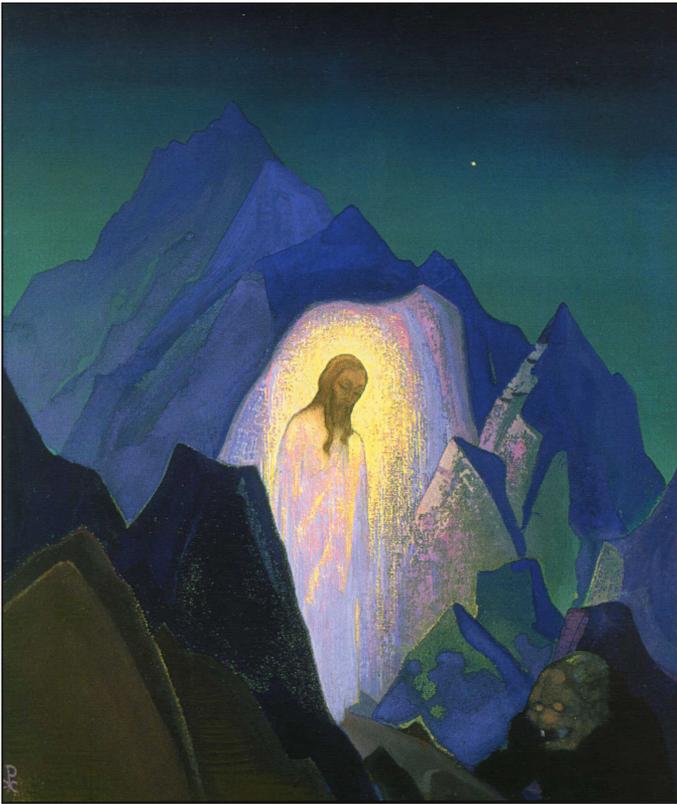




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The Resurrection of Christ



“Christ in the Desert” by Nicholas Roerich

Introductory Remarks on Resurrection
by Gita Saraydarian



Legend of Shamballa Reading

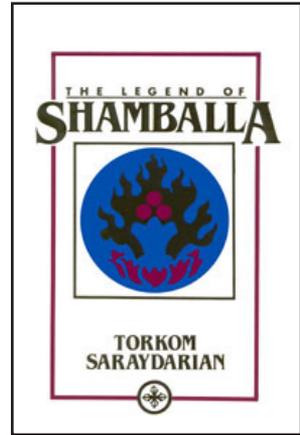
(from pp. 54-56; 75-79) (each reader stands to read)

Reader:

Can any person approach
the great heavenly
Center of Power,
the Stronghold, O Wise One?

Reader:

“It is possible
when you make
a contact
with your
innermost essence;
then the Master in your heart,
Who is watching your evolution
throughout ages,
gives you a chance to visit
the outer court of
Shamballa,
where you can see
the etheric statue
of Christ
as the first human being
Who,



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in His marathon race of
evolution,
reached the Father's Home,
the Stronghold,
and heard the voice
of the Eternal Youth —
'My beloved Son,
the Resurrected One.'

Thus through
His achievement,
Christ became
the Way
between humanity and
the Father's Home...

All:

OM. OM. OM.
Glory to Him.

Reader:

He is called
in the East by various names.
He is
the Kalki Avatar,
the Bodhisattva,
the Maitreya,
Imam Mahti,
the priest forever after the order of
Melchizedek,
the Christ,
the Desire of all nations.”

The Mystic Sunrise Rite by Corinne Heline from New Age Bible Interpretations

p. 200-201

Reader:

“The Rite of the Resurrection is the rite of the impersonal life. In the experiences of the mystic death the disciple becomes aware of the illusions of matter and the limitations of finite life. The Resurrection consciousness brings the realization of the oneness of all life with God. The stone of separation has been rolled away. Henceforth one who has passed into the sublime experience knows that no ill can affect a part without hurting the whole, and that no good can come to the one without at the same time benefiting all.

Reader:

“One who comes to know the glory of the Resurrection can never again wound or kill even his younger brothers of the animal kingdom, for they, too, are living expressions of the same divine life that lives and moves and has its being in humanity. In the Resurrection consciousness, the passion of the unregenerate desire body is transformed into compassion of the all-embracing spirit. The newly awakened is bathed in the golden refulgence of the risen Christ and becomes one with Him in the realization that death has been merged into the victory of eternal life.”

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Sing “Lead Us O Lord”

By Torkom Saraydarian (*all stand*)

Lead us, o Lord, from dark-ness to light. Lead us, o Lord, from
7 dark-ness to light. Lead us, o Lord, from dark-ness to light.
13 Lead us, o Lord from dark-ness to light. Lead us, o Lord, from
19 the un-real to the real. — Lead us, o Lord, from the un-real to the real. —
25 Lead us, o Lord, from the un-real to the real. Lead us, o Lord, from
31 the un-real to the real. Lead us, o Lord, from death to im-mor-tal-i -
37 ty. Lead us, o Lord, from the cha-os to beau - ty. Lead us, o
43 Lord, from the cha-os to beau - ty, to beau - ty. to beau - ty.
48 *rit.*
Lead us, o Lord. Lead us, o Lord.

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Legend of Shamballa Reading
(from pp. 75-79) (be seated)

Reader:

Already, in the subtle spheres
of higher mind
of great thinkers,
of great lovers,
of great creators,
the Temple of Humanity
is under construction.
Humanity found its way
Home
through the way
of right human relations,
through the ways
of goodwill,
sharing,
tolerance,
understanding,
joy.

Reader:

The workers are everywhere:
in all nations,
in all countries,
in all races.
The great labor,
is going on
and the Temple of
One Humanity
is on its way
of construction.

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Reader:

Fiery Engineers
from Shamballa
are watching the labor.
“By human hands,
by human feet,
the Temple,
will be built,”
where love will prevail
and all men will love...

...Brother,
do not worry;
greater days
are waiting for us.
We cried long;
we suffered long.
But the age of joy
is upon us.

Reader:

The age of great music,
the age of Divine architecture,
the age of color and movement,
the age of mysteries of initiation,
the age of greater miracles of science
is upon us.
Imagine!
The Masters of Wisdom
once again
will walk with man.
They will demonstrate
the power of mastery,

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the beauty of life,
the joy of everlasting progress,
the lightning of Infinity....
Imagine!
The Great One,
the Lord Christ,
will appear
and will perform
the Initiation ceremonies
in the temples of the Masons,
in the churches of the faithful,
and in the centers of
great beauty.

Reader:

The power of Shamballa
is cleansing the path
to glory of the human soul.
Man is a rare beauty.
There is Cosmos in him;
there is Infinity in him;
there are unheard, unseen
symphonies and colors
in him.
All of these
will come out gradually
as the great Lord
awakens us in
the mystery of Initiations.
“It is the
Energy of Shamballa
which prepares
the way
for the energy
of the Hierarchy.”

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Sing “Beloved Lord” all together

by Torkom Saraydarian
(all stand)

mp

Be - lov - ed Lord, Al - migh - ty God, Through the rays__ of the Sun,

mp

Be - lov - ed Lord, Al - migh - ty God, Through the rays__ of the Sun,

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Through the waves__ of the Air, through the all____ 3 per - vad - ing Fire in Space.

Through the waves__ of the Air, through the all____ 3 per - vad - ing Fire in Space.

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mf Pu - ri - fy me____ re - vi - vi - fy me, and I pray. *mp*

mf Pu - ri - fy me____ re - vi - vi - fy me, and I pray. *mp*

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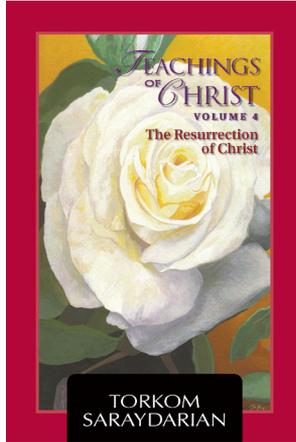
Heal my bo - dy, heart, and mi - nd. // *p* O - m.

Heal my bo - dy, heart, and mi - nd. *p* *div.* O - m.

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Teachings of Christ Volume 4 *Chapter 4 Reading*



Reader:

“In the old Egyptian mysteries six or seven thousand years ago, they used to take the initiate or the disciple into the dark corridors of the Great Pyramid for a special ceremony. They would take him to the sarcophagus in the King’s chamber and put him in it. A little later they would take the coffin with the initiate inside to the top of the pyramid and leave it there until the sun hit it early in the morning. When the sun hit the coffin, the initiate would awaken. Then they would say that the initiate was resurrected, that he had overcome the inertia and death of the body and had gained a new consciousness, a new life.”

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Seven Step Meditation on Resurrection

Meditation adapted from Virtues volumes by Torkom Saraydarian

1. **Aspiration:** Lift your heart toward the ideal of **Resurrection**; that you become immortal.
2. **Concentration:** Observe where in your life you can express the ideal of **Resurrection**?
3. **Meditation:** Find the deeper meaning of this process. What does it mean to you? Think in physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual terms.
4. **Discipline:** Choose one part of your life — such as how you treat yourself, your family relations, or one specific area — and visualize expressing the ideal of **Resurrection** toward that person or that area of life.
5. **Contemplate:** Go deeper into silence. Ask your Solar Angel (Guardian Angel): “Reveal to me a greater vision of the process of **Resurrection**. Where else can I find expressions of this process? Wait for the answer to come to you now, or observe how it may unfold much later.
6. **Illumination:** Go deeper. Ask: What is a very subtle way that you can use this process of **Resurrection** in your life?

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7. **Inspiration:** Visualize standing on top of a mountain. See beautiful vegetation, flowers all around you. Feel the breeze of pure air on your face. Breathe deeply. Observe the expressions of the process of **Resurrection** that God and all of Nature have manifested all around you. Breathe it in. Visualize your whole nature, your whole body, radiating this process of renewal. Breathe it in. Breathe it out. What does that look like? What does that feel like? What color is it? What is its musical rhythm? Can you find it?

With eyes closed, visualize sitting quietly on a rock on top of the mountain, and relax, radiating the ideals of **Resurrection** toward all life. See little animals looking at you and really observe them. Observe deeply all the life around you. Be grateful and full of joy.

Say OM three times, quietly,
unifying your sound with the sound of Nature.

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Preparation for Holy Communion

Holy Communion is served to all who wish to take.

Prayer for Purification

(read together)

My Lord,

let Your Fire purify my mind and cleanse all ugly
and dark thoughts existing in my mind.

OM

My Lord,

let Your Fire purify my heart,
and burn all feelings that are
negative, painful, and separative.

OM

My Lord,

restore Your Fire in my heart.
Give me courage,
and let Your Fire shine in all my
thoughts, feelings, and actions.

Fill all my being with Love and Bliss,
so that I radiate Your Presence.

OM

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Blessing and Serving of Holy Communion:

(hands out in blessing)

My Lord,
let your beauty
shine everywhere
and bloom in every man.

My Lord,
let your peace
be spread in our hearts.

My Lord,
let your love
unite all mankind.

My Lord,
My Lord,
the Light of the World.

Bless this Communion Lord, with your Divine Light,
Divine Love, and Divine Purpose.

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You are Holy (slowly and softly)

By Per Harling

Duo sings during Holy Communion:

You are holy, you are whole,
You are always evermore
Than we ever understand
You are always at hand.

Blessed are you coming near, blessed are you coming here,
In your church in wine and bread,
Raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness,
You are present, let the Cosmos praise you Lord!

Sing Hosanna in the highest!
Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna to our God!

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The Great Invocation

From the point of Light within the Mind of God
Let light stream forth into the minds of men.
Let Light descend on Earth.

From the point of Love within the Heart of God
Let love stream forth into the hearts of men.
May Christ return to Earth.

From the center where the Will of God is known
Let purpose guide the little wills of men—
the Purpose which the Masters know and serve.

From the center which we call the race of men
Let the Plan of Love and Light work out.
And may it seal the door where evil dwells.

Let Light and Love and Power restore the Plan on Earth.

OM repeated 10 times
Sending out concentric circles of expanding light

LET US REJOICE! HAPPY EASTER!