

# The Circles

*"Life is but a day's work—  
do it well."\**

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## Loneliness

By Jim Thornhill  
Houston, Texas

Who among us fully understands the meaning of the word "lonely"? Infinite in its number of shades, each with its own range of densities from the lightest to the heaviest, it functions on all levels of awareness or being. It seems to be undesirable and is mostly saddening. It can be nagging or awesome. It can lie dormant only to be activated and remembered in its fullness. It can be anticipated, giving rise to great worrying and increased unhappiness. Once present it can sometimes temporarily be set aside by pleasant interludes or other priorities of sudden importance, but it will return. It apparently is a part of self and is activated by external stimuli. It can also be self-induced. It can be a hard, cold fact or an illusion or, perhaps, a combination of the two. It can even be fatal. It can happen at any time in human life and more than once. It can pervade any of life's areas and exist simultaneously and independently within each of them. It gives rise to fear and often is the author of many otherwise difficult to explain patterns of human conduct.

It can be majestic and has been known to invoke respect and sympathy. It can be bravely and patiently faced or moodily endured. It affords much time for reflection and has been responsible for much of man's greatest accomplishments. But because man is a social animal it is hard to accept and harder yet to endure.

It is seldom understood or it would not endure.

If there is one word in the English language which is the antithesis of every shade, dimension or aspect of the word "lonely," it is the word "love." Love can accomplish that which the mind of man can not fully comprehend.

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## The Teacher's Side

By Kaye Cooper  
Arlington, Texas

Seraphim are our teachers and guides through life here. I'd like to imagine what seraphim are like as they labor to guide us through our circles of growth.

To begin with seraphim work in the plural — as a pair. They must take great joy in planning for the mortals in their care. Working in a pair would do so much more than increase efficiency. Ideas shared between the two could grow and change so rapidly and spontaneously that afterwards it would be hard for either to tell whose idea it was — it just grew. Their shared

task would be an adventure.

Seraphim, like earthly teachers, set up situations for learning. They plan circumstances so that eventually the student cries, "Aha!" and the light flashes. How calm they would be. How unaffected by the particular circumstances in which the struggling mortal finds himself. They would have sympathy, yes. But because they can see the broader picture — the goals, the rewards, the progress already made — the seraphim know that present discomforts are

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# Patience

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Patience is the clock of God.  
Patience is the unfolding of God's divine plan.

Patience is the measurement of man's watchfulness and waiting.

Patience is a virtue, a fruit of the spirit, and a joy to possess.

Patience is not idleness; but is watchful, forward growth of working, loving, and living. It is that steady, forward struggle of man's grappling with the lessons of Time. It is that time of slow growth that makes men ready to learn cosmic wisdom, understanding, and love.

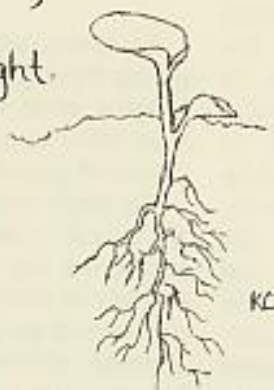
Patience is the unfolding of the flower of Life. Then, when this flower is open, the sun will shine

upon it so that it can bask in the sunlight of spiritual truth. Then, the gentle rains of daily living will fall and wash the petals of mortal insight, making them glisten with dew, thereby filling the mortal soul with the desire for social service, and for putting into action his knowledge of Love.

Let the unfolding of your life be like that of a flower. Open yourself up to the God who dwells within you. Patiently work and grow under His direction. Go and grow wherever it leads. Unshackle your mind and liberate your heart with patient love. Open yourself up like a flower to Godliness, goodness, and giving.

By Alice Obenhaus  
Columbus, Texas

When I really look  
I see ~  
He who grows  
faithfully  
finds  
the light.





HE ETERNAL FATHER SPOKE . . .

thus confirming  
the everlasting union  
of Creator Son and Creative Spirit.

**S** O IT WAS  
that the love of the Eternal Father  
richly blended with the mercy of the Eternal Son  
was focalized in Michael,  
and complemented by the modulating power  
of the Eternal Mother.

Liberated now  
from Paradise obligations  
our beloved Michael and our Mother Spirit  
took leave of the Eternal Core of Perfection

400 billion years ago.

Past an endless panorama of swirling universes  
traveled Michael and his consort  
on their stupendous evolutionary enterprise:

To recreate  
from grossest physical matter  
and rawest energy  
The Eternal Pattern of Perfection,  
and to manifest  
in time and space  
the awesome attributes  
of God the Sevenfold.

**O**N AND ON they traveled  
to the outermost periphery  
of the Seventh Superuniverse —  
near the dead vaults of space —  
to a disintegrating  
monarch of light,  
the enormous nebula  
Andronover.

There began our universe.

And they called it Nebadon.



# TECHNIQUES

## An Introduction

The following article is taken from a speech Bob gave to the Los Angeles chapter of the World Future Society in February, 1974. We thought it might stimulate some ideas we could use in our person-to-person introductions of the book.

— The Editors

Suppose that, by some technique, the very highest, most perceptive and truthful human insights could be collected and then formulated into a consistent rendition for all men to study and analyze. The source of each gem of wisdom would be relatively unimportant; each would find its

proper place in the whole by withstanding the tests of beauty, truth, and goodness on as many levels of reality as the current evolving consciousness of man has experience for evaluation. Suppose, further, that some new information is made available for transition, for completion of partial concept, and for extensions within the grasp of human understanding. Would the populace of this beleaguered little planet be able to adjust to the new levels of both understanding and responsibility? I regard both the supposition and the question as being of

By Robert W. Hunt Arcata, California

the utmost importance because, incredibly, what I am describing has occurred! At this particular time in the history of planetary evolution and with a calculated absence of fanfare, a revelation of epochal significance has occurred and is slowly but effectively permeating the consciousness of anyone willing to suspend disbelief, approach it with an open mind, and ultimately realize the extraordinary significance of the discovery.

I am speaking of *The Urantia Book*, an unprecedented, altogether astounding, and totally unique work that will one day be recognized as the most important document ever to appear in the history of mankind on this planet.

The nature and scope of *The Urantia Book* could not possibly be represented by any form of synopsis or paraphrase. It must be read, studied and, ultimately, experienced in order to be grasped on any but the most superficial levels. I can only tell you about it; you must then explore the further dynamics, surpassing mere intellectual realizations that are communicable, on your own.

The magnitude and grandeur of this work encompass an expensive proposition for the reader, the cost including an increasing dedication, a growing faith, a genuine openness, a sincere attitude, and an expanding reality.

Many persons will encounter *The Urantia Book* only briefly and not be drawn further. Many others will tarry awhile and move away. A few will experience an overpowering realization of its importance. And these few will communicate with others, generally only with those who they feel might understand, for *The Urantia Book*

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## Just Be

By Tommie Clendening  
Plano, Texas

Why is it that humans cause themselves so much suffering by allowing themselves to become so emotionally involved with those around them?

For instance, when we are to make a speech on a subject or have a wonderful idea to present, almost inevitably we get caught up in the tensions of: Will my idea be accepted? What will people think? Will my presentation come across well? These common, simple, everyday tensions can be very harmful to the physical vehicle over the long run. But, yet, we persist in perpetuating them.

Maybe if we just took a few minutes a day to commune with the Father and ascertain his will — these destructive habits would eventually fall away. We have so much help available to us in this life — if we'd but use it: angels, our Thought Adjuster, the Spirit of Truth, etc.

As we have learned in the book, "The act is ours; the consequences God's" — What's right for us may not

be "right" for another person. We can only offer our love and express our ideas. What others do is their life. As long as we are walking the path we know to be right for us, and doing the Father's will as Jesus did, we can feel the great emotional burden of worry lifted as we learn to listen, contemplate and act. Our supermortal friends and companions will take care of the details. As we learn to let go of the tensions and follow the light, it's amazing how quickly the pattern falls into place. Suddenly, more activity is required; more lives are touched. And because destructive, emotional tensions have been eliminated, there is more abundant energy available.

Many morontia truths can be learned and used here, if we'd but let go and open the channels.

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Love is the key to the door of life eternal. Love is the reflection from the mirror of man's soul of all that the heavenly Father has sent and given. Love is tolerance, wisdom and mercy applied. Love is acceptance, harmony and balance . . . and patience. Love eliminates loneliness in one's self and then goes forward and tends to foresee and eliminate loneliness in other selves. Love is self-sustaining and comes from within. It can not be depleted by giving or sharing. Love can not be weakened by the passing of time. Love is both personal and social. In true reality, love is the only antidote to prevent, control or eliminate loneliness which waits in the wings to become the experience of man. In human reality, which is often based on comparisons, perhaps loneliness is necessary in order for one to begin to appreciate the truth, beauty and goodness of love.

You seek an example of loneliness? Examine Jesus, the man. In his early youth he was seldom understood by his family or friends. This was true to a much larger extent during his later life, extending even to his disciples

**What you think of yourself is much more important than what others think of you.**

— Seneca

who exhorted him to provide more miracles and to overthrow Roman rule, little understanding his message of a kingdom not of this world. Jesus wept in loneliness and gave his life in love . . . and thereafter tarried on earth for as long as possible in love and compassion for his apostles to whom he, now as God, delegated the enormous and often lonely responsibility of being his personal representatives on earth. This small group of humble men, who had quarreled among themselves for the seats of honor at his last

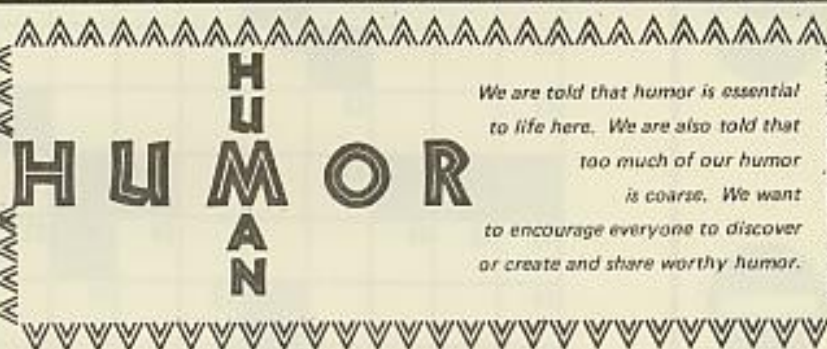
supper and who, for the most part, were conspicuously absent during the last terrible moments of his life, with the aid of the Spirit of Truth which he sent them, rallied and succeeded in carrying out his wishes.

They faced their moments of loneliness, but they did have each other. But in all the multitudes there was not one human who truly understood Jesus or his message. It is the fact of this loneliness which magnifies the love and understanding his life as man so fully depicts and demonstrates how effective love is as an antidote to the ravages of loneliness.

Be of good cheer and in love live your lives to impel others to follow in your footsteps and you will be in full control of that unhappy aspect of human nature: loneliness.

**You speak so many words; I hear your pain.  
I will try to listen until you run out of words.  
When you run out of words, I want you to notice,  
I am still here.**

— Mary Dell Miles  
Alive Now



Conscience is the still, small voice that makes you feel still smaller.

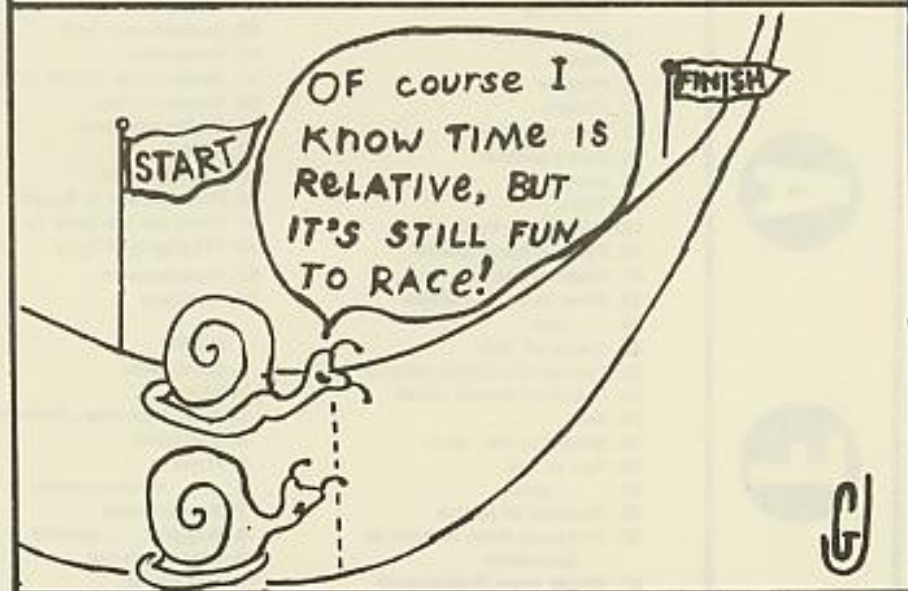
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One of the rarest things that man ever does is to do the best he can.

— Josh Billings

**OVERHEARD:**

Dan Massey, on noticing that several had fallen asleep during the presentation, "No doubt their Adjusters wanted to have a word with them."





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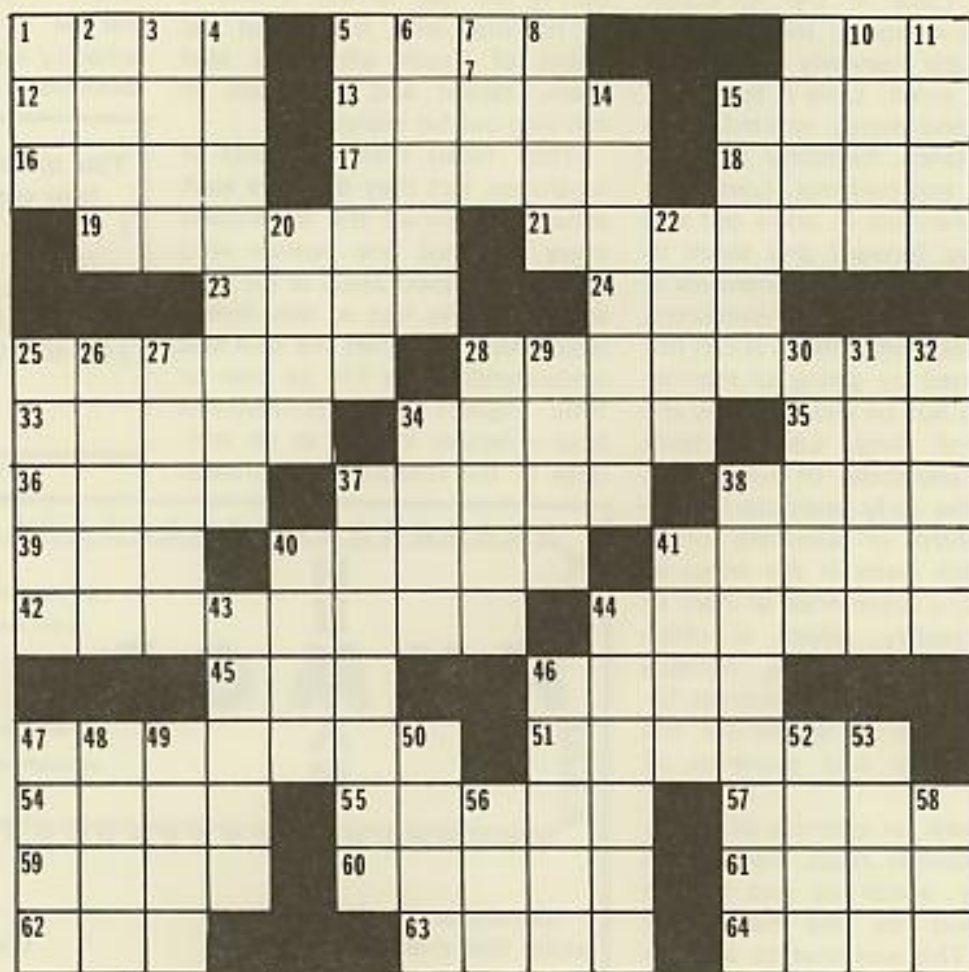
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Puzzle  
by Leo Elliott  
Charlottesville, Va.

## ACROSS

- Matthew ----
- Peaks
- Primate
- Cripple
- Fem. pl. suffix
- Cain's brother
- Journey
- Thou ----
- Dec. 25, in Paris
- Famous hand-washer
- Passenger birds
- River in Cent. Europe
- ...-doo
- Group of four
- Central California resident
- Group of female slaves
- Bete- ----
- School in Va., abbr.
- Part of eye
- ... ante
- Goddess of justice
- Direction from Hebron to Jerusalem
- Whole more than sum of ----

- Master ---- Organizers
- Home of yellow races, 2 words
- Servile flatterer
- Reflectivity Library Service abbr.
- Scandinavian god
- Fetishistic
- Andonite or Violet, e. g.
- Prayer ending
- Desert sanctuary
- Tidy
- See 37 across
- Pert. to river in Egypt
- Some are too busy to ----
- $\text{CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_2\text{INO}_2\text{I}_3$
- Protuberance
- Mediocre

## DOWN

- Limit, abbr.
- Wyatt ----
- Jesus 14th year, Roman
- Beseches
- Proven
- ... consciousness
- School group
- Rugged ---- control
- Irish battle cry
- Not a lord
- Eaves

- Prohibited by 13th amendment
- First male human
- Biologic uplifter
- Fragrance receptor
- ... be the kingdom ...
- ... living, 2 words
- Puts to the test
- Partner of 15 down
- Japanese money
- Reproductive organ
- With speed
- $\text{KNO}_3$
- St. Phillip ----
- ... Play
- Place to tie up vessels
- ... Sunday
- What a shepherd oversees, var.
- Council of ----, 1545-63
- Hunt, in Lyon
- Attempted
- Fulcrum of social leverage
- Sign
- ... maker of Antioch
- Born to Eve enroute to second garden
- ... plane
- SE Asia country
- ... pitch
- Before three



# SPHERES of INFLUENCE

BY GENE JOYCE  
RICHARDSON, TEXAS



Although little known to today's readers, Axel Munthe's *The Story of San Michele* is written in the classical tradition, and it is especially fitting to bring it to your attention at this time as its first edition was printed in July of 1929. How many books of today will merit a review on their golden anniversary? Of the same opinion is George N. Schuster who wrote the special introduction for the silver anniversary edition. He states, "it has some things to say and a manner of saying them, which time does not make old."

Professionally a medical doctor of Swedish origin, Munthe is also an exceptional student of human nature for his day and chooses to interweave these true stories of his unusual adventures with the ongoing tale of the design and construction of his dream home, built on the Isle of Capri upon the sight of a villa once occupied by the Roman emperor Augustus, and

after him by Tiberius. Over a period of thirty years he builds his house largely with his own hands adding stone by ancient stone, and incorporating statues, columns, stone inscriptions and mosaics discovered ever and anon as the building proceeds. In his own words: "I want my house open to sun and wind and the voice of the sea, like a Greek temple, and light, light, light everywhere."

This past summer when a young friend and I visited Capri I was reminded of this book which has been on what I call "my favorite shelf" for twenty-five years, and which I enjoy rereading periodically. It is that kind of book. How could it have escaped my mind that this was the spot, so beloved by Munthe, which had become through his efforts the most famous archaeological ruin on Capri, although originally the smallest? Each treasure from the past, whether relinquished from the

depths of the sea or brought up from the bowels of the earth, was lovingly provided with a special niche of its own as it was incorporated into the villa, becoming, as time went by, a new heritage to be passed along to the generations to come.

One such object rescued from the past was the bronze statue of Hermes seated upon a stone pedestal at the entrance to the long covered arbor extending from the rear of the house to the sheer cliff overhanging the Mediterranean. There is a fragment from a sarcophagus embedded in the white stucco wall over a small Roman altar in the vestibule. Above that a delicate filigree lotus in stone admits light from the atrium beyond, and a mosaic "Cave Canem" adorns the floor like its prototype in Pompeii. The very columns which give support to the vaulted ceilings and their acanthus capitals were found in the sea close to Capri. Then there is the stone head of Medusa which occupies a place of honor on the wall of Munthe's studio. It was dredged up from the bottom of the sea at the Bagni di Tiberio and is considered to be a Roman original. At Munthe's death in 1949 San Michele was left to the people of Italy along with an adjacent villa belonging to this man who recognized himself as a custodian rather than an "owner."

Although the author omits all personal details of his marriage and the lives of his two sons he succeeds in bringing the stories of his friendships, associations with his medical colleagues (two of whom were Charcot and Pasteur) and the relationships with his patients into such vivid focus that one has an actual sense of participation in these "stranger than fiction" true adventures.

## Love Is ...

What is love to you? Or happiness, or God? Below are some "Love is . . ." sentences. Write some of your own and send them to us for the winter issue.

Love is my mom cooking for me.

Love is my dog's wagging tail.

Love is \_\_\_\_\_

Happiness is finding a four-leaf clover.

Happiness is a warm spring day without wind.

Happiness is \_\_\_\_\_

God is a light in the dark.

God is a loving feeling inside me.

God is \_\_\_\_\_



## A Cultural Chrysalis

By Bill Sadler  
(Now deceased)

*Balance for this issue comes from the files of Fred Leverenz of Dallas. We appreciate his sharing it with us. "A Cultural Chrysalis" is as relevant today as it was 24 years ago and will continue to be discussed for years to come.*

Memorandum: January 19, 1955

To my colleagues on the Executive Committee and to their Committee associates who are concerned with the establishment of the Urantia Brotherhood:

Our first meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 7, and prior to the convening of that meeting I would like to present for your thoughtful consideration certain ideas which could perhaps be best captioned as follows:

### A CULTURAL CHRYSALIS IN RELATION TO PAROCHIAL AND PROVINCIAL THINKING

A chrysalis is an interesting thing. It acts as a sort of social or institutional incubator. The social grouping of the Forum served as a chrysalis for the ensuing Brotherhood. In a much larger sense Protestant Christianity serves as a chrysalis for the Urantia Papers. The function of a chrysalis appears to be inescapable, but the end products are not an unmixed blessing.

For example, Judaism served as a chrysalis for the gospel of Jesus. Without this chrysalis Jesus could not have taught. You will recall that his bestowal required the presence on earth of a people who had a monotheistic God concept sufficiently advanced to provide his teachings with a social and ideological background. Without the chrysalis of Judaism or its equivalent there could have been no gospel of the Kingdom. But

this chrysalis proved to be in some respects embarrassing, not only to the gospel, but even to Jesus himself. For example, he was particularly embarrassed by two ideas:

1. *The Kingdom of Heaven* idea plagued him, but try as he would he could not substitute other concepts. This made trouble, especially in the first century A.D.

2. *The Messiah concept* made even more lasting trouble. The Messiah concept was fastened upon Jesus by Peter in his famous confession, which was half truth and half error: "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

There are other Jewish birthmarks which Christianity carries as an inheritance from the chrysalis function of Judaism. Not the least important of these is the atonement doctrine.

Why is this true? Why did it happen?

It happened because human beings are deeply grooved in their thought patterns. They are children of their culture. They think in a parochial and in a provincial way.

The Greeks made trouble when they came looking for Jesus. They were uncircumcized; they ate pork; they observed not the Jewish rituals, and this made great trouble for those earlier followers of Jesus who were, first of all, Jews, and orthodox Jews, and then members of the Jesus sect which functioned within the chrysalis of the Commonwealth of Israel.

**The present problem.** We as a group in the Forum are nurtured in the teachings of Protestant Christianity. And unless we make a determined effort to do otherwise, we are going to think in a

parochial and in a provincial manner. But this Brotherhood, which is of immediate concern to us, is not a parochial thing; it is an ecumenical brotherhood. It is not a provincial proposition; it is an international proposition.

We who are engaged in laying the initial foundations of this brotherhood are Socratic in our philosophy and Protestant Christian in our theology. This produces inevitable bias in our thinking. And yet we are attempting to initiate a brotherhood which should have appeal to a person who is Confucian in his morality and Mayahana Buddhist in his theology.

Such an individual is going to want to find the Jesus of the Papers without passing through the Christian portal just as the Greeks of the first century came searching for the Jesus of Galilee and declined to pass through a Jewish ritualistic portal.

I think we should make a sincere and prayerful effort to rise above the bias which is inherent in our backgrounds. We are the first group of people who have ever attempted to do what we are doing and who have attempted this thing with historic insight.

In the first century A.D. the followers of Jesus were not concerned with creating a social institution which could serve as a carrying vehicle for the essentials of his gospel. Not at all. They were simply tarrying for a short time until he should return.

But we know differently. We are making an intelligent effort to create a social vehicle which can serve as a social companion for the essentially spiritual message of these papers. We have been informed of the mistakes which our



predecessors of the first century made. It is quite true that those who fail to learn from history are doomed to relive that history. We should know better. We should have greater insight into the mistakes which our predecessors made and by virtue of that insight we should at least attempt to make new and original mistakes.

**History is a vast  
early warning  
system.**

**Norman Cousins**

This memorandum is a plea to attempt to think, not parochially, but ecumenically. This is a plea to rise above provincialism in thinking and to think internationally. Insofar as we fail in this effort, to that extent the Brotherhood will become more acceptable to Protestant Christians and automatically less acceptable to all other persons.

We are acutely conscious that the Greeks did not have to attend Passover in order to find Jesus. We are well aware of the fact that the eating of pork had nothing to do with acceptance at Jesus' hands. Let us now seek to discover and to avoid the Protestant Christian equivalents of the Passover and the eating of pork.

I'm gonna' sit and watch the  
web  
That you will build this day  
Will be a thread of love you  
weave  
It's yours to show the way  
Then everything will be as you  
will see  
In the light.

J. Lodge,  
The Moody Blues

## about angels

BY GENE JOYCE  
RICHARDSON, TEXAS

The angels "love human beings, and only good can result from your efforts to understand and love them."\*

*What mortals have said about angels*

From Robert Browning's *The Guardian Angel*:

Dear and great Angel, wouldst thou  
only leave  
That child, when thou has done with  
him, for me!  
Let me sit all the day here, that when  
eve  
Shall find performed thy special min-  
istry,  
And time come for departure, thou,  
suspending  
Thy flight, mayst see another child  
for tending,  
Another still, to quiet and retrieve.

Martin Buber tells this story:

"Rabbi Mendel once boasted to his teacher Rabbi Elimelekh that at evening he saw the angel who rolls away the light before the darkness, and in the morning the angel who rolls away the darkness before the light. 'Yes,'

said Rabbi Elimelekh, 'in my youth I saw that too. Later on you don't see these things any more.'"

SPECULATION . . .

Once mortals make plans we know that the angels can assist in bringing them to fruition (p. 1246). Also the midway creatures cooperate with the seraphim and put at their disposal their ability to influence animals in some manner (p. 865).

We speculate the above statements may apply to an interesting story told by Marcus Bach, author of *The World of Serendipity* and founder of the Fellowship for Spiritual Understanding. One summer his nephew, Richard Bach, who wrote *Jonathon Livingston Seagull* had joined several friends for a hair-raising barnstorming tour of the midwest. They called themselves The Great American Flying Circus. It had been an unsuccessful venture until one day they spread their map on the ground to select a route for the remainder of the summer. A small spider was crisscrossing the state of Kansas on the map and Richard said, "Let's follow the spider's route!" And this they did for the most outstanding tour they had ever had.

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*That men should dogmatize concerning things where the senses alone supply the evidence, is only another proof of man's limitations.*

*Elbert Hubbard*



# By Many Paths

BY PAT WATERMAN  
EULESS, TEXAS

Continuing quotes from *Urantia's*  
spiritual heritage . . . .

## Islam



"And observe prayer and pay the legal impost: and whatever good thing ye have sent on before for your soul's sake, ye shall find it with God."

"KORAN"

Mohammed

6th century

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not so great a price to pay.

Seraphim must receive their own rewards each time they hear an "Aha!" It is amazing what a sense of joy and satisfaction comes from the "aha's" of one's students. Even human teachers feel a transcendence of the feeling of personal accomplishment. How much more must the seraphim rejoice unselfishly with their students! It would not diminish their pleasure that virtually all their labor goes unnoted by mortals. It would be enough to have helped.

The love that seraphim have for their charges must be a special relationship. The love of a seraphim would not be like the love of an earthly parent for his own child -- with its intensity and feeling of supreme intimacy and naturalness. It would be the more objective love of choice. There would be a clarity of vision and an overwhelming respect for the student as a person. The seraphim would see, when no mortal does, the courage, perseverance, and fortitude with which their mortals face life. And even when those mortals fail and fall short of expectations, the seraphim would still be able to

visualize what they could be.

Perhaps if we catch a glimpse of the teacher's side of circle-making, we will be more appreciative of our seraphic teachers, more eager to learn, and more loving toward these Daughters of God.

Thank you, Father, for seraphim.

Up to a certain point it is good for us to know that there are people in the world who will give us love and unquestioned loyalty to the limit of their ability. I doubt, however, if it is good for us to feel assured of this without the accompanying obligation of having to justify their devotion by our behavior.

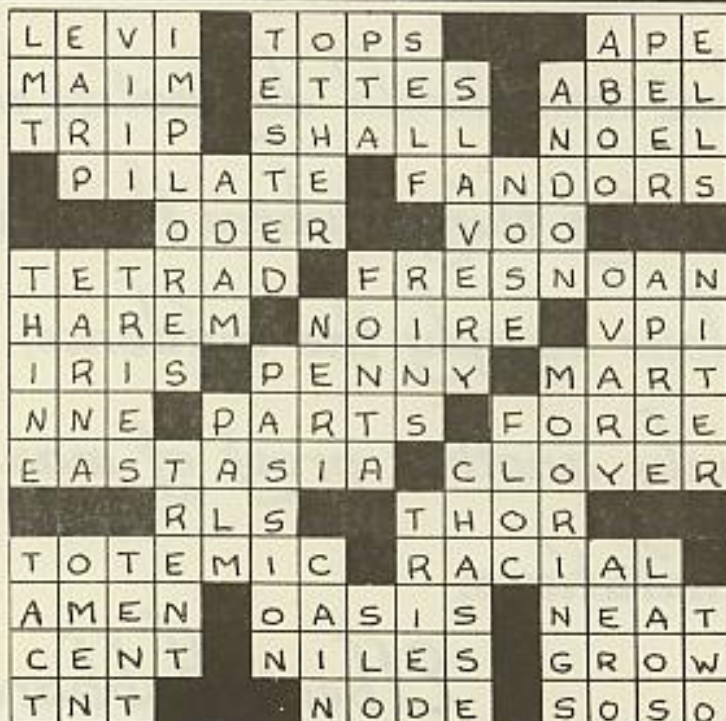
— Eleanor Roosevelt

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instills in the sincere student a deep feeling of both commitment and responsibility.

The commitment is to a way of living consistent with the concept of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man; the responsibility is to protect the integrity of *The Urantia Book* lest it share the fate of other revelations of similar significance. Word has spread only by person-to-person contact of one form or another; that is, *The Urantia Book* has never been advertised nor even so much as reviewed in a national publication. It has been determined that any such treatment would endanger both its future and its gradual, but ultimate, significance and impact. I sincerely and respectfully appeal to you to examine *The Urantia Book* in your own way and react as you will towards it.

I would certainly not expect you to embrace the book and its insights, teachings, and information on my counsel alone. This would indicate both gullibility on your part and a misguided anticipation on mine. However, I also trust that you will not attempt to judge it until and unless you have read it.





# Things to Share

*The Circles* will periodically publish an insert to the publication which contains current items considered to be of interest to our readers. If you have items which you wish to contribute, just send as much information on the subject as possible to: The Circles, 2001 Woods Drive, Arlington, TX 76010. If your item to share is printed material which contains quoted or closely paraphrased material from *The URANTIA Book*, be sure that you have complied with the URANTIA Foundation's requirement of prior approval.

Thank you (in advance) for your interest in this column. We sincerely hope that this insert will provide our readers with a needed service.

## *Calendar*

(Send us notices of upcoming conferences, meetings, etc. Try to send them 4 to 6 months in advance so we can get them in at least one issue, perhaps two.)

## *Services - Materials*

### **Slides of Ascendant Life Painting by Vince Ventola**

*The URANTIA Book* has inspired artist, Vince Ventola, to create by painting. He has slides of these paintings which he will either loan to groups for conferences with the only charge being that of postage or will sell copies of the slides upon request. Several of the paintings depicted in the photographs are available for purchase; Vince also paints by commission. For more information, please contact: Vince Ventola, 962 Union Street, Arcata, CA 95521.

### **Urantia Book Introduction Speech by Bob Hunt**

Copies of an introduction to *The URANTIA Book* which has been utilized by Bob Hunt as a follow-up for individuals to whom he has briefly introduced the book is available for the cost of \$1.00 (which helps to cover part of the reproduction and mailing cost). For more information, please contact: Bob Hunt, 1837 Panorama Drive, Arcata, CA 95521.

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