, because of the desare of their friends here to consult them as to their taste in architecture, etc., but the material which is coming here day fafter day is never lost, it is the building material for whatever sort of a home that soul desires to occupy.

Usually families that have been happy together on Earth cling to each other and while each has its independent part in the building constructed by mutual consent, still there is always the connective force which brings them into close contact with each other.

Those of you who love pets will rejoice in meeting your old Earth pets, and you will also rejoice in finding animal life which you have never known existed because it did not exist on *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** *** ***

Earth planet, butthere are beautiful creatures, affectionate and loving, which you will see when you come here and I know that your heart will go out to them with a love vibration that will draw them straight to you.

You who are dog lovers on Earth will find so much here that you will enjoy. Someone once asserted that all the animals had a place of their own where they were kept away from the human life here. That is a mis-statement. Nearly every animal rad loved some human being, I am speaking now of course of the domestic pets, and the law of attraction is much stronger here than on Earth, because all here learn gradually of the value of the unity of life.

So it seems as though there was no limit to the animals each one may attract and no law against their living as they did upon Earth with those they loved. It is a marvelous thing to live in a world ruled by love. No Earth mind can conceive it, but that is the attainment which you may each receive for yourself if you will seek to develop your love-vibration while you are on Earth.

Someone said once, "When <u>will</u> Earth people cease to come here with wooden knives? Clumsy, unable to cut into anything, and they come here with that weapon which should be as sharp and polished as a rapier, the Mind, with its sharpened spiritual abilities, they come here with that mind holding a wooden sword. Not understanding, not quickened by any vitality, just something that is of no value, and which has been thrown into the discard."

You can readily see how to transplant a man who is keen with the murder instinct, who had no sense of value of life or of property, whose ego is so inflated that he feels he can take by <u>might</u>, who cuts down human life as ruthless as a man would mow a lawn.Can you not see how impossible it would be for that man to come here? He does <u>not inherit</u> the Kingdom of Heaven, he may have a claim upon it, but he must first prove <u>by his life here</u> that he is an heir to a home of purity, before he can be admitted into it. And let me tell you this sometimes takes centuries.

So you see while the Homeland is near Earth it is only available to those whose spiritual interests prove their inheritance, and whose lives have proved their spiritual activities.

So again we quote the words of that beautiful book, "To be carnally minded is death, to be spiritually minded is life", and this lies in your own individual choice.

When Justice Holds the Scales

VIII

Wed., February 12th, 1936.

There is one thing that we, who have been brought up from babyhood in this School of Understanding, cannot understand, and that is, why Earth people ever imagine that death is going to make a change in their mental and spiritual ability?

If you take music, your piano, for example, and you play one octave, and when you get to the end of the octave where you begin just the same quality of tones that you left in the lower octave and so on, each octave is only eight notes higher than the one just left. You do not jump from the bas. into the higher octaves, you have to plow your way up and <u>hit every note</u> before*those finer more delicate tones on the upper part of the piano.

In the physical body one begins with the babe and every human life pursues the same octave of growth. A baby, little child, a youth the adolescence period, which ends in that long climb up, what someone calls, "Fool's hill", before Experience has taught what parents and teachers and books failed to teach. Then man assumes business duties, you find no skipping, everyone pursues the same law of growth that the wird, the bug, the flower, the grain, pursues. It is a natural law of development.And for any religion to teach that a life of dissolute carelessness can become by death, a life of perfected beauty, (in other words, skipping an octave), just because their mind accepts the belief that " Somebody shed blood for them", is a wicked parody on the wonderful example of unselfishness and couragous speaking the truth, which that one son of man, and many other sons of man, have pursued.

It is such a childish theory, but we find Bishops, and Elders, and members of the Board of Trustees, of all sorts of organized religious beliefs, meeting with much surprise when they see the similarity of the eternal law as it works out upon Earth, being pursued here.

How I wish this truth might sink into every human being, that you today on the Earth, are fashioning by your thoughts, by your acts, by your mental attitude towards good and your fellow men, you are fashioning the garments which you will assume. You are making your connection with the stratum which you will occupy. You are building the home which will fit your needs, now while you are upon Earth.

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The little skip in truth telling, The little deceit in the money changers market. The little scurrilous attempt to lessen canother's reputation, all these things are blending into your material growth and your spiritual abilities to ascend higher.

"Nothing succeeds like success", is an old saying, and let me tell you one successful effort which you make from any direction that is for good strengthens you for greater successes. So in Earth's school do not become misanthropic, or faultfinding, or self pitying. Never feel that you are mot receiving your just desserts, for you probably are, but you may not have the same opinion of what those "Just desserts" consist of, that the World of Spirit entertain, or your teachers who understand you better believe.

A fine character can pull itself down into the Slough of Despond just by self-pity. It is like a snake - and a // poisonous snake,. It slips and slides in through the thickets of one's consciousness. It causes one to become suspicious of everyone. A friendly effort may be regarded with distrust, just because the receiver is so covered with the mist of suspicion engendered by self-pity that the sunshine of friendly love cannot penetrate. So for your own happiness and for the happiness of your friends eliminite that particular sin.

Almost everyone is receiving far more than he really merits. Perfect health, perfect eye sight, perfect hearing, perfect use of the five senses. Can you count these blessings and not realize that you are the recepient of <u>much more than</u> you are giving to the public?

If half the people we see on Earth would wake up and realize their blessings' there would be such a wonderful radiation of joy coming from old Earth that it would lift the gloom which is being attracted to it, through the mental attitude of its people.

You may say, "If we have to much power in our hands now, even if we do not use it, do we not retain that power when we come over into next phase of existence?" and I would answer, "All the unused potentialities lie within your mind <u>are yours</u>, but the question is this, if you have not learned <u>how</u> to use them while on Earth, you are in a pretty poor position to utilize them when you come here."

Now I hear you say, "How can we utilize potentialities that we do not know we possess?" And right there is the only place that I can see where we would tell you to look within yourself. In this way, a certain task is before you and you say to yourself, "I never did this I do not know how to attack it, I will ask somebody to help me", and then you lean back and let the other somebody do it all. Here is where we would say, *** *** *** *** *** Stairway of the Gods *** *** *** *** ***

Argue it it out in this way, "Here is a new proposition, I do not understand how to begin to solve it, but I am going to begin and I am going to solve it now". That very resolution is like a bell, calling to that power within yourself of which you are ignorant, but that power awakens into action, and gradually you begin to see mentally a course which looks to you plausible.

I do not mean that you should go blindly and refuse all aid from outside, no, but be firm in your resolution that you are going to use everything to solve your problem in a way which appears teasonable to you. The result is that you have another working potentiality called out from its reposeful reat by your mental desire to succeed in solving this particular prob;em.

To us the reiteration of "I am" is a flat statement. May be you are <u>not</u>, what you so calmly are asserting. I would like to very much to add or rather change that into, "I can", and then change your attitude of complacent rest into an attitude of actual service. There is a certain type of egotism which loves to assert over and over their sublime confidence in their oneness with God. We are not disputing that, For God is in all, but God is a Creative Force, and unless you are able to use those potentialities which are God-like, in their power of creative ability, we can see no great value - except to aid in one's c omplacency, in this constant reiteration of the "I am" within ~ "me.

Sometimes when we hear it said, we feel a great pity for the blindness which closes their eyes to what they really are. We all have a bit of the eternal life within us, and in that respect we can say, "I am eternal". But when we construe that into the feeling that the God of Wisdom is hidden within us, and that all we have to do is to gaze at the beautiful object of ourselves, we are offering our prayers to a very poor power.

Just, for example, suppose that inner self which you complacently contribute to the Holy Guest, is the result of a life of evil thoughts, evil desires, evil gratification. Those are the things which your mind has invited to dwell within you, and you dare to blaspheme the Almighty by supposing that good could dwell with evil? Such a mind in such a body - if they looked within for advice, would get excellent advice of how to plan new crime, new wickedness, new misery for others.

Rid yourselves, oh you of Earth, of these false teachings. The Holy Guest dwells within man both on Earth and here, just to the extent the the lives of men are in accord with the attributes of that Holy Guest#

What Earth needs today is less theory, and more common sense. Well did Paul say, "Be able to give a reason for the faith which lies in you".

All your theories, all the sophistries, all the illusions, which Earth hugs to itself, do not cross far into the astral world. And if a man still clings to delusions he still inhabits the atmosphere near Earth. For truth will bear no false representations, and so we find those earnest but misguided souls here, not being punished, but they are obliged to learn <u>facts</u> as they <u>really are</u>, and not as they imagined them while they were upon the Earth plane.

This life is wonderful, it is beautiful, but you are obliged to become attuned to it through your spiritual unders. standing. So when we urge you of Earth to seek spiritual unfoldment we are only trying to help you to come into a greater knowledge of that beautiful thing called death.

It seems to us such a strange thing that the highest animal ever created - man, to be the only animal that deliberately plans evil. Your animal friends often through fear, may become a menace to their false idea of self protection, but never the deliberate planning in which man the son of God indulges.

No wonder the animals come here in perfect accord with these waves of vibrations which surround them a nd are happy. Man comes here often filled with vibrations of the lowest nature, and he can only exist as these vibrations which he brings are fitted into the stratum in which he belongs. And he himself, having made his vibrational atmosphere, must work himself out of it. So you see Bible, where it says, "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling", had really a deeper meaning than you of Earth suppose.

To become a beast of prey while in the human flesh, trying in every way to gain money through your despoiling and injuring others, and you suddenly meet death, wan you not imagine that this beast of prey changes immediately into a pure white dove of peace? Nonsense! That beast of prey released from his physical prison of clay, is still a beast of prey, and he pursues his evil ways through those human bodies that are in sympathetic vibrational accord with him.

Do not for a moment think that Earth had rid itself of an evil person by killing him, on the contrary, it has added one more bit of evil to augment the mass of evil.

I am very much interested in my Earth-work, I find so much of beauty and loveliness in so many human souls, and I want to assure each one who is striving to follow the Bible instruction,

"Lay up for yourselves treasures in Heaven", that they are making the wisest investment that is possible for a human soul to make.

Service is the key that opes the door of happiness, and to learn how to use that key, to learn when and how to turn that key, is the effort which your Spirit friends are trying to help you to understand.

Spiritual Culture Desire

IX

Wed., February 19th, 1936.

In all the games which are utilized for development you would be surprised how few of them have the object of developing our astral bodies - or our "human bodies", I might call them, because while of different texture they resemble what you remember as the human body.

You see there is not the necessity here for working for the development of muscle and all that, because our bodies are perfect. Those who have lived sometime on Earth and scarred their nastral body by the sins they committed mentally, do not come under the category of which I am telling you.

I am trying to make you understand how the unborn child of Earth, or the young babies of Earth develop here. So our astral badies are in perfect condition, but we have mental and spiritual faults to correct. And therefore, the games are such that will enable us to use calmness, kindness, poise, sympathy, and usefulness.

All of these attributes are building attributes, and often they have not come to us through the law of inheritance, for the tendencies and atomic forces of the ancestors play a lively part in their descendants, whether those descendants are attending the Earth School of unfoldment, or are in the Higher Vibrational Schools.

The law of self- development is just the same here that it is upon Earth, and the law of physical development of any muscle upon the Earth's athletic fields, is the development of muscular force through steady, wise, and patient exercises of those muscles, and through the food which helps to build those muscles.

Over here the law runs along the same principle, but it deals with the different attributes. It is the exercise of each of the attributes which I mentioned, and also the thought-foods which are absorbing through our own choice, which can and does build our mental and spiritual attributes.

You see, development through use of the muscles, the mind, is an important part of our games here, as yours upon the Earth plane. You are striving to develop quickness of thought, brain power, and bodily strength, three wise and just principles. We are striving to develop the thought-forces, so they can choose wisely the food which will help to build these characteristics that are Christ-like.

We do not have to worry about our bodies, our anxiety is more about our minds. To hear people upon Earth express one thing as to whether man lives or not after death, as to whether man thinks, or remembers or loves after the physical body has decayed, is to us such a demonstration of ignorant thinking, that we can scarcely credit our ears when we hearsuch expression^s.

To see Scientists in groups studying, experimenting, examining, dead bodies, to find the "Seat of the soul", is to us the heigth of absurdity. If these same Scientists instead of trying to prove the continuity of life would try to disprove it they would be surprised to find their arguments are made ofvery flimsy material that the wind of reason blows hither and thither like empty straws.

There is not a day of your time passes without the entrance here of some mind which upon Earth is called brilliant, and was justly so called if one simply referred to one line of thought, one line of development, one line of study, while on Earth. A man may be great in his ability to capture successful business ventures, and yet know nothing of music, art and poetry, or he may rate one hundred per cent in writing poems and not be able to sign his name to a check. You see they are not developed evenly.

In this School over here the object is to develop into well balanced mentality, active use of all embracing spirituality. So that when he comes before his teachers his examination paper may be an evenly distributed list of talents, and a marvelous summing up of growth in all that is lovely and of good report.

The atmosphere here is condusive to purity of thought. We have games innumerable that exercise the wits, the inventions, the humor, the pathos, and all of the attributes that go to make up perfection in any line of art.

A Poet without an imagination would be a failure, an Artist that could not make his paints tell the story he wishes to tell, would be a misnomer.

Through all of our exercises we are trying to attain perfection in each of our studies. Some develop much more rapidly than othersin certain lines and fall short in other branches. So you see, the successes and the failures become incentives that spur us on to higher work.

We have one advantage, we see as we are seen, we know our teachers individually, while you upon Earth are obliged to exercise a great deal of faith and trust in receiving and giving to the public that which God in His good will sends over the line through His own Messengers.

Our flying exercises, or rather floating exercises, are very interesting. I do not think I can explain them because it calls for expressions of which you have no knowledge, and without that knowledge our exercises would seem foolish as the pictures you often see of the athlete lying on his back and kicking a ball to keep it in the air.

Yet would be surprised when I tell you that we learn the value of money here or rather coin, we learn to respect a man or woman who has a large amount of coin of our realm, and we often wait hungrily that we may receive a crumb from the Master's table. But the coin here is <u>service</u> and the service must be given through love, so you see it is not always so easy to become a rich man over here.

One has to forgive so much. One has to acquire so much faith in the power of God to redeem or make over his fiellow man. One has to breathe so deeply in the air of self-abnegation and study, not the reduction of taxes, but how to reduce the ego -which by-the-by would be a useful text book for many people off Earth to study.

Understanding more of the Divine Great Creative Power, because of our education from babyhood here, we are able to see char More clearly than you the illeffects of conceit. It is like a poisoned cigarette, when you smoke the cigarette this poison dulls the uncomfortable feeling which lies within you, and your sense of your egotism is covered with a rosy hue which imagination and conceit build so quickly, and it can envelop a man so completely that

they do not see how absurd they are appearing before their acquaintences.

Bert says that there are lot of people coming from Earth that think they are highly developed, are like a diamond that has to be put on the emory wheel and ground before the intrinsto value of the diamond will show, and I can tell you there are great many Professors and Theologians and Lawyers and Doctors, that are being emory-ized every day because it is the law. You can not see the diamond until the crust is removed, and conceit is a very thick coating which nothing but the grind stone of Earth and the emory-wheel of Heaven can uncover and cause it to glow in the beauty with which God endowed it.

Exclusiveness is a straight road to egotism, while with inclusiveness you may meet many who do not interest you, at the same time if you will seek for the good in them you will find it. And that very searching strengthens your own perceptive powers and strengthens your faith in your fellow man and you develop an interest, a friendliness in the very person who at first you regarded as a nuisance.

Sometimes we are sent to Earth to contact these particular obnoxious bores, I am not quite sure whether this experience is designed by our teachers as a punishment or as a lesson, but it usually succeeds in being both. I have met such stupid people that I wondered how they could endure their own society, and generally you find they can not, they flutter around like little butterflies you see over pools of stagnant water in Summer time.

What those butterflies get from the contact of such water, I do not know, whether they are looking for tiny insects that they may devour them, or whether they simply <u>like</u> that kind of water, but then,we see <u>people</u> who ought to know better, frequenting places where nothing but poison arises, spiritual poison I mean, and mental degredation,

If these people are seeking after Truth, then have gone to a strange place to find it. There is an old saying they tell me, "That Truth lies at the bottom of a well". But the water of that well must be clear if man would ever find truth.

I suppose they mean that truth is so deep and so strong, that you can dig down into the bowels of the Earth and you will find facts there, mineral facts, soil facts, for as the rose grows from the inside out, so does earth grow from the inside out and that which lies deep in the bosom of Mother Earth will in the process of Time become part of the soil of Mother Earth, or the outer covering of Mother Earth. Queer isn't it?

As man has his circulatory system, so Earth planet and the world underneath your feet has its own growth system, which is

just as perfect as your physical bodies are perfect. And the odd thing is, that as all Space is peopled with the astral forms and the etheric forms from every planet, so does all Space evolve under the same laws, sublimated, here in this realm that corresponds with the Earth law.

I told you about the vibrations which we trace, Now vibrations penetrate your Earth-soil just as easily as they penetrate the Earth atmosphere. And all Space is filled with these differing systems of vibrations which are as perfect in their plan as your bodily breathing system, blood circulating systems, and all of the systems that affect every part of the human body which you understand so poorly while you are on Earth.

In vain do the Scriptures promulgate that thought, "Man know thyself!" and the Philosophers echo it, and the Scientists are trying to prove it, Religion teaches it, and yet there is not one man on this Earth plane who is really acquainted with himself! And when they come over here the revelation of their own self becomes often a painful experience.

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The Blending of Space

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Wed., February 26th, 1936.

We wish we could erase from the minds of the Earth people the sectional divisions of Space. Naturally you of Earth education have received from the divisions of your Earth the idea of ownership of certain patches of land, certain ranges of mountains belong to Switzerland, other ranges of mountains belong to U.S.A. so in your minds you have definitely divided mountains regarding their relationship with different countries.

Unconsciously you have carried this same idea into the higher Spaces. To you of Earth the first atmosphere that presses about you is the astral plane, and the next a little higher up and out from Earth is the Etheric. All these different spheres are not barred off into narrow pathways over which one can not climb, anymore than the white clouds you see floating in your skies are barred in the heavens from descending in the form of rain drops and sinking into Earth. It is a gradual process by which the white cloud becomes gray in color, and gradually sinks into the strata through which it is to function.

If you could only picture more the wonderful blending, melting into each other of the atmosphere which lies all through -what you term "The Spaces", you would immediately grasp the idea which I am anxious to have you visualize, and that is, that there are no bars through-out the eternal Spaces.

One heigth of spiritual altitude melts into, or blends with, the one above it and the one below it, but always to a sincere mind there are altitudes still farther on, joys still untasted, sublimities still to be reached, and when once you have pictured tp yourself this marvelous blending of atmosphere, then you have a key with which to unlock the mysterious appearance upon Earth of communications through the lips of a spirit who once inhabited Jupiter or Saturn or any of the other planets.

Naturally those planets through whose interblending another planet came into existence, are more sensitive to the needs and the aspirations of the people who inhabit their own child-planet. So you see today how Jupiter and Saturn are exhibiting their intense desire to produce a palpable and understandible picture of their interest in and love for you people of Earth. And just as the Bpirits from the same planet seek us who are <u>from</u> Earth and become friends with us.

It is much easier, for example, for me and others of our Earth planet to assimilate with the people of Saturn and Jupiter than it is to assimilate with the people of Mars. Understand there is a friendly intercourse between all the people from every planet, with all the people from every other planet. But some how we seem to understand better those inhabitants who come from Saturn and Jupiter.

All of Venus people who come here are so lovable and so gentle that we immediately welcome and feel their influence, but it is harder for an Earth person - or rather a person here who came from Earth, to radiate that beautiful love-radiation which permeates Venus, than it is for the a verage person to appreciate and understand the other two planets. Venus plays a very strong part in this great Drama of Eternal Life, and the people from Venus are so wonderfully beautiful in spirit, they seem to us to be almost too good for us to associate with. But we are learning little by little what it means to be the great lover of all mankind.

As soon as you wiped out the imaginary bars and distances and Spaces and spheres from your mental picture, of the great Space in which you and we live, then there will come a unification of all the forces which will cause you to feel more and more that gratitude that exuberance of joy in the knowledge of your gift of eternal life. It is something worthwhile to strive for.

You know life upon Earth, as we view it, is always a condition of striving for something, desiring for something, reaching out physically and mentally for something beyond. It is the real definition of "Hope which springs eternal in the human breast", and any idea that this spiritual longing ceases when you leave your body behind you, is not true. To sl eep for thousands of years, is one of the most absurd hob-goblin theories that was ever perpetuated by minds that were same.

"Eternal rest", is another term, at which we smile. What I would ask you is the active, ardent, perfectly healthy, perfectly normal young man like myself, supposed to do during that "eternal rest"? And you know a "rest" means only a pause between acts.

With all the glorious possibilities spread out before our eyes, with all the tender longings which throb within us to help those poor blinded eyes upon Earth to see facts, to try to unseal those poor deaf ears that they may hear <u>truths</u> instead of theories, to try to quicken those stifled emotions of the human heart towards understanding, do you not see, can you not feel with us, the constant impetus towards action, towards spreading that which we know is true.

When we see a mother weeping for her lost (as she thinks) boy and see that same boy here with his heart filled with love for that mother, and yet not understand how to synchronize his powers with hers, do you not see what a joy we feel in trying to bring together those aching hearts, trying to lift the veil of ignorance from the one who has just come, and the one who is left on Eagth?

To sit in "Eternal rest", would be the embodiment of selfishness. MNo! the one word "service" covers a multitude of deeds, of action, of love waves, of thought-power, between one who is supposed to be "resting", or worse yet, "asleep", and those who are needing help on the Earth plane.

That miserable coffin lid has shut the door to so much \sharp that is still alive, still loving, still active, and looking at that closed coffin lid you of Earth turn a ay with trem bling lips, murmuring, "All is over", when really life has just begun in its fullness, and in its appreciation of all that is attainable now that it has cast aside its prison robe.

So try and think of Heaven and the Homeland and the Summerland, and all the Spaces beyond as blending into one beautiful pathway of upward and onward, <u>if you choose to</u> travel in that direction. Remember that one great blessing, that your physical body with its aches and pains and bad habits may all be left behind <u>if your mind so wills.</u>

You see it is a matter of personal choosing here, just as it is upon Earth. If you are willing to entertain longings for that which is impure and vile, if you have made your Earth life a rut in the dried mud of evil, and you have been contented to travel in that rut, there is no one who can help you out of that rut, except your own free will choice and your willingness to change, turn about, right face, forward march. We can not do it for you, those who are left behind can pray to God to open your eyes, but if you squeeze the lids together, you will find they will stay closed and the glories of this life will be to you justas a room filled with beautiful objects is to a totally blind man. There they are, but he does not see them, for he is blind.

I am telling you right now the best place to begin to open your spiritual eyes is while you are right there on Earth. Because you have to go to your office, because you have to work in your library, or your kitchen, it makes no difference, where your daily path lies, nothing can close out the <u>power of your</u> (<u>mind</u> to reach out into that which is higher, better, purer, sweeter/

You say, "But every moment of my time is occupied". This may apply to your hands or to your feet, but not your <u>mind</u>, you can occupy it with trivial things if you so choose, or you can let it spread its wings and drink in the beauty of the sunshine, the song of the birds, the smile of a child, the tailwagging of the buoyant dog, all of these bring to you a bit of heaven, why should you not grasp them? A flower may stand on your desk, inhale its perfume, stop for a second and see the tenderness of the Great Creator in thus giving to Earth the perfection of beauty which lies in a flower.

You know that music without rests would soon lose its rythm and its power of expressing thought. Now think of your mind as you would look at a page of music, the theme of the music is written in notes, which you must strike, in other words, fertain business labors a re the notes which you must strike during the day, but don't forget that between the phrases of music there are always rests, and if you will take those moments of rest, and send your mind into a field of thought where blossoms are always blooming, it may be sentimental, poetical, artistic, musical, it makes no difference what it is. as long as it has proved a rest in your days music.

Grasp the thought that is brought to your mind and mentally place it as one of your possessions, and you will be surprised at the ease with which you will assume your duty of striking those next notes in your day's labor. Try it, rythm is made by action and rests, you get your beat of waltz time or march time by just this process, movement - rest.

Try working this out. Get a rythm into your daily work and you will find at the end of the week you have accomplished more and in many lines than when you have tried pushing yourself, and plodding along with your foot on the loud pedal of life -which always makes a confusion of musical notes .

If you will sit down to the pianoand place your foot on the loud pedal and play any tune or theme through you will find thatin the blurring of notesby this pressure of your foot upon the pedal, you have ceased to catch, or ceased to <u>express</u> the very theme, which you are trying to put over. In <u>other words</u>, force, continued force ruins more than it gains.

Work this thought out among your employees. Some of the greatest minds in the business world today have learned this secret wind you will find they have established rest rooms for their employees -- why? From two motives, one is altruistic, and the other is because it pays them in the long run.

If I could only bring to you - whom I learned to love so dearly, the sensing of your own power to make your life a happy one or an unhappy one, I would feel that my Earth mission was successful. To see that which is lovely in your friends, and pass by those things that are unlovely. They are there, you see them, but as someone says, (some of your earth people)I do not know who), "The greatest love one can have for their friends, is not to blinded to their faults but to <u>love them</u>, faults and all," that is what we call being a great lover.

It is said that there is no love like a mother's love for her child. Do you not believe that this is true because the mother loves the child with all its faults? In fact, if one person were to be put up for dissection, and a class of ten were to bessect the faults and expatiate upon th^{em}; that subject would have poor chance for a happy life. If on the conrary, the ten, each found just <u>one good trait</u> in that subject, he would pass muster as a pretty good fellow after all.

You of Earth are not fair in your mental attitude towards criminals. The evil has been exploited, but the good that man may have in him is not encouraged by praise. As we see it here, there should be a radical change in the development of delinquents of all kinds.

Your Reformatories, do not reform. Your prisons, do not elevate or educate. Solitary confinement is a menace to insanity. Brital punishment breeds hatred and revenge. So far as we see it you are wrong, all wrong, and all because you have failed to appreciate that within every criminal there still lies that spark of God which can and will evolve through eternal Time, but which should have an opportunity to evolve while upon Earth. Confinement -- yes, but not under the vibrations in which they are now confined.

You are asking mentally, "What about the development of the criminal on the lower astral plane here? Are they confined? " and I would say, yes, but they make their own bars by their own desires. A man of evil mind is a magnet which draws to himself others of like stratum of consciousness. And as evil is alwa ys expressed through the physical, material body, it has to be expressed by these spirits of evil through some material body. And that is why these evil spirita are like the black soot that is belched forth from your coal factories. It is filled with Earthatoms, it can not rise, it has to sink, and so it finds its own level in some human being and that is why we beg you do not end the physical life of a criminal. Give him surroundings that will help him to reform, so that when he leaves Earth through natural causes, he will not drop down and augment the evil minds of those who are yet in the physical body.

It is for self protection of you of Earth who are trying to help others that we urge this. You may wonder why I am interested in prison reform as I only lived on Earth two or three moments, of which I have no memory whatever. But we, who are attracted to Earth through natural love-ties see many things, and one cannot live forty years here without being able to make certain deductions, and then we consult with those who made these things of study while they were upon Earth, and we find that the concensus of thought here is, there must be a better opportunity given to the criminal to come into contact with that which is clean, and uplifting, purifying, enobling.

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Wed., March 4th, 1936.

We hear people on Earth often speaking of being so lonely, when I first heard that word I had not the slightest idea what it meant, it was a combination of letters that I have never heard here, and when I understood its import I noticed more and more what a graphic description that word is of the real heart hunger of so many people living on Earth.

Even little children with brothers and sisters and parents often suffer from this heart hunger. And no one can understand it really who has not experienced it. Tilt is a term we, "Whom the Gods love", and who "died young", have no understanding.

I do not believe any baby here has ever felt lonely bewause there there is such an inflow of the Divine Love element which fills the Spaces and is absorbed by those living in the Spaces, and because of this the babies here are not lonely. The children here can be by themselves and yet be perfectly happy.

Little children who come here at three and four years of age and upward, and whose love for their mothers and fathers naturally draw them toward Earth, are not forbidden to connect with those parents. The love ties of home are simply extended, the love waves from home reach the little ones and comfort them, and they feel very much as a child feels when the parent steps out of the room saying; "I'll be back in a moment", the child plays on with her toys, secure of the knowledge that mother is not far away.

When an Earth child enters school she goes gladly into the companionship of other children and her teacher, she does not grieve for the mother who she knows is back in her home, loving her and waiting for her. And it is much in the same manner that the love waves sent from Earth are made to envelop that little one, and if it is necessary the child is brought where she can see papa and mamma and hear what they say, and these small children do not realize that father and mother do not see them.

Often the baby invisible to you throws its arms about your neck and kisses you and you feel that inner love yearning for it, and it is that inner love yearning from you of Earth

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that satisfies Earth/element in that baby of yours. So do not think that it is impossible for a babe old enough to have an intelligent sense of father and mother, do not think it is impossible for them to come and spend many hours in the home with you.

Remember, real love has a spiritual life that can not and does not die. And so when you come over here, perhaps eighteen years after your little girl dies and are greeted with a warmth of affection from a young lady of eighteen years, at first you can not understand it, and yet something within you responds. You know you have not seen your daughter in these eighteen years, but your daughter has seen you, and knows you very much better sometimes than you know yourself.

Now this refers to those children who come here at birth or soon after where the love-ties sent by the parents are strong. The unwanted babies have no longing for Earth. There is no magnet of love there to draw them, and consequently they are just as happy in the surroundings which are so perfectly fitted to their needs. Love greets them from many sides. There is one rather interesting and amusing fact which I think I will tell you, it is this:

Upon the Earth plane through all the centuries women have existed who possessed strong maternal love, many never married, many married and were childless, but through every one of thattype of women that strong desire for children was a predominating factor in their inner lives. When they come here they are just the sort of women who after being educated in schools preparatory for exactly for that type of women, are made the teachers, the nurses, the caretakers of babies, and all their Earth longings are satisfied and their passionate love for children is fulfilled.

There are many natures on Earth whose love powers do not function in the average track which the average human mind travels in. And they are saintly in many, many ways, they may not be perfect characters, and they may fail in many lines of labor, but there is one passage in which their soul travels, and that is in the pure love for the small, the helpless, the little ones of Earth.

There are some natures whose ever broadening love-force includes all that is helpless in the animal world, and you find these people expressing this love in these institutions for the care of the lame and the halt and the blind, and in those abused creatures, in fact the animal life, and its needs appeals to a certain something within themselves which is

born of the tenderness and love with which Jesus spoke when he said, "As ye have done unto the least of these, my little ones, ye have done unto me".

A nature that is restricted to only one line of love development is a narrow nature, a mother who would die for her children, slaves for them, toils for them, starves herself that they might be fed, and yet who would kick a hungry dog out into the cold, is a long ways from being a follower of the love which showed itself in the man of Nazareth.

There is a little verse which Bert showed me and he says, it is in the introduction to a child's book which was written a number of years ago by you, my dear mother, and this verse is quoted:

> "He prayeth best, who loveth best All things both great and small. For the dear Lord Who loveth us He made and loveth all".

So you can understand better why the animal world, why the homeless dog on Earth starving both for food and love, is a happy creature over here, for he has both the home and the love unlimited.

So the word lonely you can see is a foreign term here. When I first discovered this I went around among my friends and asked them, "Do you ever feel lonely?" Some of them said, "I do not know what you refer to?" and then I explained they usually said, "How can I feel lonely?" Most of them agreed that the word had no meaning for them. Then I found a type of people who answered me by saying, "Lonely? Not now, not here, but I know what the word means on Earth, but thank God there is no such word here".

You ask me if a criminal, who was filled with hate and prejudice and desire for revenge on Earth, who counted it a merit to cherish anger, if such a man dying suddenly did not feel lonely? I would say, no, because he goes unto his own, he goes into exactly the same state of anger, rebellion and unhappiness. He could not go anywhere else for, "Like attracts like". The atmosphere both spiritual and vibrational in which you function on Earth is the only place in which you can function here.

You would not expect on the Earth plane to take a perfectly healthy fish out of the lower rate of vibration of water and expect it to live in a bird cage, so do not expect im-

possibilities here. <u>Man decides by his life on Earth exactly</u> what stratum he would begin life over here.

You see it is the <u>continuity</u> of life not the <u>change</u> of life, and there is a vast difference between the meaning of "**change**e" and continuity." A man who rebels against authority all the while he is on Earth, will rebel against the authority he feels here. And all these rebellions being individual rebellions can only be checked by the mental attitude becoming educated into thinking right.

So again we say that Thought not only rules the Earth today but it rules in the Spaces. Individual thought rules its own individual. You go into your own vibrational atmosphere not through any punishment of God, but through the kindness of the Creative Force which by so doing renders your powers of self development to become understood by you. You learn a very different thought-world exists, you find the doors to that thought-world are open to you.

There is no need for you to sit by the wayside sobbing, the path may look misty before you but the star of truth and rightness shines for you, and the path lies straight unless you, yourself cause deviation from that path.

I think probably one of the most puzzling conditions here exist for the man who being intelligent, well educated upon historical and national affairs and kindly and careless, who has read many theories and disagreed with most of them, who has faithfully tried to accept his own religious teachings as the only sure ticket to heaven, when he comes here he finds facts are so different from fancies.

He meets nothing but courtesy and kindness but a certain aloofness which seems to surround him acts as a bar toward entering into the enjoyment which he fain would realize. He finds well poised men and women pleasantly greeting him, hæ finds some of his old companions wandering in darkness, as he is, and it is no wonder that the natural question \pm s, "Where are we? We are alive, we have all $\not\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!$ of our senses, but there is nothing here that we expected to see, We did expect to walk the golden streets, we did expect to sing Hosannahs to our God, we did expect to meet Jesus on our arrival and be conducted by Him straight to the throne of the Almighty, there to receive our reward. What does it all mean, and again I ask where are we? "And the kindly answers come from some of these delegated to this special mission, "You are in the Space called atmospheric, your mind is filled with doubt because you have

been taught to believe a fairy tale as truth. You expected to sing Hosannahs, there is nothing to prevent you from singing this at anytime or all the time, but you are - like good children being led into the Kindergarten School of knowledge".

"There is nothing witheld from you, only your limitations are such that you <u>cannot</u> understand, and do not see, and our advice to you is first of all to be willing to be taught. Secondly, to pray to God that He will cause those teachers to come to you who are fitted for the work which you need. When you have reached that decision, please communicate with us and we will do everything in our power to help you to help yourself. To show you how you are the real arbiter of your fortune or faith".

All this has to be done by those teachers rarely gifted in tact and love, and I might add patience. And little by little this type of misinformed souls eager to learn the truth, and loath to accept as truth anything until it is proven to them, this type become^S in time some of our best citizens here, when they once learn <u>facts</u> and adjust themselves to meet <u>facts</u> clearly and honestly, the rapidity of their development is astonishing.

Again we quote, "As a man thinketh so is he", and again Paul's admonition, "Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind".

We often hear the question, "Do those who pass on believe the Bible?" and we would answer, "Whatever lies within the lids of that Book that is <u>fact</u>, we believe, and that which is fancy, we simply ignore, and that is a point at which you will arrive when you come here.

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Wed., March 11th, 1936.

In what is called the, "Upper Courts of the Kingdom", there are many pleasures and many investigations which would not appeal to the ignorant mind, and not appeal to those just beginning here. It is the same law which you see upon Earth; the intense joy which is shared by the investigator in archeological explorations or by the physician in searching out new germs, is not experienced by you whose whose trend of mind runs along entirely different lines.

It is just the same law here. To put in Earth parlance, "The more you know the more you wish to know", because you begin to see what really exists of which you were totally ignorant. So, on Earth I would say, never blame those who insist thet there is no life: after death, never insist that we can return and that we do return, it is simply because that mind which makes those assertions has never penetrated into the field in which your mind has entered.

There is no need for controversy, and there should be no annoyance felt by either. You have never seen the praying wall of Jerusalem, but if you were conversing with a person of honor, who had been there, and had seen it, you would be very foolish to insist that it did not exist.

It is just as foolish for humans who have never had direct contact with the World of Spirit of which they were conscious. We may have contacted them, many times but they have not yet sensitized their aura, they have never listened to hear what they might hear or paused to see what they might see, therefore they are honest when they tell you that to them there is no return of those who have gone Beyond.

Leave them in the hands of their Spirit friends, for not one soul on Earth today but that has experienced somehow, somewhere and at sometime a direct contact which you would call a "psychic contact" with the World of Spirit. They may have forgotten it, but it will arise and in time will point to them the road through which their real happiness will come. It is part of the law of progression and so you see over here the same law is in active force.

We, "Whom the Gods love", and who have been brought up from babyhoodhere, can not help but absorb that which lies in the atmosphere around us, we can not help but become sensitized to the touch of the Higher Forces, and so we often seem to enter the threshold of the Upper Court and see there much that we do not understand, much that we desire to know, and all acts as an incentive to our desire to know more.

Just as your experiences in the World of Psychic Science, imparts to you a desire to learn more, just as the Composer feeling the touch of inspiration gladly gives up all of human desires in his absorption of the wonderful sounds and combinations of sounds which his inner ear absorbs, and his hands transcribes.

You see there are worlds within worlds, in every phase of life.All this imparts a great fascination to living.

I was very happy in my childhood days before ever I knew of Earth planet. When I became of age wherein the wiser teachers felt I should begin to have an interest in the work of service for mankond still upon Earth, then I was introduced to those Earth ties of which they and I had been in ignorance.

I could respond more quitikly because I could see and hear, but the loved ones on Earth knowing nothing of us, of t the possibilities of everlasting life, and not being able to see or hear or even to contact with those who could see and could hear, you can see how impossible it seemed to establish any interest between us.

When my father (Arthur Wells) came here and when the grandmothers came, then I began to feel a real interest in the Earthties. The little I knew seemed to me so trifling that it could not have value to the people of Earth. But the order here is, "Give of what thou hast and that which thou givest shall return to thee increased in manifold ways".

So you^cSHe how my interest for Earth was partially a selfish interest and partially a desire to serve. I am going into this more explicitly because so many of my readers have children over here who came without the Earth birth, without names and without the love ties following them, which would have followed them except for the ignorance of their parents upon this subject.

Let me tell you, your children live, and just in proportion to the purity of your life on Earth, will be your knowledge of the return of these, your little ones.

The everlastingness of life here, is one of the great incentives to progression, to know just beyond your vision more and more wonderful things are awaiting you. To find that within yourself powers are arising which you did not know you possessed. I think one of the most amusing discoveries which people who love music make-when they have developed a little here, is the fact that they can sing, that their ear can become accurate enough and their registering power be developed enough that they too, can use their voice in song.

I grant you that those songs are not always musically attractive but they are always full of zeal, and to see a chorus of these beginners, each eagerly trying to utilize that which he has found lay within him own possibilities to utilize, is a beautiful sight. To <u>hear</u> their efforts is - well, is not always our ideals of higher harmonies, however we know their ears will be attuned with their voices, and their conceptions be more and more attuned to that which is true and beautiful. And so we always are glad to see them, and do not stay long enough to become harassed by what we hear.

You see over here perfection is attained by, and not "presented to" a person, It is the same in all the lines that lead into further enjoyments of the beautiful. Therefore when we are allowed to stay little while in the Higher Courts, we obtain an idea of something still more wonderful, still more beautiful, still more attractive than anything we have yet experienced.

Do not think ambition belongs only to Earth, it is something that is born within the mind of man, and we find over here that we are just as much interested in attaining still farther heights, still deeper wells of instruction, still keener sensitiveness to emotion. All this is part of life here, just as your experiences are training you to follow in the same line of study here.

I know you are thinking it must be a sacrifice to come back to Earth for the little work we can do, but I would say, "No", the blending of the vibrations of Earth with etheric is a fascinating study in the electrical color scheme. Sound may be expressed by color, and color might be expressed by sound.

Few human beings are sensitive enough to hear in color, or see in sounds but there are many, many on Earth today whose finer registering power enables them to go beyond the realm of the seen, and penetrate deeply enough into the realm of the unseen, and bring back to Earth the wisdom imparted to them either through song or words or thought or sight.

I have often thought the expression that "Deeds speak louder than words", might be paraphrased with, "Bor color sounds louder than sound".I think one of the most pathetic sights which we see daily on Earth is that of a little child who in its first five years is having so much knowledge thrown into its little head, every sense is more than utilized as a vehicle for education. To learn to focus the eyes so he might see, to learn to register sound so it may understand, to learn that warning sense of odor, to be able to balance the body upon those tiny feet, and to navigate safely past chairs, table corners and other obnoxious impediments to his travel, all this, and then a baby learns to talk, to feel, and all this knowledge the poor baby has to absorb.

Do you wonder that a little child sense of locality is oft times imperfect? That his keen sense of ownership grows misty? He knows what he wants and he proposes to get it. Very much in the same manner that your Earth men achieve weabth today, "Take what you can, and cling to it", seems to be a favorite adage just now upon Earth. All this is wrong, and every individual soul knows it is wrong, and each individual soul will find that it is obliged to adjust its life to the eternal laws "Made in the beginning of all Time", and which are just as mu ch in action today as they were when spoken through the medium.

Just as a book is not interesting to you unless it is written in your language, just so are the joys here and the interests here unintehligable to you unless you are attuned into the harmony which exists through all Spaces and is the result of individual labor in psychic world.

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Chasing Bubbles

XIII

Wed., March 18th, 1936.

It might be interesting sometime for me to show to you how the followers of fallacies or those who pursue theories that have no foundation in facts, how they change and why they change, and often acknowledge the real compelling power of their particular theory.

Among the later exponents of a philosophy which was built upon fact, was the man you called SWedenborg. His was an unselfish devotion to that which he believed was true. And while there were errors of conceptions due to imperfect mediumship, and by that I mean simply that the Communicator <u>here</u> was not as expert in making the connection to the receiver on Earth, therefore words were inserted which changed the meaning of the original thought. However, a larger percentage of this man's work meet with our approval here, then almost any other writer of that period.

Later Andrew Jackson Davis became probably as correct as an interpreter of the thoughts sent to Earth as any living at that time. You must realize that the planet Earth entering into the Aquarian lightness of air, began only about thirty years ago and it has been a very gradual induction of your 47.4 slow rate of vibration into our more rapid rate.

This was necessarily a slow process in order to preserve the normal mentality and a normal health of Earth people. In the last ten years more communicators here have been able to make good connections with the receiving stations of Earth. While Mr. Vail Owens' communications were received very correctly, still Mr. Owens' strong prejudice in favor of one particular denomination for church worship, acted as a magnet and drew to him those ex-officers and ministers and priests, of his own order. Consequently through none of the communications received by him will man gain that broader vision of all life here, and will gain little instructive thoughts as to the uplifting of his own beloved denomination.

In fact Mr. Vail Owens while he was blessed by a universal soul-desire, he was cursed by the limitations of his own creeds. And in all his writings you will see he never touches the universal secrets of life.

In Stainton Moses' writings there is a broader universal thought, but again^{his} main interest was in the religious viewpoint which was given. You can understand how the guiding forces with Malachi as its representative, were obliged to gradually introduce these thoughts which now, today, when the more rapid rate of vibrations in which the planet Earth is revolving, are easily received and easily assimilated and the same truths are coming in many channels in many countries. And while some may bear the Eastern method of expression, when it is analyzed you will find the facts are coinciding in a beautiful manner.

There are many mediums on Earth today who are receiving information from the same School in which you are studying. But so many theories come here and for all the world they look like the little balloons which children blow up, and escaping their strings comes on up into a higher atmosphere and when we come to see them and investigate, we find they are simply bags of air. One little touch with the knife of reason and the gas escapes and down they go.

The theory of reincarnation of a soul into human flesh is perhaps the most fantastic ever conceived, as it calmly breaks the law of origin, the law of conception, the law of inheritance, the law of ancestral interests, giving to a soul, or the atoms which comprise the soul, a strength of mentality and purpose that could be impossible for separate atoms to hold, and accomplish anything under their law of return.

To say there are atoms in the atmosphere that may become part of you is not fantastic, there are atoms in a head of lettuce and if you eat that the atoms become a part of you. There are atomic forces in the water you drink, but you would scarcely credit the atoms in the water with a mind that would enable them to read the character of some human being and decide to locate as another human being within their chosen one.

There probably has been no theory that has been so fantastically followed by believers and so thoroughly ridiculed by scientific thinkers as this.

Sometimes very amusing things occur, recently a lady came here who insisted that she was, "Catherine of Russie", of course her announcement has received smilesand, a mild but kindly wag suggested that if such was the case he would conduct her to a group of her own countrymen. Naturally she was expected to speak in their language, this she chuld not do, and finally the attention of Catherine herself was gained, and the astonishment of the American Catherine to hear the assertion of a Russian Catherine that, "Shg mever died and gone back to Earth", she

admitted that she came here under unpleasant circumstances for which she deeply repented, but she said, "With all my errors while on Earth, I am scarcely fool enough to desire to go back to Earth especially to a country of freedom."

The American Catherine was deeply puzzled and finally said, "Well, then who am I?"

And the answer came, "Do you know the name of your father and mother?"

"Yes", was her reply, "John Smith", the answer. was given amid laughter,

"Well: you are John Smith's daughter nothing more, nothing less".

I assure you there are bitter heart aches and bitter tears shed by these dupes of foolish theories. There seems to be no poverty of soul creation here, and no reason why any second-hand soul should ever be thrust into a brand new body.

Uncle Evelyn tells me that there is a passage in the Bible, "Neither shall new wine be put into old bottles but new wine is put into new bottles", which I judge has something to do with the wine manufacturers of that period.

You see we, "Whom the Gods love", come here at birth, escape all of these sad although foolish tragedies. In our educational system all the chaff has been eradicated from the wheat and there is nothing left of those theories, they are like your fogs that are blown away by the wind, fogs always lie close to Earth you know, but when the rays of the Sun pierce those heavy atoms they become lighter and lighter and warmer and warmer and finally dissolve into the air and rise into greater heigths above Earth than they were when a mass of fog.

There is now a creed upon Earth today that does not need to be put through the threshing machine of facts, scientific facts, and have the wheat separated from that musty chaff which paganism, selfishness, greed, conceit and the desire; to dominate all others, has formed over each denomination and is sustained by the same power in each member of these denominations. You know tiny grains of sand make a mountain, individual beliefs utterly improbable and impossible things keep them alive and they do not improve with age.

The man who pins his hope for eternal life on the sacrificial blood of any other man, is woefully disappointed when he arrives here. The great trouble has been, as we see it, or rather as I see it, is that you of Earth are so prejudiced and so indolent that you will accept any theory that saves you from doing any personal work which would enable you to understand truth and your personal relation to truth.

You do not assume your responsibility for yourself because you are believing in the responsibility of somebody else to carry your own personal responsibilities, You ignore that passage, "Work out your own salvation", and you love to sing the Hymn:

> "Jesus paid it all All the debt that I owe He has washed my crimson stains And made me white as snow",

which is probably the silliest, most untruthful thing ever sung by the human congregation.

What about the people that were alive before the man Jesus was born? Who washed their soiled garments?

The whole theory is untenable, unreasonable and direct opposition to the teachings of that same beautiful soul, the man Jesus, the man of sorrows, who was acquainted with grief, the man of truth and spiritual knowledge.

I assure you, and I do not mean this in a sacriligious way, but heaven has no laundry department, every man does his own soul cleansing.

I Suppose because my education has been so different that I do not have the patience when I see people who appear to be intelligent, hugging to themselves such foolish theories and basing their hopes for eternal life upon them.

(Mother, you see, I inherit some of your impetuosity, I do hate to see people deluded.)

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The Personal Magnet

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Wed., April 8th, 1936.

In all the guidance which the teachers here give to us, we notice that they never allow us to feel for a moment that we can shirk our responsibilities upon any one person or upon any one thing. The law of attraction and its value depends entirely upon the <u>magnet that is presented</u> by each human being, whether they live upon Earth or in this etheric plane.

You see, "Not one jot or one tittle", which (means not a small speck) "shall pass, until all be fulfilled". So the law of responsibility which teaches a child to keep his fingers off the hot stove and educates him from the beginning of the use of his five senses, does not stop at death but it proceeds in its gentle, majestic outworking through every phase of existence. As far ahead as we can see it has not changed.

On the contrary Earth people seem to accept, or recognize rather, such a small part of that law that they are unconsciously stepping into wrong doing inspite of the law, and you know the Bible says, "They who sin without the law", or without knowledge of the law, shall be punished without the law". That is - as we understand it, the severity of the results of the wrong doings shall not be sensed by them as accutely as it is and will be, when they become better versed in law.

For us over here who are trained in the knowledge of the law from our babyhood, a swerving from direct duty becomes a much greater offense when we are punished by our own consciousness of our own weakness, and our own inability to stand up under temptation.

I hear someone say, "Why?in Heaven there are no temptations, Heaven is perfect peace, perfect jpy, perfect bliss". I would answer, "Heaven contains all this, but whether you are a participent in this <u>depends entirely on your acuteness of</u> vision, of what is law, and your strength of character to follow out your vision.

A weak mind does not become strong and intellectual, just by changing its overcoat, or putting on a new suit of clothes. Neither do you of Earth, when you lay aside your physical overcoat and step out in your astral self, your

astral body with its much. better fitted garments. A mind governs the body on Earth, so does mind govern the body here. Perhaps I should have said, as mind governs the physical body on Earth, so does mind govern the astral body here.

It is very amusing to us, who never wore the physical body and have grown up in our spiritual body, to hear the comments made by people on Earth, the wonder and curiosity as to whether they become mere vapor floating in Space, like the clouds which you see in the skies, and if so, how can one cloud face recognize another cloud's face? Never seeming to realize that the astral is built of etheric substance, and as Bert said once, "It was impossible to describe to a human mind, what that word 'etheric substance' really was".

Our bodies are light, they are not transparent, they are firm, and much more lasting and durable than the physical body. You cannot cut off an astral arm or amputate an astral leg, so no matter what the physical body has suffered on Earth or how it has been mutilated by accident, wa r, or disease, the astral body comes perfect in its reproduction of the human at its best.

In other words, it is impossible for Earth to wreck the astral body. And yet the owner of that body may through his mind's activity dwarf the perfectness of the spiritual man, which now being released from the physical dwells in that body. We see many astral bodies that are scarred by the mind's actions, but not by human tortures.

We often say, "There, upon Earth lies a scarred body of a man who has sacrificed health, vigor, and all that made life beautiful to protect his country's honor." But when we look at the astral body of that man with its power of glorious self renunciation, with its grand conceptions of the glory of service, we see how a sick bedg a hospital, a prison can not hold the progressive power of the human mind.

You of Earth say pityingly, "That poor sick cripple has nothing to live for", and it is quite possible that that poor cripple's inner self shows an ability, a power, a magnitude of perception, that renders his commentators remark - when compared with the actual limits of the sick man, to be like the babblings of an uncomprehending baby.

There are many beautiful souls on Earth today who seem to us to have progressed far beyond the ordinary Earth limits. Some are on beds of sickness, some are still ministering to others, and we wonder why they are not allowed to come up

higher, out of the mire and clay of Earth, and then we hear the answer, "Fear not, they are bent upon their Father's business", "They are doing a work that others can not do. They oft are the intermediary between Heaven and Earth". So you see how impossible it is for anyone to know why some people come here at birth and some stay for such a long, long time on Earth.

We do not know. We only know that these souls seem to be ripening, growing wiser and wiser, as time passes. There are many sections in these Eternal Spaces, and each soul that comes is adapted by its Earth life, by the deeds done in the body, by its mind's life, which has resulted in the education and purifying of his soul's desires, to enter into that section which is best adapted to his happiness as well as his needs. And just as upon Earth our ideals change with our growth, our ambitions change as our power achieving our ambitions grows within us.

Nothing can be more beautiful than the joy which each experiences when they enter that section so thoroughly suited for their needs. Where each one they meet appears to them like an old, old friend whose warmth of greeting and underdtanding brings the waves of love ebbing through their whole being. And in all the sections and in all he meets he finds the same beautiful unification so that he can realize more and more what EarCh training has done for him, and what unison with God and each other really means.

When this realization strikes him, he has indeed entered into the joys of his Lord.

It does not seem quite fair, to some of our newcomers to find the Theologians, whom they adored and worshipped under the same power of utilizing those mechanisms with which we try to enlighten the Earth.

The table moving, the knocks on the walls, the bell ringing, the taps on the body, the face, all come under the heads of the spirit mechanism of forces with which to connect with the minds of men.

You may call them childish. They are not, the pen that you hold in your hand may be nothing but a small piece of wood with steel attached to it, but when that pen is being moved by the mind and will of its writer, it may prove a clarion call to some other soul across the state.

The Spirit World of people try to adapt their methods to fit the education of the individual, it is the only sensible way to Earth.

When mind can speak directly to mind, you can see now why we say, "We believe that the finest form of communication between the two planes is when a voice can talk over the wires without machinery, and like the radio send its message in brilliant light as well as in darkness.

So you can see why over here we are all exceedingly on the quivive to find new methods which will impress Earth people. Our inventors are working on rays that can be blended to produce voices, much its being accomplished along many lines.

Of course we, who have dear one upon Earth, are intensly interested in all this, and as we find new developments here it will give me a great deal of pleasure to tell you about them.

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The Balance Wheel of Justice

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April 16th, 1936.

It is fortunate that the broils and erruptions which take place upon any planet, does not disturb our serenity as much as you might suppose. We know the law will not fail in its outworking. We know that, "Those who take by the sword shall perish by the sword", which is only an examplification of the law, "Like attracts like".

Injustice throws out of balance the equanimity of the masses, but the law of balance reasserts itself to the detriment of injustice. So, while we may try to educate Earth or any planet to whose service we are designated, we are not disturbed with the blindness of men, we pity those who err, but it is only an incident in the Great Eternal Plan.

All the souls who come here through their devotion to a principle have really been graduated out of chaotic conditions into perfect unison. The Eternal Law is a benificent law, just as the law of sunshine and rain, "For He maketh the sunshine and rain to fall upon the just and upon the unjust". The law does not change. Man may change his own course and reap the results, but the benificence and kindliness of the law is apparent in all things.

We can see how through every Nation of Earth there has arisen a horror of the character that could infl ict such brutalities upon a country which was in possession by kindly, ignorant, earnest men, pursuing their ways of right and wrong, harming no other country, and worshipping their ideal of Deity.

The greed and the lack of all principles of right and wrong shown by the aggressive character of the leader of Italy, will bring him nothing but regrets on Earth, and he will reap a harvest of hatred.

You are wondering why he has not been stopped in this terrible carnage, and we have wondered, but the cutworking of the laws is inevitable, and for every life which repacious greed has caused to cut short its Earth mission, Mussolini will personally pay the debt, for, "Not one jot or one tittle of the law shall pass until all be repaid".

Napoleon dreamed great dreams of conquering the world, he is still paying his bill.

When we, who have never lived on Earth, see what a short period man spends upon Earth, in which to glorify himself, and see how effervescent are the praises and plaudits of fame, and how everlasting is the reward which crime entails, then you will see how we feel, when these poor dupes of the rapacious spirits from the Underworld, the lower astral planes are being led into that abyss from which rationalism has fled and insanity reigns.

Possibly no exhibition of brutality could shock the entire world as this invasion into a peaceful country, has done. Possibly the Great Creative Power will use this as a spur to the spiritual awakening of man. This I do not know, I am only one atom in this Infinite Sea of Life.

The precious thing about life is this, that while each life called into being comes by Divine Law, and has its use in the Cosmic Whole, still the time comes, (after your transition from Earth), when you can look back over your path of life and see that it was ordered by a greater mind than man can perceive.

That is why we like you to study into these higher mathematics, Astronomy, Astrology, Numerology constitute what we call the higher mathematics of eternal law, and one approaches it gradually.

It does not make any difference whether you begin with a knowledge of the value of the letters in your own name. Naturally Earth people knowing nothing of this School of Higher Mathematics, are attracted to the personal interest in their own name. And when you are able to show to them their connection with a greater and broader field of action which, while invisible, is real and active, you are opening a door which leads them out from their personal into a knowledge of the Universal.

One of your wise men of Earth has said, "Only as man swings out of the personal into the Universal, can great things come". Note that word "can" please, it is not that God would limit, or that the law does limit any man's vision of truth, but if a man's Alpha and Omega are only concerned with the material world, and his own gain in the material world, you see for yourself that he has closed the doors of communication between the material and the spiritual. He has set his stakes and built his pier which reaches out into the wa ters of Earth limits and no farther.

No matter how the waves from a mighty ocean dash against those piers, they do not penetrate into that deeper section wherein man's mind dwells. Therefore great things, great thoughts, great sensations of beauty, appreciation of the vast harmonies of Nature, a sensing of the domains of life beyond the physical, are all closed to him. He is of the earth, earthy.

He may have filled his banks with gold, but the storehouse of his mind has nothing but empty shelves, not one thing is upon those shelves of aspirations, of reverence, of higher communications. He is like barren fig tree, "Nothing but leaves". His life has resulted in no fruition, in which the bloom of intelligence ripens into the fruit of knowledge.

Wisdom has not penetrated into his domain of thought, so you can see how, when such a soul through Natural law is obliged to leave the earthly, his poor little attenuated soul comes like a frightened child, unnourished, weak, blind, deaf. Yet that same man was given all the opportunities which every other human soul is given. The birthright of the five senses, of the mind upon which these five senses should have recorded all the wonders of the Earth condition in which he was placed.

> Starvation of the body men deeply deplore, Starvation of the soul is very much more A catastrophe great, for the soulliveth on. The starved body is left when Earth-life is gone. Man's heritage from God is that bit called a soul, The God within man. Must it receive dole When it comes over here? Insufficiently fed While the fat body of man, whom you supposed dead Is carried in pomp to Mausoleum fair While the poor little soul receiving no care Is pushed out of that body, and stands at the gate Of that marble mansion, where the man lies in state, It knows naught of the way, and naught of the road Which should lead that soul up to communion with God. How dare you of Earth not to prepare /snare For your next phase of living? Greed builds many a/ Which traps man into prison self-made by him, And his starved little soul knows not how to begin Life outside of the body. So it shivers and waits Many centuries sometimes, outside Heaven's gates.

Swing out of the personal Oh people of Earth, forget your pride, of velvet, your diamonds, your cars, your toys, with which you kill fime. Let these become secondary and seek ye first that "Kingdom of God" which lies within every man, as a God-given gift.

> People that kingdom within you with thoughts of the best, Then at the end of Earth life you can lie down at rest.

Possibly no man better realizes all this than did the Nazarine, Jesus. He tried to tell the people in every way, what life really meant, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God, or Good", as we would express it.

"Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, for where your treasure is there shall your heart be also" .

If all you of Earth who possess Bibles, and who call yourselves Christians would read the New Testament with this view of understanding Christ-words as applicable to you, <u>today</u>. To try to understand the idioms of speech of that period in which Jesus lived, not to translate literally every word because the same word - even in your English words oft times means many different things, and the words which you so carelessly read, oft times has an especial meaning which you alone can decipher.

You see I am fulfilling my Earth destiny by this wonderful privilege by coming to my own beloved Mother, and my very much loved foster sister, I shall ' immediately begin work collecting data, which I think may interest Earth, and before another year passes, I hope to bring to you another news-letter.

Appreciating the privilege given me through the courtesy of these Directing Forces, and assuring you that I am daily caller, why not?

I regretfully close these few pages in which I have tried to picture to you how the Eternal Pla n appears to us who came here at birth, and who therefore must have a different outlook on all of life than you of Earth.

To all my readers I wish to send a loving thought and I can do no better than to quuote again from the words of John;

> "Prepare ye your pathway towa rds your God". Wrnest Wells.

