

THE FELLOWSHIP

for readers of *The Urantia Book*



“There is a great and glorious purpose in the march of the universes through space. All of your mortal struggling is not in vain. We are all part of an immense plan, a gigantic enterprise, and it is the vastness of the undertaking that renders it impossible to see very much of it at any one time and during any one life.” (p. 364)

“There is in the mind of God a plan which embraces every creature of all his vast domains, and this plan is an eternal purpose of boundless opportunity, unlimited progress, and endless life. And the infinite treasures of such a matchless career are yours for the striving.” (p. 365)

SOME FELLOWSHIP SERVICES, PROGRAMS, AND ACTIVITIES

Among its various activities, the Fellowship:

- publishes the *Bulletin*, a newsletter to inform readers of Fellowship activities.
- provides a reader referral service to facilitate communication and fellowship among readers.
- sponsors international conferences to promote fellowship and study.
- encourages and assists with the placement of *Urantia Books* in libraries and bookstores.
- publishes the *Journal*, a periodical composed of literary, philosophical, and artistic contributions from readers.
- publishes the *Study Group Directory* to assist readers in contacting local study groups.
- cosponsors the *Scientific Symposium*, a forum for focusing on issues of scientific inquiry and *The Urantia Book*.
- publishes the *Resource Guide for Secondary Works*, which lists works related to *The Urantia Book*.
- maintains the Area Coordinator Program to support study group activity.
- sponsors annual summer seminars to promote intensive study as well as the development of teachers and leaders.
- offers a speaker referral service for regional conferences.
- publishes the *Study Group Herald* designed to facilitate the growth and vitality of thousands of study groups.

WHAT *THE URANTIA BOOK* SAYS ABOUT:

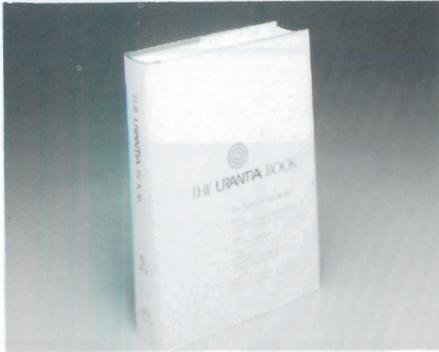
Love. “The search for God is the unstinted bestowal of love attended by amazing discoveries of new and greater love to be bestowed.” (p. 1289)

Family Life. “But even more, a true family—a good family—reveals to the parental procreators the attitude of the Creator to his children, while at the same time such true parents portray to their children the first of a long series of ascending disclosures of the love of the Paradise parent of all universe children.” (p. 942)

Life after Death. “Just as a butterfly emerges from the caterpillar stage, so will the true personalities of human beings emerge on the mansion worlds, for the first time revealed apart from their onetime enshrouding in the material flesh.” (p. 1235)

Religious Experience. “Personal, spiritual religious experience is an efficient solvent for most mortal difficulties; it is an effective sorter, evaluator, and adjuster of all human problems. Religion does not remove or destroy human troubles, but it does dissolve, absorb, illuminate, and transcend them.” (p. 2093)

WELCOME NEW READERS OF *THE URANTIA BOOK*



With exhilarating words of hope and purpose, the authors of *The Urantia Book* deliver an epochal revelation of truth to the people of our world. They describe the graceful beauty of a vast material creation, relate the supernal truths of a cosmic philosophy, and unveil a profound portrayal of the nature and attributes of God.

Study of *The Urantia Book* can deepen and enlighten your relationship with God and your fellows. It can also broaden your understanding of religion, philosophy, and science and give you a fresh understanding of origins, history, and destiny.

We think you will find, as many others have, that *The Urantia Book* will offer a renewed sense of purpose and will become a well-spring of wisdom and guidance for your life.

CONCERNING THE FELLOWSHIP for readers of *The Urantia Book*

The Fellowship was founded in 1955 as a not-for-profit, cooperative association of believers in the teachings of *The Urantia Book*. Our primary mission as an organization is "...to increase and enhance the comfort, happiness, and well-being of Man..." by disseminating the teachings of *The Urantia Book*, promoting the comprehension of its teachings, and encouraging the realization and appreciation of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. With the support and assistance of a small and devoted staff in our Chicago office, a growing network of volunteers worldwide is working together to support this mission.

Our chosen method for disseminating these teachings is person-to-person, an approach consistent with the teachings of *The Urantia Book*. The primary group mechanism for this process is the local study group which usually meets in readers' homes and provides a friendly, family atmosphere for the sharing of both study and fellowship.

FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZATION AND STRUCTURE

The organizational building blocks of the Fellowship are local societies, which evolve from study groups, function with great autonomy, and serve as the Fellowship in the local area. These societies, when formally chartered by the Fellowship, elect delegates to the Triennial Delegate Assembly, which in turn elects the 36 members of the General Council, the democratic, governing body of the Fellowship.

If you would like more information about the Fellowship's activities or wish to meet other readers in your area, we would be pleased to assist you.

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