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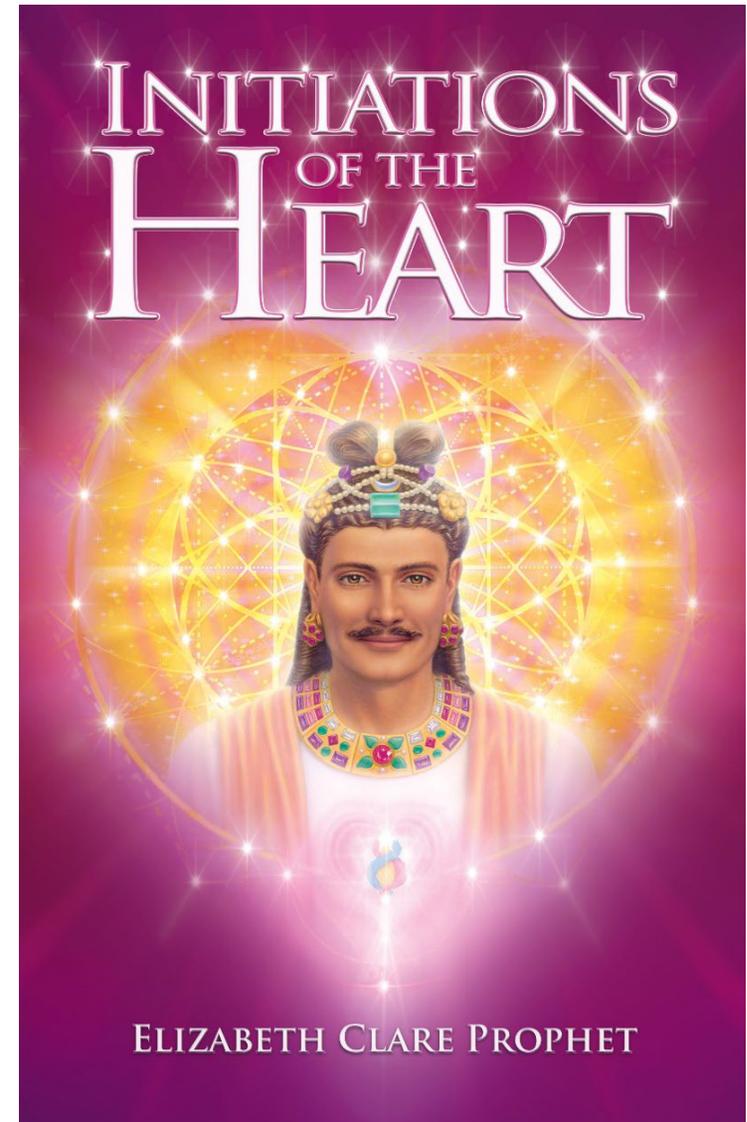
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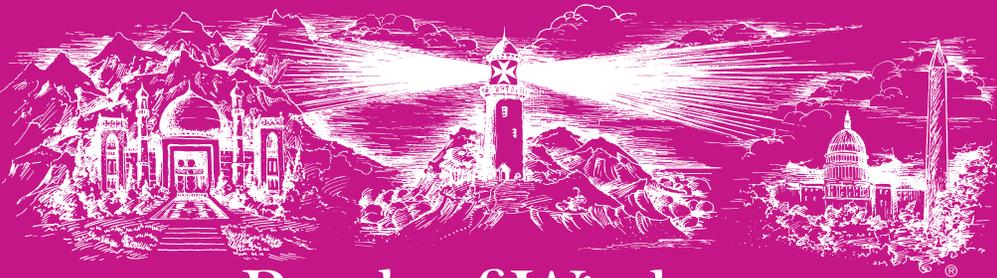
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“Move on. *Move on.*
You have worlds to conquer.”

Saint Germain



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Rejoice in the Divine Abundance

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O beauteous and wonderful door to the temple of the heart of every man, of every angel, of every cosmic being, open now. Open now to the consciousness of the light of gratitude as the catalytic power to release more abundant life into manifestation everywhere, in every beating heart.

I AM come this night in the radiance of the consciousness of immortality to flood forth and charge that immortality into waiting hearts anxious to receive every good gift from the Father of lights,¹ whose God-design is the immortal birth-right of every man, chiseled not with a sculptor's tool but by the power, the love, and the wisdom of Almighty God to work* in living flesh a new heart, to renew the spirit of man, and to exalt him into the wonders of eternity.

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“I am my brother's keeper.”² You have heard these words and expressed them often. But how many, beloved ones, are able to express them perpetually and under any condition with which they may be confronted. This is so frequently the initiatic experience that individuals fail, and therefore they are not able to express the fullness of divine gratitude. For there is lacking in them the completion of that God-design, which impersonally loves all life and desires that the God-design of every individual shall manifest in that individual the fullness of the divine plan.

Open your hearts, then, all upon earth, to receive the fullness of divine gratitude. Let gratitude, like an army, march into your heart. Let it become amplified by the power of ten thousand times ten thousand. Let paeans of praise rise from your immortal being as from the angelic hosts, the cosmic beings, and the ascended masters.

“My Burden Is Light”

Beloved ones, do you think that in our octave we no longer express gratitude? I tell you, there is not a moment in existence in the eternal realms that we do not pour out our gratitude to God, and the wonders of our gratitude are far beyond the gratitude that we expressed before our ascension in the light. This is simple and easily rationalized by even an ordinary individual. For the wonders of heaven are progressive wonders, and the unfoldment of the consciousness of

^{*}to fashion, create

immortality is a divine revelation that begins after man's ascension to express in a wondrous manner that which could not have occurred before, simply because of the calcination within man's four lower bodies.

You see, beloved ones, as soon as enough of the calcination and karmic conditions are removed, individuals do not long remain upon this planet in a physical form but rise on wings of light and love into the higher octaves, where dwell the cosmic beings and the ascended masters.

And, beloved ones, in our octave the reality there is far more transcendent than those realities experienced here, and the wonders are easier in their manifestation. For the law of the fire—the law of the sacred fire—pours forth and immediately produces the perfection that we desire.

You, beloved ones, continue to struggle at times for your existence, for even the breath of life at times, because of the enclosure of the atom, because of the density of human creation, and because of that externalized ugliness that has been a burden upon mankind's back until en masse there have been times when the human race has resembled at inner levels a hunchback walking with a tremendous weight and burden upon its shoulders.

The presence of the Holy Christ manifested so that mankind might recognize the weight of light. You have heard the words of the Christ, "My burden is light."³ Well, beloved ones, the Christ, when he uttered those words, spake truly. For the light of God that never fails is the only responsibility and burden that rests upon cosmic shoulders.

Stop and think about this, beloved ones. It is true that the Father serveth and the Son serveth and the ascended masters continue to serve mankind. But it is effortless compared to human creation. For we but speak and the Word becomes flesh. That is to say, we but *desire* it, we but *will* it,

and God wills it through us. And with the speed of light, instantly there manifests in our octave the perfection of God and the wonders of God.

Yes, beloved ones, in our octave we continue to create and to expand the mighty consciousness of individual duality.⁴ For we are a *part* of God but we drink in the *all* of God from day to day, and there is never any "ultimate" anywhere in the universe but an ever-expanding, transcendental experience whereby those of us so counted worthy expand our light in cosmic initiations beyond compare.

Be Your Brother's Keeper

Beloved Gautama, the Lord of the World, had a series of experiences, even recently, that he will not discuss even with those of us who are his personal friends. This is because he cherishes these experiences so dearly that he desires to hold them between his own divine consciousness and the consciousness of God within the Great Central Sun.

There are certain experiences that come to individuals, beloved ones, that are so sacred that these individuals ought not to discuss them with one another but they ought to hold these experiences and to recognize that in doing so they will draw to themselves more and more of the wonders of heaven.

When these experiences are dissipated through idle conversation, there is a certain casting forth of the pearls before swine.⁵ For, beloved ones, even though an individual may be discussing these personal and private matters of their inner being with one who is on the Path, that one who is on the Path may not yet have developed spiritually to the point where he or she can thoroughly understand the wonders that the other individual may have experienced. And in ignorance of the Great Law, [though that one who was told of the experience] may desire to do right, he or she may

mock the one who related the experience, and consequently a karmic condition is established, which that beloved one must at some time pay for.

So, it is much better, in being your brother's keeper, to hold inviolate within your heart certain of the wondrous experiences that are afforded you at various times as sacred and thus secret.

This that I have expressed here is not a desire on the part of heaven to isolate you. But it is, rather, a desire on the part of heaven to bring you closer together in a great spiritual bond whereby as you draw closer to the sacred fire you will naturally gravitate closer to the sacred fire element within one another.

This work, beloved ones, is above and beyond personality. It is not desired, nor is it desirable for individuals in this work to merely seek to please the outer human self. It is far more desirable that they seek to please that mighty Divine Self, that mighty I AM Presence of all life, and thus win their eternal Victory.

Beloved ones, the mankind of earth, whose opinions are respected by so many (and this is understandable), can never grant you your ascension in the light. Even though the entire world should applaud your every act, this will not free you!

Beloved Jesus spoke long ago and said, "Friendship with the world is enmity with God."⁶ He did not desire that the students or the Christians who followed him should feel an enmity with mankind, but rather a friendship. And thus the deeper meaning of his words must be sought and understood.

In expressing, then, divine gratitude, you need have no fear, because divine gratitude is an impersonal love poured forth through the heart of your mighty I AM Presence. And, beloved ones, when you meet one another in the fields,

the forests, or the marketplace, you may praise the God within one another and expand that God Presence within one another whenever you expand the threefold flame by praising and blessing the threefold flame in that individual.

You may say, "Well, beloved Paul, I cannot expand the flame of God; only God can expand it." Well, beloved ones and dear hearts, let me say to you that you are now and forever a part of God. He destined you to be this, and only when you take command in his holy name to be your brother's keeper and to be the keeper of the sacred fire within him do you truly act the role of a God in manifestation.

And then the God in man is active in you, and you no longer are a "puny individual" seeking for praise and adulation from others by some exploit or some wondrous thing that you are able to externalize. But rather, you are great because the God in you is great! And then I think that "all these things shall be added unto you."⁷

Open the Door of Your Heart to the Power of Your Mighty I AM Presence

Name and fame, beloved ones, means nothing to God. For he can endow at a moment the smallest, the puniest, and the weakest individual with all of his power that the moment may require, and he can hallow individuals who may seem obscure and insignificant.

Beloved ones, remember that the angel appeared to the shepherds on the hillsides and filled their hearts with wonder and rejoicing at the birth of the Christ. So it is often, beloved ones, that the mighty I AM Presence chooses obscure and seemingly insignificant individuals for a mighty purpose. Often those individuals are not aware as to why they were chosen, and with incredulousness they turn to their fellowmen and say, "But I am not exactly fit for this. Why would

God choose me? There are so many others more talented, having greater honor.”

Well, beloved ones, the mighty I AM Presence makes no mistake and cannot fail. And although God has called all upon earth to a high and holy calling to externalize a beautiful and wonderful design that will make their hearts eternally grateful, it yet remains for individuals to accept the opportunities afforded them and to open up the doors of their own heart to the mighty power of their own mighty I AM Presence and to let that Presence flood through them the consciousness of the living Christ in manifestation.

[10-second pause]

O angels of liberty, thou wondrous beings who pulsate in the liberty flame, who have for so long served the cause of liberty and the holiness of its meaning upon earth, come now and expand thyself through the consciousness of these individuals, who have journeyed here as wise men of old to behold the Christ within themselves. Let them feel now the wonderful liberty to perceive God without blasphemy, to perceive God within themselves, to perceive God within the hearts of all mankind.

A Tribute to Saint Germain

Beloved Saint Germain, that wonderful friend of freedom known to many of you, deserves your support today as never before. He has never slackened nor has he been idle, but he has continued to serve the cause of freedom and the cause of liberty for the earth.

Let every elemental, every angel, every cosmic being pay him homage. And tonight, October 12, 1962, in commemoration of Columbus Day, I pay him homage in the holy name of God. [Congregation stands.]

[Paul the Venetian speaks to beloved Saint Germain:]

Holy brother, blessed be thy name. At the Cosmic Council meetings, all mankind so fortunate as to be present in their finer bodies will behold the hosts of light arise and pay thee tribute. As Archangel Michael said this very week, “Thou ancient mariner who sailed the sea from Isabella’s court and the land of the dons to the realm of Massasoit, the sachem, to establish here in America a nation dedicated to liberty and freedom, may thy name be forever blessed.”⁸

As a little boy long ago as the prophet Samuel, you said, “Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth.”⁹ Today your radiance covers the earth with the power of freedom. Christopher Columbus, Francis Bacon, illustrious soul journeying through the living years,¹⁰ thou livest still and forever, ascended and free—free not to serve mankind, if you would, but ever dedicated to this earth and the cause of freedom and the love of a people, who often do not know or appreciate all that thou doest for the light.

Hail, Saint Germain, thou friend of freedom eternal! May all honor thee, as thou so richly deservest. The Brotherhood saluteth thee and all who serve with thee in the cause of freedom.

Won’t you please be seated.

to be continued

“The Summit Lighthouse Sheds Its Radiance o’er All the World to Manifest as Pearls of Wisdom.” This previously unpublished dictation by **Paul the Venetian** was delivered by the Messenger of the Great White Brotherhood Mark L. Prophet on **Friday, October 12, 1962**, during the *Harvest Gathering* conference, held in Washington, D.C. Part 2 of this *Pearl of Wisdom* is published in this volume, no. 4. Any books listed in the endnotes are published by Summit University Press and are by Mark L. Prophet and/or Elizabeth Clare Prophet unless otherwise noted; available at <https://Store.SummitLighthouse.org>. [N.B. Bracketed words have been added for clarity in the written word.] (1) James 1:17. (2) See Gen. 4:9. (3) Matt. 11:30. (4) **Individual duality.** On May 27, 1962, beloved Jesus explained the meaning of individual duality. He said, “I am come to speak to those who are the lonely hearts among mankind to tell you that when you entered into the realm of your own individualized God-identity and stepped forth from the altar of heaven to claim an individual duality-expression separate and apart (yet never separate from the heart of the Father)—when you stepped forth to be vested with that individuality, you entered within the realm of separation, and yet a realm of never-separation. If you will only realize it, beloved ones, it was a realm of opportunity where you could acquire within the individualized duality all that the Father had within the immortal fire of his own cosmic being.” (5) Matt. 7:6. (6) James 4:4. (7) Matt. 6:33. (8) **As Archangel Michael said.** In the 1962 *Pearls of Wisdom*, vol. 5, no. 41, Archangel Michael saluted Saint Germain on the occasion of Columbus Day with the following words: “How few know the story of thy devotion. . . . Thou mariner of love, searching for a new land of the blessed; from Isabella’s court to the land of Massasoit, the sachem; from the fabled dominions of the dons to the wigwams dotting the prairies, the light of thy searching heart did shine.” Massasoit (1590–1661) was the “sachem,” or tribal chief, of the Wampanoag Native American tribe and is remembered for establishing a peaceful relationship with the Plymouth colony in Massachusetts. The “dominions of the dons” refers to Spain and its colonies. (9) I Sam. 3:9–10. The child Samuel was an embodiment of Saint Germain. (10) **Christopher Columbus and Francis Bacon** were previous embodiments of Saint Germain.

I Love You, Saint Germain

Refrain: I love you, Saint Germain
I love your violet flame
And I love your sacred name
Beloved Saint Germain!

Saint Germain, that magic name
Brings to all sweet Freedom’s flame
Enables all mankind to claim
All Light from whence they came.

Saint Germain, thy patience rare
Holds the earth in heaven’s care
Releases all life everywhere
In Freedom all may share.

Saint Germain, by love sublime
Let thy Spirit through all shine
Make all that’s human now divine
Beloved friend of mine.*

*This song is printed in the *Book of Hymns and Songs* (The Summit Lighthouse), no. 238.