A VERY GRAY MATTER

"But as it is written, eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him." (1 Cor. 2:9)

"It is the business of man's whole being to look utterly away toward the Starting Point of all that is." (Esoteric Philosophy, pg. 81, par. 2)

We use bridges in many different ways during the course of our lives. Physically, we cross bridges to move from one place to another over mediums that would be all but impassible by any other means. Mentally, we "bridge" difficulties, challenges and conditions in life by thinking, logic and reason. In our spiritual lives, we have all used bridges such as covenants, forgiveness, and intention to span the perceived gap between one level of consciousness and another. All of these bridges are, in one way or another, "man-made," but there is one bridge that is different, placed into us before time and before the earth was made.

A mystery is that which is unknown but not unknowable. As we inquire into that marvel of physical engineering that we call the brain, we ultimately find that it is much, much more than has been revealed by science or any other human assessment; it contains the bridge which takes us Home. The "gray matter" which Emma describes is the bridge between matter and Substance, between relative and Real, between facts and Truth. Gray matter is the Father extending eternal invitation to Its Prodigal Son. Gray matter is the miracle worker between fear, faith, and Knowing.

It is often said that "it is always darkest before the dawn." The "gray" is that dawn, the breaking of the Light and that which bridges our minds and Original Mind. Gray matter is not the brain, but the Substance of the brain brought forth by the Central Flame in each and every being. Watching the gray matter activity dissolves what we believe about intelligence, thought and ideas so that True Mind, Genesis Mind, can be exposed.

Like the ideal of our own personal ministries, gray matter goes where it is called. Not a single disease, broken bone or broken heart was ever actually healed by any earthly process but rather by the activity of gray matter bringing forth as Perfection. When a bone is broken, a doctor sets the stage, as it were, for the process of healing, but it is an unseen, "mysterious" process by which the actual healing is accomplished. When a heart is broken, the process is no different inasmuch as therapy and counseling may knock on the door of Truth, but healing and restoration is only accomplished by walking the gray matter bridge to resurrection and Joy.

When an inspired or intuited idea comes to us from "out of the blue" it comes through the gray. This bridge has been placed into us at Origin so that we can remember, surrender and find our way Home.

As with any ministry, there must be a giver and a receiver. In the instance of the gray matter instrument, the Giver is Eternal, Changeless and Absolute so the only variable is receptivity and realization on the part of the receiver, which is every one of us. If there is a "toll booth" on the sacred bridge that gray matter provides, it is the coinage of our thinking, our senses, our ideas and our fears. Emma tells us that "the maker of the shadow is the substance that casts it." (pg.82, par.2) Every shadow is a supposition, an estimation of what Truth is, generated by our mortal minds. Most supposition has its basis, either overtly or as an undercurrent, as fear. When we pray for wholeness, is it not that we fear it is absent? When we pray for health, is it not because we fear that it is not our native state?

The activity of gray matter is the very definition of the "your Father knows what things you have need of before you ask Him." Ideal. When watched diligently, this activity is a personal exposure of Original Mind announcing Itself, claiming Its own and reaching out into every part of our being from physical to astral as Perfection. Watching and acknowledging the gray matter process in us makes us meek. When we are meek, we are free to cross the bridge of consciousness which gray matter activity has brought forth. The cost of this transit is, in Reality, no cost at all but simply the laying down of a burden. Free of our thoughts, ideas, imagination and fears, we no longer attempt to tell God what to do, but surrender to The Will in all things while becoming transmitters of that Will ourselves.

Gray matter is an instrument, just as a physical bridge is an instrument. What makes it unique is that it is not an instrument shown forth from the mortal mind, ideas and constructs of the world. Gray matter is the bringing forth of Immortal Mind consciousness into the world as Christ. This instrument and its operation know nothing of the material or conditions, but only as Truth, Perfection and the Genesis Ideal that is "beyond belief." On the gray matter bridge, nothing was ever broken, or missing, or lacking so only what is Real is exposed. On the other side of this bridge, there is only the Light dissolving the gray, dissolving the matter, dissolving the shadow in the noonday sun of what Is.