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## INTRODUCTION

Impelled by the great seriousness of our present time and truly desiring to help mankind to the best of our ability, we hereby send into the world a series of treatises doing away with the veils of appearances which, in this our illusioned existence, usually hide the reality of things from our eyes. They are intended as a serious warning and a helping guide for everyone who, on seeing the signs, in repentance and inner ripening, wishes to take account of his responsibility toward God and suffering humanity.

This publication, at places, speaks of a young gnostic Brotherhood and of the New Gnostic Kingdom which it established, an unassailable Tower of Light and Love as a help and a solace in this world of darkness and death. Though *they* are the reality from which we speak and witness, and *they* enable us to spread our Message of the Living Truth to all, we feel that here we should not explain the meaning thereof. We refer those readers, who are interested, to the extensive essays in the literature of the Modern Spiritual School of the Golden Rosycross.

However, the full weight of the motives which induced us to this publication lies in the absolute necessity of voicing an urgent warning with regard to coming inevitabilities to which the blind course of life of this mankind has led; and of spectacular events in the near future which are narrowly connected herewith and mean an acute danger of extreme importance for the whole of humanity.

By this still early appeal, may many, many people be saved from the fatal grip of the coming Great Delusion and timely start on the Only Path of Liberation.

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FIRST PART

THE SHADOW OF THE COMING  
EVENTS





## I

Now that the Gnostic Kingdom in Europe has become a reality, and all earnest pupils of the modern young Gnostic Brotherhood have been led to the borders of the Promised Land;

now that the preparatory wandering through the desert, of so many years, is a thing of the past, and we are awakening in all our brothers and sisters the proper consciousness for entering the New Kingdom;

it has become an urgent necessity for us to inform you concerning a number of correlative phenomena in the world of today. For, if you are not informed relative to these matters and do not have a clear insight into what is behind very many coming events, you will doubtless be misled. With the best of intentions, you will turn into paths leading to the abyss, and become entirely lost for the Gnostic Kingdom.

During the growth of every Gnostic Brotherhood, there were periods of such a nature—periods when, with success seemingly at hand, the greatest difficulties arose from outside at the very moment of attainment, and serious obstacles and delusions threatened to prevent victory. We possess the records of all those events in the form of legends and tales with a hidden meaning; but there are also very precise accounts available, describing the development of such events.

The exigencies with which the successive Gnostic

Brotherhoods were faced were, in each instance, very different, being always determined by the ever-varying radiations and tensions of the planetary and zodiacal influences of the particular Sidereal Year or World Year. A Sidereal Year, as you probably know, is a period of approximately 26,000 years.

This explains why the successive Gnostic Brotherhoods, during these specific periods of their development, had to suffer intensely cruel persecutions by hostile brotherhoods—as has been the case with the Brotherhoods in existence during the past three thousand years, including the classic Rosicrucians—and also persecutions connected with the cosmic and atmospheric trends of their times.

In other words, it can be stated that the principle which is at the root of any gnostic experience is invariably the same. While the succession of events and the surrounding circumstances differ in each period, nothing can develop that has not already occurred in the centuries past. The ceaseless revolvings of the Sidereal Years make this an absolute certainty.

In order to be able to correctly understand the psychological background of the coming events, it should be borne in mind that all entities in a dialectical\* nature order by virtue of their state of birth, are bent not only on self-maintenance, but also on self-protection. Apart from this being according to the nature *order*, it is a natural *duty*, a natural *impulse* that makes it absolutely impossible to act otherwise. Whoever loves the I-state, whoever is bound to the I-state of birth according to nature will, of necessity—from this very I-centred disposition—consider as an enemy, or at least as a danger, anyone who wants to

dissolve this nature state or to get away from it. Since we are born according to nature and are essentially one with this nature field, it is clear that, when we, as gnostically inclined persons, want to do away with this nature and are turning ourselves in the direction of the other Kingdom\*, we sap the foundations of the 'order' to which we are tied by nature, thus disorganizing and weakening it. Hence, no sooner have we entered upon the gnostic path than all the nature aeons\*, with all their powers and all their satellites, become our sworn adversaries, with complete disregard of all sentimental considerations and civilized practices.

He, therefore, who is turning towards the Salvation hidden in the Light of Christ and conforming his way of living thereto, is immediately confronted with enmity on earth. This enmity, then, is a natural reaction, a natural self-protection, viewed from the angle of this nature order. This is why the way of anyone who starts to earnestly walk the Path will be found badly blocked and strewn with all sorts of obstacles. He immediately becomes a stranger on earth, whose very eyesight is begrudged to him, and who meets with opposition day and night, exactly as we find it described in the histories of the great World Servants. They were opposed and fought because of their state of being and their mission. However, they know the psychological promptings behind all this resistance and realized the driving forces behind those who offered it, and being solely motivated by an intense love for all mankind, they did not retaliate, but responded with intense compassion and absolute abstinence from fight.

Their only weapon—if this term can be used at all—was the fact that they were entirely focussed on the current of grace, on the electromagnetic lines of action and force

of the other Kingdom\*. This gave them complete safety, while by their non-reaction, they avoided any conflict which would otherwise have involved them.

There is, however a quite different aspect of the matter. The dialectical nature order\*, as a system, a cosmic field in the All-Revelation, is self-evidently part of a vaster field, a greater cosmos, on which consequently it is dependent. Inasmuch as the dialectical field forms a separate whole—or, as Jacob Boehme expresses it, a ‘segregated’ whole—cut off as it were from the rest of the All-Revelation—because in essence it is diametrically opposed to the Great Divine Plan which is the basis of the All—the dialectical field, being a segregated cosmos, will periodically be corrected by the Intercosmic Field and cleansed from all the wrong-doings perpetrated within its sphere, which, each time anew, threatens to make the dialectical field an unfit dwelling place.

It is the most tragic fate of all nature aeons\*, their forces and satellites that, from their very nature, they also revolt against the Logos, opposing Him in His corrective processes. This because every nature-born creature tends both to maintain and protect himself. When corrected in any manner or for any reason while following his natural course, he will stand up against the Corrector and will tend to resist any process which attacks self and its world.

The Logos calls us by means of the all-pervading Light Power; and, if we respond to the call by *going* the Path, we immediately encounter animosity and become strangers on earth. Ours will then be the fate of the Pistis Sophia\*.

As stated, the Logos, in the revolution of the sidereal years,

will periodically interfere with the whole tide of dialectical events, in order to cleanse and purify, always prompted by the Eternal Love that upholds the All, and consequently also dialectics. But immediately all that which is created will oppose also the Logos. This it is *bound* to do because of its natural state; and it *does* so because it cannot do otherwise on account of its dependence upon the Law of Nature. It is thus that life-under-the-Law should be understood!

This is the tragedy of the Evil One that has been depicted throughout the centuries by so many thinkers, poets and seers:

*I greet Thee, Thou Light,  
pervading my domain.  
I greet Thee, Thou who walks the ways  
which I combat with bitter hatred.  
I know, Thine is the victory, O Lord,  
and yet I revolt against Thee!  
Such is my fate:  
until I die, until the very last hour,  
I shall resist Thee, O Lord.*

Now we are aware that we are living in an era in which not only is a young gnostic\* Brotherhood about to escape the grip of nature and, consequently, will be confronted with fight, according to the Law of Nature, but in which the earth has also entered a period of world correction by the Logos, as a consequence of which all the aeons of nature\*, their forces and vassals will also join combat against the cosmic course of events. This is why our momentary sphere of living is so full of complications. It is because a well-nigh overwhelming resistance is developing against

the cosmic and atmospheric Revolt, as well as against a wide-spread gnostic movement.

The foundations of the dialectical nature order are shaking. At the same time, an intense opposition against the ways of the Logos\* is manifesting itself. Now, since we, being a Gnostic Group, are one of the parties to these great happenings, it is clear that we shall have to ponder most seriously all that is going to happen, if we want, first of all, to be able to hold our own in the midst of the tempest, and secondly, to serve the Great Holy Work as we should.

In entering upon such reflections, we should not, by any means, start from the premise that this struggle, this resistance, will take shape in one of the ways familiar to us, or will in any aspect be like the usual human armed conflict. No, the weapons used by the nature aeons with their powers and satellites are always the weapons of imitation, the weapons of fakery, treachery and theatrical effect.

These weapons are being used with tremendous ingenuity, with the most thoroughly scientific knowledge, applied in a perfectly practical manner. And, besides, they are so astoundingly all-embracing and effective that, when humanity is confronted with them, it will be as a complete surprise attack, because people will find themselves surrounded by what will appear as an entirely complete *miracle*. Such will be the miracle that they cannot but believe in it, put their entire faith in it; and thus: they will follow after that which is revealed.

It is for this reason that all Holy Scripts contain warnings against the appearing of the Anti-Christ; as, for instance, in Matthew 24, where it reads:

*For there shall arise false Christs,  
and false prophets,  
and shall shew great signs and wonders;  
so as to lead astray, if possible,  
even the elect.  
Behold, I have told you beforehand.*

Of what nature these signs and wonders will be we ought to thoroughly investigate and understand; for the time has come that they present themselves and force themselves upon us and our fellow men.

## II

We have already pointed out to you the fact that all that is revealed in dialectical nature, all that is created—of both organic and inorganic nature—starts from one idea, one plan, one chain-reaction system, and belongs to one Body. Therefore, there is complete cohesion between all creatures and creations; everything has its own place in the great whole, to which it feels a great bond.

Viewed superficially, such a fusion of creature and creation in the dialectical whole appears as a manifestation of great beauty: the creature closely tied to his nature, wrapped in a garb perfectly adapted to this nature and which can be explained from out this nature. On closer examination and investigation, however, we find that this beauty is mere semblance, and that in reality this bond is bondage. For the spirit which animates the nature field and is identical with it—the spirit which lends life to all creations and creatures within this nature field—is one of fundamental, minutely-carried-through separation, in a world of contrasts.

Everything in the dialectical whole prompts to individualizing, whereby, in order to reach its objectives, every individual must adapt himself to laws governing time and space, laws of isolation, sorrow, struggle for life, death. These laws, which are expressions of the vital spirit of nature, must lead to a great curse, to unspeakable woe, in which the masses come to conform to all the theories and practices of natural self-maintenance, while only a small percentage of humanity is desperately seeking integration, union with God, order, rest, balance, harmony in the great home of nature. Of course, this seeking is without success, because it is impossible to reach integration in a nature field that is inappropriate for it. Therefore, any efforts made in this direction will invariably fail, since there results no integration, but at most a crystallization, a delayed effect of natural processes of life.

*Real* integration\* is a complete existential disappearance from this entire nature field, by confluence with *another* life-spirit and by the genesis of *another* existence adapted to this *other* life-spirit. *This* is the purpose of all Gnosis!

The Gnosis\* gathers all those who seek integration and are ready for it, and impels them onward to the great process of rebirth. Therefore, we, who wish to walk this Path, have already started by taking leave, on principle, of the great Mansion of this world, to go, in practice, all the ways leading to transmutation and renovation; of daily decreasing according to the old nature and daily growing according to the New Nature, in entire harmony with the Johannetic and Christ-centred laws.

However, we have seen that the nature field, the natural



state out of which we are born, cannot allow this process of rebirth to take place. It will offer opposition and try to hold us back, for many reasons of self-maintenance.

This is why, when we want to leave this nature field, it will fight against us by means of its creatures and its creations, from the very moment it becomes apparent that it can no longer retain us through its electromagnetic forces of radiation.

However, in the course of the cosmic nature, there are also moments and periods when the great redeeming process of rebirth can proceed very smoothly and easily. Such periods immediately follow those during which the dialectical nature field is cleansed of its wickedness. Naturally, however, this wickedness will ever crop up again and again and gather for assault, since this nature field harbours a *fallen* human nature. Each time, the purpose of such purification is to open anew the door to liberation for the microcosms captive in the nature field. Hence, as already explained, all nature aeons, their forces and vassals, will oppose such purification, since this will bring closer and closer the end of the entire fallen realm of nature.

*Now, this opposition takes place by means of imitation!*

Imitation can be looked upon as a crass fraud; but, in reality, it is a very logical reaction. When we come to theoretically realize the liberating and integrating nature of the Christ-centred life, while personally we experience nothing but sorrow and sadness, is it not then quite evident that we would start to *imitate* the Christ-centred life? This as though we tried a new recipe: 'If one remedy does not help, well then, let us try another that may save this world of death!'

The entire natural-religious life of our time is nothing more than such an imitation—a most comprehensible though utterly naive imitation—an imitation of the *Imitatio Christi*!

But, however understandable and pardonable this may be, it nevertheless is the greatest thinkable treason we can commit. For *imitating* is far from *following*; and only the *following* of Christ leads to the liberating, integrating life!

Imitation, with which we presently are already confronted everywhere—be it only in the initial stage of its manifestation—is at most a well-intentioned semblance; not a semblance of help in the pursuance of reality, but a semblance (and this is the disastrous part of it) intended to *imitate* reality—to let semblance pass for reality!

To secure a certain measure of success in this, there must be available:

1. data;
2. the means;
3. a fair amount of intelligence;
4. a fair chance of success;
5. a general situation that offers the opportunity.

On the basis of the above five points, let us now explain to you the whole set-up of a scene, a gigantic play for whose performance all measures are in the process of being taken. It is a play whose performance will soon commence, with the deliberate intention of imitating *reality* by means of *semblance*. We shall start with the fifth point and show you to what a great extent the general situation of the world and humanity promotes this great masquerade of appearances.

We all know from experience how greatly the present world situation is out of joint; we know the threatening conditions present everywhere and the general search for possible solutions. Further, we are aware of the ever-increasing nervous tension of millions, and of the Aquarius radiations\*, hourly becoming more powerful, which cause all of this—the radiations of dematerialization, the radiations making cosmic revolt a necessity. So it can be said with certainty that conditions were at no time more favourable than right now for the success of an imitation of the Imitation of Christ.

It can be assumed also that the certainty of success is present, the more so because several hundred million human beings have been thoroughly prepared by the natural religious groups for spectacular and grossly-material events of a religious nature. Practically all of humanity originally had a natural-religious education, and has the images of natural-religious representations and notions fixed in the blood. So, when a world-wide play, in keeping with these images, is staged in a clever way and in grand style, there is absolute certainty of success.

The question may be asked as to whether the means are there to animate and keep up such a play. The answer is affirmative. Presently these means can actually be derived from discoveries and applications of modern physics. These can very easily be combined with certain magic practices which we will describe for you.

Another question could be: Are there also data with the aid of which the various phases of the play can be made so acceptable to everyone that, according to Matthew 24, even the very elect would be deceived?

Replying to the latter question, we must tell you that *all* data for the staging and the success of this play are

indicated in the Sacred Language of diverse nature, provided only that it be interpreted according to the literal text. Up to now, only a handful of human beings have risen above this way of interpretation!

We shall now give you an outline of the basic features of the Great Imitation.

There is going to be staged neither more nor less than the Return of Christ, as we find it described in various apocalyptic prophesies. This performance will be put over with power and gigantic phenomena based on natural science.

The entire world will be affected by it, and no spot on this earth will be left untouched.

Everyone will see it with his own eyes, and all will experience it: 'The Lord is coming in the clouds of the sky, with all His holy angels!'

The regimes of all countries will be interfered with and a world government instituted. The whole world will resound with the 'peace on earth' motif.

Except for a few minor but fundamental details, it will be so perfectly 'real' that no doubt practically the whole of humanity will take the sham for the reality and react accordingly.

The details of these exceptions will be that, for instance, the wolf is not going to live on peaceful terms with the lamb; the scorpion and the viper will go on stinging and biting; and the kid will not lie beside the leopard—unless both are made to do so by means of injections!

However, all mankind will gather in the places of worship for thanksgiving and prayer meetings. There will be one feasting crowd—but, just as before, a crowd living from the fleshpots of Egypt, filled with the products of

the slaughter-houses, living much longer than can be considered normal by dint of inventions and their applications.

And, meanwhile, the true Ekklesia-on-earth, who sees through the whole play from its very incipience and refuses to be a party to it, will be abused and persecuted.

And the multitude will jubilate at her seeming downfall.

Let us now expound the manner in which the Great Play shall be performed;

who the perpetrators are,

where they live,

how they live,

and who will be their collaborators.

But, in the meantime, let us advance, with the greatest possible speed, on the path we are now walking, the luminous Path of the Gnosis, that we may be safe in the new Gnostic Realm when the great tempest will be on; and that we may thus form a Rock in the surf, for the sake of the many thousands who, in their disenchantment, will presently need our help.

### III

We shall now try to describe the Great Play for you—the play as it will be performed ere long—the Play of the sham Return of Christ.

Its framework can be broken down into many sections. Besides a religious section, there is also an economic, a social, a political and a scientific section; and there are many other aspects and projects, all radiating from one great plan. By totally new means and directed from an

hitherto unknown centre-point, this great idea aims at the constitution of *a theocratic world state* encircling all countries, all peoples and all races, a state of peace exceeding by far the boldest expectations of communists, Bellamyists, socialists and all other idealists. *A perfect heaven on earth will be the leading motive!*

A very attractive plan indeed; for who would not approve of the execution of such a scheme? Who could there possibly be who would not want a bit of heaven on earth?

The difficulty in carrying out such plans is that, in a world order like ours, every practical-idealistic movement has its partisans and militants on one hand and its adversaries and detractors on the other hand. There is not one single point on which there is uniformity of opinion. The very fact that so many do want to institute a kingdom of blissfulness and peace, but in different ways, gives rise to bitter controversy. Exacerbated individualism, the absolute sense of separation, the stone-hard I-centredness of all have hitherto caused the best intentions to end in direct misery.

Even as we realize this, many others have seen and are seeing this also, and they have repeatedly discussed it amongst themselves. Even as we, they have sought a solution.

Now, theoretically speaking, there are two possible solutions:

The one to which all really earth-minded souls will necessarily come is the institution of an all-embracing, truly *theocratic world fascism*.

The other solution, which is the one *we* have in view and which we may approach, is to totally leave this

world through *transfiguration*\* and to be integrated into another world order.

Of these two theoretical solutions, only one will prove to be practically realizable, only one way will really offer solution—liberation—life eternal!

Now, it is clear that mankind, however divided, is ordained to take one of these two ways, to pursue one of these theoretically feasible solutions. Every human being has to choose between the two modes of existence, which will presently be the only ones prevailing,

namely, theocratic fascism

or: transfigurism.

Both schemes are presently in the course of execution.

We shall not discuss here the Path of Transfiguration, the Path of the Gnosis. Whosoever wishes information concerning it will always find every opportunity to obtain it from the School of the Golden Rosycross, its workers, and its literature.

The purpose of the present publication is to inform you, as clearly as possible, about the aspects, the characteristics and the developments surrounding that *other* plan.

In the first place, in order that you will be fully enabled to determine your own attitude and stand-point in respect to that plan; for there has to be a general clarification of insight concerning all this in order that we all may keep our objectivity.

Secondly, it is presented because of the dangers that will threaten the children of the Gnosis while theocratic fascism is in progress. The nature and the causes of this threat we have already explained to you.

One may now ask: What retards the execution of the plan

for world unification? The answer is, as has already been said, the general dissension among humanity.

What then, apart from the I-centredness of humanity, keeps this dissension so strongly alive? Here the answer is: the dissension between the various groups of the reflection-sphere.<sup>1</sup>

You may be aware, from our literature, of how the different groups in the land on yonder side of death—the reflection-sphere—develop, and how they maintain themselves. The dialectical order is a nature-of-death, consisting of two main spheres: the material sphere, which is the domain of existence of man born of matter—and the reflection-sphere, which is the realm of the dead. In this nature order, which is characterized by its ceaseless variability of all things, all microcosms\*, in a circulatory process of rising, shining and fading (what we call living and dying), are in turn being animated and emptied. This means that again and again they are supplied with a new personality which, after its course through the material sphere is completed, vanishes again.

Hence, the material sphere is the field of life of the personality, whereas the reflection-sphere is the field where the microcosms are emptied.

In the course of this uninterrupted rotation through the two spheres of this nature of death, a sum of experiences, a remembrance, a power, a total result of all manifestations of personality is registered in every microcosm\*, until finally it will be possible to obtain in a microcosm\* a personality which, by virtue of microcosmic maturity of experience, is able to make the resolution and produce the strength to depart from this nature of death to the regions

<sup>1</sup> See: *Elementary Philosophy of the Modern Rosycross* by J. van Rijckenborgh, Rozekruispers, Haarlem, the Netherlands.



of another cosmic order\*. This does not mean a departure to the reflection-sphere as a consequence of corporeal death, but a *victory* over death and a *negation* of the reflection-sphere.

Now, we know that, in the process of unfoldment of the plan underlying the nature-of-death, contingencies and irregularities occur. This entire creation, knowing that it is subject to death in this order of time and space, tries to escape this death—not in the only possible way, but in a thousand different, *ineffective* ways which we all know.

There is an immense fear of death, simply because human beings do not know *true* life. Hence, there is a general urge to prolong life in every possible manner. Facing the truth, it must be said that every urge for the fulfilment of life proceeds from this immeasurable fear of death!<sup>1</sup>

Eternity calls mortal man; but now mortal man, knowing that he is subject to the temporal, proceeds to fight against his nature, because of this fear of death. This battle has produced some very unnatural results. One of these is the congelation or delaying of the dissolution of the personality in the reflection-sphere—the dissolution in the 'beyond' of the remains of the personality. This means a tying down to the earth in some gradation.

How is such a congelation brought about? How is it maintained? Simply by means of robbing and wrongly using<sup>2</sup> lightpower; that is to say, by ether radiations and ether forces.

Every idealistic group of a time-spatial, dialectical nature—no matter which aim motivates it, be it of a

<sup>1</sup> Let us immediately add that there is also a *culture* of fear, in the sense that a person can repress fear in regard to self but be filled with immeasurable fear on account of his fellow man.

<sup>2</sup> See J. van Rijckenborgh: *Elementary Philosophy of the Modern Rosycross*.

religious or any other tendency, primitive or cultured— attracts light forces, either positive-magically or mystic-magically. As said, these are ethers which, over and above personal needs, are attracted by the group and gather around it to form a sphere entirely of its own.

Any person belonging to the group attaches himself fundamentally to this sphere and is fed by it in a super-personal manner; so much so that, when a member of the group dies and, consequently, his microcosm\* abandons the material body and is ready for further dissolution of the personality, this dissolution can be retarded or even completely halted by the fact that numerous light forces, emanating from the group sphere in question, feed the remains of the personality destined for dissolution. This can be in such a measure that no further dissolution of the personality can take place. Thus a reflection-sphere life of a very unnatural type is created.

Now, those who, out of fear of life, resign themselves to this state and who are in touch, after death, with all those who stayed behind in the material sphere, will do their utmost to inspire the group to which they had belonged, to stimulate and incite them to continue the work pursued by the group. For the keeping alive of the group sphere by those who still have the disposal of their total personalities means continuance of existence for the living-dead, maintaining themselves in the reflection-sphere.

Thus, in the course of time, the reflection-sphere groups have unintentionally developed from out of earthly striving, the consequences of which became apparent at a given moment. These consequences could not be checked and, once having been caught therein, the only thing to

do was to resign themselves thereto. Therefore, it is a fact that the two spheres of existence maintain each other, as it were, by means of a chain-reaction.

When one knows all this, further investigation of the reflection-sphere can reveal how extraordinarily intricate and complex this two-sphere-culture<sup>1</sup> has become, and how, impelled by the struggle for life, it has been possible to set up and divide the reflection-sphere as a general life field, with homes to satisfy each single group.

But you will also discover how many *spirit-spark* entities\*, hampered in their natural course by these retarding consequences and knowing that their microcosm is thus caught, contribute, by this very situation, to the earthly multiplication of *life-spark* entities\*, so that in the material sphere, they can breed a flock of creatures who are trained to continually supply the group caught in the reflection-sphere with sufficient light power.

Thus an inextricable chaos has developed, a confusion of a most complicated nature.

You ask for the cause of this chaos, which has existed ever since the primeval ages and up to the present time? Well, this cause is the desire, the error of *trying to find life where it cannot be found, where it may not be found!*

The entire dialectic nature, with its two spheres, has become top-heavy with unholy, though well-intentioned life, whereby nobody, from the top down, feels safe. Yet so many, yes millions of people, consider themselves so very good, so very humane, so deeply religious, or so thoroughly white-magical.

<sup>1</sup> See: J. van Rijckenborgh, Elementary Philosophy of the Modern Rosycross.

Now, do you understand why, in the classical Rosycross, every brother and sister had to promise not to use his or her knowledge for prolonging life, either here below or in the reflection-sphere? For whosoever attempts that, whosoever becomes involved therein, will be irretrievably caught in the cobweb.

If you are now able to comprehend this entire outline of reality, it will become clear to you that all this must inevitably build up to a cosmic crisis. The entire dialectical life feels itself threatened, because the numerous side-effects of fundamentally ungodly living result in obfuscation of the total dialectical field. As a consequence, the lightpower is no longer sufficient to feed unnatural life in the reflection-sphere, and intercosmic dangers arise. We have repeatedly mentioned this in years past; our literature gives you full information in this respect.

In regard to this, we advise you to deepen your insight as much as possible, in order that you may thoroughly realize why the dialectical hierarchy is engaged in the execution of their scheme for developing a world-wide theocratic fascism.

As, in the classic story of Jesus, the disciple Judas wanted to force upon Jesus the leadership of a national uprising and secure His guidance in instituting a theocratic earthly state; this also is the very objective of the dialectical hierarchy.

They want to force a great intercosmic inflow of lightpower, and to make this possible by applying natural science.

They want to make use of this in order to insure an adequate balance between the consumption and the supply

of lightpower;—in short, to express it in an orthodox way, in order to firmly establish an earthly Messianic Kingdom.

You may wonder what is to be understood by the 'dialectical hierarchy'.

It is the organization embodying all the brotherhoods of the reflection-sphere, at least the largest and most prominent of them — something in the nature of a Reflection-Sphere International.

#### IV

We shall now discuss more fully the manner in which the dialectical hierarchy intends to face the great cosmic crisis with which they are confronted.

As we know, the dialectical hierarchy is in great distress, because their requirements of light force exceed the production of light force in the dialectical nature order.

All entities living in the material sphere and, consequently, making use of a material body, generate earthly light force; which means that they transform the ethers which they themselves receive from the cosmic regions surrounding us. This transformation or transmutation of intercosmic light force takes place through:

the blood,  
the internal secretion,  
the nerve fluid,  
the serpent fire, and  
the consciousness fluid.

This light force thus transformed by human beings, both

individually and in groups, constitutes the bread of life for and of all those who dwell in the reflection-sphere. The dwellers of the reflection-sphere themselves are not able to transmute intercosmic light force for their own use, for the reason that they lack the necessary personality organism. They no longer have the use of the indispensable material organism, since their densest vehicle consists of a part of the etheric body. Therefore, if they wish to maintain the remains of their personality, they have to do this by absorbing lightpower which is either put at their disposal voluntarily or is simply stolen by them.

All great religious, idealistic and occult groups in the material sphere furnish their counterparts in the reflection-sphere, either voluntarily or involuntarily, practically all the lightpower which they produce through their activities. Collectively, those who live in the material life field thus maintain a gigantic parasitical group in the reflection-sphere.

Now, what do we see developing in the practices of our century?

We notice in the past century, as a result of all kinds of terrible events which hit mankind so hard, a general decline of the religious and idealistic inclinations of the masses, and a wide-spread slackening of related activities. Humanity, to a considerable extent, is becoming 'realistic' and completely a-religious. By this we mean that, although humanity holds a theoretical faith, as a sort of mystic decorum, this faith no longer has any concrete influence over them, nor does it lend any force to the life of the multitude, in the sense of its original purpose. The religious and idealistic tendencies have been completely diverted in a political, social and economical direction.

The churches are becoming nearly empty; and the light force operations from the reflection-sphere, as applied to church-goers, do not give such a rich harvest as before. Idealism becomes more and more extinct; and practical idealism manifests itself in the form of contributions to various organisations. Moreover, these organisations, out of political considerations, are more than ever being taken over by the governments, who know that poverty and need breed revolution and revolutionary factions. This is why, at present, the general humanistic practices usually are not based on philanthropy, but prompted by purely matter-of-fact 'realistic' considerations.

Now, as a result of all this, of which you are fully aware, humanity has brought about, either through individual activity or that of groups, a very great change in the transmutation processes of lightpower.

The present transmutation processes produce excessive chemical ether and life ether and a great amount of reflecting ether of a very dubious quality, but very, very little *light* ether!

Here the reflecting ether or thought-ether is only attracted and converted in so far as man needs it for projects of a grossly material nature, whilst the *light* ether, which formerly was abundantly unleashed by religious, humanistic, and idealistic waves and mass movements, is now only attracted for the immediate maintenance of the body. Only the two lower ethers—the chemical ether and the life ether—which are to take care of the formation of creatures and things and their maintenance, are produced in sufficient quantity.

In view of this situation, we can now affirm with certainty that the dwellers of the reflection-sphere have no

use for the two *lower* ethers, except those entities belonging to the lowest gradations of earth bound beings. But these entities have never yet had to complain of lack of food or the possibility to obtain it.

However, the *light ether* and the pure *reflecting ether*—the so-called *higher ethers*—are the ones that constitute the bread *par excellence* for the dead who desire to maintain themselves on yonder side, because the remains of their life bodies, at the moment of passing, are composed of *those* ethers. Therefore, it is clear that, when humanity, in the material sphere, no longer supplies sufficient lightpower composed of the two higher ethers, the entire dialectical hierarchy and their vassals are brought to very great distress, compelling them to exert themselves to the utmost to re-activate the production of light force, which is indispensable for maintaining themselves in the reflection-sphere.

*Now, the Great Play that is going to be performed finds its ground in this particular deadly struggle for life.*

*What is the objective of the dialectical hierarchy?*

*What are they compelled to do for the sake of existence?*

As said, they must restore the balance between their requirements of light force and the production of light force by humanity living in this material sphere.

To this end they need the sources of lightpower of the intercosmic regions and also of humanity in the flesh.

The latter must start drawing upon those intercosmic sources and transmuting that which they assimilate, in order that the final product of these transmutation processes can be robbed by the hierarchy.



*Now, what becomes obvious?*

First of all, that a large scale new propaganda will be launched. We might express it this way: the 'ministry of propaganda' of the hierarchy has set up a program consisting of various phases which will be carried out successively.

The situation is such that the dialectical hierarchy has not yet reached the point of complete starvation. If they had there would have been left neither time nor strength with which to carry out the program. No, for the hierarchy this motto also applies: 'Forewarned is forearmed'.

However, now things have reached the point where the red warning line has been crossed. Therefore, the present situation of humanity is more serious than we can imagine; for, between the hierarchial distress of this moment in our world history and the complete realization of the definitive end there lies a period which will be characterized by dreadful events, by violent convulsions. The brotherhoods of the reflection-sphere still have great power on earth, and have their settlements in the material sphere filled with numberless entities possessing their physical bodies. In other words, the 'ministry of propaganda' has the power and the ability to carry out all the phases of its program.

Now please keep in mind the fact that the great purpose of the entire program—we wish to repeat it once again—is *to compel* dialectical humanity to produce the exact amount of light force needed by the dialectical hierarchy; and to that end humanity must produce light ether and reflecting ether.

These two ethers would become amply available if the whole of mankind would go into religious and idealistic mass raptures, and all thoughts and philosophic concep-

tions would be attuned thereto. To this end, the scientifically trained and highly intellectually-inclined part of mankind would need to be equally carried away, as well as that very small fraction of humanity that can be called philosophically inclined.

Therefore, an effort is being made to bring *all* groups of mankind under the spell of the Great Play, so that there will be no group left to possibly thwart it.

In this way, the program and its execution will appear perfectly reasonable and will satisfactorily pass the closest scrutiny. From top to bottom, from left to right, the general run of people will come to believe in the Great Play—and they will serve it in absolute devotion.

This explains why there finally will be so much animosity towards the Group who are united in the Gnosis; the group who, as the sole exception, will not believe in the Great Play, and even emphatically warn against it and show humanity *another way*, opposed to all phenomena as well as the ‘facts’ of natural science.

It is therefore so very necessary that all those who are united in the Gnosis be absolutely ready and safe before the great fury is let loose against them, because there *is* and there *will be* no danger from which the properly prepared servants and confessors of the Gnosis cannot protect themselves completely and effectually.

Therefore, we should all use our time to the best advantage and in the Living Present, in order to lift up ourselves to the Body of Transmutation, the Body of the Comforter, the Paraclete, in such a way as to form an impregnable stronghold for all those who will take refuge with us when the days of the great disenchantment have come.

The Great Play has begun with point one of the program: namely mass propaganda, that is, propaganda in a language with which mankind is familiar of old, but now in a broader framework, according to the well-known American formula:

gospel meetings in stadia and huge edifices, the larger the better,

with application of the very easy mass psychosis, under the leadership of specially trained preachers.

Suppose that ten thousand people can be rounded up for such a meeting. It is then but a small trick of magic to put under psychic control at least fifty per cent. of those attending, to enslave them and work them up to an ecstasy, to a frantic distraction with calls for public confession. In this state of distraction, accompanied with the mumbling of prayers, the sound of mantrams, the singing of hymns, the putting of signatures to solemn, emotional declarations and promises, and so on and so forth, a magical possession is taken of these people, in consequence of which it can be said with certainty: 'We have these people in our grip.' Then point one of the program will have been a success as regards them.

Soon they will form the nucleus for the successful execution of point two of the program, a nucleus which will then stir up the other half of the stadium audience who had remained unmoved till then.

Now, do not say: 'They won't catch me!'

It would be better not *to say* it, but *to prove* it by a liberating abundance of gnostic deeds.

## V

Quite in line with what we have thus far expounded in regard to 'The Shadow of the Coming Events', it is necessary to discuss here the Youth Work in general, and that of the Modern Spiritual School in particular. The Youth Work equally enters upon a remarkable period. A period of such a special nature has begun that all workers will be confronted with the most exceptional situations.

Therefore, all those whose desire it is to serve in the work of the School should be very cautious. In the first place, since he also wants to be a worker, the pupil of the School must watch over himself; for when somebody wants to be or to do something for another, he must really be able to be or to do so. He must have the faculty for it. Hence, a builder, first of all, must be a self-freemason, who, well-practised and completely prepared, can then devote himself to the work in the service of others.

It will now become apparent that all of our youth workers will have their hands more than full in accomplishing their work successfully. For this reason, the so necessary *self-freemasonry*, the true self-preparation, will have to become the central point of life of everyone of them, if they wish to bring the youth work up to the required level and—to maintain it there!

We look to the near future, in which the consequences of the aforementioned developments in the magnetic atmosphere—and so in the total life sphere of our earth—will become apparent. Consequences of the new Gnostic Field which has formed—and consequences of developments caused by those enacting the Great Play. These two spheres of influence will have a strong impact upon youth and, as stated, in a very peculiar manner.

In order to understand this, one must take into account the fact that, in regard to the child, we can speak of a fourfold birth; a fourfold birth which, in times gone by, covered four periods of approximately seven years; so that it might be said that a young man did not exist in dialectics in completeness before his twenty-eighth year. At present this period is considerably shorter, though varying from one individual to another.

When physical birth takes place, the four vehicles of the human being are by no means formed or born in completeness. The physical body is extremely frail and small and is in the initial stage of a period of growth. Furthermore, organically speaking, it is still far from complete. Various organs are still completely latent, or even not as yet present.

Besides, the child does not yet have the three other vehicles which man needs, to wit: the life body or etheric body, the sidereal or astral body, and the mental body.

The etheric body and the sidereal body of the two parents, especially those of the mother, assist the child during the first years of his life; but, at the same time, the body of the child—*without sufficient bodily control of its own*—directly absorbs ethers and sidereal radiations, as they are produced in the direct life atmosphere of the child.

*This* now is the cause, or will be the cause in the near future, of that very special behaviour of the child to which we previously alluded. Therefore, we can say without the least exaggeration that, in time, parents, educators and youth leaders will have *to fight* for the salvation of the child! And it is in this connection that youth work will have to be expanded, in the near future, in quite a new sense.

For how are things at present? Now the child comes into

contact with the youth work of the School at the age of seven. But, in times to come, this may be entirely too late for the child to be helped! For this reason, the Youth Work will have to be extended to include guidance for parents and parents-to-be. In the near future the life sphere of the parents will be *the only shield* of the child in his early years, as the Great Play will seek to lay hold of the child, if possible, in his prenatal stage.

A further explanation of this may be very useful at this point.

Immediately after physical birth, a period begins during which the life body or etheric body must be formed and born. Now this etheric body is formed more or less in concord with the original image, the plan, the matrix of the particular life manifestation, and more or less in conformity with the karma of the particular microcosm, and also more or less in accordance with the life power and the life tendency of the parents. However—and this is precisely the weak spot—in this whole gamut of factors there still is so much that is uncertain and undeterminate. Think but of the life power and the life tendency of the parents. Is the child born as a natural consequence of marriage? Or was the child wanted consciously and earnestly, in accordance with the aspirations of discipleship, with the intention to not only give a microcosm the opportunity to be animated, but also, and primarily, to pilot that microcosm, with the personality born into it, safely into the new Gnostic Kingdom? And, further, is everything being done, from the first hour the child is expected until birth and from birth to the adult state, to give the child the necessary education, guidance and assistance to this end?

When parents, in co-operation with the youth leaders, and

thus with the School—for viewed from this angle youth work becomes a vital interest for the entire School—assume their task, persevere in it and accomplish it, then there will be a chance to save the child. Every child will have to be *fought for*! If not, it will not be possible to preserve it for the Gnosis. *For it is primarily and directly a question of what kind of chemical, life and light ethers will circulate through the young body of the child during the first years of its existence!* The body and its natural soul fluids will model themselves entirely on these ethers. The internal secretions, for example, will depend upon them, as well as its future activity within the limits of karma and heredity. Thus, the perpetrators of the Great Play will very easily be able to fundamentally trap the whole of youth. And we all know that: ‘as the twig is bent, so the tree inclines’. It is safe to say that, later on when their etheric bodies have thus been formed within the grip of the Play actors, many children will be absolutely beyond help at the early age of five or six.

During the ensuing period, the desire body, or sidereal body, is being formed; it is generally completed between the twelfth and fifteenth years of age. It will then become manifest as to what has been spoiled and destroyed in the young child. Such destruction will be intensified by powerful, constant sidereal currents maintained to this end by the Great Adversary—currents which completely root the desire-I in matter, in the nature-of-death.

We merely touch this subject here, without intention of exhausting any of its aspects. We only wish to point out the great importance of the Youth Work of the Modern Spiritual School, so that all concerned may find therein an incentive to deepen and expand this work in the measure required by the great gravity of the moment.

When we speak of a 'lost youth', we do *not* mean by this youth deeply engulfed in sin, misery and moral squalor, but: *a youth lost for the Gnosis!*

Let it be distinctly understood what the Gnosis is and what purposes it pursues:

This School is the Gnostic Spiritual School. It emanates from the Christian Brotherhood of the Golden Rosycross, who, literally and bodily, opens the Promised Land to all those who are really willing.

This School, therefore, does not have nor entertain any connection whatsoever with any brotherhood of the reflection-sphere. Any contact of this nature is absolutely and incisively rejected.

For the purpose of the Gnosis is to lead its pupils straight *out* of the 'House of Bondage' of dialectics, in the full sense of the word, and to *introduce* them *into* the life order which is of Christ.

*This is the aim of the Christian Gnosis!*

Therefore, when we speak of the Great Adversary, we do not mean by this the pitchy turmoil of the quagmire in the Borderland, nor the damned wriggling in the sewers of life, but the hierarchy of the brotherhoods of the reflection-sphere, the light spirit world of yonder side, with all their religious and humanitarian, loving and good intentions, who talk of nothing else but Christ, and mostly really mean it, and want to immerse mankind, in every way, into an ocean of 'goodness'.

In a word, we mean *Judas*, the disciple of the Lord, who sat at table with the Lord, and betrayed Him because he



wanted to transform dialectics, the transitory world, into a Divine Kingdom.

Now, a group filled with these very intentions will enact the Great Play of the return of Christ, with psalm singing and white robes, in a modern setting, and with the application of all discoveries of modern natural science.

This Great Play will include the whole world, and even extend beyond it, as an intercosmic happening. The prologues of this Play can, in this time, already be fully seen, heard and felt.

And this is why we speak of youth lost for the Gnosis.

However, if parents, educators, youth leaders and the School will collaborate in the right way in regard to youth, the results will turn out to be exactly contrary to what the actors of the Play have in mind.

## VI

We have now explained to you why the hierarchy of the brotherhoods of the reflection-sphere are busy staging and enacting the Great Play of the Return of Christ. We have shown how they suffer from a steadily increasing lack of human light force, which constitutes the greatest life factor for all those who want to continue to express and maintain themselves in the dialectical reflection-sphere. It has also been explained how the Great Play is being put on the stage, in order to supply this growing need; the purpose being to lure all mankind into and under a new, very actual spell, and work all up to a highly emotional deeply religious ecstasy, in order to thus insure a production of light force, and the restoration of

affluence for the subsistence needs of the reflection-sphere.  
*This is the whole incentive!*

They very well see that it is absolutely necessary for the success of the Great Play to completely wipe out all sectarian dissension and irreconcilably divergent convictions of all sorts; that the caste of authorities—of leading theologians, priests and scientific ladies and gentlemen—immediately and without reservation, say ‘amen’ to all the phenomena of the Great Play; in order that the people, the masses, may not be influenced by their authorities to a possible negative attitude. From the medicine-men in the dark parts of the earth up to the most celebrated and select professors of the most famous universities, there will have to be no divergence of opinion in regard to the nature and essence of the stream of phenomena which will be poured over the world.

As you can readily see, if the hierarchy wants to bring this Play to a successful conclusion, they will have to make use of great powers, great capacities and a genius past all belief, to insure that *all*, without any exceptions, *but the gnostics of the Modern Spiritual School*, will simply submit to the facts.

It is for the benefit of these gnostics, and for the benefit of all those who will prove to be sensitive to the touch of the Gnosis, that this warning is given to the world in time.

We shall now give a description of the various acts of the Great Play. We are not absolutely sure of the sequence in which all parts of the program will be performed; neither do we claim to be exhaustive in our description. However, our statements will be more than sufficient to enable you to immediately recognize the Play when it starts.

Well then:

Some day in the near future, in the morning, in the afternoon or in the evening, people will be listening to their favourite radio programs, be they sermons, other speeches, plays or concerts.

At one of the high points of the broadcasts, when the attention is supposed to be greatest, the sound will suddenly fade away—become inaudible—and all listeners will hear a voice, a beautiful, deep, loving voice, announcing that there has been no interference at the broadcasting station, that the broadcast will resume very soon, but that this is only a short interruption for a communication which is addressed to *all* in the name of God, and intended for *all*. It will be stated that the Great Day of the Lord has come, the Day of the Return of Christ, and that all people are invited to prepare themselves for that day and for that hour.

This radio incident will take place at the same moment as regards all broadcasting stations then in operation.

The incident will last only a few minutes; and, in fact, the ordinary program will resume the next moment. Neither the preaching minister, the playing orchestra nor the staff of the broadcasting station will know at the time what happened; for *actually there will not be the least interference!*

Then, a little later, in all directions, people will be on the telephone, asking what was the matter and protesting in all keys! For, here or there, in many a living-room, someone will have had a fainting from fright. 'Does anyone have the right to give a person such a fright?', they will demand; and: 'What sect or church is responsible for such a thing?' 'You'll certainly hear further from us!' etc.

And, before the personnel of the broadcasting station has recovered from their perplexity, telegrams will flow in from all parts of the world, saying that though it all happened seemingly without interference at any station, yet there really was an interference of the same nature and with the same message for all.

You can imagine how the daily papers will look the next day! They will have descriptions of the incident, reactions of various persons; their terror and surprise, medical protests, and altogether the expression of complete perplexity.

All the world will be astir, through all social strata, in all circles of people, those of the Left and those of the Right; and government and radio authorities will take measures for the instituting of thorough investigations. In various quarters, lectures will be given seeking to determine what could possibly be behind these happenings. In brief, a keen, general interest will have been aroused.

A few days later, the phenomenon will be repeated, with a similar message, and this time with much more success; for you can imagine that everyone is now glued to his radio! Communications from all parts of the world will confirm the fact that the same thing has occurred again and that the same message came through.

Can you see how the execution of this one phase of the program will have already shaken the whole mass of humanity, and how, as a consequence, the export of light-power to the reflection-sphere will have increased many times in all countries? Yet this one phase of the program is only a very slight introduction!

You will now ask: how can these interruptions in the broadcast be brought about and who are those that will perform such a trick?

You know that a radio program is broadcast and received by means of electricity; their radiation waves have a certain length, according to mutual arrangement. Well then, most wonderful and ingenious applications of electrotechnics make it possible to absorb, without impairment, the energy sent out by a broadcasting station, in such a way that not the least energy or radiation from the broadcasting station reaches the radio sets; whereas, at the same moment, the thus blocked broadcasting station can be imitated with another apparatus.

The entities, performing this work belong to certain orders or brotherhoods who have their domicile in the Polar regions, as, for instance and among others, in Greenland. These are entities of a female and male nature, of whom frequent mention will be made in the near future; for the members of these orders will be used for the Great Play in very many ways, about which we shall inform you as fully as possible.

These people are masters of popular psychology and know better than anyone else how they will have to handle certain nations and races.

The machinery just mentioned, with which they will achieve their radio-effect, can rightly be called a combination of technics and magic. It is undoubtedly of a technical construction, but so extremely sensitive that it can be controlled and applied by the powers of trained and commanded will and thought. Therefore, you can fancy how, apart from the explained radio-effect, government and other authorities can also be influenced directly with the aid of this machinery. The more minds and hearts are captured by the psychological consequences of the radio-effect, after the first act of the Great Play, the more

people will become will-less victims of the orders mentioned, with their magical-technical machinery.

Mankind goes the way of self-injury by dint of its abnormal intellectuality and its intellectual habit forming, and thus endangers the reflection-sphere through lack of light ether. It will now be brought into line by magical-technical means—that is to say, in its own way—and be forced into obedience to the dialectical hierarchy.

The usual manner of influencing, as used by the reflection-sphere, is steadily losing effectiveness. Therefore, the same end will be sought in another, a hyper-modern way.

We shall conclude this exposition with the express warning: Speed forth on the way of the Gnostic Liberation shown you. Avail yourself of the possibilities offered you for this Liberation. Should the powers of the Great Play overtake you at a time when your resistance has not yet been mobilized and sufficiently built up in a conscious way, you will no doubt be victimized!

## VII

After the strange and so-breathtaking radio message about 'the Day of the Lord' which has come, the Great Play will continue in producing atmospheric phenomena of a mass-enrapturing nature all over the world. All those who have been familiarized from childhood with the exoteric interpretation of the Holy Language of the Bible, and all those who have long forgotten this Language, and those who have misused this Language or desecrated it, or can only scoff at it—they all will shudder and, in great terror and fear, rush to the churches and places of worship that they

used to attend in days of yore. There will not be enough room to seat them all!

Mass meetings will be organized, which will be called 'humiliation assemblies'; millions will offer up supplications to the various deities for salvation at the eleventh hour, now that 'the Great Day of the Lord' has come, and sense of sin has been tardy and weak. In this manner, the production of lightpower will be tremendous; and this will increase the strength of the hierarchy of the reflection-sphere.

What will happen next?

Above all metropolitan and housing centres, in all countries and all sections of the world, without a single exception, the atmospheric phenomena in question will be seen at set times, with steadily increasing frequency, finally even *daily*. People will think that heaven has opened! A great silence will come. The sky will be covered with beautiful blendings of pastel colours. Traffic will stop, and all will look up.

Then mighty music will resound, heavenly singing will be heard, and faces will appear in the clouds:

lofty figures, all grouped around One, who will be recognized by all as Jesus the Lord.

There will be a multitude which none can count!

Just fancy this above a city like London!

Everyone sees it; everyone hears it; nobody can deny it—*nobody* in the whole world!

The consequences can be easily imagined:

Following these powerful scenes of the Great Play, further developments are but child's play, namely, the

positive, actual appearing of the hierarchy already mentioned! They will come to the front and establish complete leadership in all countries of the world. And this not only ecclesiastically, but also politically, in order to institute an absolute theocracy, a would-be Christ-theocracy, carried through and made concrete as a great Reality Play.

Technically, magically, scientifically and theologically the brotherhood mentioned is fully up to such a task; and, after the thorough, magical preparation described, mankind as a whole will be mere puppets in the hands of the said brotherhood.

We tell you about these things and announce them to you in advance, so that all of you, right now, may ask yourselves the all-important question: 'What shall *I* do at the moment when the Great Play breaks out over world and mankind?'

When, in fact, all without exception, are misled, what will be your attitude?

Will you remain faithful to the new young Gnostic Brotherhood, who, as the only witness of the Absolute Truth, will deny the suggested origin of *any* such phenomena, and who, *before* the coming of these events, makes this fore-knowledge known to the world today?

Ere long there will be *two* Kingdoms in the All-Manifestation:

the Kingdom of the Gnosis, and  
the Kingdom of the Play-Actors.

*To which Kingdom will you belong?*



## SECOND PART

# ARMAGEDDON



## I

In *The Shadow of the Coming Events* we informed you of the action, which is in preparation by the hierarchy of the brotherhoods in the reflection-sphere; an action which, hither and thither, has already become apparent.

A subject of ultimate importance has, however, been left out of consideration in the said treatise, because we wanted to postpone the discussion about that element until the very last moment. This moment has now come; further silence could probably be fatal. In order that you may gain a clear picture of the subject under discussion, it will be necessary to more or less introduce this.

First of all we should like to draw your attention to that part of our field of life which we call the reflection-sphere.

When a man dies, it is his material body which dies; but the personality, besides the material body, consists of still other parts namely the ether-body, the astral vehicle and, finally, the lightshaped synthesis, a body which has no form as yet and which is indicated as the mental faculty.

When the material body dies, a small part of the ether-body also dies with it. (One can behold an ether-vehicle in four aspects, four conditions of ether-density. Two of the most dense aspects die and immediately decay together with the material body.)

The other part of the ether-vehicle, as well as the astral body and the mental faculty, continue their existence on the other side of the veil for some time.

Naturally, the personality is heavily damaged by the outfall of the material body, but also the more subtle parts of the personality are doomed to death. They dissolve more slowly or rapidly varying between two and thirty years. Finally only the microcosm is left which, after this total emptying-of-personality, again seeks re-vivification.

Now, after the death of the material body, the whole of this process takes place in the reflection-sphere, in those more subtle territories of our planet to which the more subtle vehicles of our personality belong. Many people think (and they have thought so time after time through all periods of mankind's course) that this reflection-sphere, this land beyond the veil, is the one great purpose of human existence, the great goal God puts before humanity. Moreover, people thought that life in the material sphere was only 'one-time'; that in the land beyond the veil are heaven and hell, and that life on earth (in the material sphere) is decisive for an eternal abode in the hereafter.

For this reason the greater part of humanity, all through their material existence, is busy preparing for that land beyond the veil in order that they may gain the heaven-spheres instead of hell, and that they may eternally remain in that summerland in a life of glory.

In this way, the entire natural religious part of humanity keep their minds fixed on the reflection-sphere. But many people wanted certainty with regard to that hereafter, that future eternal life. They wished to ascertain its truth, its reality or its possible mystification. They would not wait till they possibly might arrive there after death; they wanted exact knowledge already in this life.

They, therefore, tried to acquire that certainty and they did it in the following manner: they tried to make

themselves completely conscious during their nightly sleep; they wished to transfer the consciousness they had during the day to the condition of nightly sleep, in order that they might be able to observe with absoluteness—so, that they might positively know on the basis of their own consciousness.

When a man falls asleep, his personality is cleaved. The subtile part of his personality steps out, as people call it; in fact things happen in quite the same way as during the condition of death. However we must remark here that, when the personality is cleaving on the approach of the condition of sleep, the human consciousness is also cleaving.

When a man sleeps and the material body lies stretched on the bed, the etheric double floats some inches above the material body, whereas the other subtile parts of the personality can, if he so wishes, move more or less to and fro the material body. This cleavage of the personality having taken effect, the human consciousness is cleaving also, as we have said. Therefore, the normal human sleeping-consciousness differs from the waking-consciousness. For, part of the waking-consciousness remains with the material body during the sleep. This part of the waking-consciousness then is in a more or less dreamless, unconscious condition.

Now, many people supposed that it would be possible to transfer the total consciousness to the subtile part of the personality during the condition of sleep. The reasoning was as follows: 'When we, on falling asleep, make also step out that which, during the waking-consciousness, we call our total consciousness, then the I, when awakening, can bring back the complete result of the investigation in the hereafter and etch it on the brains.'

In order to be able to do this, the whole material body must be trained for the purpose. To this end a training of the brains will be necessary, especially a change in the cells of the brains. The entire central nervous-system is to be subjected to a series of adjustments for, normally, the brains do transfer the pictures of the nightly life, which we call dreams, but generally it is not possible to make head or tail of them, as everybody knows: they are confused, senseless and extremely veiled.

Well, the whole of this training of all the vehicles of the personality, for the purpose of transferring the total consciousness to the subtile personality, lies at the basis of the science and the practices of occultism. But a man who subjects himself to these practices thereby brings himself in a very great danger, namely the danger of heavy crystallization of the personality; a crystallization which is much more intense than what is possible in a normal human life. As we have explained already, he firstly tries to make this body live much longer than normally would be possible, by influencing the organic processes in various ways.

A true Rosicrucian, therefore, can never be an occultist for, in the Golden Law of the Brotherhood of the Rosycross it is particularly stressed that 'no brother of the Order will strive after a longer life than God permits him'. Every brother of the Rosycross agrees with this Golden Law and seals it with his blood.

The occultist literally strives after a prolongation of the dialectic state of life. He trains the entire personality, the subtile as well as the more dense part. Thus, his personality's factor of crystallization changes completely and is absolutely contradictory to the dialectic natural law.

This, in short, is the manner in which a part of mankind, unlawfully and contra-naturally, have created for themselves a life in the reflection-sphere, in the land beyond the veil. Of course, this unlawful, contra-natural half-life tries to maintain itself in the reflection-sphere. Just as people on the *material* side of our nature try to maintain themselves by all means, they try to maintain themselves on the other side of the veil also. These people believe themselves to be alive, to have reached their aim; they think they are citizens of heaven, but in reality they are anomalies in the dialectic nature. For this reason they are and, at the same time, create a deadly danger for that part of humanity who are still living on this side because, in order to be able to prolong their lives on the other side and to secure their existence there, they are obliged to constantly feed themselves with *light-ether*.

Herein their existence is secured. However, they do not possess this light-ether anymore, or they have only fragments of it. And, because of their damaged personalities, which are-only-partly, they neither can extract this ether from the ether-currents of the intercosmic atmosphere: therefore, they must receive these etherpowers from us, from the people living in the earthly material sphere!

That is done by means of various kinds of mystic meetings in churches and otherwise. You will find a description of the necessity and the consequences of all this in *The Shadow of the Coming Events*.

Now you will understand, especially after having read the above mentioned treatise, what a brotherhood of the reflection-sphere really is. It is a collectivity of entities who unlawfully maintain themselves in the reflection-sphere and who are extremely dangerous for the world and

mankind in view of the unnaturalness of the forced prolongation of their existence and its consequent practices.

Now you will also understand what the *hierarchy* of the reflection-sphere brotherhoods is. It is a combine of such brotherhoods whose only basis is: need of self-maintenance. For, generally, there is a great animosity or rejection among the various groups. But when need be, they join and form one combine of interests. In our days, the danger threatens them that they will not be able to continue maintaining their lives in the reflection-sphere because of a growing lack of light-ether. That is the reason why they are developing the Great Play, the play of the coming again of Christ, in order to urge humanity into an increase of light-ether production for the benefit of these hordes of parasites.

In *The Shadow of the Coming Events* we indicated the whole of this play in its various aspects and, furthermore, outlined how it will begin and how its course will be.

In the Bible we find a description of the Coming Again of Christ, but unfortunately people do not interpret that Coming Again in the same way. Some understand what is said about it in the Holy Language strictly and literally; others understand it in a merely symbolical sense. But it is a relatively very small group who are able to behold it in the true sense.

This true sense of the Holy Language of all times has different aspects. Perhaps you know what the Path of the Gnosis means. It is the way of the real liberation of mankind! So, this way is *not* occult, nor is it mystic. We do not seek or wish contact with nor a life on the other side.

In the first place we try to obtain a real, living state of soul; we try to obtain the birth of a new soul. And that



new soul having been born, a soul-body is built on the basis of that soul-nucleus; a personality of the soul which the Bible also indicates as the Soma Psychicon or the Golden Wedding Garment.

The soul-man who knows how to build such a wedding garment, such a personality of the soul, gets into communication with the original life, with the true humanity, with the Divinity of the beginning, with the true Spirit. Such a man goes, from eternity to eternity, a way which has nothing whatever to do with 'the other side', with the reflection-sphere; and, at a given moment, neither with the material sphere of dialectics, so that, at a certain moment, he can put the entire old personality aside, in order to go forward in the Golden Wedding Garment, in the personality of the soul.

However, long before the absoluteness of that soul-body has come true, the growing soul-man has already met the Great Soul-Man the Holy Language speaks of; the Soul-Prince, one of the Prototypes of the soul-mankind: the Christ. When the awakened soul-man comes to behold the soul-mankind bodily, then Christ has come again *for him*.

Now, do get a clear picture of all this! The Gnosis always makes Itself known to dialectic mankind. Why? In order to show the dialectic, the fallen, man the way to the soul-mankind, the way to the soul-world. You have been born to find that way, to understand that way and to go that way. That is the one purpose of your life!

*The Gnosis meets us in order to show us the way to the soul-world.* Without that way the human existence is of no use whatever.

This makes it clear that, if mankind does not wish to go that way and wants to establish an *earthly* kingdom (be it on

this side of the veil, or in the land beyond the veil), something is going to happen with mankind.

May we repeat it: mankind comes into being in this dialectic world *in order to find the way back to the soul-mankind!* In case it does not wish to go that way, the goal is missed and mankind is broken off. That is the cause of death! But if man finds the way to the soul-world, he *conquers* death completely. The soul having been born, death has been conquered, for, the soul-man exists from eternity to eternity. He who wins the soul, conquers death and may say after Paul: 'Death where is thy sting, hell where is thy victory!'

But when man does not go the way to the soul-mankind, then—thanks to God—the material body is disintegrated. Then it is caught by death. Why? In order to give the microcosm a chance to admit another personality into the system, so that this personality may avail itself of the possibility to re-find the way back to the House of the Father. When we do not find the way to the Domain of the Soul in the direct sense, then death may rightly be called a blessing, an intervention for the purpose of mankind's salvation.

Therefore, you can now understand that—in case mankind, self-willed, tries to maintain itself, seeking after a continued life and, when this proves to be impossible, clings to the land beyond the veil—enormous tensions accumulate; tensions caused by the infringement of the most elementary laws of nature; tensions which will cause the world to explode at a given moment.

We repeat: when one tries to realize an earthly kingdom on this or on the other side, then something is going to happen to mankind. Then mankind's life is speeding to the end; then life, as it goes, is demolished by the irresist-

ible workings of the fundamental laws of nature, in both the spheres of dialectic existence.

On the one hand, the real meaning of the Coming Again of Christ is: the finding of the Soul-Prince on the path of the soul-humanity; on the other hand—when in a certain period a large group of people are really standing on that path—it means the development of a formidable calamity-status for the other part of mankind. A crisis comes about, an enormous explosion of the tensions which the Holy Language calls 'The Judgement': the Judgement of God.

Under the spell of this threatening calamity and of the lack of light-ether connected with it, the reflection-sphere hierarchy is staging the 'Great Play' against which *The Shadow of the Coming Events* gives such a serious warning to everybody who is willing to listen.

But, at the same time, the disaster is undeniable: as a discharge of the existing and still increasing unnatural tensions.

We shall try to explain what we must understand this disaster and its consequences to be, and also investigate whether, in our present days, we can already see something of the catastrophe. For, it is necessary that we should be fully informed, in order that we may be able to behave, as knowing people, in the correct manner with regard to the Great Aim of our life and shall not go astray by a wrong insight which so often is the cause of totally wrong and absolutely fatal reactions.

## II

We discussed the fact that for those who do not find and walk the true path of liberation, a catastrophe arises, a

crisis phase, in which various explosions will develop as discharges of accumulated tensions.

Before these discharges take place there is still a certain balance because, as the Holy Language says, 'God's people are still to be found upon earth'.

By 'God's people' is meant the group of those who are busy preparing themselves to walk the Path of the Gnosis. This group attracts all sorts of gnostic powers and radiations which descend into our nature, thus creating and maintaining a certain balance, so that the discharges of the sundry magnetic storms cannot as yet take place.

However, as soon as the gnostic-minded group becomes conscious of that Path, sees the various aspects of that Path clearly before them, and also becomes conscious of their own state and the possibilities of being able to leave this earth of blood and tears, by means of 'a Living Body'\*, (i.e. a gnostic building of living soul powers, just as 'Noah's Ark' or the 'Heavenly ship' of the ancient Egyptians), then another situation arises. Then the cosmic radiation-relations change. The group of the sons of God will then be isolated from the ordinary course of the earth by way of a process: they will travel the way toward its new life-field, the world of living souls, called by Christ the Kingdom of Heaven; and they will be removed from the dialectic earth. As a consequence, the powers of the ordinary dialectic nature are no longer kept in hand and they begin to run their natural course.

All of this is quite easily made clear by a simple example.

Imagine that a number of persons are about to commit a great evil. These persons, who are so intent upon criminal enterprises, may be withheld from such deeds and kept in hand by a strong line of conduct and by control. The tensions, however, will continue to increase! Because

thoughts and desires, wishes directed upon evil deeds, do not remain still, they cannot be kept in line. As a consequence the tensions accumulate. Then, when the authority is withdrawn and sets itself to other tasks and the malevolent masses are left to their own devices, then one knows what will happen: the tension breaks loose!

Now, in the Universe there are certain laws which provide a regularity and are called: radiation laws. Throughout the entire dialectic universe the radiation laws regulate the living conditions of all entities and the great respiring and exhaling processes of the stars and planets, of the planetary and zodiacal systems. One might speak of a gigantic clockwork, which indicates the course of things in the order of time and space, and from which nothing and no one can escape. Everyone must submit himself to these radiation laws, which govern the entire Universe. Therefore, it is quite evident that the possibilities whereby a gnostic minded group may follow and reach its aim, also answer to suchlike laws.

When a gnostic body submits itself exactly according to the indications of the relative radiation laws, then this group will be able to travel its way and reach the aim of the path, without any hindrance, without any obstacle.

A group of gnostic-minded persons does not just come to the fore at a given moment in world history. No, the gnostic groups also come and go according to natural laws, according to radiation laws which regulate all this, just as all other things and developments come and go according to these same laws. Thus it is possible that people, who have studied those laws and who understand their workings and who have also investigated the course of these

laws in the order of space and time, can point—with their fingers upon the intercosmic clockwork, as it were—toward happenings which will irrevocably come. When they do so, this, however, is no prophecy, no astrology, but a conviction based upon knowledge of the universal governing Law; a sober and businesslike taking into account of the irrevocable natural and lawful course of events. Neither are there any mysterious whispering voices, spiritualistic controls or anything of that sort; no mysterious hocus-pocus, but only some knowledge of the radiation laws which govern the Omnirevelation.

When the ancient prophets spoke about God, the coming intervention or the coming punishments, then they alluded to the nature-powers of which we have spoken, which powers are irresistably active. They knew, that if one accumulates tensions the explosion is bound to come at the appointed time. One can very often establish the moment of the explosion beforehand.

Now one can ask: is it any use prophesying? If the course of things in the entire Omnirevelation is indispensable, why should we find it necessary to warn each other beforehand? Yes, for the man in the mass, for man as a herd-animal, that has indeed no point. But it *has* for the seeker who, when he is seized by the Gnosis, might find the Path of Liberation!

For *the seeker* it is really of importance, that a warning should reach him or her at the right time and in the right place. If you still exist in the seeking stage and hungrily feel for the One Way of Liberation, without being able to see this clearly before you; if all sorts of doubts press upon you, in consequence of which you remain still in indecision, then, in this condition, a warning is quite definitely

in order: 'Take your places now upon the Path and submit yourselves to the urge of the Logos!'

One can escape from the fate of dialectics by going the way of the true destiny of mankind. That is why it is also a question of love for God and mankind, to go out and spread the warning when it has come and has been understood.

All radiations and rays of the nature-laws, in their intervention with the entire Universe and with every mortal person, describe orbits in the Universe, circles, spirals, ingoing and outgoing radiations. We do not allude here to astrologic influences; we have not directed our attention here in the least toward the radiations of planets and of zodiacal signs which come to us. No, here we mean intercosmic currents; intercosmic currents that have their source, not in the dialectic Universe, not in the seventh cosmic sphere, but in the spheres which lie above this.

In the entire dialectic universe immense cosmic currents and radiations are continually active, and cosmic currents and radiations describe orbits, run courses.

We spoke of ingoing and outgoing radiations; of radiations which require a certain period of time. Radiations which continually return, be it on a higher or be it on a lower plane. On a higher plane, whenever the level of mankind gives occasion thereto; on a lower plane, whenever mankind walks a degenerative way. Wherewith we would but say: all these intercosmic currents and radiations teach and influence every living creature, be it man, be it beast, be it plant or be it mineral. Our manner of reaction upon these intercosmic radiations is very diverse, however, and so it is possible that one and the same ray awakens one group unto life, and is extremely fatal and

demolishing for another group. Therefore it is clear, that in an order of time and space such as ours, all things come and all things go, only to turn up again.

An analysis of the natural course of events, an analysis of occurrences in the year 1956, is completely the same as a similar course of hundreds or thousands of years ago. Just imagine that at this moment certain mighty intercosmic currents stir us all, have seized us all. If you now take into account, that intercosmic radiations describe an orbit, then it is quite clear, that these same radiations have already stirred mankind previously! Now just imagine that we had also existed ten thousand years ago for instance, then we should be able to establish and determine with great certainty the facts which are repeating themselves in the present, by reason of the experiences of that former time. So, a prophecy in connection with mankind of thousands of years ago may be more or less alike to a prophecy of the present, if mankind has reached the same point upon a certain electromagnetic orbit as at that time; whereby, of course, we must take into account the social, technical and political differences.

Thus it is possible, and it is toward this that our eyes are directed, that the Pyramid of Gizeh describes for instance a complete piece of the *future* history of mankind, if one dips back into the *past*: in such a way the chronology of the Pyramid of Gizeh can point out the fate of mankind during a portion of an entire sidereal year.

The Pyramid namely contains a chronology which embraces approximately six thousand years. It speaks thereby of two consummations of fate, namely the fate of mankind in a liberating sense, and the fate of mankind in a decaying sense, because the same intercosmic radiations can give rise to different reactions, both positive as well as negative.



So, it is a question of the fate of man, of mankind; the fate of the *conversion* or the fate of the *aversion*. If you react positively to the intercosmic radiations, then they will lead you unto life; if not, then in one way or another you will be broken. So it is and so it should always be with every true prophecy. Every analysis of the activity of the intercosmic radiations is always twofold. For this reason also you can find it expressed in the Gospel: whenever the Son of man appears and the light breaks open and the blessed are raised up unto Him, then the judgement immediately follows; the masses who have not chosen are cut off.—Here is alluded to the fate of those who have definitely refused to react positively to the intercosmic radiations.

Every analysis of the radiations is always twofold. After having read *The Shadow of the Coming Events* you will know that this analysis of future events also complies with these conditions.

At about the end of this century, to be exact in the year 2001, the epoch of the Great Pyramid ends. Then it will not become a thing of the past, a monument which reminds one of former times, but then it immediately begins *anew* from *the bottom up*. Because there are intercosmic currents and radiations, which have an orbit of 6300 years.

Every man, every microcosm, can and must see himself as the centre of an intercosmic radiation, an intercosmic interference. These intercosmic radiations come to groups, but also to individuals. In order to get an idea thereof, you could think for instance of the light of the sun, the moon and the planets. If on an evening you look upward to the firmament, then you will experience the bodily, the literal sensation as if all these radiations converge within

you. We are, in whatever way, always a centre wherein many radiations converge, both as individuals as well as collectively. This of course has its consequences, because one can *be of the opinion* that one can keep these radiations at a distance, one can tell oneself lies: 'These radiations do not touch me', *but they go right through every one of us and all of us!*

We must all, therefore, take into account the consequences of this. We must say to each other quite soberly: 'Let us study the radiation laws of this moment, let us investigate their nature and let us take into account the consequences thereof; both as individuals and as a group. We must, above all, learn to understand in what way we can positively react to these radiations.'

This is so self-evident that a child might understand it: because it is for all of us, without exception, an elementary condition of life.

Let us then now give a summary of the facts which we have established.

We find ourselves in the dialectic emergency order, that is to say in our present-day field of existence, in order to learn and to understand God's call and to answer it positively.

*What is God's call?*

*Not* one or another holy book, wherein is recounted over God and about what God wants from mankind! God's call is *not* the voice that sounds to you by means of the Spiritual School, or by means of one or another ecclesiastic body. No, *God's call is a radiative plenitude, an intervention of light!*

That is why in the Holy Language it is stated that God is Light. The Gnosis is a radiative intervention.—We also

speak of a radiative intervention. But even if we did *not* speak to you, that radiative intervention, that Light would nevertheless be a fact in relation to all of you. Thus, God's call is an intervention of Light, a radiative intervention. And we are born here into this emergency order to understand God's call and to answer it positively, or in other words: in order to walk the Path of soul liberation. If we do not do this, if we go the way of every dialectic phenomenon, then we will be ground in the disaster of the closing phase. In every period of existence we receive a chance to answer God's call positively. If we refrain from doing this, then we will be liquidated, then the microcosm will be emptied. Either the whole of mankind will be liquidated, or a part of mankind. And our earth-field will also be reorganized, in order to prepare it for the new possibility of liberation.

The radiation laws work indeed for us and with us all, yet popularly said: they know no pardon. With respect to these activities there is no compromise. We have the choice between positive reaction or not. If we do not react, well, then there is God's love ready to give our microcosm another opportunity, so that some time a personality may appear in the microcosm who will react positively. Until this happens, God's call will continue to sound in this emergency order.

We must however take into account various abnormal situations in dialectics, because the emergency-order does not remain pure, as it was intended at the start; no, at a given moment an emergency-order is filled with impurity. We have been able to point out one of these horrible impurities, which is of a very misleading character, in *The Shadow of the Coming Events*: namely, the abnormality

of that part of mankind who exist beyond the veil and who try to maintain themselves at the cost of the part living on this side and who, out of self-maintenance, are continually bound to take advantage of every situation, even the most dramatic ones. *This is recounted in The Shadow of the Coming Events.*

Let us now turn to the situation of the disaster, the situation of the closing phase, the situation of the partial liquidation of our present-day social life.

We have just said that the chronology of the Great Pyramid clearly points out the year 2001. So, the young Gnostic Brotherhood has but 40 years in which to gather in its harvest in full measure, before an alteration of the entire social and geologic situation of the earth will necessitate a long period of waiting for a new Gnosis.

### III

In the previous chapter we mentioned three aspects from which we cannot escape. First of all we should take into account that our existence in this dialectic world, in this emergency-order, is only then justified, when we find the way back to the Lost Fatherland. Nothing is left to human experiments; on the contrary, the Logos issues radiations which make us walk a long, long way of experiences and which, ultimately, bring us into contact with various powers and possibilities.

In case of a positive reaction, that is: when I surrender myself unconditionally to those powers, a new birth develops in my microcosm, a transfiguration, a soul-man, who is eternal and who is able to return to the House of the Father.

When I react negatively and do *not* walk the Path which

is shown me, then the said radiation powers will empty my microcosm of this non-reacting personality by death—and they will repeat this as long as this will be necessary. I have nothing to hang on to, because my own little world will always be eliminated.

Our emergency-order is a dialectic one. It will pass and we cannot catch it. Sometimes it vanishes while we have our eyes fixed on it. Everything comes up and everything disappears, only in order to turn up again. Never can this emergency-order, this dialectic nature, be made static, for it is fundamentally apt to change. Personality follows personality, each time in a new aspect of the world and, thus, there is no halt to the new chances for a return to the Lost Fatherland which the microcosm receives. This process continues life after life and death after death, until—at the end of a Cosmic Day (as we call it)—a radiation law of a different nature wipes out every kind of life on earth. A cosmic night is setting in during which the face of the earth will be entirely changed. Thereupon, a new Day of Manifestation dawns and, under altered conditions, the process is started once more in order that the remainder of humanity may *now* react in the correct manner. Messengers of the Gnosis descend anew, to show mankind the only Path of Liberation.

Now, there are various kinds of cosmic nights and, therefore, also various kinds of days of manifestation. They can be distinguished in minor and major days of manifestation; minor developments relative only to the earth and major ones bringing on a number of phenomena and transformations e.g. in the whole of the solar system. The zodiacal system is subjected to similar periods of a still larger extent; those reigning the totality of the Milky Way system even exceed the afore-mentioned periods; etc.

Perhaps you have read or heard people speak about sidereal years; we mean about esoteric sidereal years lasting some 25,200 years. We distinguish in every such sidereal year twelve periods of about 2100 years each. And the Gnosis divides those 2100 years again in three periods of 700 years. Every such space of 700 years brings an important change in mankind's existence. A period of 2100 years ends in a change of greater significance and sometimes even in the turmoil of destruction comprising every aspect of social life, all mankind and also the earth or part of the earth. Continents may disappear, new continents rise up, and in this way various geologic changes are periodically taking effect. Probably you know that a new continent is taking shape in the Pacific.

The beginning of what we indicate as the christian era practically corresponds with the start of such a period of 2100 years. And as we are now living in the year 1956, it is evident that we have entered the closing phase in which we discover the lines of situations and possibilities which prove that destruction is on the approach.

According to the chronology of the Great Pyramid—to be precise: since the 20th of August 1953—humanity has entered the period-of-destruction of these 2100 years in which we now live. Since the 20th of August 1953 the rise into liberation must take effect, or destruction must follow. We know that this rise has started in the young Gnostic Brotherhood and the process of destruction shows in the world.

Another important thing to keep in mind is that the chronology of the Great Pyramid speaks of radiations with a circular course of about 6300 years, divided into three periods of 2100 years.

After three such periods of 2100 years—that is: after 6300 years—the developing disaster will be more radical than after an in-between-period of 2100 years. And because the end of such an epoch of 6300 years is drawing near, we need not ask what fate is to be expected for the world and for humanity.

But on the other hand, reader: the powerful radiation-crisis which we are facing in these days is also of special importance for the Gnosis; it will affect us in a particular sense if our attitude toward this new development is *positive*! The gnostic victory of the future years will, therefore, be greater and more glorious than ever before in the past 6300 years.

And now remember what we said about that abnormality in our emergency-order: the part of mankind who unlawfully dwell in the hereafter and who are going to stage the Great Play. This is the third aspect we are confronted with. The reactions of these entities were neither positive nor negative. Self-willed and stupidly they chose a way of their own. They themselves constructed a substitute-heaven in the hereafter; consequently, they will find that they are beaten in more than one respect when the moment has come. They will start the Great Play, in the illusion that they can save for themselves what they may.

Imagine that you had lived all through a sidereal year of 25,200 years; that you were not 30, 40, 50 or 60 years of age, but that you spent 25,200 years in this existence. You would have lived with humanity through many a change, through major and minor cosmic nights and days of manifestation. You would have experienced and suffered right through 36 minor changes, 12 moderate changes of

2100 years, and 4 major changes of 6300 years each. What a lot of experience you would have gathered! Quite an amount of knowledge would be yours with regard to the workings and the consequences (positive and negative) of the radiation-laws prevailing in the Universe; the radiation-powers relating to the world and mankind.

Nothing about the course of those radiations and the results thereof would be hidden to you. You would know a good deal about the powers active in the Universe; at any rate your knowledge of them would suffice and enable you to analyze the next epoch of 2100 years with ease. When you would have lived through all the twists and turns of 'time', urged by the radiation-powers of the Logos, it would—after a long, long time—be very easy for you to determine when the new courses would start; you would know in advance what you were to expect.—In the same manner you are able to predict today, from experience, what you are to face tomorrow and the day-after-tomorrow, for instance concerning your social position, etc.

Well then, having gathered so much experience you would be able to construct for instance a monument like the Pyramid of Gizeh without a shade of speculation, negative fore-casting or fortune-telling. The builders of the Pyramid on the Nile *were* such people with an Eternity-consciousness; and that monument is an analysis in stone of what was to happen in the period of 6300 years following the construction of it. A complete chronology has been laid down in it by the usage of various kinds of stone, by the scheme of construction and by the variation in the heights and widths of its corridors and halls. The Great Pyramid is, indeed, a prediction of everything which was to occur in the next epoch of 6300 years, complete with



dates—and all this definitely without any speculation, for the builders constructed it for that purpose on a strictly scientific basis and they were led by millions of years of investigation.

We repeat: when you had lived so long and had gathered so much knowledge and experience in your being, then you would probably be able, if not to build a monument, at any rate to write a kind of story about everything that is going to happen in the approaching period. As a means of expression, you could clothe this analysis of time in some kind of garment; of a story for instance, or some other romantic form, which you could present to humanity or to a part of humanity. This would be a rather lofty story, of course. Not having occurred, it would nevertheless be a record of happenings in many, many former periods and of events in many spaces of time to come. The recorded facts would be fictitious, and yet be true. For, the story would be a positive analysis of the science of radiation, the consequences and the results of which had been verified in the course of millions of years. In full and justified faith everybody could accept this analysis, for the future would inevitably provide the proof of the story's truth.

This is the way in which the Holy Language was shaped. Besides the Pyramid of Gizeh, the analysis in stone of the Universal Science of Radiation, humanity possesses the Holy Language which gives the same messages and information.

Every age had its holy tales and will have them for all races and peoples as long as dialectics will exist; stories which, indeed, are analyses of past and future contingencies, based on knowledge of the radiations. And these

stories will always prove to be alike, from whatever races, peoples or periods they descend.

The central figure may be indicated as Jesus Christ, Krishna, Buddha or anyone else of the Very Select, but in truth it is always the same analysis of the universal science of radiation. In whatever shape we present the truth, it will always become apparent. The tales of all races and peoples and periods will always be fundamentally alike, because they were given to humanity by liberated, absolutely redeemed Entities who are in charge of the aid to the non-liberated part of mankind. Naturally, these Entities have full knowledge of the universal science of radiation. And out of this source they preach to the non-redeemed people when a new period begins, telling them how it will and must be, how they must react in order to be redeemed and to become a soul-man also.

And whoever forgets the information and advices of the Select can always reach for the Tale, for the analysis of radiation contained therein.

Undoubtedly you will now see the enormous value of the Bible for all of us. For this purpose we received it. And you know that the Rosicrucians say of the Bible: 'Blessed is he who possesses it, blessed is he who reads it, blessed is he who understands it, but blessed above all is he who comprehends it and *obeys!*' These words need no further explanation.

It will also be clear enough why many people and races say of some Holy Tale: 'This is the history of our race, of our people, of our religious development, of our church.' This is true to a certain extent, because whatever part of the Holy Language we take, it always comprises the history of the whole of mankind, their rise and their fall.

But all the same, when you say such a thing like: 'This is

the history of our race', this will give rise to a number of serious errors and will often cause a lot of trouble in case people take the Holy Language strictly nationalistic. The Jewish peoples are an example of such an illusion when they pretend: 'We are the people of God.' And not to forget the christian churches whose members proclaim after the example of their priesthoods: 'We are the select.' Think here also of the fanatic Mohammedans, of the Hindus, the Confucians and the adherents of the Shinto-religion, etc. All this is proof that the millions have lost the knowledge and understanding of what the Holy Language—which they received—is really aiming at.

And because they have forgotten, they now are unable to go the positive way, however genuine their endeavours—unless there is an intervention from outside and they utterly change their conduct and mind. Besides, many an analysis of the Universal Science of Radiation—cloaked in a story and thus presented to us—has been mutilated by the abnormal inhabitants of the reflection-sphere. The same is true with regard to the Pyramid of Gizeh whose original form has also been badly damaged.

Those abnormal beings in the reflection-sphere misled the groups of seekers in every manner one could think of—and they use these storylike analyses for their own purposes. How greatly the Holy Language is misused at every thinkable occasion, or applied in order to sustain and promote perfidious dialectic aims!

#### IV

Now, let us turn our mind to the Holy Language which affects us Western people most: the Bible. In this Book

we find mainly several analyses-in-the-shape-of-stories of the universal science of radiation, such as we dealt with in the previous chapter. For one part these analyses relate to events of the past; for another part they concern the future.

You probably know that the Jewish people claim the Old Testament to be: 'The history of our nation. It is a record of the generation and the development of our nation. All this, from Abraham up to the present moment, is our national history.' 'Besides,' the Jews pretend, 'the Old Testament points to the great and glorious future, a future of international significance for us, the Jewish nation. We are God's people! In time we shall govern the whole world under the guidance of our Messiah!'

The Jewish people, whether consciously or sub-consciously, live entirely out of this imperialistic dream: the world one large theocracy under the guidance of God, that is to say: of the Jewish God, the God of the Covenant.

But not only the Jews think so. For instance, also the Mohammedans cherish their unity-idea. As they see it, we are living toward a grand world-sovereignty, the Mohammedan theocracy under the guidance of Mohammed, the prophet.

Moreover you know that in our Western countries too there is such a striving among the Roman Catholics, whose aims and purposes are generally known.

There is not so much difference of opinion between the Jews and a great part of christianity. The latter accept the Jewish idea for a good deal, though slightly adapted, and even advertize it. For, the Christians say: 'Ah well, we do not expect the Messiah because He appeared already. Did not Christ appear two thousand years ago? No, Christ will return; He will restore the ancient People of the Covenant,

the Jewish nation—and then this ancient people will accept and confess our Christ. Thus, God will found His theocracy with us and the Jews together. For, in the New Testament Jews and Christians are joined unto one people.'

Everybody who does not accept this, who will not believe it, is an outsider, a pagan. Both the Jews in their expectation of the Messiah and these Christians in their expectation of a Second Coming of Christ are attentively watching the Land of Canaan. There, on the eastern border of the Mediterranean something fabulous is going to happen.

The Jews tell us: 'The Israel of the future has begun its course.' And the Christians in expectation of the Second Coming of Christ declare: 'No such thing has happened yet, for it is still to come. After the great fight of Armageddon God will take the lead of His people.'

Maybe, you are acquainted with similar movements in various countries, busy with their scheme of propaganda under the pretext: 'The end of the world has come; be prepared!' We think especially of the Watch Tower, of diverse grandiose evangelization-movements here and abroad such as the movement of Billy Graham. Furthermore, we hear about the British-Israel-Movement, etc.

Well now, all these groups are pointing with greater or lesser success at occurrences in the world which somehow seem to have something to do with what has been told in the Biblical books. And remembering what we have told you, this will not surprise you anymore. Cloaked in stories, the Bible contains radiation-analyses of mankind's wandering which, after having been completed, will always start again. It is, therefore, that we can always find corresponding indications in the Holy Language of the

peoples concerning important contingencies in the development on earth. Especially the comparisons by the examiners of the Pyramid—between their discoveries, their chronologic results and (what they think to be) the Biblical predictions—induce us to go a little further into the subject.

Let us first see what we can find about the origin of the Jewish people. The Universal Doctrine holds that the Jewish people belongs to the ancient Semitic root race, which is one of the races who survived Atlantis. This ancient Semitic root race was divided into twelve tribes and these twelve tribes again were divided into two kingdoms: the Kingdom of Israel comprising *ten* tribes of the ancient Semitic root race, and the Kingdom of Judah consisting of *two* tribes of that ancient Semitic root race.

In the course of thousands of years both these Kingdoms—the Kingdom of Israel and the Kingdom of Judah suffered heavy disasters, often also deportations, many of which have been described in the Old Testament. At a given moment in history, the Kingdom of Israel had disappeared, had completely vanished. Its population had been deported and nobody knew whither they had gone. Before their total disappearance they had also been periodically deported, but each time they could return to their own country. At a given moment, however, they were gone and nothing was heard about them anymore.

Only the two tribes of the Kingdom of Judah did originally return to their old country. But at about the start of this era the Kingdom of Judah was conquered by the Roman Empire and the Judeans, the ancient people of the Kingdom of Judah, were dispersed all over the world. Nowadays their descendants are called Jews. Best of all,

the Judeans have preserved the Semitic race characteristics of old. Nevertheless . . . those ten tribes of Israel who disappeared, as it is said, do also belong to that ancient Semitic root race! Their calling is exactly the same as that of the Judeans, of the people who belonged to the two tribes of the Kingdom of Judah!

After investigation, it seems most probable that these ten lost tribes have been deported in a north-western direction. On a study of the map of the Mediterranean countries, taking into account that the Kingdom of Israel was situated in the regions of the present Asia Minor, you will discover that the ten lost tribes must have been deported—via the Syrean regions—to the north-west in the direction of Western Europe and that they have spread there. From this we may conclude that *we* and many other peoples of Western Europe are the descendants of those ten lost tribes.

Various countries have been named after the old tribes, for instance *DAN*-mark which contains the name of the tribe *DAN*. There are many more such examples, but this one seems sufficient for our purpose. Most likely the Dutch, Flemings, Germans, Norwegians, Swedes, Danes, English, etc. are, generally, descendants from the lost ten tribes of Israel. The present Israel, therefore, is merely the expression of an inborn urge among the Semitic root race for a return to the Land where their cradle stood.—It will be useful to dwell a bit longer on the subject.

Every people and every race cherishes a more or less strong nationalistic idea concerning the supremacy of their own race.

A race comes to the fore, it separates into a number of peoples; those peoples attain glory, might, economic expansion . . . until at a given moment the culminating

point has been reached. Decay sets in and the line of development bends downward. As soon as this down-going tendency is becoming evident among and in the people concerned, a strong desire develops for a return to the glory of old; a wish to restore that glory. Poets start songs and verses, highly inspired or not. Literature is enriched with heaps of treatises honouring the glory, the strength, the might and the beauty of the past. Education follows the example. National history is stamped into the children's heads, to serve as a kind of leaven of the former glory of the race and of the people. Religion does not stay behind. At any possible commemoration the people are gathered in the churches to meditate together on the glory of past times.

In this way nationalism is created, nourished, maintained and possibly increased. In time, the greater part of the peoples have produced a strong nationalistic idea. The cry for a return to the past is as a war-song which, at a given moment, seems to affect millions of people. It sets the masses on the move.—There are peoples with a rather strong racial instinct, for instance the Slavic race, the Germanic race, the Anglo-Saxon race and many other races throughout the world.

This racial instinct, keeping the peoples together in the race-idea, may quite correctly be denoted as the Race god.

What is a Race god?

When we all fix our minds upon one nationalistic idea, then a mighty astral image of that idea develops. The astral world possesses specific possibilities of reflection. So, when the mind of everyone of us is continually fixed upon one and the same idea, then we shall discover that at a given moment an astral image has been generated which is becoming clearer and clearer, and with which we are in



communication because we created it ourselves. This race spirit, this race-idea, this race-form, this race-image is continuously nourished. At first it is an image 'with dead eyes'; but the moment comes when this image is gaining life, when it starts dominating us, when forces flow from it and when it is even capable of attracting all kinds of forces and of pouring these down unto the people. This is the way in which a race spirit, a race god comes into being.

A mighty example of such a thing are the Jews, though there are tens of other examples. During thousands of years this race god has been nourished among the Jews; has been cultivated in every possible manner, also by means of the magic of religion. Therefore, however scattered the Jews may be all over the world, the characteristics and instincts of the race remain intact. From out the hereafter, from out the astral field of the dialectic nature, these are nourished and guided by the race god. On death a Jew is met and made a captive in the hereafter, no matter in which country he lived; and from that focus in the hereafter he, as a microcosm, is again sent into incarnation with a Jewish family.

The same procedure is true of the numerous churches in the world. There is not a shade of doubt that, when a Mohammedan dies, his microcosm—after having been emptied—will harbour another little Mohammedan on re-vivification; a personality born out of Mohammedan parents. Such is the striving of many a brotherhood in the reflection-sphere.

The same is happening in our western countries. When a man has not entirely and fundamentally freed himself from the hierarchies of the magic churches during his life in the material sphere, he will definitely be made a captive

again. In the hour of his death he will vision a mighty cathedral of a phantastic colouring and architecture, with enchanting marble steps crowded by the ascending faithful. Mighty organ music bursts from the opened doors and the dying man, marvelling at the spectacle, enters the cathedral in deep yearning. Then he has been caught!

What we mean to say here is, that it is far from easy to escape from the grip of such a powerful, cultivated race god or group spirit.

Nationalism is closely related hereto. You know, how such a strong nationalistic tendency is spreading through practically every country. (Especially among those races and peoples who lived under a foreign yoke during hundreds of years, this tendency is stronger than ever before.) We need only think of the United States of America, in fact claiming world domination; of the Arabian countries and the African peoples who are marching toward liberation and who are shaking off the yoke; of the Asiatic peoples such as the Chinese, the Indo-Chinese and the Indonesians. In all those countries and peoples the masses are on the move. And because of this, internal and external conflicts are breaking out, with the exception—at least for the present moment—of South America where the conflicts are still kept within internal limits and have not grown into foreign conflicts because these peoples have not yet found their balance. Besides, it is from South America that the Great Play will be set into motion. The day is not far away when you will see this with your own eyes.

We may rightly say, therefore, that more than ever the whole world and all its peoples are captured in the nationalistic intoxication; they are advancing.

And in that situation the European peoples will have to pay the piper; that is quite clear. The proud British Empire is largely crumbling down. The French colonies are in complete revolt; already France has lost part of its Colonial Empire. Holland is deprived of Indonesia. Germany has been divided into two halves. And so on. As do the Jews, these peoples are also yearning for a return to their former glory, and in an increasing measure. We should realize, however, that an enormous and inevitable conflict is not approaching, but has been effectuated already. For it is evident, that such a return must necessarily harm the interests of others, who on their part are also driven unto the past and unto a further goal by *their* race gods and race spirits. We are right down in the conflict, especially since the 20th of August 1953.

The third world war has started and is growing more and more fierce.

So, we are standing in the third world war.

It is inevitable that every nation and every race will come into conflict with other nations and races in view of their nationalistic rights, duties or wishes, whether justified, hysterical, dreamed or forced. Where is the beginning and where the end?

There are the Jews with their idea of supremacy and their religion. And there is also the European illusion of supremacy of the white race. Louder and louder resounds the slogan: 'Europe, unite!' A European nationalism is coming up. Before long, Europe will be in deadly danger for, in the East and in the South, blind hatred has been cultivated during ages and it is on the verge of discharge. Great danger threatens the Occident, and it is about to perish.

Only look around you; mind the signs and listen; then you, too, will know that the world is on fire.

Millions of Indonesians are thirsting for Netherlands' blood. And such hatred is met nearly everywhere. So far, the various groups have been acting separately and only organization, a combine of interests is lacking. In the meantime measures have been taken, however, for instance by the Arabian countries who have formed such a combine under the guidance of Egypt.—Once having been well-founded and well-organized, these countries will set the world ablaze.

Finally only a battlefield is needed; some spot where the rage, the concentrated tensions, can be let loose. We should ask ourselves where this battlefield will be found; where the big fight between the races and nations is to be fought. The Holy Language calls this battlefield: *Armageddon*.

No need to say that nothing, absolutely nothing will be left of the world once the attack should be launched with the use of the modern means of destruction.

And now we ask you: what is the cause of all this? Let us consider this question carefully in the light of everything we discussed so far. *What is the cause?*

Wickedness? Absolutely not.

Maliciousness? Certainly not.

Only ignorance! Only deception! Only lack of the one truly human education! There is no question of maliciousness!

In every human being, born into this world in a body of the emergency-order, an urge is stirring; a primordial urge to attain the aim of his terrestrial existence here.

But when you do not know what the aim is? When you

have not been in the least informed concerning that aim?  
And when nevertheless that urge is chasing you on?  
Then you will do the most ridiculous things!

In essence, the nationalistic idea in so many a nation and race is but an appeal to the primordial urge-after-attainment existing in every human being.

But: what *are* you to attain by virtue of your emergency status? Why are you here in this world?

To return to the Original Fatherland! To return, as a soul-man, to the lost Kingdom of God.

Such is your calling!

But when you do not know this, then the tensions discharge in every manner you could think of. For that you need not be wicked or mischievous! Real criminals, really bad people are scarce in this world. And even those people we may pity and consider to be ill, seriously ill.

With whatever people out of every nation or race one speaks, they will all talk about their right; about the right to live as a free nation. Who could deny this right? Why should any country be enslaved by another country. Has not every nation a right to be free! Is not it a justified demand that one should be and live in accordance with one's own status. These people of the various races and nations are bearing witness out of their history and, mind this: *also out of their religion!* The whole of their priesthood is in the service of their race god! And here we stand eye to eye with the abnormality, for a race god and a race spirit are but a concentration of forces in the hereafter.

Friends, never, never, never permit yourselves to be caught by a nationalistic intoxication! Be objective in your estimation of the worldly things, for you are a called son of

God. Never let yourselves be tempted to hate your fellow men.

Have love for every human being!

## V

In the development of the astral courses our present period of 6300 years is nearing completion and is running toward its close. It started with a grand and splendid culture in the countries of Asia Minor. But mind! There is a natural law to the effect that every period of culture will necessarily end where it once started.

We can hear and read about enormous, mighty states in the pre-christian ages of the period in which we now live, such as Egypt, Persia, Syria, Mesopotamia, etc. Many of these regions suffered from the penetration by the ancient semitic root race and much is told about its victories, wars and capturing of other peoples' properties.

There are stories describing the downfall of Jerusalem at the dawn of this era and the dislodgement of the Judeans by the Roman legions, by a new world-empire, which meanwhile had been founded north of the Mediterranean. In this battle for Jerusalem more than a million Judeans lost their lives.

We hear and read about large Moorish states situated south of the Mediterranean.—We have no intention to be exact, but only want to slightly indicate how an enormous, glorious culture circled around that ancient sea-bay of the Mediterranean, from Egypt to Asia Minor and stretching unto the Balkans where the large empires of Byzantium were flourishing; a culture in comparison with which our own is no more than a shade. There were the cultures of

Greece and Rome; the rising empire of Spain; the Moorish countries in the south with their spectacular culture; and then with Egypt the circle is closed.

Everything which came into being around this ancient world-sea has been irradiated in all directions and all over the world during this period of ours. Whence came the famous founders of religions, the Ambassadors of the Universal Brotherhood (think e.g. of entities like Jesus our Lord and Appollonius of Tyana!). They found their field of action in the Mediterranean countries. It was in these areas that the Gnosis celebrated its high-days. In Africa unto the Atlas and far beyond; on the other side of Africa deep unto the Coptic empire; all through Asia Minor, the Balkans and Southern Europe the Gnosis reaped its many harvests, guided numerous children of God unto the Light. And still we find the testimonies in stone in the south of Europe; old damaged sanctuaries of the Gnosis.

In short, however you may look upon the matter, study it and approach it: surely the Mediterranean sea-bay with its surrounding territories is the great centre, the very heart of our present period. There it started; there it will end.

*And everything is on its way back to these regions!*

The interest of everybody, yes the interest of the whole world, is strongly concentrated on the countries situated around the Mediterranean, whatever the reason may be.

In the Roman empire of old lies Rome which still is the central point of an ever more powerful natural-religious imperium.

In Spain, the Caudillo is making every possible effort to play the fiddle amidst the turmoil of the nations.

Turning our eyes to the countries of North Africa, we

see that the former Moorish country is in full swing. A very large part of this Moorish territory of old has already regained the right of self-determination.

Furthermore, there is Egypt which is in the press every day and shortly, under the leadership of its President Nasser, seized the Suez Canal and placed it under its control. The Egyptian nation is on the march!

All the Arabian countries are now awake and ablaze with energy. Persia, too, is coming to the fore. And the Jews, the Judeans have re-established their state. The Greeks are in full national agitation because of Cyprus. And a number of years ago the Turks founded a new nation on the initiative of Kemal Pasha who died in recent years.

In short, the nations around the Mediterranean are in such a state of commotion that it cannot possibly be overlooked.

And we, the modern Gnostic Spiritual School, the present servant of the Universal Brotherhood, we too are sharing in all this. We, in the young Gnosis, we also turn our eyes to the south, to the valley of the Ariège, to the Sanctuaries of old, for we know that the Light which guided the birth of this period, will also be with us in the hour of its death.

Now, let us focus the situation sharply. There is the Mediterranean, surrounded by various nations and races who are all in a frightful agitation. Around that centre: the parties with greater or lesser interests. Those parties and groups, yes the whole world, we might say, are lining up around the Mediterranean-Bay: a wide circle formed by the peoples of Europe, Russia, China, the other Asiatic and the African nations, and finally America having a large fleet in the Mediterranean, ready for action. Without exception



everyone of them is highly interested in what is going to happen in the Mediterranean, whatever the reasons may be.

Now, when you can picture this situation, then you know fairly well what *Armageddon* is: the immense battlefield where all the nations of the earth have *assembled* at this very moment. Mark the literal significance of this metaphor!

The eyes of all the world are turned to this sea-bay of the Mediterranean, the battlefield where the great battle of everyone, with everyone and against everyone will be fought, and where the fight, as you know, has already started.

Where a period started, there it will end. After all that we have said here, you will probably grasp the meaning of the story-shaped analyses of the science of radiation better than ever before. They adapt themselves to such a periodic course of 6300 years.

What great and glorious purpose was to be served by the reputed culture prevailing in the vicinities of the one-time world-sea; the sea which, in our days, has again become the world-sea *par excellence*?

What was the lofty purpose of that culture in which so many a divine Ambassador lived and worked?

*The purpose was to show and introduce mankind into the Promised Land of the living Soul-Status.* This is what the Holy Language points to: to the people of God! And everyone who possesses a Rosy-heart<sup>\*</sup> is a member of that people. The people of God are meant to be led out of the House of Bondage unto the Promised Land, the wonderful Kingdom of the Soul, which every son of God will inherit and which will be the indefeasible property of all.

This is what the Gnosis teaches, what the Gnosis intends,

what the Gnosis gives proof of, the truth which the Gnosis has preserved for all of us.

In our present period of 6300 years, the Gnosis made a fresh start preaching, posing and anchoring this truth in the order of time. And in the closing phase of this period It is again a party in the so important contingency accompanying the end: the battle of Armageddon. For this very reason the young Gnosis has made such haste and is preparing its place around the old sea-bay.

But the magnificent intend the Holy Language and all of the Universal Doctrine gives evidence of, has been placed on the horizontal plane of dialectics by the peoples of this earth, who now apply it to support the inner urge for which they have no explanation and, consequently, have bent downwards; that mighty urge driving every microcosm-with-an-original-nucleus\* on unto the one great aim for which we exist.

A strong yearning after attainment is prevailing in everyone of us. So, when microcosmoi experience this yearning, not knowing what to do with it and yet being driven, being pressed by that inner urge to obey, then will happen that which must happen *now*, what in fact is happening: the world will be set on fire a third time.

Thus we are lining up around the heart of the present world: groups and individuals, parties and those who have interests to defend. Once before those members of mankind, who could not yet be saved and who had to stay behind in dialectics, started a new course in the regions and countries of the old world-sea. Now we are all led back, bodily and individually, to the starting-point.

We explained, how—from that starting-point of old—the ten lost tribes spread over Western Europe. We are

their descendants, so we shall have to go back to that historic point. The bill, covering this period, is now presented and we must ask ourselves the all-important question: 'What will happen next?' We shall deal with this question in extent.

Before we do so, we want to stress the fact that neither this question nor our answer should in the least oppress you. We have no intention whatever to rouse fright or fear. We are discussing these matters as Rosicrucians, as gnostic-minded people, addressing everyone who—in the approaching hour of darkness—is seeking for the Light which will fade no more. In case you belong to these people: do take an objective stand toward all this, whatever may happen. Do not make yourself a party in the coming battle. We are citizens of various nations, probably all subject to some kind of national commotion. But we repeat: do not stand up for either party in the battle of Armageddon!

This does not mean that it would not be permitted to have love for one's country. But it is quite a different thing to love your country, the region where you live and work, or feed the nationalism which we described. Once again: take no sides! Be not drawn into, do not perish in any intoxication; on the contrary, envelope all men, all mankind in your love, strongly being aware of the immeasurable tragedy of the doom we are in.

Should this appeal do something to you, should you agree in your innermost being, then do decide right away—in this hour of extreme importance for you yourself and for all of us—to earnestly answer the incessive Universal call for fulfilment of the only true destination of your life, by making a zealous start with the Path of Liberation.

When you do so, when you try to become a truly gnostic man, then nothing can happen to you. Then the words of the Psalmist are applicable to you:

‘Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall hear no evil; for thou art with me.’

Not a hair is to perish from the head of you without the will of your Father in Heaven.

## VI

In our days, in this our period of the present sidereal year, when humanity has been led back to its starting-point, we must ask ourselves: what is going to happen next?

What will happen to the man of the masses?

Which will be the consequences for the stagers of the Great Play, and what occurrences will they cause?

What will happen to the sons of God, the pure followers of the Gnosis?

Let us read part of the Holy Language, namely Revelations 16, as an introduction and in order that we may obtain a clear picture of the situation.

‘The sixth angel poured his bowl on the great river Euphrates; and its water was dried up, to prepare the way of the kings who will come from the rise of the sun.

And I saw, issuing from the mouth of the dragon and from the mouth of the beast and from the mouth of the false prophet, three foul spirits like frogs; for they are demonic spirits who perform signs going out to the kings of the earth and of the whole, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty.

Lo, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is he who is awake, keeping his garments that he may not go naked and be seen exposed.

And they assembled them at a place which is called in Hebrew Armageddon.

The seventh angel poured his bowl into the air, and a great voice came out of the Temple of Heaven, from the Throne, saying: It is done.

And there were voices, and peals of thunder, and flashes of lightning; and there were great earthquakes such as had never been since men were on the earth, namely such earthquake and so great.

And the great city was split into three parts; and the cities of the heathens fell; and the great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath.

And every island flies away, and no mountains were to be found.

And great hailstones, heavy as a hundredweight, dropped on men from heaven; and men cursed God for the plague of the hail, so fearful was that plague.'

The chapters 15—18 describe the period and contingencies of the end.

Earlier we discussed how mankind has, partly, been assembled in the Mediterranean countries and, for another part, is bent on them in their minds, all of the occurrences and everything which will happen there in the future having their special attention. You will remember that we said: where a period starts, there it will also end.

The only purpose underlying any newly started period of development (may we once more point this out to you) is: bringing home in the original life that part of mankind which still is in a fallen state. For this reason there is an urge to fulfilment in every human being. And when the spiral course of the Divine Powers is about to end, the

results will become evident quite naturally by consequence of the course of the universal radiation laws. So, this entire spiral course aims at the ultimate result, at the final judgement!

All the radiation powers in the Universe urge the entire dialectic All-Revelation on to the one and only purpose. And every time, during a given critical moment, the result must show. Therefore, that ultimate result is the moment of weighing or, according to the Holy Language, a judgement. So, once more and inevitably a criterion is drawing near. The Holy Language often denotes such a criterion as a mountain, as a height, as a culminating-point. Therefore, we may read the word Armageddon also as: a height, or as a place of judgement, as the culminating-point, the moment of crisis in the course of development, in which the final quality is to show.

Now, according to the Book of Revelations, three foul spirits appear; from the mouth of the dragon, from the mouth of the beast, and from the mouth of the false prophet. Those three foul spirits are like frogs. They perform signs which go out to the kings of the earth, to the whole world, to assemble them for battle. So, the outbreak of a crisis is threatening! Which battle, which crisis? The battle of 'that great day of God the Almighty'. This is a mystic wording indicating the day of the lawful end of the present period.

A foul spirit is a spirit who has not yet been purified; an entity who did not understand the purpose of the radiations, who ignored the radiation laws in the positive sense and knew only how to react negatively. An entity, therefore, who did not open his heart to the Gnosis. So, naturally the foul spirits issue from the mouth of the dragon and the beast on the one hand, and from the mouth

of the false prophet on the other. Translated into our terminology this means: on the one hand they are totally and completely bent on matter, on dialectics, being entirely of the earth-earthy; and at the same time they confess a false religiosity, the religiosity of nature, the religiosity which adapts itself unreservedly to the horizontal line.

Well, and here we have the abnormal ones of the reflection-sphere again, with the grip they have on mankind. This is sufficient proof that all of the common religiosity of our days is wholly subdued to the stagers of the Great Play.

Who are those three foul spirits, or groups, or tendencies?

Ah well, we better pass over this in silence. For, should we enter into this subject, should we penetrate into such investigations, then our view would immediately loose objectivity; we could no longer see all those things and occurrences in an objective way—and people might accuse us of some kind of hostility. It will do when we cite here our teacher, Professor De Hartog: ‘Look,’ said he, ‘those three foul spirits are like frogs, as it is written. They have plenty of jaw, they make a lot of noise and they croak incessively.’ This is, how Professor De Hartog saw it that time. But, if we do want some indications, we may say that the three foul spirits who have not yet been purified in the Gnosis, are: firstly the state in general; secondly the church in general; and thirdly the world in its general aspects. For, the state serves the masses; the masses serve dialectics. So, the state and the masses fully immerse into each other, for the state is the representative of the masses. Is not it said that every nation gets the government it deserves?!

This is certainly not a picture of the future! No, all this is fully the actual now, as we said before:

The frogs are croaking, they produce plenty of jaw concerning all possible aspects of life.—At the same time the whole world watches the Mediterranean. So, the nations have assembled in and around Armageddon.—And we repeat: the frogs are making a formidable noise!

The battle of Armageddon is in full swing and a third world war of extraordinary nature is in the process of execution.

It is rather probable that mankind will undergo various series of smaller or larger incidents, such as have started during these past years, especially since 1953. And no doubt attempts will be made to prevent an atomic war in so far as possible.

All nations of the world are urged on to a serious hysteria. Psychologically an intense heat has developed; a heat which is becoming ever more intense; the heat of a crisis, the heat of the end.

Next come a series of catastrophes in nature. Perhaps you remember from our literature that there is a sphere which is indicated as the highest heat-sphere and which especially surrounds the field of life on earth. This heat-sphere corresponds with the fire-stratum under the surface of the earth. As a logical result of the accumulated tensions in that highest heat-sphere, all kinds of explosions develop, such as earthquakes, etc. These will start in the next months and years. Naturally, the whole world will be afflicted; no region will be spared manifold catastrophes and the aspect of the earth will change.

Probably you will see with us the logic of the fact that many explosions and catastrophes in nature, with all the



consequences thereof, will afflict Europe in particular. For, the battle of Armageddon is the concern of three continents: Europe in the south pointing to the Mediterranean; Africa which borders the Mediterranean in the north; and Asia, the Asiatic Continent, bordering it in the west. We, therefore, anticipate a tremendous geologic disturbance at or around the point where these three continents meet.

The battle of Armageddon will thus be an encounter, a conflict between mankind on the one hand and the powers of the universal radiations on the other. Mankind has tired itself out with fighting, particularly in the last decades, and it has moreover invented such terrible means of destruction that it fears them itself. The entire world trembles at the thought of atomic warfare, for mankind knows that the use of atomic weapons will mean the destruction of the whole world.

But bear in mind that mankind has meanwhile dislocated nature's household to such an extent, and the crisis is presently so full of tension that nature itself is beginning to react, just as the human body also rebels when it is subjected to prolonged wrong treatment. It is completely understandable that the moment of crisis coincides with the end of this period in view of the indissoluble connection of all the nature-laws concerned.

So the events of the end spring from the conflict between the intercosmic radiation laws and humanity. Only the future can show how long all this will take. But we know that the cosmic and atmospheric revolution—of which the Modern Spiritual School has been speaking for years and which is described in many of our books—*has begun: Armageddon has become a fact!*

We shall now also understand that this situation is eminently suitable for the abnormal entities of the reflection-sphere to enact the Great Play. Indeed, they are obliged to enact this Play on account of their natural urge to self-maintenance, for the cosmic revolt also affects the reflection-sphere.

We mentioned the three frogs just now, the frogs of the state, the church and the world in general. Well, all the religious efforts of the world, all natural-religious croaking will presently—when the catastrophes break out in their full magnitude—drive men to their churches again; and the production of light-ether for the abnormal reflection-sphere entities will be greatly stimulated.

But in the combat between nature and man the relations are most unequal, so unequal that all the natural-religious croaking will act as a boomerang. For, the man who does not react positively to the radiation laws of the Logos will perish from their negative workings, both in the material sphere and in the reflection-sphere. In their great terror and self-maintaining need, the reflection-sphere inhabitants will, therefore, break into the material sphere. They will take command of the church and the state and the world, and will stage the second coming of Christ as a great play, as set forth in *The Shadow of the Coming Events*. It will all be of no avail, however. This period *will* come to an end and every microcosm that has not found the true Light will have to accept the consequences.

Let us now analyze the relation the children of God bear to the two groups of people discussed above. The men of the masses and the abnormal entities of the reflection-sphere go the road of Judgement. But what happens to the children of God?

All men who are in the Gnosis, all men who are truly seeking the Gnosis should be found on the one true Path! All men who are seriously seeking the Path to Life should *now* be going it! Which means (and it is also the purpose of this publication to make this clear to you!) that we are all—without a single exception—standing with our backs to the wall, that we are all aware of being confronted with the decisive choice: *what will you do in the coming years?*

For that reason Revelations 16 says: 'Lo, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is he who is awake, keeping his garments that he may not go naked and be seen exposed.'

Who can say how much time the young Gnostic Brotherhood still has for its liberating and saving work? We only know so far that we shall have time till 2001 for the first stage of that work; we shall, therefore, be able to harvest for a good forty years. The chronology of the Great Pyramid clearly indicates the year 2001 as the present period's inevitable end. Therefore, all men who can still understand, all men who still have ears to hear must use the time which is left to us very well, in spite of the catastrophes and right through all the croaking and big jawing of the frogs.

For, what is at stake? *That we may not be found naked.*

That is to say, that at the least we should possess a new-born soul-state, and in the shortest possible time: a soul-body. Then we will not be naked. This demand is scientifically quite correct. Only when we possess the soul-body will our dialectic nakedness not be seen. In your own interest an end must be made to the quacking and croaking and make-believe, for the choice confronting *every-one of us* is:

are you joining the negatively reacting people,  
or the positively reacting ones?

If you long to react positively to the call of God, then *you must possess a soul-body*. Your virtuous talk of God and profound knowledge of holy literature will not help you; all that is of no use, if you do not at the same time possess a soul-body. If we remain impure, and therefore naked, that is to say: without the soul-body, then all religious croaking will not help us.

It is a matter of the pure, liberating deed.

It is a matter of safeguarding our microcosm from the natural violence of the intercosmic radiation powers. And that is only possible by possessing the living soul-state. For the man who possesses a soul, an immortal soul, in the Gnostic meaning of the word, the natural intervention in Armageddon does not have a punishing effect but a liberating one: the powers and the workings of the radiations then lift the man concerned *out* of the bound course of nature into the world of the living soul-state.

Thus, we experience once again a repetition of the days of Noah. As you will recall, the Noachites were engaged in building their Ark according to God's indications, that is to say they were building a young Gnostic Brotherhood entirely adjusted to the true world of the living soul-state, the true destiny of man. And the others asked the Noachites: 'What ever are you doing?' and shrugged their shoulders and laughed at them. But when the days of the end came, the events—inevitable by the laws of nature—came to pass.

The soul-man, the man who possesses a living soul-state, or who is seriously engaged in realizing this new soul-state, becomes accessible to other radiation powers, is seized

by another series of radiation laws, with all their consequences; radiation laws and consequences which have been discussed copiously in the last few years in the Modern Spiritual School, the School of the Golden Rosycross, and put to the pupils with great emphasis.

We very much hope that all of you now truly realize the exceptional significance of the period we have entered, a period in which *every* day can be decisive for each one of us.

Finally, you may now also understand why the young Gnosis has taken up its place in the ancient Gnostic foci in the vicinity of the Mediterranean:

In the midst of the conflagration of the nations, the young Gnosis is called *to gather the Harvest from the fields*. Although the great catastrophe is approaching for mankind in general, for the men of the masses, a glorious period, a period of harvest-gathering is approaching for the Gnosis. And that is why our call is resounding, the call of all the Gnostic Brotherhoods who preceded us on the Path of Service:

*'Get ready all of you who, in the falling shades of night, verily desire to perceive the liberating outcome for suffering humanity.*

*Get ready to extend a helping hand to your fellow men in distress, while proceeding on that path yourself.*

*Get ready, today, to join the company of those who are going out to accomplish the Perfect One's, the reborn soul-men's classic work of Harvesting in the PRESENT world.'*

Hundreds of years ago when the Brotherhood of the Cathares, in indissoluble unity with the Brotherhood of the Golden Rosycross and that of the Holy Grail, performed this glorious work, there were a great number of *Parfaits* who acted as Harvesters. It is said that there were 3000 in Europe! Now many thousands of harvesters will be requir-

ed to bring to a good end the work that is expected of us. We are, therefore, addressing all people who can read the signs and inwardly understand the call, to invite them to this glorious work of salvation.

May the coming years find you working diligently in God's great Vineyard!

Prepare yourself for this holy work in the shortest possible time.

## GLOSSARY

*When in the text a word has been marked with an \*, you will find an explanation of it in this glossary. The ciphers placed in ( ) refer to the corresponding pages*

**ANOTHER COSMIC ORDER (25):** See: the Other Kingdom.

**AQUARIUS-RADIATIONS (19):** The sidereal year being in progress, the earth entered the range of action of the zodiacal sign Aquarius. One of the consequences thereof is that a corrective working of rapidly increasing force is becoming manifest with regard to everything which is disharmonious to the Great, Cosmic, Divine Scheme. Thus, it is the period of the Judgement which has now come; that is to say that this corrective, radiative activity will become manifest to mankind for a rise, or for a fall, which depends on whether or not their state of consciousness and attitude of life are in harmony with the Scheme of the Universal Logos.

**DIALECTIC (AL) (10):** That which relates to dialectics.

**DIALECTICS (12):** Our nature-order, in which everything appears in pairs-of-controversy; our present field of existence in which everything is subdued to the law of rising, shining and fading. Because of this law, our field of existence is a realm of finiteness, pain, sorrow, demolition, illness and death. See also pages 24 and 25.

**GNOSIS (16):** a. The Breath of God; God, the Logos, the Source of everything, revealing in and as Spirit, Love, Light, Power and Universal Wisdom.

b. The Universal Brotherhood who maintains and who is the revelation of the gnostic radiation field, of the radiation field of Christ.

**GNOSTIC (13):** Of the Gnosis; in, through, by, from and out of the Gnosis.

**INTEGRATION (16):** Here: the uniting with God, fundamentally and in essence, through the process of Transfiguration: entering the Kingdom of Soul-mankind.

**LIVING BODY (60):** See: Spirit-spark-entities.

LOGOS (14): The Father of everything existing.

MICROCOSM (24 and 26): The totality of the human system of life. The real man is a microcosm. What the world names 'man' is but the heavily damaged personality of a hopelessly degenerated microcosm. Our present consciousness is nothing more than a consciousness of the personality which, consequently, is only aware of the field of existence to which it belongs.

NATURE-AEONS (11 and 12): Monstrous formations of unholy nature-powers which, in the course of time, were called into existence from out of the God-averse life (thinking, willing, feeling, desiring and acting) of fallen mankind. They are the irresistible might of self-maintenance forcing mankind to continue their self-created unholy roads, thus securing the tightening of mankind to the turning wheel of dialectics.

ORIGINAL NUCLEUS (90): See: Rosy-heart.

OTHER KINGDOM (11 and 12): The Other Kingdom is *not* the reflection-sphere, is *not* the field of existence of the dead, but the Kingdom of the Gnosis, the Kingdom of Soul-Mankind, the order-of-life of Christ, the Kingdom of Heaven.

PISTIS SOPHIA (12): A gnostic Gospel dating from the second century which has been impeccably preserved and which proclaims, in detail and impressive purity, the Only Liberating Way in Christ, the Path of Transmutation and Transfiguration. The expression is also used to indicate a human being who verily seeks to walk the Way of Redemption.

ROSY-HEART (89): See: Spirit-spark-entities.

SPIRIT-SPARK-ENTITIES (27): Those persons who bear within themselves the spirit-spark-atom, the rose-bud, the holy lotos of the Mysteries. This atom is a rudimentary remnant of the original divine life. It is the mathematic centre of the human microcosm, at about the top of the right heart ventricle. The microcosm must possess such a spirit-spark-atom, for this is essential to start and push onward the process of transfiguration. In the Universal Language, the



people who do not possess a spirit-spark-atom are indicated as life-spark-entities; this means that they are inaccessible for the Gnosis.

TRANSFIGURATION (23): The evangelic process of the 'rebirth' out of water and spirit, the primordial classic way back to the Lost Fatherland, to the Other Kingdom, to the Order of Life of Christ.