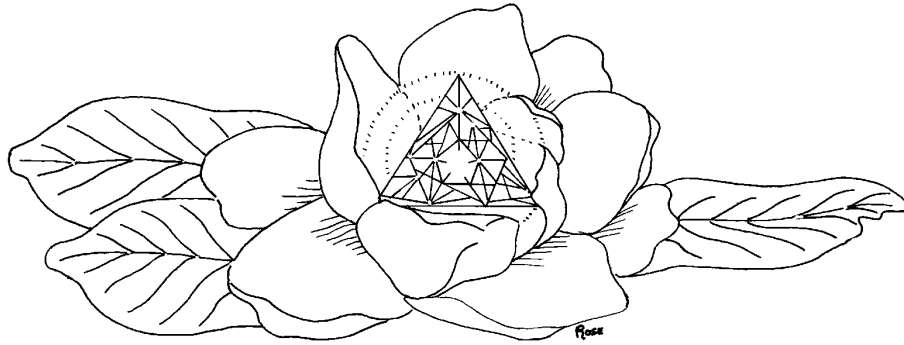


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For in perfect balance there is no weight. Thus one more step and hidden meaning of a so oft-quoted Truth is revealed "In Heaven, so on Earth." *From the R Archives "Divine Love" P.2*

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Great Forces, under potent spiritual leadership, are standing ready to precipitate Themselves into this human world of chaos, confusion, aspiration and bewilderment. These groups of energies are ready to focus and distribute themselves, and the Hierarchy is closer to mankind than ever before. *The Externalization of the Hierarchy P. 485*

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Peace Is

If we are going to talk about peace, we need to understand just what is meant by this word. To most people on this planet peace means the absence of war. Peace is identified as that period of time when there is no war, and “no war” is recognized as a period of time when the armed forces of one grouping—nation, city state, tribe, clan, or what have you—is not trying to take over or kill off another grouping. This means that peace, as the absence of war, has always been and is today, geographically a very local condition. As far as world peace goes, I doubt that in all the recorded history of the planet there has ever been a period of time when we were totally without war.

War, we all agree, is a totally irrational and horrible aberration of human consciousness. Thousands of years of war have proven that it is a total failure as a problem solver. It does nothing to further the evolution of the species. All it does is generate pain and sorrow.

From any rational point of view, these are undisputable facts, and these facts make people long for peace which, as I said, is seen as the absence of war. Thus, this point of view has spawned hundreds, if not thousands of “peace groups.” These groups are made up of many thousands of men, women and children all busily, purposefully and soulfully engaged in the task, as they see it, of bringing peace to the world. Their primary approach in this effort is to bring an end to war. They have, in a very real sense, declared peace on war. They are having, in my opinion, a large measure of success in this endeavor. They are also having a significant effect, simply, if on no other level,

by raising the futility and absurdity of war as a problem solving mechanism into the light of mass consciousness.

There is, however, another aspect to this issue that is troublesome. The notion that peace is a thing that occurs in the absence of war, casts peace into the role of being a kind of polar opposite to war. Whereas we think of war as being horrendous and awful with people being blown up and burned to death and legs shot off and so forth, we see peace, we want peace to be lovely and calm and beautiful. Nobody is bleeding or in pain or hungry or homeless or dying.

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Well, all of this just didn't seem to fit in my head. I really did not like the idea of “War and Peace” being the always and only co-

existing realities that we seem to have made of them. Consequently, I launched a search. You could say that I Googled the Triad. I went looking for peace in the formless realms, realms other than the ones already being used to define it.

So, I have been after this notion for several years now. And you know, after much seeking, I think I may have had a hit. I have had an insight, a realization concerning the meaning, significance, and light of this concept we call peace. As you know when encountered, these kinds of insights or realizations are formless. They have no density, no form or shape. They are noun-less or nameless. They are just knowings, what the Ancients called straight knowledge.

Being a writer, or at least trying to be a writer, I have been for several months now attempting to bring this insight into a vehicle, a container, a medium that would give it shape and appearance in the world of form so that it could be communicated to others. My media is language. I try to create these artifacts with thoughtforms, with images made up of parts of speech, of nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs.

Creating a container for the meaning and significance of peace has been a very difficult project. I know that what D.K. has said is that until one can put an abstraction into forms that communicate the essence or at least provide a window into the essence—the meaning, significance and Light of the abstraction—one doesn't really understand the abstraction himself. I have decided to be direct, to be, actually, peaceful. So, I will come right out and tell you what that realization is.

First of all it is the realization that Peace is an Omnipresent, Cosmic Principle in the same sense that Love or Service or Harmony are Omnipresent Principles. Such Principles are, actually, Lives that live and move in Truth. Truth, as we all know, is the true name for Cosmos.

Thus, Peace, like Beauty is a frequency, or a Life that always and only exists in the presence of Truth. In the same sense that Beauty is Truth and Love is Truth, Peace is Truth.

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We are all familiar with the great triangle in which The Christ stands. This triangle is made up of three Beings: The Avatar of Synthesis, the Spirit of Peace and the Buddha. D. K. points out that “The Spirit of Peace is not an abstract

concept but a potent Individual, wielding forces hitherto unfamiliar to our planet.” *Externalization Of The Hierarchy* P. 173 “This Spirit of Peace is not the sum total of an emotional and static calm, bringing to an end the turmoil on the Earth and instituting an era of peace. He is, in a mysterious sense, the Spirit of Equilibrium; He works with the Law of Action and Reaction and the inevitability of His activity will be recognized. His work will demonstrate in two ways—fully when the Christ appears among men and slowly and gradually until that time.” *The Reappearance Of The Christ* P. 74

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Again, like Love, Peace is. It simply has to be realized and then after awhile, recognized for what it is. It is hard to put these abstractions together, but just about everyone has experienced being in the presence of beauty. If we will consider for a moment, we will recognize that the experience of being in the presence of beauty carried with it another very subtle frequency, a frequency that, for a moment at least, made it possible for us realize that all was right in the Universe, that God was in His Heaven. We had, for a few moments at least, an unshakeable conviction that the world was at one. This is peace. It has to be known.

None of us can forget Beauty. We easily recall our experiences with it. And if we look closely, we will realize that we have gradually become able to see beauty more and more easily. You

remember how the world came alive after a number of encounters with Beauty, how we began to see the Beauty, the Truth that existed in the meanest of objects as well as the darkest of nights and most barren deserts, how we have been bowled over by the radiance of beauty which streams from the faces of children and old people. Peace is like that. Once we really see that Peace is, that it always and only exists in the presence of Truth we are more and more able to register its presence in our daily lives. As D. K. said, the work of the Spirit of Peace, "...will demonstrate in two ways—fully when the Christ appears among men and slowly and gradually until that time." This process is what is meant by the ancient saying that "Peace begins within."

There is an expression, "We Know it by heart." This refers to having memorized something, usually a poem or a piece of text, or a way to get somewhere. It means that we have gone over this ground so many times we do not even have to think about it any more.

This is another example of how the Ageless Wisdom has been lost in the world of things, the forest of form. To "know by heart" means that one knows without any intellectual or knowledge process. Peace is something that can be known only by heart. It is, like Beauty, something that is registered by the heart. The heart is the organ of the Intuition. There is no knowledge about peace, there is only experience of it. There is only being to peace.

Finally, let me say, that peace will never be found as long as it is looked for as a period when conflict does not exist. Peace has nothing

to do with war or with conflict or with the cessation of these conditions. Peace, like Beauty and Love is an unconditional aspect of Truth. Once we see and experience this peace, it will begin to enter into our lives and radiate out from us in a new and powerful way, as will Beauty, as will Love.

In conclusion, let me share with you a prophetic passage from an ancient Archive:

"When the Avatar has made His appearance, then will the

'Sons of men who are now the Sons of God withdraw Their faces from the shining light and radiate that light upon the sons of men who know not yet they are the Sons of God. Then shall the Coming One appear, His footsteps hastened through the valley of the shadow by the One of awful power Who stands upon the mountain top, breathing out love eternal, light supernal and peaceful silent Will.

'Then will the sons of men respond. Then will a newer light shine forth into the dismal weary vale of earth. Then will new life course through the veins of men, and then will their vision compass all the ways of what may be.

'So peace will come again on earth, but a peace unlike aught known before. Then will the will-to-good flower forth as understanding, and understanding blossom as goodwill in men.'" The Rays and The Initiations pp. 94-95

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