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Dear Reader,

One day a friend of mine asked me if it was not possible that the world spiritually was too young to accept a new physical and spiritual "Golden Age".

As I thought that a brief reply to this question would be no reply at all, I asked the person if I might answer through the "contact department" - and here is my reply:

It is a natural thing that people nowadays ask themselves whether human beings are actually ripe for what is often described as a completely new world. For never before have the evil forces of war and destruction so materialized in the shape of ingenious methods of killing as in our century. In all countries from the smallest to the largest they talk about peace and defence and at the same time they are openly preparing a war, which, apart from what might otherwise be thought of it, is bound to be the most frantic culmination of all destructive forces. Should this war be a reality, the world will become new in the sense that all that we know and accept as an expression of culture will be completely destroyed, for a war with atom-, hydrogen- and cobolt-bombs will quite simply change the whole structure of our globe.

The present world is like a patient with one or several cancerous tumours in its organism. When these tumours were on their harmless stage, they probably worried the patient occasionally, but nothing indicated something particularly dangerous.

One of the most dangerous slogans in the world is indeed the words "There have always been wars and there always will be wars". This awkward, special condition, in the world's organism has simply been accepted in the same way as a sick person who has been ill for so long a time that he has acquired a talent for patiently bearing his disease that, without knowing it, he has begun to look on his condition as a normal one.

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In the world's organism, however, the condition is that it has become evident to any of its more intelligent "micro-individuals" that as things are now they cannot continue. The constant and gradually increasing "fever" is a too open sign of illness. The tumours have simply grown so big that their contours can be noticed. In one big group these "tumours" are called "Imperialistic capitalism", and in the other group "Communist slave dictatorship". Each of these groups is mobilizing against the other believing that if only they have the chance of using the "surgeon's knife" the world will once more become healthy and sound, and the long expected "Golden Age" will be the result.

As a matter of fact, tumours may be either benign or malignant. In this particular case anybody can see that the tumours are so malignant that they threaten the world organism with destruction, and many people do really have the conception that if a third world war should start, it will simply mean the end of the world. It is strange to see that irrespective of the enormous numbers of temples, mosques, and churches, and irrespective of the fact that millions of people all over the world every day perform their special religious cult, nobody dare seriously ask the question whether the Godhead would actually permit a total destruction of the human race who for millenniums have worshipped him. Nobody wants to be the laughing stock if they can help it and it is therefore easier to mention the world crisis as a result of political coincidences and mistakes instead of trying to find the real course in the inmost part of the human soul.

As I myself belong to the category of people who on the one hand realizes that a third world war may start any time, but on the other hand in no circumstances whatsoever can or will accept that this catastrophe means the end of the world, my answer to the question will be quite different than if the same question was asked by a professional politician. When I accept the idea that a third world war is likely to start in this century it is because I too can see that as things are now they cannot continue. But further I accept unconditionally the existence of a real godhead, and without any fright I accept that he is going to use the "surgeon's knife", knowing that he will not undertake the operation until the condition of the patient is the best possible both with regard to the intervention and the probably somewhat long recuperation. The human race is very young and very strong. As a living organism this race has from its "awakening" from a purely animal stage in a numerous number of ways lived so much against the cosmic laws that the result arrived at today may only surprise he who does not understand the existence of these laws. Infringement of the laws will only be allowed to continue a certain time, then there will come a "day of judgment". The human race has experienced several of these "days

of judgment" without being destroyed, in the same way as ordinary criminals do not usually die because of the sentences they face.

In this case, however, it is a question of repetitions of a behaviour which to an immensely high degree is contrary to the cosmic laws. We who have experienced the "First World War" and the "Second World War" know that when the catastrophe was at its highest, the earth resounded by the words "Never another war". As normally repentant criminals we besought the "Supreme Power" that if we would come through this catastrophe alive, then we would create the "League of Nations", and war should from now on be taboo. Very well, the storm blew over, and we created the "League of Nations", and we then started preparing a new war as soon as the worst threats of destruction had died away. This new war became a fact and once more we besought the "Supreme Power".

Once more we were spared, and once more we created a new defence work against a future war. This defence work was called "The United Nations". Enormous sums have been invested on this splendid idea, but still rather modest amounts compared to the amounts wasted in connection with the preparations of a new war.

We have asked ourselves whether the nature of human being is hopelessly criminal. Definitely not. He is only terribly ignorant and still more terribly fettered by convention that war as nature's own remedy to organize things is considered something almost sacrosanct. A law which we all know and which we interpret like this: "He who refuses to listen to reason must feel it".

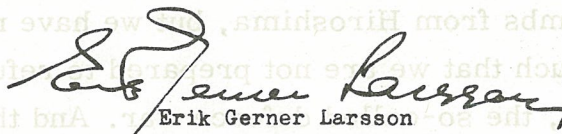
This does not only apply to single individuals it applies to nations, globe and universal beings too. And is it not a blessing? For this law will at some future time reach us, and the result will be the basis of a new state of things.

It is true that we have listened to the roaring of the cannons and the thunder of the atom bombs from Hiroshima, but we have not felt enough at this, anyhow, not so much that we are not prepared to refuse to participate in the witches' dance, the so-called defence war. And therefore we shall also get our part of the cosmic education, which is approaching as a huge universal fate wave. And then, what afterwards? Shall we still be alive? Will the world not become a smoking site of fire. No, definitely not. It will be a patient who has been freed from his deadly serious tumour, and after a fixed period of convalescence it will wake up to face a new glorious life. My answer to the question will therefore be approximately as follows: A new physical and spiritual "Golden Age" can never be the result of a human race who has not wide-awake and "day consciously" made it clear how dangerous it is to occupy one's mind with "War thoughts". Such a human race is not ripe enough for a new state of

things. The only human beings who are ripe are those who through their own crises and own way of thinking have arrived at the perception that we are today in the midst of a huge evolution which might lead to terrible catastrophes, but never to the end of life, which so many people are worried about. In a future combat among nations the "cosmic fate wave" will inevitably hit the most bellicious or the "goats", which in each camp are preparing themselves for the "day of reckoning", whereas all the meek, the peace-loving and spiritually deeply understanding people, all the "sheep", by forces often unknown to themselves, will be removed to places where they may feel the flames lick their bodies, but they will not be hurt.

For also a tumour consists of living beings and in this special case of all those who have not yet done away with the "glorification of war" in their mind. To experience this glory is the aim of these beings. Nobody can stop them from steering towards this goal, for without reaching this goal and experiencing the total collapse of illusions with their own senses they will never in their heart be born peace-lovers. Temporality and inconstancy are integral in the same way as are perception and eternity. He who really understands, does not disregard "Sun and Moon". He bends meekly his head for the things he sees with his own eyes straight through the fake of temporality. This vision has nothing to do with the purple flower of war. If you understand it completely it is in the deepest and sincerest concert with the truth we all know through the words: " - and he looked at the earth and behold all was very good"!

With kindest regards from Martinus and all our co-workers  
sincerely yours



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Martinus:

## HUMANITY AT ONE WITH GOD

### The Biblical announcement of the Day of Doom, and its Fulfilment

In the Bible it is foretold that one day it will be the fate of humanity to suffer a fearful Doomsday, or Armageddon, in which the Prince of Evil will wreak vengeance on all and sundry. All mankind will harass and murder his fellow, and all will be at war with all. In reality, this prophesy heralds nothing less than the very culmination of Darkness, or of so-called "Evil". But it also predicts that, after this dark epoch of doom, a new kingdom will arise which will finally come to embrace the entire globe, and in this new kingdom Justice and Righteousness will be the irrevocable order of the day. Humanity will then comprise only "one flock and one shepherd", or in other words, will comprise a single people, with a single government, a single religion (the Holy Ghost) and a single God. Darkness will then have disappeared, and humanity will finally be saved or released from the murderous and devastating forces of Armageddon, or Doomsday.

Can there be any truth in this prophesy? - Is there really to be such a fearful Reign of Terror, and, if so, what useful purpose might be served by such a calamity? - Quite apart from the fact that the announcement of this epoch has also been confirmed by Christ's own words, it would in the long run not be of much value, were it not that life itself emphasizes the fulfilment of the prophesy as a living reality to us here in the twentieth century.

### Doomsday is not a Punishment for Sins committed

Never before has humanity possessed such a wealth of knowledge and such ingenious skill in the art of making war, of murdering, destroying, sabotaging, and maiming his fellows, than is the case today. With his atom- and hydrogen weapons he would easily be able to annihilate both himself and everything alive, were it not for a hidden Power that is far stronger than anything devised by man, namely the Power that decides that trees are not to grow up into the clouds, and which also sets and maintains the suns and the stars in their courses throughout limitless space. And just as there is a Meaning and a Purpose in thus guiding and maintaining said suns and planets throughout the eternal cosmos, so there is also a Divine logic and loving purpose in allowing man to suffer this predicted Doomsday. It is definitely not - as hitherto betokened - a punishment for man's "sins", for, according to cosmic analyses of the universe, no being at all can either commit or suffer any injustice. Every living being constitutes the sole and only arbiter of his own fate. No energy whatsoever can be released except through the medium of a living being. This applies both to macrocosmic and microcosmic, as well as to all inter-

mediary cosmic forms of energy, that is to say, both to the so-called "forces of nature" and to the manifestations and creations emanating from these, as well as to all those creations and manifestations emanating from the beings we otherwise define as "living creatures".

### Everything in Existence is an Expression of Life

No release of energy, no creative process of any kind can exist, without being, in one way or another, an expression of life, or serving as a proof of the existence of a living being. But this by no means implies that man himself apprehends these energies, or the source of these forces, in that way. On the contrary, he recognizes only such energies or releases of power the originators of which he is himself able to apprehend through his physical senses as manifestations caused by living beings. The forces of Nature, such as the restlessness of the oceans, the raging of the winds, the incessant movement of the waters above, across and below the surface of the earth ect. are definitely not recognized as expressions of life or as manifestations originating from living beings. But this is due solely to the fact that man does not yet know the solution of the mystery of life. How could a fly scuttling across the roof of a house imagine that said roof was an expression of life, which had been created by a living being? That man does not yet grasp the fact that the forces of Nature are the results of manifestations of living beings is simply because the originators of these forces are so gigantic that humanity itself is but an infinitesimal speck of dust in comparison. Movement of any kind is the most emphatic indication of life, indeed it is an undeniable proof of life. What could otherwise be the origin of movement? - Death is stagnant quiescence, complete immobility, unalterable equilibrium. So Death cannot possibly be the origin of movement. But as the entire universe, including anything and everything that can be sensed consists wholly of movement, absolute quiescence does not exist within any time- or space-dimensional field that can in any way be sensed. Or, in other words, factual and absolute death simply does not exist. Everything is alive, everything is an expression of life, everything in existence constitutes manifestations of living beings. And it is these manifestations, or expressions of life, that constitute the physical organisms of living beings, and the manifestations they are able to call forth by means of said organisms. It is these manifestations collectively that constitute the visible cosmic universe, with all its created phenomena, its orderliness of movement, its amazing transformations, and its constructional and destructional alterations of matter or substance.

### The fixed Point of the Universe

The cosmic universe reveals itself to us in three specific, time- and space-dimensional, sensory sizes, namely, the macrocosmic, the intermediary cosmic, and the microcosmic worlds. As we have mentioned before, macrocosm consti-

tutes phenomena that are so gigantic that we are unable, with our physical sensory organs to apprehend them as manifestations caused by living beings. In this group we find all the solar and galactic systems with their attendant planets, globes, comets, meteors, gaseous nebulae and similar physical phenomena.

In the intermediary cosmic world we find the organisms of all living creatures, and the creations or expressions of life produced by them, and whose originators we are able to recognize by means of our physical senses. These are the beings we know as mankind, animals and plants.

In the microcosmic world we find all forms of movement or transformations of matter the originators of which we are unable to apprehend directly by our physical senses. It is not difficult to understand why it is that man in his present, from a cosmic standpoint, unfinished state, is unable to grasp the fact that the movements, alterations and detailed formations of matter, for which he can see no visible cause, are expressions of manifestations called forth by living beings. Such creative or transforming processes in matter are merely accepted as "something that happens of itself!" Man neither understands, nor can he visualize the primary originators of these processes or creations. Only what has been created by man, animals or plants are accepted as manifestations called forth by living beings, or as expressions of life. We have no space here to investigate this life-principle of the universe, but it might just be mentioned that, behind all forms of movement and all creative phenomena in the universe - to which also the organisms of man, animals and plants belong - there exists the absolute and eternal Calm. This calm, then, can be accepted, in the first instance, as the one and only "fixed point" in existence in the universe.

#### The eternal Originator of the Universe

As all movements without exception, all creations and all experiences have their root, or originate, in the above-mentioned infinite Calm, the latter cannot, with any justice, be defined simply as "nothing". The only way of expressing this eternal Calm will thus be to call it "Something-that-is". This "Something", then, is completely beyond all alteration, beyond movement of any kind. It constitutes the originator of all transformation or creation. It differs completely from anything visible, or anything created in the universe, in that it is itself "the Creator". Thus, as it cannot itself have been created, but is the sole author of all creation, it is also the originator of everything related to the conception of time and space. And, as it is the originator of both Time and Space, it exists in itself beyond either of these conceptions. Hence it constitutes Eternity or Infinity itself. In this way we can safely establish the fact that, behind all the phenomena of the universe, there exists an "Eternal Something" which constitutes the originator of this same universe. This Something reveals itself, or manifests its Consciousness throughout every detail of creation of the universe, and through said creation it ex-

periences Life. This Something cannot, by any means, be analysed. If we say it is large or small, if we say it is evil or good, light or dark, black or white, such analyses will be analyses of something it has created, not of anything that it is. It existed before it created this or that phenomenon. Consequently no such phenomenon can possibly be its analysis. The Something in question can thus only be defined as "Something-that-is", hence this Something exists as an "Eternal Something" which, in itself, is without analysis. It is therefore nameless in its appearance. This "Something" is, however, dealt with in more detail in "Livets Bog" (The Book of Life) as the conception "X 1". Now, as it also reveals the possession of a creative power, this Power must also constitute an "Eternal Something", for, if there had ever been a time when it did not exist, "X 1" could not have created it, and hence it could never have come into existence. And, as it is eternal, it cannot have an analysis either. It can neither be "old" nor "young". Neither can it be "large" or "small", for all created phenomena in the universe have been created by means of this Power. Indeed, all creative abilities are identical with this Power. It is, in fact, absolutely unique. So, consequently, it too, must be nameless in its nature, besides being "Something-that-is". Similarly, then, in "Livets Bog", this Power has been termed "X 2". But as "X 1" and "X 2" have always been in existence, there must also be an eternal result of the everlasting existence and interaction between these two realities. This result and interaction constitute the visible universe, which is exclusively a combination of creative processes and the cumulative results of such processes. And it is these results we observe as identical with "things created". This eternal process of transformation or creation - the building up and breaking down of matter - or, in short, the entire universe observable by the senses, can, by reason of its eternal existence, also have no analysis, for it constitutes everything in existence. And, in this way, there exists nothing it could be compared with, or any kind of comparison that would enable us to define it as "large" or "small", as "good" or "bad", or as identical with any other analysis. So, in this case, we are forced to admit that it, too, must be nameless, or in other words, only "Something-that-is". Thus, this conception is therefore expressed in "Livets Bog" as "X 3".

These three nameless realities do not exist, however, in any way separately or apart, and it is only in trying to analyse them that we have to make some kind of distinction. On the contrary, they are indivisible, and each of them constitutes such a perfectly adapted link in connection with the other two nameless realities, or "X's", that together they constitute an experiencing and creating reality. But an experiencing and creating reality is, in fact, the same as "a living being". And thus we are here presented with the grand solution to the riddle of life. The last final analysis of the universe must be that it constitutes an all-embracing Living Being, and here we have reached the only existing, almighty and absolute Godhead, the Eternal Author and Protector of everything in existence. (To be continued)

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