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Signs of a new time sweep the world

Evidence is mounting that an extraordinary spiritual force is hard at work around the world.

Unexplained phenomena, which many call miracles, are manifesting on a regular basis: weeping and bleeding statues; healing 'crosses of light' and springs of water; divine messages inscribed by the seeds within fruits and vegetables; bronze and stone sacred statues that appear to drink milk; mysterious 'crop circles' impressed in grain fields; and gigantic symbols carved in remote mountain and desert areas.

Within the past few years, virtually every spiritual tradition has seen the fulfillment of some long-awaited prophecy heralding a new time for humanity.

In the political arena we are witnessing the breakdown of old repressive regimes and the exposure of rampant corruption in government and business. Thousands of grassroots movements have taken the lead in addressing innumerable social, economic and environmental problems. And millions of ordinary citizens throughout the world have

found new strength in their united appeal for peaceful resolution of conflicts.

Benjamin Creme, internationally-known futurist and lecturer, says these positive developments are being inspired by a group of great spiritual teachers who are gradually emerging into the modern world, together with Maitreya, the World Teacher. Having guided humanity from behind the scenes for thousands of years, these extraordinary individuals will now work openly, showing us how to solve our most difficult problems and build a new civilization based on sharing, economic and social justice, and global cooperation. Among their first recommendations will be a reordering of social priorities so that adequate food, housing, education, and medical care become universal rights.

In this issue we discuss the reasons for these unprecedented events, the historical context in which they occur, what they portend for the future of humanity, and how each individual can play an important part in the great planetary transformation now underway.

When you see and hear me you will realize that you have known for long the Truths which I utter ... These simple Truths, my friends, underlie all existence. Sharing and Justice, Brotherhood and Freedom are not new concepts. From the dawn of time mankind has linked its aspiration to these beckoning stars. Now, my friends, shall we anchor them in the world."
—MAITREYA, THE WORLD TEACHER

Highlights of Maitreya's public emergence

The existence of great spiritual teachers, known as the Masters of Wisdom, became public knowledge after 1875 through the writings of Helena Petrovna Blavatsky, founder of the Theosophical Society. Anticipation of the coming World Teacher, Maitreya, grew and waned in the early part of the 20th century. In June 1945 he declared his intention to physically return to the everyday world at the earliest possible moment, when humanity had achieved a measure of peace and had begun to implement the Principle of Sharing. In July 1977 Maitreya left his ancient Himalayan retreat, taking up residence in the Asian community of London, England. From there, as an apparently ordinary man, he works behind the scenes, directing his transforming energies to every corner of the earth.

The timing of Maitreya's public emergence has been governed by many factors. These include humanity's response to his energies and the need for humanity, through the world's media, to invite him forward, so that our free will is not infringed.

Information on Maitreya's emergence has been presented to the world by Benjamin Creme, who works closely with one of the Masters of Wisdom, a disciple of Maitreya. At a Los Angeles press conference in 1982, Creme revealed Maitreya's location for the first time and invited the media to investigate. Reports of the press conference itself were the extent of the media's coverage.

An announcement by Creme in August 1987 that "in the coming three or four months, Maitreya will be working intensively to bring about a breakthrough in international rela-



Maitreya, as he appeared 'out of the blue' before thousands near Nairobi, Kenya, in June 1988. The event was subsequently reported by major international media, including CNN and BBC. Since then, Maitreya has appeared to hundreds of groups and to individuals throughout the world.

A bright future ahead—if we choose wisely

Humanity is at a crossroads. One path into the future leads to increasing social and economic division, environmental destruction, war and planetary peril. The other path leads to increasing social harmony, economic and environmental balance, and a golden era of peace.

Fortunately, at this critical point in history, we have in our midst a group of extraordinary spiritual teachers to help guide us along the path to peace. But we must willingly accept this guidance and take action to resolve our most dangerous global problems.

Less obvious, yet more pervasive a threat than armed conflict, is the growing disparity between the world's haves and have nots. As an example:

The world's 225 richest people have a combined wealth

of over \$1 trillion, equal to the annual income of the poorest 48 per cent of the world's people.

Among the 4.4 billion people who live in developing countries:

nearly three in five live without basic sanitation

nearly one in three are without safe drinking water

one-quarter lack adequate housing

one in five live beyond the reach of modern health services

one in five children are undernourished, and an equal percentage do not get past grade five in school

Even in the US, the world's wealthiest country, some 12 million families are at risk of hunger, and at least 700,000 people are homeless on any given night.

This growing divide between the wealthy and the poor

threatens us all, as the resulting civil war, terrorism, crime, social unrest, illegal immigration, and environmental degradation do not respect national or local boundaries.

Runaway consumption

The greed of a few has placed the future of the planet in jeopardy. Global consumption of goods and services, disproportionately by the world's wealthiest 20 per cent, topped \$US 24 trillion in 1998, twice the figure for 1975. The UN Human Development Report concludes that the "runaway growth in consumption is placing unprecedented pressure on the environment." This report and others cite the destruction of the world's forests; depletion of the world's fisheries and fresh water supplies; pollution of air and water; depletion of the world's top soil; desertification; species extinction; a dramatic increase in fossil fuel burning and resulting global warming trends. The list of growing environmental problems is nearly endless.

Some of the earth's life support systems are already nearing the "point of no return," says Worldwatch's Brian Halwell. "We cannot sustain this level of consumption forever."

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A bright future ahead

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What could cause humanity, particularly those in the developed world, to change to a less destructive, more sustainable lifestyle before it is too late?

The 'global casino'

The writing is already on the wall, according to US Federal Reserve Bank Chairman Alan Greenspan.

"It is not credible that the United States can remain an oasis of prosperity unaffected by a world that is experiencing greatly increased stress," Greenspan says. Japan has been in a deep recession for more than a decade. Economic weakness in Latin America and Europe since 2000 has also affected the 'oasis' of the United States and many other nations and regions. But the "stress" of collapsing economies in Asia and Russia—and increasing turmoil in Latin America and Eastern Europe—not only affects the oasis of the United States, but the rest of the world as well. The world economy is "in a mess", concedes a senior official at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Efforts by Greenspan and his colleagues at the IMF to prop up the global economy are dwarfed by the sheer size of the 'global casino' that has contributed to the problems in the first place. Some \$1.5 – \$2 trillion in currency changes hands electronically every day in search of speculative profits unrelated to any exchange of real goods and services. This volatile flow of capital, diverted away from emerging economies in search of higher profits elsewhere, causes severe economic hardships that ripple across the globe.

This flow of capital, when shifted away from countries like Thailand and Indonesia, has caused severe economic hardships, which have rippled across the globe. With Japan, the world's second largest economy, already in deep recession, the outlook is not bright.

When the US's "oasis of prosperity" begins to dry up, as it must in the current global financial crisis, stock markets in the West will plunge. This collapse will provide an opportunity for governments to re-evaluate their economic priorities, says futurist Benjamin Creme. The nations of the world will meet together to discuss how to cope with the future in an orderly fashion.

Sharing is the answer

Fortunately, the answers to these seemingly intractable problems are readily available.

For many years Creme has spoken and written about the presence in the world today of a group of great spiritual teachers, known in the East as the Masters of Wisdom. At their head is Maitreya, who, Creme says, is here to inspire humanity to see itself as one interdependent family.

Maitreya will help us see that the world's food, raw materials, energy and technological resources belong to everyone and must be shared equitably. These resources, Maitreya says, are given by divine right for the sustenance of all humanity, not for the use and misuse by a relative few. He will recommend a re-ordering of economic priori-

ties so that adequate food, housing, education and medical care become universal rights.

The next steps

The immediate priority will be the saving of millions of people now starving to death in the developing world. Maitreya will propose a crash program of aid on a world scale to alleviate this suffering.

As humanity begins to accept the Principle of Sharing, and people call on governments to implement this principle, each country will make an inventory of its assets and needs. These statistics will provide a United Nations agency, set up for this purpose, with the information required for a rational redistribution of the world's resources. That which each country has in excess of its needs will be put aside, in trust for the world.

The plans for such a redistribution program—drawn up by economists, financiers and industrialists of great achievement—are already in existence, awaiting only the demand of humanity for their implementation. A sophisticated form of barter, on a global scale, will eventually replace the present economic system.

There will be opposition to such plans from some of the more privileged members of society who will see a loss of their traditional status and power. But the need for change will become so obvious that they will find themselves increasingly powerless to halt the momentum.

Another top priority will be saving, protecting, and healing the environment. This will require the creation of economic systems based on the principles of sustainability and sufficiency, rather than the present system of overproduction and waste, Creme says. The goal is to supply the needs of all while maintaining the planet's health.

With the transformation of economic structures, people throughout the world will increasingly be able to live decent, dignified lives. The incidence of large families will diminish, particularly in the developing world, where it is mainly an insurance for old age. The earth's population will gradually decline to a more natural level.

Humanity's choice

The bright future ahead for humanity is dependent on the decisions we make today. Maitreya and the Masters will advise and guide, but the future rests in our hands.

Maitreya will present humanity with two alternative scenarios of the future—either to continue in the selfish, greedy ways of the past and destroy ourselves, or to accept the Principle of Sharing and create a brilliant new civilization where all may participate as full members of the human family.

Maitreya is in no doubt about the choice humanity will make. He says: "The success of my mission depends on you: you must make the choice—whether you share and learn to live peacefully as True Men, or perish utterly. My heart tells me your answer, your choice, and is glad." ■

The ending of bondage

by the Master —

As the simple snowdrop breaks through the snow and heralds the coming spring, so do the people everywhere make known their demands for justice and peace, and an end to a long winter of thralldom and tyranny.

The people's voice is rising, imperious to be heard. It is the harbinger of the new time, the new dispensation, struggling to be born.

Despite, nay, because of the plans and actions of dangerous men, the people are throwing off their ancient yoke and claiming their right to be heard. A new urgency and a new confidence invests their claim with power. The

power of the people's voice breaks through the age-old bondage and points the way to the future.

More and more, the people are realizing that the role of government is to dispense the needs of the people, that there is no problem or difficulty in which war is the only solution. The sour voices of power-hungry leaders may, for the moment, seduce the fearful or unwary, but their time is limited, is drawing to a close.

A better life

A new time is in the making—of justice, freedom and peace. In this coming time the peoples of all the nations will

see fulfilled their dreams and hopes of a better life: of meaning and purpose, of beauty and understanding, of right relationship and love. Each day will bring a new discovery, inner and outer, each hour an opportunity to serve. Thus will it be, and thus will each man, woman and child glorify the divine in all of us, and show in all its variety the many-sided beauty of God.

Aspiration

When Maitreya emerges, He will seek to canalize the aspiration of countless millions who sense these truths but cannot give them voice. In Him will they find a spokesman, eloquent and severe as circumstances require; through Him will they find their needs made known, the needs of all for a just and peaceful world.

This process is already under way. At marches and demonstrations, where the people call for justice, peace and sanity, Maitreya may be found in one or other guise, playing the part of the people and speaking in their name. His energy of love pervades these gatherings of the just and inspires them to further effort. His strength becomes theirs and they feel undaunted and sure.

In this way, the Lord of Love is turning the tide of hate, is potentizing the ardour of millions, and is finding that the people everywhere are aware of their destiny and are seeking the means to implement their heart-felt desires. ■

This message was given in April 2003 by the Master of Wisdom with whom Benjamin Creme has been associated for more than 40 years. Each month, this Master, whose name may not yet be given out, dictates a timely and thought-provoking article for Share International magazine.



"Many now in the world accept the need for change, accept that sharing and justice are fundamental to man's progress. This realization will change your world."
—MAITREYA

Excerpts from Maitreya's teachings

In April 1988 Maitreya began to present forecasts of world events and fragments of his teachings through a close associate in London. This information was published in Share International magazine, and press releases of his forecasts were sent to the media.

Maitreya's purpose in releasing this material was to further prepare humanity for his emergence and to help us understand the spiritual laws governing our lives, primarily the Law of Cause and Effect. Excerpts follow.

On politics:

■ A new energy pervades the planet now. This energy of equilibrium flushes out negative forces and then creates a state of alertness in individuals. Under the influence of this energy more and more people will revolt. People will not accept imposed solutions.

■ Suppression or repression will collide against a growing awareness among the people [of the need for change]. Where the people's voice is not heard, there will be revolutions. This is not prediction, but recognition of an inevitable effect. The same Law of Cause and Effect that applies to nature applies to human beings.

■ The new politics will no

longer be molded by the 'isms' of capitalism or socialism, but created from self-respect in individuals and nations. Liberty, freedom and salvation will be the objectives of everyone.

■ The fact that 'all men are brothers' will be increasingly translated into structures and practical programs that reflect this reality. Nations can and will experience brotherhood, common goals and common aspirations.

On market forces & commercialization:

■ The cold war is over. But that energy cannot just disappear; it has to go somewhere. It has found a new womb: the commercialization created by market forces. This represents a serious new threat to the world. Market forces are the forces of wickedness, confusion and chaos, and its children are competition and comparison. They have created social and natural havoc. People have been condemned to death, literally, in the name of profit and loss.

■ The new creed of the superpowers has become 'the economy', which is the soul of commercialization. Commercialization is more destructive than any nuclear bomb. The quality

of commercialization is greed, which means making money while others starve.

■ Commercialization has affected all nations and will result in a final collapse of the world's stock markets. After this crash, the first duty of governments will be to feed people with the right food. Their second duty will be to ensure adequate housing. Next will come health and education.

■ In the new systems, social consciousness will guide market forces, not the other way around.

On crime, violence and drugs:

■ Society as a whole is attempting to emerge from its bondage, and the eruption of crime, corruption, drugs and violence are the inevitable prelude.

■ If people are so straitened in life that they cannot even eat properly they will lead desperate lives. If people are deprived of a future, deprived of nourishment, they will end up on drugs to help them forget their desperation. And from drugs it is not far to crime.

■ Drug addicts are suffering from spiritual starvation, from extreme self-alienation. Life

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An age of miracles has begun

“The past few years have been an age of miracles. Unimaginable events have succeeded one another, as if the Creator had whistled up a new world ...” —TIME MAGAZINE

“The signs of Maitreya's presence in the world will continue to increase...He is going to flood the world with such happenings that the mind can never comprehend it.”

This prediction was made in 1988 by one of Maitreya's close associates in the Asian community of London. Since then, millions of people from every religious and cultural background have experienced some 'miraculous' phenomenon.

In November 1999 a German journalist reported that a statue of Shakyamuni Buddha, in the Jokhang Temple in Lhasa, Tibet, was crying small pearls.

For three days in September 1995, Hindu statues around the world 'drank' milk offered by the faithful and skeptical alike, signifying to Hindus that a Great Soul has descended.

A 12-year-old Lebanese girl began producing tiny crystals from her eyes. Subsequently she and her brother were visited by a man dressed in white, sitting upon a white horse and introducing himself as a “messenger from God”.

In Africa, the Middle East and the UK, Muslim families are discovering sacred Arabic symbols formed by the seeds and veins inside garden vegetables and fruits.



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Radiant crosses of light, appearing spontaneously in homes from Europe to America to the Philippines, have brought healing and renewed hope for the future. In November 1995, forty-foot high crosses of light suddenly appeared in all the windows of a small Baptist church in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Since 1994, 14 extremely rare white buffalo calves have been born in the US. For Native Americans, this marks the arrival of a new era of reconciliation among races and respect for the Earth.

Cover stories in major magazines report that 'angels' are intervening with increasing frequency to offer people emergency assistance or comfort.

Statues of the Virgin Mary and Jesus around the world are reported to 'cry' tears of human blood or olive oil, counseling observers to return to the spiritual path.

Beautiful and amazingly intricate patterns, known as 'crop circles', are mysteriously forming in grain fields around the world.

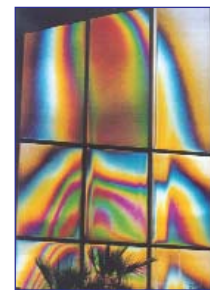
In the US, Europe, Canada and Australia, a mysterious hitchhiker gets rides from (usually) Christian couples, announces that Christ will return soon, and promptly vanishes from the back seat of the moving car.



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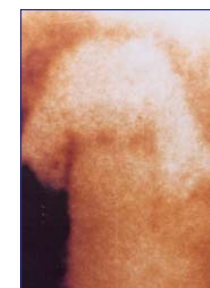
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A three-dimensional appearing hand suddenly appeared on a mirror in Barcelona, Spain. According to Benjamin Creme it is the hand of Maitreya, raised in blessing, and has brought new hope and healing to countless people around the world who have seen a photo of it.

The birth of a red heifer in northern Israel signaled to many devout Jews that the coming of the Messiah is near.

Newly-discovered wells of healing water, similar to the one at Lourdes, have attracted hundreds of thousands to Tlacote (Mexico), Nordenau (Germany), Nadana (India) and Nairobi (Kenya).

A 35-foot high rainbow-colored image of the Madonna appears on the side of an office building in Clearwater, Florida.

Angels and Christ-like figures appear in the clouds in hundreds of photographs, many taken from the windows of airplanes by passengers and crew.

According to Benjamin Creme, the purpose of these miracles is to uphold the faith of the faithful, to renew their belief in God's love and blessing, and to prepare their hearts and minds for the imminent appearance of their awaited Teacher.

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becomes purposeless and people want to bring their lives to an end, and so they commit slow suicide by way of drugs.

If life has no meaning, then meaning is what must be restored. For this to occur, it is necessary for the person to experience a sense of his own worth. There is no substitute for dealing with the individual's internal world.

At the moment, prison is the only alternative for violent and dangerous criminals. But the problem of crime cannot be cured by sentencing people to prison.

When world tension begins to decrease, when the Principle of Sharing begins to be implemented through a variety of social, economic and political reforms, people will feel less threatened and there will be less and less crime.

On the environment:

The environment will become the number one issue throughout the world. This growth in concern is the result of increasing Self-awareness. There is a link between the inner and the outer environment.

There are also connections between the negative forces generated by humanity and what happens in nature. Many natural disasters are responses to human activities. The energy behind all acts of nature and all mental acts is one.

The use of nuclear energy also generates repercussions under the Law of Cause and Effect. There is a difference between using energy within its natural evolutionary base, and manipulating energy. The latter leads invariably to trouble because natural equilibrium is disturbed. A windmill uses the power of the wind to generate energy. A 'controlled' underground nuclear explosion manipulates energy, disturbing the earth's balance. This can and does result in earthquakes.

There will be no need for nuclear energy: the power of the sun will be used. Because of the greater harmony between nature and humanity, people

will be happier, for to disturb the environment is to disturb our own nature.

On the art of Self-realization:

I have not come to found a new religion. I have come to teach the art of Self-realization, which is neither an ideology nor a religion, but benefits people of all religions and those who have none. I seek to express that which I am through you; for this I come.



The Self alone matters. You are that Self, an immortal being. Suffering is caused by identification with anything and everything which is not the Self. Ask yourself, "Who am I?" You will see that you are identified either with matter (the body), or with thought (the mind) or with

power (spirit). But you are none of these. Mind, spirit and body are the temples of the Lord. The Self experiences in these temples the supreme Being and Becoming of the Lord.

One of the easiest ways to know me is to be honest in your mind, be sincere in your spirit, and practice detachment. Any action performed with dishonesty of mind, an insincere spirit and attachment is destructive. For example, when you think one thing, say another, and do something which is different again, you are lost. Honesty of mind leads to honest speech and honest action. This harmony leads to peace and happiness. Without detachment there is no salvation.

Be what you are. Do not surrender your self-respect, your dignity, to others. Do not allow anyone to cast his shadow over you. A Master gives experiences, but does not cast his shadow.

Do not follow one another. If you practice honesty of mind,

sincerity of spirit and detachment, you will know me, you will know the Lord.

What is important is your Self, free from compulsions, able to fulfil your duty without a sense of burden, not bothered by praise or criticism. The moment you feel divinity within you, you realize everything is within you. The master key is within you.

On his emergence:

Without disturbing anyone, I will choose my moment.

Even when you see me, do not run after me. If you run after me, you will lose me. If you parade me, you do not know who I am. I cannot be monopolized—I belong to everyone.

I have not come to create followers. Each of you should continue to develop within your own religious tradition. Respect your own religions, your own ideologies—in brief, your own thoughtform, and you will experience the Master.

I do not want you to believe in me. I want you to experience me.

If you take one step towards me, I will take two steps towards you. I will lend you my strength. I am always with you.

The Ageless Wisdom Teachings—in brief

From ancient times, a body of spiritual¹ teaching known as the Ageless Wisdom has been handed down from generation to generation. A systematic and comprehensive account of the evolution of consciousness in man and nature, it describes how the universe came to exist, how it operates, and man's place within it.

Esotericism, as it is sometimes called, is also the art of working with those energies which emanate from the highest spiritual sources. It has been the wellspring for the arts and sciences throughout the ages and is also the common foundation of all the world's religions.

As humanity matures, further aspects of this previously hidden knowledge are released in a wider, more open manner. Throughout the last 100 years, the Ageless Wisdom Teachings have been communicated through individuals such as Helena Blavatsky, founder of the Theosophical Society, and later by Alice A. Bailey and Helena Roerich.

God and man

Esotericism defines God as the sum total of all the Laws, and all the energies governed by these Laws, which make up everything in the manifested and unmanifested universe—all that we see and cannot see. God is also the great Cosmic Being who ensouls this planet.

Man, in turn, is a 'Spark of God', a spiritual being expressing itself through a physical body. Each one of us is essentially divine but, compared to the saints and sages of all religions, most individuals recognize and demonstrate this divinity only to a limited degree.

Law of Rebirth

The process by which we gradually manifest more of this divinity is rebirth (reincarnation). Like children entering the school system at kindergarten, we began at a very basic level of human expression, not realizing our true spiritual heritage. Through the experiences of countless lifetimes lived in many countries, with different cultural and religious upbringings, in both male and female bodies, we learn many lessons through successes and failures, and move forward on our evolutionary journey back to our

Source. The gains in each lifetime are carried over to the next.

Law of Cause and Effect

The 'method' used in this educational system is the Law of Cause and Effect (or, in Eastern terms, 'karma') which the Bible would describe: "As you sow, so shall you reap". In terms of modern physics, the Law of Cause and Effect could be summarized as: "For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction". Every thought and deed sets up a cause that inevitably leads to certain effects for better or worse. By understanding and working within this impersonal Law, we learn to make better choices and gradually take control of our own destiny. Through experiencing all that life in this world has to offer, we ultimately

By discovering the common wellspring from which all our faiths have emerged, we will come to truly understand our spiritual brotherhood, as children of the One Father—by whatever name we call Him.

acquire total mastery over ourselves and become 'perfected' beings—Masters of Wisdom—fully manifesting the divinity that dwells in each of us.

Spiritual Hierarchy

The Masters of Wisdom, together forming the Spiritual Hierarchy, are the custodians of the Divine Plan for this planet. They have inspired all the great human achievements, working from behind the scenes through their disciples in every field of endeavor. The Masters guide and teach, but it is humanity itself, responding of its own free will to their stimulus, which creates each new civilization. Today, the Masters are returning to the outer world as a group for the first time in countless millennia.

Continuity of teaching

Throughout history, when humanity has reached a major point of crisis, the Spiritual Hierarchy has sent a Teacher to lead the way. The most well-known of these divine messengers are Krishna, Buddha, Confucius, Jesus and

Mohammed, and each of their teachings gave birth to a new religion.

Virtually every spiritual tradition now expects the return of their revered Teacher to validate the past and to carry on the teaching. Christians await the Christ; Jews, the Messiah; Muslims, the Imam Mahdi or Messiah; Buddhists, the Fifth Buddha; and Hindus, the Lord Krishna. In the esoteric tradition, one individual—the World Teacher—is seen as the fulfillment of all these expectations.

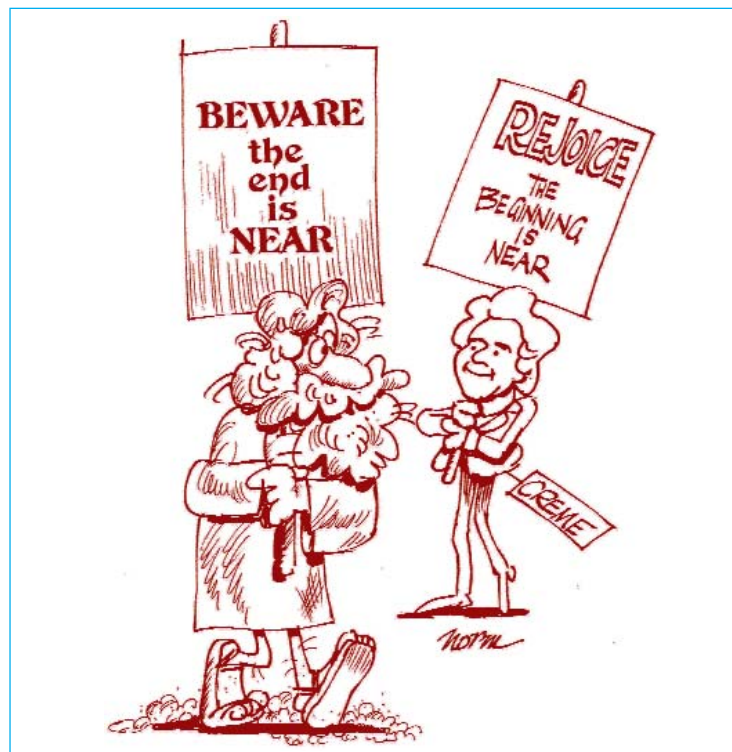
The World Teacher for this cycle is Maitreya, the 'eldest brother' in the human family and head of the Spiritual Hierarchy. Preferring to be known simply as 'the Teacher', Maitreya has not come to found a new religion, but as a guide and counselor for all humanity—regardless of religious affiliation.

Having perfected and fully manifested within himself the Divine Will, Love, Wisdom and Intelligence of God, Maitreya will reveal a new aspect of God. He will lead us to the recognition of our own divinity and our true identity as souls. Out of this greater spiritual understanding and creative power will come a new livingness, harmony and joy. ■

'The term 'spiritual', usually associated with some form of religion or religious practice, actually has a much broader meaning: "All activity which drives the human being forward towards some form of development—physical, emotional, intuitional, social—if it is in advance of his present state, is essentially spiritual in nature." (Alice A. Bailey) By this definition, every word, thought and action is potentially spiritual and capable of improving the human condition.

How you can help

Many who hear about Maitreya's presence in the world ask "How can I help him?" The most important thing is to share this information about his return with as many people as possible. Perhaps the simplest way to do this is by distributing copies of this newspaper. ■



A messenger of hope for humanity

Benjamin Creme, a British artist and long-time student of the Ageless Wisdom Teachings, has become the principal source of contemporary information about the emergence of Maitreya, the World Teacher. In 1959 Creme received his first telepathic message from a Master of Wisdom. Not long after, he was informed that Maitreya would return within 20 years and that he would be given the opportunity to play an active role in this event if he chose to do so.

In 1972, under this Master's direction, Creme began a period of intensive training, as a result of which their telepathic contact became, and remains, continuous and immediate. This relationship has given him access to constant up-to-date information on the progress of Maitreya's emergence and the total conviction necessary to present that information to a skeptical world.

Creme lectures by invitation throughout Europe, North America and the Pacific Rim, and is regularly interviewed on radio and television. He receives no remuneration for this work and makes no claims about his own spiritual status. He is also the editor of a monthly magazine, *Share International*, which is read in over 70 countries. "My task," Creme says, "has been to make the initial approach to the public, to help



create a climate of hope and expectancy into which Maitreya can emerge without infringing our freewill."

As a result of Creme's lectures, books and *Share International* magazine, groups of volunteers in countries worldwide have come together for the purpose of helping to disseminate information about Maitreya and the global transformations that are taking place. They gather regularly for Transmission Meditation and give freely of their time, energy and resources. Through their efforts, Creme's books have been translated and published in more than a dozen languages. This newspaper, *The Emergence Quarterly*, is produced by Share International Foundation and sent free of charge to readers in developing nations. An extensive web site is also maintained by a group of dedicated volunteers. ■

Transmission Meditation—in service to humanity

Do you want to help the world and build a stronger connection with your own spiritual nature? Transmission Meditation is the simplest way to do both—at the same time—says Benjamin Creme.

Transmission Meditation is a group service activity which 'steps down' the great spiritual energies that continually stream into our planet. This transmission process, which makes the energies more useful to humanity, is similar to that of electrical transformers, which step down the power between generators and household outlets. These transformed spiritual energies are gradually uplifting all life forms, changing our world for the better.

During transmission, the Masters of Wisdom direct energies from the spiritual planes through the energy centers

(chakras) of the group members in a scientific manner. The group literally serves as a 'point of entry' for these energies to reach humanity and stimulate human progress. With an increase in the energy of equilibrium, for example, nations that have been enemies for centuries may now find they can talk together around a table and peacefully work out a solution.

Transmission Meditation is safe, scientific, non-denominational, and unbelievably potent. It will not interfere with any other religious or spiritual practice. In fact it will enhance your personal meditation and any other service activities in which you may be engaged. Many people find they can experience and demonstrate love more easily. Others report that their minds are more stimulated and creative. Some people receive

healing, spontaneously, during the transmissions.

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