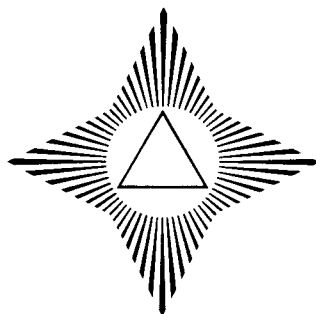


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The Lost Horizon

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MIRACLES IN THE WORLD OF THE FAIRY-TALE

In everyday speech the word "fantastic" often arises. When something is properly described as fantastic, one really means that it is supernatural or miraculous and that it is something which does not depend on natural laws. In a fairy-tale everything is possible. There can appear fairies with magic wands with which miracles are performed, or the genie of the lamp who makes its owner master of any situation. There appear witches and wizards who also have supernatural powers by which they are able to persecute people and avenge themselves or in the same way are able to help them if they so wish. There are elves and wood-sprites, gnomes and pixies and the most incredible events take place which amuse both children and adults. Perhaps the children do believe that it is all true but the adults will say that it is just imagination and invention, having no foundation in the world of reality.

THE WORLD OF THE FAIRY-TALE IS CREATED AND WRITTEN BY PEOPLE OF IMAGINATION

But from where, then, arise all the extraordinary thoughts and the whole circle of fantasy which is met in fairy-tales? One could say that it is the product of the writer's imagination. Of course, Hans Christian Andersen created a long list of wonderfully imaginative stories and the old folk-tales - passed down by word of mouth for centuries before being collected and written down in our day - these are without doubt also originally produced by people full of imagination. Yet imagination is not the full explanation of those happenings in the fairy-tale sphere of consciousness. We can say that the world of the fairy-tale does not exist at all in the same way as the physical world. The world of the fairy-tale is created and narrated by people. But from where do the writers get those ideas of supernatural beings and events - do they just catch them out of thin air?

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A SHORT-STORY
OR A NOVEL AND A FAIRY-TALE

The physical phenomena in fairy-tales are based on the writer's impressions from his physical surroundings. When he makes people good or evil, full of kindness or of hate, it is just something which he knows about from his daily life. He did not invent good or evil but only those variations of love and hate which he expresses in a fairy-tale. The principle of so-called good and evil does not originate from the writer but is something which has always been and always will be. If a writer relates only those events which are commonplace in the physical world, and nothing in his narrative relates to supernatural phenomena, then his story is not a fairy-tale but a short-story or a novel. In a product of this kind the writer has juggled freely with events and characters he has met and experienced himself within the scope of his physical horizon. He has used his imagination as well, of course, but only to depict physical relationships in particular variations. A fairy-tale, however, is a combination of physical facts and a certain variety of spiritual facts which make up a story where two different perspectives are overshadowing each other. One of the perspectives is of the physical world and the other is of the spiritual. The psychic, or spiritual,

world is just as little a discovery or an invention of the writer as the physical one. Only the variations and the different combinations he gives to the two worlds in a fairy-tale can be called his discovery or his invention, being obviously of a more or less high quality.

MODERN MAN'S PHYSICAL PERSPECTIVE HAS EXPANDED WHILE HIS SUPERNATURAL OR SPIRITUAL PERSPECTIVE HAS SHRUNK

The less materially developed people are, the more their literature appears in the form of fairy-tales, which means a number of stories infiltrated by phenomena both from the physical and the spiritual worlds. But the more materialistically developed people are, the less there is in their literature of supernatural or spiritual matters. This is to say, then, that as people gradually become more and more attracted to material things, something gets lost on the way. One of the two perspectives which at one time vibrated in the consciousness of mankind does not work any more, while the other develops at its own cost. Modern man's physical perspective has expanded so that it embraces much more than just this world. He observes far-off globes through powerful telescopes and measures distances to the sun and calculates the pathways of distant heavenly bodies far into the future.

His physical perspective has also expanded to take in the world of matter which is observed through microscopes and worked out with mathematical calculations. Meanwhile Man's spiritual perspective has shrunk and his psychic abilities have degenerated so that in the materialistic man of today they only exist as rudiments without energy. For those people attuned to material things, all that has to do with psychic phenomena is a "fairy-tale" or "make believe", and they can tolerate these phenomena only in connection with stories where fairies can make themselves invisible, for instance, or witches can move mountains or bewitch princes and princesses, turning them to stone or into animals, and so forth. But that the accounts in fairy-tales - as in novels and narratives having their roots in a real physical world - should in any way have their roots in a real world of psychic or spiritual facts, this they will categorically deny, just as they deny that people live on after death, yes, and also even deny that there is a God. These people consider the concept that there is a God, or that someone continues to live after the physical body has gone, as belonging to the nursery, together with the elves and pixies in fairy-tales.

THE SPHERE OF THE FAIRY-TALE WILL
ONCE AGAIN HAVE ENTRY INTO THE MIND
OF MAN AS SPIRITUAL KNOWLEDGE

Just as in fairy-tales there can be exaggerations and distortions of psychic reality which make the story imperfect to a certain extent, so can there just as well be exaggerated and distorted concepts in the materialistic setting which make that imperfect also. This imperfection consists mostly in the denial of psychic or spiritual facts, in other words, of the existence of a psychic horizon. But this imperfect setting for life's phenomena will not continue to be the dominating one among people on earth. The sphere of the fairy-tale will once again have entry into the mind of man, but it will not be as superstition, witchcraft or magic, it will be as spiritual knowledge through which people will achieve an insight into the greatest of all existing fairy-tales - the fairy-tale of life itself.

THE FANTASTIC IS NOT SUPERNATURAL
BUT HAPPENS THROUGH UNIVERSAL LAWS
Everything which has been discovered by physical research during the last century is the commencement of the most wonderful fairy-tale which will surpass by far every one of the fairy-tales writers have created. All those figures in fairy-tales with their supernatural powers and abilities could never appear in the imagination of writers if they were not in one way or another in accordance with those psychic realities which affect the physical world. In

our time people have actually begun to experience the world of the fairy-tale and its physical fulfilment without having the ability yet to see the fantastic in all that is now gradually growing up around them. Nevertheless, in our world of to-day there does exist both the "flying carpet" and the "genie of the lamp" as found in "The Arabian Nights" although in another form from that used by the imaginative writers of old. What is the modern aeroplane but the realization in physical material of the old dream or idea that men should be able to fly through the air and move with speed from one place to another? Most certainly it is not supernatural or miraculous that man can nowadays fly through the air; on the contrary, it is just because he has gradually learned to know the laws of nature in greater and ever greater measure and to make himself their master. And mankind will gradually come to realise that the fairy-tale is not supernatural but follows universal laws which still have not been thoroughly understood. Are not the scientific knowledge and the technical skill which are manifesting themselves in many places in the world exactly like "genies of the lamp", providing help which can make people steadily more superior in more and more difficult situations? With the help of a scientifically constructed technique, people can,

so to say, "move mountains", and they can throw a bridge across to the world of the unseen with the technical use of rays and waves. Thus is science recognizing an unseen world, although it does not perceive it in the same way as did the writers of fairy-tales. There has never been anyone who has seen an atom, neither can rays or sound-waves be seen directly, only their effects are visible, so they are indeed unseen realities, and in fact the modern world could not exist at all as it does, if man had not in so many respects learned to know the invisible world and to use its powers.

"THE GUARDIAN OF THE THRESHOLD"

The psychic powers known by the terrestrial man of to-day which make up the world of rays and waves are really just a modest introduction to all the fantastic things which will occur when Man is morally mature enough to be able to unfold a much greater creative ability than he has at present. As long as Man continues to use the powers extracted with his intelligence from Nature's very source in order to kill and destroy for the benefit of a few and to the hurt of many, so will there still remain the "guardian of the threshold" in every single person's own mind, an element which holds it back - from a cosmic point of view - a dead state of

materialism and narrow-mindedness. It is this condition which is symbolized in the old fairy-tale where the prince and princess are turned to stone. But, just as in the fairy-tale, when the ones turned to stone are turned back again to real life because the spell has been broken, so will mankind - at present "turned to stone" - gain experience of the psychic or spiritual horizon which has become lost through materialism, and then - the spell being broken - life's own fairy-tale will show itself in a new, continuous and ever more wonderful perspective.

THROUGH COSMIC ANALYSIS TERRESTRIAL MAN CAN LEARN TO KNOW HIMSELF

Spiritual science is the main factor through which mankind will regain the lost horizon, cleansed from all superstition and false concepts. Through my cosmic analysis, terrestrial man can learn to know himself and his cosmic position on the ladder of evolution. He will learn to see and understand why his fate is in many ways dark and sad, and that it is he himself who has sown the seed of it all in earlier lives and must now reap the effects. But at the same time he has the possibility of beginning to sow a new seed through his thinking and his behaviour whereby he can begin to create a new future for himself which is a part of the future for all mankind. By practising what he has grasped

through spiritual science, terrestrial man will be able to overcome the above-mentioned "guardian of the threshold" in his mind and through a balance between feelings and intelligence - which will be the result of overcoming it - he will begin to develop the ability to experience intuitively. The impact of intuition into the consciousness of mankind is thus the same as regaining the lost horizon.

MAN'S PSYCHIC ABILITY WILL DISAPPEAR TO THE ADVANTAGE OF INTUITION

Before terrestrial man lost the ability to experience the psychic world, it was, on the contrary, not intuition but instinct and primitive feelings which connected him with spiritual realities. Everybody had - as certain people still have - what are called psychic faculties. People were, either more or less, all clairvoyants or mediums, or they could hear voices or tell omens and so forth. Some even used their gifts for black magic and were therefore really a kind of witch or wizard. It was a sort of "second sight" the old story-tellers had that created the psychic side of fairy-tales. But as it was based on their instincts and feelings, they were not able to recognize the psychic realities behind what they were "seeing". Their imagination worked and filled out what the lack of knowledge and insight could not fill

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A small craft is crossing the immense ocean of eternity. It is travelling in space - floating among the stars, moving in the "heavens". The name of this little vessel is the "Earth". Human beings are its most distinguished passengers. It carries other passengers, however - all other beings belonging to the terrestrial forms of life. The vessel is a kind of Noah's Ark. This craft is travelling on a set course, going as far as the "Ocean" goes. The name of the route is "Time". Thus, Time and Eternity are equal in duration. Time, however, like any other much travelled route, or highway, is divided up into units of measurement. The kind of units recognized by terrestrial man as milestones on his cosmic voyage are those we were taught and know: years, months, weeks, days, hours and seconds. The years are of most importance for the individual being, and every "New Year" is a fundamental "milestone" on the route through space travelled by man on earth. There are, of course, "milestones" for much greater distances on this route, e.g., centuries and thousands or millions of years. However, such units are for the "celestial travellers" who have attained a life on a plane of consciousness where: "A thousand years are as one day and one day as a thousand years", and this kind of "passenger" is still very rare on earth. This vehicle is still too primitive for such passengers. For their state of consciousness it is not yet adequately provided with suitable, comfortable "cabins", "saloons", or "staterooms", adapted to real human manifestation, or fit for beings solely existing and experiencing through "The Holy Ghost", i. e. for beings, who, long ago united in balanced male and female polarity, have left the mammal zone behind them, and as perfected godlike men have risen again in "the Kingdom which is not of this world". These beings have their own special "vehicles" - bright and beautiful

worlds, oases between suns, harmonies of colour, rays of light and charitable love.

On earth this is not so, for it is not yet fit for "celestial travellers" of such rank and its best, most stately rooms can be rated no higher than "stables", designed as they are for beings of partly animal consciousness. Beings who because of their male and female burdens as individuals of the mammal zone by natural instinct can only regard the opposite sex as their "neighbours", and thus are able to practice only towards that sex part of the great commandment: Love one another. Like animals they are so far only able to comprehend Love through marriage, progency and the family; hence they know love only in the "germ", and not in the form of a "flower", or full culmination. The noblest "passengers" on the earth must still room with the animals, must still "eat with the swine". The earth is still a "ship" for undeveloped beings, "prodigal sons" - albeit on a course in the "heavens" set for the Eternal Father.

Thus, like a little star, the earth floats on through time and space, bound, as said, for Eternity, heading for the Eternal Father, the Centre of the World, the "fixed point" of all things. Its aim and goal is harmony and love. As it gets nearer and nearer the land of real happiness, which must essentially influence its spiritual atmosphere, this influence, consequently, is manifested as the "bright radiance from the divine, creative principle", mentioned in "Livets Bog" ("The Book of Life"). Approximately two thousand time-units, or New Year's ago, the earth on its cosmic run sighted its first faint gleam of light from a glorified land. These gleams of light, throwing from afar their radiance up on the mundane "Heavenly Ship", are the three, great religious world systems: Buddhism, Christianity, and Islam, and were the greatest, illuminated moments on the vessel, for they were fundamental tokens of a "promised land" ahead. They were visible proofs of the earth's bearing towards the centre of the

world, the originator of culture and civilization, the source of all harmony, happiness and love. These religions, then, were the outposts of a glorified zone, the visible distinctive signs of the earth's accelerating run towards the Kingdom of Light, the Sun of Suns.

Thus, for the last few thousands of years the small, heavenly vessel, in the shape of the earth has been within the radiance of light from the Father's Kingdom. However, this fact does not preclude that the same vessel, thousands of years earlier, in a culture of outstanding high quality, may have experienced even very strong gleams of light from this divine atmosphere. However, it was still too far away from the centre of the light. Dense "cosmic clouds" (the dark emanation from the Divine Creative Principle, cf. Livets Bog) welled out and obscured the light, so that the earth was floating in darkness once more, only now and again faintly illumined by "memories" from the past. These "memories" may still show traces in primitive man's moral concepts and ideas about life, though fragmentary, and in a very disintegrated or obscured form.

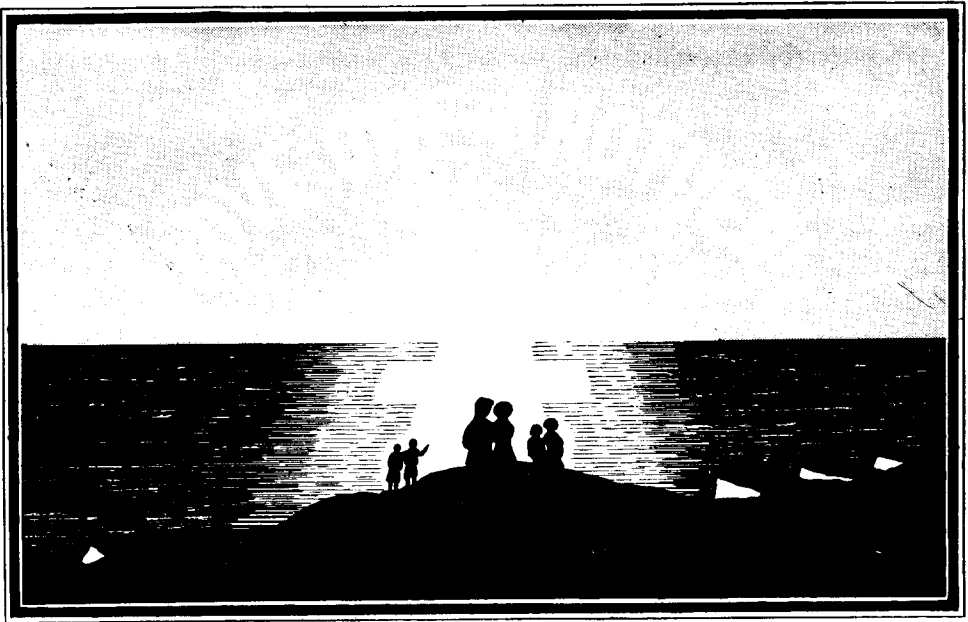
However, the earth has now come so close to the source of light that the cosmic clouds can no longer obscure the light completely. Never again in this spiral cycle shall the earth move in complete darkness. Naturally this does not imply that human beings consequently are exempt from everything of an unpleasant nature; on the contrary. The more the earth approaches the light, the more it is illumined and the more its imperfections become evident. Things which formerly seemed advantageous, magnificent and agreeable in the darkness, now often in the first rays of light appear highly detrimental and insidious. For example, in the darkness of former days, conquest, manslaughter, war, and revenge were regarded as man's highest aim, the highest and finest purpose of life, whereas these realities when seen in the light are revealed as the forces that stimulate into action everything in-

volved in the concept of "an unhappy fate", everything connected with suffering and pain. Thus, that which in the darkness was perceived as "Paradise" becomes visible as "Hell" when seen in the light.

It is easily seen of course that no great harmony, happiness or equanimity can exist on earth when passing through such a state of revelation. Just as everything illuminated from without by a source of light has a shady side, so also has the earth a shady side: the one facing the darkness, or looking away from the spiritual light ahead in its cosmic course. It is obvious that the "passengers" on the earth who are placed on a part of the "deck", or in a "cabin", facing the light, will be influenced by the revelations and will get a different kind of understanding of the earth and existence thereon than those in that part of the "vessel" obscured in darkness or looking away from the Light. It is natural that opinions must differ as to what constitutes perfection, as to what is "Hell" or what is "Paradise". Thus the views of the "passengers" are quite at variance from the least to the greatest detail of life, be it hygiene, diet, and clothing, or the understanding of life's own great problems, its laws, immortality, ethics and Christian love. However, with such divergent views any form of peace, harmony or equanimity is without basic possibilities on the earth at present, or as long as it has not run so far on its celestial course into the Light as to be surrounded by it on all sides, so that none of the "passengers" is in darkness. The possibility of peace has become still less in the last few years owing to the fact that the earth has at present entered into another huge, cosmic wave of Light from the Divine Kingdom ahead. As the meeting of the earth with this wave of Light is two thousand time-units nearer to the source of Light than at its meeting with the wave of Light of the religious systems, the former wave of Light will of course be of much greater strength, of much brighter radiance, than the latter. Thus a still greater contrast between Light and Darkness will manifest itself. Mani-

festations which in the wave of Light of the religious systems appeared to be perfect now in the wave of Light or world impulse turn out to be imperfect. Details which in the effulgence of the religious seemed quite insignificant and meaningless trifles, sometimes in the stronger Light become evident, or are revealed as great momentous realities in the destiny of the single individual, the cause of their great distress and suffering. Equally with the growing contrast between Light and Darkness, the anxiety and disharmony among the "passengers" of the earth also increases. The fight between Light and Darkness is intensified and will be gradually more violent as the earth gets closer and closer to the highest universal Source of Light. Once more blood will be shed over the continents of the Earth as highly differing concepts of Light and Darkness will set mankind against one another. Each one believes himself to be working in the service of happiness and light, and rallies all his energy and strength to the task of carrying out his own ideas and plans. Many parties arises, religious as well as political, and each one believes itself to contain just that specific blessing which is to save humanity from the present chaos and its erratic ways. However, the ideas to the side of darkness still predominate and further increase in strength, while the bright side grows stronger and stronger. Here too the laws of nature are effective: the brighter the light, the darker the shadow. However, the light will gradually come so close that the shady side must vanish completely. It almost seems as if the shady side is suspecting approaching doom for it is indeed already engaged in a kind of death struggle. Some of this we experienced during the eventful years, 1914-1918. It is a topic familiar to millions of people all the world over. Throughout one four-year long night of horrors they had the experience of "Hell" in the highest degree. After that dark night, however, light broke through anew. Nevertheless, the Darkness was not entirely vanquished, because the earth was still too far away from the great source of Light, and the Light could not altogether

subdue the shady side. "Hell" persisted on the earth in new forms and immense energies or powers from the shady side continue to flourish. New fantastic lethal weapons have been invented and now the earth is equipped to prove the killing principle in such a convincing manner and with such encompassing power that never before in its cosmic course through space has it met with anything like it. The deluge and the World War are mere trifles compared with the manifestation of darkness it is possible to let loose on the earth at present. Actually it is only waiting for the impulse to come forth like "a thief in the night" for manifestation, and therefore the parable of "the ten virgins" is more applicable today than at any other time in the history of the world. "No one knoweth the day nor the hour of its coming". However, the time is near. Death, sorrow and suffering will again reap its grim harvest in the continents of the earth, again "weeping and the grinding of teeth" will reach the highest mark. Therefore the divine warning, "watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is willing, but the flesh is weak", ought to reverberate with renewed strength throughout the world, it ought to be broadcast from all the radio stations of the world so that it might penetrate right into the Kraals of the Zulus, into the wattle-work huts of the Fuegians, and all the way up to the northern-most settlements in the ice-fields wastes, and through East and West alike. It cannot be cried too loudly that the earth is hastening towards the "end of the world". Everyone must be prepared. A great scheme in the divine plan of the world has to be completed to perfection. The earth is to be flung on to a new cosmic orbit, where everything not of "Purity" and Love shall stay without. The strong vibrations from the Zone of the Father dissolves all such details as are not isolated in Love.



And thus an atmosphere of Light has commenced sparkling and glittering, wholly vibrating in the great commandment "Love one another" (drawing by Martinus).

While mankind is arming for combat, manslaughter and wounding each other - while the "passengers" on the shady side are preparing not to turn the right cheek to him who smites when struck on the left cheek, not to show clemency to his neighbour, but to let him slave instead as much as possible for him, to maintain himself in luxurious living and enjoyment at the cost of the health and vigour, happiness and well-being of others, and to seek revenge, to hate and persecute as much as possible, and so on - the earth is rolling along, as said before, into another immense, cosmic wave of Light issuing from the "Zone of the Father" and throwing its beams forward through space. This wave of Light will accelerate the evolution of the earth. However, forced development means increased suffering. Terrestrial man will receive in concentrated form, distributed over a relatively

short period of time, the remaining part of his sufferings, i. e., the recurrent effects caused by his wrong mode of living. Thus his sufferings will be more severe, than if they were distributed over a longer period of time. In return this will cause a corresponding acceleration of the earth's run towards the regions of Light, and so mankind's heavenly vehicle will not only catch "sight" of the "Land of Promise" over a shorter period than three thousand years ahead, but will also get so far into its regions of light that the shady side for the most part will have been cleared away by that time. Then the earth will have left the animal zone, the killing principle, behind and will no longer be a vehicle for sorrow, illness and wounds, but by its completed passage through the Zone of Suffering it will now be a cosmic "vessel" carrying "divine travellers", who have "finished their course", have attained certainty and have become one with the Father.

Therefore let us bid the New Year welcome, remembering that terrestrial man at the turn of the old year has moved one unit of time closer to the regions of happiness, and that its members, after all, in spite of present and coming miseries, are "celestial travellers", immortal "passengers" on a star in a galaxy heading for the peaks of Life, Light and Happiness. And so even now, up above the dark earth, the dark animal kingdom from the far horizon ahead an atmosphere of Light has commenced sparkling and glittering, wholly vibrating in the great commandment of Charity:

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Question 16.

Will the recognition of reincarnation influence world morality?

Answer:

As long as reincarnation is not accepted by public opinion or the great majority of terrestrial mankind it will be impossible for an absolutely perfect or just world morality to manifest itself. As long as one does not understand reincarnation, understanding of the true or absolute world-picture will be an impossibility. The modern materialistic world-picture is not the true one. It only constitutes a series of analyses of the material content and paths of globes and Milky Ways - a knowledge which does not have even the slightest influence on world morality. And as long as the psycho-physical world-picture constitutes an unknown phenomenon, its structure and laws, including its moral laws, will remain unknown. It is precisely this ignorance which today gives rise to the following expressions:

"There is no justice"; "Life is a result of chance"; "Every man for himself" etc. And so one organizes the conduct of one's life on this basis. One cannot understand that there can be justice in a world where one sees that some children are born into ill-health, wretched poverty and misery to unloving parents who bring them up to be criminals, while other children are born into a life of wealth and happiness, protected by loving parents, gaining admittance to the highest and most respected circles in the community. Some children are born very untalented while others are born with brilliant talents and abilities. One child is born as a genius; another is born mentally handicapped. Some living beings are slaves who must work and toil and exert themselves for others who can then make a profit from their labours and themselves live a life of luxury. Some living beings die of gluttony and idleness; others die from hunger and over-exertion. Some children die immediately after birth while others manage to live to be a hundred. Some children are born with an exceptionally magnanimous and friendly psyche, and others are born with a mentality which can only produce the behaviour of a bandit or a thief. How could there be justice in a world where everything is apparently completely meaningless and the good things of life

are so unequally divided?
Although ecclesiastical Christianity seeks to explain this apparent injustice with religious dogmas and traditions which express the world-picture in the image of an almighty Godhead who is the creator and controller of all living beings, it has not been able, by this means to submit phenomena which prove that the world-picture is the culmination of justice and love. In this its helplessness it has had to capitulate with the expression: "The ways of God are inscrutable". What has brought ecclesiastical Christianity to this intellectual capitulation or barrenness and the consequent sharp reduction in the number of Christians in the world is its teaching about a Godhead who is declared to be almighty, all-loving and all-knowing and who nevertheless allows an enormous majority of his created living beings to end up in an eternal hell - a state of agony and torment from which they could never in all eternity be free. This terrible agony is said to be a punishment for errors or mistakes committed in a single physical life on earth. How can an eternal or everlasting punishment be justly commensurate with a temporary or finite phenomenon? And how can the created be punished for their own imperfection? They have, of course, not created themselves but are the product of a creator. Must

not this creator then have the responsibility? When the creator is almighty, why does He then create living beings knowing in advance, because of His omniscience, that they will end up in Hell? If He cannot create these living beings perfectly, He is not almighty, and if He does not know in advance that they will end up in Hell He is not all-knowing and if He knows in advance that they will end up in Hell but does not wish to free them from this great agony - indeed in addition sends the greatest part of His created beings there, He is not all-loving. Imagine if such a Godhead underwent a mental examination. What must the diagnosis be? A creative beings whose greatest work is the production of living beings with a mental or spiritual structure which inevitably condemns them to a life culminating in perpetual pain and suffering from which there is no escape, a condition in which they must eternally utter their death-cries in vain to their totally unfeeling and unmerciful creator, whose omnipotence and omniscience could have prevented this entire diabolical panorama and could thereby have created a sunlit, radiant existence for all - such a creator must be totally unloving. As living beings in Hell can never in all eternity be released from their torment, their stay there would be totally devoid of any ben-

eficial or useful purpose for the beings themselves. If almighty God nevertheless inexorably maintains these beings in eternal torment, it can only be because it is a source of pleasure to Him. But a being who finds pleasure in seeing living beings helplessly maintained in terrible torment can only be abnormal. His diagnosis can only be expressed by one word: "Sadism".

It is this devil in its purest form hidden in the dogma's out-dated terminology, this hundred per cent paganism in the religious traditions which has long been causing Christianity to lose those followers who begin to think for themselves. One appreciates that there must be a Being of Love or a Christ in flesh and blood in order to dim, crumble and disintegrate this sadistic image of the master of the universe. This image of a sick Godhead cannot possibly give the developed researcher inspiration and adequate assurance of justice and so a fundamental basis for the creation of a higher morality. As the other great world religions also contain comprehensive pagan dogmas or conceptions which cannot bear real intellectual scrutiny, these religions will likewise lose their followers in ratio to the speed at which people's intellectual faculties unfold. Paradises attended by soulless Valkyries, not

to mention the fear of becoming a crocodile, a snake, an octopus or some other sort of creeping thing if one does not fulfil the dictates of one's religion, will disappear like dark clouds before intellectual light. And Man must seek new mental and psychical bases for the creation of morality. Since modern materialistic science, as previously mentioned, can only give Man analyses of substance or matter, it cannot possibly solve the mystery of life. Life consists not only of substance or matter but also of that life which directs and manifests itself through substance or matter. This science therefore cannot possibly create the basis for morality. Spiritual or mental darkness, Godlessness, or denial of the existence of Providence controls daily life in the domain of materialistic science. Possession of the largest army and navy, or fighting forces with the greatest possible capacity to kill, murder and destroy must therefore be considered as the only effective security measure or safeguard. Therefore everything here becomes more a question of Might than of Right. And here terrestrial Mankind, who is so very full of materialistic knowledge and ability, must place himself at the level of the animals and arrange his life according to the law of the jungle - 'Might is Right'. As Man differs

from the animals by being an ethical being, which means that he is destined to have to live according to the principle 'Right is Might', he cannot live according to the law of the jungle - 'Might is Right' - without undermining the true human experience of life, which is permanent peace, happiness and joy based upon the understanding of, and love towards, everyone and everything. The morality of the jungle can only give terrestrial Man an animal experience of life, which is the same as a permanent existence on guard against dreaded evils, sorrows and sufferings, intensified in the case of terrestrial Man to the same degree as he has intensified his animal appearance with artificial weapons for defence and attack. And this intensified following of the law of the jungle is today the morality of the world. The relationship between states and people is determined by this. That life, therefore, to a corresponding degree must become animal-like instead of humane, must become war instead of peace, follows as a matter of course. After this capitulation of religion and materialism, the new incipient spiritual science, with its cosmic analyses of the living something behind matter or substance and its portrayal of the real psychophysical world-picture, will be the only practicable path yet revealed towards world peace. Here

reincarnation or the individual's eternal existence becomes understood from an unshakeable logical basis. Through the knowledge of this eternal existence one sees that one is the first cause, creator and originator of one's own fate, and that absolutely none of one's fellow beings or one's surroundings could ever be the cause of where we are born, who we receive as parents, which environment or circumstances we belong to, which sorrows, sufferings or other forms of unpleasantness we experience. These fellow-beings and surroundings will never be able to be anything other than the means or tools through which we, with our own being, consciously or unconsciously cause or form our own experience of life, which is of course the same as our fate. As our fate can only be the effect of causes we ourselves have created, partly in this present terrestrial life and partly in previous terrestrial lives, there is nothing to be justifiably angry about, no one to blame for any unpleasantness or unhappy event in our fate. We see that all unpleasantness is an expression of our own imperfection in the art of living and therefore helps us to learn from every form of unpleasantness or every kind of experience. Thus spiritual science's analyses of reincarnation and the world-picture completely

removes the great superstition that one can cause injustice and suffer injustice. It removes any kind of basis for martyrdom and shows that every form of hate, anger, envy or, in brief, every form of lack of love is the Fall or error of the yet unfinished or cosmically blind terrestrial man. As Falls or errors give one experiences, and experiences lead to knowledge of life, and knowledge of life leads to cosmic clear-sightedness or cosmic initiation, which forms the basis for the perfect, humane man or the being in God's image, then all Falls or errors are thus useful and absolutely essential

in the divine world-plan and thereby verify as fact the eternal words "Everything is very good". When the cosmic analyses of reincarnation become inevitable, fully aware day-conscious realization among the majority of terrestrial mankind, love will replace the law of the jungle in the prevailing world morality. Harmony and peace, art and science, beauty and joy will then be the prevailing, radiant links between all the peoples, nations, races and individuals of the world.

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out, and thus there arose in people's consciousness the sphere of the fairy-tale. One believed that sprites and pixies, or whatever one would now call these psychic beings, actually lived in rocks and mountains, as if there were actual caves in there, for it was considered that those beings were very nearly physical. What happened was that they quite often materialized when they came near to ordinary people and dematerialized again a short time after, and therefore it was thought that they had disappeared into the rocks.

IN A VERY PURE ATMOSPHERE PEOPLE CAN SOMETIMES SENSE CERTAIN BEINGS FROM THE SPIRITUAL WORLD

There are still places in the world where, conditions permitting, such events can occur, for example in Iceland in a district where there live only a few families spread over wide mountain valleys miles away from the centre of civilization. Here the atmosphere is still completely free from people's impure vibrations. This pure unsullied atmosphere cannot be spoilt by a single person, it can, in the worst case, only be influenced as much as

could a drop of dirty water affect the Atlantic ocean. In this pure atmosphere certain beings and phenomena in the spiritual world vibrate so strongly that sometimes they can be sensed by the people who live there. These people, born in that solitude, are children of nature's purity and have preserved much of their ability for psychic sensing, and that is why they often experience manifestations from the spiritual world mixed in with the physical one. Besides, these people very often possess an excess of what in my analysis is called A-matter, a substance which everyone possesses to greater or lesser degree. When spiritual beings come near these people, they can draw out this A-matter and with it materialize themselves. But as it lasts only a short time, they soon disappear again, thus manifesting the combination of physical and psychic experiences we have in fairy-tales.

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But it is not mediumism or emotionally-based clairvoyance or other forms of those abilities which at one time were dominant in everyone that are going to re-develop so that terrestrial man can find the happiness and peace for which he is longing. All those abilities are as pools of water remaining behind on the beach when the tidal waters recede. Intuition will be the power, as I have said, through which a person will experience consciousness of, and obtain full insight into, psychic realities, and this will lead to "cosmic consciousness" for those people who in all things wish to follow the words of the World Redeemer: "I have not come into the world to be served, but to serve."

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