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All right And then he'd been on Jerusem some indefinite length of time. Lets say Van was 1000 years old. Compare any one of us with 1000 years of experience behind us as compared with ourselves today. And we would be--even if we just lived down here as mortals--we'd have a lot on the ball that we couldn't possibly have today.

Audience: Well, then he had the attitude (Hereafter \*\*\* means Can't understand tape) that's right -beside ... he had the accumulation--

He was presented with a superhuman challenge, but he was a superhuman being. And I'd say the challenge was proportional to his aptitudes and his capacity.

Amadon couldn't have met the challenge without the Adjuster. And thank the Lord he had an Adjuster who helped him when he needed help. You get help when you would have earned it

And the most precise description of when they're able to help you and will is given in the story of Andon and Forita. It was very important that those first two human beings get away from the ancestral tribe. But nobody could help them until they decided to flee. Now that was their decision. And then the Life Carriers gave them the one concept they needed -- north. They had no maps. They decided to flee, and the Life Carriers supplied them with the sense of the correct direction to flee.

Audience: Isn't there then a principle involved, that you have to be aware that you need help?

Yes\_

-Audience: Before you can make a decision that will leave a way for help.

Yes And you have to exhaust your resources. When you've exhausted your resources, if you merit help, then I'm sure you get it This I just don't doubt.

Audience: Yes, I know.

You may not be conscious of the help, but you get it

- Audience: You get it And sometimes you are conscious of it

Correct. Here, I'm a real believer, If I ever need help, and I've been diligent, and my gas tank is empty, I'm going to get a full tank of gas--or whatever it takes to get out of that pickle-ment. Now, that doesn't mean I'll be helped out of a physical jam, now. But out of a spiritual jam, yes.

-Audience: Sometimes it's an idea.

Yes. Again, before we get into humor, they promise us this, in just so many words, in here:

"Having started out on the way of life everlasting, having accepted the assignment and received your orders to advance, do not fear the dangers of human forgetfulness and mortal inconstancy, do not be troubled with doubts of failure or by perplexing confusion, do not falter and question your status and standing, for in every dark hour, at every crossroad in the forward struggle, the Spirit of Truth will always speak, saying, 'This is the way.'" (383.last)

I think human Beings are thrown, supremely, upon their own resources, until they've exhausted those resources. Then I think the whole universe will help you, if that's what it takes.

Audience: When you give up.

When you're out of gas and haven't given up.

Audience: When you haven't given up.

Audience: Well, but when you surrender.

When your gas tank is empty. You know you're out of gas when you ask for help.

Audience: That's right And you ask for help, and you surrender your own will, really.

Audience: Up until then you've used everything you know.

It doesn't say,"this is your way, but this is the way. It might not be a pleasant way.

Audience: No, its awful, isn't it, sometimes.

.Correct.

Audience: What page was that?

Its the last paragraph of the Paper on the Universe Mother Spirit, page 383. That's one of the great statements in the Papers, too. "... in every dark hour, at every crossroad in the forward struggle, the Spirit of Truth will always speak. .."

-Audience: No question ....

They use the word "every" twice and \*always" once--no exception-

-Audience: It doesn't say, "a" way, it says, "the" way.

"This is the way." Go ahead.

Audience: We're into humor now, right?

What's yours, Berk.

Audience: I want to know how many personalities, outside of the midway creatures, participated

in these papers.

Well, there were--I've forgotten exactly, but I think there were 24 in the Orvonton commission. And I've forgotten whether there were 12 or 24 in the commission that did Part II and III. There were, I think, 12 midwayers in the commission that did Part IV. That's my memory. Audience: Well, I believe that's in Part IV, but I never had bothered to count them up, and I guess you could, couldn't you?

Now, I don't think that takes necessarily into consideration the authorship of the Papers, 'cause they could ask anybody to write a Paper. The authors of the Papers weren't necessarily members of these commissions.

Audience: I see.

For example, the author of Paper 119, "Bestowals of Christ Michael." The Chief of the Evening Stars of Nebadon, I'm sure, wasn't tied up in the revelatory commission. She's running a big show, here. She just wrote that Paper.

Audience: Bill, is that what held up the Forth Part for a while?

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Page 549. Paragraph 3: "When we are tempted to magnify our self-importance, if we stop to

contemplate the infinity of the greatness and grandeur of our Makers, our own self-glorification becomes sublimely ridiculous, even verging on the humorous. One of the functions of humor is to help all of us take ourselves less seriously. Humor is the divine antidote for exaltation of ego."

To me, humor is indispensable to a healthy religious life. It says in the Paper on the Ministering Spirits of the Superuniverse that here on earth we grotesquely assay to measure human aptitudes, and, of course, That's how I make my living, in part. And I never let myself forget that their opinion of our professional efforts are grotesque. But we make a stab at measuring two things, among many others. One is, religious motivation, the other is sense of humor. When I hit a bonafide religious fanatic, he's fanatical not because he's got too much religion, but because His humor score is nowhere nearly as good as his religious score. I've tested some very hard-headed businessmen who run a top-Flight score in religion, and a top-flight score in humor. They take God seriously, but they don't take themselves seriously.

And I think if you want to emulate Van or Amadon, then I think you'd better have a sense of humor. Otherwise, you could close your mind. You could become like-lets see if I can find this.

Jesus and Ganid are at the museum in Alexandria. If you'll recall, the museum means, "the house of the Muses." This is a university, not what we call a museum today.

"Learned professors here gave daily lectures, and in those times this was the intellectual center of the Occidental world. Day by day Jesus interpreted the lectures to Ganid; one day during the second week the young man exclaimed: "Teacher Joshua, you know more than these professors; you should stand up and tell them the great things you have told me; they are befogged by much thinking. I shall speak to my father and have him arrange it." Jesus smiled, saying: "You are an admiring pupil, but these teachers are not minded that you and I should instruct them. The pride of unspiritualized learning is a treacherous thing in human experience. The true teacher maintains His intellectual integrity by ever remaining a learner. (1433.3)

I think one's only qualification to teach is to admit that one is a student When you stop being a pupil, you're very quickly through as a teacher And, again, how could you do it without humor? You see, these professors had lost their sense of humor. But Jesus hadn't

Well, on page 1233, they give us their philosophy of justice in terms of adjudication. Paragraph 3. It says you have to measure up to certain standards, but if, "through no fault of your own, the accidents of time and the handicaps of material existence prevent your mastering these levels on your native planet, if your intentions and desires are of survival value, there are issued the decrees of probation extension. You will be afforded additional time in which to prove yourself

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"If ever there is doubt as to the advisability of advancing a human identity to the mansion worlds, the universe governments invariably rule in the personal interests of that individual; they unhesitatingly advance such a soul to the status of a transitional being, while they continue their observations of the emerging morontia intent and spiritual purpose. Thus divine justice is certain of achievement, and divine mercy is accorded further opportunity for extending its ministry.

"The governments of Orvonton and Nebadon do not claim absolute perfection for the detail working of the universal plan of mortal repersonalization, but they do claim to, and actually do, manifest patience, tolerance, understanding, and merciful sympathy. We had rather assume the risk of a system rebellion than to court the hazard of depriving one struggling mortal from any evolutionary world of the eternal joy of pursuing the ascending career."

Audience: I like that next paragraph, too/

"This does not mean that human beings are to enjoy a second opportunity in the face of the rejection of the first, not at all. But it does signify that all will creatures are to experience one true opportunity to make one undoubted, self-conscious, and final choice. The sovereign judges of the universes will not deprive any being of personality status who has not finally and fully made the eternal choice; the soul of man must and will be given full and ample opportunity to reveal its true intent and real purpose." (1233.3-6) \*

Audience: \*

Then they don't survive.

Tve never talked to such a person.

Audience: Laughter.

I don't know. I suspect he would be a rather unhappy mortal. And then I think if we turn to page 71, paragraph 2: "The material self has personality and identity, temporal identity; the prepersonal spirit Adjuster also has identity, eternal identity. This material personality and the spirit prepersonality are capable of so uniting their creative attributes as to bring into existence the surviving identity of the immortal soul."

Of course we got our personality from God, we got the Adjuster

"Having thus provided for the growth of the immortal soul and having liberated man's inner self from the fetters of absolute dependence on antecedent causation, the Father stands aside. Now, man having thus been liberated from the fetters of causation response, at least as pertains to eternal destiny, and provision having been made for the growth of the immortal self, the soul, it remains for man himself to will the creation or to inhibit the creation of this surviving and eternal self which is his for the choosing. No other being, force, creator, or agency in all the wide universe of universes can interfere to any degree with the absolute sovereignty of the mortal being will, as it operates within the realms of choice, regarding the eternal destiny of the personality of the choosing mortal. As pertains to eternal survival, God has decreed the sovereignty of the material and mortal will, and that decree is absolute."

Then, at the bottom of/the page:

"Concerning those personalities who are not Adjuster indwelt:

The attribute of choice-liberty is also bestowed by the universal Father, and such persons are likewise embraced in the great circuit of divine love, the personality circuit of the Universal Father. God provides for the sovereign choice of all true personalities. No personal creature can be coerced into the eternal adventure; the portal of eternity opens only in response to the freewill choice of the freewill sons of the God of free will.\*

Here's your charter of liberty. And also, a formidable challenge. Because how could you have this liberty without accepting the consequences of its abuse? That's inescapable. You just cant have it and not have it. You either do or don't have it. And if you have it, then it's up to you. And if you don't have it, then-so help me-you're a piece of machinery, you're a robot.

There, we covered survival.

Berk, what did you want to talk about?

Audience: Oh, I can think of 10 or 15 things. It is warmer--

Audience Well, she shakes there for five minutes just like this. She gets a bang out of something Bill says, and the next time it's just plain old cold.

In the Chinese -- its a wonderful thing -- I was reading about -they set the temperature by saying, "Its a one-coat day, its a two-coat day, its a three-coat day," as it gets colder.

Audience: I would like for you--and of course I don't even know where this page is--that you are thoroughly convinced gives conflicting mistakes.

Let's take it up.

Audience: Let's take it up right now and dispense with it, in short order.

Audience: Let's see, now

You find one page, and get the other page in this book. Audience: I found it

All right

Audience: Its page 711.

Audience: I bet Bill can resolve it in one second,

Audience: I hope so.

Audience: You mean that's conflicting? Oh, I only had the one. Oh, I see, all right

Audience: You mean its all night on the same page? Audience: Uh-huh.

Audience: I might have to go back a little bit, but I don't know that I will. I'll tell you what I'm

Uh-hum.

And it says up here that they pray they will be indwelt. .

Then down here, it tells about, "their vague feeling of being something more than mere animals was due to the possession of personality and was augmented by the indwelling presence of the Thought Adjusters - (7/1.1ast)

Audience: It says "archangels," it does say Andon and Fonta. Audience: No, I didn't say that Andon and Forita prayed- When did they get their Adjusters? Do you see what I mean?

Well, sometime after the circuit/had closed, but probably not very long after.

Audience: ". . all archangels pray that these creatures may speedily be endowed with the personal indwelling of the gift of the spirit of the Universal Father." (711.2) And then, ". . . their vague feeling. . . " (711 Last) Read did whole paragraph.

Well, it doesn't say when it was augmented, Berk.

Audience: No, but it says that they had Thought Adjusters probably was the reason that they had quality of mind above some of those others.

No, but it says, ". . . their vague feeling of being something more than mere animals was due to the possession of personality . . . " Now, this had been going on for some time. ". . and was augmented by the indwelling presence of the Thought Adjusters." It doesn't say when it was augmented- I think they got Adjusters fairly early. They didn't have'em-

Audience: But why did they pray for them to be indwelt?

Because that's before they had Adjusters. And then maybe they got--

Audience: Man mind has appeared on 606 of Satania. Correct.

Audience: So, would you infer that they didn't have Adjusters when they made their first moral choice?

Just a minute. I'm going back to the preceding Paper to clear this up. Oh, yes. During the time they lived with their animal tribe, their feeling of being something more than mere animals was due to the possession of personality, and only personality, because this whole transaction didn't take place until the day after they ran away. Go back to page 709.

Audience: Yes, I realize that

So they got their Thought Adjusters later.

Audience: It was after they ran away that-

That they got Adjusters.

Audience: Berk, go back to the very first paragraph and read what all this quote is that has upset you so.

No, take page 709, last paragraph: "At noon, the day after the runaway of the twins, there occurred the initial test flash of the universe circuit signals at the planetary reception-focus of Urantia. We were, of course, all astir with the realization that a great event was impending-, but since this world was a life-experiment station, we had not the slightest idea of just how we would be apprised of the recognition of intelligent life on the planet. But we were not long in suspense. On the third day after the elopement of the twins, and before the Life Carrier corps departed, there arrived the Nebadon archangel of initial planetary circuit establishment"

Audience: " . . newly established mind circuit of the planet."

Now, three days after they ran away, they didn't have Thought Adjusters, because that's when this statement was made. At sometime thereafter, they got Adjusters. And when they got Adjusters, that augmented their feeling of being something other than animals. Prior to that time, it was merely the possession of personality. I think the sequence is fairly \*\*\*.

Audience: Laughter. Well, this intimated to me that they realized they were something more than their ancestors--

That's right

Audience: And they ran away.

That's correct

Audience: And they realized they were something more than their ancestors because they had personality and Thought Adjusters.

No, just personality.

Audience: But they pray up here for them to get a Thought Adjuster.

No. While they were living with the primate tribe, I think it was the fact that they were persons that made them feel different. For example, they communicated more widely. They built better. They amplified. And they couldn't always teach their associates their new discoveries. And that was personality in action. Then they ran away, and three days later this prayer was issued, and at sometime thereafter—on the trek north I would say—they got Adjusters.

Audience:/The archangels got into the prayer that "Speedily' they be endowed. But mind appeared

Mind doesn't require Adjuster

Audience: Mind appeared before they/were Adjuster indwelt.

That's right. You see, on a planet like ours, you could have personality, seven adjutants, and the holy spirit, and be a bona fide human being with no Thought Adjuster at all. You might never get a Thought Adjuster.

Audience: What?

Well, I'll check that out for you.

Audience: Seven adjutants? How would you have the adjutant of worship--you couldn't worship an idol or something?

No, you could worship pretty well. Let's just check back here. Well get the conditions of Adjuster indwelling. Let's take 1187, paragraph 5:

"Before the times of the pouring out of the Spirit of Truth upon the inhabitants of an evolutionary world, the Adjusters' bestowal appears to be determined by many spirit influences and personality attitudes. We do not fully comprehend the laws governing such bestowals; we do not understand just what determines the release of the Adjusters who have volunteered to indwell such evolving minds. -

That's exactly the conditions we have here with Andon and Fonta.

"But we do observe numerous influences and conditions which appear to be associated with the arrival of the Adjusters in such minds prior to the bestowal of the Spirit of Truth, and they are: First the assignment of personal scraphic guardians. Well, that wasn't the case here. I don't think. I could be wrong. Two, "the attainment of the third circle of intellectual achievement." I know that wasn't the case here-

Audience: I don't believe that was right, either.

Three, "Upon the making of a supreme decision of, unusual spiritual import." I'm not so damn sure that that might not be involved. This decision to flee was a critical decision.

Four, "The spirit of brotherhood." No.

"Declaration of intention to do the will of God." No.

"Influence of the Supreme Being." Very possibly. very possibly. The Supreme Being is concerned with totals. And this is the total human race on the planet right now.

Audience: Come to think of it, it's all.

Yes. I would say--if I had to guess now-I would say it would be item number 3 and number 6 could be involved here. I could be suspectful of the Supreme Being here.

Audience: \*\*\*. Except on worlds where Adjusters do not fuse.

Audience: Uh-huh, there on 6. And they fuse.

Correct. I'm wrong. Right.

Audience: No, they did fuse.

There are worlds where they never fuse. The mortals survive by a different technique. But our world went through a--in its early stages of development--people survive by two methods: Adjuster fusion and Spirit fusion. Not always did the Adjusters come back. Now, since the bestowal of Jesus, it is universal Adjuster bestowal. But part of that--

Audience: Andon and Fonta--I don't quite understand--are you trying to say that they didn't fuse?

They fused.

Audience: Oh, they fused. Well, That's what comes from not knowing the Book.

But not all of their children did. Some of them made it by Spirit fusion.

Audience: This goes back, then, to Berk's thing--when they made that decision \*\*\*. Well, they had already made that decision, and the archangels are still praying for them?

Audience: Thank you, heaven.

At this point, I think we're splitting the hairs down to angstrom units.

Audience: Laughter.

I think they got their Adjusters pretty soon, but I'm sure that the archangels wouldn't have been praying uselessly. Three days after they started, I don't think they had 'em.

Audience: They might have been checking in at Orvonton.

I'm sure by the time that they had to build fire that they had 'em. When Fonta got the bird's nest.

Audience: Well, That's a thing that's kind of bothered me. The first contradictory statement in the

whole book that I've ever found.

Audience: Has it finally been resolved itself to your total satisfaction?

Audience: I finally decided they were on Orvonton checking in there for a when the archangels were praying.

Uh-uh.

Audience: That's all true. The first part of any paper is kind of a summary, isn't it

Um-huh.

Audience: They may have had 'em, and the archangels didn't quite know it yet.

Um-hum. It says here: "On Jerusem both Andon and Fonta were fused with their Thought Adjusters, as also were several of their children, including Sontad, but the majority of even their immediate descendants only achieved Spirit fusion." (717.4)

Audience: Why?

Well, the Adjuster can't make enough contact with the mind. Its too primitive. And still this person merits survival. And so, he wakes up on the first mansion world, but there's no Adjuster there. The local universe Mother Spirit individualizes a portion of her spirit nature, and that immediately fuses with that being. And that mortal then becomes a spirit-fused ascender, whose destiny is a little different from us.

Audience: \*\*\*

No. Such a being never gets an Adjuster. Audience: \*\*\*

Audience: They were the very first ones, though.

Audience: You'd think their children would be-

Well, some did and some didn't. You're on the dividing line. Audience: \*\*\*.

Well, the Adjusters don't fuse..

The people have Adjusters, but they all move on as spirit beings-

Break in tape.

Audience: Agondonters, have got something on the ball

Audience: Next to Tabamantia, agondonters--

Audience: Well, we all are. Potential.

That's right.

Audience: Do those spirit-Fused beings have \*\*\*.

I'm sure. I'm sure they do.

Audience: They can be Trinity-embraced.

Yes, some can. Their destiny is uncertain. They can be sure only of getting to Salvington, although some trickle up all the way to Paradise. And, as they point out- always like this one, here:

"Thus, in the final analysis, it would be hardly proper to use the words "greater" or "lesser" in contrasting the destinies of the ascending orders of sonship. - (454.3)

Like Adjuster-fused or Spirit-fused.

"Every such son of God shares the fatherhood of God, and God loves each of his creature sons alike; he is no more a respecter of ascendant destinies than is he of the creatures who may attain such destinies. The Father loves each of his sons, and that affection is not less than true, holy, divine, unlimited, eternal, and unique-a love bestowed upon this son/and upon that son, individually, personally, and exclusively and such a love utterly eclipses all other facts. Sonship is the supreme relationship of the creature to the Creator. - (454.3)

You know that's true. Given that fact, nothing else means much. And without that fact, everything else could mean nothing.

UNIVERSAL CENSORS

Audience: Lets talk about the Universal Censors.

They're kind of mysterious beings, even to their colleagues. The Universal Censor is the judgment of the Trinity abroad in the universe. Censors work with Divine Counselors and Perfectors of Wisdom, also of Trinity origin. And the three wrote most of the Papers in Part I. A Perfector of Wisdom does exactly what his name indicates: he perfects the wisdom of the past. The Divine Counselor forecasts into the future. That's why there are more of them, I think, than there are of any of the others.

Audience: There are only 7 of those.

It takes more to forecast the distant effect But a Universal Censor would take a univac and give it an inferiority complex--if it were capable of having such--because a Universal Censor can absorb an indefinite, unlimited amount of data and is the complete master of that data. He can balance it, sort it, weigh it, evaluate it, and then pass out a decision. They make this interesting statement about them:

"The Censors are universe totaling personalities. When a thousand witnesses have given testimony-or a million--when the voice of wisdom has spoken and the counsel of divinity has recorded, when the testimony of ascendant perfection has been added--"

You might get some Mighty Messengers involved in this thing, too.

"--then the Censor functions, and there is immediately revealed an unerring and divine totaling of

all that has transpired; and such a disclosure represents the divine conclusion, the sum and substance of a final and perfect decision. Therefore, when a Censor has spoken, no one else may speak, for the Censor has depicted the true and unmistakable total of all that has gone before. When he speaks, there is no appeal." (218.4)

You've had it This is it

Audience: \*\*\*.

You see, this is just as if the Ancients of Days had spoken. And then, it's just as though the Paradise Trinity had spoken. And as it says elsewhere in the Papers, these folks, these Stationary Sons of the Trinity, they're not just finite beings, they're capable of responding to any situation. And if the situation is superfinite, they'll cope with it They sort of roll with the punches. I think they can cope with anythmg--at least of Master Universe significance. Whether they could function beyond the Master Universe, I don't know, and its a very technical question, because they're a long ways from getting to the edge of it They can function for the foreseeable future.

This Paper is written by one of the colleagues of the Censor, a Divine Counselor. He goes on to say:

"most fully do I understand the operation of the mind of a Perfector of Wisdom--"

Now, he doesn't say, "but I would assume he understands his own mind, too." So he understands two out of the three. He understands what a Counselor is like and what a Perfector of Wisdom is like.

"--but I certainly do not fully comprehend the working of the adjudicating mind of a Universal Censor. It appears to me that the Censors formulate new meanings and originate new values from the association of facts, truths, and findings presented to them in the course of an investigation of universe affairs. It seems probable that the Universal Censors are able to bring forth original interpretation of the combination of perfect Creator Insight and the perfected creature experience. This association of Paradise perfection and universe experience undoubtedly eventuates a new value in ultimates." (218.5)

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"But this is not the end of our difficulties regarding the working of the mind of the Universal Censors. Having made due allowances for all that we know or conjecture about the functioning of a Censor in any given universe situation, we find that we are still unable to predict decisions or to forecast verdicts. We very accurately determine the probable result of the association of Creator attitude and creature experience, but such conclusions are not always accurate forecasts of Censor disclosures. It seems likely that the Censors are in some manner in liaison with the Deity Absolute; we are otherwise unable to explain many of their decisions and rulings." (218.6)

Well, now if this is the case, then we've hit something that would be unpredictable. You see, the Deity Absolute would react in a timeless way. The Deity Absolute would react in terms of not only the past and present but also the eternal fixture. And if you're going to try to forecast the decision, you're going to frame the decision with a situation that's comprehensible. But the Deity Absolute will be thinking in terms of the fourth outer space level as well as the seventh superuniverse. And of what lies beyond the fourth outer space level. The Deity Absolute thinks in terms of "everywhen" and everywhere.

Audience: You mean it transcends the Supreme mind?

Yes. They represent the Trinity. And how can you limit the Trinity?

Audience: But the Divine Counselor--that's it

That's right. I think he understands a part of the Censor's mind, because he qualifies his statement. I don't understand the adjudicating mind of the Censor, this totaling attribute he has, this synthesizing attribute, this ability to eventuate a new meaning and a new value. That's my concept of the Censor anyway.

Audience: I found them most interesting.

Let me ask you a question: Why are there one billion of them in Havona?

Audience: One on each sphere. Amazing,

Yeah, and no function.

Audience: I wanted to ask you that.

I beat you to the draw, because I don't know the answer, and now I've got you on the spot, see?

Audience: One billion of 'em.

They haven't a thing to do up there.

Audience: They're home in \*\*\*, eternal state.

Probably. Now undoubtedly, they're going to have a function. But evidently, they only create Censors once, and since they're going to need these for the future, they just created what they're going to need for all future time. It doesn't bother them that they've got a billion Universal Censors just standing by with nothing to do.

Well, they're warming up in the bull pen.

Audience: Laughter.

Are they time conscious? I think so, yes.

Audience: But they don't operate on any time.

They're not limited by time. I think you might say, a Censor is-he's not a transcendentaler, but he's something like a transcendentaler in that he knows all about time--

Audience: But he doesn't operate in time.

But he doesn't have to be limited by time. He might choose to be limited by time.

Audience: Well, then that explaIns--it doesn't make any difference to him.

Audience: Well, I don't understand why, if they have no function--

They're going to have a function.

Audience: Well, I understand- But one on each world--why don't they congregate 'em all together Instead of dividing 'em all on each world? They must have some function.. Well, let's put it this way. I'm not so sure they're always resident there, but that's where they have an office.

Audience: Of course, the Eternal of Days does.

Yeah. And if the Eternal of Days leaves, the Censor doesn't take over. It's a Trinity Teacher Son TRINITY TETELLER SOUT:

who takes over.

Audience: That's right.

Audience: And that's what I want to ask you next.

All right.

Audience: I wish you would, in your own words, describe the way the Trinity Teacher Sons and the Inspired Trinity Spirits work on our conscious and superconscious minds.

\*\*\*. The Teacher Sons are extremely versatile, being of Trinity origin-now I wonder, are they Trinity origin or triune origin? Were they created by the Paradise Trinity or were they created by the Universal Father, the Eternal Son and the Infinite Spirit? There's a difference. I think they're-

Audience: It says they're Trinity origin, though, doesn't it?

I think there's a weasel in here. I think there's a weasel, Berk, I'm not sure. In page 330, they give you an out.

Audience: Page 330?

Un-huh. Where it speaks of (Roman I in the Paradise register): "Beings created by all three Paradise Deities, either as such or as the Trinity - - . " And I've long questioned whether Trinity Teacher Sons were produced by the corporation or by the three directors. I don't know. Its not important. But I think they tend to lump triune and trinity.

These beings can pinch-hit for an Eternal of Days. They're members of the co-ordinate cabinet of the Ancients of Days. They work down here in the local universes. They're the big cheeses in the educational system in the local universe. They're the last sons to minister on an evolving world. When they complete their ministry, we enter the year of light and life. They terminate the last of the unsettled dispensations. They're closely identified with the Finaliters. They're undoubtedly going out into outer space with the Finaliters. As teachers, they probably have a liaison with the Inspired Trinity Spirits, who are mysterious to even folks at this level, because no one can perceive an Inspired Trinity Spirit except a Trinity-origin being. I think I'm right in this, am I not, Berk?

Audience: Or even some of those, I wouldn't think, could. They can perceive-is that Solitary Messenger--

No, they can sense their presence. These Inspired Trinity Spirits come and go, the Solitary Messengers detect them. But I think unless they're assigned to the command of a Trinity-origin being, I don't think they're visible to him. I'm using the word "visible" loosely. Now, when a local universe is settled in light and life, the Union of Days stationed on the local universe capitol, has a corps of Trinity spirits assigned to him. And I think he perceives than, or he couldn't be their commander.

They are related to Solitary Messengers, because it seems as though, as the Solitary Messengers are in withdrawal--being withdrawn from service for reasons that are not germane to this story--their places are being taken by the Trinity Spirits. And this again is a part of a shift from the evolutionary period of development, where single-origin and dual-origin beings predominate, to settled status in light and life, where more trinity-origin beings take over.

From an educational standpoint, there is a close relationship between the Teacher Sons and the Trinity Spirits. The Teacher Sons teach consciously. The author of the Paper on co-ordinate Trinity-origin beings believes that the Inspired Trinity Spirits teach superconsciously, that there's a very great amount of information which--if you are conscious of receiving it--you would foul it up. Your ego would get involved, or something. And so it's got to be given to you in an unconscious or superconscious way. And here's where the Inspired Trinity Spirits take up where the Trinity Teacher Sons leave off, because their teaching would be highly perceivable by the pupil. If you go to school and an Inspired Teacher Son is teaching, you're going to know you're in class and being taught. But if a Trinity Spirit is teaching, you would be supremely unaware of it. Let's see what they say in here. Page 220, paragraph 5. Now who's writing this Paper? A Divine Counselor:

"We know that the Trinity Teacher Sons are devoted to the conscious enlightenment of universe creatures. I have arrived at the settled conclusion that the Inspired Trinity Spirits, by superconscious techniques, are also functioning as teachers of the realms. I am persuaded that there is a vast body of essential spiritual knowledge, truth indispensable to high spiritual attainment, which cannot be consciously received; self-consciousness would effectively jeopardize the certainty of reception. If we are right in this concept, and my entire order of being shares it, it may be the mission of these Inspired Spirits to overcome this difficulty, to bridge this gap in the universal scheme of moral enlightenment and spiritual advancement. We think that these two types of Trinity-origin teachers effect some kind of liaison in their activities, but we do not really know." (220.5)

Then he goes on to buttress his opinion. I've talked to people, and they've said, "You know, we think you're right We think this has happened to us; we didn't know it at the time."

Audience: Well, that's what I was going to ask you - Do you think sometimes, or--have you ever experienced this thing, you know something, and you don't know how you know it?

That's true. Of course, in the case of humans, I think. that would be more apt to be Adjuster action.

Audience: Well, that's what I wondered.

Or the Spirit of Truth. Which would be quite analogous. Because if your Thought Adjuster taught you something, I don't think you'd be at all aware of it at the time.

Audience: Well, that's what I mean. When all of a sudden you know something, and you think, "Well, how do I know that?"

When Peter said to Jesus, "You're the Son of the living God," Jesus said to Peter, "No man has told you this, but you've gotten this information from my Father's spirit who indwells you. And on the relationship of the Spirit of God and the mind of man I will build the brotherhood of the kingdom.'

Now the other half of Peter's confession was an error. Jesus was not the Messiah. So he just talked about--isn't that so typical of the human being who sees truth? Half truth, half false. He said, "You are the Messiah, son of the living God."

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he discovered it consciously until that moment. But I think it had been there for some time.

Audience: All of a sudden he knew, but he didn't really realize how he knew.

That's right. You see, the whole business of survival and the exploration of the universe is a two-way proposition. You are exploring—in the last analysis—God, on the outside. And at the same time, you'll be exploring the depths of the fragment of God on the Inside, who lives within you. And I don't think you're ever going to get to the end of either one. Because while the Adjuster is qualitatively limited, he's qualitatively one with the Father in divinity. And I think that qualitative exploration Inside is going to take just as long as the qualitative and quantitative exploration is going to take on the outside.

Example: When you fuse with your Adjuster, one of the things that the Adjuster contributes to the new partnership is past eternal memory. But I don't think you can appreciate this yet; you haven't got the capacity. Now, after you've lived a million years, yeah, I think you can appreciate a million years worth of it. So while you're going forward a million years, I think you're also going backward a million years in your conscious ability to appropriate that which the Adjuster offers you. You follow me?

Now, when you've lived a trillion years--we'll skip a billion, that's too short a time--when you've lived a trillion years, then I think you can go back a trillion years, too. When you've lived a gazillion years--now, that's an absonite term--

Audience: That's a good word.

It's a hell of a big number.

Audience: Laughter. Gazillion.

When you've lived a gazillion years, then you can really reach back quite a ways--but even so, that's not all past eternity.

Audience: There's one more.

Sure.

Audience: You can always add ones.

Mr.. President, can we have our-

Audience: Madame Secretary, would it be time for coffee?

Spiritually, you're limited by the threshold of Adjuster fusion. in other words, you can't progress but just so far on a world, or you fuse with your Adjuster, and you're removed. Now you know that's not your limit of spiritual progression, but it's your limit of planetary spiritual progression.

But intellectually--absolutely no limit. They have never encountered a ceiling on mind. I'll tell you why I think that is. Here's my theory. The Supreme Being has a growth limit in the present universe age, physically and spiritually. But the Supreme Mind is believed to have a Master Universe range of function. And that's why I don't believe you hit an intellectual ceiling. At least, I tend to associate those two statements of facts together. So, even on a world settled in light and life, there is no...

-Audience: Well, then we'll have it made. >

No. When we arrive on Paradise--

Audience: Then Paradise evolves.

Nope.

Audience/You just got your first ticket to the major office.

Audience Well, you got to go back down and help everybody else?

Yep.

Audience: you've been going to a tent shows.

Audience: That's when you really get going?

Audience: You'll probably get to go to an opera.

Let me read you the last paragraph in a Paper here That's real cute.

Audience: What I'm trying to do is \*\*\* out loud. I think I know in my own mind--

On page 305. This is the end of the Paradise ascent, now:

"After the attainment of the supreme satisfaction of the fullness of worship, you are qualified for admission to the Corps of the Finality. The ascendant career is well-nigh finished, and the seventh jubilee prepares for celebration. The first jubilee marked the mortal agreement with the Thought Adjuster when the purpose to survive was sealed; the second was the awakening in the morontia life, the third was the fusion with the Thought Adjuster; the fourth was the awakening in Havona;

the fifth celebrated the finding of the Universal Father, and the sixth jubilee was the occasion of the Paradise awakening from the final transit slumber of time. The seventh jubilee marks entrance into the mortal finaliter corps and the beginning of the eternity service. The attainment of the seventh stage of spirit realization by a finaliter--"

You're only a sixth stage being, yet

'--will probably signalize the celebration of the first of the jubilees of eternity.- (305.2)

Audience: \*\*\*

"And thus ends the story of the Paradise supernaphim, the highest order of all the ministering spirits, those beings who, as a universal class, ever attend you from the world of your origin until you are finally bidden farewell by the conductors of worship as you take the Trinity oath of eternity and are mustered into the Mortal Corps of the Finality.

"The endless service of the Paradise Trinity is about to begin; and now the finaliter is face to face with the challenge of God the Ultimate.' (305.3,4)

Well, look. One of the things I'm trying to do in this study of the Master Universe is to get a feeling and to transmit a feeling how much bigger God the Ultimate is than God the Supreme. Big as is the Supreme Being.

And all I can say is this, if the whole Paradise ascent and the sealing of the superuniverses could be done in about a seconds time, it would take four months to find God the Ultimate.

Audience: That doesn't minimize your concept, does it?

No. Not in the least.

Audience: But it sure does illuminate your thinking as to what God the Ultimate is all about

Right This is a challenge of an altogether different magnitude.

Audience: He's ready to start when you're able to even conceive of this book you're just kind of

That's right-Now, actually, heres what happens. As a finaliter, you spend some time on Paradise. You get acquainted. You're in a corps, but I doubt very much you're in a company, yet. You haven't been organized within the corps. I think you enjoy residence on Paradise as a finaliter. I think you re-explore Havona. To finaliters, it's their workshop. I think you vacation on Ascendington. That's where we have our time off.

And then one day, you get summoned to Paradise, and you're organized into a finaliter company of about a thousand of your peers. Then you begin the big circuit of the seven superuniverses. You see, all of our experience was in superuniverse number seven. And we will serve in the other six before we ever come back here. Because each of these seven universes is permeated by one of the Master Spirits, and our experience in that superuniverse qualifies us to make a new approach to God from that perspective. And not until we have made the complete circuit of all seven, as finaliters, have we begun to exhaust the finite possibilities of the comprehension of the Universal

Father There are seven basic viewpoints, or perspectives, from which we can view God. - - -

Audience: As finite.

— As finite. And by serving in each superuniverse, we acquire something of that perspective, so that we augment the seventh perspective with the first, then the second, then the third, and so forth. So even on the finite level, we've got a lot left to do.

Audience: I want to ask a question. When God the Supreme is actualized, there's a great big group of beings who just were mustered into the corps of the finality-

Urn-hub.

Audience: You mean technically speaking, just immediately before?

Audience: Now, will they be able to recognize God the Supreme until they have traversed the other six superuniverses?

Audience: I would say yes.

We know this, Berk. When any of us find him all of us will find him. Now, I've done some thinking about this. I've thought of the transitional difficulties to be encountered as the seven superuniverses near completion.

Example. let's take this on a local universe level. It's a little more wieldy. We're told that when a planet passes (I think its) the third stage of light and life, you know, if you're born on such a world, then you have to go back and serve on more primitive worlds to make up for your deficiencies. But what are you going to do when your local universe runs out of these primitive worlds? That's your question all over again.

Audience \*4.

Well, when there aren't any worlds that aren't settled in light and life. This happens. Because someday the whole local universe will be settled.

Audience: You don't think there'll be new ones?

No. They'll stop planting life on worlds sometime in a local universe. There comes a time when they plant life on the last world in a local universe. And then there comes a time when that planet is settled in light and life. It's the Junior planet. And then there aren't any more primitive worlds that you can get experience on.

Audience: You don't think all universes are going to have primitive worlds?

No, because we know that there are local universes that are settled in light and life. And they contain no primitive worlds. This is hard for us to conceive.

Audience: But there'll be no more local universes?

Eventually. They'll start commissioning Creator Sons. There are only going to be 700 thousand local universes.

Audience: Well, I think that'll stop.

Yes, that will stop some day.

Audience: Well, what happens then?

What Berk is saying is that as this thing nears completion, the machinery—the old machinery—won't work any more. And you're right, Berk, it won't. And just exactly how they're going to bridge this transitional period, I don't know. But near the end of the present universe age, some of the things that have been characteristic of this universe age will no longer be characteristic.

Audience: (Everyone talking at once).

Now, here is part of the answer. This I developed in my story. You know there's a quiet zone between space levels? I think there's a quiet time between universe ages. I think that the end of the second age does not immediately witness the dawn of the third age. I think there's a period during which we consolidate the present age. The Supreme Being is here, and nobody's gone out into the first outer space level. These finaliters have a chance to make at least a token circuit after they've found the Supreme. This is again unusual. Everything gets balanced out and caught up. but I think-

Audience: Does creation stop here?

Yeah. No more creation:

Audience: Isn't that interesting?

No more new worlds.

Audience: I mean, what about humans? Will creatures, humans.

I'll come to that in a minute. At any rate, hey consolidate all the rag-tag ends of the present universe age. What happens on a planet, I would give a lot to know, because I don't quite see how human beings can make it to the corps of the finality. Because when the Supreme Being has completed his evolution, finite experience has come to an end. And this applies to human beings on worlds settled in light and life. Because you can't have finite experience except the Supreme Being is incomplete and growing. Now, there's still going to be human beings, but they're going to be postfinite experience human beings. What those human beings are like, passes my imagination. I've even wondered if procreation would keep on.

Audience: Yes, that's what I wonder.

Yes. I don't know.

Audience: They're going to be-should be interesting. They'll be-\*\*\*. They will not have full

participation in the growth of the Supreme.

They will have no participation in the growth of the Supreme. None whatsoever.

Audience: After he eventualizes.

Yes, because he isn't growing anymore. You see, Leona, What we call growth--experience--and we think it's natural and normal and eternal--it isn't. It's natural and normal to the present universe age, during which the Supreme Being is growing. And when he stops growing, then growth as we know it and experience it will be a past event

Audience: That doesn't mean that he will really stop growing?

-He will stop growing--

'He will stop growing in the sense that he's now growing.

He'll begin His postfinite growth. But there will be no more finite experience.

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\*Audience: Patience. Tell her there'll be something new coming up\_

Absonite growth will take over. You see, this thing can come to an end, because it is finite. It has a limit. And while that limit is very remote, it is attainable. Anything which has a finite limit can be reached, given enough time.

- Audience: Yes.

Now, what worlds like this am going to be like, I just can't imagine. I've thought about it. The Papers question whether such mortals will be destined to the corps of the finality. Or will they become more like Havona natives?

Audience: They will, I think. Wouldn't you think?

-I'm inclined to think so, yes. Something like that.

Audience: Well, the four, and the many, outer space levels are eventually developed? I cannot see why these wouldn't function in some capacity, not necessarily similar but analogous to, the various worlds that we find at this moment

Yes. Pagree. These are going to be training worlds for outer-spacers some day.

-Audience: To get some training, this world. I think these planets--

In the next universe age.

Audience: In the next universe age they will not be utilized for the same thing as they are now utilized.

Audience: But you know that a creature born after the Supreme Being is actualized isn't going to have the authority and the sepiority that Grandfanda has.

No.

Audience: How do you know there's going to be any born after

he's actualized?

That's a good question. No one can answer that question.

Audience: How do you know? You're postulating something that you--

Audience: I don't know/But I'm saying should they be, they wouldn't have.

These are wonderful questions. Audience: Laughter.

Audience: Well, I'm confused. We're reaching the time now, at the end of this universe age, when God the Supreme is actualized. There will be some beings still on this planet.

Yes.

Audience: And this planet Will reach the age of light and life.

It's been there for a long time. IV's in the seventh stage of light and life.

Audience: Why don't we just say that -- \*\*\* - now are they going to be robbed of this whole ascent that we're making? They won't go through the mansion worlds -- they've got no necessity of it. Will they become Jerusem citizens, go on to Salvington?

Not as we do it no. Impossible/

Audience: There'll be a shortout there.

Audience: They might be given something more fruitful. I don't know. I don't like the word "robbed." They will be denied this, but they might have something in time--

Let's put it this way--

Audience: You see, they'll never have the experience that we have, this lowly experience.

Audience: They'll, be born smart Audience: We're fortunate.

That's right. But we were denied the experience of the Havona native who was created perfect.

Audience: Yes, but I think we got more than they got.

I agree.

Audience: Maybe the next guys in back of us will get more than we got, too.

Audience: I don't see how they could. I agree with you

Audience: With this plan in the local universe Audience: Laughter. (Everyone talking at once).

But I don't see how it can go on until it comes to an end.

Audience: I don't either. But when it does come to an end, what's going to happen to the guys in back of us?

I don't know. You got me. I'm backed into a comer now. I don't know. I've debated--

Audience: Are they going to be finaliters, or what?

The Papers raise that question--and don't answer it Will procreation keep on? Will death keep on?

Audience: You mean in the superuniverse?

On the inhabited world. I assume, J.B., let's say this happens on Tuesday morning, February 11th. And this world has got a population--a sensible population-of, let's say, a billion people. Not crowded. Comfortable. And these are wonderful people, tremendous intellects, wonderful spiritual people. Now all of a sudden the Supreme Being is here. And here are these billion people. And this planet is a--we'd call it heaven, or utopia. There's no conflicts, no problems. Education is excellent. Income tax is low.

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: Employment is full.

That's right

Audience: It sounds awful dull.

To me it does, too. Well, we wouldn't fit that world. But we're here now. But if we'd been born into that world, we'd consider it--it would be natural.

Audience: It would be kind of like what we think of heaven, wouldn't it?

Yes. I would like to know what-- This happens at high noon, Tuesday, February 11th. Its ended. The total is taken of and written down. They aren't putting any more figures in there, now. It's a completed thing. The afternoon is different from the morning.

But I don't know how.

Audience: There's a whole thing in the Bible that says, "The last shall be first and the first shall be last." Everybody will be free and equal and when this happens it may be \*\*\* for all time. And again, maybe this quiet period is part of the answer. Maybe that's how they even things out and equalize things.

Audience: Maybe we take a billion years of vacation.

Could be.

Audience: Till they catch up with you? To me, this quiet period could be ten--

Audience: I love that quiet period. Thesis--

## Audience: Ldon't understand what the analogy would be \*\*\*

You mean, at that time? I don't know either. You see, the universe is in transition now, from the second to the third age. I've got some ideas about the third age. We're living in the second age. The transitional period is, in many ways, more difficult to conceive than the third age is.

Audience: What's the third age?

The third age is when we invade outer space. And open up-

Audience: And then you'll \*\*\*?

Yes. This is a new deal. This is where the finaliters really go to work.

Audience: They never quit growing. That's right

Audience: Quit playing with the Texas \*\*\*. They stop in the seven superuniverses, but not in the first outer space level. In other words, they let this subdivision get all the sewers and all the sidewalks in.

Audience: You feel better now?

Audience: Leel better now, thank you. Audience: (Everyone talking at once).

Audience: Those that haven't made the other six universes, just absolutely can't be comparable to those that have.

That's right or maybe they may go around and do it in a faster way, and get the best equivalent that/they can.

Audience: Bread ... go on ... skip some ... eatch up with the rest . They're going to be bright, I think ... we may never ... we may have a rest period

No, never.

Audience: You know what I bet will happen at one o'clock? Humm.

Audience: I bet the goddess of sex abdicates.

I don't know.

Audience: Who? Who abdicates?

Sex

Audience: The goddess of sex will abdicate at one o'clock-what's her pame?

Aphrodite,

Audience: Aphrodite. She's named several different things. Now that gives a pretty good function to a space material.

I've done this in my study, more in the Appendices. When I get out of ideas, I reason by analogy. And I think, when we consider these planets—and I've got to deal with it some way in here-I'm going to go to the midsoniters for my analogy. They're not mortal; they're not immortal. They're not immortal, because they're not spirit indwelt. They're not mortal, because none has ever died. They reproduce on a controlled basis, and at the end of a thousand years, they're translated. And if I had to offer anything by comparison, I would offer a midsonite planet as the advance notice of what this world is going to be like some day. I'd rather lean on that analogy than try to dream up something wholly new.

Audience: As to what this planet is going to be like? Urn-hum.

Audience: After we abdicate?

Audience: I don't want it to be like that while we're here.

We'll be long gone.

Audience: Bill, I'm stupid on the midsoniters.

Midsoniters are the one planet in each local system.

Audience: All right.

It's where a mother Eve--it's where the Adamic strain has been upstepped Instead of downstepped by crossover with a Melchizedek line. It's a combination Adamic-Melchizedek blood strain.

Audience: They have a blood strain lineage.

Yes.

Audience: They're not an eventuated being.

No, no.

Audience: Well, good-

The father of this race is a Melchizedek life carrier The mother of this race is an Eve. And their children-well, they just don't classify. The Melchizedeks teach that these children, these midsoniters, someday will be indwelt by the spirit of absonity coming from God the Ultimate.

Audience: Is that what you mean when you say in a thousand years they'll be translated? To what?

They're translated to the finaliter's world in the near regions of Salvington.

Audience: And there, their function is--

To take up residence.

Audience: --isn't discussed-

Now, in the later era of light and life, these midsoniters become functional in the local universe. And they act as teachers.

Audience: What kind of teachers are they?

With the Trinity Teacher Sons.

Audience: With, not before? Concurrent

Audience: Well, they didn't learn experientially

Yes, they council But they're real superhuman beings. Now, they're procreating; beings until they're translated, then they're deprived of their powers of procreation.

Audience: \*\*\* pretty potent They're pretty potent

Audience: What do you mean besides?

Whenever you're taken off a planet, you lose your powers of procreation. If you're removed by translation. For example, all the children of Adam and Eve. And all the Adamites, that volunteered to leave after the default lost their powers of procreation. There's no procreation on the higher worlds.

Audience: Well, the Material Sons, they have children before they come to this country.

That's right, but when they're translated from their planet, then they stop procreating.

Audience: But they were translated down here, and could-

Yeah, that works, going down--but not going back.

Audience: 'Cause it tells you how many children they had.

Audience: \*\*\*.. (Everyone talking at once) ... yeah, but they had to get one that ... they're ascending sons ... I think they're volunteers ...

From our system capitol:

Audience: Jesus. That's where he is.

These Material Sons really exist on three levels. In each local system, there's the original pair, who are personally created by Michael. And they would be distinctly different, because they would

have no belly buttons. Because there never was a placenta.

Audience: I never thought of that-

Yeah.

Audience: Laughter.

The original Adam originally--

'Audience: (Everyone talking at once). Laughter.

It doesn't say that in the Papers.

-Audience: They're handmade. Probably faxed.

This is Adam and Eve of Satania. And they are unconditionally immortal, just like a Lanonandek. They'd have to be blotted out of existence by adjudicational action.

When they procreate, or when their children procreate, they produce beings of conditional immortality. Now, these are the Material Sons and Daughters who are born on Jerusem. They retain immortality so long as they don't rebel. So long as they maintain functional contact with the mind circuits of the local universe. If they lose that contact, they can die. A certain percentage of these Material Sons volunteer to serve as planetary Adams and Eves, as did ours. They had private names upon Jerusem, but when they come down here on earth, they take their generic name, the name of their original ancestors. Adam and Eve of Urantia. I don't know what their names were on Jerusem. I'm sure they weren't Adam and Eve, because there's a lot of them.

When they come down here, they retain their conditional immortality. But they loose the capacity to beget conditionally immortal sons and daughters. Their children are all mortal beings. Long-lived, but mortal.

Now, in the era of light and life, they might be joined by other Material Sons and Daughters from Jerusem. But those beings would never be brought down here as procreating beings. They would be deprived of their powers of procreation when they served on the planet. See, they only want to mix the germ plasm once. If they're removed from the planet by death or translation, again, they lose their procreative powers.

Audience: But if they progress over and then come back-

They never do that

Audience: What was that she talking about a while ago?

Midsoniters.

Audience: Well, you said on the descent they can become

As the planetary Adam and Eve.

Audience: Oh, I see

Because they're designed to found a race down here. Now later on in the years of light and life, other Adams and Eves, other Material Sons and Daughters, may elect to serve on a planet. But they would serve as corporeal but non-reproducing beings.

See, they're real fussy about germ plasm

Audience: \*

LIFE ON A LOBMIT PLANET

Normal. You want me to describe a normal planet?

Audience: Uh-huh.

Let me tell you a story. This is a story of a young man who lives on a normal world. They haven't yet had a Bestowal Son, like Jesus, but theirs is an advanced world--they're getting ready for him It had a Magisterial Son. No, they haven't either. They're getting ready for a Magisterial Son. And they're in a state of pretty high civilization. There hasn't been a war in 28 thousand years. And their physical sciences are pretty well advanced.

And this young man--his name is Ronay--not a strange name, but not one of our names, either. Ronay. And he has just gotten a letter. It's all encrusted with seals. And he stood a competitive examination. And this letter informs him that he has won an Eden Scholarship. And he's all excited. In fact he's all shook UP.

Audience: Laughter.

This authorizes him to complete his university studies at the Garden University, for the next 6 years. And he's real excited, and he gets on the monorail going across town, because he wants to talk to his grandfather, because his grandfather has an Eden Scholarship. And the old man is pretty hale and hardy, because he's relatively young--he's only 128 years old--he's retired, he retired about 3 years earlier. They have compulsory retirement at 125.

Audienee: Laughter.

Audience: You're really making it a story while you're at it.

## I-might as well make up a good story.

### -Audience: Yeali.

And so, the young man comes barging in, and the old boy's sitting in his study, reading. And he says, "Look, gramps, I got an Eden Scholarship"

"Well, now," gramps says, "Isn't that fine."

He says, "Look, you had one of these."

"Yes, I did, years and years ago."

What's it like to study in Eden?".

Well," he says. "It's very wonderful. It's very beautiful. They've got some teaching methods over there that they still haven't gotten into the outlying universities. He said, "You will learn in 6 years what you might spend 15 years learning elsewhere. The instruction is superb." And he said, "You'll be thrilled by the beauty of Eden."

The young man broke in, and he said, "Well, tell me,"

he said, "This Adam and Eve, they don't die."

"No " he said, "they don't die."

"Well, how do you know?"

"Well, now," he said, when I went there--and that's over a hundred years ago-I found them, and they were in the prime of life, acting as gracious sovereigns of their Garden city."

And he said, "My great-grandfather also had an Eden Scholarship, and I talked to him when he was an old man the same as you're talking to me, and he told me that he'd found them in the prime of life, too. And, son," he said, "you will find them just as I found them"

"Well, what keeps them alive, Grandpa?"

"They're immortal."

"Gee to think I'm going to Eden"

The old man lit his pipe again, and he says, 'Well," he says, "let me tell you something. Eden is wonderful--but if you ever have a chance when you're there--beyond the easterly mountains, lies another city, the oldest city on this planet, the city of the Prince. You should visit that city while you're there."

You see, we don't have them. We have no signs. We have no proof of immortality. We have no ancient Eden which is even then overshadowed by Dalamatia, which is more ancient. Or the corporal staff of the Prince date from the times of the arrival of Adam--or the children of the original staff who departed. We have none of these signs, and that's why we're called "Agondonters," which means we can believe without any proof.

Which in essence, is what Jesus said to Thomas in the upper chamber, when Thomas, you know, had just to through saying, "I wouldn't believe it unless I could put my fingers in the nail holes in his hand " and then Jesus appeared... And Thomas knelt, and he believed. And Jesus made that famous remark, "Thomas," he said, "you have perceived and of course you believe, but blessed are they in the ages to come who believe though they see not"

["You have believed, Thomas, because you have really seen and heard me. Blessed are those in the ages to come who will believe even though they have not seen with the eye of flesh nor heard with the mortal ear." (2043.4)]

# MISSING MATERIAL?

No, he was here with Adam.

Oh, normally Let's not say Caligastia, let's say Planetary Prince, because Caligastia is kind of a dirty word.

Audience: Laughter.

ADD TO EARLIER MATERIAL ON TRINITY TEACHER GONS

Normally, when a planet is settled in light and life, that's when the Trinity Teacher Sons are bidding farewell to the planet. Then they bring down, to this planet, a morontia temple. This is built by the morontia power supervisors. And it's not exactly material, but it's not immaterial, either. And it can be made visible to the people of earth, just as Jesus was made visible after His resurrection. He was a morontia being. And the first thing that happens in that temple is the Paradise Bestowal Son returns to that planet And there, in the presence of the planetary authorities, he proclaims the Planetary Prince, Planetary Sovereign. In other words, he gives to the Planetary Prince the very thing that Caligastia was trying to steal. The Prince eventually becomes a Sovereign.

Audience: \*\*\*

That's right there's no way. And Adam and Eve function, you might say, as joint Prime Ministers, serving the invisible Sovereign.

Audience: Now, is the Sovereign visible when--

He can be made visible, in the morontia. temple.

Audience: Do they rule \*\*\*.

Yes. From the morontia temple and from their subsidiary capitols.

Audience: \*\*\*

No. You have an entirely different kind of planetary government- Eventually, Adam and Eve leave the planet, farther along in the stages of light and life, and their place is taken by a human elected chief executive, who serves for 25 years.

They tell us that it is the old principle of Adam and Eve that makes kings and queens acceptable on the planet. And they say kings and queens are very successful when the king is Adam and the queen is Eve, and when they're serving an invisible Lanonandek son who is planetary sovereign. It works very nicely.

You see, we've missed a lot. Think what it would mean to have Eden here. And don't think of Eden as just a garden. Think of it as a garden city. A university city. And then there would be the city of the Prince, too. Think how easy it is to believe when you have so much that you can see.

Audience:\*\*\*

We wouldn't know what to do with those luxuries.

Audience \*\*\*

Yes, it would an be one people. One language. You see, they would be a much finer people than we are, because the first thing they do is, they shoot for a 50% amalgamation with Adam's blood. And I guess the White race has the largest percentage of his blood. And we probably don't have much more than 4 to 6 per cent You think of the most difficult looking people in the world and conceive of what their children would look like if they were 50% of Adam. We're basically blue men, cro-magnons, crossed with just a little bit of Adams blood. The north Chinese have a little. The north Indians have a little. And that about accounts for it

We have just about enough of Adams blood to fire up our adventure and our meanness, but not enough to make us easy to civilize.

Audience: \*\*\*

In this world? I don't think so. We've got to work out a different solution to our problems.

Sure. We're going a different route.

Audience: \*\*

We'll be one government someday, but probably not one people, probably not one race. We will have one language someday--but that's long ways away.

Audience: \*\*\*

The blue book, I think, is their effort to attack this by spiritual means and to provide the basis for a religion for all mankind, a religion that will cut across national boundaries.

You see, Christianity is terribly embarrassed when it leaves white man's country, because its been associated with trading, with colonialism, with bad practices, with suppression of natives, and the average non-European looks upon Christianity as a strange religion for strange people. Now, if this blue book can avoid that contamination and can spread by the printing press all over the world, there's a hope for a mankind religion.

Audience:

Well, no it shouldn't. Of course, its got to start someplace. But I hope, gee I hope It's translated into 15 languages when I check out We've got it in a second language--and, incidentally, I think the second most potent language in the world.

Audience: Bill, what is the functional liaison between the Adam and Eve of your story and the Planetary Prince as of right now?

He's the sovereign; they're his joint prime ministers.

Audience: I mean, the Planetary Prince is the ruling sovereign?

Yes.

Audience: Even though it has not been bestowed as such?

It has been bestowed as such, when the planet's settled in light and life he is proclaimed sovereign.

Audience: Do they now have the university in the Garden of Eden? Prior to the second stage of light and life?

Sure.

Audience: And a mortal could attain such goals--of going to that university city? At that time, what's the relationship between that city and Dalamatia? Or whatever Dalamatia would be called on that planet

They function as quasi-independent centers until a Magisterial Son appears on the planet. One of the things that a Magisterial Son does on a normal planet is to unify the two administrations When he's through, then they consolidate Dalamatia and Eden.

Audience: Then the Prince is the functional head?

Yes, but not the sovereign yet

Audience: I don't mean sovereign, the functional head. Adam and Eve are his high \*\*\*.

Adam and Eve, until light and life, as I visualize it Clyde, they wield a very compelling sovereignty, but it is more social than political. And because it's not political, it probably has a much greater impact. They set the fashion. And here, congress can legislate all it pleases, but you gals will wear what comes out of Paris, do you follow me? Paris dictates to you, not the congress. And if the congress said skirts will be so long this year, you'd say, "Ah," but if Christian Dior says skirts will be so long this year, you're right down there getting skirts. Now, which is the stronger sovereign?

Adam and Eve set the tone of the planet. It is a social sovereignty which probably is all the more potent because it is social.

No, it would deal with trade, manufacture, science; they teach religion, too. Eden is-nornmally--the source of science. First they get the world unified under one government. Then they have a great scientific age. So you see, warfare remains fairly simple.

Audience: \*\*\*.

Not with scientific means. I think our world much be unique, locally, because we fight scientific wars. And normally, your scientific era would come after the establishment of world government. Wars aren't so bad if you've got to hack them out with a sword, you know. It's these big bombs.

Audience: Just fists and rocks wouldn't be so bad--

Yeah. No, it isn't too bad then. Your casualty list is smaller. But this way you can take a whole city out.

Audience: We have rotted in one direction and speeding so far and fast in the other direction that we're completely out of balance.

That's right. We are. Seriously. We've got the tools of civilization, but we haven't got the religion, the philosophy, the ethics, the morality of civilization. We remind me of a bunch of 3 year olds playing with loaded 45s. Those 45s are potent.

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Audience: \*\*\* an atomic war--would they allow a race--if they don't allow a race to be killed out, what would happen when they started bombing us? They could kill out this whole race.

I think they'd preserve mankind,

Audience: They would save one?

They would preserve human germ plasm Now, short of that I don't think they'd intervene.

Audience: We might go back to \*\*\*.

Oh, yes, that wouldn't bother them. That's a delay. And they're patient. I mean, they've watched us bobble around for a million years to get where we are.

Audience: \*\*\*.

I think so, sure. They're people. They'd be sorry, but I think they'd let it go through.

Audience: Bill, don't you think before they would let this enter another age, the cosmic reservists would enter in?

Sure, if they could swing it

Audience: Well, I think they have the power to swing it, don't you?

Not absolutely, no. I think they can set up hurdles. I don't think they've enjoyed seeing any civilization go down.

Audience: I don't think so, either.

But as I read history, they've gone down.

Audience: Yes, but we have advanced so far, that I don't think that they would subscribe to us going that far back. I think they'll intervene- That's my hope.

I feel sure they'll intervene to protect human germ plasm

Audience: Well, now, that might go down to--that's different from what J.B.'s talking. J.B., we

are--you and I--as mortals, are of too caught in thinking, tens and twenties of years, 5 or 10 years, for them to go to basic germ plasm would be just \*\*\*. Maybe the next time it would work out a lot better.

I don't know. No one knows.

Audience: I \*\*\* taken the time we've had to advance as far as we have. I just feel that they would intervene rather than let us go back as far as the stone age, or what have you.

Audience: \*\*\*.

I don't think so. They only do that once.

Audience: \*\*\*.

I would suspect something like this. I think they'd manipulate, and if we really hadn't learned a lesson, I think they'd let a war take place winch would kill off, say, two thirds of mankind. And the survivors would jolly well have learned something. And I think it would mean a retrogression of civilization, but not going back to the stone age.

The human race is going to have to learn. If we haven't learned, then I'm afraid we're going to have another tough time. But I can see them manipulating it to preserve a segment of mankind.

Audience: Nuclear war, though, would \*\*\*.

Audience: Well, 31/32s or 97/98ths \*\*\*.

Audience: (Everyone talking at once). You mean . . . we wondered if . . .

Here, if you come right down to it, if there were 50 million survivors, this planet would rebuild its civilization in 500 years. And with the amount of printing that we have, we'd never go all the way back. Now, we might live in a pretty primitive way for a while, but we wouldn't forget how to read. We might be unable to make things, but we could read about them. We might have blueprints that we couldn't consummate, simply because of a breakdown in transportation and whatnot. Cities would have to be deserted. We might have to go back to agriculture in a large measure. But in 500 years, I think you'd see a big change.

Audience: Bill, what's the total population of our planet? Six million?

We're nearing 3 billion.

And if that keeps up very long, It's going to take a nuclear war to clean the place out That's a horrible thing to say, but there's going to be standing room only pretty soon.

Audience: Then, as individuals, what happens to us?

Audience: Laughter..

Well, we go on. You know, when you come right down to it, Leona, personally, if there were an ICBM exactly 2 minutes away from Oklahoma City right now, and It's through every radar defense and every interceptor defense, and we have got a minute and 50 seconds left--and I just

used up another 10 seconds--we'd go on to the mansion worlds. Personally, we're not concerned.

Audience: I didn't mean you and me, I'm talking about civilization.

That could be pretty badly shaken up.

Audience: That could be a bad deal that's what I was thinking about, really.

Sure.

Audience: Not you and me and Berk, I think our choice is pretty plain.

Well, we learn slowly. Look, I saw this country demobilize in 1918. 1 saw this country demobilize in 1946. We didn't learn. Then came Korea, quickly. This time we learned. We didn't demobilize after Korea. But it took 3 --

Audience: \*\*\*

\*\*\* to teach us that lesson. We could have stopped war in 1920, if we wanted to. But we came home and got interested--

Audience: But on the other hand, we have said before, that wars are necessary in \*\*\*.

That isn't true anymore.

Audience: All right. But previously, it has been, they have been--

That's true.

Audience: I mean, we have accepted that before in our \*\*\*.

That's correct

Audience: A nuclear war, though, can destroy the whole planet, practically-

It's getting to be pretty terrible.

Audience: 'And, if it is, and if it can, it can also upset the harmony of a universe. Of a system--or whatever this next thing is that's a little bigger than that. And then if it does, then we could be as a planet, chastised and \*\*\*.

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: I think a physical usurpation of any manifest powers will not be chastised.

The only thing I'm sure of, Leona, is this.

Audience: You don't think the whole thing can be blown up and disintegrated?

No, I don't.

Audience: You don't think so.

No. I believe this. They tell us, as near as I read this book, there are two things of supreme value on the planet, the individual human being, and the human race. The human race is so important that if a planet is to be destroyed by astronomical catastrophe--and this happens--they remove the human race from that planet and transplant them.

Audience: That's what I was getting at

And that is my basis for believing that they would intervene for preserving human germ plasm Now, short of that, I think they'd manipulate. They'd pull wires and do all the things they can do. But please remember, they're operating under rules and regulations. And they dare not violate these rules and regulations unless they get permission. And if they thwart human choice, they're running counter to Gods will—even if these people want to destroy themselves. You're up against a real buzz saw there. God has given us this choice.

Audience: And if man chooses to destroy himself--

Short of the destruction of mankind--at that point, I think they would intervene arbitrarily and physically.

Audience: I think so, too.

Prior to that point, I think they'd manipulate.

Audience: Of course, not every mankind is going to want to be destroyed.

No, that's true.

Audience: That's right

I've sometimes visualized the Patagonians re-populating the earth-

Audience: What, Bill?

The Patagonians, or the Eskimos.

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: When will be have a new dispensational roll call? Not until another Son arrives.

Audience: That might be a long time. And when will that be?

Audience: A Material Son. Avonal is coming.

Audience: And we took the number of Avonal Sons in each local universe, and we divided up the--\*\*\* and we found there's one Avonal Son for 7000 planets. We couldn't understand how he could make these appearances, the time he'd spend on them, and if he's a second appearance, how he could get around to 7000 planets. Well, he evidently does.

Audience: He does, but we don't understand how. We never did work that out

And of course their numbers are increasing. They're not stationary.

Audience: Oh, I thought they were.

No. Michaels and Avonals and Trinity Teacher Sons are of increasing numbers.

Audience: Well, we figured up the number, and I thought they were stationary.

Audience: We figured they were pretty busy boys. Oh, yes, that'd be clear.

Audience: We figured there was 1 to 7000 planets, I remember that. And don't you know old

Elmer and L we got into quite a discussion about how they could--

Audience: You divided and multiplied--

Audience: We tried to figure out the time that they had to spend on each planet--say 100 years, or a lifetime--on each planet, how they would have time to come back and do all these things.

I think they're moving fast.

Audience: Huh? They must be. But they have to spend a certain amount of time on each planet

Please bear this in mind. Your oldest inhabited worlds date back to 200 billion yews ago. Some of these worlds must be pretty advanced by now And they no longer--

Audience: I thought they had some performance to make at a dispensation \*\*\* Trinity Teacher Sons.

Let me check that.

Audience: Now that's in my mind.

Audience: Avonal.

Audience: They don't -- they're not \*\*\* I understand.

No.

Audience: they do. Audience: sometimes.

Audience: Now you're speaking of our local universe?

Yes. And they've had a long time to make the rounds. They Uh-hum. don't have to give each planet the same attention right now.

Audience: No, but you had to at one time.

Yeah, but they came along slowly.

Audience: He'd have to come and be born as a babe just as Christ did. He had to live his lifetime there. Then the second time he comes back, he's not born as a babe, but he makes his appearance. I don't know how much tune he spends, but just consider that on each world of 700.

Uh-huh. Well, It's even worse than that. He also comes in a third sense, as an adjudicator, and then he's invisible.

Audience: Well, that's when we're settled in light and life.

No. When Caligastia arrived, a Magisterial Son came with him. And it was he who terminated the dispensation.

Audience: Oh, boy.

When Adam arrived, a Magisterial Son came at that time, too. But he was invisible. Nobody on earth knew he was here. Now, none came when Michael came, because he did that job himself. Audience: He did that by himself. But there's 999 planets that they have to do it on and its-

Audience: Did we?

Audience: Machiventa.

Audience: You better believe it

And that only happened 6 other times in the local universe. So what lies ahead? Who knows. I'm sure of only one thing. We're going to get Trinity Teacher Sons some day. But that's a long time from now.

Audience: Well, the Trinity Teacher Sons--don't one of them come at each dispensation?

No, that's a Magisterial Son. He's an adjudicator, a judge.

Magisterial Sons \*\*\* I believe

There's so much to remember, I get confused

Audience: (Everyone talking at once). Laughter ... takes a memory pill ... those \*\*\* pills?

They come at the tail end of planetary evolution. "Again we find Urantia out of step with its sister spheres in that your Jesus has promised to return. That promise he will certainly fulfill, but no one knows whether his second coming will precede or follow the appearances of Magisterial or Teacher Sons on Urantia." (598.4)

Audience: He'll come with the temple, wont he?

He'll certainly be here then, because he's the bestowal son.

Audience: Well, we'll have just the \*\*\*. I'm sure we will.

Audience: Why?

Audience: Well, they're getting shorter each time. --

Audience: Not necessarily.

Sure they do. Sure they do. That's right. They've had a long one knows. time, though, to get their \*\*\* starting 200 billion years ago.

I don't know what's coming next, And no one else does. Because we never had a Magisterial Son. We had a Melchizedek bestowal.

Audience: Well, I just said that was the pattern.

Uh-hum.

Audience: Well, I just say one thing. Functionally, we sure are \*\*\* compared to your story of the average world.

They give the story of an average world. And It's not \*\*\* one place. Did you ever look at page 567? In less than a page here, they tell the history of the world. "Life is initiated on the planets by the Life Carriers, who watch over its development until sometime after the evolutionary appearance of mortal man. Before the Life Carriers leave a planet they duly install a Planetary Prince as rider of the realm. With this ruler there arrives a full quota of subordinate auxiliaries and ministering helpers, and the first adjudication of the living and the dead is simultaneous with his arrival.

"With the emergence of Human groupings, this Planetary Prince arrives to inaugurate human civilization and to focalize human society. Your world of confusion is no criterion of the early days of the reign of the Planetary Princes, for it was near the beginning of such an administration on Urantia that your Planetary Prince, Caligastia, cast his lot with the rebellion of the System Sovereign, Lucifer. Your planet has pursued a stormy course ever since.

"On a normal evolutionary world, racial progress attains its natural biologic peak during the regime of the planetary prince, and Shortly thereafter the System Sovereign dispatches a Material Son and Daughter to that planet. These imported beings are of service as biologic uplifters; their default on Urantia further complicated your planetary history.

"When the intellectual and ethical progress of a human race has reached the limit of evolutionary development, there comes an Avonal Son of Paradise on a magisterial mission; and later on, when the spiritual status of such a world is nearing its limit of natural attainment, the planet is visited by a Paradise bestowal Son. The chief mission of a bestowal Son is to establish the planetary status, release the Spirit of Truth for planetary function, and thus effect the universal coming of the Thought Adjusters.

"Here, again, Urantia deviates: There has never been a magisterial mission on your world, neither was your bestowal Son of the Avonal order, your planet enjoyed the signal honor of becoming the mortal home planet of the Sovereign Son, Michael of Nebadon.

"As a result of the ministry of all the successive orders of divine sonship, the inhabited worlds and their advancing races begin to approach the apex of planetary evolution. Such worlds now become ripe for the culminating mission, the arrival of the Trinity Teacher Sons. This epoch of the Teacher Sons is the vestibule to the final planetary age--evolutionary utopia--the age of light and life." (567.3-8)

That's a very neat summary of an inhabited world, and wherein we deviate.

Audience: We deviate every which way, don't we?

We sure do. Lets read about Agondonters. We were talking about those, and you'd like to know what the word means, wouldn't you? Page 578.

"On first thought it might appear that Urantia and its associated isolated worlds are most unfortunate in being deprived of the beneficent presence and influence of such superhuman personalities as a Planetary Prince and a Material Son and Daughter. But isolation of these spheres affords their races a unique opportunity for the, exercise of faith and for the development of a peculiar quality of confidence in cosmic reliability which is not dependent on sight or any other material consideration. It may turn out, eventually, that mortal creatures hailing from the worlds quarantined in consequence of rebellion are extremely fortunate. We have discovered that such ascenders are very early intrusted with numerous special assignments to cosmic undertakings where unquestioned faith and sublime confidence are essential to achievement

"On Jerusem, the ascenders from these isolated worlds occupy a residential sector by themselves and are known as the agondonters, meaning evolutionary will creatures who can believe without seeing, persevere when isolated, and triumph over insuperable difficulties even when alone. This functional grouping of the agondonters persists throughout the ascension of the local universe and the traversal of the superuniverse; it disappears during the sojourn in Havona, but promptly reappears."

Very true. upon the attainment of Paradise and definitely persists in the Corps of the Mortal Finality. Tabamantia is an agondonter of finaliter status, having -survived from one of the quarantined spheres involved in the first rebellion ever to take place in the universes of time and space.

"All through the Paradise career, reward follows effort as the result of causes. Such rewards set off the individual from the average, provide a differential of creature experience, and contribute to the versatility of ultimate performances in the collective body of the finaliters." (578.last-579.1,2)

Let's draw a parallel from American history. Can you think of-oh, Let's say-1790. Washington is President, Philadelphia is the Capitol. Kentucky is being opened up. It's the frontier. Ohio is 25 years in the future yet. In Philadelphia there's elegance. Snowy napery, lovely silver and crystals, well-mannered occasions, culture, French is widely spoken-there's a French newspaper in Philadelphia that has considerable circulation at that time.

Tape break

I don't think anybody would look at them and say, "Well, after all, you survived--but look at the break you had." No, as you look at their lives--

Audience: The responsibility is greater the more you know.

Yeah. Now, that's not in The URANTIA this is just a private theory of mine.

Audience: I think that's pure, unadulterated truth.

It appeals to me. It would make it fair.

Audience: \*\*\*.

Yes. Right That's very true.

Audience: \*\*\*.

I'll buy that one, too.

Audience: Hardship builds character. That's the reason we're given these problems.

Jesus said, "I don't worry about you boys when you're being persecuted, but when all men speak well of you, you might get fat, dumb, and happy." And this can happen. And that did happen, when the church became pretty triumphant, it became pretty corrupt...

Audience: All the historians know that the churches have deviated from the teachings of Jesus.

Sure they do.

Audience: And they quote that we now have a religion about him instead of the religion of Jesus. Which amazed me.

Audience: What historians? What era of historian?

She's reading RG. Wells right now.

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: You know what I think's surprising with the churches today? I think the members of the churches are church-conscious instead of God-conscious.

Audience: Did HG. Wells ever read The URANTIA I wonder?

No.

Audience: Don't you think he should?

He's dead

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: Didn't he have a chance to?

No. He died before it was published.

Audience: Did he?

Yeah-

Audience: Well, he had a little insight, didn't he?

Yeah.

Audience: Pretty smart boy.

His tribute to Jesus--considering Wells was not a religious man- but his tribute to the teachings of Jesus from one of his characters was one of the great tributes that was ever written in the English language.

Audience: I don't see how you can say how he wasn't a religious man, and I know that's what people say, but when I read that, I find that hard to believe.

When I read that section, I find that hard to believe, too. Where he describes Jesus as "some great moral huntsman" who's trying to ferret us out of the comfortable burrows of evil in which we delight to nestle. It's small wonder that men were blinded by his teaching and sought to bind him down and take control of him in any way--adulterated, modified, humanize it--because to take this man seriously meant to assay an unbelievable happiness.

Bring that down and read it to the group sometime, Berk You know the quote I mean?

Audience: I read it one Wednesday night That's one of the greatest tributes that was ever paid to Jesus.

Audience: Tell them how it ends up.

You quote it.

Audience: "Is it any wonder--

Audience: "-that this Galilean was too big for our small minds."

I think that is just beautiful.

Audience: I can't see how Wells could make that statement in writing and \*\*\*.

Audience: I think he probably denounced churches and so

everybody \*\*\*.

Audience: Well, \*\*\*, (Everyone talking at once) ... I'm not going to worry about it ... Laughter ... Well, I've got too many other things on my mind.

Audience: You mean about cheating?

You've got to deal with a problem of semantics. I think one of your best things you could read there would be, Sholom Ashes' [Aleichem?], The Nazarene.

Audience: Where's that mentioned?

Sholom Ashes, I think it's The Nazarene. Read the Preface, in which this Jew tells of his introduction to Christ. He's a little boy, lived in the ghetto in Warsaw. And he was on his way cross-town to visit his uncle. All dressed up in his Sabbath best. And he was set upon by some older Polish boys, who taunted him with being a Jew. This little guy is about 4 or 5 years of age, now. He is all conversant with the big issues, you know. And they roughed him up, and they tore his clothes, and they got him dirty, and they wouldn't quit until he said, "We crucified Christ."

This was a little 5 year old Jewish boy's introduction to the word and concept, "Christ" This is how Christians introduced him to that. Now, when you consider what our tribe has done to that tribe, down through the years, small wonder that they find it difficult to accept the word, "Christ"

If you want to really be ashamed of Christians, get Will Durant's, Age of Faith. And in the Age of Faith there's several parts. It gives you Byzantine civilization, Mohammedanism civilization, European civilization, and Jewish civilization. He tells the story of the Jews in the Middle Ages. I read that story with profound shame. The story of the Crusaders who stopped in the Rhineland on their way down and said, "Well, here's some handy infidels. In The story of their final breakthrough into a Jewish temple to find every Jew therein, dead. They fought, and when they couldn't win, they killed their women, and the men killed themselves rather than to submit to forcible conversion.

The story of the Spartan German Baron who turned a castle over to the Jews, and the Crusaders never took that castle. The story of the Roman Catholic Bishops who protected them. This is quite a story to read. And if you ever want to be ashamed of being Christian, read that story.

But Sholom Ashes--he's writing the story of Jesus. And he prefaces it with the story of his introduction as a little boy to the Christ.

Audience: He's Jewish.

Sure, he's Jewish. How Jewish can you be? Sholom Ashes?

Audience: Well, that sounds Irish to me.

Audience: Laughter.

You read that story--he tells it very simply--this is how at the age of 5 he met Christ at the hands

of some Polish Christian boys.

You see, it's like the kid who was in a class my old man tried to organize about the turn of the century. A bunch of newsboys. And Poppa got up to tell them a story about God. And he said, "God is like your father. He's like your father in heaven." And one little dirty-faced urchin said, "If God is anything like me ol" man I want nothin' to do wi' him, me ol'man is a stinker."

Now, the word "father" is spoiled for that child. We've got a problem of semantics. Read Will Durant if you want to feel real depressed about being a Christian. This is what our tribe did to this tribe. It's the story of, "Come on in, Ike, we like your pepper and your trade." Then, pretty soon, the Teutons get smart enough to trade, so then they threw Ike out They wanted the profit in the pepper. And they didn't let Ike back in until they got sharp enough so they weren't afraid of him as a competitor. That's the Jewish story all over Europe.

Now what the Jew doesn't realize-I've studied this, because I have to council with Jews-what the Jew doesn't realize is that the first persecution of the Jewish people took place B.C., not AD. And It's because they were feisty and different. They were a trading colony in Alexandria, and they didn't fit The Egyptian, he lost the last battle. He's under the thumb. He understands. The Graeco-Macedonian, be won the last battle. He's the big shot. But who are these characters over here? They didn't conform. They won't go to church, they won't worship at our temples—they got their own particular God—they won't operate on the Sabbath. There's something screwy about these people. If they're screwy, they're not nice-, if they're not nice, lets give them a bad time. So they gave them a bad time.

Yes. Sholom. Ashes' introduction to Christ is something to read.

Audience: Is that out of print, I suppose?

Oh, try for it in the library, Berk. Don't buy all these books, use the library.

Audience: Why?

Well, The Nazarene isn't too good.

Audience: Isn't it?

It's the "Introduction" that's worth reading. Just the simple story of this little Jewish boy being introduced to the central figure of Christianity.

Audience: I want to ask one question.

All right

Audience: Now. We have the Reflective Image Aids who are reflective of the thoughts of the Reflective Spirits. They speak for the Reflective Spirits. Now, what I want to know is, do they reflect those thoughts--are those thought reflections as such, or do they transmit words?

I don't know.

Audience: And language. Say, the Uversa language.

They communicate. By whatever technique.

I don't know. I suspect Ws beyond words. They're communicating with the Ancients of Days. And I fancy that this communication is super-verbal.

Audience: Rather than the Uversa language. Yes. That would be my-

Audience: Might it be something like thought \*\*\*?

Yes. More like telepathy. In other words, the Ancients of Days are there, and they're receiving what these beings are sending. There is complete communication. And my guess is, It's superverbal. It's not subverbal.

Audience: And nobody ever gets to see the Reflective Spirits, do they?

Nope.

Audience: Somebody stands kind of between.

That's right They're real mysterious.

Audience: But they're some type of personality, an odd type.

Well, they're the creators of the seconaphim. But then, nobody gets to see the Spirits of the Circuits, either. You commune with them. That's in Havona.

Audience: You're through.

But you do see the Master Spirits.

Audience: And I think that's good, too.

You see, these spirits are different from the Sons. And here's the thesis for the difference--don't make this apply to all the Spirits, now. It won't It will apply to a Creative Spirit, though. The Infinite Spirit is the archetype of all spirits, as the Eternal Son is the original Son. The Infinite Spirit came into being with Havona. The Son--theoretically--existed before Havona. And was a complete person before Havona.

You get a parallel at the local universe level. Michael is a complete person when he leaves Paradise to come out here. His creative consort is not She is much more of a focalization of the Infinite Spirit than a person in her own right Because she is going to attain personality, exactly as the Infinite Spirit attained personality. Only, the Infinite Spirit came into being in eternity, and she is producing her local universe in time. So we can see her evolve. When her local universe is settled in light and life, she will be just as personal as the Infinite Spirit. But during its evolution, she is personalizing.

## Audience: In process.

She's in process. And she becomes augmented in personality as the local universe develops and as Michael's sovereignty develops. Now, all of the spirits are not persons. The circuit spirits are not. The image aids are images—they're not persons in any sense of the word. The Reflective Spirits are persons, but not contactable. The Master Spirits are contactable. The Adjutant Mind Spirits are not persons, they're a level of the consciousness of the Creative Spirit

You get into a grey area in the Spirits that you never find in the Sons. They are all persons, concrete persons.

Audience: I sure jump around, but I want to ask another question. The Trinitized Sons that are Trinitized by Havona natives -

Creature Trinitized sons.

Audience: Right And by ascenders, two alike -- they aren't nearly as important as the mixture, are they?

I don't think that's true. I think they're equally important, but they're very different.

Audience: Well, the others will be useful in another universe age. And they aren't doing anything here.

That's right But the Creature Trinitized Sons of homogeneous parents are of use right now. Now, these other folks are going to be useful some day. But not now.

Audience: They are being held in abeyance?

Right. I think they're of equal importance, though. But they're just different beings, what's going on in Vicegerington? I don't know. But I'll bet It's interesting. I bet they're plotting stuff out for the outer space levels there.

Audience: But they are never Trinity embraced in this universe age.

Not in this universe age, no. What he's in the future, no one knows.

Well, lets stop and think of an interesting thought. Just to throw this up for grabs. You like continuing things. We've got room for just exactly 700 thousand Creator Sons, because every local universe has a Union of Days--the ambassador of the Trinity-and there are exactly 700 thousand of these Days. That's a fixed number. No more are being created. But there are already more than 700 thousand Creator Sons. In one place it says, "more than 700 thousand." In another place it says, "well nigh a million." And they keep on being created. That means some Creator Sons are never going to have a chance to function in the seven superuniverses. They're going to have to wait for outer space. And their whole experience will be post-Supreme. As Creator Sons. And that's where I get the notion there's going to be two kinds of Creator Sons in outer space: Those who have functioned as Creators, and those who haven't...

If they divide up outer space among the Creator Sons who have worked in the seven superuniverses, then each Creator Son is going to be responsible for something on the order of \*\*\* but larger than a Major Sector of a superuniverse. And to me, it's quite likely that the younger Creator Sons will function under their jurisdiction. But that's all speculation.

And then what's going to happen in the second outer space level? Which is much bigger, ever so much bigger.

Leona, it's not only not going to stop, its going to get tremendously larger. Enormously larger.

Audience: \*\*\* There will be--there will be new planets?

Sure there will.

Audience: Oh. \*\*\* these boys ... function there?

They can. But they aren't going to open that up until the whole thing gets opened up. It will have to wait

Audience: \*\*\*, Laughter.

Sure. They'll have to wait their turn. Let's close on one note here. We were talking about the quiet time between the universe ages.

The perfected grand universe of those future days will be vastly different from what it is at on concurrent present. Gone will be the thrilling adventures of the organization of the galaxies of space, the of planting of life on the uncertain worlds of time, and the evolving of harmony out of chaos, beauty out of potentials, truth out of meanings and goodness out of values. The time universes will have achieved the fulfillment of finite destiny! And perhaps for a space them will be rest, relaxation from the agelong struggle for evolutionary perfection. But not for long ....

Audience: Oh. (Laughter.) Damn . . I was so relaxed.

"Certainly, surely, and inexorably the enigma of the emerging Deity of God the Ultimate will challenge these perfected citizens of the settled universes just as their struggling evolutionary forebears were once challenged by the quest for God the Supreme. The curtain of cosmic destiny will draw back to reveal the transcendent grandeur of the alluring absonite quest for the attainment of the Universal Father on those new and higher levels revealed in the ultimate of creature experience." (1293.last)

Audience: A lot of \*\*\* ... God the Supreme, and then well search for God the Ultimate.

Yes.

Audience: Where is that, now?

That's page 1293.

Audience: Will you tell me the page number--where is that problem avoidance'?

I think I can find it On page 1294, Leona. 1293 is where I read the last paragraph of the Paper. On 1294, they give you their philosophy of growth, and then rest. And then growth, and then rest. They don't keep you running all the time. When you graduate as a senior, they let you stick around a while and enjoy being a graduate. You don't go to school; you teach a while. They don't make you become a freshman at a higher level immediately.

On page 1294: "Creative growth is unending but ever satisfying, endless in extent but always punctuated by those personality satisfying moments of transient goal attainment which serve so effectively as the mobilization preludes to new adventures in cosmic growth, universe exploration, and Deity attainment' (1294.3)

## Quiet periods.

'While the domain of mathematics is beset with qualitative limitations, it does provide the finite mind with a conceptual basis of contemplating infinity. There is no quantitative limitation to numbers, even in the comprehension of the finite mind. No matter how large the number conceived, you can always envisage one more being added. And also, you can comprehend that that is short of infinity, for no matter how many times you repeat this addition to number, still always one more can be added " (1294.4)

"At the same time, the infinite series can be totaled at any given point, and this total (more properly, a subtotal) provides the fullness of the sweetness of goal attainment for a given person at a given time and status. But sooner or later, this same person begins to hunger and yearn for new and greater goals, and such adventures in growth will be forever forthcoming in the fullness of time and the cycles of eternity." (1294.5)

"Each successive universe age is the antechamber of the following era of cosmic growth, and each universe epoch provides immediate destiny for all preceding stages. Havona, in and of itself, is a perfect, but perfection-limited, creation; Havona perfection, expanding out into the evolutionary superuniverses, finds not only cosmic destiny but also liberation from the limitations of pre-evolutionary existence." (1294.last)

You know, that's so comforting, because while the final goal is non-attainable, all other goals are attainable. And you have the wonderful feeling of goal-attainment And, by gosh, you can sit on that goal for a little while and say, "I made it.. Whether it's citizenship on Jerusem, or Edentia. Or the attainment of Paradise. They never push you. They wait until you get itchy feet. When you got good and tired of being a graduate and want to be a fisherman, this is the indication that It's time to move on to the new adventure. But they wait for your hunger to grow.

When you cross home plate, they don't make you go to bat right away.

Everybody applauds (clapping) -- the run, see -- \*\*\*

Audience: Laughter.

And you don't have to go to bat until you're ready. I like that And when you're ready, there's a new game.

Audience: Oh, boy ... \*\*\* ... this is down to a personal thing ... my own growth ... I can see these things happening in my own life ...

Sure.

Audience: And wham. \*\*\* I got the rug pulled out from under me. And everything fell down on my head, and I've learned more this last week than I've ever known about \*\*\* and I thought how stupid can you get? This is a result of those things I said I believed in.

Fair enough.

Audience: And then, sit back and relax and \*\*\* I didn't get to stay here real long. There's a new game starting, and you have to get up to bat.

Audience: I'm just a kid that's got to be in the middle of everything going on.

Well, that's a great statement, there.

Audience: Oh, I love that

Audience: I'll tell you what I like. When people ask why we have some of these papers in this book, I like this first paragraph.

Audience: And I read it often to people. Read it, Bill.

"It is helpful to man's cosmic orientation to attain all possible comprehension of Deity's relation to the Cosmos. While absolute Deity is eternal in nature, the Gods are related to time as an experience in eternity. In the evolutionary universes eternity is temporal everlastingness-the everlasting now." (1295.1)

I think of time as a railroad rail that goes from horizon to horizon for the past and the future. And I think of eternity as a great wheel that's rolling down this rail. And where the wheel touches the rail, that is the moving moment of the everlasting present. That's where time and eternity impinge. And I feel in my bones that there will always be a present There always has been, there is now, there always will be.

You want to know where ....-I'm not so sure I'm going to find them--I found them, and I've got them noted in my book.

Let me see. It's got to be in Part II, I think.

Audience: Are you talking about the Animal traits \*\*\*.
Well, its on 55 1.

Thank you, Helen.

Well, I was getting close. I was on page 554 and working backwards.

Audience: Thank you, Helen.

Audience: \*\*\*. Yes. Aren't those awful?

Audience: Who? Procrastination? Problem avoidance?

Much tougher Than the 10 commandmentsch.

Audience: Where are we?

551, paragraph 3: "One of the purposes of the morontia career is to effect the permanent eradication from the mortal survivors of such animal vestigial traits as procrastination, equivocation, insincerity, problem avoidance, unfairness, and ease seeking."

That's murder. These are the cardinal sins of mankind

Audience: Ease-seeking. Some people think that's \*\*\*.

Audience: Does anybody do that? \*\*\* we all do. Audience: Laughter.

Audience: Procrastination. Ease-seeking. Well, I didn't know I did any of that.

The only reason I don't seek ease is I don't have time. But I sure would if I had time Oh, Lordy. Those are the cardinal sins of mankind. Its awful to read them. Procrastination, you put it off Equivocation, you straddle...

Audience: (Everyone talking at once). Hnmm ... What, now? ... I was going to ask you.

You straddle. You--ahhh-you don't commit yourself. Audience: You broke a keel rudder, you-

Audience: Indecision. (Everyone talking at once). You give them double-talk.

Audience: You broke a keel rudder, see.

Insincerity. Well, that's real bad. Problem avoidance. Said Scarlett O'Hara, "I'll think about that tomorrow." Unfairness. You're just plain sub-human. Ease-seeking. You're a definite Animal. Animal vestigial traits. I used that in a commencement talk I gave up at Great Lakes. I said that I thought that their training as managers, and the whole profit system, and the whole whiplash of meeting reality on the economic level should help us be less mammalian and more human which is--you get rid of these things. It made quite an impression. I just came out with these "animal vestigial traits."

Audience: What are you going to talk about tonight, do you know?

I thought I'd talk about you, Berk.

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: That should be interesting

Audience: Don't leave out her one cardinal sm. What's that?

Audience: Bill, I wanted to ask you a question.

I thought we'd get you and J.B. over to the platform. I'd use you as "before" and J.B. as "after' exposure to the book.

Audience: Like the preacher who \*\*\* .what means "vestigial" really?

Remaining.

Audience: Some time back, some fella \*\*\* and asked them what they wanted to be, and a great majority \*\*\* wanted to live in the suburbs, wanted to have all the conveniences, wanted to work for a big corporation where their salary was substantial, and- Retirement is sure.

Audience: --and retirement is sure, and all the security. Well ' when I was a kid, \*\*\* ... I wonder what \*\*\* is coming to. Is it a tax problem that's robbing a man of his initiative that don't want to go through the \*\*\* or you don't have any charge offs to take that causes that or what?

I think It's the degradation of the individual. I think it's horrible.

Audience: I was surprised that they didn't have any initiative.

I think its horrible. William White wrote a book on that, called, The Organization Man. And I see it in large organizations. I experienced it in Standard Oil. I worked at Standard Oil for a while. Six, seven years. And I got out of there just before they captured me with \*\*\* machines. I had such an equity in the pension \*\*\* I almost couldn't quit. And I finally decided, I couldn't afford to have any more equity, or I'd be bought and paid for. And I wanted out. I didn't want security, I wanted opportunity. I wanted to live. And take my lumps and my losses. And try and make a profit I wouldn't go back for all the tea in China.

Audience: You were virtually enslaved.

I had it really good. I had it real good, because I worked for the Executive vice-president, and I wasn't lost down the line. I had it as good as a young man could have it in a big corporation. But I didn't want it

Audience: What one thing fosters creeping. I shouldn't say creeping--the galloping socialism that's...\*\*\*

Every time civilization gets to a certain point--that I can read about, and this is especially true if you study Rome--always you get these rules and regulations which make it easy, because this is what people want. And this is what government gives them. And this goes on until they've got the thing so hog-tied that the thing collapses. This is how civilizations--they don't blow themselves up, they fall down because of internal dry rot. And I can see some real parallels between the Roman Empire and the United States of America.

Audience: Fast being realized. Fast being realized.

Um-hum. I see a loss of craftsmanship, a loss of pride in performance. Stuff is shoddy, right? We

got a crazy little organization. We work hard. And you know, it just makes us awfully competitive. Even if we were kind of dumb, we'd have business, because we work hard. I even got the- girls working hard at the \*\*\* level. We pay them so damn much money, it makes them think twice about losing the job. And we got good kids, so--

Audience: Do you have an opening? Huh?

Audience: Laughter.

Audience: They wouldn't change very often, either, in those circumstances.

We get turnover, because we get them young, and they stay until they get married. At the moment, we have no pregnant females. We'll have one pretty soon, because we've got a couple of married gals.

Audience: One of our services in the office--part of my job is when \*\*\* I want a 35 year old girl who is married and who's had a hysterectomy.

Audience: \*\*\*.

You hit a point, and it's tempting. You talk to these youngsters, and they want it easy. They're willing to do some work ...

Audience: Oh, sure:

You know, they don't want to--

Audience: But they're looking at that security, and they don't want responsibility.

I'll tell you a frightening statement in here. This is frightening. It'll mean more if I actually quote it Page 1548.

"The apostles learned from Jesus about the kingdom of heaven, and Jesus learned much from them about the kingdom of men, human nature as it lives on Urantia, and on the other evolutionary worlds of time and space. These twelve men represented many different types of human temperament, and they had not been made alike by schooling. - (1548.2)

Golly. The implications of that statement are frightening! Audience: One of my pet peeves \*\*\*. Now, I had 9 years in school. And then I got out of school for 5 years. Then I went back. And I've always thought that that 5 year hiatus in there was real valuable, because I didn't believe what they taught me when I went back. I could think.

I mean, I would filter things. I would listen, and I would say, "Well, this guy's sincere, but he could be wrong, you know."

Audience: \*\*\* education is the assimilation and regurgitation of facts.

That's very true.

" - . -they had not been made alike by schooling." Gee, that's a-They don't say anything more, but the implication is just terrific.

Audience: In analogy, what's the time sequence?

Audience: In analogy, what's the time sequence? And I'm searching, I'm picking your brains, because you have read history and I haven't. The inevitable seems before us here.

Well, here's what happens. Here's where we're heading. Here's what we're looking at.

Audience: Time-wise, what are we looking at?

If we follow Rome---

Audience: The pattern, yeah.

If we follow Rome--and that means we don't blow ourselves up--

Audience: Right.

Then, we get softer and softer. We breed down. In other words, good germ plasm maintains the high standard of living and curtails breeding. And we keep lowering our basic aptitude level in the country. In time, we're soft picking for the Russians.

Audience: \*\*\* or Chinese.

At the time. Or Chinese, yes. And then we become an enslaved people. And you have a planetary imperium, which lasts until it decays. In other words, you have a world-wide empire. So we have a world government, only its unopposed by force. And we go down simply because we give up. Or we're inadequate.

Audience: We breed ourselves out--

Sure.

Audience: -- of stable position.

This is correct The Romans went down because they never could provide a stable government. The last Roman who cleaned up the Rhine was Julian, the last non-Christian emperor. And he was made Caesar--which was the number 2 rank in Rome--and this guy from a scholar suddenly became a terrific general, and he made apes out of the Teutons; he just cleaned up the Rhine provinces so there were no Germans on the wrong side unless they were in the Roman army So what happens? His soldiers proclaim him, "Augustus," which is the top dog. And now he's got to fight a civil war with his first cousin. And that's the last time the Romans ever cleaned up the Rhine. They never got back there with a big army. In the meantime, everything's gotten rigid.

You're a baker. You're born in to the baker's union, because your old man was a baker. And you can be condemned to death if you don't bake bread.

You're an alderman of a city. You don't want to be an alderman, but you're stuck with it; your old man was an alderman. But it's breaking you, the taxes. The only way you can get out of being an alderman is to beat it; \*\*\*; take off and join a monastery or something

You're a sea captain. You have to haul free for the Roman government 8 months out of the year. You can haul for yourself for 4 months. You see, you've got a completely rigid society. Currency is so debased that civil servants are paid in chits, which enable them to go to warehouses and draw what they need, avoiding money-

Silver coins are made out of copper--copper with a thin silver wash on them to give them that silver appearance. Inflation has gone the final route.

Audience: \*\*\*.

Yeah. And then pretty soon, the Romans die out first, the Provincials come in, from Spain, from \*\*\*, from Gaul, and they're good men. They maintain the empire. As they begin to play out, then the Teutons come in. And their allegiance is not completely Roman. There's bad blood between the Romans and the Teutons. And pretty soon the Krauts are across the Rhine, and the fat's in the fire, and the empire goes down. But it rotted internally first. At no time were the Romans ever able to whip the Germans on anything like an even basis, until they ran out of army. The Romans just had scientific warfare; the Germans just never could match them from a tactical standpoint But pretty soon no more Roman armies. Then its simple. You move in. That's the end route, in civilization, the weaker--being the more numerous--when they vote, they make it easier and easier and easier for themselves. And it's the stronger who pay.

Audience: And they procreate more like themselves.

That's exactly right, yes. This is not pleasant to contemplate. I just don't get excited about it I'm concerned about just a couple of things. I have to make a living, support a family, and the rest of the time, I work for the blue book. Economics, politics, the atom bomb- I'll let other people worry about them. This is a full-time job. I've only an academic interest in these areas. I'll let Mr. Nixon and Mr. Kennedy worry.

Audience: Well, my question was purely academic.

Sure. It's not pleasant to--

Audience: I wasn't picking your brains for your political ideology.

It's not pleasant to contemplate.

Audience: But I was picking your brains for \*\*\* projected into the past, I knew you--

I will say this. I think the greatest thing that's happened to America is Russia. We need a challenge badly. Because we're getting about like mashed potatoes. Now, Russia's got us scared. And, maybe, in meeting the Russian challenge, we'll avoid some of these pitfalls. I regard Russia as almost indispensable to American survival. Now, God knows, the Russians don't plan it that way.

Audience: Urn-hum.

But that's their unwitting result

Audience: You've seen the first manifestation in the maintenance of arms subsequent to Korea, where it was \*\*\*.

Sputnik was the greatest thing that could happen to us. It shook us. All of a sudden we said, "Geez, competitor" They didn't steal sputnik from us. We're real smug about the atom bomb. They swiped that But they didn't swipe sputnik. And we still haven't developed the thrust that they've got in their engines. When Khrushev says, "Well bury you," he will. If we don't meet competition. One of these days—and this is going to have a salutary effect on our whole economics—one of these days we're going to have to compete with Russian steel in the international market And at this point, the American union is going to have to learn a lesson or two.

Audience: Maybe three.

Maybe three. Correct. Right. Someday we're going to have to elect people who have ideas--

Audience: What about ideals?

And ideals. We haven't done too well lately.

Audience: We haven't done too well.

The president incumbent has performed just about the way I figured he would. He graduated in the middle of his class. He's trained as a staff man He's not a \*\*\* ship commander. He's no Patton, he's no McArthur, he's no Hindeburg, even. He's not even a Montgomery.

Here. Just to take one idea now. Consider this. You know all the stink that's made about the Suez Canal. Now, we don't need the Panama Canal. It's not vital to our defense anymore. We don't have a one-ocean navy in two oceans; we've got a big air force. Why in the devil don't we offer the Panama Canal to the United Nations? And let the UN take over the canal -- 'bonds, you know, let them have the revenue, and let them ..Off the bonds? We could still use the Canal just as we use it now. And what a beautiful gesture this would be. Because we're not giving away anything that's essential to us. The Panama Canal is no longer a strategic necessity.

Audience: We still \*\*\*.

But why the devil don't we get smart and take the initiative? Instead of waiting until the Panamanians join Castro or something like that We sit here, and we look at dictators in Latin America, and we give them medals because it's all peaceful. Then we wait, and we have a revolution, and what have we got? The alternative is not too good.

I'd like to see--why don't we get an ideology that's based on God? Instead of talking about the "American way of life." Which adds up to a very crass deal. This means more marshmallow topping on our sundaes. It means pickle relish plus mustard on our hot dogs, and more chrome on our automobiles. In other words, a real comfortable life. You know. Suburbs, security, whatnot.

Why don't we talk about God? This is a safe subject. This creates no controversy with Catholic, Protestant, or Jew. Or Mohammedan, or Hindu or Buddhist. Why don't we fight this on an ideological basis? Those who believe in God versus those who do not believe in God. We need spark plugs in our cold war. We haven't got any.

Audience: Maybe, do you think, would it be in the realm of possibility that we could get \*\*\*
instead of being the east and the west~ the pro and the con?

It would be better.

Audience: That would be something that would drum up some \*\*\* in the cold war.

Yes, it would.

Audience: A nation, or a mortal, could find something--

That's right

Audience: --to pound the table about

You see, Clyde, our problem is that we lack virtue. We're selfish, slothful, ease-seeking--and the rest of the deadly --

We are good to other nations because we are afraid that Russia will be better to them if we aren't. Were in exactly the position of a devout Christian in the Middle Ages. We're going to give them a line not because we love God, but we're scared as hell. of the devil and hell. We have yet to learn to respond to the good stimulus.

Audience: Instead of reacting to the bad one. Correct Shall we run over, Mr. President?

Audience: Yes, but It's a wonderful run-over.

Audience: Yes, it is.

This is outside of my line of \*\*\*.

Audience: Damned if it is.

I don't 'futz' around with this sort of stuff.

Audience: I'd like to divide the forces. On the little old planet.

Audience: \*\*\*. (Everyone talking at once).

I'll give you a check ...

Audience: Bill, you evaded my question. Audience: Where you at?

Audience: Do you foresee, just possibly, the forces \*\*\* eventually arriving \*\*\* Let's just say to heck with (everyone talking at once). Everybody line up on this side of the room who believes in God. Everybody who don't believe in him, get away.

Audience: This I hope you can foresee.

Sure. I think It's within the realm of possibility. Though we've got to get some leadership to do that And we haven't done too well lately.

Audience: Kids, it is 5 after 6 almost, and--

Audience: You still got your deal rotating. You want to listen to yourself?

Audience: Is it working now? OK All right. This is an analysis of.

# Section 1. THE SEVEN LEVELS OF TOTAL DEITY FUNCTION.'

The Papers instruct us (page 2, paragraph 4 to 11) that Total Deity is functional on the following seven levels: static, potential, associative, creative, evolutional, supreme, and ultimate. Since these levels are given in sequence, it is possible to make certain deductions about them. The three first-named levels--static, potential, and associative--may be regarded as pre-creative levels; they are levels of deity function that are before the creative level.

The next two levels--creative and evolutional--could be denominated out-going levels; they are levels on which deity is distributive and expansive in expression.

The last two levels could be denominated incoming levels; they are consolidating, unifying, and correlating levels. These last two levels--supreme an ultimate--are the levels on which take place the finite consolidation and the absonite consolidation of all the creative-evolutional expressions of deity.

We are further instructed (page 4, paragraph 11-12) that the seventh level, the ultimate level, is a final creative level. We may accordingly deduce that any activity of deity that might be on beyond this level would be properly denominated super-creative. See page 4, paragraph 13.

If this reasoning is sound, we may then group the levels of Total Deity function under four major headings:

- Pre-creative levels. These are the static level, the potential level, and the associative level. It
  would appear that these are pre-master universe levels of activity, at least in the main.
- Out-going levels. The creative level and the evolutional level are the levels on winch deity engages in an outgoing expression. Hereon is deity distributive and expansive, divinely revealed and creature-associated
- 3. Incoming levels. These embrace the supreme level and the ultimate level. On the supreme level, all finite reality will achieve unification. On the ultimate level, all absonite reality will achieve unification.
- 4. Supercreative levels. These absolute levels of deity action are existentially attained by the Paradise Trinity. (See page 2, paragraph 14)\_ But from the experiential viewpoint, they appear to be levels of post-master-universe activity After the master universe.

The entire story of the master universe is almost entirely the story of the outgoing and the incoming levels--creative 'evolutional, supreme, and ultimate. If this is the case, then we may further classify our concepts.

A. Pre-creative levels. These are pre-master-universe levels of total deity activity-static, potential, and associative.

B. Master universe levels. These are the outgoing and the incoming levels--creative, evolutional, supreme, and ultimate.

C. Supercreative levels. These must be post-master-universe levels of total deity activity. These levels would be absolute.

We may now attempt to correlate our thinking concerning the levels of total deity function with our concepts of the pre-universe ages and of the universe ages.

#### Section 2. PRE-CREATIVE LEVELS OF TOTAL DEITY

#### FUNCTION.

We are now considering the static level, the potential level, and the associative level of total deity function as they may be related to the stages traversed in our exploration of the historic past of eternity.

Back of the Pre-Zero Concept. Or the "third pre-universe age." Here we are going back to the "hypothetical static moment of eternity." Potentials have not yet appeared- See page 1153, paragraph 3). This would appear to be the static level of the function of Total (existential) Deity. It should be noted that this level is a continuing reality now, as in the eternal past an in the eternal future.

The Pre-Zero Concept. The "second pre-universe age." At this point, we note the appearance of potentials, the separation of the qualified deity absolute from the unqualified absolute. This must constitute the potential level of the function of total deity. The appearance of potential seems to be inseparable from the appearance of some degree of associative function. The associative action of the universal absolute in uni4ing the other two absolutes. But this associative activity is pre-personal, pre-fraternal, and pre-trinity.

The Zero Concept. The "first pre-universe age." Total deity continues to function of the static and the potential levels, and at this concept point, we encounter a second-stage expression of the associative level - the association of the Universal Father and the Eternal Son. The associative function has now become personal, but it is still pre-fraternal (pre-spirit) and pre-trinity. We advance the opinion that this stage of development is also pre-creative. Neither the Son nor the Isle of Paradise seems to be "creations" of the Father, they seem to be more on the order of "divestments" which the pre-Father made in constituting himself Father of the Eternal Son and source of the Paradise Isle.

The First Universe Age. The age of Havona. We have now reached factual reality. In this age, deity continues to function on the static and on the potential levels. Deity now completes the associative level, in terms of the function. of existential deity. The appearance of the Infinite Spirit and of the Paradise Trinity completes this level of deity function.

### Section 3. PARADOXES IN THE STATUS OF HAVONA.

A careful study of the status of the central universe discloses more than one paradox Havona appears to be the perfect universe that was "created" by the Paradise Deities, but we are instructed that it never was actually created. See page 91, paragraph 7, and 1160, paragraph 1. We would suggest that the "creation" of Havona is an eternity-event and that such an eternity-action is pre-creative. If this is a valid line of reasoning, then we should look at the central

universe from two perspectives.

- A. Pre-Creative Havona. This is the eternity concept of the central and divine universe. This is Havona in the first age--an isolated existence. This is before the appearance of anything that relates Havona to the post-Havona creations.
- B. Post-Creative Havona. This is the concept of the central universe in the post-Havona ages, the central creation in relation to the surrounding universes. This is Havona after the appearance of such beings as: the Circuit Spirits, the Havona Power Centers, Secondary Seconaphim, and Graduate Guides. Much actual time-creation has taken place. And from a functional standpoint, as we view Havona in the second or present- age, it certainly functions like a created universe. The created universe of divine perfection.