

The coming of Maitreya, the World Teacher

On 19 July 1977 Maitreya, the World Teacher, entered the Asian community of London – His point of focus in the modern world – and, on 22 July, began His Mission. Thirty years later we celebrate this momentous event in the following pages.

Maitreya, the World Teacher – from His Messages

I am the Stranger at the Gate. I am the One Who knocks. I am the One Who will not go away. I am your Friend. I am your Hope. I am your Shield. I am your Love. I am All in All. (Message No. 10, 8 November 1977)

I am the Water Carrier. I am the Vessel of Truth. That Truth shall I reveal to you and lift you into your true nature. I am the River. Through Me flows the new stream of God-given Life, and this shall I bestow on you. Thus shall we together walk through My Garden, smell the perfume of My Flowers, and know the joy of closeness to God. (Message No. 42, 12 September 1978)

The tendency today is to reject that which is simple, to cling to the complex, the erudite and vague; but all that pertains to Truth, My friends, will be found to be simple indeed. Thus am I a simple man. When you see Me you will know this, and smilingly take Me as a brother. (Message No. 67, 18 April 1979)

My Coming is planned, is lawful and releases to you the Love and Will of God. I am the Manifestation of both Love and Will. I am the Caretaker. I am the One sent to teach you. I am the Flute Player. Many times before have I been among you. Many times before have you given Me your love. Once again, My friends, demonstrate your allegiance and work with Me. I am the Law-giver. I hear all pleas. I come to save. I render service. (Message No. 50, 15 November 1978)

My Law will be accepted by men. My Love will blossom in their hearts, and through this Law of Love, mankind will know God. My Teaching will show you the way to God, the simple path of Justice and Love. My



Maitreya in the guise in which He miraculously appeared 'out of the blue' to 6,000 people at a prayer meeting on Saturday 11 June 1988 in Nairobi, Kenya. He spoke in Swahili for 15 minutes, then disappeared, leaving dozens miraculously cured of their ailments. Photographs of the event were carried by media around the world.

Masters will teach you the ancient Laws and Lore, and bring you before Me. I am the Light. I am the Law. I am the Ascended One. I am the Knower of God's Will. I am the Beacon. I am the Support of all men. I know men's hearts and seek to purify them. I know men's cares and seek to help them. I know the anguish of many and return to save them. My brothers and friends, I am with you and around you. I am your loving heart. I am your highest thought. I am your pity. (Message No. 40, 8 August 1978)

I am the Custodian of the Plan of God. I am the New Direction. I am the Way for all men. I hold the Secrets of Old. I bestow Bliss. I create the desire for Truth. I make all men One. I come to realise My Truth through men. I am the Saviour of Old. I am the Teacher of the New. I am the Guide for the Future Time. I am the Law embodied. I am Truth Itself. I am your Friend and Brother. I am your Self. Take within you That which I am and make That manifest in the world. Take within you That which I bestow and create

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the City of Light. Manifest around you That which I pronounce and become as Gods. (Message No. 70, 17 May 1979)

I am the Messenger of God's Truth. I am the Perfect One. I am the Means to the Light. I make smooth the Path for all men. I condition God's Truth. I wield the Sword. I embody God's Plan. I am the Exponent of Love. I am the Manipulator of Will. I am the Revealer of Truth. Take That which I am within your hearts and reveal the God you are. I shall place before you all the purpose of God. I shall lead before the Throne of God all who are ready. I shall kneel with you at His divine feet and together shall we salute His grace. I am the Intention of God. I am the Revealer of God's Law. I am the Truth embodied. I am Cause and Knowledge of Cause. I am Love Itself. I come before you

as a simple Man. I come as a Brother and Friend. I shall return you to your Source. I am among you till the end of the Age. My Love surrounds you always. My heart beats in rhythm with yours. My hand shall guide you and protect you. My Love has no bounds. Know Me as your Friend and Counsellor. (Message No. 90, 6 December 1979)

I am among you in many ways. I present Myself to the world in many facets. I galvanise all forms to change. I stimulate all souls to growth. I am with you and in you. I am the Heart of your life. I seek to place before you the Laws which are God. I aim to evoke from you the love of your heart. I am the Prince of Peace. I am the Sword Bearer. I am in your hearts as Love. I am your Friend and Guide. I am the Lawgiver. I know God's Purpose. I teach His Plan. I long to serve. I greet

the New Day. I bring Joy. I awaken the New Spirit in man. I come prepared for My Task. I call you as helpers. I take you by the hand to the Source. I shall live among you. My Teaching goes forth. The New Day beckons. The Real takes root. The Time of God has come. My Way beckons all men. My Travail will not be in vain. My Justice shall be done. My Army shall triumph. By pure Love man will achieve. By great deeds man will conquer. By mighty steps man will advance into the future. By My help all shall be achieved. My name is Oneness. My Love abideth. My Law creates. My Teaching shall turn all men to God. My Masters stand ready. The Day is at hand. The Prophecies of Old are being fulfilled. The Dark Ones tremble. The Law shall be upheld. The Name of God is Love. I am His Messenger. (Message No. 100, 19 March 1980) ●

The Son of Man

by the Master —, through Benjamin Creme

Many people await the return of the Christ with trepidation and fear. They sense that His appearance will promote great changes in all departments of life. His values, they rightly assume, will necessarily alter their ways of thinking and living and they blanch at such a prospect. Besides, so mystical has been the view of the Christ presented down the centuries by the churches, that many fear His judgement and omnipotent power; they await Him as God come to punish the wicked and reward the faithful.

It is sadly to be regretted that such a distorted vision of the Christ should so have permeated human consciousness. No such being exists. In order to understand the true nature of the Christ it is necessary to see Him as one among equal Sons of God, each endowed with full divine potential, differing only in the degree of manifestation of that divinity.

That He has achieved the fullness of that divinity is His Glory, and well may we stand in reverence at this achievement. That this same achievement is rare indeed is also indisputably true. But the wonder of the Christ for men is that He was one of them.

Naught there is, in the trials and sufferings of men, but He did know it. Each step of the path that men still tread has He painfully trodden. Nothing is there, in the whole panorama of human experience, that He has not shared. Thus truly is He the Son of Man.

There can be little doubt that were He to appear unannounced in our midst few would recognize Him. So far from the general notion is He that He would pass unnoticed in the crowd. Thus it is today among His brothers as He awaits man's invitation to begin His mission. Many who see Him daily know Him not. Others recognize Him but are afraid to speak. Still others wait and pray, hopeful that He may be the One for Whom they dare not hope. Only His Declaration before the world will establish Him in the sight and hearts of men.

While we await that Day of Days, let us clarify in our minds the reasons for His return. Let us understand the nature of the task which He has set Himself. To establish in our midst the fact of God, has He come. To recreate the Divine Mysteries, is He here. To teach men how to love, and love again, is He among us. To establish man's

brotherhood does He walk the Earth once more. To keep faith with the Father and with man does He accept this burden. To usher in the New Age has He returned. To consolidate the treasure of the past, to inspire the marvels of the future, to glorify God and man has He descended from His high mountain.

Let us look at His priorities: the establishment of peace; the inauguration of the system of sharing; the removal of guilt and fear — the cleansing of the hearts and minds of men; the education of mankind in the laws of life and love; an introduction to the Mysteries; the beautification of our cities; the removal of barriers to travel and interchange of peoples; the creation of a pool of knowledge accessible to all.

That such a task is not an easy one, not even for the Son of Man, is clear. Ancient habits of division and separation have strong roots, while fear and superstition cast their spell over millions of mankind. But never before, in the history of the world, has a Teacher come better equipped for His task. Maitreya has come to do battle with ignorance and fear, division and want. His weapons are spiritual understanding, knowledge and love; His shining armour is Truth Itself. (SI, June 1984) ●

Maitreya's emergence in brief

The following is a brief chronological list of some of the steps of Maitreya's emergence reported in *Share International* magazine.

8 July 1977: Maitreya leaves His retreat 6,000 metres high in the Himalayas. Spends several days on the Pakistan plains to acclimatize His body. Leaves Karachi on an aeroplane for London.

19 July 1977: Arrives in London. Settles in Brick Lane area of east London. Later He works as a night porter in a London hospital.

6 September 1977: The first public message was given by Maitreya (via mental telepathy) to Benjamin Creme during a public lecture at Friends House, London. In total 140 messages were given at Mr Creme's London lectures, ending on 27 May 1982. (See *Messages from Maitreya the Christ*, Share International.)

November 1977: Maitreya contacts Chancellor Willy Brandt and asks him to set up the Brandt Commission.

1978: A television film is made about the Asian community in which Maitreya makes a short appearance. The film is never shown.

January 1979: Maitreya gives first public talk as a member of the Asian community.

16 February 1980: Maitreya's fifth public talk, to 1,000 people.

19 April 1980: Sixth public talk, to 800 people. Interest from local press.

7 February 1981: Maitreya interviewed (incognito) for Asian radio station for the first time.

19 July 1981: Television broadcast features Maitreya (incognito). Maitreya's talks increase to one a fortnight.

21 October 1981: Radio broadcast for the Asian community of Maitreya (incognito).

7 November 1981: Maitreya's public talks increase to once a week.

April 1982: Benjamin Creme organizes worldwide publicity campaign with full-page newspaper advertisements announcing the Christ's presence.

14 May 1982: Benjamin Creme announces at a packed Los Angeles press conference that Maitreya is living in London. Over 90

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THE WORLD HAS HAD enough... OF HUNGER, INJUSTICE, WAR,
IN ANSWER TO OUR CALL FOR HELP, AS WORLD TEACHER FOR ALL HUMANITY,
THE CHRIST IS NOW HERE.

HOW WILL WE RECOGNIZE HIM?
Look for a modern man concerned with modern problems—political, economic and social. Since July, 1977, the Christ has been emerging as a spokesman for a group or currently in a well-known modern country. He is not a religious leader, but an educator in the broadest sense of the word—pointing the way out of our present crisis.
We will recognize Him by His extraordinary spiritual potency, the universality of His viewpoint, and His love for all humanity. He comes not to judge, but to aid and enlighten.

WHO IS THE CHRIST?
Throughout history, humanity's evolution has been guided by a group of enlightened men, the Masters of Wisdom. They have remained largely in the remote desert and mountain places of earth, working mainly through their disciples who live openly in the world. This message of the Christ's reappearance has been given primarily by such a disciple, trained for his task for over 20 years.
At the center of this "Spiritual Hierarchy" stands the World Teacher, Lord Maitreya, known by Christians as the Christ. And as Christians await the Second Coming, so the Jews await the Messiah, the Buddhists the fifth Buddha, the Muslims the Imam Mahdi, and the Hindus await Krishna. These are all names for one individual.
His presence in the world guarantees there will be no third World War.

WHAT IS HE SAYING?
"My task will be to show you how to live together peacefully as brothers. This is simple, but you disagree. My friends, for it requires only the acceptance of sharing."
"Have you ever looked into the mirror which you see daily when millions stare and die in agonies, when the rich parade their wealth before the poor, when each man is his neighbor's enemy, when no man trusts his brother?"
"Allow me to show you the way forward into a simpler life where no man lacks, where no few slaves are others, where the joy of brotherhood manifests through all men."
"Take your brother's hand as the measure for your action and solve the problems of the world."

WHEN WILL WE SEE HIM?
He has not as yet declared His true status, and His location is known only by a very few disciples. One of these has announced that when the Christ will acknowledge His identity and within the next few months will speak to humanity through a worldwide television and radio broadcast. His message will be heard monthly, telepathically, by all people in their own language.
From that time, with His help, we will build a new world.

WITHOUT SHARING THERE CAN BE NO JUSTICE;
WITHOUT JUSTICE THERE CAN BE NO PEACE;
WITHOUT PEACE THERE CAN BE NO FUTURE.

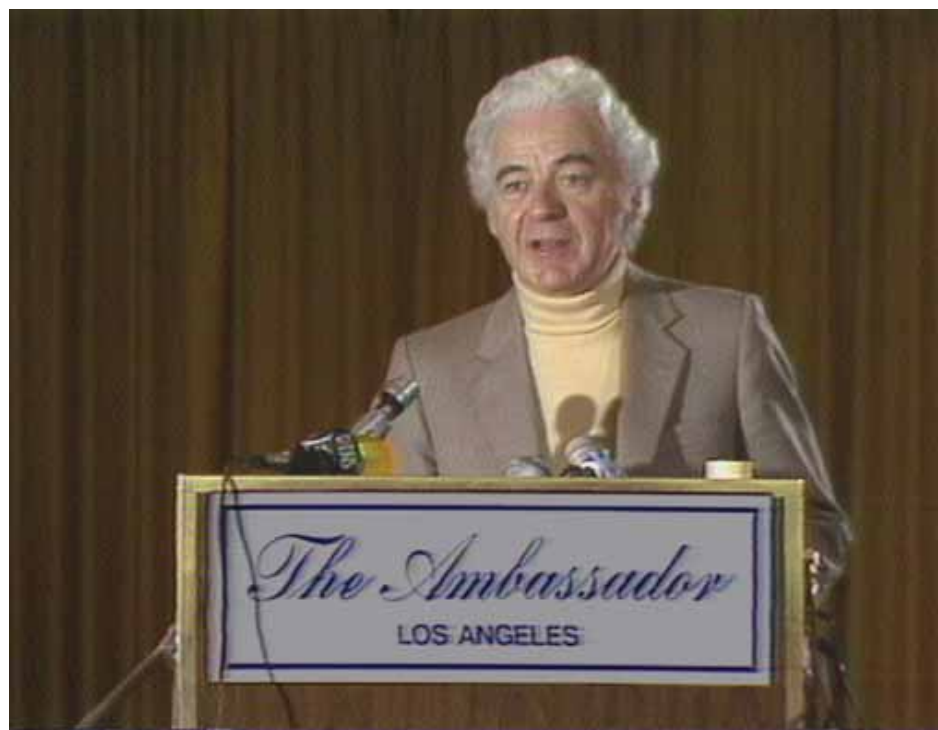
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journalists attend from ABC, CNN, CBS, NBC, BBC, *The Times*, *The New York Times* and all major US newspapers. The event was linked via satellite to the UK's BBC news programme *Nationwide*. Mr Creme announces that Maitreya will come forward if invited to do so by the media. If any major media network assigns a journalist to the task of looking for Maitreya – in a symbolic “going through the motions” search – He will come forward. No one could find Maitreya without His help. A well-known journalist would need to be assigned to the task, so that on meeting Maitreya they would have sufficient professional standing to be believed by their fellow journalists. Unfortunately no journalists were assigned.

1982-1985: Various freelance journalists attempt to ‘find’ Maitreya.

31 July 1985: 22 journalists representing media from East and

West gather in Brick Lane hoping to contact Maitreya. This symbolic event allows Maitreya to begin a more open phase of His emergence.

January 1986: Maitreya interviewed and filmed by the BBC over several months. Promise of a press statement about Maitreya is given by the BBC, but later withdrawn.

February 1987: Maitreya begins meeting invited journalists, dignitaries, politicians, diplomats, etc.

26 February 1987: Maitreya interviewed by CNN. Film never broadcast.

1987: Maitreya establishes His Ashram in India and relocates His London base to another area.

August 1987: Benjamin Creme announces: “In the next three or four months, Maitreya will be working intensively to bring about a breakthrough in international relationships in the world.” In December Presidents Reagan and Gorbachev sign the SALT-1 nuclear arms reduction treaty.

1988: Maitreya appears in person and in dreams to world leaders and ordinary citizens.

April 1988: Maitreya, through a close associate, begins to outline His teachings and to give forecasts and commentaries on world events published in *Share International*



Image of Christ with crown of thorns materializes on a photograph of a blank television screen after a local man drinks and is healed by waters from a well in Tlacote, Mexico. The water has been ‘charged’ by Maitreya prior to His appearance in Mexico City on 29 September 1991.

and distributed worldwide through press releases. (See *Maitreya's Teachings – The Laws of Life*)

11 June 1988: Maitreya appears miraculously to 6,000 people at a healing meeting in Nairobi, Kenya. Photographs and reports of the event carried by CNN and international media (in the UK by *The Guardian*, *The Sun*, BBC Radio 4).

1988: Maitreya begins manifesting ‘crosses of light’. Phenomenon first reported in Los Angeles, USA, but spreads around the world.

21-22 April 1990: Historic London conference with over 200 dignitaries (royalty, ambassadors, diplomats, scientists, politicians, religious representatives) and 40 journalists invited to a weekend conference at which Maitreya presides. The late President of the Palestinian Authority Yasser Arafat and King Hussein of Jordan were present. At that conference Maitreya asked King Hussein of Jordan if he would relinquish sovereignty of the West Bank to provide a homeland for the Palestinian people.

1990: Documentary film made in which Maitreya talks about His plans and teachings. Accepted by major USA network but never broadcast.

1990: First reports of Maitreya manifesting

as a “mysterious hitchhiker” recorded in New Zealand.

September 1991: Maitreya begins appearing to large gatherings of religious groups throughout the world, charging water sources with healing properties nearby. The first healing wells are soon discovered in Tlacote, Mexico; Nordenau, Germany; Nadana, India. Many healings are reported from drinking the water.

June 1994: Maitreya accepts invitation for a first live television interview on a major USA network. Date still to be arranged by Maitreya.

21 September 1995: Maitreya manifests miracle of Hindu milk-drinking statues. For four days stone and metal statues worldwide are offered gallons of milk which ‘disappears’.

8 November 1995: First Knoxville cross of light manifested by Maitreya.

1995-present day: Signs of Maitreya continue to increase in advance of His first live television appearance. (see ‘Signs of Maitreya’)

August 2001: Maitreya manifests His ‘handprint’ on a bathroom mirror in Barcelona, Spain. Many healing miracles reported after asking Maitreya for help by looking at the photograph of His ‘hand’.

Maitreya's forecasts

In the introduction to the book *Maitreya's Teachings – The Laws of Life* Benjamin Creme writes:

“From September 1977 until May 1982, Maitreya gave through me 140 communications (later published by *Share International* as *Messages from Maitreya the Christ*). In this way, He revealed fragments of His teachings, demonstrating His concerns and His hopes for a better life for all through sharing of resources, and the establishment, thereby, of justice and peace in the world.

“A later phase of Maitreya's teaching began in 1988 and continued to 1993. Profound, yet simple, this spiritual teaching concerns everyone, not only those from religious traditions, and will characterize His approach to humanity in the centuries ahead. The teachings were given to a close

associate of Maitreya in the Asian community, and from him to two independent journalists, Patricia Pitchon and Brian James, who passed them regularly to me for publication in the monthly magazine *Share International*, of which I am chief editor. Those predictions relating to future world events were distributed to the world's media in a series of news releases. In this way Maitreya released to the world an extraordinary body of teachings and analyses of world problems — political, economic, social and environmental.

“In the political field, He made many predictions of uncanny accuracy including: the end of the ‘Cold War’; the break-up of the Soviet Union; the release of Nelson Mandela and the end of apartheid in South Africa; the fall from power of Mikhail Gorbachev and Margaret Thatcher.”

Included here is a selection of specific forecasts and the dates they were given:

“The Palestinians will have their homeland” (June 1988)

“In South Africa confrontation will give way to consensus ... black and white leaders will negotiate” (June 1988)

“Nelson Mandela will be released” (September 1988)

“Gorbachev will be replaced” (October 1988)

“A world stock market crash will begin in Japan.” (June 1989)

“Lebanon will awake to a clear sky of peace” (July 1989)

“A Democrat will become the next President of America” (January 1991)

“The United Nations is the seed of the World Parliament. The Secretary-General will be replaced. Younger blood will come in” (July 1991)

“Mrs Thatcher will retire from office” (September 1988)

“On the streets of Britain masses of people will revolt against the Poll Tax” (July 1989)

Benjamin Creme explains: “Maitreya understands the Laws of Cause and Effect perhaps more than anyone else on this planet, thus enabling Him to foresee the effects of the causes we ourselves have set in motion. Through those forecasts, He shows us how these laws work by linking the violence of events such as those in the first Gulf War to subsequent natural disasters which can and do affect people not directly involved, but who nevertheless have to endure the consequences of a disturbed planet.”

Market forces

In 1989 Maitreya warned: “*In the last two to three years we have seen a reduction in the wars and conflicts taking place throughout the world as the superpowers withdrew from their policy of supplying arms to further their own foreign aims and interests. The energy which drives soldiers into battle and fills the air with warplanes has been switched off. But that energy cannot just disappear, it has to go somewhere. This energy has been roaming the world and suddenly it has found a new womb:*”



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commercialization, which has been created by market forces. The new creed of the superpowers has become the economy, which is the soul of commercialization, and this represents a serious new threat to the world, one that could even compromise human life. The quality of commercialization is greed, and it will affect all nations. This negative energy which recoiled from the battlefield is a force without eyes or mind and will create a very hostile world. But although the politicians believe that commercialization is the future of the human race, they cannot control this energy.”

Stock-market crash

In October 1988 Maitreya advised: “The impending stock-market crash is an outcome of commercialization. Commercialization means making money while others starve. The moment you are taught ‘the art of selfishness’ you cease to follow your destiny, which is to be aware of yourself.”

He also advised that: “After this crash, the first duty of governments will be to feed people with the right food. Their second duty will be to ensure adequate housing. Health and education will be the next priorities. Investment along these lines in other parts of the world will follow, and lastly, defence. In short, the crash will lead to a reordering of priorities.”

Voice of the people

Maitreya says: “We begin to hear the voice of the people; they are beginning to realize that the politicians have failed them. The young, for instance, have no faith in politics, religion or philosophy — they just want to get on with each other and their own destiny.”

Environment

Maitreya’s forecasts also point to the growing awareness of the need to save our planet, saying it would become the “number one issue” after the saving of the millions of hungry and dispossessed.

Maitreya: “People are concerned about the environment. Observe how this is happening around the world. If you want to feel that you are part of the Almighty, the environment becomes the mirror for the Self to realize that it is part of the entire creation. Awareness leads to looking into the environment. A clean, neat and tidy environment brings

you closer to God. Even a few years ago, no politician took the environment seriously. Now the concern is there.”

Politics

Maitreya advises: “The idea of politicians as ‘masters of the universe’ is coming to an end. Now politicians are realizing it is the will of the people which is important for the happiness and safety of society.... To betray the will of the people sets in motion a dangerous process: when you betray someone, something recoils within you. It is the withdrawal of the Self from mind, spirit and body. This recoil is very destructive, leads to mental strain, and in extreme cases even to suicide or murder. To believe dogmatically in market forces, for example, is to believe in forces of destruction which are like a snake without eyes let loose. Market forces divide: some will be happy, others will be unhappy. This creates contradictions and chaos....”

Maitreya has inspired many attempts to further the Middle East peace process, appealing to the late King of Jordan to give up sovereignty over the West Bank, and in-



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spiring Mr Arafat to accept the reality of the Israeli state.

His hand can be seen in many of the efforts around the globe towards reconciliation and building trust. No aspect of life is not overseen and enhanced by His efforts.

He has appeared to dignitaries, political leaders, members of royal families, journalists, devout followers of various religions and to ‘ordinary’ people and convinced them of His extraordinary nature. He forewarned the US authorities before 9/11 of a potential attack and advised them on how to respond after the event – advice which was ignored.

The World Teacher and His Disciples, the Masters of Wisdom, ceaselessly serve, protect and inspire humanity; They daily rescue, heal, advise, comfort, support, encourage people all over the planet.

Perhaps the most profound change predicted by Maitreya is that we, humanity, will, in the coming time, discover our true nature as divine beings, ‘sparks of God’ and under His wise guidance and inspiration will create a new civilization which reflects that new reality.

Esoteric Teachings

Benjamin Creme writes: “Maitreya’s unique stature, His ages-long experience on the evolutionary path, enable Him to present His profound spiritual teachings in the simplest terms, free of all doctrinal ‘clutter’ and theological dogma. There is no imposition; everyone is left, and encouraged to be, freely themselves. Above all Maitreya teaches the art of Self-realization. Three practices, simple, yet needing discipline to achieve, are at the core of His teaching on Self-realization: honesty of mind; sincerity of spirit; and detachment. Practise these three, Maitreya says, and come to Self Realization.”

Maitreya advises: “The Self moves into and out of the mind, spirit and body at will and experiences the beauties of nature, beauties which until now were experienced only by yogis, saints and gurus. Traditionally, people believed that only through the sacred books of the Koran, the Bible, the Gita, and by living exceptionally good lives, could they qualify for such experiences. Not any more. As the Self learns to move through the mind, spirit and body these beautiful experiences can become a daily thing.”

Maitreya's Priorities

When Maitreya appears, He will address the major problems which now beset humanity: the misery of the starving – the dire poverty of millions condemned to living hell; the many wars now raging, known or unheard; the vast army of refugees, displaced and discarded; the prisoners of conscience whose voices are muted in pain. Maitreya will call for a greater responsibility for the planet's health: the creation of an economy sustainable and fair; the husbandry of resources to safeguard future generations; the purification of the environment – the air, the soil, the waters, on which all life depends. These Maitreya will address and offer His solutions.... Maitreya will call for everyone to join His army of helpers – to sustain and purify the environment; to galvanize the peoples into action on their own behalf; to cleanse the planet of polluting toxins and to re-establish harmony among the nations. His task is not little but He stands ready to fight the present evil – and to conquer. (Benjamin Creme's Master, 'The time has come', *A Master Speaks*)

Sharing

My Teaching, simple though it is, will show you the necessity for sharing, for the creation of a pool of resources from which all men may take, the substitution for greed of co-operation and trust, the manifestation of the inner divinity of men. (Maitreya, from Message No. 64)

Maitreya's message can be summarized in a few words: "Share and save the world." In this way we can put an end to the threat of war, oppression and hunger. He counsels us: "Take your brother's need as the measure for your action and solve the problems of the world. There is no other course." Maitreya is sure that we will accept this message and that we are now on the threshold of an era of peace and goodwill." (Benjamin Creme, *Ageless Wisdom Teachings*)

The first step is to grasp the meaning and necessity of sharing. Sharing is the key to the solution of all man's problems, and has behind it the potency of God's Will, for shar-

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ing is the outcome of the manifestation of God's Love and Will. Maitreya has said: "When you share you recognize the God in your brother." This is verily so. Without sharing, there is a denial of God, immanent in all Beings. Without sharing, there is endless separation from God and your brothers. Sharing alone confers on men the dignity of true men. (Benjamin Creme's Master, 'A better future for all', *A Master Speaks*)

Gradually, a new humanity will be seen, manifesting more and more of its divine potential. In the first stage, redistribution will be the keynote, each nation making available to the common pool those resources which it has beyond its needs. Through a sophisticated form of barter, the world's goods will be shared until such time as man's inner divinity awakens in him a desire for a simpler method of structuring his economic life.

Then will follow the stage of emancipation of humanity from the drudgery of needless work. Machines will gradually take over from man the tasks of manufacture. All the artefacts of our daily lives will one day be created in this way. This will lead to a self-sufficiency unthinkable today, so great are the differences in development and resources among the nations. These machines will liberate man for the exploration of his own inner nature and guarantee his progress towards divinity. In time, these machines will be created by an act of will. By the power of his illumined mind, man will bring together an aggregate of forces, and call into being these instruments and devices through which all his needs will be met.

Then that which is shared will be the resources and fruits of the spirit. A creativ-

ity unlike aught seen before will transform man's life, and in this new livingness and beauty all will share. Thus will men demonstrate themselves as Gods. (Benjamin Creme's Master, 'Sharing', *A Master Speaks*)

How can you be content with the modes within which you now live: when millions starve and die in squalor; when the rich parade their wealth before the poor; when each man is his neighbour's enemy; when no man trusts his brother? For how long must you live thus, My friends? (Maitreya, from Message No. 81)

The Environment

We are beginning to realize what we are doing to our environment – that we are gradually killing off the planet as a living, breathing, evolving body of expression of a Great Cosmic Being which, of course, the planet is. We are beginning to see that we cannot go on despoiling the planet, polluting the air, rivers and oceans. More and more, concerned groups have brought this to the attention of governments.

(Benjamin Creme, *The Art of Co-operation*)

The right to the essentials of life: food, shelter, healthcare and education, must condition the direction of all governments' actions. The safeguarding of the environment – with all that that entails – must become a sacred duty which will allow men, in time, to nurse this planet back to health. So must it be if men would inherit their birthright and find, again, the path to God.

(Benjamin Creme's Master, 'The requirements of the future', *A Master Speaks*)

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Time is short indeed for the reconstruction of our world along lines more befitting Man's true role and purpose. My task is to show you the way, outline the possibilities only, for by Man himself must the New World be forged ... I shall show you that the way for Man is the way of brotherhood, close co-operation and mutual trust and service. This is the only way. All else has failed. My friends, unless Man can do this, Man on this Earth will cease to be. I threaten not but simply state the truth. There is but little time left to restore the balance of nature and the world. Make it your primary task to release to all men the wherewithal to exist in human dignity, as Sons of God, Brothers all. Make over, in trust for all men, the produce of the world to the nations of the world. Do this today as free men and reap the glory tomorrow as True Sons of God. (Maitreya, from Message No. 12)

Voice of the People

... a sweeter atmosphere of hope will enter the affairs of men, a new call for Justice will sound forth from all quarters, and in the midst of that clamour will you find Me. I shall sustain all who call for Peace, for Justice and brotherly Love. I shall call to My side all who love their brothers. From all parties and all nations they will come, gathering around Me. I shall fill their hearts with hope and Love, and in mounting numbers they shall conquer the world. This process has begun. Already the voices of the people are being heard. Louder and louder they cry for Justice, for Peace for all time. A renewed hope seizes mankind, and this gladdens My heart. (Maitreya, from Message No. 131)

Almost without exception, the nations of the world are caught up in a new experience: the emergence of the articulate masses. Long gone are the days of silent submission to autocratic rule. Instead, the peoples everywhere are on the march, demonstrating their will and demanding their democratic rights.... At last, men everywhere are grasping the meaning of their existence and sensing the need for justice and participation. (Benjamin Creme's Master, 'The people's voice is heard', *A Master Speaks*)

What Maitreya can do is educate, inform, inspire, create a reliable vehicle – the voice of the people of all countries of the world –

and create an articulate mass against which no country in the world can stand. We need an informed, educated world public opinion for peace, justice and freedom. Nothing less will do. That is how it will be. (Benjamin Creme, *Share International*, November 2002)

A new world is in the making and requires the involvement of all: all have a part to play in this great undertaking; none should feel too young or too old to voice aloud their aspirations. Soon, Maitreya, Himself, will focus this demand for a new way of living, adding His insight and experience to the cry from men for justice and peace. (Benjamin Creme's Master, 'The voice of Maitreya', *A Master Speaks*)

Co-operation

The era of competition is fast coming to an end. With its demise, violence and war, starvation amid plenty, greed and separation, will likewise fade from the memory. To replace these sorrows will emerge blessed co-operation, to guarantee to men their essential divinity. (Benjamin Creme's Master, from 'The art of co-operation', *A Master Speaks*)

When I make Myself known, I shall express the hope of all mankind for a new life, a new start, a readiness to change direction; to see the construction of a New World in which men can live in peace; can live free from fear of themselves or their brothers; free to create from the joy in their hearts; free to be themselves, in simple honesty. (Maitreya, from Message No.8)

Justice

Without sharing there can never be justice in the world. If there is no justice there can never be peace. If there is no peace then there is no world, because now we can destroy the planet and every life-stream on it. The nations must understand that we are one humanity, and therefore that the food, raw materials, energy, scientific technology and educational facilities of the world belong to all and must be shared. They are not the monopoly of the developed world and if we continue to assume that they are, we will destroy this civilization, based as it is on the blind following of market forces. Greed is created by the human mind. Only the awareness of the human mind will bring it to a halt, when we see its destructive effect on

all nations. Fortunately, Maitreya expects humanity to respond positively to His advice and suggestions. He is sure that there will be no third world war, that the disasters taking place in the world now will not culminate in global cataclysms. On the contrary: we are on the threshold of an era of peace and goodwill. (Benjamin Creme, *The Reappearance of the Christ and the Masters of Wisdom*)

The future

... the civilization of the future will demonstrate qualities we cannot even begin to talk about. We do not have words for what we will see and know. We do not have words for the quality of that civilization. Nor for the feeling, the experience, of that relationship when all people see and experience themselves as brothers and sisters of one home, one planet. That will take people back to the experience of childhood. Home was home. Your brothers and sisters were the staff that kept you on the right track. So it will be.

We will truly depend on each other. An interdependent world will be a reality. It is today a reality, but we do not recognize the fact. In this coming time the constructions, the inventions, the extraordinary discoveries latent yet just beyond us at the present moment will become realities. We will unleash them through correct relationship, leisure, education, recognition in the world for the first time that we are souls in incarnation on a journey of exploration together, creating the artefacts of that civilization and demonstrating that we are Gods. (Benjamin Creme, *The Art of Living*)

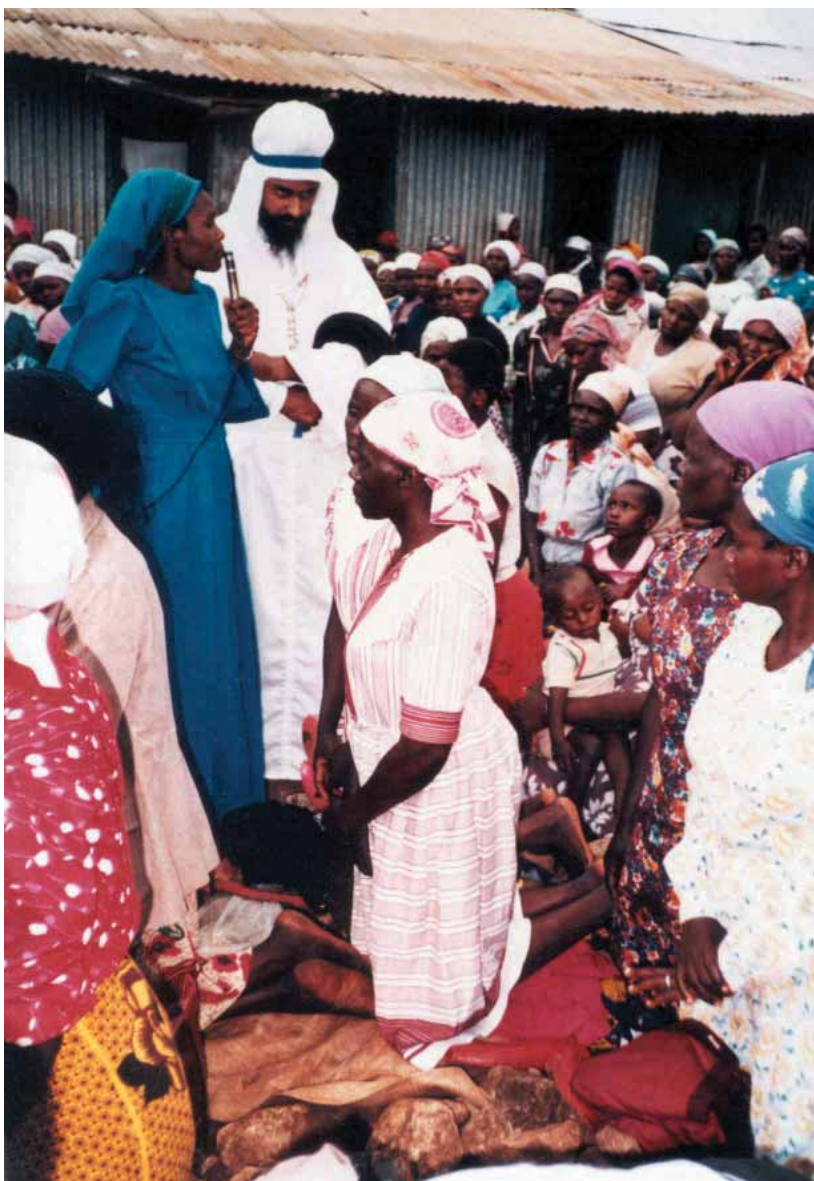
I come to take you with Me into the New Country – the Country of Love, the Country of Trust, of Beauty and Freedom. I shall take you there if you can follow Me, accept Me, let Me lead and guide. And, if this be so, together we shall build a New World: a world in which men can live without fear, without mistrust, without division; sharing together the Earth's bounty, knowing together the Bliss of Union with our Source. All this can be yours. You have only to take the first steps and I may lead. Allow Me to help you. Allow Me to show you the way – forward, into a simpler life where no man lacks; where no two days are alike; where the Joy of Brotherhood manifests through all men. (Maitreya, from Message No.3) ●

“Those who search for signs will find them”

On 8 November 1977, in the 10th Message Maitreya gave through Benjamin Creme, He said that His presence in the world would be accompanied by signs: “Those who search for signs will find them but My method of manifestation is more simple.” In June 1988, Maitreya’s associate intimated that signs of Maitreya’s presence would increase: “He is going to flood the world with such happenings that the mind can never comprehend it.”

Worldwide reports of miracles involving people of all faiths – and those of none – appear almost daily. *Share International* magazine has been inundated with such accounts for many years but a sceptical world has seen these extraordinary happenings as isolated events and has made no attempt to connect them or to question what is behind them, why they are happening or what they mean. We suggest that they all come from the same source, and are created for a purpose – as signs of the emergence of Maitreya the World Teacher and His group, the Masters of Wisdom.

Some of the many miracles include: religious statues weeping tears; Hindu ‘milk-drinking’ miracle; miraculous healing wells; patterns of light worldwide; appearances of the Madonna; encounters with ‘angels’; crosses of light in windows; holy texts in fruit.



Maitreya in the guise in which He appeared at a healing and prayer meeting with Mary Akatsa in Nairobi, Kenya. He appeared and disappeared miraculously.

Maitreya’s miraculous appearance in Nairobi

On Saturday 11 June 1988, Maitreya miraculously appeared at an open-air prayer/healing meeting on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya, and addressed the gathering of 6,000 people who instantly recognized Him as the Christ. Photographs taken at the scene were carried by major news media around the world including CNN and the BBC.

Job Mutungi, editor of *The Kenya Times*, witnessed the event and wrote: “The tall figure of a bare-footed, white-robed and bearded man appeared from nowhere and stood in the middle of the crowd ... [the healer Mary Akatsa’s] voice was drowned by cries and loud moans of ‘Jesus! Yesu, Yeesu! You have come. Welcome Jeesus!’ ... The scene and mood of the worshippers reminded one of the Old Testament times of the Tower of Babel when language became ‘confused’. Everyone was murmuring something. Others were flat on the ground weeping uncontrollably in praise and worship, in total sublimation to the occasion. Mama Akatsa appealed for calm. But it was difficult ... In clear Swahili, which had no trace of accent, the strange man announced that the people of Kenya were blessed ...” He spoke to the crowd for around 18 minutes and many of those near Him were completely healed. He then departed as mysteriously as He had appeared. Job Mutungi wrote that, after being given a short lift in a Mr Gurnam Singh’s car, the man “walked a few paces beside the road and simply vanished into thin air. Several people who witnessed this were astonished by his mysterious disappearance”. (*The Kenya Times*; *Share International*, September 1988.)

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Left: In 1996 a 12-year-old Lebanese girl Hasnah Meselmani began producing tiny crystals from her eyes — seven a day. Although the crystals are sharp, she says she feels no pain. Doctors could not explain the phenomenon.



Figure appears in bonfire flames, Lascek, Slovenia, 2002

Maitreya's appearances and the healing waters

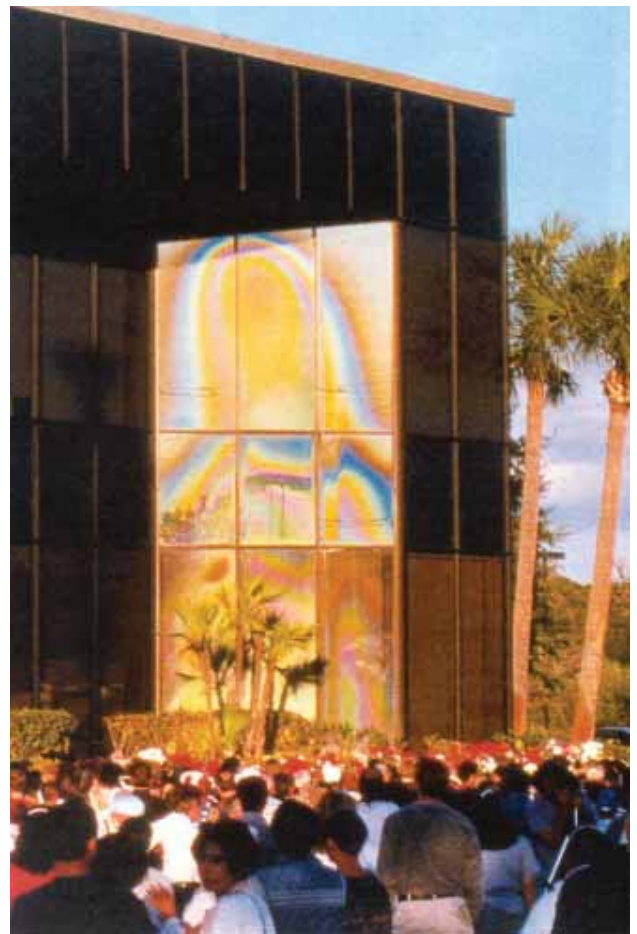
For many years Maitreya made regular appearances to religious gatherings around the world which *Share International* reported each month. He would appear to groups from all religious traditions and was often recognized as the Teacher they awaited (Christ; the Messiah; Maitreya Buddha; the Imam Mahdi; Krishna). He spoke for some 15 to 20 minutes and then disappeared as miraculously as He had appeared.

Each appearance was usually accompanied by another miracle: Maitreya charged (magnetized) a deep, inexhaustible water source in the locality with extraordinary healing properties. The first such water source to be discovered was at Tlacote in Mexico, in 1991. Within months news spread of amazing miracle cures, and tens of thousands of people queued daily for the water. Similar healing wells were discovered at Nordenau, Germany, and Nadana, India, both of which attracted thousands of visitors, many of whom reported miracle cures.



Healing well in Tlacote, Mexico

Eventually a worldwide network of 777 healing water sources will be discovered, in a sequence to be determined by Maitreya. The waters will help cure humanity's many ailments, boost the immune system, and purify the physical body. In 1993 Tlacote water was used to make a homeopathic remedy from which thousands worldwide now benefit. Water from the Nordenau grotto has also been made into a homeopathic remedy.



Madonna image on bank windows, Clearwater, Florida, USA, 1996

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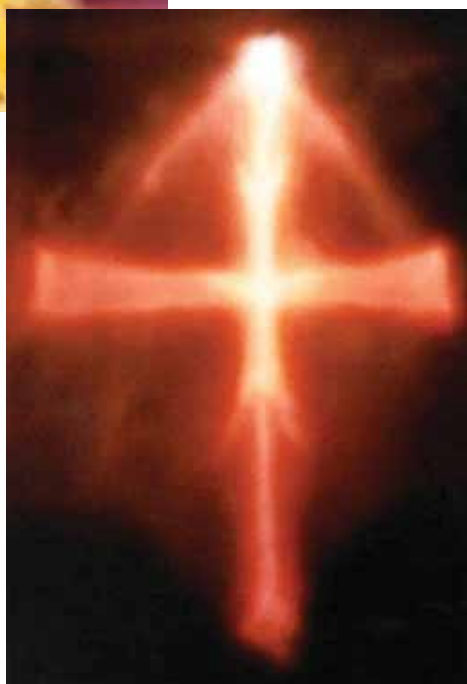
Circles of light of a hotel in Denver, Colorado, USA, manifested by Maitreya. Photograph taken in November 2000.



Hindu statues worldwide 'drink' milk, 1995



Tomato containing Muslim holy messages, Huddersfield, UK, 1997



A cross of light in Slovenia, manifested by Maitreya.

Maitreya's 'handprint'

The 'handprint' of Maitreya was miraculously manifested on a bathroom mirror in Barcelona, Spain, in August 2001. The three-dimensional image, in photographic detail, was first published in *Share International* magazine in October 2001 and now thousands of people around the world have copies of the image and use it to ask for Maitreya's help.

The 'hand' is a means of invoking the healing energies and help of Maitreya: by placing one's hand over it, or looking at it with intent, Maitreya's healing and help can be invoked (subject to Karmic Law). Reports of miracles from people having asked for help from the 'hand' are regularly published in *Share International* magazine.

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Waking up!

On Saturday 15 February 2003, a month before the invasion of Iraq, 1.8 million people marched for peace through London and gathered in Hyde Park for a rally. An Afro-Caribbean man caught the attention of a camera crew interviewing people. In a letter to the editor, describing the interview, Benjamin Creme's Master confirmed that the man was, in fact, Maitreya, in a guise. Included here are some excerpts from the interview:

"Waking up! Waking up! The world belongs to the human race, brother. . . . I am proud today to hear my brothers and sisters SPEAKING THE TRUTH and showing out the lies, THE LIES, that's beautiful! All the young generation, black, white, they are all going around this place, and I LOVE to see that, and I would never miss it for a million pounds, brothers! And all my little brothers there, all my little brothers and sisters, all the way, coming from WAY OUT! I am glad, I AM REALLY GLAD! WE ARE WAKING UP! . . . Wake up, brother, keep the faith! Keep your eyes on the prize! And the prize is humanity! For the human race belong to all of us! As Bertrand Russell says: 'Remember your humanity and forget the rest.' Because if you do not, only darkness lies ahead. But YOU, our new generation, have seen the DAWN of a new order and the order belong to the human race – not to George Bush, not to Tony Blair, or any one of these so-called 'gods' – you know, these 'new gods' – now it belong to you all! I am over 70, and I am saying, you keep the faith, brother!" (*Share International*, April 2003)



"Keep your eyes on the prize! And the prize is humanity!" Maitreya at the Hyde Park rally, in the guise of an Afro-Caribbean man. (Photo extracted from a video.)



This photograph was extracted from video footage taken in a New York library where Maitreya, in the guise of a homeless person, played a homemade flute and allowed Himself to be filmed by Cielito Pascual. Since Maitreya the World Teacher comes for all humanity – people of all faiths, and of no faith – here He makes a subtle connection with a previous manifestation through Krishna, 'the Flute Player'. (*Confirmed by Benjamin Creme's Master, Share International, October 1998*)

Photo right: Here Maitreya assumed the guise of a young woman begging; the 'little girl' is in fact the Master Jesus, Who works closely with Maitreya. A German co-worker writes: "... it was a dark and rainy day.... I noticed the eyes of a little girl sitting on the ground ... Next to her, probably her young mother, a beggar. Seeing both sitting on the street I thought: 'Look at the expression on the little girl's face, so much joy to live.... What a beauty and tragedy at the same time. We have to stop this poverty.'" (*Confirmed by Benjamin Creme's Master, Share International, June 2001*)



Experiences with Maitreya

Share International regularly publishes readers' letters which illustrate a huge range of experiences of the presence of Maitreya and the Masters and how they comfort, support and rescue people all over the world. Maitreya and the Masters appear in different guises frequently using 'familiar', that is, to attract attention, often to hint at something with special significance to the person seeing Them. The following selection shows some of the countless ways in which Maitreya advises, encourages, heals, teaches and comforts.

"Most days of the week bring letters of these extraordinary meetings: funny, sad, solemn, hilarious, caring and deeply touching, they run the gamut of human situations like a series of characters in a play. In these different ways, Maitreya (or a Master) confirms the reality of Their presence - even as only 'familiar' - and console, teach and inspire according to need. They should be a source of joy for everyone involved in this work." (Benjamin Creme, *Share International*, January/February 2000.)

Solace

Dear Editor,

Sixteen months ago our daughter was involved in a car accident which claimed her life. For five days she was on a life-support system. It was during this time that I would take time out from sitting by her side to take a short walk and stand on a cliff and look out to sea. It was peaceful, and time to gather my thoughts and pray for guidance to help me through the tragedy that was unfolding.

It was during one of these many walks, and standing looking out to sea, that I noticed a man standing alongside me.

I did not notice him arrive, he appeared to come from nowhere; there was something warm and comforting about him. He didn't say anything, he just looked at me and smiled. When I turned to take a second look at this man he had gone. I didn't notice him leave, he just seemed to disappear. At the time, I put his appearing and disappearing down to my shocked state of mind. It wasn't till 10 months later when a friend of mine gave me a *Share International* to read that I noticed, in the 'Letters to the Editor' sec-

tion, other peoples' experiences, that my mind raced back to the man standing beside me on the cliff 10 months earlier.

May I ask if this was the Master Jesus? Evan Agnew, Waitohi, Temuka, South Canterbury, New Zealand. (Benjamin Creme's Master confirms that the man on the cliff was Maitreya Himself.)

Perfect service

Dear Editor,

Around July 1977 my boyfriend and I were driving in the South of France when our car had a breakdown. It was a Saturday, late afternoon, and we were far from a town. A car arrived in front of us and stopped and the driver asked if he could help. He took a look at the breakdown and understood what was wrong. He told us that in fact he worked at a garage where there is a car break-up section. He thought that he could find the part needed to repair our car.

He came back a little later with everything needed - the part, tools - and in a few minutes the car was repaired. I was very grateful, thinking that we were very lucky to have met such a man.

I don't remember his face accurately but he looked North African. He was very polite, and when we tried to give him some money for his help, he said that God would repay him. I asked inwardly for a blessing on him. I thought that this Muslim was really living his faith and I felt a real brotherhood feeling. I have never forgotten this event. I asked myself if this obliging man was a Master. Would you be so kind as to answer me?

Rose-Marie Colenago, Villefontaine, France. (Benjamin Creme's Master confirms that the 'mechanic' was Maitreya.)

Encouragement

Dear Editor,

In 1997, in the Paris metro, I was seated near the door of the train, crying my heart out, feeling totally in pain, not knowing what was going on in my life, utterly confused. It was impossible for me to stop my tears, as if I was alone, not concerned about all the people around me. The train stopped at a station and a tall, slim man appeared in front of me as though ready to step off the train.

The whole incident lasted a few seconds but was incredibly strong because he caught my eye and said just one word: "Courage!" That's all, like an order but full of love and compassion. It surprised me that someone in this world could give such an appropriate and loving order. Please could you tell me who that man was?

Dora Jagla, Paris, France.

(Benjamin Creme's Master confirms that the man was Maitreya.)

A friend at my side

Dear Editor,

As a young married woman, I travelled with my husband in the USA. One day, very early in the morning, we climbed in the Grand Canyon down to the Colorado River. On the way I watched a very beautiful bird and heard myself asking out loud: "What kind of bird is that?" I don't remember details, such as whether my husband or other people were near. But a young man answered: "It is a bluebird." We sat together on a stone and watched the bird, enjoyed the landscape and talked about the beauty of nature. I remember that I felt in perfect peace, but somewhat strange, as I realized later. It was like sitting with a friend at my side who must be feeling exactly the same, like a unity, but as if the experience took place not in reality, but everything around was real.

The same peaceful feeling, the same great joy, and the feeling there is a friend who knows exactly all that comes up, as happened when I read Maitreya's Message No.42: "Thus shall we together walk through My garden, smell the perfume of My Flowers, and know the joy of closeness to God." May I ask: Was he just a simple young man?

U.Redl, Munich, Germany.

(Benjamin Creme's Master confirms that the 'simple young man' was Maitreya.)

An unforgettable, loving face

Dear Editor,

In November 1993 something happened which I can't put out of my mind. It took place in Migros, Switzerland. The weather was cold and no one was about. My husband, who is very unsteady on his legs and has difficulty walking, was on a long steep

The practice of Self-realization

One of the easiest ways to know Me, Maitreya says, is to be honest in your mind; be sincere in your spirit; feed your body with right food; and practise detachment. This will create harmony. When you experience the Self within and come to know you are an immortal entity, completely separate from mind, spirit and body, you learn to use these temples of the Lord creatively, with awareness. Processes of healing follow automatically.

“You have been given mind, spirit and body,” says Maitreya, “to express My Being and Becoming in thought, speech and action.” Any action performed with dishonesty of mind, an insincere spirit and attachment is destructive. For example, when you think one thing, say another, and do something which is different again, you are lost. Honesty of mind leads to honest speech and honest action. This harmony leads to

peace and happiness. “Whether you are a thief or a saint,” He counsels, “you can begin right now.” “Do not surrender your self-respect, your dignity to others. The moment you surrender yourself to some other self you become a ‘zombie’. Do not allow any shadow, even, to possess you”.

Maitreya illustrates His point with the following example: “If the personality of an enlightened man falls on a child who is not yet prepared, what happens? The personality of that child is extinguished. The child becomes like charcoal. Apply this to many politicians and their children. The children cannot progress. They have no sense of freedom and are unable to express themselves.” Therefore, “Do not allow anyone to cast his shadow over you. A Master gives experiences, but does not cast his shadow.”

Remain open-minded, Maitreya says. Enjoy life. When you enjoy life you are sit-

ting on the beach looking at the vast ocean. At that moment you experience serenity, tranquility, detachment within. You do not think of your bank account at that moment. Nobody lectures you at that moment. *The gift of life flowers within you.* Experience this and you will realize you are a unique person. *You are unique in this creation.* To be honest, sincere and detached is to experience oneness with God. But so often this oneness is interpreted by people as loneliness and something to be feared. Yet the feeling of loneliness is the supreme blessing in disguise, says Maitreya, because it shows that a person is approaching oneness with the Lord.

Detachment is the most powerful ‘drug’. It becomes so effective that it immunizes the Self from the processes and proceedings of mind, spirit and body. Without detachment there is no salvation.

(See also *Maitreya’s Teachings – The Laws of Life*) ●

► escalator on his way to a restaurant in a shopping mall. Halfway up he seemed to stumble, lose his balance and clutch at the handrail, but his legs went on ahead of him (carried up by the escalator), as it were. There were two elderly ladies below who looked up worriedly; I wanted to help but knew I wouldn’t reach him in time since I, too, am not steady on my feet. It seemed that a nasty accident was inevitable. I called softly for help, but thought no one would possibly hear me. Suddenly, a large strongly-built man was standing behind my husband, lifting him effortlessly upright, and who then came up the escalator with him. When they reached the top I thanked him and found myself looking into an unforgettably loving face that hardly seemed to go with such a powerful build. In a voice full of love he replied in the dialect used in our area: “That’s fine.”

I don’t know why I didn’t see where the man went – he simply vanished. My husband had been ‘rescued’ and was happy.

Could you say who this unforgettable man was? My grateful best wishes.

Gabriele Wiest, Vettlingen, Switzerland.

(*Benjamin Creme’s Master confirms that the ‘unforgettable man’ was Maitreya.*) ●

The Prayer for the New Age

I am the creator of the universe.

I am the father and mother of the universe.

Everything comes from me.

Everything shall return to me.

Mind, spirit and body are my temples,

For the Self to realize in them

My supreme Being and Becoming.

The Prayer for the New Age, given by Maitreya, the World Teacher, is a great mantram or affirmation with an invocative effect. It will be a powerful tool in the recognition by us that man and God are One, that there is no separation. The ‘I’ is the Divine Principle behind all creation. The Self emanates from, and is identical to, the Divine Principle.

The most effective way to use this mantram is to say or think the words with focused will, while holding the attention at the ajna centre between the eyebrows. When the mind grasps the meaning of the concepts, and simultaneously the will is brought to bear, those concepts will be activated and the mantram will work. If it is said seriously every day, there will grow inside you a realization of your true Self.

Messages from Maitreya

During the years of preparation for His emergence, Maitreya, the World Teacher, gave 140 Messages through Benjamin Creme. The method used was a process of mental overshadowing, and the telepathic rapport thus set up. This process of overshadowing began in 1972 during the period of Mr Creme's training for this work. In the beginning it lasted for a few minutes only and gradually increased until it could last throughout many hours of Transmission Meditation.

From 6 September 1977 it was accompanied by a message from Maitreya at Benjamin Creme's weekly public lectures at Friends' House, Euston Road, London. The Messages, two of which are printed here, inspired His listeners to spread the news of Maitreya's emergence and to work urgently for the rescue of millions suffering from poverty and starvation in a world of plenty. Without embracing the principle of sharing and redressing this injustice, Maitreya stresses constantly, there can be no hope of world peace.

*The 140 Messages are published in the book **Messages from Maitreya the Christ** (Share International).*

For all of this I come

Good evening, My dear friends.

I have taken, again, this opportunity to speak to you, and to establish firmly in your minds the reasons for My return.

There are many reasons why I should descend and appear once more among you.

Chiefly they are as follows:

My Brothers, the Masters of Wisdom, are scheduled to make Their group return to the everyday world.

As Their leader, I, as one of Them, do likewise.

Many there are throughout the world who call Me, beg for My return.

I answer their pleas.

Many more are hungry and perish



Golden energy floods lecture hall in Amsterdam, Holland, on 20 September 2006 as Benjamin Creme is overshadowed by Maitreya.

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This photograph was taken at the beginning of Benjamin Creme's May 1993 lecture in Tokyo, Japan during the overshadowing by Maitreya. It shows Mr Creme bathed in light, while his interpreter, Michiko Ishikawa, remains in normal light, except for her shoulder nearest to him.

needlessly, for want of the food which lies rotting in the storehouses of the world. Many need My help in other ways: as Teacher, Protector; as Friend and Guide. It is as all of these I come. To lead men, if they will accept Me, into the New Time, the New Country, the glorious future which awaits humanity in this coming Age; For all of this I come. I come, too, to show you the Way to God, back to your Source; to show you that the Way to God is a simple path which all men can tread; To lead you upwards, into the Light of that new Truth which is the Revelation that I bring. For all of this I come. Let me take you by the hand and lead you into that beckoning country, to show you the marvels, the glories of God, which are yours to behold. The vanguard of My Masters of Wisdom are now among you. Soon you will know Them. Help Them in Their work. Know, too, that They are building the New Age, through you. Let Them lead and guide, show you the way; and in doing this you will have served your brothers and sisters well.

Take heart, My friends.
All will be well.
All manner of things will be well.
Good night, My dear friends.
May the Divine Light and Love and Power of the One God be now manifest within your hearts and minds.
May this manifestation lead you to seek That which dwells ever within you.
Find That, and know God.
(Maitreya, Message No.2, 15 September 1977)

Man must change or die

My dear friends, I am happy indeed to be with you once more, and to magnetize your aspiration in this way. My coming evokes in man a desire for change, a desire for betterment, however expressed. My energies engender in man divine discontent. All that is useless in our structures must go. There are many such which are unworthy of man today. Man is an emerging God and thus requires the formation of modes of living which will allow this God to flourish. How can you be content with the modes

within which you now live: when millions starve and die in squalor; when the rich parade their wealth before the poor; when each man is his neighbour's enemy; when no man trusts his brother? For how long must you live thus, My friends? For how long can you support this degradation? My Plan and My duty is to reveal to you a new way, a way forward which will permit the divine in man to shine forth. Thus do I speak gravely, My friends and brothers. Hearken well to My words. Man must change or die; there is no other course. When you see this you will gladly take up My Cause, and show that for man exists a future bathed in Light. My Teaching is simple: Justice, Sharing and Love are Divine Aspects. To manifest his divinity man must embrace these three. May the Divine Light and Love and Power of the One Most Holy God be now manifest within your hearts and minds. May this manifestation bring you to the realization of your part in the Great Plan. (Maitreya, Message No.81, 12 September 1979)

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Q. I have read your information about Maitreya but I don't know how to 'give it a place' in my everyday life. I believe it but it also seems unreal. Can you help?

A. Maitreya's coming is about world change: change in our understanding of the needs of the planet, the ecological balance; the change in our economic systems so that all people are fed and cared for properly; change in relationships between people everywhere. The true understanding that humanity is one will show the absolute necessity for this profound transformation. It is the making of a new world.

You are not alone on the planet and therefore you will see that these changes relate to you and your life, and this will give a deepening sense of the reality and meaning of Maitreya's coming.

Maitreya does not come alone but is head of a substantial group of perfected men, the Masters of Wisdom. As humanity takes seriously the advice and guidance of Maitreya and the Masters, there will begin this process of world change, which eventually will cover every aspect of our lives. This will of course affect you as it affects everyone else. Think about the coming of Maitreya in this way and I think you will get a deeper understanding of what His coming means to us.

Q. What does Maitreya think is the most urgent problem in the world at present?

A. The most important action with which Maitreya is concerned is the saving of millions of people who currently die from starvation in a world of plenty. He says that nothing so moves Him to grief as this shame: "The crime of separation must be driven from this world. I affirm that as My Purpose." So the first aim of Maitreya is to show humanity that we are one and the same: wherever we live, whatever our colour, background or religious belief, the needs of all are the same.

Equally important and just as urgent is the saving of our planet from the destruction on which it is set from our misuse of the resources of the planet. Governments today are more and more becoming aware, after many years of information from scientists, that global warming is a reality. Global warming is now understood to a degree, but man's responsibility for it has not yet dawned on all the national authorities. This is one of the most important realizations that we have to make – that man is responsible for at least 80 per cent of the warming up of the planet, and if this continues it will drastically affect our daily lives. Maitreya and the Masters alone have the exact knowledge of how to proceed but we already know the first steps to take (the need to restrict carbon emissions and so on) but the urgency of action is probably not fully realized by governments. Maitreya will emphasise how really urgent this action is. The destruction of trees on the planet – for example, an area the size of Belgium of primal forest is destroyed every year in Central and South America – has a profound effect on essential oxygen in the world.

The necessity for sharing the resources of the planet is the number one action which Maitreya will emphasise. This will create the trust which will open the way to the solution of all further problems, national and international.

Q. How hands-on will Maitreya work in relation to humanity when He is openly accepted? How much will He direct things or



Benjamin Creme answers questions about Maitreya.

will He only respond with advice?

A. Maitreya is here to advise, guide and teach. He is not here to direct our actions and will not do so. He is a teacher. The Masters, His immediate disciples, will be available with Their higher knowledge and experience for help and advice, as also will Maitreya. But we have to want what we have to do. Maitreya will outline the broad general direction of our thinking. That is: a sense of the oneness of humanity; the absolute necessity for the sharing of the world's resources; and the ending of war and terrorism as a way of solving international problems. When we show that we understand this, as much help and advice as we can use will be provided. But we have to want the changes for ourselves; willingly, gladly make these changes. The Masters do not come to tell us what to do. Maitreya has said: "I am the Architect, only, of the Plan. You, My friends and brothers, are the willing builders of the Shining Temple of Truth." The temple of truth being the new civilization.

Q. If we think that we have recognised Maitreya when He is talking to media, but He is still undeclared as Maitreya, how should we respond to this? How should we act in relation to the media?

A. We should do nothing in relation to the media other than make known that Maitreya and His Group are in the world. It is not our task to point Him out to the media. They, like all humanity, have to make the recognition for themselves. If people believe, rightly or wrongly, that Maitreya is the Christ, the Imam Mahdi, Maitreya Buddha, the Messiah or Kalki Avatar, and accept His advice because of that, it does not mean that they are in themselves ready to make the changes which must ensue to preserve the world and humanity with it. We have to recognize Maitreya, not because we think He is Maitreya, or the Christ or the Messiah, or whoever, but because we agree with what He is saying, that we want for the world what He says is necessary for the world: justice and sharing and freedom for all people, rather than because we think He is the World Teacher or some great spiritual being.

Q. Will Maitreya look physically like Himself – that is, as He really is – when His first interview takes place, or will He be in a different 'guise' – as He usually is when He appears to people?

A. When He appears to people He is usually using a 'familiar', a created person through which some part of His consciousness

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manifests. But when He appears openly to the world, although not using the name Maitreya, He will appear as in fact He is, in the self-created body in which He manifests now in the world.

Q. Does He sometimes appear now to people looking like Himself? What does it depend on?

A. It depends on the closeness to His work that the people He appears to are engaged in.

Q. If you are correct in thinking that the Christ and the Masters are in and coming into the world, is this not something altogether too big, too great an experience for ordinary people to deal with?

A. You will find that Maitreya and the Masters, although from our point of view perfected, spiritual beings, are straightforward, simple, and totally respectful in their approach to humanity. They do not, and will not ever, behave like remote Gods of popular imagination. They are men, like us, but men without fault. They have a ready sense of humour, simplicity of approach, and They know better than we do ourselves the inner spiritual nature of all people. Maitreya is the Lord of Love, the Spiritual Hierarchy is the Centre in the planet in which the Love of God is expressed and that exemplifies Their approach to us. It is unconditional.

Q. You have said that one of Maitreya's priorities would be to find solutions to the conflict in the Middle East, and that it will not be solved until He has actually come forward. Is that because the different people involved in the Middle East (Muslims, Jews, Christians), will respond to Him as their World Teacher, and will recognize that He has come for all of them, and that their separatism will start to change from that response?

A. The fundamentalists of all religions will probably be the last people to recognize and respond to Maitreya, but eventually they will.

The Palestinian/Israeli problem which is central to the problems of the Middle East, I believe will only be solved through the action of Maitreya. But even Maitreya cannot impose a solution, He can only advise. But His acceptance by countless millions in the world as a spiritual teacher and guide will make it easier for the most fanatical Israeli Jew or Palestinian Muslim to accept the necessity of living together side by side. This can only take place when justice is given to the Palestinians. When justice is done and seen to be done, fully and completely, then the solution will become acceptable by the Muslims, and, even if grudgingly, by the Israelis. They have eventually to learn to live side by side and they can only do so in a state of justice. Otherwise there would inevitably be perpetual war between the two.

Unless the Middle East problems are solved there will never be peace in the world and we know, if there is no peace, then the future for humanity would be very bleak indeed. Muslims await the Imam Mahdi, and the Jews await the Messiah, and many will be ready to recognize Maitreya as such. This will, I am sure, soften their stance in relation to each other.

But the important thing is that justice must be given to the Palestinians. The West Bank was gifted by the late King Hussein of Jordan as a homeland for the Palestinians and that means the whole of the West Bank, not the fraction which has been offered to

the Palestinians so far. It requires the return of the 4.7 million refugees, mainly in Lebanon, to their homeland, and the status of Jerusalem – which is of major importance to the Muslims, the Jews and the Christians – to be changed into an open, central city for all three groups. I believe it will take Maitreya to bring this reconciliation about, but so it will be.

Q. Is there any time-scale for that?

A. Well *we make* the timescale. It is a question of the will of the people of the area: they make the timescale. If they are willing to make the changes, accept the resolution of the conflict and make a just peace possible, it can be very quick. It depends on the resistance of the fanatical groups on both sides. But when the whole world is being changed you will find that these small areas, however important they may be, will find it more and more difficult to resist the changes which will bring about peaceful solutions.

Essentially everybody wants a world at peace. Only mad warmongers want war, which is good for business and makes fat profits for certain groups. But when humanity as a whole sees the absolute necessity for peace, then the end of war itself can be achieved. This is Maitreya's task, to teach humanity these facts. It's a question of putting over what people know: I know, you know, everybody knows the need for peace, but still we have wars. It's because people think that by the use of war of some measure, they can restore the balance their way. But when the world as a whole is going in a certain direction, then you will find that small factions will follow suit.

Q. Is it imagination or is it possible to feel or sense that Maitreya seems much closer now than even a few months ago?

A. This is real. More and more people are sensing the presence of Maitreya in the world as they respond to His energy which fills the world.

Q. I used to believe your information and hoped to see Maitreya all these years, but the story is getting harder and harder to believe. Why can't He just come into full public view now? Surely things in the world can't get much worse? Many people can't stand to hear or see the news any longer – there is too much suffering and too much wrong.

A. I can understand this feeling but it is just a feeling and does not take into account the Law that Maitreya cannot ignore: that is the Law of human Freewill. At any time in the last 30 years, if we had ourselves taken some steps to right the wrongs of today, to implement the principle of sharing, to restore justice and peace to the world, then we would have seen Maitreya openly long ago. Blame ourselves and not Maitreya (or me!)

Q. How should we address Maitreya, for instance, if we want to 'talk' to Him or ask for His help?

A. Maitreya has given a simple, direct means of contacting Him. Use the 'hand' of Maitreya which is given for this purpose. Simply look at it and that immediately draws His attention to the person asking for His help.

Q. Once Maitreya is in the world and we start to take action, will our actions be potentized or made more effective by Him?

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A. Maitreya *is* in the world, but once He emerges openly, every action that we take in *the right direction* – that is towards oneness, justice, freedom for all people – will invoke His help and energy. He will potentize our actions and the changes will proceed with enormous speed and order.

Q. After the Day of Declaration will everybody be aware of the fact of Maitreya's presence and that of His group, the Masters of Wisdom?

A. I cannot speak for everybody, but the vast majority of humanity will have heard His words telepathically on the Day of Declaration, and it seems obvious that the time and resources of media from then on will be devoted to making known the advice and priorities of Maitreya. One must remember that there will be no recording of the telepathic message that Maitreya will give and no doubt there will be misremembering and misquoting of His meaning. But Maitreya

will be available for clarifying in the normal way, in further interviews, the exact meaning of His words.

Q. When we see Maitreya on television, your Master has said we will experience His ray or energy. Will that be like a preview of the Day of Declaration with a blessing taking place?

A. It will be a spiritual experience, but always at the level of the person. People can only take what they can take, they can only be who they are. Some people will immediately sense and recognize Maitreya as the spiritual giant that He is. Others will respond more to what He says, it will satisfy their sense of justice and purpose. But that spiritual outflow will always take place. I doubt that it would be as strong as on the Day of Declaration.

Q. At fairs and exhibitions, people who have never heard our information before seem to already 'know it' unconsciously, and are not surprised and seem to readily accept it now. It seems to make sense and seems obvious to them. How has this happened?

A. They may have read about it, but not remembered doing so, or heard about it and don't remember that either. But it is the result of the 30 years of preparation for the Reappearance. It hasn't happened overnight. More and more Maitreya's energies penetrate all the planes, and inevitably people become more aware of them and of the reality of this information.

Q. When Maitreya has emerged openly, will He and other Masters continue to appear to people, as reported in the 'letters to the editor'?

A. As necessary, yes.

Q. If people pray to Maitreya to speak to Him or ask Him to give them a sign, will He oblige?

A. That depends: sometimes yes; sometimes yes, but not necessarily obviously so.

Q. In 1990 Maitreya held a conference in London and invited politicians, members of royalty, journalists, diplomats, etc. Have there been any similar events since that occasion?

A. No, but Maitreya has continued to make individual contact with many leaders in every branch of human activity.

Q. When will more healing wells be discovered?

A. The first to be discovered after the Day of Declaration will be the one near San Antonio, in Texas, but it is not yet known how soon after the Day of Declaration this will take place.

Q. What is the relationship of Benjamin Creme to Maitreya?

A. All the Masters of Wisdom are direct disciples of Maitreya. Benjamin Creme is a disciple of one of these disciples. ●



Overshadowing of Benjamin Creme by Maitreya at his lecture in Amsterdam, Holland, on 26 September 2001.

The Day of Declaration

When Maitreya's emergence is complete He will make Himself known to the world on the Day of Declaration through a television broadcast. Each of us will hear His words inwardly, telepathically, in our own language and at the same time hundreds of thousands of healings will take place throughout the world. He will leave no doubt that He is the World Teacher and it will be the beginning of His open mission in the world.

We present Benjamin Creme's descriptions of the Day of Declaration, and excerpts from articles by his Master on this subject.

On the Day of Declaration, we will see Maitreya's face on the television screen. The Bible statement, "All eyes will see Him," will be fulfilled, in the only way in which it can be fulfilled. We will see His face, but He will not speak. His thoughts, His ideas, His call to humanity for justice, sharing, right relationships and peace, will take place silently, telepathically. Each of us will hear Him inwardly in our own language. In this way, He will re-enact on a world-wide scale the true happenings of Pentecost 2,000 years ago.

At the same time, the energy which He embodies – the Christ principle, the energy of love – will flow out in tremendous potency through the hearts of all humanity. He has said, "It will be as if I embrace the world. People will feel it even physically." This will evoke an intuitive, heartfelt response to His message. Simultaneously, on the outer, physical plane, there will be hundreds of thousands of miracle healings throughout the planet. In these three ways we will know that Maitreya is the Christ, the World Teacher, come for all groups, religious and non-religious alike, an educator in the broadest sense, here to help us fulfill our destiny as Gods in incarnation. (Benjamin Creme, *Maitreya's Mission Volume Two*)

Shortly, [Maitreya's] face will be seen by thousands around the world. Television has made it possible for the Avatar to enter the homes of countless people and with simple words to penetrate their hearts. Soon will follow other such appearances until the whole world listens and responds.

In this manner, the world will come to know that the Christ, Maitreya, is in our midst, ready to teach and lead, to serve and guide, to show the way back from the abyss and to inspire the creation of a new era for men. (Benjamin Creme's Master, from 'The emergence of Maitreya', *A Master Speaks*)

When enough people are responding to His message, they will demand that the networks of the world allow Him to speak and develop His ideas more fully to the vast majority. Then the television networks will be linked together by satellite. This will be the most extraordinary event of all our lives, the most extraordinary event in history, like none other before it in its scope.

The Day of Declaration will be announced by the media. People will tune in at the given time, and see Maitreya's face, by now well known. As it says in the Christian Bible: "Every eye shall see Him" – on the linked television networks. They are in place for this event so that for the first time in history the World Teacher can address every individual directly, needing no churches or priests to act as intermediaries.

Maitreya is omniscient, omnipresent. He will come into *telepathic rapport* with every individual and each will hear Him, inwardly, in his or her own language. This will be a repetition, only now on a worldwide scale, of the true happening of Pentecost 2,000 years ago.

He will present a short history of the world, our journey from the extraordinary level from which we have come to the degradation to which we have fallen. He will urge us to change, inspire us with a view of the future, a future like none that has ever been presented to the world – the most wonderful, beautiful and extraordinarily brilliant civilization that this Earth has ever seen.

That is the future for humanity in the Aquarian Age which is now beginning. A world in which we will have energy for all our needs directly from the sun, which with a developed aspect of genetic engineering will provide us with the ability to create new organs. Instead of going to hospital, waiting for a transplant which might or might not take, and dying in the meantime if there

is no organ available, you will simply go into a clinic and after a few hours come out with a new heart – your own heart remade, your own kidneys or liver remade. In this way people will live potently and with vitality much longer than they do today. With the sharing of the world's resources, all things become possible. Sharing creates trust. When there is trust among the nations there will be peace among the nations.

On the Day of Declaration, Maitreya will outline all of this... (Benjamin Creme, *The Great Approach*)

That future holds for man unbelievable promise. From the Day of Declaration will begin a process which will transform this world, and take men to the highest levels of achievement.

On that day, men and women everywhere will experience the love nature of God and know it as their own. Through their hearts will flow Maitreya's Ray, evoking from them an understanding altogether new. Sharing and Justice will be His call, and, thus guided and inspired, men will respond in full measure, remaking the world under His wise counsel.

Not for nothing has He waited till now to make His appearance. Only now are men taking steps to put their house in order. Thus only now can He come forward and lead. (Benjamin Creme's Master, from 'The Great Lord emerges', *A Master Speaks*)

Each day that passes brings nearer the Day of Declaration when Maitreya will appear openly to all the world. On that glad day the shared joy of men and women everywhere will transform the present clouded picture of anxiety and fear.

The current turmoil and threat are but the prelude to a new era of peaceful cooperative effort to right the wrongs of the past; to create justice among the nations; to resolve ancient disputes and to uphold the international law. When men look back on this time they will see it as the dark night which precedes the brightest dawn and will be glad to have lived at this eventful period.

The world awaits the Teacher. The Teacher awaits His opportunity to emerge and, in full view, teach and serve. (Benjamin Creme's Master, from 'The dark before the dawn', *A Master Speaks*) ●