



Cosmic Whisperings of the New Earth

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Introductory Ideas

We have chosen to call these writings 'Whisperings' as the word evokes the image of a bridge between the silence of the inner worlds and the embryonic awareness of the new era. It is the idea of a noiseless sound that can be heard only by stretching and sharpening the subtle senses enough to access the inner realms. This is the way in which most readers will grasp these writings. They will have to use their inner ears to hear, for the sound will not be loud enough to compete with the noise of the outer world. These writings will attract only those who can hear the subtle sounds of the new dawn.

The objective of *Whisperings* is to make available, to those who can hear, the essence of the changes ahead for awakening humanity. The new world will be charged with energy of a lighter substance. The new Earth will be infused with the Light of the Spiritual Sun in a way that will reveal the radiance of divine life. On the passage into a new reality, molecules of lighted substance will be suffused by a higher voltage of energy through the intensifying cosmic rays.

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This is not intended to be a metaphysical text in the usual understanding of that word. It is an attempt to convey in the simplest language that which has been most elusive to the human mind up until now: the means of transcending identification with the limited and narrowly proscribed sense of self, in order to arise into the fullness of the divine Self. This is the most urgent need of the hour. There is nothing more crucial or of greater magnitude.

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These writings are for those who realize that an end to the current world order is at hand and who choose to know what lies ahead. Humanity is headed into a new dimension of existence that lies so far beyond the present one that it is nearly impossible for you to foresee and for us to describe. And yet it becomes clear to those with inner sight that the visible order of things on Earth will increasingly lose its equilibrium and recede. In the coming cycle, new forms will clothe creatures of a higher consciousness, as the two go hand in hand. As human consciousness evolves so does the consciousness of other kingdoms of life. All species will require new forms in which to live and propagate at higher frequencies.

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When the outer conditions of life become untenable, human consciousness becomes focused upon the deeper dimensions of the interior life. This is inherent in the nature of the intelligent human being. Some of the greatest writings of all times have been penned behind the bars of a prison cell, where all external activity ceases. When the outer light goes dark, the inner light can be more readily discerned. This is the constitution of man at a particular stage of soul growth. It goes without saying that not all human beings can achieve this level of self-scrutiny

and self-understanding. In fact, most individuals will not attain self-knowledge merely by being deprived of outer stimuli. But for those who are so inclined, the reduction of attractive outer stimuli provides an environment conducive to the inner life of Spirit. These writings are intended to provide further stimuli.

There is only one viable antidote to the viral fear forms spreading across the globe and it is the realization that the essential human being is undying. The human soul is immortal. On its own plane it knows that which cannot be readily known while incarnate on the denser plane of the physical earth and from this higher vantage point the soul perceives the reasons and causes of all things. This is the ground on which the future is determined, both for the individual soul on the upward arc of evolution and for the Soul of Humanity.

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In addition to physical DNA, there is within each human being a spiritual encoding that goes to the heart of human purpose in the coming age: the conscious evolution of the light of the soul. From awakening until the time when the soul expresses itself through its outer vehicle, there is a cycle during which it is quietly nurtured into the realization of its own light. This cycle is not unlike the term of a physical pregnancy, during which an embryo grows into a human form. Though it takes many lifetimes for the soul to emerge into the light of day the idea is parallel: a seed of divine life is fused with matter—a human soul is ‘conceived’ for the ultimate purpose of manifesting its divine potential.

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Despite the growing intensity of earth changes, the pretense continues that the status quo is viable with minor modifications for climate and weather. But the truth on which the future depends cries out to be heard: There is only one Life on this planet and all lives are entwined within It. It is also true that this planet is experiencing monumental cyclical change in tandem with other planets in the solar system and in response to energies and forces emanating from the galaxy and beyond. Among these forces are cosmic rays whose qualities influence events on Earth. To resist these forces is to intensify suffering; to acknowledge the required shift in consciousness is to ease the transition to the new Earth.

Those who have awakened to higher consciousness can muster the inner resources to sustain themselves through the transitional times that will clear a path to the new world. Those who alight from the process in waking consciousness are holders of the vision of the new Earth that will evoke the new Heaven. Out of the wave of human suffering upon us, signs of the new order already appear. The soul of humanity is revealing itself through the love and altruism of countless thousands. All who have transcended the values of the material order and are living by the light of their souls and sacrificing for the good of all are the pioneers and stakeholders of the new Earth.

Potencies of Heart

These times necessitate a reorientation to time, space, and life itself. The foundations of the old age will be shaken by the end of the present order and the ground of human consciousness prepared for the shift to a higher plane of evolution. This shift can best be understood through the language of the heart, still absent from the vocabulary of much of humanity. Love is the keynote of the coming age. Mind alone cannot solve the problems facing a humanity that is racing to the edge of the great cleavage between spirit and matter. Fundamental solutions lie in the opening of the heart, upon which rests the coming world order. The new world will be built on entirely new premises about life and its meaning.

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The heart's opening to the divine presence is the starting point of all paths to spiritual growth, and all spiritual paths are streams that fertilize the consciousness of the Aquarian Age. Without the qualities of the heart there can be no wisdom, and wisdom is essential to the thinking, planning, and building of the new world. The wisdom of spiritually awakened human beings aware of the outlines of the divine plan and attuned to divine guidance will inaugurate the Aquarian civilization. The unfoldment of a higher stage of human evolution begins in the heart of humanity.

When the heart center expands, the soul comes alive to itself and to the Spirit pulsing through all of creation. The light of the soul is visible in the countenance of all who resonate with the new cosmic energies flowing into the planet. This light is reflected in the depths of human eyes and the radiance of human smiles. It is a light that cannot be manufactured or displayed at will. When the light of the soul breaks forth into the world of form it attracts other lights. This power of attraction and mutual resonance to the new Earth is already transforming lives. The heart is the birthplace of the Aquarian Age.

The soul's light can only be found where the heart is open, as the nature of this spiritual light is love. It is love fed by a stream flowing from the formless realms whose essence is Divine Love. When the heart is open and sensitive to Life, the light of the soul magnifies the human potential to merge with other human beings and spiritual Beings on higher planes. A lighted soul can establish union on the horizontal plane of external living as well as the vertical plane extending from the human kingdom upward into the spiritual kingdom and also downward into the lesser kingdoms. Such a person is suffused with the light of pure love that streams from the world of Spirit into the world of form.

It is of crucial importance to recognize that there is a divine Plan of evolution and that it is unfolding as necessitated by the level of consciousness of present-day humanity. What you see in the news among warring factions at all levels is the scourge of old, crystallized thought-forms and behavior patterns. The thought-form that must be left behind is that of separation. The methods that must be left behind are those involving force. The planetary Life is entering an

age where value will be placed upon the potencies of heart working in unison with mind. Mind alone is a secondary instrument of perception.

In the heart lie solutions to disputes and disagreements of every scale. The cohesive force of love allows for admittance of another's point of view. Through love there is brotherhood; through brotherhood all conflicts are subject to resolution.

Evolutionary Tides

The purpose of these messages is to form a bridge in consciousness between two levels of being: Ours and that of ordinary human beings—ordinary in the sense that they perceive reality through the lens of the lower mind and the outer senses. Our purpose is to elevate human consciousness to a higher octave of awareness that will condition the new reality. It will become evident to all that humans and other creatures are part of the same Earth life, that all lives are of equal value in terms of origin and destiny, and that all are energetically intertwined. It is a simple message that needs to be reiterated in myriad ways until the understanding finally dawns that there is one Humanity living on Earth and that the human race is entering a field of higher vibrations for the continued evolution of consciousness.

Two evolutionary trajectories are involved here—the trajectory of the planet, and that of the individual human. They are intertwined but also exist independently. The individual soul on the journey to higher consciousness is pursuing a goal complementary to but not totally dependent upon the planetary Life. As proven throughout history, human beings can attain enlightenment regardless of the planet's cosmic environment. Divinized human beings have existed in virtually all times and places. But the closer the planet moves into the orb of the constellation Aquarius, and the more it is infused with other cosmic rays and energies, the more advantageous are the conditions for human souls to attain a higher degree of spiritual awareness. All who are sensitive to the new vibratory field will experience a quickening of inner experience.

The greater Life of the planet is unaffected by the lesser lives of individuals, while at the same time this greater life serves as a force for entraining the lesser lives contained within it. It determines the shape and form of the whole and of the parts to the degree that the lesser lives must eventually conform to the will of the greater Life. In accord with the Law of Correspondences, the higher will impresses itself upon lesser wills until there is a degree of correspondence or resonance. Though it may appear that forces of destruction are dominant, in the larger scheme of evolution the Forces of Light have greater potency. These forces are allowing the destruction of outworn forms so that spiritual Light may redeem and uplift the planet.

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The intent of these writings is to reveal the next steps for pioneers of the new era. In past times, the spiritual unfoldment of humanity centered around issues of great import in a given

period of history— such as the nature of deity, of the universe, and of life itself. At this juncture, Our task takes on another dimension entirely. The question facing awakening humanity is no longer what to think or believe about divinity, but what to *become*, or how to embody divinity. It is not easy to grasp the magnitude of difference. The leap that looms on the horizon is akin to stepping off a cliff without seeing the ground below, armed only with a vision of divine-human possibility.

Humanity stands on the threshold of a new reality based in a new dimension of awareness and existence. It is important to keep in mind that current waves of destruction mark the start of the *physical* aspect of transition to this new reality. The age now ending has served as the training ground for human beings to discover their inherent divinity and has now served its purpose. Out of the crucible of the trials of material plane living, it was intended that humanity become aware of the causes of suffering and set forth on a new course by developing the force of love and the power of will— fundamentals of the new era.

At this time, the planetary Life is experiencing an outgoing tide of cosmic energies and an inflowing tide. The outgoing tide will pull in its wake the flotsam and jetsam of the old age; the incoming tide is imbuing the soul of awakening humanity with divine love and light. We stand on the crest of a wave energetically and substantively. Imagine the waves of an ocean, then visualize those physical waves turning into light waves of many hues and degrees of radiance. This is more than mere metaphor; it hints at what is already now occurring.

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As the world slides into greater chaos and confusion, without apparent solutions to global problems, tending a garden or putting money under a mattress will not necessarily be of greatest advantage, although such measures can mitigate the impact of disruptions. The greatest advantage will lie in having a grasp of the higher evolutionary purpose of this phase of breakdown: the development of sensitivity to the new wave of energies and of the subtle faculties required for consciously entering into communications with the inner worlds.

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Despite the ever-growing dangers that threaten the present state of the world, the majority of human beings continue to live their lives as if nothing had changed. But some already sense what lies on the other side of the veil: the continuity of life in subtler form and the evolution of all lives on higher planes of existence. This knowledge has been percolating in recent decades through the sciences and metaphysical teachings. Its growth is keeping pace with the declining structures and systems of the material world, contributing in part to the surface appearance of static and calm, in many nations, in the face of unparalleled world crises.

No one presently alive on Earth will be completely spared the ravages of the declining material world order. But those attuned to the divine Plan and influenced by the tide of evolution will be guided toward new dimensions of living and being. A great struggle of reorientation will

take place, of necessity, but it will be anchored in the divine purpose of Shamballa and forged in the fires of divine Will. Faint outlines of the Kingdom of God will evolve into a new Reality. The Law of One will take precedence over all established human law, binding together all who serve the common good and seek justice and peace on Earth.

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Signs that this age is ending will proliferate in the coming months and years. Those who perceive these signs with their eyes wide open will face unprecedented challenges related to this turning-point in human and planetary evolution. These challenges fall into three categories: (1) ending old patterns of living on earth based on the illusion of separation; (2) learning how to attune to higher planes of consciousness; and (3) developing a more mature grasp of the facts of spiritual evolution.

These facts are often overlooked by contemporary teachers of spirituality who tend to take the position of *not* seeing or knowing certain truths that undergird the evolution of consciousness. They veer away from such truths as reincarnation and karma to maintain their popularity with students and peers. When rightly understood, these truths are neither popular nor easy to absorb. Accepting them requires a degree of spiritual maturity and a willingness to accept responsibility for one's life. Even now, relatively few are ready to pursue the hard truths behind the unfolding scheme of human evolution.

Nevertheless, perennial spiritual truths are woven into the fabric of human evolution. These truths are of vital importance at present in laying the groundwork for the coming evolutionary leap. They all revolve around the continuity of consciousness—from lifetime to lifetime, from form to form, and plane to plane. The importance of the outer form recedes as the consciousness within the form expands and rises vibrationally to enter a greater Reality.

As material conditions on Earth become more dire, with floods and droughts, glaciers melting and water sources drying up, thinking people will feel impelled to make sense of their deteriorating world. There has never been a greater need to reflect on perennial questions or a greater opportunity to accept the answers. Most are clinging to the vain hope that the world will right itself, for they cannot perceive any alternative to cataclysmic destruction. The pressure for change is mounting with every season, fostering an intensifying need to know the truth about survival—particularly the aspect of the human being that transcends all external states and conditions.

Plan of Evolution

Rest assured that a divine plan is unfolding, causing the emergence of humanity from the trance of materiality in which it has been immersed for eons. This juncture in evolution is as consequential to the human race as when the first sparks of divine mind were implanted in the

highest representatives of the animal kingdom millions of years ago. We have arrived at the end of the long span of evolution for which the physical plane of reality served as background for the development of human consciousness. Within the ranks of advanced humanity, consciousness is outgrowing the previous limits of form, breaking through to the *meta*-physical plane where evolution will continue.

The divine design for this transitional time is to prove that human existence transcends the material world—a world that has largely hidden what is true and lasting. Pervasive trials involving suffering from material loss are tilling the soil for the coming Age of Spirit. The soul's endurance of the ravages of matter is bringing to light the power of spirit, further rending the veil between planes of reality. The truth to be grasped is that the dawn of a new age on a higher plane of Earth entails the advancement of the human kingdom toward the Kingdom of Spirit.

Within sensitive human hearts, successive waves of destruction are igniting a deeper realization of the sacredness of life. The impulse to sustain and preserve life has grown accordingly. Death and rebirth are occurring simultaneously. Playing out on the world stage are the death of form and the resurrection of Spirit, casting light on the spiritual potential within humanity. New sensibilities flourish as restrictive concepts of reality explode. Despite the proliferation of material suffering, the extraordinary nature of this moment must be understood.

The clarion call of the hour is to acknowledge the temporal nature of physical plane reality. The grip of material illusion is loosening for those prepared to advance into a higher realm of existence. Those inclined toward the light will discover inner guides and teachers working in many different guises, both esoteric and exoteric. One means of drawing attention to the emerging presence of inner realm Beings in the outer world of form is the growing phenomenon of synchronicity. But there are many others for those who are learning to see.

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Two questions are posed repeatedly by thinkers: (1) Can humanity destroy the Earth? (2) What is the relationship between the planet and the evolution of human consciousness? Bear in mind that the greater Life contains the lesser life and the lesser cannot destroy the greater. Though humanity remains largely ignorant of this fact, the human race is an integral part of the life of Earth. Evidence abounds that humanity has destroyed vast tracts of land and life forms on the Earth's surface. Few oceans and continents remain unsoiled by the global epidemic of human waste. However, a higher purpose is being served: Earth is being prepared for a new cycle of evolution as humanity learns the consequences of its actions. This learning is essential to establishing the New Earth—the next incarnation of the Planetary Logos.

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As this new year [2009] begins, the world is embroiled in turmoil and disruption—fallout from the rapidly unfolding plan of evolution. What is being disrupted is a state of mind that has

governed human life from the origins of the race until now. This mindset has been based on the illusion that reality consists of the tangible, concrete and physical plane. Now emerging is the spiritual nature of Reality on a higher-frequency plane to which sensitive human beings are awakening and attuning. Many are sensing that Earth is on a trajectory that involves the elevation of consciousness within all kingdoms of life.

The future lies on 'higher ground'—not a ground of illusory solidity such as the ground that covers mountain peaks, but a more refined plane of energy that is spirit. Those who are discovering the inner world of the Soul are encountering this higher ground that lies in closer proximity to the consciousness of the One Life. This Life, that of the Planetary Logos, is evolving under the direction of its higher counterpart, the Solar Logos. The tide of events now occurring on the planet is kindling the inner spark of divinity destined to light the way into the new atmosphere of Earth. The light of the soul will be the most reliable guide through the transition to the new era, along with the greater Light it attracts.

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It is important to realize that a very different type of human being once existed on Earth. At the dawn of human evolution there existed the race of Lemuria, which consisted of nebulous beings clothed in bodies of physical-etheric substance. Those bodies were designed to acclimate human souls entering the cycle of involution into matter to the Earth's denser atmosphere. Human beings of the time were not yet individuated and were more permeable to creative forces on higher planes. They existed as a unified entity with only a flicker of the element of undifferentiated mind. The purpose of the Lemurian phase of evolution was to initiate the process that later developed into individualization and autonomy, as the physical vehicle and concrete mind became increasingly more defined.

The human evolution has produced a corresponding expansion of consciousness through stages of experience. The powers of the concrete mind are now developed in much of the race and have given rise to an expanded experience of autonomy, to the extent that the evolution of consciousness on the densest plane of Earth has run its course. Its goal was to foster the exercise of free will, in order that human beings would have the capacity to choose light over darkness, good over evil. However, the extreme of individualism has become destructive to the natural order of living systems on the planet and to the human race. Humanity is outgrowing the limitations of the concrete mind without realizing that this is so. This lower mind is merely the point of departure for unfolding the higher mind and intuition or *buddhi* [Sanskrit for direct perception of higher reality] of the coming age.

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The changing energy field of planetary life—from denser to subtler—is behind the cataclysmic breakup of conditions taking place on the surface of Earth. These changes correspond to the fact that the Divine Intelligence that ensouls the planet and directs its evolution is undergoing an expansion of consciousness. The best evidence for this is found within the group of human

beings who are awakening inwardly to the reality of Spirit. Resistance to pursuing this reality remains, due to ingrained structures of material consciousness, however new values and aspirations are breaking through. Stay mindful of the fact that there is a Plan, and adjustments will be easier to make.

Despite the fact that death has become a pervasive presence on Earth, a new birth is also taking place. The light of the human Soul is entering the world through all who have the capacity to observe and reflect on outer conditions and events, and to reorient their lives accordingly. Three points are of the essence in this birthing process: (1) to realize the existence of a plan of evolution and to ponder on its planetary scale; (2) to understand the requirements for entering the New Earth; and (3) to pursue all avenues of spiritual development in the goal of materializing a spiritual culture and civilization.

This is a time of unprecedented importance in the life of Earth for all species and kingdoms of life. Humanity is awakening to the fact that Earth is a single organism whose infinite life forms are created and sustained by a divine Intelligence, a planetary Life whose evolutionary blueprints are held within the central spiritual core of the Sun. The idea that each man is an island unto himself is dying; the vision of an unbreakable web of energy is being born. Vitalizing this new idea, the foundation of the new Earth, is the higher intent for this time. The purpose of divinity is being accomplished by arousing humanity from the trance of materialism so that it may realize its higher potential through the life of the Soul, aware of itself as a component part of an all-embracing Life.

Glimpsing the New Earth

Earth is a single field of energy containing many dimensions of life beyond the visible and dense physical. A plane of greater transparency, previously unknown to humanity, will provide the needed environment for the further unfoldment of human consciousness in the new evolutionary cycle. A veil is slowly being lifted from the eyes of awakening human beings to allow for a truer perception of life on the other side. Those who have raised their consciousness and, as a result, the vibrations of their vital bodies, will perceive the energies being marshaled to create a new reality on Earth.

Events of terrific magnitude will take place in coming months and years—events intended to turn the tide of evolution in a new direction. Let this not trouble you. We exist within perimeters of Earth toward which evolving souls gravitate. The actual meaning of these words will be difficult to glean but let it be known that the outer surface of the planet will not be home to the coming civilization. Nor will this new home be located on the moon or other planets in the solar system, as those who seek to escape the chaos may think. It will be in a more refined bandwidth of this planet, so to speak, where spiritual truths now hovering over the illusory world will become foundation stones.

This new plane is already familiar to intuitive individuals alive to a more refined level of consciousness. Among them are those who have established a direct energetic connection between Us and themselves, allowing for the downward flow of thought to reach their minds. This will become the principle means of attaining knowledge in the future, without reliance on the physical brain. Science has developed advanced brain-reading mechanisms to trace patterns of human thought, but they can detect only the more concrete thought-forms. When thought waves are raised to the higher regions of mind, this machinery loses its capacity. What is being presented to the world as 'brain-reading' is simply that and not mind-reading, which can only occur through sensitivity to subtle energies. This is the next frontier.

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The appearance of a more evolved race of human beings will occur as the awakening of the higher aspect proceeds and incoming cosmic energies thoroughly permeate the One Life. The New Earth will be established when a phalanx of awakened human beings has come into prominence across the planet. This will occur not on the dense physical plane but on the subtler physical-etheric plane. It behooves you to *not* be discouraged by all that is happening on the surface of Earth right now. It is the necessary prelude to what will come.

The new civilization will grow out of an appreciation of the energetic intricacies of interconnectedness. The one and the many, the part and the whole, the individual and the collective—all such phrases suggest the underlying electrical reality to be materialized. Inflowing waves of energy are fostering a complete overhaul of human habits of perception and behavior. It will no longer be possible for the few to exploit the many or hoard the planet's resources for themselves. The shift involves breaking free of the illusion of separation and embracing the reality of a single Life—a planetary sphere where consciousness is expanding in alignment with the course of evolution held in the Mind of Divinity.

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The human spirit has for too long been buried in matter and resistant to the call of the spiritual self. Heeding that call is a matter of urgency, yet the apprehension of this urgency must be free of fear. The best approach to these times is to nurture the vision of the emerging new world. Though it remains largely a vision, it is imperative for those on the path of conscious evolution to sustain the vision and to not bury their heads in the sand. A step in consciousness toward the subtler plane of reality is the higher way through the chaos of hurricanes and volcanoes, floods and droughts, conflicts and wars.

The Holy City descending from the clouds in the Book of Revelation is a metaphor for the new Earth. It suggests the materialization of a higher reality on Earth. A 'city' built on a higher frequency is a way to envision the new Earth. This City will be formed by streams of Light flowing from higher planes into the valleys below and raising up the valleys into resonance with those lighted streams. It will be understood that what manifests on the etheric plane will be imperfect as compared with the Source from which its blueprint emanates, yet also that 'as

above, so below' means precisely what it says. What exists below is a replica of what flows from 'On High'— from within the Mind of God—though it be of lesser magnitude in its unfoldment.

In the age to come, there will be an awareness that outer plane conditions of Earth into which souls incarnate reflect the core Idea held in the Mind of God for a particular phase of human unfoldment. Until the present, that idea was related to the building and perfecting of the physical form as a vehicle for human development at a stage when the evolutionary goal was attainment of individual freedom and fulfillment of material need. The core idea for the next age is related to the realization of the divine origin and destiny of human beings. The inner spark of divinity will be kindled into a flame of aspiration for a world civilization that will nurture the divinity within all creatures and the sacredness of life itself.

For eons, the human mind has been enmeshed in the concrete physical plane of life and the scientific mind remains largely fixed on that plane. Pioneering scientists have strayed from orthodoxy through attempts to isolate separable energy particles, only to find themselves swimming in a sea of energy. It is essential to realize that energy is spirit; they are one and the same. This realization is preparatory for the leap in human consciousness from the plane of coarse matter to the energy of creation and the contents of the Mind of the Creator. This is the hinge on which creating the new world relies.

The notion that man was made in the image of God remains a mystery to all but the truly initiated, as it has never been rightly understood. The human being contains a seed of Divine Mind that was destined to germinate, mature, and ripen over the ages, through sequential stages of unfoldment, each of which leads toward the ultimate fulfillment of divine potential. The words 'made in the image' mean made of the same substance and this is fact. Advanced human beings have demonstrated they can develop this substance to the point of knowing the Divine Mind sufficiently to align with the intention of that Mind.

The contents of Divine Mind will be increasingly revealed in the future. The evolutionary thrust of the Aquarian Age is for the mind of humanity to become permeable to divine intention, leading to the establishment of a 'new heaven and new earth.' This will precipitate through growing cooperation between humanity and the spiritual hierarchy of Earth, culminating in an interval of harmony in which Love and Wisdom—the essential qualities of the Solar Logos—will suffuse the planetary web of life. This is the intention for the evolutionary cycle being inaugurated with the current reorientation of human awareness from form to the consciousness that vitalizes form.

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In the future, war will be seen for what it is: the use of brute force to annihilate or dominate perceived enemies or to achieve material gain through the acquisition of land or precious resources. Just as cannibalism is now viewed as the reflection of a primitive civilization, so will modern armaments and the mass violence called war be seen in the new era. The human

struggle will turn within. Instead of lashing out to destroy others, it will be understood that the primordial battlefield lies within the human being— between dueling dimensions of consciousness.

As the new Earth unfolds, conflict will revolve around the battle for dominance within the individual between the human and divine aspects of self. Personality [ego] and Soul will struggle for sovereignty within the psyche of human beings. By the end of the coming era, it is intended that a majority will have arrived at peaceful co-existence, with the soul having won the inner battle for control. Leaders will embody the Soul and will demonstrate a self-sacrificial degree of responsibility for their brethren and for the welfare of all living beings.

External conflict will diminish in equal measure to the mitigation of internal conflict. Nevertheless, conditions of human life will remain unequal, for the law of karma remains in effect for each individual unit of consciousness until it is fulfilled. Struggles of living and learning will continue on the etheric plane, with some having greater needs and others having greater resources to share. There will still be divisions between those advantaged by circumstances and those who are disadvantaged, but advantages will be perceived as opportunities to fulfill natural potentials rather than the acquisition of wealth and comfort. Disadvantages would include, for example, a weaker energy body, restricting mobility, or a limited mind, reducing the capacity to contribute to society and requiring assistance from others.

Few human beings will be thoroughly dedicated to the common welfare at the start of the new era and conflict will endure. Emotional conflicts will be sparked by envy, betrayal, wounded pride, anger at missed opportunities and failed relationships, all of which will remain part of the human condition. Violence of a mental nature, stemming from competing ideas about achieving goals, will be the last form of violence to yield to a reasoned approach to living and the fulfillment of humanity's mediating role within planetary life. Violence will continue as long as self-seeking remains a human motivation, yet it will be understood that transcending self-centeredness is the key to ending violence and such transcendence will be an acknowledged contribution to the common good. This good will be augmented by the perception of a divine plan of evolution, a recognition of the divine essence of life, and by mutual respect for the role of each individual in materializing a new kingdom on Earth.

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A seed of the future lies in the virtual world of cyberspace, which can be likened to the etheric web of the planet. What passes through both the electronic planetary web and the etheric web is energy of different qualities or grades. Because of the current density of human consciousness, a physical mechanism is needed to upload and download information from one computer network to another. However, the transfer of electronic information is in fact a transfer of energy impulses that are strung together in particular streams or patterns. When this is fully understood, humanity will be closer to perceiving the reality that all is energy and that a planetary grid of subtle energy gives life to all that exists on the face of Earth.

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In the new era humanity will grasp the truth that life is experienced from the level of consciousness attained by the individual. It will be common to experience shifting states of consciousness, like changing scenes on a television screen, but the means of sustaining higher awareness will become known. Many will learn how to transform glimpses of higher worlds into an enduring state of being, just as ordinary human beings can turn a faint and sporadic radio signal into one that is clear, consistent, and static-free. It is known that people with acutely developed inner powers have already attained a degree of mental focus powerful enough to create cloud formations. They are creating through focused thought and the application of will—the same mechanisms needed to sustain higher awareness.

The individual's state of consciousness will be the all-determining factor in the coming age—an age of transparency. No longer will the working out of karmic law be hidden as it has been throughout the ages, with causes from the past remaining unknown. On the new etheric plane of Earth, the effects of actions will be perceived and the stakes of shifting one's consciousness to a higher plane will be considerable. Consciousness will be reflected in life conditions and in the coloration and radiation of vital bodies. Little will be hidden from view although some will have a more refined capacity to SEE.

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If you were to turn every life form inside out, you would glimpse what lies ahead for the portion of humanity attuned to the next wave of evolution. They will have access to an untrammelled view of the path of evolution, recognizing the goal of each stage and the means of achieving it. Gone will be the veils that now shield the process from human view. Gone will be competition based on material achievements and acquisitions, to be replaced by advancement on the path toward greater light and greater love. Such learning occurs on planes beyond the physical. Keep this in mind as structures of the old civilization dissolve.

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The shift in human awareness—from the level of form to consciousness—began to intensify during the last century. Yet only now are many realizing that currently unfolding events will forever alter the landscape of the planet. The 'new face of Earth' is a metaphor for a subtler field of awareness that will provide a more refined context for human evolution, one in which human beings will discover common cause with each other and with other creatures vitalized by the same life force. As this discovery matures, the realization of inner unity will engender the expression of universal love and genuine brotherhood.

Still higher planes of awareness contained within the fabric of the new Earth will also become manifest. A mandate for stewardship of the web of life falls upon the shoulders of Those with a fully developed sense of responsibility for the welfare of the organism that is Earth, a planet

existing within a solar system whose vibratory frequency will be raised by the Earth's purification and by humanity's evolution, thus contributing to the welfare of environing planets and constellations. From there, the levels of stewardship transcend what is comprehensible to humanity at this point in evolution.

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The formless world of Spirit is not a void but a thriving world of consciousness from which the Plan of God, the divine plan of evolution, is cast into ideas comprehensible to human beings by superhuman beings often known as Masters of Wisdom. Initiatives undertaken between cooperating forces—on human and superhuman planes—involve a harmonizing of energies to achieve a common goal. The aim is to bring Divine Ideas from the formless realm into the world of form. Interaction between beings of higher and lower levels of consciousness will become a regular aspect of life in the new Earth.

The majority of inner plane Beings directly involved with Earth's evolution will remain behind a veil, where they will guide humanity via threads of consciousness and impressions of thought. Unlike the veil that has completely separated our worlds to the present, however, this veil will be penetrable by growing numbers of individuals. Yet other veils will separate the ranks of humanity from the higher dimensions of life in our solar system. There will always be veils to rend through the attainment of higher levels of awareness, but this process will be understood as a function of expanding consciousness.

Mysteries existing from the start of human evolution will be unraveled as cataclysmic events unfold on the surface of the earth. The veil separating Enlightened Beings in subtle worlds from aspirants incarnate in physical bodies is already being thinned. Two streams will quicken as the transition proceeds: the outer bodies of awakening souls will become more light-filled and sensitive to higher energies; Beings on the inner planes will make their presence increasingly known. Many souls struggle to register subtle impressions clearly and remain uncertain about what they've received. Over time the veracity of such communiqués will be determined by the quality of light they emit, and the meaning discerned through the clear cold light of intuition. Thus, will the light of truth grow exponentially.

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Etheric bodies consisting of lighter molecules will have the potential to become focused beams of light traveling through space without resistance. The mechanical transport of the present will be a distant memory as the human being learns to glide through 'the ethers' at electric speed. Thought will precipitate motion in bodies that are in essence light bodies, raising freedom of motion to a new dimension. The ability to think of a destination and appear there should no longer be a foreign notion as physical science has already discovered how to move artificial limbs by thought, how to transfer thoughts to a computer screen, and how to transfer consciousness to outer space by clicking a button. We are speaking of the same principle applied on a higher turn of the spiral.

The advantages of this mobility will enhance the soul's evolution. The new humanity will realize that everything existing on the periphery of consciousness serves primarily as a backdrop for Self-Realization. It will become evident that life proceeds from a given state of consciousness and everything else exists as context for a cycle of spiritual achievement. When a dimension is outgrown or outworn a more fruitful dwelling place can be found by magnetic attraction to a particular gradient of light and particular ray energies. The individual soul will discover the environment appropriate to its level of unfoldment and simply glide toward that place and dwell there for as long as it remains conducive to spiritual advancement.

In the age now ending, human mobility is commonly propelled by a desire for distraction from life's struggles and anxieties. Mobility in the new Earth will be directed by the soul. Recognizing itself as part of a Divine Life, the soul will be impelled to evolve and thereby expand its field of service. Life cycles will be lived until the nectar runs dry, at which time the soul will redirect its focus toward a new sphere of development, each of which has its mentors, teachers and guides. Each soul will freely seek the guidance needed to advance toward greater light, truth, and alignment with divine will.

We fully recognize the challenges inherent in envisioning such a future while incarnate on the plane of dense physical form. To bridge the gap in understanding, consider what transpires during sleep. There is wide acceptance of the idea that human consciousness exits the physical body through a so-called astral vehicle—a subtle body geared to a subtle plane where experiences such as dreaming occur. As consciousness further evolves, there are bodies of even finer substance through which higher planes can be experienced, such as the plane of *buddhi* [pure love and wisdom, pure intuition, and universal mind]. Advanced human beings engage in interactions on this plane through the transference of energy in the form of pure thought and symbols.

A Planetary Expansion of Consciousness

Observers of current trends realize that portions of the earth will become uninhabitable as the rate of species extinctions accelerates. To the degree that the human species is dependent upon the biological chain of oceanic and terrestrial life, it is also threatened. Still absent from human understanding, however, is the esoteric origin of these changes: the Planetary Logos is entering a field of higher vibrations, a process that affects the consciousness of all kingdoms comprising its life. It is not the destiny of Earth to become a lifeless planet like the moon, but rather to evolve into a sacred planet like most other planets in our solar system.

This suggests why humans have been unable to detect life on other planets in this solar system or elsewhere in the universe. The sensory organs needed for experiencing life on the dense physical plane are of a grade that has made it impossible for scientists to discover more subtle forms and flows of intelligent life. The Universe is teeming with infinite varieties of life, within a

vast spectrum of consciousness, undetectable by humanity because of the limited senses through which scientists have been searching until now.

It is not by accident that so-called UFOs are emerging into human awareness on the brink of a breakthrough to a subtler dimension. If you reflect upon them as unidentified flying *beings* rather than objects, you will realize that intelligences (of varying grades) have engineered these piercings of the veil between visible and invisible dimensions. Their fleeting testimony to worlds beyond this one has stoked the human imagination and opened the human mind. Likewise, crop circles testify to the existence of subtler intelligences with the ability to leave imprints on the physical plane. All such phenomena serve to prepare human awareness for the coming era.

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The solar system is comprised of planets designated sacred and non-sacred by the levels of consciousness attained in respective kingdoms of life within each planetary Being. For our solar system to become wholly sacred requires the participation of all conscious entities who, realizing their spiritual nature, strive to make it manifest. This includes members of the human race of Earth as well as those inhabiting other planets in the Sun's system where life is not considered sacred. The goal is to transform Earth into a unified realm where the prevailing consciousness of intelligent kingdoms of life will be focused on fulfilling the purposes of the Solar Logos.

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Out of the trials of human suffering will come a new race. Having fallen deeply into the vale of material illusion, the new humanity will emerge into the light of the Soul, and eventually into the greater light of the planet's Spiritual Hierarchy. There will come a time when the Guides of the Race will smile upon the resurrection of a kingdom of life that had plunged into ignorance of its divine origins. When that time comes and humanity returns toward those origins, human intention will align with Divine Will and Earth will achieve the condition of sacredness attained by most planetary Beings in this solar system.

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To realize the truth about the human soul is to serve the planet in the great crisis of initiation that defines this time. The planetary Logos, the divine consciousness that ensouls Earth, is undergoing an expansion of consciousness that will enable its entry into the ranks of sacred planets in our solar system at some time in the far-distant future. It is now in process of ridding toxins from its system. Just as a spiritual aspirant engages in practices to purify the physical body upon awakening to spiritual realities, our planetary Logos, at an immensely higher turn of the evolutionary spiral, is ridding its system of toxins as it aspires toward a closer alignment with the Solar Logos.

The Transition

This transitional phase between ages and stages of evolutionary growth has a two-fold purpose: (1) to foster the realization of the continuity of life and the immortality of the human soul; and (2) to lay the foundation for the journey of conscious evolution. The ranks of those who have awakened include people of diverse religious orientations who fall along a wide spectrum of intellect, education as well as spiritual experience, aspiration, and attainment. You will find ‘fellow travelers’ around the globe who are progressing rapidly on the path in response to events of these times. They are alive to the breakdown of material reality and coming to grips with the need to construct a new world from an expanded state of consciousness.

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Two simultaneous processes are now occurring: the death of the old order and the birth of a new order; waves of destruction are triggering waves of higher awareness. The groundwork is being laid for humanity’s reorientation from the world of form to the world of meaning, as a growing body of people awaken to their divine essence and seek to make it manifest in the world. They are spearheading a movement for change within the human kingdom that is, in turn, evoking response from Higher Realms.

The human being has been objectified and debased by popular culture, reduced to an entity that measures its worth on the basis of possessions including its physical form, which inevitably grows, matures, decays and dies, like all organic forms. This self-image will be replaced in the new era by the realization that the human being is a spiritual being—a soul in incarnation for the purpose of gaining light, to fulfill the potential of the divine spark at its core. This is beginning to occur through the intensifying changes of these times.

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The next stage in human evolution is inevitable though its exact timing remains a mystery. Many prophecies have failed because the direction can be known without knowing the precise timing or sequence of events that will turn the tide. Timing errors result from the inability of seers to predict the will of humanity for a given period. However, it is a fact that the divine Plan involves a great expansion of human awareness. If this occurs sooner rather than later, and voluntarily rather than by force, the suffering of humanity can be greatly mitigated.

As violence intensifies—both in weather conditions and human behavior—it will become evident that human survival rests on a new order of consciousness. Before long, few will doubt the necessity for spiritually conscious living, though at present this idea remains foreign. What eludes the human imagination is the scale of change required. The extremes of this transition time are serving to clarify the need for change in a way that can be dismissed only by those who remain steadfast in their denial.

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The surface life of the planet is breaking up to allow for a more refined incarnation of the planetary Logos and its life forms. Earth is shedding its old skin to make way for a new skin; the way is being prepared for a new cycle of life. In actuality, the role of humanity is relatively small though highly significant. The fact that the biosphere of the planet lies in ruins, and that humanity has been a key instrument of destruction, has served to raise awareness of the role of human beings in the earth's scheme.

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The scheme of life on earth unfolds in response to ideas in the Mind of God. New thoughts arising within divine Mind are transmitted to Masters of Wisdom, part of the Kingdom of God, who in turn attempt to transmit them to awakened human beings able to receive higher mental impression. Lighted human beings are initiating new ways of thinking that are circulating around the globe and taking root in lighted circles of individuals. Yet the darkness of ignorance sustains the old order of human hierarchies, making disruptions and displacements inevitable during the transition.

The Piscean order is losing its grip over human minds. New ideas are breaking through just as seedlings break through the hard winter's ground when spring arrives. However, unlike the growth of a seedling, which occurs through stages that unfold sequentially and without interruption, the arrival of a new age is of a scale that entails disruption of the existing order. The power of the new cosmic energies suffusing the planet is poorly understood, as is their effect on human consciousness.

When the wind blows gently it can rock a cradle, but the force of a ferocious wind can overturn the cradle. The increased wind force can be likened to intensified streams of energies flooding the Earth. When the temperature of a human being rises by only a few degrees it can bring about death; the homeostasis of the human system is disrupted to the point that it cannot sustain life. The higher energies of Aquarius that fuel the awakening of higher consciousness are rocking the foundations of the old world.

The winds of change will continue to gain strength until they blow over the crystallized foundations holding up the old order. The evolutionary purpose is to transform the basic motives of humanity from hatred and competition to love and cooperation. This is the challenge for the human race as the new era unfolds. The requirement is to sublimate the ego, the source of every type of greed—intellectual, financial, physical and material.

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The human mind has been conditioned to think that war is inevitable and that competitors or enemies can be controlled through the exertion of force. This thought-form has held a

stranglehold over humanity and has not fully run its course even among the more evolved, where it continues to run on inertia. The consciousness of pioneering thinkers is slowly shifting to 'soft power' and solutions that serve all parties to a conflict. Yet there remains a gap in human awareness strewn with land mines.

Stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction pockmark the earth with their accumulating toxins, lethal ruins of the old civilization. There is only one antidote to these toxic wastes and that is the resurrection of Spirit.

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These times call for a deeper understanding of the subtle forces currently at play in the world. Behind the evolutionary plan, giving rise to its outward manifestations, are incoming and outgoing cosmic rays of attribute and aspect, in particular the incoming 1st ray of power and destruction expressing through the 7th ray of ordered structures and the 3rd ray of active intelligence. The first triggers the second, quickening human understanding of intelligent action urgently needed on the planet. Without the wave of destruction that began with new intensity at the start of this millennium, human understanding of necessary evolutionary change would lag far behind its present level.

Even now the wealthy few are engorging themselves with luxuries while the poor languish in hunger, homelessness, and despair. Yet many now know the need and are opening their hearts to serve the poor, as the Great Teacher taught 2,000 years ago. The abject poverty of half of humanity is an ugly sore upon the planet, festering as it grows ever more threatening to the host body. It is glaring to the point that the most narrowly self-interested of the elite can no longer ignore this fact. Human understanding is reaching a new point of synthesis.

Greed and Other Destructive Forces

The continued decline of global economic conditions is inevitable as the most basic lesson has not been learned: that all human beings have inherent value. For the rich to benefit from the suffering of the poor is a travesty of divine intent that is upsetting the balance of planetary forces. Among the worst culprits are financial speculators and manipulators who trade the futures of human beings and nations without conscience or concern for the consequences on human lives. Such people suppress any thought of human suffering that might stymie their single-minded pursuit of wealth. Nations may fail, millions of lives may be shattered, yet the drive to accumulate unequalled personal wealth is undiminished. They are like drunken teenagers playing with fire, oblivious to the destructive power of their games until they become severely burned.

Greed is turning the earth into a barren place infested with conflict, terror and war. It is important to realize that greed in all its forms reflects a spiritual void. It is evidence that the soul remains dormant, as the soul alone can bestow the only nourishment that truly satisfies.

Seeking satisfaction where it cannot be found—in money or matter—is the basic source of human conflict, unrest, isolation, and fear. When spiritual hunger remains unsatisfied, the outcome is what we are witnessing around the globe: addictions, obsessions, cravings for power, money, sex, and fame, violence and abuse of the weak by the strong.

On the positive side, the collapse of self-restraint is exaggerating the dark side of human behavior to the extent that its opposite is becoming increasingly desirable. Coarseness is evoking refinement. Inflowing Light intensifies the darkness, bringing its manifestations into the light so they can be seen for what they are and dissipated. As energies shift and humanity is poised on the brink of ultimate choices, polar opposites are increasingly apparent. The human Soul is emerging with such force that all masks concealing it are being thrown into high relief. Deviant behaviors are making a last stand.

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Greed is one of the baser human instincts. It turns people into ignoble creatures of moral turpitude who twist logic and reason to serve selfish ends. They are caricatures of the divine intent for humanity. When greed becomes the dominant force in a life, to the extent that there is no other motive but greed itself, it tightens the tourniquet around the life-giving force. In the end it extinguishes livingness and invites death. When millions of human beings have no other reason for being alive beyond avarice for more money or power, that becomes a threat to the fabric of life on Earth.

An insatiable hunger for material things is born of the denial of any higher reality, in the spiritual desert created by modernism. There is an intimate connection between a morbid fear of physical death and a lack of understanding of the inherent divinity of the human soul. Modern humanity has been trapped in the belief that that nothing exists beyond physical death, a belief that has debased life and destroyed the planet's life-sustaining systems. It is the residue of humanity's adolescence. What lies ahead is choosing Life, nurturing the inner light, and evolving into adulthood.

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Looking back on this phase of life on Earth, contemporary humanity will see itself as a relative to Neanderthal man. This will be viewed as a time of thought and behavior that was primitive, cruel and often barbaric. It will be seen as a time when terror reigned supreme and when it was taken for granted that brute force was an acceptable means of settling conflicts; when the mass consciousness fed on cruelty, debasement, and decadence; when children played with killing toys and became accustomed to brutality and death as a form of amusement. In many ways this time will be seen as a dark age for humanity, when the light of truth was obscured by the quest for self-exaltation.

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Most people are unprepared to engage in peaceful conflict resolution because of the burden of guilt. People who bear this burden, whether consciously or not, sense they have a penalty to pay and fear retribution or retaliation from their enemy or opponent. Only a person relatively free of guilt will sit down with the other willingly to find a judicious solution to their grievance. The heart seeking an end to violence will find its way to such solutions. Absent the qualities of heart, the violent slaughter of war will be perpetuated until its diminishing returns become intolerable. Violence is the ingrained habit pattern of a human race that remains unawakened to the divine love that animates the soul.

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Human beings have failed to comprehend they are destroying their own capacity to live on Earth despite evidence that species of life disappear on a daily basis. They are poisoning the smaller fish that give life to the larger fish and to higher animals, including human beings. Rivers are drying up and oceans are polluted to the degree that the entire chain of life is now endangered. First to disappear are species at the lower end of the food chain, yet human beings fail to understand their dependence on this chain. Only when there are breaks in the chain that cannot be filled by existing species will the realization dawn that all physical life forms are fragile and dependent upon a higher life Source. When that occurs, humanity will recognize that a Higher Hand has designed the order of life on this planet, and will sense the higher order of life destined for the future.

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The evolutionary aim of the Aquarian Age is to saturate the earth with the power of love arising from the human soul. It is a challenge to imagine a world where soul love is a dominant power at a time when death and destruction by the force of human will are predominant. Certain countries stand out for the scale of their brutality or the amplitude of their machinery of war. But virtually all accept violence as a necessary means to repel enemies. It is known that none can win in a world of nuclear stockpiles, whose existence should be its own deterrent. These are anti-evolutionary remnants of the age now ending.

The law of the new Earth will be attraction through the magnetic force of love in place of repulsion by force. The spread of Christ consciousness is forging the awareness that all of life is one and thus the use of force is outmoded. Take heart from the realization that a new spirit is surging beneath the surface of world events that are, at this time, fueled in part by the forces of inertia. It is preferable to bask in the beauty of nature or read a good book than to feed on the current chaos. An excellent book for this time is the *Bhagavad-Gita* for it teaches the dispassion needed to survive these times as a spiritual warrior. Let there be no doubt that the present chaos will be replaced by a higher order of existence on a plane of Earth where human awareness of the interrelationships of all beings will be made manifest.

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The Earth's present carrying capacity is facing its limits, to the extent that wars will be fought over food and water. When seeing only through physical eyes, ancient perceptions of isolation reinforce entrenched patterns of selfishness and greed. The only way out lies in realizing the oneness of humanity and the wholeness of Earth. Countless calls have issued from the Spiritual Hierarchy for humanity to acknowledge its interdependence, now a physical reality on the level of modern technology. We did not foresee how long old modes of thinking would persist despite voluminous Teachings and continuous warnings, or how much destruction would be necessary to dislodge fixed and immutable notions of separation.

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To shatter the present grip of separative consciousness and ascend to the next plane, human beings have to exercise the rational faculties of mind. World events are still controlled by emotions, selfish desires, and ambitions. Public opinion in one country can be mobilized or immobilized by feelings about other countries rather than clear-eyed assessments of the public good. Self-interest remains the overriding concern of nations and selfish interests conceal the truth about wrong doing. In regions of the world where terrible injustice reigns, journalists are largely silent and public denial of facts causes people to disbelieve their own eyes.

The short-sightedness of the human race grows in the face of escalating global disasters. People are determined to turn a blind eye to the death of other species and other human beings. Brilliant minds in world capitals conduct business as usual at a time when the denial of facts is a death sentence, and the removal of all blinders is essential to survival. Still the forces of death and destruction continue unabated, to the extent that genocide regularly takes place without even attracting the notice of most human beings.

The only way to mitigate violence is through a rational understanding of the cyclical nature of human life and the laws of cause and effect. Death leads to life on planes of Spirit and then to subsequent lifetimes in form (determined by previous actions). Human progress is stymied by fear: fear of scarcity, fear of sacrifice, fear of retaliation, and ultimately fear of death. Two antidotes are key: (1) understanding that the human being is a spiritual being temporarily incarnate in form for extended learning; and (2) having the courage to sacrifice one's comfort and security to speak the truth and act on it. Only when human beings realize who they are can they change the course of events and break the endless cycle of destruction.

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The ego of the outer persona that masks the soul is constantly searching for its own embellishment because it lacks a sense of intrinsic value or worth. Recognizing this lack it seeks to fill the void, but is continually frustrated by other egos who stand in the way or who serve as a reminder of the self's limitations and failures. Relatively few are those, alive right now, who have advanced beyond this stage. All who have done so are engaged in the upliftment of others. They have transcended the boundaries of the concrete mind and are embodying, to one degree or another, the next stage of consciousness.

Purification

Portions of Earth are serving as burning grounds for the purification of humanity. Observe the countless conflagrations set ablaze by human beings around the globe; observe the scorching fire of the Sun. It is only a matter of time before these fires foster awareness of the need to purify thoughts, desires, motives and actions in order to establish a new Earth. Fires erupting across the face of the planet symbolize the burning away of that which impedes entry into the next cycle of evolution. 'The fire next time' was a prophetic statement about the end of the present cycle. It should be added that fire is also clearing the way for the new cycle.

Despite the rising number of fires around the globe, the stage of purification has not yet truly begun. To serve the evolutionary goal, there has to be a parallel degree of conscious recognition of the underlying causes of physical events. This will emerge gradually as these fires grow in number and intensity. What needs to be purified is all that binds people to separative thinking and living, and blinds them to the reality that they are intrinsically part of a group, a human society, and a planetary community of living beings.

If the lessons of the World Wars had been learned, it would have been unnecessary for humanity to suffer the anguish of loss, disorientation, and despair on the present scale. But once the economies of the world rebounded and patterns of daily living resumed, the pain and agony of death and loss were buried beneath the pursuit of material comfort. The intended spiritual lessons were largely ignored as humanity deified material things. The individuals held in the highest esteem were those who possessed the greatest quantities of things, though their purchase price was often injustice and cruelty to other human beings and living creatures. Thus, the needed purifying force of fire, whose creative aspect ignites the solar fire within the human race—the Soul of Humanity.

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At the close of the last world war, a wave of altruism and idealism spread across the globe. People were filled with relief that the conflict was over and inspired by a vision of human unity. Mass euphoria over the war's end manifested as waves of light flooding the planet's energy grid. However, those light waves masked patterns of selfishness and separation lodged deep within the human psyche. Concern for personal security and material well-being overwhelmed the outpouring of goodwill, turning it into an ephemeral state linked to respite from war. When normal life resumed, old patterns of separation again took hold. The circumstances now facing humanity are more precarious than were necessary in this transition.

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A necessary purgation of human civilization is taking place due to the breakdown of the moral order. The basic unit of the old order is the separated self; the basic unit of the new world order

is a unified whole. Separative thinking has led to a distorted reasoning that says: 'I am for myself alone, thus everyone else is my enemy. Everyone who exists outside of my personal domain poses a threat to what I desire, unless they can help me to attain what I desire. It is common in this phase of human development for people to engage in a war of annihilation against others who stand in the way of self- gratification.

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The Christ Spirit has drawn closer to the Earth. The process of transformation is underway. The human race stands at a crossroads facing a choice between spiritual ascent or continued immersion in material darkness. Before the Light of Christ can restore the plan on Earth there are karmic scales to balance, lessons to learn, hearts to open, and poor to serve. Before the will of God can be further revealed, and before the fruit of the Tree of Life can fall on fertile ground, the soil must be cleansed. Everyone now alive shares the burden of responsibility for the past. The rules of natural, moral, righteous living have been bent and broken. Have people forgotten that murder, adultery, theft and rape have penalties? The future holds a moral code known to the soul and nurtured by its love. Those who pass through the purifying fires are clearing a path into the new world.

Attuning to Higher Frequencies

The future holds nothing less than a resurrection of Life on this planet. First, however, to pass through the veil separating the worlds of matter and spirit there must be a transformation of human consciousness. Only by means of self-transformation and the raising of vibrations is it possible for human beings to attune to the higher frequencies of subtle realms of existence. Think of the human vehicle as an instrument in need of fine-tuning. As the piano tuner hears what a finely tuned instrument should sound like, and the opera singer reaches for the high note that is heard inwardly, humanity will learn to attune to the higher vibration of the Soul. Many have experienced that higher vibration on rare occasions but remaining in that frequency requires the determined work that gives rise to the resurrection of spirit.

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Lying ahead is an adjustment to a higher plane of reality. This adjustment is fundamental to human evolution and will take time. It cannot be easily grasped, but current Earth changes are precipitating a deeper readiness for this frequency shift. This is in the order of things. The way is being cleared for a further influx of cosmic energies that will activate a higher vibration of consciousness and of life. The myriad forces of climate change can be viewed as spokes in a wheel driving the shift in consciousness. The stage is being set for the emergence of a subtler reality.

In the future, Spirit will become manifest in every aspect of life. The spiritual fire of intuition

will increasingly illumine minds as the human and spiritual kingdoms draw closer together. Spiritual love will flow freely. Those who lead will be guided by the light of truth. Their 'credentials' as leaders will be earned by demonstrated wisdom and compassion; their spiritual light will attract those who follow. Divine order and harmony will materialize in ways that are beyond the capacity of present humanity to fathom.

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There will occur a definite break from the past. When it occurs, life on Earth will be reduced by one plane of density. Until now, 'the world' has consisted of the dense physical plane for humanity and the lesser kingdoms. The current evolutionary crisis will culminate by means of a wave of higher frequency vibrations penetrating the outer crust of Earth, vastly accelerating the process called 'ascension.' First to be impacted is the realm of consciousness. However, the subtler consciousness that will be the bedrock of the new civilization will require a subtler vehicle, known as the etheric body.

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The workings of spiritual law are increasingly impressing humanity with the need to accept responsibility for imbalances and inequities endangering life on Earth. To be aligned with the evolutionary forces, it is crucial to develop a sense of accountability for one's actions. Accountability will become a new baseline for life in the new era. Spiritual laws are in effect, whether or not they are recognized. Humanity has violated these laws over the course of its existence and the price has been paid repeatedly, but without conscious understanding. As this evolutionary cycle comes to an end and the devastation of life comes into full view, there is a price to be paid for living in violation of higher law. The only exit lies in the evolution of human consciousness and alignment with higher forces.

Achieving the necessary alignment is an individual endeavor. It cannot be achieved by one person on behalf of another or by any means other than a soul's recognition of spiritual realities, energies and laws. For those now awakening, assistance is coming from the down-flow of higher energies. A simple analogy may be helpful. To fill a pitcher with water from a faucet, the pitcher must be placed squarely beneath the faucet. If the pitcher is not properly aligned with the source, the flowing water will go down the drain. Likewise, the human vehicle must be aligned with the higher energies pouring into the Earth for those energies to be useful. Where no such alignment exists, the flow of energies will spill out with no benefic effect.

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It will be a challenge for human beings to accept the reality of diverse planes of existence within the planet, the solar system, and the larger universe. The key to understanding has to do with higher and lower wave frequencies. The vibratory patterns of the plane on which you now exist are coarser than the vibrations of the plane toward which you are evolving. The intellectual challenge is to mesh this idea with the recorded history of the past millennia of

human civilization on Earth.

The problem is that you still perceive the outer world of apparent solidity as the only reality, despite the equally convincing experience that occurs upon withdrawing your senses from the outer world through meditation and attuning to the inner planes. This is a conditioned reflex born of eons of lifetimes within the current planetary sphere of existence, in spite of simultaneous experiences on planes of different densities in the states of sleeping, dreaming, contemplating and meditating. Many human beings on the upward arc of evolution already experience planes of lesser density in their waking consciousness. By striving to bring more refined vibrations into their daily lives, they are forging channels into the new Earth.

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All that is visible has been taken as the totality of what is real by so-called modern thinkers, while all that is subtle and invisible has been deemed unreal. On the eve of the new era, the time has come to reveal the truth. Passage into a realm of higher consciousness will proceed in accord with the subtle vibrations of sound—the quality of sound that resounds with the Single Note that keeps the universe humming as one entity. Everything is held together by waves of sound that infuse each manifest life with purpose or direction.

The organism that is planet Earth is in the throes of irreversible change. Its densest layer of manifestation is changing from physical to etheric. The purpose of the planetary Logos is changing from infusing integrated human forms with intelligence to creating human vehicles that can fulfill the divine purpose for humanity in the coming age—to become the mediator between higher and lower kingdoms and the creator of harmonious systems of living on Earth. We are heading into a world of energy flows and vibrational patterns more easily understood in the language of musical notes and chords.

To those who mourn the loss of species we say: Mourn not. The mightiest of oaks felled by the violent weather of these times will be resurrected in other forms. Like other beings, they are about to undergo a massive rearrangement of molecular structure that will enhance their radiation. They will become creatures of even more scintillating beauty, emanating rays of luminous light and color. Made of finer substance, their beauty will be all the more shimmering and evocative of supernal Light. The same will happen with many present-day creatures, including human beings.

To enter through the portal into the new Earth it is important to comprehend the truth that all is energy. The new reality uncovered by physical scientists will become the basis of everyday living. Physicists still search for that single separable particle, hoping to find a 'thing,' while slowly realizing that there is no *thing* at the core of matter—there is only energy. This energy eludes their instrumentation because of the infinite grades of subtle substance. Humanity is about to enter a realm of existence comprised of vibrating energy patterns stimulated by sound and light and held together in etheric forms.

Imagine the new Earth as a symphony written by a Great Composer. Rather than a static mega-form composed of an infinite variety of smaller forms, the new Earth is a living symphony of sound, pulsing inside of an even greater symphony of sound that is the Sun and its system of orbiting planets, living inside of a galaxy coexisting within a vibrating cosmos of galaxies. Until now, the density of Earth life in its lower frequencies has prevented humanity from hearing the subtle symphonic sounds, apart from those geniuses who have known the music of the spheres. Soon the Earth will undergo the influence of ‘the Great Tuning Fork in the Heavens.’

To receive the benefic influence of this ‘tuning fork,’ the human instrument has to be sufficiently en- lightened. Many have benefited from the preparatory currents streaming into the physical plane for the last half century, paving the way for the great spiritual thrust into the future. This new age was set in motion vibrationally long ago for those who could hear the higher note. A massive adjustment was then set in motion to link—by means of resonance—the higher human vibrations with the lower ‘celestial’ vibrations. The post-World-War period has been about raising the frequencies of human consciousness to make them resonant with the finer vibrations of the ne[w incarnation of Earth.

The planetary Logos, whose consciousness informs the Earth, has long held the intention of taking on a more translucent outer garment in the quest to join the family of sacred planets in our solar system. By the end of the coming era, the higher note of living Beings will be sounded together in a harmonious chord. Earth will thus find resonance with other planets in our solar system already sounding a higher note, reverberating out into a universe infused with higher forms of life than are now imaginable. One secret to the great mystery of why other life does not appear in the solar system and universe is that most bodies in the proximate universe are of a higher frequency and lower density, making them invisible to the physical human eye.

Etheric Plane Living

The word ‘oneness’ is often used by people of Aquarian consciousness but seldom rightly understood. From the vantage point where life is perceived as energies and forces, it means something quite different. The forms that you see on the physical plane are outer shells or containers of energies and forces that appear as separate entities. We see them as outlines of life temporarily contained in discrete forms. The spherical container called Earth is part of the greater sphere of life forces known as the Solar System, itself part of a Galaxy in the vast ocean of space that contains all manifestations of Life. This ocean of space is the etheric plane through which all individual living forms are connected. When it is understood that all is energy, the apparent separation between forms will disappear. This will be the ground of the next human civilization.

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In the coming era, the etheric plane of Earth will become the new reality for those who

incarnate into this planet's atmosphere. The word 'atmosphere' generally refers to conditions of climate and weather affecting life on the physical plane of Earth, but We use it here in a non-meteorological context. We are speaking of something entirely new, a more subtle fabric of life that can be likened to the noosphere conceptualized by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin. It is not a matter of barometric pressure but of subtle substance.

The concept of 'noosphere' has been understood as the sphere of mind or thought surrounding the Earth through which subtle thought-forms circulate freely. While few are yet capable of consciously tapping into the subtle plane of thought, it is a useful springboard. Suppose that thoughts had bodies, like human beings or comets or asteroids have bodies. Imagine a vaporous entity like a thought taking on an outer body that maintains its coherence. In such a subtle structure, molecules of energy would be lighter and set more widely apart. In the new era, the material density of objects now visible to the physical eye will decrease and human capacity to register more subtle forms will increase.

Nothing will be lost from the human experience apart from density, a word that can imply a lack of sensitivity to subtlety. A person called dense is seen as lacking in the ability to perceive what others of keener mind perceive. Density suggests a walled-in perspective that prevents the penetration of light—the substratum of the next stage of evolution when light, color, sound, and other vibrations of finer grades will penetrate deeply into human awareness. This will result from the subtler character of the human constitution. What keeps the human body alive at present is the etheric body—the energy body that vitalizes the dense physical form.

In the coming age, the evolutionary life wave of Earth will unfold on the etheric plane. Energy forms will be the substratum of the new civilization. Visualize Earth surrounded not just by a sphere of mind and thought, but by a subtle sphere containing *all* densities of life. The focus of life shifts to a plane of vibrations where substance manifests in forms penetrated by myriad frequencies of light, color, and sound, by thought and aspiration, and by higher emotions such as love, gratitude, compassion, and generosity.

It goes without saying that human experience will be completely transformed. In this new world, evolution toward greater understanding and wisdom will become paramount. Not only will the planetary life be viewed as a single entity, but the spiritual hierarchy that guides evolution will be recognized. The violence of warfare will be a thing of the past. Human life will no longer focus on competition for resources or for recognition, but on learning and growing toward the Light of the Great Ones who embody enlightened wisdom and the love that is compassion. Souls at every stage of the evolutionary ladder will profit from those who have passed on to higher stages and planes of existence.

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The subtle energy body is more real than the denser body of matter. The former gives life to the latter. It contains the imprints of the soul's causal body and is encoded with instructions for a given lifetime. The energy body is often described as the 'etheric double' but it is more

correct to view the physical body as the double of the etheric body. The physical body is the denser expression of the subtler vehicle that gives it life. This life will be 'resurrected' in the new age.

The enduring potency of the Christ story lies in the eternal human hope of resurrection. Christ appeared to his disciples after his death to demonstrate that spirit does not die with the death of the physical vehicle. He took on a subtle body that was sufficiently real to assure them of his continued existence. Technically, the substance of the body he utilized is different from the etheric body.

However, it served to demonstrate that consciousness exists in more refined energy vehicles that give the appearance of substantiality and tangibility, and that it survives bodily death.

The new era will see the flowering of Christ consciousness—the qualities of the divine soul aware of its true nature. Humanity will recognize the reality of the soul as the consciousness within the form.

Consciousness will attain a new scale of importance as the energy body of the soul becomes visible. The etheric body is the soul's body while incarnate in form (of whatever density).

Presently this energy body is hidden beneath the flesh of the denser sheath, which has been viewed as the only real body despite Christ's demonstration and the hope it has inspired for two millennia. This will soon change.

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A physical body is a form that surrounds and protects the etheric body (the soul's vehicle) from conditions on the concrete physical plane. Such a body has been a necessity until this stage in evolution, but as human consciousness shifts and begins the return to its spiritual origin and destiny, the atmosphere of Earth will become more refined. At present, the atoms that comprise the physical bodies of individuals who are awakening spiritually are more readily influenced by the incoming rays of cosmic energy that are affecting all conditions of planetary life.

In the future, lighter bodies will permit accelerated progress on the path toward enlightenment. Just as like attracts like, like *affects* like. The law of attraction works to produce outer circumstances reflecting inner states of consciousness. Likewise, this law works in a way that fosters the advancement of souls striving to assimilate and radiate light to others. Interactions with realms of greater light will be vastly facilitated by bodies of lighter substance.

The new human race will be aware of the purpose of entering into form life, as the spiritual aspect will be more prominent in human consciousness. Many will be moved to act by the light of their soul as well as the Oversoul of humanity. For them, the soul will be the guiding force of life. As the new era dawns, a consensus will grow about the need to elevate thought, speech, and action. The present coarseness will fade away, as those who lack any modicum of light will remain in a parallel reality on the other side of the veil.

Those responsive to the incoming light are already entering a 'zone of living' between two layers of planetary life—pure spirit and the concrete physical realm. This plane of ethereal light and diaphanous texture is where vision, intention, and intuition find their higher counterparts. People alive to the spirit within the form naturally gravitate there and discover how to penetrate the veil. These writings are an effort to further this process, the higher purpose of this transitional period, unfolding apace with the breakdown of the material world. All those who love the Good will eventually find themselves on the other side of the veil now separating the physical and etheric planes.

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The etheric plane is conducive to the unfoldment of the human soul during the coming stage of evolutionary growth, leading toward the state of Being on an even higher plane. What is now called death is actually the release of the soul from matter into a realm of spirit—a state of rest and retreat from the active sphere of livingness, where concentrated phases of spiritual learning and growth can occur. In the so-called death state, the soul no longer has a physical learning apparatus through which significant advancement is possible. It is a transitional state during which the soul gains insight into previous and subsequent phases of growth. On the etheric plane, insight will be more directly transferred to the soul's energy body—the etheric body.

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Human evolution will unfold in the future through etheric vision and higher intuition. It will be possible to observe the level of consciousness of other beings through the light they emit. People will be attracted to others by the etheric glow they emit or repelled by the absence of it. To be in the presence of one who radiates light and love will be to absorb those qualities, for light will penetrate the etheric form without the obstacle of the dense body. Human evolution will thus proceed, in part, by exercising the choice to be in the presence of lighted individuals. Beings on yet higher planes will work to elevate the entire etheric body of Earth by magnifying the cosmic rays infusing the planet. The divine plan holds that Light **will prevail** over darkness.

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In the future, the human soul will incarnate into a vital body influenced largely by thought and emotion. The *shape* of the human form will appear similar to present forms but will require minimal 'upkeep.' Health will be generated by an unimpeded flow of energy. People will strive toward healing through a harmonious alignment of motives, thoughts, emotions, and actions in place of vitamins, medicines, surgeries and implants. Forces of resistance such as the pull of gravity on the surface of Earth will no longer constrain movement, nor will activity be limited to present frequencies of the electro-magnetic spectrum. Obstacles to the healthy flow of movement will be experienced as impulses arising from restrictive emotional and mental patterns.

There will be far greater transparency and plasticity on the etheric plane. Bodily forms will not be fixed structures from birth as they now are, configurations determined by patterns of genetic inheritance.

Forms of lighted substance will change in response to shifts in awareness. All aspects of living will be more fluid and adaptive to the movement of consciousness. Until this point in evolution, the only changes to the human form in a given lifetime have been those caused by physical growth, maturation, and aging. In the future, human bodies will essentially be 'sculpted' by consciousness as learning takes place.

Perhaps the greatest change in 'normal living' will consist of the method for recharging the human energy system—the fuel needed to maintain the vital body. It will no longer be necessary to destroy other life forms for humans to survive, for the main energy source necessary to the etheric body will be radiated by the Sun. There will also be other sources, other grades of energy related to states of consciousness, emanating from within and beyond our solar system. This will be easier to comprehend as humanity lifts its gaze toward the galaxy and the larger cosmos.

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The pivotal idea to hold in the light is that the human being is *not* the physical body, but a being of light temporarily sheathed in a physical body for a learning experience. Until now this learning could only be acquired on the densest physical plane, although it accrued to the soul's subtle body (the causal body) dwelling on a higher plane between lifetimes, in preparation for another cycle of learning. In the new era, evidence of assimilated learning will not be delayed until the soul's release from its outer form, as is now the case. Spiritual growth will be reflected immediately in the light body, through its coloration and radiation.

Each light body will appear as a vestment of colors and hues whose design, and whose radiatory force, will reveal the essential characteristics of the individual soul. As has always been the case, like will attract like, but in the future the arrangement of auric colors will supply a correlation to the level of consciousness attained by the individual. A keen observer with etheric vision will be able to see where the soul stands along the broader spectrum of consciousness, and where it is headed in its unfoldment.

Humanity will recognize that the stage of spiritual attainment determines the life experience, both for the individual and the group or community. This awareness will give rise to a mutual interest in fostering spiritual growth and development. The evolutionary goal for humanity is to enter into conscious relationship with, and ultimately to merge with, the Kingdom of Souls. This living relationship will engender the fundamental adjustments in human consciousness needed to realize the Divine Plan for the new Earth.

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The shift in awareness that human beings experience daily as they awaken from the state of

sleep can in some ways be likened to the ‘leap of consciousness’ that will occur upon passing into the higher-frequency etheric environment. Vibrationally, the world will be born anew. The outer garments clothing the vital form of those who enter this plane will be made of a lighter substance—more transparent, comprised of molecules of lesser opaqueness, and hues of a spectrum still unimaginable. The light radiated by the chakras of the etheric body will become visible, and thus the level of consciousness attained.

The path to spiritual advancement, however, will remain essentially the same. It will still be necessary for human beings to learn to raise the focus of consciousness from lower chakras to higher ones. There will still be the ensuing challenge of blending the energies of the brow chakra, which distributes forces outwardly into the world, with the chakra lying just above the crown of the vital body, which receives energies from higher planes. In the coming era many will aspire to attain enlightenment. Reaching that state will require the same fundamentals: liberation from attachment to (etheric) form while raising consciousness to the plane of pure Spirit.

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The new humanity will develop a lightness of being that will materialize the fact that electrons are electric light. The cells of the dense human body are energy units comprised of atoms whose quotient of light is altered by the state of consciousness of that human being. It is now known by physical scientists that higher states of consciousness have direct implications for the cells in the human body. It should also be understood that the discovery of light in every atom of the body is not unrelated to the coming discovery of the existence of the ‘light body.’

Light is the most subtle substance in the universe and has infinite gradients, from visible to invisible. Present humanity sees the light of the planets and stars, as well as the light of colors reflected by living beings—from flowering plants to animals, humans, and all physical objects. What will be perceptible as humanity evolves will be more akin to the light shimmering within the atoms, molecules, and cells of the physical form. This grade of life-giving light, released from form, will be similar to the substance of the new human vehicle. The soul is an entity of light whose awakening in form marks its ascent on the arc of evolution. It will require a vehicle of light to adequately express its divine potential.

Vision of an Etheric Future

Given humanity’s immersion in the material realm, the etheric dimension of the new age could not have been revealed before now, as the old age passes out of manifestation. Even now, few can envision life beyond physical death, wherein the soul-mind retains consciousness. In ‘death,’ the soul’s ties to the physical form are severed and the consciousness ascends to a plane of spiritual vision and insight. When the shift occurs, there will be a ‘stripping away’ of the dense form body and its replacement by a body of light reflecting the soul’s awareness. The

human soul will continue its journey to higher stages of consciousness within a higher band of frequencies requiring a lighter body.

The initial passage into the new Earth will be similar to moving through a doorway collectively. A new portal will open through which those who have awakened to higher consciousness and have begun to build 'lighter' bodies will simultaneously pass, together entering the new realm of Earth in which bodies of flesh and bones will no longer be needed for evolution. The lighter bodies will reflect the soul's accumulated awareness and provide the needed conditions for the next cycle of spiritual development. A great leap of faith is required to cross the divide into physical-etheric living, but that faith will be amply rewarded from Our side.

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We hear a vast spectrum of sound emanating from present humanity at billions of different levels of awareness. Voices along this spectrum range from outbursts of rage and cries of anguish, to murmurs of loving compassion and sighs of higher recognition. This cacophony of sound reflects the gamut of present human experience and awareness. In the midst of the emotional turbulence of the times, among those who intuitively sense what the future holds, there is calmness and wholeness, the peace imbued by spiritual light and love.

Those who can maintain their inner equilibrium despite the turbulence of the times will find that the experience of passing through the etheric veil will seem continuous with higher states of consciousness. The chaos will spontaneously settle into a new pattern of interaction and communication 'on the other side of the veil.' It may be sensed as passing through an opening in the barrier that now separates the plane of dense materiality from the subtler, more light-filled etheric plane. For those who are prepared it will be neither traumatic nor unfamiliar, but a continuation of the kind of subtle experiences already known to intuitive souls.

For others, the journey will be traumatic, as material plane reference points will increasingly fade away. As opposed to the illusory realm called *devachan* where material-plane life forms are replicated in consciousness, the new Earth will give rise to more ethereal forms for human beings (and the species comprising other kingdoms), reflecting a higher state and plane of awareness. Those who remain identified with dense form will suffer from its loss. Learning to let go of old forms and identities comprised of matter is the way to mitigate the coming challenges.

The new plane will alter human perceptions. Like radically new architecture, the environment itself will catalyze perceptual change that will in turn give rise to expanded consciousness. It will be a dramatically different environment, and thus disorienting, as it once was for human beings to visit strange and unknown continents in eras past. Add to that the fact that the human vehicle will be altered in the course of the passage into the etheric plane.

This is not a passage into a 'heavenly' realm as portrayed in popular films with trumpets blaring and angelic choirs singing, and this is not a physical death. As earlier stated, this passage

involves a transformation of both consciousness and form. For the majority of those passing through the veil, the journey in consciousness (with eyes open) will have barely begun. The ranks will be filled with people of goodwill along with aspirants on the path to higher consciousness, advanced disciples, and Initiates. During this 'push' through the portal, all will experience a quickening of change, internal and external.

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The planetary shift has brought about a rapidly accelerating learning opportunity for humanity. Its aim is the surrender of illusion and material desire. It is essential to SEE that the older order cannot be restored and, more importantly, that a higher order is inherent in the scheme of evolution. Human consciousness at its present state has laid waste to great swathes of the Earth, its resources, and its species of life. Death and destruction are becoming constant features of ordinary life for untold millions. As the changes intensify, people are being prepared to release old patterns of thinking, acting, and being.

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It is useful to view everything occurring at present as preparation for what is to come. This includes humanity's response to the election of Barack Obama [2008], which revealed a widespread readiness for the inauguration of a new civilization based on human unity, universality, and synthesis. The teetering of a financial system based on fear and greed has exposed the illusions and dangers of material living. The alienation caused by a culture that worships money has spurred the search for a renewal of spiritual life beyond religious doctrine, leading to a ripening awareness of a higher dimension of reality.

These phenomena reflect the shift in vibrational frequencies permeating the planet. Together they can be seen as the result of a phase shift—a change in wave frequencies. When a higher force enters an energy field with sufficient power, it can raise the frequency of atoms and molecules vibrating in a resonant (though lower) frequency. Imagine the earth's atmosphere flooded by light-waves whose particles are increasingly absorbed by human consciousness of a similar resonance. This hints at the process that is vibrationally sweeping sensitive human beings into a higher phase of existence.

This is a period of adjustment to the new energies streaming into the planet from the farthest reaches of our solar system, and beyond. Those who can assimilate higher voltages of energy are being aided in adjusting to new perceptions, values, and purposes. Some are consciously pursuing the evolutionary path, some have pulled off to the side, some have turned back from whence they came. In turning back, they will attempt to return to the way things were before the Aquarian energy infusions began; before the revelation of a Higher Way accessible to those inclined. There is a living Path unfolding for seekers responsive to more refined energies and consciousness. This Path provides direct entry into the dimension upon which the evolutionary life-wave of Earth will continue.

The passage into this new plane of consciousness will in some ways parallel the passage into sleep, or into a deep state of meditation. Consciousness will be separated from the physical form and the outer senses will be withdrawn for a period of time. However, unlike the reawakening of the self to the same conditions of life on the physical plane, the soul will awaken to the etheric-physical reality. Once stabilized in the new reality, human beings will realize the truth that all physical forms are transitory, that their purpose is primarily to serve as a vehicle in which to gain life experience. Focus will shift to the light distilled from life experience and translated into spiritual essence.

Death and Life

When the new cycle of Earth reaches its fullness, the human being will display a level of awareness light-years beyond ordinary human consciousness at this time. Life will shift to the perspective of the Soul—the immortal entity that evolves through life cycles of experience in various types and grades of form. It will be known that the human soul is a divine Being treading a path leading through expanding portals of consciousness through which its own light is fully realized and demonstrated.

The age ahead hinges on the realization that death is an illusion. Humanity's fear of death stems from identification with the physical body—a form that is subject to decay and destruction by the same physical forces that erode all things composed of dense matter. What 'dies' upon physical death is a particular assemblage of molecules arranged into patterns according to karmic law for a given cycle of life experience. Death of the form is the dissolution of an arrangement of atoms and molecules that have served the purpose of gaining experience.

When a person lives a natural lifespan, the body loses its vital energy when there is nothing more to be gained by prolonging that particular molecular arrangement. The soul is released from the form to which it has been bound and ascends to a higher plane. This applies to all souls, no matter how blind or ignorant. Upon returning to its own plane, the soul's light illumines the life just lived and assesses its legacy. That is death: the release of the soul from a form no longer useful to its growth, and the soul's ascent to a higher plane whereon it learns what has been accomplished and what has yet to be rectified on its long journey of return to the Life Source. This has been the case until the present, with the exception of premature death, which also occurs under the soul's conscious direction.

The human journey until this momentous turning-point has consisted of the involution of a divine spark into dense matter for the purpose of evolving consciousness. Humanity is on the brink of entering a new phase that will unfold on the etheric plane where energy is more dominant than form. The focus of life will shift from a primary involvement in matter and emotions to further development of the mental and spiritual dimensions of awareness. Many

will face the perennial challenges of the spiritual seeker: learning to attain and sustain the consciousness of the divine Self, maintaining mental equilibrium regardless of outer events, forging an identity based on inner spiritual experience, embodying the perspective of being a cell in the body of a greater Being. Some individuals entering the subtler sphere of life will already have a budding awareness of this higher stage, but many life cycles will unfold before those buds fully bloom.

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As human evolution unfolds in the new age, the forms of suffering will not be those of the flesh that are now most prevalent, but will be more consciously related to emotions and the mind: thwarted desires, blocked potentials, unrealized goals and ambitions. Life experience will remain the same in many ways, but the dense physical layer will be removed. The trials and tribulations of human existence will continue until it is understood that there is no death, and that life on Earth continues for the individual soul until the consciousness within the form reaches a stage of relative perfection—the goal of human existence.

When death is understood as a passage to another realm of existence, the content of life on Earth will be transformed. The soul temporarily ‘housed’ in a physical body will come to realize its unity with all souls and will seek satisfaction through service to others. It will be realized that one enlightened soul can illumine countless others; that one spark of light can kindle a thousand others; that one redeemed human being can help redeem untold others until finally an enlightened race of women and men will walk this Earth (in etheric bodies). In the Aquarian Age, a new caste of evolved human beings will live for the elevation of humanity and the whole of creation.

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Intelligent people increasingly wonder about humanity’s future. They sense a gap in the road ahead and have need of a map for the next leg of the journey. To fill that gap, it is essential to break the ancient silence that hovers over the subject of death. It has become imperative to shine a light into the darkness shrouding human consciousness and evolution. Many are realizing that conditions on Earth are changing radically and permanently. This provides fertile soil for examining the transitory nature of the dense physical world and the higher nature of the human being.

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Every living organism is kept alive by an energy body. Lying behind every visible form is an energy structure that distributes the life force throughout the body. The etheric body of the human apparatus is supplied through energy centers or chakras. However, the whole physical organism is supplied by a life ‘thread’ passing from the soul on its own plane to the energy vortex at the heart center and from there to all the vital organs of the body through their adjacent energy centers. This subtle energy system gives life to the human being. The physical

form would disintegrate without the energy supplied by the etheric vehicle.

Physical death occurs when the energy thread carrying the life force is broken. The cord that carries the life force acts in a similar way to a cord that conducts electricity. When the life thread is severed, the flow of life energy ceases. There is another cord or thread that breaks upon physical death—the thread of consciousness that runs from the soul through the mind to the brain—but that is an ancillary point. Death occurs when the cord of life energy is cut and the vital energy fueling the physical body is withdrawn.

Life energy can be withdrawn for different reasons: (a) because the physical organism no longer manufactures the essential nutrients and forces to sustain life; (b) because external conditions cease to be life-sustaining or actually destroy life, as in the case of war, infectious disease, drought or other natural disasters; or (c) because the soul can no longer profit from the pattern of experience attendant to a particular physical vehicle. Regardless of the reason for the severance of the life cord, the consciousness within the human form—the soul— remains fully alive.

The etheric body also remains alive for a time following the physical body's demise. There is a transitional state during which 'the deceased' is still tied to the physical plane of earth life and in process of reorienting to a new energy field. During this period the etheric body retains the form of the last incarnation. This is an aid to the soul as it assimilates the learning of that lifetime, as the energy body retains aspects of the soul's recent experiences. Once the learning is absorbed, the soul [in its causal vehicle] is freed to remove itself from the outer plane of Earth and soar to the heights of which it is capable—to the most elevated plane of consciousness with which it is resonant.

The etheric vehicle is as real as is the dense physical vehicle that dies when the life thread is disconnected. The process of bodily death is akin to what happens to material objects as a result of electrical power outages. When the source of power is removed from a lamp or a house, they go dark. When a human being dies, when the heartbeat stops, the source of power is eliminated. Two forms are involved: one that is made of flesh and one of energy. So-called death occurs when the life-giving energy is withdrawn from the form made of flesh and bones. The etheric energy form remains intact until the soul determines to release that form.

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Human beings are, in actuality, a blend of spirit and form. The self-identity of human beings in the coming era will revolve around a new conception of the individual's reality: a blend of pure Spirit and denser substance. The human being is a Soul incarnate in form for a specific period of time and for a particular purpose. The purpose is determined by the level of consciousness attained by the soul. A human being is a soul incarnate in a physical body for a particular purpose, determined by the level of consciousness, for a period of time that is known as a lifetime.

The world is changing in unprecedented ways that remain largely unknowable to humanity at this time. Thoughtful observers are wondering about the effects of climate change, seasonal disruptions, systems breakdowns and moral decline. Humanity is threatening the carrying capacity of the planet yet remains unable to cope with the effects. The problem goes deeper than not knowing what actions to take to save species of life, oceans and forests. It is fundamentally a problem of identity. Human beings are identified with the form aspect of their being and the solution to the current impasse lies in accessing the higher aspect of humanity that holds the answers—the Soul.

People are overwhelmed with questions in these times but are missing the mother of all questions, whose answer will forever change the nature of life. The problem is that the human species has succumbed totally to the illusion of matter. Individuals have been identified with their own material form and have lived in fear of the death of that form for eons. But what if it were understood that the real human being does not die? If people realized this truth, they would abandon the illusory search for immortality through fame, wealth and power, and the destructive behaviors which result from that fruitless search would die of attrition.

Most of the crises facing humanity are driven by the fear of death, consciously or unconsciously. In poor countries, people traditionally have had many children in the hope that enough of them would survive to help them work the fields and provide for them in their old age. With modern technology, this has led to overpopulation and the over-exploitation of natural resources. In rich countries, people strive to amass fortunes as a psychological buffer against the vulnerabilities of life and the looming specter of death, turning a blind eye to exploitation of the poor and oppressed, and to the planet's dwindling resources.

The consciousness of the new Earth is rooted in Life and fulfilling the higher potentials of the entire planetary life. Everything will change when it is understood that Life is Spirit—inextinguishable and unceasing. The future of humankind rests upon the realization that Spirit infuses all living forms. Spirit is the creative force behind the whole of existence. Try to imagine being alive without the fear of death, and in its place the realization that when the form is outgrown, the wearer will give it up for a period of rest before another form is taken on. There will be an underlying awareness permeating the human experience that the purpose of life is to enlighten Life in all its forms.

Death will have an entirely different meaning as the purpose of life is perceived in the context of the soul's journey toward perfection. In place of physical death and the shock that now accompanies the end of a given life experience, the soul will be prepared for a period of inactivity or *pralaya* between life cycles. This period will be understood as an interim allowing for the assimilation of life experience and thus adding a greater measure of light to subsequent life cycles. Each cycle will come to an end when all that can be learned from a particular set of circumstances has been learned.

This represents a dramatic leap forward from the material stage of living. Human beings unaware of the reality of Spirit have experienced life as a series of hardships and sorrows they must endure, suffer through, or try to escape. They have seen no purpose other than to survive obstacles, propagate the species, suffer losses, and pass on to an illusory heaven or hell. This worldview continues to shape the conditions of human existence on Earth. This is the lie that will now be exposed as ignorance through the awakening human Soul.

Choice and Destiny

Humanity has reached a crossroads. The choice involves taking either the path of the pilgrim, guided by the Light of the Soul and by Those who have attained a higher stage of consciousness, or remaining immersed in the dead-end of material illusion. There is a parting of the ways between those attracted to the incoming Light and those resistant to it. The goal of the planetary Hierarchy is for humanity to recognize the higher reality and learn how to acclimate to it. There is no turning back from this fork in the road in the near-term future.

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The Life of the planetary Logos, the God of planet Earth, is forging a clear and unambiguous path into a more subtle realm where the next phase of evolution will unfold. The choice for humanity is to align with this trajectory or to ignore it. For those who sense that they stand at the edge of a cliff, there is a choice between falling into the abyss or jumping across it in faith. To step forward is to trust the existence of a higher world. Retreat is not possible as the present system of material values has become destructive of life and is counter to the flow of evolution.

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There are **two** ways to approach the center of Earth. Digging dark tunnels into the deepest recesses of the physical planet is the way of those who seek false security. The awakening ones work through Light, forging interior passages to the center of all Light in order to elevate the world. Choose the lighted way and you will remain safe and sound. Do not compromise spiritual values for a false sense of material security. Speak truth as it is revealed to you by your Soul. Give as freely as you receive, remembering that you are here to give and not to take. These are the ultimate security measures.

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There is no viable place to go in this transition between the ages except within the human Soul. This is the moment in evolution that all previous epochs have been building toward—the moment when humanity discovers the divine light hidden within the material form and learns how to fan the spark of that inner light into a flame. In the ruins of the material world, you will find people asleep to the spark of divinity. It is a world that will end in fire by friction, since

conflagration is the inevitable result of matter rubbing against matter. The way ahead is lit by the spiritual fire that suffuses the soul. Its glow is like a miner's headlamp that will light the path into the Aquarian Age.

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As you move through this period of escalating global suffering it is important to bear in mind that a process of individual choice is taking place. The scale of choice widens as the soul enters into fuller awareness and the higher mind is activated. Where no such awareness exists, there is a shallow foundation for decision-making. This choice-point for humanity calls upon the intuitive recognition of a higher plane of reality and a Higher Power. Those who lack the antennae to perceive this emerging dimension of life will remain in a kind of limbo during the next phase of evolution. Earth is destined to become a sacred planet within our solar system, a destiny that requires new human sensitivity to subtle energies and forces. Keep in mind that consciousness precedes form in the creation of worlds.

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To choose the path leading to a Higher Way is to prepare for a vertical leap in consciousness. The physical world on the horizontal plane has been rendered increasingly uninhabitable for the human and lower kingdoms. Making this leap requires courage as well as faith in a layer of reality sensed but still unseen. Yet the stirring of new awareness is opening the way to a shift in identity that will move humanity closer to the spiritual kingdom. This new identity flows from the soul whose nature transcends the world of division and separation. To find the path into the new Earth requires the dissipation of glammers and illusions that have erected barriers and obscured the intrinsic unity of life.

We recognize those who are aligned with the course of evolution by means of an observable light in the head. This light in the head falls along a color spectrum based upon achieved levels of consciousness. The emissions that attract our attention are those of a pure white or yellow-white light. They belong to souls whom we have been anticipating during this passage between ages. They are the ones with whom we can cooperate by co-mingling our thoughts with theirs. Thought impression involves a co-mingling of thoughts to the extent that co-workers do not always know whose thoughts 'belong' to whom.

Energy emissions from the brow chakra differ from those of the crown chakra. Light issuing from the brow interpenetrates the world of form, whereas the crown chakra concentrates the inner light that bridges into the formless realms. The latter is a glow rather than a radiation. An individual with whom we can communicate emits a steadily increasing brightness in and around the head that attracts our attention until the point of readiness to enter into conscious relationship. That is the main difference between the two lights in the head: the outgoing light directed into the world, and the inner radiance indicating that an individual may be approached by Us in Co-creative work for the new Earth.

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Those who ascend to the etheric plane will be self-selected. There is no randomness in the realm of higher consciousness. When it comes to the soul's destiny there are two choices: to become part of the evolutionary flow or resist it. To enter the flow requires perceptions and disciplines that serve to raise vibrational frequency. The most useful practices result in increasing sensitivity to life in all its forms and the perception that a Higher Force is directing the course of evolution toward Life-enhancing ends.

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The minds of human beings are attuned to vastly different realities. Some are aware of the decay and corruption destroying the present order yet feel helpless to change it. Some are impelled to ease human suffering and uplift the whole. Others are lining their pockets while they can. Billions face escalating threats to their own survival and can barely see beyond the next disaster. Hunger and malnutrition, wars and natural disasters, joblessness and homelessness wreak havoc with the majority of human lives for reasons incomprehensible to most. Yet all are aware, if only dimly, that the scale of present events signals the end of an age. Advantage lies in seeing that the new age consists of greater wholes and cosmic-scale dimensions.

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There are few individuals who can assimilate the core facts of this time of transition: Life on Earth is dying and being reborn on a higher plane. New ideas in the Mind of God are entering human minds and old ideas are losing coherence. Higher truths are seeding the new field of consciousness while people enmeshed in the concrete order of the past, insensitive to the divine impulse, dream the same repetitive material dreams and nightmares. Human destiny depends on awakening the higher potentials lodged within the human spirit. Those who sense the divine order will flourish in these times, as the new age is the age of Spirit.

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What accounts for the separating of the ways—between those who remain asleep and those who are awakening—is the requirement for passage into the etheric plane. Those of a lower vibration will find the atmosphere of the New Earth inhospitable as the life-wave moves into a higher dimension. They will not have the vision to perceive the subtle web of life that embraces all manifestations, or the capacity to live in the subtle realm, as their senses remain fixated on matter. To enter the new Earth is to appreciate the reality that Life is an uninterrupted whole, and to aspire to manifest the essential unity of Life. Those who have the requisite light will readily find the higher way of evolution.

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The stakes are very high for humanity at this time—a time unlike any previous period in history. The *field* of consciousness is shifting to a higher degree of refinement, a higher frequency. There will inevitably be a sorting out process—a kind of shaking out of the wheat from the chaff. Those unable to raise the frequencies of mind and body to a higher octave, by elevating the quality of thought and transmuting baser instincts, will experience a kind of limbo as the life wave turns in a new direction. Without resonance to the new order of Being they will fall away, as dead branches fall from a thriving tree, while awakened humanity rises to a subtler world.

Beyond Time

Time is a linear marker of events on the material plane. As spiritual awareness grows, time will have no intrinsic significance. In the new era, activity of enduring value will foster soul awareness in a realm beyond time. Passing events will be of secondary importance to their meaning. At present, when you visit a foreign place for the first time you absorb a host of new sights, sounds, and tastes. When you later reflect on your experience, a stream of images floods your mind but only a few hold your attention because of the meaning they hold. In the coming age, significance will be drawn from the *meaning* of events rather than events themselves.

The purpose of the soul's incarnation in form will remain the same—to grow toward greater light through experience. However, the vehicle of experience will be more refined as the purpose of incarnating shifts to culling *meaning* from experience and gaining insight that accumulates as wisdom and illumination at progressively higher stages of consciousness. Human beings will come to understand their condition, learn to temper destructive behaviors, and burnish the intensifying light of awareness that is needed to become mediators between the higher and lower kingdoms of Earth.

To transcend time is to focus on the consciousness within the form rather than the form itself. When attention shifts to the soul's plane of consciousness, time loses its salience. In the future it will serve mainly as a means of ordering experience. Its importance will be overridden by a growing apprehension of spiritual Reality, which exists beyond linear time. It will be learned that consciousness precedes and conditions form, and that human consciousness never ceases, but enters other dimensions when the form outlives its usefulness for a given growth cycle. The soul withdraws temporarily from the form world, returning to its own timeless plane.

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The life of the soul is only now becoming apparent to human beings in some small measure. Even for those who are relatively evolved, the biological life cycle of birth, growth, maturity, old age and death remains predominant in consciousness. In the coming era of the soul, fear of

death will no longer hover over human life. A life cycle (a lifetime) will continue until the soul's purpose for that cycle has been achieved and there is a natural readiness to release a given form and enter a state of rest or *pralaya* to absorb the light that has been gained. The outer sheath will no longer determine the life cycle.

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There is no time on the etheric plane. Since the etheric vehicle is unaffected by the ravages of the biological aging process, a life span will be defined differently. When one learning cycle is completed and its fruits have been harvested in the realm of consciousness, a new round of experience will begin. The chain of life cycles will continue as the means of advancing from one stage of awareness to another. The major difference between present human experience and the future is that the soul will be more compatible with its form. The etheric body is more directly influenced by the soul. Progression from a lower to a higher grade of vital substance will be experienced with further emergence into the Light.

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Time will be understood quite differently in the coming era. The span of a human life has been calculated by the number of years lived by an individual—the number of revolutions made by our planet around the Sun between the person's time of birth and time of death. This form of measurement will still be observable but will have a different meaning, as the individual's relationship to the period of time called a year will change fundamentally. The span of time between the birth and death of the physical body will no longer determine what constitutes a lifetime.

Scientists have observed the life cycles of virtually all living entities, calculating their duration by the number of Earth's orbits around the Sun. There are, however, other life spans beyond the physical on higher planes. In the new Earth, the human body will no longer be composed of a substance that disintegrates and decays after a certain number of these orbits, but of lighter particles that remain in orbit around the 'central spiritual sun' of each human being—the Soul. This assertion will be staggering to most human minds, but its intention is to redirect these minds to the forthcoming primacy of the soul, and to dispel illusions that conflict with the soul's reality.

It bears repeating that death is actually a release of the soul into a state of being that requires no vehicle of form—a state of consciousness that allows for taking stock of experience in the form world. Up until the present, when that interim phase ends the soul assumes a new physical vehicle for a new cycle of experience. In the new Earth, the basic 'platform' of life will advance to a timeless plane on which physical death does not exist, and where the acknowledged purpose of life is integrating spiritual light into the substance of the evolving human being. This endeavor is not measured in time, but in the growing potency of light radiated into the new world and the etheric plane of our planet.

For eons of time, a human lifetime on the dense physical plane has constituted the only opportunity for the advancement of billions of human souls enmeshed in Earth's evolutionary cycles. Biological stages of growth have provided the material conditions for the spiritual development of humanity. Repeated biological life cycles taking place over the course of millions of years have led to the present awakening of the human soul. To meet the conditions of the divine plan for the coming age, when Spirit will pervade the world, this awakening had to begin in the world of linear time. It will continue on into eternity.

Inner Preparations

In this transition to a new age and a new realm, the ultimate means of preparation lies within the human soul. There is greater security in following the path to higher consciousness than in stockpiling food or other material necessities. The future will unfold on a plane of subtler substance in a new world of light, energy and spirit. The nature of life will change radically. As the light of understanding spreads among the pioneers of the new humanity, a massive sense of relief will fuel the inner shift toward the emergence of the human soul.

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To maintain peace of mind in these times, we advise viewing each day as an opportunity to develop responsiveness to human need. Be aware that everything occurring is part of a greater process of evolution that has a higher purpose. Those who can see beyond appearances and have attained a degree of light are called to spread that light. Many will be challenged to release attachments to material things, to reassess what has enduring value, and to nurture all that is life-giving. An attitude of complacency is the greatest obstacle to maintaining equilibrium in these times. The greatest service that each individual can perform is to reach the highest state of consciousness possible and sustain it throughout the day.

The end of the current world order will only appear to come suddenly. Greed, gluttony, and obesity in many forms have long ago tipped the scales toward planetary disequilibrium. The spread of terrorism and natural disasters are symptoms of the affliction of planetary inequalities. Still, world leaders are afraid to speak of material sacrifice for fear of losing popular support. The idea of the wealthy living with less remains unmentionable in economically advanced nations, though it is the only means of fostering balance and harmony within human societies. Few would willingly sacrifice personal comforts, yet the sharing of resources is a basic plank of the new civilization.

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To aid the process of 'ascendance,' as it is often called, it is wise to limit the negativity that filters into your environment. Withdraw your attention from the growing violence in the world and turn it toward the inner worlds from which inspiration for the new Earth flows. Focus on

thoughts, images and sounds that elevate your own spirit while you encourage and uplift the spirit of others. The subtle music of the spheres is heard by subtle hearing mechanisms, just as the inner worlds are sensed through inner sight. The challenge of these times is to replace outer chaos with inner harmony to the point that the reality of the inner worlds materializes as the new substance of life.

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As regions of the physical world are destroyed by floods, fires, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis and other natural disasters, keep in mind that this is the time of preparation for 'migration' from one plane to another—one realm of consciousness to another. This is the time for awakened souls to shift their gaze from the outer plane of dying forms to the inner plane of the soul—from the gross dimensions of existence to the more refined. To penetrate the next realm, it is useful to develop the abstract mind, transmute the lower emotions, and refine the physical body.

Physical purification 'lightens' the cells of the body, making them more porous to incoming cosmic rays that have the power to raise human awareness. A portion of humanity is on the brink of witnessing 'a new normal' in terms of sensitivity to energy and light. But for the present, the dense body remains the soul's vehicle for transforming consciousness and bringing light into the darkness of material living. To break ancient habits of the flesh—from eating dead flesh to seeking pleasures of the flesh—is to facilitate passage into the higher realm. All means of physical refinement serve the reorientation of consciousness; all enhance vibrational resonance with the inner planes from which the new humanity will arise.

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The value of strong human relationships is immeasurable in times such as these, when familiar patterns in the world of material living are disturbed and unfamiliar occurrences of the inner worlds seep further into conscious awareness. Sound relationships can provide a needed ballast for living in the throes of change, like anchors in a stormy sea. It is also important to learn how to use the mind to control emotions through mental disciplines, absorption of higher truth, and constant recollection of the unprecedented nature of these times. There has never been a time as rich in opportunity for human beings to awaken, grow toward the light, and serve a world in need.

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As the old order wanes, the new energies pouring into the planet are raising the vibrational frequencies of its etheric web, which contains the etheric bodies of human beings and of all living organisms. A radical fine-tuning of the life of the planet is occurring. Subtle vision and hearing will become part of an inner guidance system for navigating rough waters and finding the shores of the new Earth. Listening to the inner voice of the soul is the surest means of attuning to the shift in cosmic energies. Those who can hear the sounds of silence will be drawn

into resonance with the new wave of Earth's life.

This is not a time for halfway measures or gradual changes. It calls for new capacities of the soul—new dimensions of heart, mind, and intuition. Like the athlete who has to muster the strength and stamina to run a long-distance race, or the mountain-climber who has to master the capacity to breathe at higher altitudes, humanity has to train itself for higher-plane living in the new Earth. The principal training tool is known by the word 'meditation.' To quiet the mind and bring it into contact with the soul is to enter the state of awareness that will give rise to the Aquarian civilization. To use the quiet mind as a tool for contemplation is to penetrate the happenings of these times.

Immersion in the colors, sounds, and rhythms of the natural world is another form of training for the new Earth. The divine spark in the human soul can be easily aroused by the beauty and harmony of nature to the point that the soul is drawn into closer alignment with the divine source of Life itself. Beauty is a powerful vibration that carves an inner pathway to the sacred and divine. To bask in the shimmering light and radiance of nature is to sense the whirlpools of higher energies that will sweep the planetary life into a new zone.

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The best form of preparation is to direct consciousness away from the dying outer world of form toward the inner worlds of peace and light through the practices of meditation and contemplation. When you enter a deep state of meditation and open your mind to receive guidance, you are in effect allowing your mind to be impressed by thoughts issuing from a higher mind—from your own soul or from a Being on a higher plane. When this practice becomes engrained it elevates the entire structure of consciousness. There will come a time when thought transmission will no longer proceed along a line of steep descent (from guides within the spiritual Hierarchy to humanity). Humanity's ascent in consciousness toward the Guides of the Race will ultimately result in a fusion of consciousness that will manifest as the Kingdom of Souls on Earth.

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Learning to enter a meditative state is essential for strengthening the soul's presence in the individual's life. Developing a sense of spiritual identity will facilitate the transition to a more subtle plane, where the poles will shift from material to spiritual reality. In this preparatory time, bear in mind that everything on the material plane is transitory, including events surrounding the end of the age. They too shall pass and 'the meek shall inherit the Earth.' Let meekness be understood as the absence of arrogance, pride, and all separative instincts of the human ego. Those who are genuinely meek are the inheritors of the new Earth, as in them there are no walls of separation.

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The sea change in planetary conditions is awakening many human beings to higher aspects of

existence. This is a deepening process that occurs more rapidly as permanent landmarks disappear. Every passing week brings more pressing questions about survival. With escalating extinctions of animal and plant species, there is growing discomfort about the fate of the human species. It is slowly dawning on people that life on Earth is undergoing radical change and that conditions developing across the planet may no longer support the human species as in the past.

The only antidote to the overpowering fear that can engulf the human mind is to develop the inner resources that will shape the future—particularly the intuition, through which the future can be sensed. Intuition grows through practices like meditation, and contemplation, in which the soul consciously lowers the volume of noise in the outer world and raises the volume of sound in the inner world. For the beginner, the object is to reduce the clatter to the point where the voice of the soul can be heard. For the more advanced, the goal is to attune to the Guides of the Race who direct the unfolding plan of evolution and seek to impress the minds of those who aspire to serve humanity.

The popularity of meditation is a sign of the new world cycle. Meditation opens a doorway to a state of consciousness that is separate and apart from the physical world of form, including the human form.

Consciousness is drawn inward to a field of awareness that will become the foundation of the new world order—the plane from which the future will arise. This plane is permeated by ideas formulated by Beings within the spiritual kingdom working to impress human minds with the spiritual insight needed to build the foundations of the Aquarian Age.

Transformation

The way ahead will be steep, requiring new inner strengths and resources. Those in the vanguard of the Aquarian Age are preparing themselves for the most phenomenal change ever encountered by the human species. Realizing the impermanence of material forms will ease the passage into the next dimension of consciousness. The way ahead is paved with an indestructible commodity that is Light itself—*spiritual* gold. This way opens wide for those who enter the path of self-transformation and ascends sharply upward for all who focus on spiritual realities.

Every soul committed to the path of transformation can rest assured that they are never left to fend for themselves. Inner teachers and guides are always on hand for the journey toward the light of spiritual Reality. Spiritual seekers are not exempted from paying karmic debts but they receive a measure of grace in meeting those debts and extricating themselves from ancient patterns. Once the soul in incarnation becomes conscious of its spiritual nature and pursues the path of transformation with eyes wide open, there is always a helping hand. In fact, there are many helping hands reaching out to all who aspire to become Our Co-workers and Co-creators in establishing the new civilization.

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The word 'change' applies to conditions in the world of form, whereas 'transformation' applies to the consciousness that vitalizes a form. Transformation is an expansion of consciousness that in time gives rise to new forms. To bring about transformation in the world, not merely change, the consciousness of human beings must undergo a complete metamorphosis. Spiritual transformation requires a reckoning with the underlying causes of present conditions. Prime among these causes in the modern world is the virtual banishment of Spirit from popular culture that has brought about a disastrous disequilibrium. The new Earth will be suffused by the light of the soul and by awareness of the Spirit that pervades all of Life.

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The shift in human awareness requires a deeper understanding of the path of transformation than most seekers now have. Few have been ready to know the full requirements of this path, but in these times it is necessary to explain esoteric ideas in simple terms. A key principle of transformation is the requirement for purification of the soul's outer vehicle. In a broad sense, this is accomplished by shifting identity to a state beyond the physical form, not by condemnation of the form. In the past, primitive measures such as self-flagellation and bodily mutilation were used to annihilate natural physical instincts in order that the spiritual aspirant would behold only things of the spirit.

As the new era approaches, the reality of the soul and the purpose of its incarnation will become evident. The body will be seen as an essential vehicle for experience, leading ultimately to redemption of the individual and the race. In the new scheme of Earth, consciousness flowing through human beings from a higher plane will elevate lesser kingdoms and establish harmony in the form world. The human body is a vehicle of consciousness—whether lower or higher. It has the potential to be an instrument of divine purpose when a person's intention is to illumine and uplift the world. However, until the reality of the soul seeps into awareness, the outer body is like a riderless horse. It needs to be tamed, not by violence but by wisdom—through wise understanding of the soul's true purpose and through the purification of lower motives that conflict with that purpose.

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[August 2009] A half-year after the elation stirred by Barack Obama's election, the glow is off the rose. The forces of selfishness and recalcitrance have determined to thwart the aspirations of the new American president. The spiritual task for those who would carry the flag to ultimate victory is to peer into the future and *know* beyond the shadow of doubt that a new era is dawning—from within the human soul. Spirit is stirring with such force that no counter-force can subdue it. The clash between forces of darkness and light is merely strengthening the soul's emergence into the world and rendering its course unstoppable. The ashes of the old order are fertilizing the new.

Accountability

Accountability is a pillar of the new era. The tests and trials of these times are serving to quicken humanity's maturation from adolescence into adulthood. It is adolescents who blame others for their problems; adults learn to become accountable for their lives. A sign of spiritual maturity is the willingness to accept the consequences of one's thoughts, words and actions—the energy currents that shape the destinies of individuals and nations. Adulthood begins with acknowledging one's contribution to a given state of affairs and formulating the intention to take a different path.

This statement will arouse the opposition of many. It is the line of least resistance for people to see themselves as victims of others or of circumstances beyond their control. But the time has come to reveal a deeper truth that will demand a profound adjustment in human perception. Everything that a person, family, group, or nation experiences while in incarnation is a product of previous 'traces' left on the etheric plane. The so-called Book of Life is an actual record of etheric substance, known as the Akashic Record. It contains stems of the past, leaves of the present, and seeds of the future. Current events are leading to a revelation of subtler planes and systems of law.

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The Earth is a Being that belongs to the larger systemic Life of our sun or Solar Logos. The dimensions of life on our planet—with all its species, kingdoms, and planes—are of a scale not easily comprehended by the human mind. Earth is part of an unfolding evolutionary scheme designed long ages ago by higher Beings. The current breakdown of outer structures and forms of life, of ecosystems and species, is part of this design. The human species cannot destroy the life that is a planet, but its destructive power has contributed mightily to the devastation now occurring. It is in the nature of this preparatory time for humanity to assess its responsibility.

As the present cycle of evolution reaches its culmination point, humanity is being impelled to consider its responsibility for conditions erupting across the planet. It is becoming clear to those with some awareness that violence, poverty, pestilence and hunger are reflections of the inability of people to see beyond outer forms, to be able to identify with one another and act out of a shared sense of human identity. To accept a share of responsibility for present world conditions is to reorient oneself to spiritual realities. It is coming to grips with the relationship between microcosm and macrocosm that is spurring the advance into the new age. Those who can see themselves in relationship to the whole can begin the work of spiritual regeneration. That work begins with accepting responsibility for self and others.

Events unfolding in the world at present are manifestations of forces set in motion by the consciousness of humanity. It is now widely known that 'thoughts are things' and their energy radiates throughout the kingdoms of nature, starting from within the human kingdom. The world is bearing witness to the negative thought patterns established in the human mind that

are manifesting as wars, plagues, famines, droughts, floods, fires, and also as ravaged souls who cannot live without drugs and who, in growing numbers, decide to take their own lives. When humanity develops the capacity to observe itself, it will shine a light on its limited sense of self and clear the way to reveal its true Self.

Shifts of Many Kinds

As stated previously, this is a time unlike any other time in human history. The evolution of the life of Earth will literally shift into a new frequency. Events may appear to unfold suddenly, particularly for those not consciously prepared. There will be a sense of being swept up in a powerful current and many will temporarily lose their bearings. Nothing will appear as it now does. You will perceive colors and lights, shapes and forms, sights and sounds never before witnessed by human beings and more sublime than you can imagine.

During the transition, the etheric body—the vital energy body that gives life to the physical body—will be exposed to the light. The force of inflowing cosmic energies will penetrate the outer covering of the dense physical body and alter its substance. Through direct exposure to powerful radiations of energies and electro-magnetic currents from beyond the solar system, the etheric vehicle will be charged in such a way that a rapid expansion of consciousness will occur. Those who make the transition with awareness will have already attained a degree of light that will magnify the impacts.

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The popular notion of ‘wormholes’ or portals from one dimension to another is a useful metaphor for what will occur. A ‘tunnel’ is being constructed for passage through the darkness of the material plane into the light of a higher dimension. It is more like a tunnel than a bridge, as it requires burrowing through the darkness of present-day reality to reach the next dimension of light. This is only possible for those who are no longer dreaming that the current nightmares will end and that they will awake one morning to a peaceful, prosperous, material world. This is not to be, for the old order is passing away and a new order is arising from the souls of all who behold the greater Light and sense the greater Reality.

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A portion of humanity is embarking on a journey in consciousness whose terrain can only be hinted at until it is experienced. Certain clues have come from the world of science fiction—a ‘placeholder’ for esoteric ideas about the future that remain beyond the grasp of the logical mind. In computer-age terminology, a new stage of awareness will be ‘downloaded’ into the minds of those prepared for the vibrational shift in human awareness. The concept of a shift has long been part of the lexicon of people attuned to the new consciousness, but the popular notion is only partially correct. What is coming is of a far greater magnitude than generally understood. It is a ‘mega-shift’ between planetary ages.

For humanity, the coming leap into a new stage of being is comparable to the leap from the animal kingdom to the human kingdom that occurred millions of years ago, when the spark of divine mind implanted in the most advanced animals gave life to the first human beings. This leap entails the conscious realization that human beings harbor the potential to express divinity. In the Aquarian Age, many will grow in resonance to the Lord of the World to the point where they can intuit the purpose held in the Mind of God for a given epoch, and thus cooperate with the divine plan of evolution.

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Only those who have a light burning inside of them will realize they are witnessing the end of one age and the birth of another. These times are indeed the long-prophesied 'end times.' What will end is a reality known to the physical senses alone. Mundane reality will be replaced by a 'super-mundane' world—a world that far transcends the current tangible one. All who have broken through the trance of materialism will find the coming changes salutary in every way, adjusting with ease to an infinitely lighter environment. Then the curtain will rise on a grand new spectrum of human and superhuman possibilities.

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The present world order is being shaken from its moorings as Earth's gravitational field begins to shift and loosen the position of the poles. Forces that have anchored the planet's axis at a particular angle to the Sun, keeping the poles stabilized for eons, are being realigned. Paralleling these changes is the planetary shift in consciousness which is laying the groundwork for a massive restructuring of life forms. At every major break point in the scheme of planetary evolution, there is a period of accelerated change in consciousness followed by adjustments in the outer forms of life. This is true for human beings as for the other kingdoms in nature. Just as the human kingdom is coming into contact with the spiritual kingdom, the animal kingdom grows closer to the human. Significant expansions in consciousness give rise to the corresponding need for new forms.

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Since the start of modern age, humanity has seen itself as an evolutionary extension of the animal kingdom. The human species has defined itself as a creation formed of matter with advanced properties of mind. However, the current planetary initiation has begun to reveal the consciousness within the material form. Waves of destruction are shattering the illusion of the permanence of matter and thus fostering the soul's perception of a higher reality. A massive shift in human identity is underway—from the physical self to the spiritual self—and a shift in orientation from the physical realm to the spiritual. The human spirit is being released from the present limitations of form that it may soar into 'the heavens.'

The next epicenter for humanity extends beyond the star of our solar system to the center of

the galaxy—a potent stream of cosmic force that interpenetrates other galaxies in the greater cosmos. As the transition continues, the impact of incoming energies on our planet will intensify. The new Earth will be irradiated by a multitude of planetary, solar, and extra-solar forces. Humanity is already reeling from the disruption of forces that have for eons anchored the visible kingdoms of life to the physical plane. People sensitive to this energetic shift are withdrawing consciousness from the outer form and attuning to a higher frequency.

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The planetary shift is like a vast tidal wave rolling across the Earth causing ripples in every facet of life, including human values and human identity. The majority still live primarily at the level of material consciousness, but many are awakening to an expanded awareness of life. Those in touch with their own divine core are increasingly responsive to the needs of their brethren. Some have advanced to the point of furthering the work of the spiritual Hierarchy of the planet. They are scattered across the globe in fields of service encompassing all activities that uplift humanity, each working in a distinctly unique way. Yet all act as bridges between humanity and the inner Guides of the human race, and all are pathfinders into the new Earth.

2012 and the New Earth

In the coming five years [written in 2007], conditions of life on the surface of Earth will become increasingly hazardous. The infusion of new cosmic energies is stimulating the planet's vibratory field and having a destabilizing effect on both natural and human systems. The effect on many sensitive souls is growing detachment from external events and intensified awareness of inner worlds. They are preparing for an unparalleled leap in human evolution—from intelligent beings mastering a world of matter to quickening souls approaching a world of spirit. The year 2012 will mark a definite turning-point in this process.

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Most claims about the year 2012 are either incorrect or misconstrued. Prophets of material doom foresee the shattering of Earth as a viable sphere for continued human existence—the reverse of what lies in store. The fact is that Earth has many layers or planes on which life exists. Until now only the densest layer has been recognized as habitable by the human species because the consciousness of humanity as a whole has been embedded within that layer. The Soul's subtle mechanisms of perception are starting to pierce the veil between dimensions of existence. The ascent of human consciousness is precipitating the revelation of an astonishing new panorama.

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The ancient symbol of the phoenix tells the story of these times: new life is emerging from the

flames of death. Flames are a symbol of purification—by burning away the impurities of coarse matter, the finer essence is revealed. What escapes from the flames of matter is purified spirit. Fires burning in every corner of the globe are purifying the ethers for the elevation of life. New winds are blowing and scattering old remains. The phoenix rising out of the ashes is the Soul of Humanity, concealing within itself the foundations of the new Earth.

The old order cannot withstand the cosmic forces propelling the birth of higher consciousness. The realization is dawning among forerunners of the human race that they are spiritual beings temporarily incarnate in personalities. When the Sun and Earth align with the center of the galaxy in 2012, a surge of Light will suffuse our systemic life and accelerate this embryonic awareness. Still, the work of transmutation, transformation, and spiritual alignment is left to the will of the individual. To embrace the purifying fires of these times is to further the goal of those Intelligences preparing the ground for the new Earth.

Anchoring in Soul Light

To apply spiritual truths to everyday life is the need of the hour. To anchor in the soul's light and live as a soul, through these turbulent times, is to reinforce the continuity of consciousness between planes of existence. It is helpful to develop the mental discipline that allows the soul to become the observer of life. Detachment is fostered by awareness of the flotsam and jetsam continually coursing through the mind. Mental focus alone, however, does not unlock the door to the realm of Spirit. Spiritual living flows from the soul's light and the heart's discernment of essential truths.

The light of the soul perceives the light inherent in all living forms. Light is Spirit, the primordial energy from which all planes of reality flow forth. The word 'spirit' causes the eyes of most scientists to glaze over, although light is their basic commodity: the light of the sun, light that is color, electric light. But there is also the light of wisdom, the light of beauty, the light of goodness, and the light of truth. When truth is spoken by a knower of Truth, a flame is passed on to others, as a wave passes across the waters. When the flame is pure, it enters mind *and* heart and unites the two.

The fusion of heart and mind forms the path to higher wisdom. This is the goal of the spiritual quest in the new era. This fusion occurs naturally as the heart opens wider to the soul's increasing light. To find a mind readily responsive to the revelation of truth is to find a flower full of nectar. Such a flower serves the evolutionary design for the new Earth like a flower now serves in the alchemy of nature, offering nectar to bees that pollinate plants which sustain the chain of life. Light made manifest as wisdom is pollinated by truth that finds its way into receptive minds and hearts. There it nurtures seeds of the future.

Light has been streaming into Earth from cosmic sources through diverse vehicles, some appearing as ordinary human beings. Many people dimly sense the flow of the incoming Light;

some are consciously adjusting to it and quietly entering its stream; a few are beginning to embody it. Living as souls, they draw others toward the light of their being and to the greater Light. Forerunners of the new Earth, they are aware of the transitory nature of all things and unattached to the world of matter. Their souls are sufficiently free to bring the Light of Spirit into this world.

New Human Beings

There is a growing corps of 'new humans' on the planet who form a long-anticipated salvific force that is building a bridge into the Aquarian Age. Becoming increasingly visible, they are stepping out of self-limiting identities to serve a world in need. The concept of the New Group of World Servers was a transitional idea to encourage spiritual seekers of earlier decades to transcend national identities in service to the evolutionary plan for our Earth. More recently, a large group of younger individuals has appeared who are spontaneously drawn to the Aquarian spirit of universality and who demonstrate expanded capacities for leadership.

This type of individual could be called a disciple—one whose soul is awakened and who has the self-discipline to receive and apply inner guidance. Living and moving under the impress of their own souls, they learn to develop the means to contact members of the Kingdom of Souls. They see the future unfolding through the inner light of the soul and see their own lives as interrelated to all other lives on the planet. They feel the pain and suffering of others as their own and seek ways to alleviate it. They are showing the way into the new era and simultaneously paving that way.

Fully awakened souls function within the sphere of consciousness of the Spiritual Hierarchy. They have entered into our midst and are showing the way forward to others by being who they are. They deem it their responsibility to avail themselves of hierarchical guidance for the sake of uplifting others alive at this time. Yet anyone now awakening to the reality of Spirit is part of the new wave of souls who will enter the next plane of living and eventually enter the Kingdom of Souls. To be awake to the possibility that a higher kingdom exists on this planet is to entertain the prospect of a new Earth.

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Everything occurring on Earth at present has greater significance for humanity than all of preceding human history. Every event has the capacity to spark awareness of underlying truth or falsity—something human beings must discern to advance to the next stage in evolution. In its essence, the next stage can be likened to that of an aspirant to the portal leading into the spiritual realm. The aspirant is the novice, the newcomer on the path to be forged by the soul entering the divine order of reality. The higher purpose of current events is to supplant the materialist paradigm with an awareness of other levels of reality. This is well underway, with millions engaged in an incipient search for spiritual truth.

Humanity's learning process is now occurring through experience in and of the world of material form. As spiritual evolution proceeds, the aspirant becomes a disciple by interpreting all that occurs externally as a symbol of spiritual reality and learning from it. To search for underlying meaning, to master a spiritual lesson and consequently grow toward the light, is the path of the disciple. This is the way the soul transforms its outer vehicle. Eventually, it is no longer necessary to 'wear' a dense physical garment. Far more efficient is the etheric body to be generated in the coming cycle of human and planetary evolution.

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A dual trajectory of energies and forces has been pouring through the energy grid of the earth in recent decades. From one direction come the energies employed by Higher Forces to reach those who have attained a degree of inner light; from the other direction arise the forces of those who are awakening spiritually, exploring interactions with subtle regions of life, and aspiring to serve the greater good— hallmarks of the new era and early manifestations of divinity in the world.

Imagine a vertical bridge consisting of two streams of energy: one ascending; the other descending. The juncture where they meet generates a strong electrical field. In cases where the energies pulsating through this field penetrate the consciousness of an individual, the life will become increasingly dedicated to aiding and elevating humanity. When this force takes hold and electrifies the consciousness, the life becomes devoted to working with the spiritual Hierarchy to actualize the Divine Plan. Such an individual is one whom We call a disciple—one who leads a life of self-discipline and self-sacrifice for a higher purpose. Their energies intensify the currents pouring into the etheric plane for the upliftment of all.

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From Our side the process of Co-creation involves a narrowing of the flow of descending energy into a funnel that feeds into the upward-ascending channel built by disciples. They evoke knowledge from Us and we respond by transmitting, through etheric substance, ideas that are useful to disseminate in a given era. There is a distorted idea that human beings can act as divine co-creators with one another. Among human beings, cooperation is possible. Only when human beings work in conscious cooperation with the Kingdom of Souls is Co-creation possible. Its purpose is to bring ideas and impulses of divine origin into the awareness of the human race.

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Regardless of what occurs on the dense physical plane of Earth, another destiny awaits those who aspire to a realm where truth, love, goodness and beauty become features of daily life. This is the dimension of Earth where the Kingdom of God will appear. The prime determinant for ascending into this sphere is aspiration. To move into the next plane of evolution does not require perfection; that would be to miss the point of the unfolding stages of evolution through

which the human being advances toward self-transcendence and self-perfection. What is required is the ardent desire for a world of justice and peace, where humanity can fulfill its divine potential and enter the Kingdom of Souls, whose members are responsible for the plan of evolution for our Earth.

The Spiritual Kingdom

Prime among the new realities to be grasped by humanity is the existence of a Spiritual Hierarchy on Earth. The core of this hierarchy of illumined Beings exists on a plane of consciousness more refined than the etheric, astral, and mental planes—the plane of *buddhi* [pure love-wisdom]. The head of this Hierarchy is the Being known as the Christ. On a still higher plane, there dwells the Supreme Being who governs the process of Earth's evolution.

Beyond our Earth, there is a cosmic Life Force from which all things proceed into manifestation and to which all things return—in our solar system and the greater universe. There is also a generative life force on *this* planet—a planetary Lord or Logos—who directs the stream of energies behind all that unfolds in Earth's evolutionary process. This life force is moving out of an old cycle and entering a new one. The new wine of the new Earth—spiritual love, the pure light of wisdom, the unity and inter-relatedness of all life—cannot be contained in the old wine skins.

To use a different metaphor, visualize the Lord of planet Earth as an orchestra conductor who has received a new musical score from the Lord of the Solar System. This new music has to be played at a higher octave than previous scores. Some musicians will strive to comply with the new requirements, learning to adjust themselves and their instruments to play the higher notes of the new score. Others are unable to do so, or choose not to, and are allowed to drift away. The process is entirely impersonal. The orchestra conductor is preparing to perform a score involving notes of higher frequencies. Those with the inclination and aspiration will follow the conductor.

This is not an act of blind following, however, but a voluntary arising into a new livingness that is the Spirit of Life itself. It is born of attraction to the Light that illumines the darkness of the world and the Love that draws the soul into the heart of the One Life. Inner Guides within the spiritual hierarchy seek the cooperation of every soul who can register the new realities. 'Qualifications' for conscious participation in the unfolding Plan of Evolution derive from the heart's resonance with the love that permeates the universe. The manifestation of this force of love—in and through the kingdoms of the New Earth—is the Divine intention behind the plan of evolution.

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We who dwell on the buddhic plane are able to see from the perspective of the whole and in

full awareness of how the parts of Earth's life mesh together, like the gears of a watch. It is necessary to know the relationship of parts to the whole in order to fulfill the requirements for guiding planetary evolution. Each of Us has a different role to perform, not unlike advanced souls on the physical plane. The main difference lies in the scope of our perspective, the breadth of its scale and depth of dimensionality, plus the cosmic energies with which We work. Life on the buddhic plane entails attunement to Those who guide from still higher planes and from a still broader perspective.

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The existence of a Hierarchy of Light will be recognized in the new Earth. Different levels of human and superhuman attainment will be observed and acknowledged by those who enter this new symphonic order of life. Each awakened human being will become aware of the potential to become a radiant sphere of light, one who draws forth the spiritual essence of other human beings. Every conscious soul will become aware of its place in the hierarchical order of Being on this planet, with the understanding that continued expansions of consciousness lead to wider spheres of service and greater responsibility for the welfare of human and lesser kingdoms.

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Events of these times reveal a great deal about the age now ending, far more than news writers and broadcasters can perceive. Be prepared to quickly adapt to changing conditions, as disruptions of daily living will increase and many will be forced to chart a new course. Always keep uppermost in your mind the fact that **humanity is standing on the threshold of a new world** that will satisfy the deepest longings of those who aspire to the good. The passage through these dark times is leading to an era of light when the Kingdom of Souls will become manifest on Earth.