

## PART II

### CHAPTER 11

#### THE FIRST GOLDEN AGE ON EARTH

#### THE COMING OF THE "LAGGARDS"

#### THE GREAT SPLIT IN THE PRIESTHOOD

We have seen how the first group of mankind, "the Holy Innocents", under the guidance of their Manu and the Protective Presence of Archangel Michael, were given the opportunity to embody on Earth and develop God maturity. We, also, saw that they were accompanied by Seraphic, Cherubic and Angelic Legions plus the "Guardian Spirits" that volunteered from other Planets to come and assist man to fulfill his mission on Earth.

Under this protection and guidance, the beginning of the First Golden Age on Earth was inaugurated. It was a joyous and beautiful starting, the first subrace not knowing much difference between their present environment and the one they had just left in the Inner Spheres. Man's God-given energy was properly used, and in his thoughts and feelings Divine Vibrations were flowing freely from his own "I AM" Presence. Free will, one of God's prime presents to man, allowed each individual to use his energy according to its own design, to add symphony to the music of the Spheres, and expand God's Will on the new Planet. It was a most auspicious beginning and in this — "the Garden of Eden" — no lifestream used energy to create a discordant vibration. The Earth and its inhabitants were as harmonious as Heaven Itself, both being part of the great symphony, each man in complete obedience in the rhythmic radiation from his own Holy Christ Self and Presence. There was no static in the atmosphere and the Angelic Host, the Ascended Masters, the Seraphim, the Cherubim, and the Devas walked with mankind. There was not the haze which is caused when vibration is set into motion, in discord and dissonance. Everything was clear and open to the eye. As far as the hands could reach, there was a self-luminous radiance, visible to the outer sight of everyone. Then people could not practice deception of any kind; because there in the radiance which they emitted was the indication to all of what was in their thought and feeling.

Manifestations of decay, disease and death, such as we know them today, were unknown to them. Through the use of his own thought and feeling, man consciously directed light rays to precipitate into form whatever he needed and this was done without effort or "the sweat of his brow". He had the God-given power to draw light substance from the Universal and convert it into desired form — whatever that form might have been. Temples, homes, gardens, personal sustenance, or whatever else was needed; all he had to do was to invoke this light substance through thought and feeling and it was precipitated.

His life span was much, much longer than present day man's.<sup>1</sup> "Death", as we know this transition today, was unknown then. Instead, there was the power of conscious etherialization — the returning of the elements composing the body to the Universal. And this did not happen very often. It covered cycles, ranging possibly once or twice every 2000 years — during the duration of each of the Seven Rays — and the training of one of man's major physical centres — "the Chakras". With the first episode in the rhythm of evolution having thus completed, the soul passed into the Inner Spheres to continue its Cosmic education, until it was time to return to new embodiment and assume his schooling in the world of form — on Earth. This process lasted seven times, at least, until the 14,000-year period ended — 2000 years for each Ray — at the end of which major period, the man, following his Manu again, was to be Ascended to God's estate and had no need for further re-embodiment on Earth.

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<sup>1</sup> "---In the early Biblical days, men and women lived from seven hundred to a thousand years in one body. Some of you achieved this yourselves on many occasions. The people of that age were trained to look constantly to God, the Flame of all Life, in the heart. Thus, when looking with heart, mind and spirit, they opened the door to the re-charging from the Heart of the "I AM" Presence. As the Light poured through the bodies, the vibratory action was kept at a fast enough rate to naturally repel the disintegrating vibratory action of the Earth-plane. Such individuals were immune to the diseases and appearances, and they remained in a state of acceleration and exhilaration until they chose to withdraw consciously from the bodies and allow the substance of those bodies to return to the Universal for purification---"

(The Maha Chohan, "Bulletin", Vol. 5, #29)

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This condition lasted for a long time — about one million years — during the First, Second, and most of the Third Root Races. And then something happened; something which was neither expected, nor were its consequences fully realized when it took place.

As certain Planets in the Universe were advancing then, to higher spheres and vibration<sup>2</sup> there were among them members who, during endless re-embodiments, they proved themselves so retarding and involute to progress, that those who had charge of those Planets, in their upward movement, realizing that these individuals would only be impediments in the others' progress, refused to take them along with them. The result was that these "laggards" would become "Planetary orphans", without a place to, eventually, complete their evolution. The Earth then, comparatively young in its Cosmic Evolution, and feeling that in this situation there was an opportunity for Cosmic, Selfless Service, offered, through its Spiritual Hierarchy, to receive these "laggards". Needless to say, the offer was immediately accepted, but the result, as time went on, proved to be diametrically the opposite of what was expected and intended. The Earth and its people are still groaning from the effect of its impact and the thralldom that was imposed upon them, by that innocent "Cosmic Selfless Service".

In the following, our former Lord of the World, — now Regent — the Saviour of our Planet, the Beloved Sanat Kumara, gives us a first-hand account of the events that led to that illy-conceived program which eventually brought the contamination of the Earth's atmosphere, caused "The Fall of Man", and retarded human evolution by millions of years. It was given to the students at the Retreat of the Royal Teton, on July 4, 1954, and was published by "The Bridge to Freedom" November, 1955.

<sup>2</sup> Exactly the same thing is taking place, at present, hence the frantic efforts of the Spiritual Hierarchy to "push up" the Earth to meet the needed requirements.

## SANAT KUMARA'S ADDRESS

"---Then, there came an opportunity for selfless service, when the Planet Earth was allowed to accept the "laggards" from other Systems who were not far enough advanced to progress with their own Planets into a more intense vibratory action of planetary and individual light. Those of you who were "Guardian Spirits" of Earth's evolutions, (long before the "laggards" came) were told that, in their coming, the knowledge and consciousness of *Good and Evil* would be brought into the atmosphere of this Planet and the consciousness of its people *for the first time*; to a Planet which was beautiful and to a humanity so innocent. The guardians then increased their spiritual application, calling for added illumination and strength of the Light, not even passing through the change called "death" for some time, so that they might be ready for the impact of these incoming consciousness who brought shadows and to guard the innocent lifestreams belonging to the Earth from contagion and contamination.

Finally there came to the Earth individuals who, (through destructive thought, feeling and experimentation with free will) had created patterns, forms and manifestations which were not in accord with the Divine Mind of God,<sup>3</sup> not in accord with the beauty and perfection of the Presence of God. Then those upon the Planet Earth, looking upon these creations, accepted through their senses into their own consciousness, the seed of these patterns and forms of imperfection.

<sup>3</sup> Referring to the "laggards", in one of His comments, the Great Divine Director said the following:

"---It is not so well known that these "laggards" were accompanied by *some who were not invited*. Some of these brought knowledge to mankind and to the Earth, and some of this knowledge was degenerative and destructive. In addition they also brought with them *strange creatures of their own creation* — seemingly intelligent beings, not created by God, however, but by advanced scientists on other systems of worlds. The extent of the evil of these hordes and that of their mechanical creations has been very great and the oppression they have wreaked upon mankind has been terrible to behold — More of this cannot be given out — I do not bring forth this information in order to frighten any, but to warn mankind that there are beings among them who are not the Creation of God, who are not possessed with the same beautiful Electronic Pattern and Causal Body with which a manifestation of God is endowed---" ("Pearls of Wisdom", Vol. 8, #15, p. 5-6)

In the beginning, these lifestreams of the Earth had previously received directions only from their own Presence in the form of Divine Ideas, desiring only to manifest those Divine Ideas in perfect form, invoking the Elemental Life that joyously rushed to make the "cup" (the clothing for that idea). Then, however, the first disobedience ensued in their rebellion against the fulfillment of the Divine Ideas. They then chose to take the creative centres of their own thought and feeling and draw out of their own energies and primal life the same patterns they saw externalized by the "laggards" of the System. Having taken the vow of obedience to man, Elemental life was required (by the authority of Life Flame in everyone's heart) to create and sustain these thoughts and feeling forms, even though they were imperfect. Thus the great veil of maya was woven and the Fall of Man began.

Although the consciousness of the "I AM" Presence is too pure to behold iniquity, the soul (outer consciousness) attached itself to miscreation by its attention and thus began to generate the same distortion of form which it saw. It was then that Archangel Michael, in all the Power of His Light<sup>4</sup> fashioned from the substance of light by love, His Sword of Blue Flame, He then took the vow that as long as the creative centres of mankind would imprison Elemental Life in these distortions, He would remain and dissolve them by the use of that Mighty Sword, releasing that Life again and returning it to the Sun for re-polarization.

*What happened to that magnificent Inner Presence (abiding within the Three-fold Flame of Life) which was the Director of the activities of the people of Earth, when the attention no longer rested upon the Presence?* When the life, the primal essence, which belonged to the individual no longer gave precedence to God, the focus of light and life within the heart began to *decrease* in size and

<sup>4</sup> Speaking on the subject of the acceptance of the "laggards" and the impression that acceptance had on His Divine Self, the Elohim of Purity said the following to the students at the Retreat at Luxor, February 16, 1957:

"---Oh, I love you, blessed Earth. When, on that day thy people didst say they would accept the "laggards" from the other Stars, if an Elohim could shudder, seeing what might result from giving so innocently, and yet which would cost Life so much---

("Bulletin", Vol. 5, #48)

influence. That which life sustained (through attention upon it) began to grow larger. The human creations, the shadows, individual *cocoons* and mass Karma, began to *increase*. Thus, mankind came to the darkest time in the history of Earth's evolutions when the *Flame Itself* (the Immortal Presence of God) *receded*. No longer did the attention held to the Divine Image and *only a spark* of the *Immortal Flame remained within the heart*. Truly could it be called the "UNFED" Flame---

When this Flame had receded in the hearts of those on Earth until it was only *one-sixteenth of an inch* in height, great crises took place in inter-stellar space. The Holy Christ Selves who had originally passed down, through the Silver Cord, the life and protective radiation enfolding the physical form, now in mercy, decreased the size and volume of energy pouring through that Silver Cord in order to minimize mankind's destructive creations. In time, the Holy Christ Selves of mankind were about to withdraw those sparks and endeavor to begin individualization again through newly created personalities. Even the Earth itself faced dissolution.

I was among Those Who heard of Earth's crises at the Great Cosmic Council. I was the One Who said that I was sure, if some wholly Free Being would come and nourish those tiny sparks, keep them alive and fan them with all the power of His Divine Love, some day the attention of mankind would return to its Divinity. Some day, Primal Life which had been pressed into the distortions that have caused the excess weight upon this Earth, would again feed that Flame---

When I returned to Venus and saw the beauty and magnificence of My Star; when I remembered the original beauty and perfection of the Earth, I was more determined than ever that a Planet created in Divine Love, sustained for so many ages by the Masters, Angels, the beings of Nature and Virgo Herself, should have opportunity for redemption. When My Beloved (The Great Being Venus), in all the *renunciation which is Divine Love in its deepest aspect*, said: "If the Cosmic Law will allow You to go, you are free to do so!" — grateful I was for the opportunity---

In the following, Lord Maitreya (now The Buddha) gives us additional details to this all important subject of the "laggards". The address was given to the students on September 27, 1954, and was published by the "The Bridge to Freedom", February, 1956.

"---Then the Earth offered to accept certain lifestreams who had

not attained the development required to progress with their Planets and Systems. Those Systems had to move on in a great forward push, something like *what the Earth is going to do within the next eighteen-year period*. (The address was given in September, 1954.) The whole Creative Scheme had been delayed because of these "laggards". The Earth and her evolutions, being of a more condensed (and therefore slower) vibratory action than the successive Systems, offered to take on these "laggards", hoping by contagion and by the pressure of purity within the Earth's people and their Guardian Spirits, to redeem these "laggards" quickly. For a hundred years, the priests and priestesses in the Temples made continuous application for the protection of the consciousness of the masses of Earth's people against contagion through proximity, by which imperfect forms might register within their consciousness. Up to this time, Earth's people had seen nothing less than perfection. How did these "laggards" get into the evolutions of Earth? They came through the pure bodies of women belonging to this perfect, harmonious, innocent evolution, who offered to give them an opportunity for incarnation on the Earth. These women were chosen because of their tremendous spiritual strength, so that the Body Elemental might have all the assistance possible and the heritage of good and evil in the consciousness of these egos might be mitigated, you may say, by the pressures of Light in the consciousness of the mother during the period of gestation and the early Earth life.

These individuals were born. The parents of these "laggards" performed one of the greatest sacrifices known in any Galaxy, taking into their physical bodies, consciousness and homes, these individuals whose radiation was such that it has drawn the Earth to its present condition today. Now, what happened? Here is the point where you left the "I AM" consciousness, beloved ones. After birth, when these egos grew to a certain age, the Holy Christ Self had to release a certain amount of their Karma, with opportunity for redemption. However, instead of redeeming it, they yielded to its malign influences and began to create secretly in thought and in feeling forms of an impure and distorted nature. These began to spread into the atmosphere, just like a smog over a city, and were picked up by the sensitive consciousness of the race. Previously these were used to drawing only beauty from the Presence and externalizing Divine perfection. While the temptation could have been repelled and the mind not allowed to accept or entertain those thought patterns and feelings, some among the race, in secret, opened their consciousness

to those thought patterns and played with their feelings until finally there began to be externalized imperfections of them.

Curiosity, rebellion against holding true to the Divine Pattern and the use of thought and feeling in creation of imperfection, began the building of what you call the "Soul". It is a consciousness apart from the full purity of God. The first thought a man had that was imperfect and impure, energized by a secret feeling, was a *cause* and that, sent out into the atmosphere, created an *effect*. Like a boomerang, the effect came back into the consciousness and made a record. That record was the beginning of an impression. Energy sent out in a certain manner returned to affect the lifestream who had sent it forth and there began to be created a shadow between the "I AM" Presence, the individual would find these "tramp" thoughts and feelings flowing through that line of contact until more and more imperfect was the conscious use of them. Finally, those centres got completely away from the control of the ego and acted independently. Anything the individual saw registered on the mind, was energized by feelings and manifested. Acting independent of the Presence, thought and feeling created most of the conditions in which you are functioning today.

Through the ages, blessed children, the creation of thoughtforms and the energizing of these forms by feeling as well as the action that follows through the flesh, has built an etheric consciousness. *The "soul" is the accumulated consciousness resulting from your experimental use of life, action and reaction.*

The tendencies, habits and nature of your "soul" are determined by the ways in which you have used life through the centuries and what life has returned to you, age after age. Your "soul" endures in embodiment and between embodiment. Your "soul" will continue to live until it is transmuted by the Flame in your heart and there is no longer this shadow self that thinks and feels apart from the Christ. Your "soul" lives through every personality (embodiment) that you use. Today you have a name; you were born into a family; you live — if fortunate — approximately three score and ten years and then you "pass away" as a personality. That personality is no more, but the "soul" of you in the etheric garment, influences each personality which you become in each succeeding incarnation. If you were to look at an unbroken stream of one hundred of your Earth lives, you would find that the "soul" was more or less the same through each personality---

### THE GREAT SPLIT IN THE PRIESTHOOD OF LEMURIA OVER THE "LAGGARDS"

In the preceding, Sanat Kumara and Lord Maitreya gave us an ample account of the coming of the "laggards" and the effect it had on the then innocent humanity. Their coming, however, was not signalized with perfect accord in the entire body of the priesthood in Lemuria, and this eventually led to their splitting into two factions.

In the following, the Head of the Seraphic Host of our System, the Mighty Serapis Bey, is giving us a first-hand information of what took place at that time.

("Bridge", April, 1961)

#### WHO WERE THE "LAGGARDS"?

"---You have some little idea of the powers of contagion in those souls you have spoken loosely of as "laggards", who came from other Systems. What were they? They were consciousness, just like yourselves, consciousness with the capacity to think and to feel; consciousness who had not maintained a vibratory action of perfect harmony, beauty, purity, and perfection and therefore could not, or would not, accelerate the vibratory action of their inner vehicles to move forward with the Planets to which they belonged.

It took a great deal of time and a great deal of thought before the Guardians of the Planet Earth offered this gift of mercy. The priests and priestesses of Lemuria were gathered together after the Cosmic Law made the decision and for many, many years before the Lords of Karma would allow the first lifestreams through the gates of birth, the priests and priestesses within the Temple, schooled in the powers of Invocation and radiation, under the Mighty Zadkiel, (Archangel) made the call for the purification of the soul light of these lifestreams and for the amplification of the pressure of Light from within the embodied mankind and the Earth people so that they could withstand the subtle suggestions of every kind.

The priest life on Lemuria was a magnificent activity. These individuals, most of you among them, had learned how through the powers of magnetization to draw every blessing from the Sun and from every God Virtue to form a radiant Sun through their Temples and send that out into the atmosphere, qualified with whatever the priesthood itself had consecrated themselves to externalize. This Priesthood, radiating and externalizing these pressures of Light

increased the harmony, beauty and perfection of the Earth and made the atmosphere even more luminous, and the spiritual selves of men were more nourished by the reason of these foci. They were what you would call masters of this "*darsham*", which is merely, in Western parlance, the capacity of the soul to rise into contact with the Presence, draw the light from the Causal Body consciously back through the emotional, mental, etheric and physical bodies and keep a *positive radiation of some constructive quality*, and master of all the energy that is contacted by the individual. An individual who is the master of this activity of "*darsham*" is never subject to the vibratory actions of distress.

These priests and priestesses, belonging to the House of Zadkiel, rendered this service and the Earth was progressing very, very rapidly. The Root Races and the subraces completed their courses quickly in the outpouring of magnetized Light. When the souls, who had within themselves the germ of disintegration, the capacity through thought and feeling to create a discord, when they took embodiment and reached enough maturity to control consciousness, they began to let that out in thought and feeling, and it filled the invisible atmosphere. Some among mankind who had come into a false sense of security through the radiation of the priests and priestesses, began to rely upon them and they began to absorb through contagion some of the thought forms and feelings, and playing in secret with them, they too began to create them. Eventually, as a result of that, there was externalized much of distress, and the veil of maya began to cloud the light and the Great Ones were no longer visible to the masses but only to the priests.

Here you have the *first great split in the priesthood* and it is the reason for which I am bringing this to your attention. At the time when the priesthood began to realize that the masses were creating and sending forth those qualities of impurity and dissonance, there came a school of thought to the foreground that had agreed with reluctance to allowing the "laggards" from the other Systems into our planetary scheme and who now felt justified in objecting to the pollution of the race by allowing them to remain.

These beings were well-schooled in the powers of invocation and there you began those fiats and decrees that have come down to your present day. When they stood separated from the school that believed in sublimation and transmutation, and within the secret recesses of their own Temples, decided to *blast them all from the Earth*. What

purpose would there be in blasting these lifestreams off the Earth into the discarnate realm where they would have to stand before the Karmic Board and as soon as possible be placed back on the Earth? *It was a rebellion against the decision of Cosmic Law.* If the Law and the Powers of Light felt that the priesthood and the illumined *could* sublimate and by radiation redeem those recalcitrant members, if the priesthood had remained *ONE*, the *sinking of Lemuria would not have taken place!* Think about this---!

With the breaking of the priesthood into the two factions, the masses followed one or the other and confusion ensued and the final release of the purifying powers of the water element became necessary---

After Lemuria, then Atlantis and again the priesthood, the same individuals, for the priesthood has always been made up, more or less, of the few. On Atlantis, again there was great Light — I was there — great Light and great Beauty, great Perfection and hope for a permanent Golden Age through which every Root Race and subrace yet to come, would quickly find their way back Home. And again, the misuse of the Powers of Light, and again cataclysmic action. The Flame that I carried to Egypt, burning there as the Power of the Ascension, that very Flame brought Egypt to her greatest height and yet within Egypt, no more corrupt priesthood has ever been---

## CHAPTER 12

### THE COMING OF SANAT KUMARA THE CREATION OF SHAMBALLA

The catastrophic changes that the "laggards" wrought over the Earth and its innocent humanity were more evident by now. Man was no more what he had been and his actions no longer were directed by his own "I AM" Presence. His thoughts, instead of being drawn closer to God, receded away from Him, and his decline, having reached its nadir, in its downward progress, rapidly was leading him to his final annihilation.<sup>1</sup> Only superior help, given by a Cosmic Being, could save him now.

In the preceding chapter, Sanat Kumara told us how, while attending the Great Cosmic Council that proposed the dissolution of the Earth, He offered to salvage her, by giving His own Light in place of that which humanity could no longer supply. As we know, it is the Law of Life that in order to sustain an intelligent form, there must be a blessing; there must be a benefit to the Universe for the investment of Life bestowed upon it.

In the following excerpt, taken from an address given to the students, Sanat Kumara goes into detail in giving us additional information of His coming to the Earth.

<sup>1</sup> From "The Hymn of the Robe of Glory"

---And with me They then made a compact;  
In my heart wrote it not to forget:  
If thou goest down into Egypt,  
And thence thou bring'st the One Pearl, --  
Then shalt thou put on thy Robe  
And the Mantle that goeth upon it!--  
I forgot that I was a King's son  
And became a slave to their King  
I forgot all concerning the Pearl  
For which my Parents had send me--  
And from the weight of their victuals  
I lay down into a deep sleep---

"---It was at this Great Cosmic Council of Representatives of the Sun of our Galaxy — and I was the only Representative from the Planet Venus — that was decided that the elemental substance which had been held in the matrix of the Earth, be released and the Earth itself, (as it contributed no harmony or Light to the universe) be dissolved into its native element.

Returning to the Planet Venus, I thought deeply on the millions of lifestreams who would become planetary orphans if this decree were fulfilled.

As moments of great import emphasize small things, I can remember yet, as I walked out into our garden where the Beloved of My Heart, Venus, was sitting, the contour of a cloud and how the sun kissed it in its passing through the sky. I did not want to reveal to Venus My thoughts about volunteering to serve the Earth. I remember well the sound of the water rising from the heart of the fountain and then falling musically into the lily pool — I can tell you yet how many strands were woven into My sandals as I counted them over and over, trying to come to a decision.

Finally, Venus — Who, of course, felt My every thought and feeling, said: 'Why don't You visit this Earth and see if You feel You can benefit it by making such a sacrifice.' Can I tell you the relief that flooded over Me at Her sweet release — for when one loves another more than life itself, great is the sacrifice in giving that one freedom to depart on Cosmic Service, knowing the centuries that such parting will entail.

And so I came to Earth, and looking upon the Flame of God, containing the pattern of perfection for the lifestreams I felt it worth all the Love and Patience and Light required to hasten that day. I returned to Venus and told My Beloved of My decision, and then I told Our Council, made up of Those Who were the Governing Body of the State. Every one of Them, without exception, volunteered to go before Me to prepare the Earth for My coming. From this group, thirty dear souls were chosen, and Their names are burned into My Heart for all eternity. For almost one thousand long years, they laboured on the Earth to prepare Shamballa for Our coming.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> The following excerpt taken from an address given to students, on November, 1953, gives us additional information of His coming to Earth and how Shamballa, His Official Home, was repeatedly destroyed. The only omission He made was that

"Meanwhile, word gets around, even in Inner-Stellar Space. From other Stars and Planets and Systems came Envoys of Light offering to assist Us in Our Endeavor. Finally, nine thousands Beings

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two destructions of Shamballa were not caused by natural causes but by man, as proof of his "gratitude".

("Bridge", Series II, Book 3, p. 4)

"---Shamballa means to make sacred. It is the name of the City of the Sun, in the heart of Venus, which is My Home. At the time when I attended the Cosmic Council and it was voted to return the Earth into nothingness, I returned to My Planet, Venus and into Shamballa. There I told my Beloved and My Council that I would like to assist the people of the Earth--My Beloved friends---offered to come and build upon the Planet Earth a replica of that blazing Eternal City of Light--- Into the Akashic Records was built the perfection of that design which remains there to the present day. For the scholars who are among you, Shamballa was built three times---and three times the physical buildings were destroyed. The first time it was created and prepared for the hour when I should make My visitation. It was later destroyed and built again, by sensitive spirits who tuned into the glorious pattern in the Akashic Records. Again, cataclysmic action returned it to nothingness. The final building of Shamballa, even sixty thousand years ago, is recorded in occult literature. That, too, has suffered decay, but the etheric replica of the blazing, powerful original city lives and breathes in the ethers over the Gobi Desert, and shall remain there until it is lowered again, permanently, into the physical appearance world as the Golden Age proceeds and mankind, individually and collectively, prove themselves worthy to sustain it for all eternity. It will be My gift to the evolution that I have loved and will remain a part of the Star of Freedom, long after I have returned to My Home, perhaps to go forth again to some further Star, some more childlike evolution, some more innocent evolving life. That is Love and that is Service and that is Joy---."

Addressing the students, on Thanksgiving Day, 1953, Sanat Kumara said:

"---I have left Venus before. This is not the first Planet that has won the Mantle of My Love. I stood on other orbs, with other evolutions, and I returned Home victorious in every case---. Sometimes one lifestream developing enough Light in his or her heart to pay My ransom; sometimes an entire evolution developing that radiation required to meet the Cosmic Law's demand. It is not numbers but quality, beloved ones, that determine the radiation of Light required to sustain the place of a Planet in its evolution or to sustain the place of an individual in a planetary scheme---."

("Bridge", Series II, Book 3, p. 2)

Here is how the Maha Chohan presents the event of the destruction of Shamballa to His students.

("Bulletin", Vol. 9, #17)

"---Do you know that in the building of Shamballa, the entire populace was wiped out four times and the completed City of the Sun was bought with blood and agony of the Chelas of Sanat Kumara? Many of you, My outposts at present, were

were chosen; three thousand to take human embodiment; three thousand in the Nature and Devic Kingdoms and three thousand Angels.

trusted Lieutenants who stood with the leading individual who went down temporarily before the onslaught of the savage horde three times out of four. When the glorious "Bridge" to Shamballa was completed, which connected the mainland with the shining Island, you were among the group who crossed the Bridge with the Kumaras and Myself.

For the first twenty-four hours, the shining Island was completely devoted to the drawing of the Light, by the Kumaras (which ceremony may to some extent be likened to the consecration of new church buildings on the Earth today), and on the second day the populace was allowed to enter the Central Holy Temple for devotional service.

These records, dear hearts, are in your etheric bodies. The Earthly turmoil which some of you seem to be experiencing at present is but child's play in comparison to the agonies of the past. If you could see what you have been through all down the centuries that have been, your present experience would be as a fleck of dust of the Sun. There have been moments of black despair in your previous experiences in the Earthly Schoolroom! By holding firm to the Light (as you have understood it), each in his own way, these experiences have been turned into shining moments of the most brilliant God Victory---

The Shamballa, as a permanent etheric Focus of Light on Earth, was transferred from the Gobi Desert, to the etheric realm, above the northern shore of Long Island, N.Y. The official ceremony was conducted at noon, on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 1964, in the Presence of the Solar Logoi of our Great Central Sun, Alpha and Omega, our Solar Logoi, Helios and Vesta, all the Planetary Logoi of our Solar System, the Lord of the World (now) Guatama, the Regent, Lord Sanat Kumara\*, Lord Maitreya (now Lord Divino), all the Chohans and members of the Spiritual Hierarchy.

On the same day and ceremony the Maha Chohan assumed the Office of: "Representative of the Cosmic Holy Spirit on all the Seven Planets of our Solar Systems". By special dispensation granted by the Cosmic Law, it was permitted that the Focus of His Light remain on Earth, instead of another Planet and that to be in the newly created Shamballa on Long Island.

At the same time, Paul the Venetian, hitherto the Chohan of the Third Ray, was elevated to the office of Maha Chohan, while Lady Master Rowena succeeded Him as Chohan of the Third Ray. Elsewhere, in these pages, we give a more detailed account of this Cosmic event.

\*Sanat Kumara, as Lord of the world, was freed from His Earthly exile and returned to His Home and Planet Venus, on January 21, 1956. He was succeeded by the former Buddha, Guatama, Who assumed Office of the Lord of the World. More of this as we proceed.

Of the three thousand who were to be the Guardian Spirit of the Earth in human form, one thousand have already Ascended into their Freedom; the remaining two thousand are those who were chosen by Serapis Bey and given the First Grant for their Holy Christ Self to take command.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup>The sojourn of Sanat Kumar on Earth, from the time he came, until he relinquished His Office to Guatama and left for Venus on January 21, 1956, lasted approximately 4,500,000 years. We consider this date as the most accurate and reliable that was given up to now for the following reasons: First, Sanat Kumara Himself confirms it when, addressing the students in open class in Los Angeles, back in the late thirties, he said that "He came from Venus four and a half million years ago."

Later on, Mighty Victory, in a similar student class, reiterated it in Kansas City, while Jesus speaking in Chicago to another class of students, reaffirmed it in 1939.

In connection with the above, it may be of some interest to consider the length of time man has sojourned and lived on this Earth. It will be remembered that science, up to a few years ago "reckoned" that man had not lived on Earth more than 850,000 years. In July, 1961, due to findings in Eastern Africa, it increased the time to 1,750,000 years. With all due respect, however, to science's "hypothesis", the fact remains that man has been on this Globe not less than seven million years. This can be ascertained from the following:

We, already, stated Sanat Kumar's sojourn lasted 4,500,000 years. The time between the descent of man with his Manu to Earth, to the time of his "fall" — end of the Third Root Race — the Lemurians — is calculated to be about one million years, according to information given by Saint Germain and other Cosmic Beings, on the knowledge of Whom we can have absolute confidence. Now, between the "fall" and the utter downfall, if not complete "apoptenosis" of man, — the only word which can properly describe man's condition at that time — must have passed several millions of years, but with reserve we can estimate it at two millions.

Thus, we have:

One million, till the "Fall"	1,000,000
Two million, to the coming of Sanat Kumara	2,000,000
Four and one-half — Sanat Kumara's sojourn on Earth	4,500,000
Total	7,500,000 years

In an address given to the students, some time ago, Ascended Lady Master Leto said that the records showing man's sojourn on Earth are preserved in their original language in which they were written at the Royal Teton where an Ascended Master can translate them into any modern tongue. Not before long, these records will be given to the outer world.

\*The word "apoptenosis" (to reduce one's self into the state and condition of an animal) is not an hyperbole here. During those dark and dismal days of human degradation, man's decline had reached such a point as to co-habit with animals. Touching this subject, only parenthetically, Saint Germain, in an address to the

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"Finally, when the Cosmic Moment arrived and Shamballa was ready, I prepared to take My departure. The Star which is My Spiritual Insignia rose above the Planet Venus, and the people were acquainted with the fact that something unusual was about to occur: So I took My leave of My Beloved, — My Planet and My people to remain a voluntary exile for centuries of time. The tiny points of Light in the hearts of the thirty waiting ones was a welcome sight as we turned Our attention Earthward, and here I have abided."

In another talk, given July 4, 1954 ("Bridge", November, 1955), Sanat Kumara gave the following account to his coming to Earth.

"---Some of you remember the Council on Venus. Some of you here volunteered to go to Earth before Me and create a focus into which I might come. Great was the sacrifice, children of Light, children of Venus, My beloved hearts! Earth was then in her darkest days. The light within the hearts of men was scarcely discernible. Beings of Love from Venus who had known nothing but harmony there, chose to pass into that darkness through the regular gates of birth, accepting bodies provided for them by earthly parents. Nine hundred long years they labored in the building of Shamballa in the midst of that darkness; that blanket of effluvia; the mass creation of the physical and astral realms. These dedicated souls had to hold the vision and the pattern of the City they chose to build. They, also, had to hold the unbroken connection between the Christ Self, Myself and the outer consciousness through which they were serving. They had to hold back the pressures of lethargy, rebellion and hate by the very strength of their own Light. In that nine hundred years, more than

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students of "The Summit Lighthouse", in Washington, D.C., said the following: "---The destructive use of life force on Lemuria and Atlantis, the creation of animal forms by the black magicians — the scientists of that day — and the subsequent infusion of those created forms with Solar Energy in the process of cross-breeding human beings with animal life, resulted in such a frightful distortion of the Divine Plan in violation of all of Heaven's Laws, that the Noahchian deluge was the result; and thus the destruction of those forms through the flood removed from the screen of life these gross and wicked "imaginings of men's hearts" (Genesis 6: 9-17). In the mass memory of the race there remains, however, some knowledge of the existence of these forms, some of which were, for example, part horse and part man. Ultimately, the Mighty Cosmic Councils took steps to curb mankind's creative powers. It was decreed that "each seed should thenceforth bear of its kind" and thus the prevention of the recurrence of this activity was instituted by Cosmic Law---."

once were their physical bodies destroyed by hordes of savages who, opposing the Light, drove in upon them. No sooner were their physical bodies disconnected from their souls, than they applied again for new Earth bodies from the Lords of Karma. These bodies were quickly provided for them and back again they came! So Shamballa was built. The perfection of the beautiful White Island grew. My love flowed continuously around the builders, and ever about them stood the sustaining power of My faith until the Cosmic Moment of Visitation came.

The Lemurian Pole Star signified My coming. I bade good-bye to My Star; to My People, to My Love, Beloved Venus Herself! Together, with the other great Kumaras, I arose into the atmosphere over Venus as every lifestream upon My Planet sang, I remember that well! I have long visioned and hoped for a like return. Now, through your energies, that vision shall become fact!

The Golden Star which will be My chariot is being fashioned from the sweet energies of some among you. My love for you is very great. As the great Kumaras preceded Me upon My journey earthward, They embodied the Triple activity of Love, Wisdom and Power. One Kumara ensouled the full power of the Blue Ray (First Ray); One the Gold (Second Ray), and One the Pink (Third Ray). As Our Beloved Friends awaited Us in Shamballa, the Kumaras descended upon a pathway of Flame and created a Three-fold Flame in the heart of Shamballa into which I stepped. *In that same moment that Three-fold Flame was attached to the sparks of light within the heart of every lifestream belonging to the evolution of Earth.* The Three-gold Flame which We brought has been breathing the spiritual fire into each such lifestream on Earth and has sustained the identity of the egos belonging to Earth's evolutions, all this time. It is like a Cosmic bellows that has played through the Three-fold Flame in the Human heart.

Thus We took Our abode upon the sweet Earth. Through the same power of centripetal and centrifugal force of which I spoke (cohesion and expansion of the magnetic power of Divine Love), We then began to magnetize the Flame in the hearts of some of the Guardian Spirits who were not sleeping so soundly and who were not too enthusiastically engaged in using primal life for the satisfaction of the personal self.

In this way, the Great White Brotherhood began. The Three-fold Flame within the heart of Shamballa, within the hearts of the

Kumaras and Myself, formed the magnetic heart of the Great White Brotherhood by Whom you have all been blessed and of which Brotherhood you all aspire to become conscious members---."

In the following, Meta, Sanat Kumara's Daughter, discusses His coming into the Earth, from a different angle.  
("Bridge", Series #4, Part 2)

"---It is many, many centuries (as recorded by human time), since My Father returned from a Conclave of the Suns of this System---. I remember it, as if it were yesterday — the day He divulged the information to My Mother and Our Family — that, through Cosmic vote and through Divine Justice of the Impersonal Universal Law, the Planet Earth had lost the right to draw any more energy or to be further sustained by the self-conscious sacrifice of elemental life; neither was it longer entitled to receive the release of substance, power and light from the Sun, from the Angelic Host and those other Beings Who had guarded her thus far. It was thought by the Cosmic Law to be the part of wisdom and justice to return this Earth again to the unformed (to primal life) that its substances might be repolarized and formed anew in the womb of some future Sun, to be a cradle for some other evolution, perhaps more willing and desirous of fulfilling the Will of God.

My Mother, as you know, feeling the love within My Father's heart for the beloved Earth and its evolutions, gave Him full freedom to offer His Light and His Love to sustain the planet — if the Cosmic Law would accept His offer of assistance. Therefore, He went to the Cosmic Authorities of this System with a joyous heart, proffering His help and, as you are aware, His gift of Love and sacrifice was accepted---."

#### FESTIVITIES ON THE OCCASION OF THE TRANSFER OF SHAMBALLA TO LONG ISLAND

In the following, we present excerpts from Chohan Kuthumi's description which He gave on the occasion of the transfer of Shamballa from Gobi Desert to Long Island, New York. As mentioned earlier, during these festivities, several elevations of Ascended Masters were made, including the Maha Chohan, Who became Cosmic Representative of the Holy Spirit, on all Seven Planets of our Solar System. These events took place on November 26, 1964, Thanksgiving Day, in Long Island, New York.

("Bridge", February, 1965)

"---Since the fifteenth of this month (November), tremendous preparations have been made at Inner Levels so that the Etheric Temple would be in magnificent readiness for the Anchorage of the Flame and Ray of Shamballa into the very substance of the Earth, where it shall be constantly energized and expanded by the Hierarchy until a Visible Replica shall be manifest on this land.

"The Brotherhood are grateful in the extreme for the glorious duplication of the Original Temple of the Holy Spirit which has been built by Those who were chosen and Those who volunteered to bring this to fulfillment.

The ethers over this Holy Isle are filled with Light of great intensity and I assure you that as the chelas further purify themselves, they will witness in the immediate "Heavens" over this area and the great Metropolis of New York, magnificent activities as the maya of human creation is removed from this area through transmutation, as well as the human creation yet present in the vehicles of the chelas.

Several days prior to the twenty-sixth (of November), the Beings and Forces of the Elements were engaged in an activity of purification of the atmosphere and those present, in this locality, can attest to the fact that it was like unto a raging windstorm coupled with the Blessing of Neptune Whose undines poured forth a benediction into the very substance of the Earth, these to be graciously received by Beloved Virgo and the beloved gnomes and undines themselves, who were so very grateful for this so-needed additional water element.

In the early morn of the Cosmic Day, there was still what appeared to be a veil of cloud over the Island of Manhattan and Long Island. This represented, of course, the fact that there is yet a tremendous purification to take place in this area and on the whole Planet where chaos is rampant.

Gradually this maya was parted and Beloved Helios and Vesta prepared the atmosphere for this Cosmic Occasion, and when all was in readiness, one could glimpse the Beauty and Magnitude of the Light which was transferred to this Sacred Side, and which shall continue to expand until all upon this Orb shall feel and know the Radiation which is the Blessing and Cohesive Power of the Spiritual Headquarters of the Hierarchy for this Planet.

There was a great amphitheatre over this locality filled with the Angelic Host, from the least, in graded order, through the Thrones and Principalities. The Celestial Music which emanated from Their

Beings was of the most exquisite blending of tones unheard of in the atmosphere of this Planet, since the appearance of human creation.

As One looked futher, it could be seen that every Silent Watcher, through emanation of Light, was participating, and the Angelic Host had taken up Their stations for every Nation on this Earth, so that They could assist in tying-in the energies of the chelas who were tuning in to this Cosmic Event. I say to you that every Nation had chelas engaged in this Activity, although they have not yet made their presence known to you. All in due time, at the right moment.

Angelic Beings from all the Planets belonging to Helios and Vesta have come to this Central Focus. Since the fifteenth of the month, They have been in the atmosphere over this Focus, as it has been Their responsibility and privilege to create a Pathway of Light for the Spiritual Head of each of Their Planets to come in all the dignity of Their Office, from Their Individual Foci, to be present at the Ceremonies.

A special Throne-Altar built in tiers has been erected for this specific Occasion, in semi-circular form, around the Holy of Holies — The Sacred Cosmic Immortal Victorious Three-fold Flame for this Planet. It is within a Golden Brazier, resting upon an alabaster pedestal through which flows a 'vein' of Golden essence.

I shall now read the Etheric Record of the Cosmic and Notable Spectacle, the energization of which brings one to the present tense:

One hears a magnificent symphony, as the Asembled Guests rise and Beloved Helios and Vesta take Their Places in the Throne section of the Temple, next to the highest tier.

Following in glorious processional, preceded by a Seraphic Guard is the oh! so humble Lord of the World Gautama, simply attired in white garments with a golden band at the hem, sleeve and neckline. Following is Our Beloved Regent Sanat Kumara, then Lord Divino (formerly Lord Maitreya), Both dressed in white and gold, similar to Lord Gautama. These Blessed Ones take Their places in the specified semi-circle.

We now see the Regal Saint Germain in all the dignity of His Being and Office, accompanied by His Lady Portia ascend to Their places in the Throne Section.

Beloved Jesus and Beautiful Mother Mary follow, and proceed to Their places, where it was My great privilege to have a chair reserved for My humble Self.

We now witness the electrifying Presence of Beloved El Morya, then Lord Lanto, Serapis Bey, Hilarion, Lady Nada and Beloved Kuan Yin, Who is representing the Seventh Ray in Beloved Saint Germain's place.

You realize that courtesy is one of the first tenets of the Kingdom of Heaven, so the Reigning Individuals of each of the other Planets belonging to Helios and Vesta now enter — namely from Mercury, Aquaria, Uranus, Freedom, Athene and Purity — and proceed to the General Assembly Section — facing the Beings serving the Earth at this time. They were previously invited by Beloved Helios and Vesta to be seated in the Throne section, but They All deferred to Those specifically designated to the Earth, as this Cosmic Activity was Hers.

A tremendous, almost hushed Reverence is experienced. However, the overtones of the Angelic Choir and Symphony can be heard as all Heads are bowed and everyone rises at the signal that Beloved Alpha and Omega are about to enter the Temple. In a burst of the most triumphant music, Beloved Alpha and Omega proceed down the aisle to the Semi-circle and there ascend to the Uppermost Tier. In this mighty magnificence, we witness with awe the Light and Love of all these Beings merge into a blazing Light of such intensity which is impossible to describe to you, but those of you who have seen the Aurora Borealis have an insignificant example which would pale into the background beside that which is Our privilege to have beheld when Mighty Alpha and Omega entered. Oh, Children of the Father-Mother God, the humility in the hearts of These Cosmic and Ascended Guests as They bow in reverence to the Light of Glorious Alpha and Omega. They are now seated on Their Throne Chairs, made of a substance like unto the alabaster of the Pedestal on which the Brazier for the Three-fold Flame rests.

All is in readiness for the Induction Ceremonies and the Cosmic Keynote embodied in "At Dawning" and "Homing" is heard, signifying that Beloved Aeolus is present. He approaches the Altar followed by Beloved Paul and Lady Rowena. They proceed to the tier just below Helios and Vesta where They receive a Blessing in a tongue unknown to the Earth people.

An Attendant from the Court of Helios and Vesta removes the Green and Gold Cape which the Beloved Maha Chohan wears, and another Attendant holds this attire. Now a Vestment of the softest white texture, yet shimmering, emblazoned with a beautiful Dove, is placed on the shoulders of the former Maha Chohan and Mighty

Vesta raises Her hand in the Authority which is Hers and vests the Beloved Aeolus with the rite of the Office of *Cosmic Holy Spirit* for the Planets under the direction of Helios and Vesta.

The Cape of Green and Gold is now placed upon the shoulders of Beloved Paul, His outer robe of Pink Velvet having first been removed by the Angelic Attendant. At this moment, Beloved Vesta, with the proper Invocation raises Him to the Office of Maha Chohan, *Representative of the Holy Spirit* for the Planet Earth.

The Pink Cape which was formerly worn by Beloved Paul is placed upon the shoulders of Lady Rowena, and as Beloved Vesta raises Her hand and makes the pronouncement, Lady Rowena became Chohan of the Third Ray.

The blazing Light that emanates from these Three Beings, in true gratitude for the privilege of further serving the Omnipotent First Cause, is indescribable.

Beloved Aeolus proceeds on the Dais to the row immediately below Mighty Alpha and Omega, where He is joined by the beautiful Pallas Athene. The Maha Chohan (Beloved Paul) takes His place at the side of Lord Gautama, a chair having been set aside for Him; Lady Rowena, resplendent and dignified, takes Her place at the Third Chair where the other Chohans are standing, significant of the Ray each is representing.

At this time there is a slight interim of Deep Silence — just pulsating Light of Great Intensity. We hear a gong of the most melodious tone, and an Intonation is given by Mighty Alpha, and as He and Beloved Omega blaze the Light from Their Hearts into the Being of Lord Gautama, the entire Temple is filled with an intensified Light wherein the whole Assembly is blended into One Great Light and We each thrill to the tremendous pulsation of the Flame and Ray of Holy Shamballa flowing from Alpha and Omega, Beloved Aeolus and Lord Gautama into the Flame before the Altar, and then into the very physical substance of the Earth. Thus the Sacred Focus of the Great White Brotherhood is officially established in Its New Permanent Location, etherically and physically, on Long Island.

Suffice to say that the Sacred Three-fold Flame transferred from the Gobi Desert to the Altar of Shamballa over Long Island is of tremendous expanded proportions as this Activity takes place. The Silence, Gratitude and Pure Divine Love is one of the greatest magnitude and truly is the Earth Herself blessed beyond comprehension as the Spiritual Hierarchy now have a Focus on the

Earthplane, from whence Instructions and Blessings heretofore unheard of shall emanate — for the betterment of the Planet and all Her evolutions.

As the chelas in the physical appearance world have joined their energies and love, in gratitude, through the assistance of Their Own Holy Christ Selves, the Light from their hearts has formed an up-reaching Triangle which entered the Temple Itself, there to be welcomed into the descending Triangle of the Assembly to form a Blazing and Perfect Star honoring Our so-loved Regent Sanat Kumara, the Saviour of this Earth and His Lady, the beautiful Venus.

One, also, sees at this time in the Central, uppermost part of the Dome of the Temple, like unto a vaulted ceiling, a glorious Dove of Effulgent White Light, giving forth a radiation of the softest, most delicate shade of Pink, the Insignia of the Holy Spirit.

The Cosmic Moment has come — and the Divine Edict fulfilled."