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INTRODUCTION

It is amazing that the science of subatomic physics dealing with "The Quantum Theory" has not to my knowledge investigated spiritual materialisations, as witnessed in the presence of a materialising medium during a Seance.

Myself and a colleague, Dr. Williams of Hillbrow, Johannesburg, have examined a physically materialised spirit in a seance by the famous medium, the late Alec Harris.

The subject was a Red Indian who lived on earth about two hundred years ago. We examined his heart, his inhalation and exhalation and also the texture of his skin and its physical elasticity. We concluded that Black Feather was a well-built physical man. (See my book "The Transition called Death".)

At the end of our examinations, Black Feather asked us if we were satisfied that he was physical. We assured him that we were. He then told us to observe him, then he stepped backwards and vanished before our eyes. The subatomic law called "The Quantum Theory", informs us that particles change into waves. The Quantum field in the universe is the essence of all phenomena, and the particles can change into waves. The materialisation of Black Feather into a physical being could have been the condensation of ectoplasmic particles under the control of spiritual thought which is probably of a higher voltage than thought that comes through a brain.

It could be this spirit thought by adept spirit beings behind the scenes, that facilitated the conversion of particles of a solid human body into waves and so caused the solid body of Black Feather to vanish before our eyes as evidence of spiritual science.

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CHAPTER I

In the Bible, St. Paul made a most important statement in I Corinthians XV:44. he said: "It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body and there is a spiritual body."

In medicine we have a science concerning the natural body and the modern intellect of man has completely avoided science of the spiritual body of which the SOUL is the Divine Nucleus and source of life. This SOUL or INNERSELF is hence the source of inspirations.

In other words, man would not be able to have spiritual thoughts and aspirations or ideals if it was not for the presence of the soul or spiritual self within himself.

Modern science has produced evidence in Kirlian photography of an energy body inside the physical which has been called a bioplasmic body. The Russians have invented a detector which can point to the presence of the bioplasmic body inside the physical body.

Now the occult evidence is that the SOUL of man is enveloped in several ethereal bodies known as subtle bodies. These bodies and the soul are not perceptible to external sight and would only be visible in the spiritual world; the bioplasmic body is probably the most external of these bodies of the soul, but much more spiritually refined than the physical external body of man.

The Russians have actually placed the detector in a hospital room where someone was dying, and while there was life in the body, the detector pointed to the bed where the biplasmic body was still within the physical body. But when the patient breathed the last breath and the heart had ceased to beat, the detector pointed into space away from the physical body.

This was scientific evidence that the bioplasmic body had left the physical body at death.

This is to prove that the spiritual or bioplasmic body leaves the physical body at death for what can be called for a spiritual dimension.

This Russian experience is not generally known. One can picture death as a process of becoming unconscious which is probably what the Bible means by "sleep", as stated in I Corinthians XV, Verse 51: "behold I show you a mystery, we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed". This means from a physical body to a spiritual body.

During earth life man has two life forms - a physical body and a spiritual body. There is occult evidence that the spiritual body is unlike the physical, and a clairvoyant medium, the late Mrs. Garrett, saw the spiritual body in the form of a "sun".

The cessation of life in the physical body hence shows that life is indrawn at death from the physical to a biplasmic body in the course of spiritual evolution after death.

This bioplasmic body is no doubt replaced by one of more refined spiritual substance and could be the astral body.

Hence during earth life man is a duality as said by St. Paul, that we have a spiritual body and a physical body.

We can therefore accept, since the bioplasmic body survives the physical, that in life there is a life flow from the internal self to the physical body and that death is an indrawal of this flow of vitality from a "Divine Source", and that at death the spirit or Soul is indrawn to another sphere of existence. Now a quality of man that has not been valued for its worth, is the consciousness of man because this is the primary factor and sole possession of the Divine in man. This fact is completely unnoticed in our modern scientific advancement.

We have learned that a spiritual body and consciousness are factual, and that we have scientific proof of an energy body

described by St. Paul as a spiritual body. But we can conceive of the spiritual body as being of several degrees of ethereal refinement in the spiritual world.

The human form perishes at the end of its earthly career, and is replaced by an inner or spiritual life form. This change has always been the great puzzle of man - to imagine a spiritual to follow the physical, because man has neglected to view St. Paul's statement in I Corinthians XV:44 as factual and that we are all changed after death on earth.

At death the physical form is replaced by a spiritual form.

There is survival of self-consciousness from a physical self to a spiritual self. Therefore in the human species consciousness is eternal, since in the human principle, or man, there is an evolution of man on earth from the most primitive state, as for instance Neanderthal man, to the appearance and intellect of our times. Our scientific achievement especially, has shown the evolution of our earth consciousness or awareness of the mind of who and what man is.

Man's consciousness must be viewed as an expression of the Great Supreme Immanent Life Power, from which man has developed a self-conscious form of his own. But the consciousness of spiritual science, that has to develop in man, is a further consciousness of the part it bears in relation to the whole.

It is taught by spiritual knowledge that when the spirit after death arrives at a certain altitude hereafter, it will be able to enter into a full consciousness and experience of its own position and relationship to the mighty whole of being and of life. It is after birth that man's self-consciousness develops as that of a personality and the expression of life. The selfconsciousness of the external personality is formed by the life influx that passes through the inner spiritual life degrees and reacts from the degree we know of as the personality and its external surroundings.

It can be accepted that it is the spirit of life within the human

organism who sees itself more or less expressed in external surroundings, and one can accept that what happens to conscious awareness in physical life, will likewise occur in the consciousness of spirit after death on the spiritual planes of life. Hence we can look upon life in this world and the next as an evolution of consciousness.

It is our self-consciousness that makes us what we are, and we can accept that the inner life principle in man makes our self-consciousness.

The self-consciousness of the "I am" increases as it passes from state to state in the spiritual world. We can say that the grand purpose of life is the development of self-consciousness in a man's spiritual evolution.

On the external earth of physical life, self-conscious life has its highest expression in human beings. In fact, we can accept that self-consciousness is never really lost. It may become unconscious at each transition of life like at death, and also, no doubt, as the spirit hereafter passes from lower to higher spiritual planes in its evolution of which the first Divine goal is the angelic degree.

It is impossible for us in earth life to form any conception of angelic self-consciousness. The average person, who knows of angels, believes they are special beings made by God; but in reality the angels are human beings who once lived on earth as physical beings. The angelic degree of spirit life is a degree in the evolution of the human spirit and its world of thought. A thought becomes generated by its reception and reaction consciously in the human being. The wave of thought power is Divine and comes from the highest spiritual spheres and so is received by the SOUL and then radiated to consciousness where we provide its images for our world of ideas.

We can receive thought inspirations from spiritual spheres, because the influx of thought power comes to us through these spiritual spheres beyond.

The power that makes thought is a Divine Power. The

thoughts we think become part of our self-consciousness and that applies to every plane of spiritual existence as well. It can be accepted that we receive our inspirations by means of thoughts that have come through spiritual spheres. A materialistic mind hence shuts out spiritual thoughts.

Experience has shown that there are millions in our world who have never developed a consciousness for spiritual thought. Man's evolution through the animal kingdom to reach the human principle of life is an evolution of consciousness the spiritual nature of which, from a scientific point of view, has not been appreciated by modern man. He has not thought of his evolution on earth as a spiritual process which keeps on evolving in spiritual spheres to a degree incomprehensible to man on earth.

But man is inspired by the spirit of inquiry which makes us realise that just as man has been given knowledge of a physical science, so knowledge of a spiritual science MUST be part of his evolution and development.

It is not realised that spiritual evidence is that, after death, there is a loss of memory of past earth life when disembodied. The memory of earth life is imperfect and tends to fade, but when the angelic degree is attained in its spiritual evolution, then the memory of the spirit's entire life becomes conscious again and the memories of all past states are gathered up. It can be accepted that when a spirit communicates in a seance, it becomes aware of its earth memories because it has entered the earth's dimension and its earthly mental vibrations. After passing through the astral phase after death, the spirit enters a place known as the inner personality, and by communications from this plane many regain their earth's memories during the communications through a mediu-...

The fact is that life and human consciousness undergo a process of evolution. It can be said that worlds were created to accommodate the human principle as the ultimate "Divine" idea to develop the consciousness for spiritual evolution. Through untold ages there had been preparation by continuous evolution productive of more perfect forms of organic life long before man had appeared.

But in time conditions were supplied for his advent and then the human form itself appeared from animal ancestors and assumed a form which was a living temple to the Divine Soul by means of which the human principle was made manifest on the outer earth.

We can accept that the Divine Plan was there for man's appearance when the mineral was created long before the vegetable and the animal kingdoms. Man appeared with a consciousness of his own diverse from any of the living forms that had preceded the human. Hence there was first an involution of man which by soul power gave rise to evolution. Man has only to think of his Neanderthal ancestors and what they have been to his mental world. God had placed a Divince Nucleus in man as his SOUL, because it is the SOUL in man which builds up its power from a fertilised ovum in the womb to be born as a human.

In Biblical times there were psychics who became aware of this spiritual self of the soul in man. We read in St. Luke XVII, Verse 20 and 21: "And when He was demanded of the Pharisees - when the Kingdom of God should come, He answered them and said: The Kingdom of God cometh not with observation. Neither shall they say to here or to there, for behold, the Kingdom of God is within you."

Hence this Kingdom of God is the Divine soul in man, the creator of the physical body. Man has a need to be made aware of the SOUL as the DIVINE NUCLEUS in the human being.

To be aware of this spiritual innerself in our daily lives will eventually increase the consciousness that even here on earth man has a spiritual innerself, clothed not only in a physical self, but also in spiritual integuments as I have described in "Man's Private God", which are known as the subtle bodies of the soul.

One can imagine what profound effect this concept could develop in human consciousness and the change in the sociology of future man on earth, when in our present lives we have no spiritual conception of an innerself that will develop an eternal consciousness in the immortal man as a goal of spiritual evolution.

The late Mrs. Garrett actually saw spirals of energy leaving the body at death.

This could be how the bioplasmic body appeared to a clairvoyant.

It is of interest to take notice of the depth of subatomic physics, especially "The Quantum Theory". One of my remarkable experiences of spiritual materialisations is that of Black Feather - a Red Indian Chief who materialised in a seance with that amazing medium, the late Alec Harris.

This Red Indian appeared in front of me. He came from the corner of the room behind a curtain where the medium Alec Harris could be seen in a trance sitting on a chair. Black Feather was a magnificent specimen of a man.

He came and stood about three feet from me. He looked at me and said: "Medicine man, you have searched for many years for the evidence I will give you tonight." He stood in front of me, dressed only in what looked like a scotch kilt. He looked at me and said: "Medicine man, I want you to examine me to see whether Black Feather is a physical man." I must add that he had two long black plaits of hair hanging over his shoulders. His torso was bare, and he had a black feather stuck in his hair. I said: "May I touch you?" He answered: "Medicine man, you may examine me as you like." I then went up to him and felt his body. It was muscular and solid. I put my ear to his chest and heard his heart beats, then I placed my hands on the sides of his chest and ; asked him to breathe deeply in and out, which he did. I felt a powerful chest and palpated his muscles after asking him to contract them

He was what I would describe a muscular man. I said: "Black Feather, I can't find anything else but a physical man." He then looked at Dr. Williams who was sitting next to me and said: "Will the other medicine man examine me to see whether Black Feather is a physical man?" Dr. Williams who was practising in Hillbrow, Johannesburg at the time, got up and examined him. When he was finished, Black Feather said: "You medicine men are satisfied Black Feather is a physical man?" We affirmed that we were satisfied. He then said: "Behold the law," stepped back and disappeared into thin air.

This experience brought me face to face with spiritual reality

and I was amazed that physical science had not examined such evidence of man's immortal life. This evidence was provided by spiritual beings, obviously with the purpose of increasing mortal man's consciousness about a spiritual life hereafter. These are facts of life, and if there was no spiritual self in existence after death, the appearance of Black Feather would have been impossible. I came to the conclusion that the spirit of Black Feather was able to materialise at a seance with such a medium as Alec Harris who was outstanding.

There is a spiritual law which made it possible for spiritual thought to control subatomic particles of the bioplasmic body which I consider form the ectoplasmic matter for materialisations such as Black Feather.

In my search for an explanation of such phenomena, I found in subatomic physics, the "Quantum Theory", how particles can be condensed into solids and again change into waves.

I thought to myself that only spiritual thought from an immortal life could produce such effects, and is hence more powerful than thought passing through a human brain. Hence we can imagine spiritual adepts behind the scenes who, by spiritual thought, use particles of ectoplasmic substance from the medium and sitters and mentally condensed these into the body of Black Feather - so palpable that two medical men of experience found the materialisation completely physical. After witnessing this phenomeon the thought occurred to me that subatomic physics was being directed by spiritual thought to levels where subatomic matter merges into spiritual substances as explained by "The Quantum Theory". Hence human consciousness of his spiritual future will require man's search for knowledge to think in terms of spiritual life hereafter.

If we think of the immensity of the cosmos and its untcld number of universes, we should realise that all this infinite space is filled with an ubiquitous life and one cannot think of a circumference.

It is known that the light of some stars is so far in space that it takes millions of years to reach us travelling at the speed of 186 000 miles a second. This gives us some idea of the incomprehension of man to form an idea of the Supreme Life that fills all space, and is manifested in some form or other.

Hence all these universes of infinite life exist within our conception of God. The Supreme Ubiquitous Life which we have through our ignorance classed as animate and inanimate. Life is hence everywhere from the mineral kingdom to the human principle.

The particles of ectoplasm are forms of life which are organised by spirit thought to cover the spirit being with ectoplasm which the spirit thought has the power to convert into human flesh as Dr. Williams and I found in the materialisation of Black Feather.

The evidence is that this substance which is known as ectoplasm is found in all human beings, and it is my impression that ectoplasm is a condensation of the subatomic particles of life which can change from a particle and solid condensation into a wave and vanish as defined by "The Quantum Theory" to provide the means for the disappearance of Black Feather.

The amazing materialising mediumship of the late Alec Harris leaves one with the impression that such phenomena

are due to a rich bioplasmic body or an abundance of bioplasma in Alec Harris.

In Biblical times such phenomena would have been called miracles. After death the spiritual innerself of man enters a condition or integument occultists over the ages have called the astral body. It forms the inner nexus to the physical body. An energy body discovered by Kirlian photography, called the bioplasmic body, appears to fit the role attributed to the astral by the ancient occultists. But the soul itself is said to have several subtle bodies. These are probably integuments of increasing more ethical nature allied in function to that of the astral body.

It appears that "out of the body" experiences are the results of perception through projected astral consciousness in that form, and is a connection with the life of the body, as seen in the Silver Cord, as projectors have frequently seen. This phenomenon was known in Biblical times for we read about it in symbolic and allegorical terms in Ecclesiastes XII, Verses 6 and 7. "Or when the silver cord be loosed or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern, then shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it."

It is clear therefore that if the spirit left the body, there would be death. Hence the silver cord is a stream of vitality linking the astral body and consciousness as a thought projection with the inner spiritual self or soul.

The evolution of man as a physical being in the womb must hence be under the control of the soul of man which radiates or transmits the "Divine Creative Power" for building up the human body. After death the spirit exists for some unknown period in its astral body or bioplasmic body which is in such close relationship to the physical world that spirits, who communicate through a medium from the astral plane, talk only about earth memories because they have not completely shed their astral connections with the earth life. It is generally believed that the dead retain their earth memories, but in reality this is not so. The earth memories fade further as the spiritual self evolves from the earth in its evolution, apart from remembering who it is or the "I am". But any spirit who communicates through a medium recollects memories of his or her earth life during the process, but forgets it as it moves into higher spiritual spheres.

Because the consciousness of the spirit is evolving with the laws and perspectives of each new spiritual sphere, it enters in its evolution in the process of ultimately becoming an angel which is marked by the perfection of the human principle. Such an evolution entails an expansion of self-consciousness with a greater and greater comprehension of the infinite cosmos - even of universes, the light of whose stars take millions of light years to reach us and all this within the One Supreme Ubiquitous Life.

We on earth can form no understanding of the nature of these spiritual spheres, but we are informed that each spiritual sphere has its own nature and as we evolve towards the angelic sphere, the natures of these spiritual spheres, become more and more beautiful and glorious. We do not here on earth as physical man possess a consciousness capable of envisaging the nature of future spiritual spheres in their higher dimensions.

Our consciousness lacks the capacity to conceive that which is meant for the spiritual beings. By this we can understand that consciousness is a process of evolution to perceive the spiritual nature, only the future hereafter can reveal to us.

After death begins the spiritual evolution and development of consciousness with deeper and more and more profound understanding of the Supreme ubiquitous spiritual nature.

Hence we can call this process spiritual evolution after death

as the ascending cause of spiritual development until the human soul reaches the angelic sphere where the human principle reaches perfection as a dual angel. Just as our world is created of positive and negative poles in all matter, so one can expect a correspondence in the spiritual world, where male

and female become a dynamic unity.

In the human race the positive and negative forces are the males and females, and after death they evolve in an ascending

spiritual domain to reach spiritual perfection as angels where the negative and positive poles of male and female spiritual natures form an angelic duality, each with his or her own self-consciousness. The two of which work in unison, but form

joined affinities.

. Hence we can picture the angelic world as consisting of dual angels, male and female. The spiritual evidence communicated in 1892 through that amazing spiritual medium, William Oxley, who gave us a conception of the mystery we have named the "SOUL" of man. It is said that a dual angel receives the power to draw to itself a Divine spiritual power called by spirits, as a spiritual atom from the Divine ocean of life.

This spirit atom of life is absorbed into the dual angel of male and female principle. Here within their spiritually perfect beings, the life quality of the spirit atom is formed by the conscious ideas of the dual angel. The future and the qualities of the mind to be, are formed as part of the spirit atom within their dual self; and so the spirit atom is clothed with a soul as its first vehicle by which the spirit can manifest itself. Hence we comprehend that there cannot be a soul without a spirit. We have to understand that spirit is substantial but invisible. There are spiritual laws determining the life of spirit hereafter which are incomprehensible to man. One can think of this sojourn of the spirit atom within the dual angel as a period corresponding to gestation in the womb of a woman. Hence power is given to the dual angel to cover the spirit atom with the soul body of its life quality - the latter can be conceived as the idiosyncrasy or characteristic of man or woman on earth. Here are the origin and correspondence of our earthly idea of a godfather and a godmother.

This life quality, however, never changes and the "I am" remains into eternity. Hence we understand that there cannot be a soul without a spirit. We hence comprehend that the spirit and the soul are respectively the inner and the outer forms that clothe the Divine spark of life, but it is said that the spirit in no case partakes of the qualities which pertain to the soul.

The SOUL is hence man's INNERSELF. It makes man or woman what he or she is, and the characteristic by which one person is distinguished from another. The SOUL is spiritually conceived as the NUCLEUS of man's life. One is reminded of St. Luke XVII, Verses 20 and 21, where it is said that the Kingdom of God is within one. The word Kingdom means a monarchal state - the state

or attributes of a King.

The Kingdom of God hence means that the Soul is a Divine

Presence in man, therefore, the human consciousness can think

of his or her SOUL as a "DIVINE PRESENCE". The day may come when man's spiritual consciousness has so developed that every man, woman and child can turn to her or his soul as the Divine Presence in man, hence our purpose in life here is to cultivate knowledge of man's innerself.

We can imagine the type of sociology such a human consciousness will bring on our earth once a Spiritual Science is accepted as knowledge of the evolution of spirit in the course of which it has to traverse numerous spheres - each more complete and different from those nearer the earth. We are unable in our language on earth to form a rational idea of these spiritual spheres, because they are so far beyond the comprehension of our earthly three dimensional consciousness and power of description. In the same way it is impossible to describe the consciousness of an angel as the perfection of the human principle. The average person, who knows about evolution in physical life, will consider that this production of higher and higher forms of physical life has come about because of some creative power in the nature of the animal

for evolution hence we use such terms as natural selection and survival of the fittest.

We are not inclined to conceive of a Divine Power providing in the creation of animal life - the creation of the steps which form the various species which ultimately gave rise to man as the Crown of creation. No animal can of its own accord produce a species higher than itself. This is a fact of life, hence there was a Divine Purpose which operated through the process of creation, with its aim and purpose of evolution to produce the human species from animal ancestors, and we can accept that the first homo type that appeared could have been little above the animal in intelligence.

It was hence a spiritual influx, probably from an Angelic centre, that brought about this change in the influx of the waves of vitality which brought forms of life to this earth. There was a species of human before the type called Palaeonthropus.

These first humans looked even like the Neanderthal of a much later period and also show how symmetry and physical beauty have come to the fore if we compare modern man to the picture of Neanderthal ancestors. Hence there was a purpose to produce man for which purpose the physical earth was made by means of a process such as "The Quantum Theory" presents.

The deviation in animal life which produced the first homo type has been extinct for innumerable ages, and yet it was a stepping stone to the creation of the first man little above the animal. No doubt the homo type had to evolve until it was sufficiently evolved to receive a soul with which greater control was possible over his animal propensities.

The possession of a SOUL by man had to prepare for the creation of spiritual planes for man's spiritual evolution after shedding the physical body, but man no doubt existed on physical worlds in the cosmos for millions of years before our earth was created, because astronomers can think in terms

of innumerable universes besides our own. Man's spiritual survival could only have come with the advent of the SOUL which was of such spiritual power and grandeur to have been considered as the "Kingdom of God in man". We are informed from spirit sources that the hall-mark of the evolution of spirit hereafter is the development of consciousness with especially the power of self-knowledge of the Divinity within.

One can imagine that on earth man is meant to acquire knowledge of the Divine laws of his nature and after death, the laws operating on any sphere he is on before advance could be made to higher spheres, but spiritual progress must require self-knowledge comprising his or her creation and spiritual nature as I envisage by a spiritual science on earth.

No wonder the ancient psychics taught "Man know thyself and thou shall know the universe and God".

CHAPTER II

The mystery of man's spiritual nature is that he has a Divine nature, capable of an evolution towards perfection by which process he becomes an angel. Spiritual adepts have described the process by which means the soul becomes the Divine Power in man which the dual angel draws from the ocean of life as a spirit atom which has a dual nature and is masculine and feminine. The spiritual atom for want of a better name, is retained within the beings of the dual angel; where the angelic beings produce the soul as vehicle of the spirit. The soul of man is born in the dual angels.

When this process, which can correspond to what we know as gestation, is completed the soul, which consists of both male and female, is expelled from the dual angel and begins what can be described as its descent through spirit spheres to the earth plane. Somewhere in this descent the male and female qualities separate and the result is a male soul and a female soul. The one is the affinity of the other. The two are said never to be on the earth at the same time.

On reaching the earth, the soul awaits its birth on a plane near to the earth. The next miracle is the sexual act on earth. The male deposits an enormous quantity of sperms in the female. This quantity is said to consist of millions. Now out of this vast number of sperms, only one reaches the female ovum. There is apparently no competition by the other sperms.

Apparently the sperm is attracted to the female ovum by some rate of vibration. The other sperms, not of this rate of vibration are probably absorbed by the female for some other purpose. The sperm enters the female ovum and fertilisation begins.

At some stage in the fertilisation it must reach a rate of vibration which attracts the soul, and it enters the ovum. Its Divine power gives it the means to build up a body either male or female, whichever half has remained behind. The male or female soul which came first, had by this time left earth life.

One can conclude that there is a profound meaning in this process of the male or female soul leaving the earth first. Some spiritual law of attraction is probably operating unconsciously, with the one in the spirited spheres and the other on earth in physical form.

It could be that there is some law of connexion between these two souls which requires that the one be in spirit life while the other is in physical form as will appear from the formation of the dual angel. Could it play a role in the choice of a mate on earth?

After death the soul begins its spiritual evolution in consciousness in ascent ultimately to become an angel.

Its consciousness develops and expands on every spiritual sphere in the ascending circuit of its development and its spiritual being is clothed in greater and greater spiritual glory and power. It is in the process of developing the human principle to reach perfection which is reached when it enters the angelic sphere here in what is described as the plane of identity, it is joined by its other half, male or female soul, and the two then constitute a dual angel - this union of two souls of the perfect human principle, suggests that each of us on earth has a soul which is in its depth in contact with its affinity which has preceded it. The search of man or woman on earth for someone to love of the opposite sex could be a reflection as I have mentioned, in the conscious mind of his or her soul in evolving quest of its affinity which preceded it in the process of becoming an angel, which the one could have attained long before the advent of the other one from earth

This process of spiritual science knows no hell hereafter,

because spiritual life views the period of earth life as the hell. The ancient Egyptians described the earth life as Amenta through which the soul has to pass. We read this in "The Egyptian Book of the Deed".

In Amenta they had fire and brimstone through which the soul passed to the hall of judgement. It emerges in the light of Osiris as the eternal truth. People who have been on the point of drowning, have often described how their whole life passed before them as a memory.

The same process could take place at death on entering the astral plane, and again when entering the plane of inner personality when it entirely frees itself of earth memories and grasps their true meaning in terms of good or evil. The first experience of this kind was merely a passage of meaningless memories where on the second occasion this experience depicts the qualities of good and evil one experienced in earth life which knowledge is essential for the evolution of consciousness.

It could be that this experience is what the Ancient Egyptians called "The Hall of Judgement", for in this moment one becomes aware of the need of a pure spiritual life, since there is no evil whatsoever in the spiritual spheres.

Many humans who had no awareness of a spiritual life hereafter reach the astral plane with an immature consciousness in which the attraction of what they indulged in on earth remains a power of attraction on the astral plane, and they are what is known as "Earth Bound". Such beings are often responsible for poltergeist manifestations. (I have described this process fully in my memoirs "Memories and Reflections".)

The spiritual guide of Mrs. Bray who I employed as a medium, was able to dissuade these earthbound spirits from their poltergeist course.

The cure was at times most dramatic where the spirit guide served as a teacher of these earthbound spirits. The law of

evolution is not only apparent on this earth, but it is the law governing our mental worlds and our inspirations in the Sciences and the world of art.

Hence there is an inflow of thought to man's mind as we see in the change in our physical world.

There are thus three laws that operate on our lives and these

are involution, evolution and development.

We are informed from spiritual sources that this involution of thought as seen in man's creational powers and mental accomplishments, comes to us from the angelic spheres and such a process of thought radiation could only be received by one's SOUL because of its most refined Divine nature from where it is radiated to the conscious mind of man, scientist, poet and artist and all those appreciative of their divine innerselves.

Man's innerself or soul is governed by an immutable law that has determined the limits beyond which it is impossible for the outer or physical body to go. When man has arrived at a certain point, when the actuating spirit or innerself has accomplished the purpose for which it was incarnated, the connection is dissolved and the outer substance or material body which served as the clothing of the soul while in earthly conditions, is left behind and sooner or later reabsorbed by the outer earth from which it was drawn. We call this process death - it is the astral form which leaves the external human organism at death and it is only after the withdrawal of the last particle composing the astral form that the true dissolution of the physical body commences. After that the atoms that composed the organism are restored to the earth and its atmosphere from which they were drawn by the soul to make up the organism. The astral form, after leaving the body, carries with it in some measure the consciousness of life which it experienced in the discarded physical body, while the being was in the astral form, he or she is said to see no other than themselves and this astral form.

The reason for this is that self-consciousness was in the process of being withdrawn, but gradually this is carried forward into the new form developed from the astral. While in the astral form, the spirit is capable of communicating through a medium, but all communications from the astral plane lack knowledge of the profundity of spirit life since the astral consciousness is incomplete and still influenced by earth memories and beliefs of the medium. Any person with experience of a spiritual philosophy can discern the physical memories and beliefs of the medium in such communications from the astral plane.

There are people who have a certain degree of clairvoyance and a strong emotional urge to be a medium. They usually express themselves in homilies supposed to be spiritual communications and if they are, they usually emanated from a spiritual being on the astral plane.

The art of spiritual communications offers a wonderful field for psychic research, because spiritual communications are so frequently tinged by ideas of the mediums mind.

The average person is aware of the importance of the human soul in man. I have mentioned the origin of the soul in its angelic parents, hence it should be known to man that in every human being on any planet in the cosmos there is contained an angelic degree within the soul. One could view this as an embryonic angel within the soul of man on earth. It is this embryo that ultimately develops into the angelic being with its angelic consciousness as part of the Ubiquitous Supreme Infinite Life. Be it known that even here on earth the spiritual self of man is an integral part of the Supreme Life Power of God.

The future evolution of the human mentality must have as its goal the development of a consciousness knowing about the Soul as the Divine Nucleus with its embryonic angel in man.

Hence the spiritual development of man must have as its

aim the development of a consciousness of the Divine Soul within each of us. The ancient psychics who learned to tell man "Know thyself and thou shall know the universe and God", had knowledge of the Divine Soul as the basis of our mental life.

It is hence time for us to know that man's real godfather and godmother are his/her angelic parents of his spiritual self.

When we become conscious of this profound spiritual truth, we are actually in a state where the angel within can communicate with the angel without. Such a thought can be considered as a profound degree of spiritual consciousness. It is profound spiritual awareness for man to know that any form of human life embodied on any planet is the outcome of some specific society of angels. Hence the creation of man can be considered rightly as the central miracle of the universe.

Deep in himself man's soul can receive life thoughts from the angelic spheres and such a process must develop new states within the recipients. Is this not the way we become aware of our inspirations?

An example of this was received by Robert Browning when he wrote "Truth is within ourselves, it takes no rise from outward things whatever you may believe.

"There is an inmost centre in us all where truth abides in fullness. And around, wall upon wall, the gross flesh hems it in this perfect clear perceptions which is truth.

"A baffling and perverted carnal mesh binds it, and makes all error, and to know, rather consist in opening out a way whence imprisoned splendour may escape.

"Then in affecting entry for a light, supposed to be without."

We read in St. Matt. XVI verse 26: "For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

The astral sphere is a nexus state to the earth, it is the sphere in which the dead develops a spiritual consciousness, but this new awareness of life depends according to spiritual evidence on what is in human consciousness, at the time of death if there is a grain of spiritual knowledge, it serves as the basis for a spiritual awareness. Spiritual communications through William Oxley in England in 1892 informed us that spirits on the astral plane, in the majority, seemed to be aimless, and seemed to move about in the absence of selfconsciousness,

others seemed to be stirring to gain a something which ever eludes their grasp. Their motion is by gliding. Many of them are under the impression that they have always been there - have no knowledge of having lived a physical life on earth, but the moment such a spirit communicates through a medium, the earth memories come back and he or she remembers the physical life and their earth names. This happens while they are in earth vibrations, they could forget these memories once out of contact with the medium. Many were described as "the - leaves of the forest", because of the lack of development of a spiritual awareness. The state of consciousness must develop on the astral plane. After death, many appear as a newborn babe. This is especially the case where there has been no consciousness of a spirit life when on earth. Hence the presence of knowledge of a spirit life while on earth serves as a cord of a spirit life and form which a spiritual awareness can develop about a future life hereafter.

The purpose of mediums in life now becomes clear because the spirit of a deceased person is helped by communicating through a medium to recall his earth life, and so become aware of a change in his being. I made a study of the spiritual development of the late Bert Ralton through the mediumship of Bessie Shearer.

In my student days I used to listen to the radio from 2 L.O. London, especially to Bert Ralton's band playing at the Savoy Hotel. He played the saxophone and was an artist at his job. It was the best Jazz band I have heard and hence remembered Bert Ralton and his band. Now, Bessie Shearer had never met him or heard him play. Her mother described to me how Bessie's mediumship began:

They were in conversation one morning when Bessie sagged to the floor. She was lying on her back and a voice spoke in broad Bronx Yankee. He said he was Bert Ralton and died in Rhodesia when his band was on tour. From that morning Bessie had numerous deep direct voice trance states and was always controlled by Bert Ralton.

When I first attended a seance, he was able to read my thoughts about listening to his band by radio in Glasgow. I had almost weekly meetings with Bessie Shearer and began my research of her mediumship and the spirtual consciousness of her communicants. Bert Ralton had some spiritual knowledge prior to his death and he explained that he was attracted to a radiation he saw around Bessie and he felt he was guided to her by a great power.

I discussed spiritual development on the other side with Bert Ralton, and it was apparent to me that his consciousness was spirtually undeveloped, and we discussed ways and means he could develop his spiritual consciousness.

Then more advanced spiritual beings spoke through the medium who were teachers of Bert Ralton. One angelic being, known as Sympathea, spoke in a beautiful voice which was like a bell and each word spoken sounded like the sound of a bell. Out of the trance, Bessie could not imitate this bell sound. It was apparent that when there was a desire for knowledge, spiritual teachers were there to teach spiritual beings such as Bert Ralton.

Over the course of many years, I was able to study the progress of Bert's spiritual development. His language became more refined, he lost its Bronx Yankee twang. His thoughts were more refined, and so were his descriptions of spiritual existence. He described the increased beauty of form as he advanced beyond the astral. He found his consciousness enlarged, and his form increased in symmetry and beauty as he advanced. He said that on the astral plane there were spirits who were simply existing without a development of knowledge of a spirit world and a future life.

Dr. Glen Hamilton communicated through a medium and said there were spirits who were sleeping and could not be awakened.

It is assumed that on earth these people fanatically believed that at death they would sleep until Judgement day. Spiritual communications have taught us that spirit life is a process of evolution and development and that the spirit passes through many planes of spirit life of higher and higher spirit life to reach perfection of the human principle as an angel and this evolution goes on beyond angelhood but we have not the language on earth, nor the consciousness, to comprehend the nature of the process and its development beyond the angelic degree of life. The evidence is that after death the spirit consciousness embraces existence on a plane of spirit life known as the astral, and this is the beginning of a true spiritual consciousness which expands in its comprehension on each higher plane of its spiritual ascent.

This process of the development of consciousness in knowledge, comprises learning to know the operation of the Divine laws on each plane and as this knowledge has been attained so the consciousness is enlarged and more powerful in its comprehensions of Divine creation and its laws.

We know the cosmos consists of myriads upon myriads of universes with their suns and planets, the evolution of spiritual consciousness hence could entail developing knowledge of life on all the planets. Angelic information obtained through the mediumship of William Oxley revealed the knowledge about angelic life and the sun of each Solar system of which there are no doubt myriads upon myriads.

We only have to look at our milky way to behold the myriads

of stars, each being a sun of a solar system.

It is therefore profound to learn from angelic

communications as mentioned in the Kaballah that each star or sun is the home of angels where each planet is the offspring of angelic thoughts of a sun and furthermore, that a sun is not a furnace as is commonly believed. The resplendence of each sun is due to the life power of the angels in the sun world. We can conceive of this angelic power as a radiance from angelic beings as the dual ray of light and heat. Mother earth receive the sun ray and utilise the force of this duality, namely light and heat and then bring forth living forms according to their kind.

Each human being receives this angelic radiation. There can be no life on earth without the sun ray. How amazingly mysterious are the inner reactions of the spiritual self when the physical being seeks the sun ray to enjoy its effect as tanning of the skin.

The consciousness of the person is quite unaware of the spiritual influence in the sun ray. We view life in the third dimension but its spiritual nature extends in many beyond the third dimension.

We are informed from the Angelic sphere that the sun supplies requisites for the sustenance of life on all its planets. We are also informed by our scientists that the heat emanating from the sun is so terrific that living forms could not endure it, yet angelic life in the sun finds it most enjoyable. It is evident that what we call heat, is never felt in boundless space by spiritual beings and it is only felt and experienced when the reaction takes place from a physical globe, before man enters a dimension beyond earth life.

We know that we cannot gaze at the sun with the naked eyes under the penalty of blindness, and yet the sun is the home of these majestic and glorious forms of life through whom and by whom is received and thrown off the vitality of Life Influx that sustains the external man upon any globe as mentioned in the Kaballah. That, together with the central orb forms a solar system we learn from Angelic spiritual sources. That is the intensity of the Life Flow surcharged as it is with angelic Love, Wisdom and Power derived from the Infinite Central Life Power that cause harm to the human eye as the appearance of such an intense physical luminosity. We know that blindness will ensue should we stare at the sun with naked eyes. We know that our primeval human ancestors on our earth worshipped the sun as their God. We should ask why? Is it because ancient psychics knew about the angelic world.

It is said that the ancient Druids also worshipped the sun. These primitive ancestors of ours must have received some spiritual influx which influenced the conscious mind to worship the power of the sun.

Although there is in modern man's mind the desire for health and the appearance of a sun tan to sunbathe in their hundreds on our beaches, totally unconscious that their spiritual power is the sun ray. Hence we can conclude that no human eye can gaze upon an angelic being in its glory without the penalty of blindness.

This does not imply punishment, but merely tells us that the vibration of the radiation of angelic luminosity is not meant for the physical human eye.

We can accept that angels cannot appear in their full glory to spirits on lower planes, because they would not have reached the spiritual adaptation to such an angelic radiation of power hence the need for spiritual evolution after death. This acquirement of spiritual knowledge in higher spheres can only be gained by experience of spiritual life, the evolution of which is the grand purpose of the attainment of a self-consciousness in all the states through which the spirit being passes after death. Each state or sphere possesses conditions that aid in the development of this self-consciousness in kind and degree varying from the other states and spheres. According to angelic communications, they adore and worship The Great Supreme which so made manifest by the infinity of life forms on all the worlds in all the universes. The question has often been raised in man's spiritual search for truth why our ancestors ever developed tribal gods like Jehovah of the Hebrews. It can be accepted that from the time the human being was endowed with a Soul, he developed an inner awareness with which came influences to his mind of a refinement of life and so his conscious mind reacted by conceiving of an ideal of life.

One can consider this experience of our ancient ancestors as the effect of their spiritual innerselves on their minds. We can understand this best by conceiving of the soul knowing its destiny as the producer of ideas about an ideal man and a perfection of human behaviour and achievements, and so the ideals came because of reflection in the conscious mind of inner spiritual awareness in soul.

Because of this inner source of a higher degree of consciousness, man became aware of ideals in life.

One can say the ideal man was the reflection in mind of his innerself and the perfection man is destined to reach as an angel. The ideal man gave rise to his gods who were born deep within himself as some reflection of his inner spiritual knowing which made it automatic in his mind to seek power and position in the world.

If there was no inner knowledge of a spiritual advance, there could not be a reflection in mind of an ideal system of thought, because in man's soul is the germ of the idea of his spiritual progress from human to angel and this condition forms the base for clothing the external or physical self with aspiration for power and position.

It is this capacity of the human mind to form ideals which led to ancient man making personal gods and in a sense these ideals became idols for worship. It was in this manner that tribal gods came into existence. This process of making personal gods could have come from seeing materialisations of ancestral spirits in the presence of mediums. We find the exalted spirit medium of ancient times was known by the name

of prophet, or one who delivers Divine messages or interprets the Divine will.

Spiritual Science does not know of a heaven of the future as a locality into which certain privileged or favourite ones will ascend after they leave the earth.

The spiritual laws of evolution hereafter are the Divine laws according to which man develops his spiritual selfconsciousness which means a greater and greater understanding of the Divine laws governing man's spiritual life. Just as we have laws in physical nature, so we have laws governing spirit life.

The main goal of spiritual evolution is self-consciousness. The SOUL in its descent to be incarnated on earth, is not said to have self-consciousness, but it would have consciousness to react to the laws of attraction and repulsion during its descent.

The self-consciousness of the external personality is formed by the life influx that passes through the inner life degrees from SOUL, and reacts from the degree known by man as personality and in the personality experiences of contrasts are necessary for the development of self-consciousness of the personality.

Hence self-consciousness makes us what we are and so limited by each state in which man exists in the hereafter.

It can be accepted that the soul in man makes it possible for his intellect to conceive of a spiritual life. It is hence the presence of the SOUL that makes man aspire to practise religion. To man's external nature the SOUL is a god, because it is by means of the soul that the physical body is formed by drawing atoms from mother earth.

Man has hence a Divine Nucleus as the soul which makes it possible hereafter to develop self-consciousness on into eternity.

If we think in terms of evolution, then one must realise

that incalculable ages have been occupied in preparing conditions for the development of self-consciousness man. The presence of the human soul in man makes it possible for him to aspire to spiritual knowledge here, on earth, of spiritual laws of the future life and prepares the consciousness for spiritual awareness on regaining consciousness after death. The very presence of a Divine SOUL in man makes it clear that spiritual knowledge would be the most natural acquisition for man's mind. The need is for man's intellect to develop by means of spiritual truth which is marked by harmony in the knowledge of spiritual laws because the laws known to our scientists apply only to the material globe.

This state of earthly mentality has thrown a barrier across the path for gaining knowledge of spiritual science by a life power that flows through the individuality and is not yet recognised as spiritual by the personality on earth.

Until this prejudicial barrier of ignorance is removed and allowed as conscious communion between the internal and external planes of life, the communion with spirit planes can only be fitful. The fundamental truth man must become aware of is the fact that MAN IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF GOD.

The intelligent human being who has thought about one's spiritual origin and existence, understands the term God as the One Supreme Being, self-existent and eternal, The Infinite Maker and Sustainer of the Cosmos. Hence there is but One life and in the immense Universality, are expressions or manifestations of this One Grand Infinite Life.

We attempt to grasp its magnitude by the terms Omnipotence, Omniscience and Omnipresence. Hence we conceive as the truth that all forms of life are expressions of this Infinite Life and all humans have the physical and spiritual evolution within One Grand Infinite Life in the Universal Cosmos.