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F I R S T G R E A T U R A N T I A N " L O V E - I N " .

The need has never been greater to get to know oneanother better, to get to LOVE oneanother more, and to try truly to practice the DOING OF THE WILL OF THE FATHER IN HEAVEN with oneanother.

All, so called LEADERS & FOLLOWERS of our burgeoning URANTIA movement are herewith cordially invited to our 2 day "LOVE IN" in Dallas, Texas, at the Richardson Lutheran Church (Should we anticipate more than 150 people to attend, we'll move it to the "Richardson Civic Centre") commencing Good-Friday April 20th 1984, until the the evening of Sunday April 22nd.

We are, again, being tested in and associated with the Channelling and Conversion phenomenon. The latest being the Vern Grimsley Channellings.

We have been inundated with all kinds of comments. We should be ashamed of ourselves, no matter how sincere we assess ourselves to be. There is NO WAY ANY of us deserves to ^{be} shot down in such a manner.

WE FORGET that ALL our BROTHERS are indwelt by a Thought Adjuster.

WE FORGET that he, WHOEVER HE MAY BE, deserves a fair hearing, especially if we claim to be as LOVE oriented as we "DO" claim to be. ARE WE?

WE FORGET that in the past, present, and future, many have and will hear and feel things we constantly work and pray for on a daily basis. Surprise, surprise. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT.

WE FORGET that confirmation or negation can only ^{be} ascertained through personal examination, and constructivity can only be achieved through sympathy and understanding.

WE FORGET that even our treasured URANTIA BOOK come through Celestial Channelling, and there are no two situations alike.

WE FORGET that all who thus purport to "Channel" are at least Sons of the same Father as we are, so where's the LOVE we profess for them?

WE FORGET that the Ancients Of Days are the appointed JUDGES. NOT WE.

WE FORGET that the "Act is ours and the consequences God's".

WE FORGET that even if our Brother is sick, insane, or beside himself, he is still our Brother who deserves "LOVE"; "UNDERSTANDING", and "LOYALTY".

WE FORGET that even Jesus heard "false prophets" fairly, for indeed He knew that the Father Himself is MERCIFUL.

WE FORGET that confusion itself is a lesson to be learned and wisdom to be gleaned from.

WE FORGET that "HAPPY ARE THE PEACEMAKERS, FOR "THEY" SHALL BE CALLED THE SONS OF GOD", and "HAPPY ARE THE MERCYFUL, FOR THEY SHALL OBTAIN MERCY". Read all about it on page 1575!!!

I am NOT condoning Vern. Indeed NOT. But I am refering you to my "Open Letter of April 23rd 1983" giving you a full report of my feelings on the examination of the "Channelling and Conversion Phenomena, to the best of my knowledge. My views on the results of the examination are still the same. I maintain that these "Channellings" are indeed valid experiences in and for the channellers, but the unfortunate part is the ADMINISTRATION of the experience in conjunction with a life of "Split Loyalties". When material needs creep into our experiences, indeed when financial pressures mount, we succumb to them. The moment we begin thinking about making commerce of the experiences, we immediately THEREWITH reduce the Seraphic Content of the messages, in direct proportion, until the intensity becomes so immense that we can't tell the difference between the Seraphic, and that of our own subconscious.

At times like this we don't need CRITICISM and SELF INDULGENCE. What we DO NEED is "L O V E". "LOVE" is the only component that can set us straight. NOTHING ELSE WILL. We OWE it to our Brothers to do just that.

THIS IS THE MOST POTENTIALLY DIVISIVE THING THAT EVER HAPPENED TO US.
THIS CAN TEAR US APART, IF WE DON'T COME TO TERMS WITH IT THROUGH THE
INHERENT EXPERIENCING OF THE FATHER'S LOVE.

THE FATHER'S LOVE IS THE ONLY CURE FOR THIS SITUATION.

IF YOU LOOK FOR SOLUTIONS BY OTHER MEANS, YOU'RE FISHING WHERE THERE'S
N O W A T E R . (NOT EVEN FISH).

We want to see all our self-appointed commentators and spiritual experts get together to try to practice what we think we preach.

LEAVE BEHIND grudges, foibles, pride, face-saving devices, and all prejudice we've intellectually confused with the Will of our Father.

ALL BUT THE BLINDEST should be able to see clearly by now, that our compulsions are NOT WORKING administratively, or fraternally. WE MUST do something about this in a manner that would be truly representative of the FATHER'S LOVE.

Let's set aside our differences, at least for a few days and come together "IN LOVE" as the Father Wills, and try starting from square one.

Everyone's invited, Whosoever wills let 'em come. Channellers and critics alike. Let's find out what Vern, Paul, Nick, Tommy, Jeannie and those who oppose the validity of their experiences can find out together. And KNOW that the purpose of the exercise is to try to find out what's true and what's false and what's applicable to our own experience in reality. We'll never do this if we come with a closed and prejudiced mind. Remember that being sensitive and responsive to human need creates genuine and lasting happiness, and such kindly attitudes safeguard the soul from the distructive influences of anger, fear, hate, and jelous suspicion.

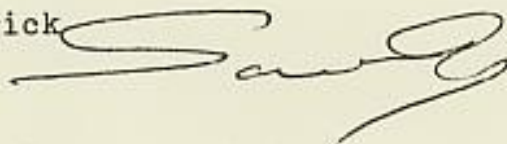
Come to worship together ALL OF US. Gurus and followers alike. Come and pray with our Councillors, Trustees, the Family of God, the Executive Committee, and let us TOGETHER HUMBLE OURSELVES to our potential "Eternal-Bond", OUR FATHER'S LOVE, in complete sincerity.

Leave behind our dead stores of worldly wisdom, foolish fears, vengeful hatereds, spiritual unbeliefs, copyright and trade-mark gripes, malice, envy, and all doubting Thomas syndromes. Come with your Thought Adjusters and Seraphic Entourage, with your minds and hearts open. Come, take part in our programme of "Good Cheer", "Understanding Sympathy", "Unselfish Service", and "Unstinted Forgiveness".

LET'S SEE YOU PUT YOUR SPIRIT WHERE YOUR MOUTH USED TO BE.

Cordially

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ADDENDUM:

A letter containing final directions is going to follow in early March. You'll be able to obtain same through the same channel as this one.

THIS MAY BE THE ONLY COPY of this letter going to your area. We ask you to PLEASE COPY AND SHARE freely with all, at your discretion.

We think the Father's Work on this world is at stake. Therefor we urge you to attend.

We are only providing the venue, you'll have to take care of your own food, lodgings, and rides. The local Bretheren shall try to rpvide pick-ups at airports and train stations. In the process please be mercifully considerate.

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There will be no REGISTRATION FEE, or any phter fee, but we will ask you to doante a few Dollars in order to defray obvious expenses.



SEE YOU THERE

Through Our Father's Love

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