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MESSAGE FOR CHRISTMAS 2020 AND THE NEW YEAR 2021

Dearest Ones,

Another year is approaching its end and it is time for accounts and purposes. A year that has shown, as if it were still necessary, that no human being, no family, no city and no State can be considered an island on its own, separated from all the rest of the world. Indeed, the whole world constitutes a single body, of which every individual and every State is a member: if one member becomes ill and suffers, the whole body lies in anguish.

This truth has been stated for millennia by the Great Masters of the spirit, who have always considered the whole of humanity as the daughter of a single loving Father, indicating the realization of one's spirit and of God as the authentic Goal of human life. Masters come from the Infinite and the Eternal to open the safe and sure Path back to the House of the Father for the bewildered humanity; but in this Iron Age, or *Kali Yuga*, in which the whole of humanity



is prey to its own mind and to matter, their Word has sometimes appeared as *"a voice crying out in the desert"*.

At this time, nearing Christmas, the Feast of Light and Love, the fortunate souls who listen to and practice Master's Word rediscover within themselves the unity of all human

beings, beyond every race, faith, economic condition, or nation to which they belong. God is One, the human spirit is also one, and the Way back to Him can only be one: the Path of righteousness, Love and Meditation on the eternal principles of Celestial Light and Harmony, with which the

loving Father calls back His beloved creatures Home.

"The Light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not embraced it." God has always had his ways to call men from the works of the darkness to those of the Light. If this generation, following Master's Word, had found within itself unity, love

and mutual service, perhaps such a dramatic event as the pandemic that is leaving the whole Globe with its breath suspended, would not have been necessary to bring men back to being aware of the temporariness of all the much sought after material gifts, and of the need to re-discover within them the true values of existence.

Man Center has not forgotten those who have suffered and suffer as a result of this planetary scourge, and has given a part of its resources, albeit small, to those in distress. But one hopes that this period of ordeal may make humanity better and leave abundant seeds of love and peace behind it: a thought that casts a ray of light in the otherwise dark panorama of the present-day world.

A microscopic virus, invisibly insinuating itself everywhere, has shown the fragility of all the buildings built by men on the sand of time, no matter how grand they may appear. Man has accumulated a great deal of temporary and perishable gifts which, at best, can accompany him only in the short years of this fleeting and illusory earthly life. And instead he has forgotten, sometimes going against the very laws of God and Nature, the authentic and eternal gifts of the spirit, those that provide lasting happiness both in this life and in the Beyond, the only gifts that can accompany us beyond the gate of this kingdom of illusion

and death.

In this year of great ordeal, in which all human endeavors have been forced to question their fragility, only the life of the spirit and the existence of those who have climbed onto Master's safe ship have not suffered conditioning; indeed, His disciples have had more time to devote to Meditation on the Divine Light and Harmony, making virtue of necessity, and taking advantage of the periods of standstill of what is at times frenetic daily activity, to progress on the Divine Path of Knowledge and Love.

Certainly, most of them have made progress in this period toward the blessed Goal of the return to our Divine Origin. Once, we hope soon, this global calamity has ceased, *Man Center* will be ready to make a further leap forward in order to spread among men, without asking for anything in return, its Message of Knowledge, Happiness and Love.

With this luminous prospect, I wish you all a *Happy Christmas* in the Light and in the remembrance of the Master Christ, and a *New Year* that will lead to the realization of the luminous and selfless projects of your own and of *Man Center*.

With love, yours affectionately

Pier Franco

