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...separation is a thing of the past ... unity is the goal of the immediate future; ... hatred is retro-active and undesirable,... goodwill is the touchstone which will transform the world. *Discipleship In the New Age I* P.65

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There the significance of the General Good is well understood, and it is known that Good can come only from Good. *Supermundane II* # 267

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ssential Divinity is а Cosmic Principle. It simply means that all manifested life forms are aspects, facets, of the One Life of the Cosmos, that all sentient beings are essentially divine. The effort for untold millenniums on the part of Humanity has been to encode this Principled Truth into the sets of laws that we use to construct the collectives that guide our lives together in harmony on this planet. This Cosmic Principle, while visible at the core of all of our most ancient Teachings, had seldom if ever, over the many millenniums of our history, been recognized or implemented in any systematic way that granted this equality and freedom to all.

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of God and so forth, equality and freedom for all was certainly not recognized in any systematic or governmental manifestation during the 2000 years of our present calendar, not in Europe, England or anywhere else on the planet that we knew about.

Still, Cosmic Principles of physics do not go away, and it was the basic urge for freedom and equality generated by the radiant power streaming from this Cosmic Principle of Life which drove the exodus of people mainly from England to the shores of the New World. So, very recently, like a second ago in the big picture, we, the human beings who came to this continent mainly from England, recognized and so stipulated this Principle in our founding documents with the words that "All men are created equal".

A detached look at the rather short back trail over which this nation, The United States of America, has been travelling since then will reveal a number of efforts that we, as a people, have made to continually expand the encoding of this Principle into our way of life through the laws that we have thus far generated. Based on the undeniable truth of each one's innate and essential divinity and the, also observable and undeniable fact of

> our innate Unanimity, the fact that every single one of us is

an innate part of the One Humanity and inseparably bound to every other one of us, our efforts have been to establish and evolve a government created by the people for the common good and general welfare of the whole.

At the very heart of this effort lies the touchstone of individual freedom, of self determination, of the innate right of each individual to participate in the generation of the laws by which our collectives will operate. Thus we have what is called suffrage, the right to vote, the right to speak and, not to be just listened to, but to be heard, the right to be, the right to matter.

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Our vote is not evaluated or weighted according to our sex, color, religion, or how much money we have or do not have. The vote of an unemployed mother of two children, who is living on TANF (Temporary Assistance To Needy Families) or welfare, is worth the same as the vote of any billionaire. This government of, for, and by the people which we call democracy was brought into existence precisely to correct and reconstruct the illusion which generated the old systems of government, divine right of kings, hierarchies of classes, oligarchies of exclusivity and privilege measured by personal wealth, the ownership of property, and power.

In the relative beginning of this nation, because of the ancient strictures of the Great Illusion of Separation, only men with property were allowed to vote. The rest of the people, those who made up the ninetynine percenters of those days, were not enfranchised. Their innate essential divinity and unanimity were simply not recognized. From this point forward to today, the story is one of reconstruction. It was/is a long struggle which demands ongoing perseverance and the determination on the part of individuals who long to be free to exercise their innate right to direct their own lives, to participate in the creation of the laws by which they live.

This is not a struggle of revolution which all too often changes little if anything of substance but simply the names and faces of the players, and the makeup of the board of the same old game. This is a struggle of evolution, the evolution of consciousness. This struggle characterized is bv of reconstruction with а minimum destruction. It is what was recently called "change that you can believe in, change that matters". The back trail, short as it is, reveals how each small expansion of this essential function of the innate quality that makes us human, the quality of free will, was resisted with all the power that the privileged few could bring to bear. Every step forward was bought with blood, and frequently the gains were made null by new subterfuges and sophistries such as poll tax, literacy tests, and so forth.

Just two small but illuminating facts concerning the length and depth of this struggle are the stories of slavery and women's suffrage. Slavery, which in its many forms is still a very long way from being eradicated from the planet, was not made illegal in this country until 1869. This was 89 years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence. In this country, the "cradle of democracy", it took until 1920, about 140 years after the Declaration, for women to be considered worthy of the vote. These are astonishing facts!

On the one hand, they are grim indicators of the power of those forces of retrogression who oppose human free will, to say nothing of dignity and liberty. On the other hand, they are indicators of the path of evolution

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through reconstruction. They reveal the fact of the gradual expansion of consciousness and the shifting of our free will away from the illusions of personal value based on personal power and the ownership of property, to the realities of the Common Good and the General Welfare.

Constant Vigilance

We are counseled by the history of our long and frequently bloody efforts to be free as well as by the examples of the heroes of our past battles and by the progenitors of the Ageless Wisdom of inclusivity and freedom to develop constant vigilance. Checking the immediate back trail of the very recent past, even a half blind individual can see that this ages old battle for human free will as expressed through the divine right of the collective to be self governed rather than ruled by those who have material wealth and power is once again under serious and powerful attack.

The blatant murders of three of our most eloquent and inspiring leaders in the 1960s stands as a warning to all in any area of life who would endeavor to come forward on behalf of the Common Good. Now highly sophisticated huge movements designed to abrogate the suffrage of the people are appearing on local and national levels. On the dense physical, computer programs that control the voting systems have been and are still being manipulated to favor the Retrogressor's candidates. Various State Legislatures are creating all kinds of barrier laws which disenfranchise citizens and prevent them from voting and discourage others from even registering to vote. An insidious feeling of discouragement and a sense of powerlessness is infecting millions of citizens, and causing them to assume that voting doesn't matter. This lie, this virus of disillusionment and discord is being generated and fed by a relentless stream of fear-laden and lying thoughtforms which issue from the centers of retrogression.

These are all very real and very extreme existing threats to what we call the Common Good and the General Welfare. They are existing and powerful threats to what we call Democracy or government of for and by the people. What is not commonly understood is that these extreme attacks on the people's right to self determination and freedom have been evoked by the very power and actions of the people to create systems that, while far from perfect tend, toward servicing the Common Good and General Welfare, the Good of all. The more humanity pushes for its freedom and equality, the greater the resistance that is called forth from the Retrogressors.

Constant Striving

This has always been and is now the case. However, what is also not commonly understood is that the greater their resistance the more powerfully will the Light respond. And as it has been, from the beginning, through striving mightily, we will triumph. It is the power of our striving that empowers us.

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The Cosmic nature of Consciousness is to expand, to encompass greater and greater circles of Life. This power cannot be denied or held back for very long. I indicated that the "time" between the signing of the Declaration and the end of slavery and the suffrage of women was very long. To those fighting the battles these were, as are all of our battles, long and bloody.

Accelerating Evolution

However, in the big picture of our ages long struggle with the Retrogressors, just these two events represent huge jumps in the evolutionary advancement of Humanity, and compared with our history, these couple of hundred years were like an eye blink. As consciousness expands bringing more and

more hearts and minds into the range of impression by the Good, the Light,

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the Future, the Destiny of the Planet and the Race, the Wheel or Vortex of the Great Unfolding has been speeding up. Our myopic focus on the "present", the last four to six years, occludes this fact and tends to generate fear and discouragement.

What is evident from even a superficial examination of the back trail over the past six or seven hundred years is that the warped and twisted thoughtforms that energize and drive the Retrogressors' agenda have been failing and gradually replaced by progressively more and more inclusive thoughtforms. These new thoughtforms more accurately represent the core Principles of Cosmos: Essential Divinity, Unanimity, and Goodwill and the Ideas or Laws which flow from them. In our particular case, these are the Laws of Right Human Relations, Group Endeavour, and Spiritual Approach. We are gradually coming to realize that these Principles and Laws are in fact aspects of Cosmic Physics. They are not only high sounding and beautiful expressions; they are the unavoidable and inviolable algorithms for the creation of harmonious and successful civilizations.

These Principles and Laws carry the Plan and their implementations into systems of government. They are our Path, our only Path, into our destiny. In spite of all the

> efforts of the Retrogressors and the periods of setback, Humanity has

progressed, relatively steadily, into its birthright of liberty and freedom for all.

The Way Forward!

We do need to recognize the extremity of the present assault, and we need to meet and counter it with dense physical action. However we must hold in front of ourselves the fact that the way forward always lies in striving toward the next step. This is the secret of our triumph. When we, in spite of all retrogressive efforts, strive to move forward, we are able to draw on the power of the incoming Light. This concept becomes easier to comprehend when we realize that

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the true battleground is not the dense physical plane but the plane of the heart/mind of humanity.

"That a situation is without solution is only imagined by those who would rely on other people rather than upon the power of their own thought. Grief experienced by others flows like the ripples of a stream; but the images of truth, which you call ideas, rule the karma of the world. It is astonishing to see how images of truth participate in the While spatial battle. the multitudes disintegrate in a blind fury of ignorance and betrayal, the thoughts of Truth weave their heavenly nests, which for real evolution are far more vital than any worship by entire nations." Agni Yoga, 122.

So, in moving forward, we need to look to the next steps not just for our nation, but for the One Humanity and

the Planet and to work on bringing them into fruition. Using the algorithms of Cosmos, the images of Truth, the power generators like The Common Good and The General Welfare, we need to continue the work of reconstruction. We are not about carrying the old forms forward. We are about the design and implementation of the next unfoldment of Democracy.

Surely this will involve a more inclusive enfranchisement. Those in power have always placed limits that exclude the

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suffrage of some group or class of fellow human beings: nobility, the ownership of property, sex, race, language, reading ability, and presently, the demand for a photo identification card issued by a recognized government entity. Seldom has there been any reason behind these restrictions other than to protect the power of some facet of the empowered group.

Such restrictions are not in the interest of the Common Good and have no place in a government of the people by the people for the people. There are many conversations already going on regarding the lowering of the age restriction on suffrage to 16. To lower the age from 21 to 18, it took the deaths of a great many of our young men

> and women who at the age of 18 were considered old enough to die in combat but not old enough to have a voice in the sanity,

or not, of war.

In the next, the coming unfoldment of Democracy a more inclusive approach to the age issue will be recognized. Essential Divinity and thus the innate right to freedom and self determination occurs at birth. Parents of children who are innately responsible for the welfare and support of the children should be able to speak for the Common Good of those children through the vote until they reach an age which society deems the child is capable of participating

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as a self aware and governed individual. As anyone who is or has been a parent knows, even this notion of age readiness is extremely relative.

As we approach the opportunity of Virgo, let us recall who we essentially are. Let us recall that we are co-creating, that we are unfolding a New Age, a new Democracy, The Common Good. Let us unleash our imaginations, strip away all the imposed limits of the small minds of the Retrogressors and dream the dream of Freedom and Liberty for all.

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