

WESTERN WISDOM BIBLE STUDY

"The Word Was Made Flesh"



And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.

—John 1:14

As the peoples of all nations gain a full comprehension of the significance involved in the coming of the Christ Spirit (the Word) to the earth, they will become imbued with a stronger incentive for endeavoring to make the Christian ideals of brotherhood and peace the basis for a world order. They will then be able to rejoice in the true meaning of the Christmas bells when they ring out the ever inspiring message, "The Christ is born," and yield more readily to a fuller expression of the unselfish love which the light of the newborn Christ represents.

Occult philosophy teaches that nearly two thousand years ago, when humanity was at the point of retrogression, a Ray of the Cosmic Christ, Highest Initiate of the Sun Period, made a supreme sacrifice by coming to the earth, functioning in the bodies of the man Jesus for three and one half years, being crucified, and entering into the earth as its indwelling Planetary Spirit. Since that time the mighty Love Power of the Christ, embodied in the earth, has ceaselessly welled forth an impelling urge to assist man on the upward path. These tremendous, spiritualizing vibrations enfold the earth and all living thereon, not only providing purer material for the desire bodies of mankind, but awakening in human hearts the soul-stirring hope of life blessed with Him as Friend and Guide.

Every year a mighty cosmic drama is enacted, "involving the descent of the

solar Christ Ray into the matter of our earth, the mystic Birth celebrated at Christmas, and the Mystic Death and Liberation. . . . It is the 'fall' of the spiritual ray from the sun in autumn which causes resumption of the mental and spiritual activities in winter."

Thus the Christmas Season is the time when the full force of the indwelling Christ Spirit is felt in the earth—the Christ is born anew for all humanity. Human hearts become more fully attuned to this mighty regenerating Power, and respond by giving and sharing. The miracle of the Christ Love penetrates into the highest and the lowest places and transforms the natures and actions of all men whom it touches. They become *one* in Him.

All over the world today we see the leaven of the Christ Love working to lift man from the mire of materialism, selfishness, and greed. Wherever there are suitable channels (and every person is a potential channel) the Christ Force manifests—through individuals or groups—to dissolve the barriers of separateness and bring about universal brotherhood. This blessed unifying Power is ceaselessly urging all men toward a plane of living worthy of Christsin-the-making, where unselfishness and brotherhood hold sway. The hungry and needy of distant lands have become our next door neighbors. Their need is our need—and our opportunity to further His kingdom on earth.

As the *Word* is "made flesh" in our individual lives—as the Christ Within unfolds—we become better channels for His grace and truth. As we love and serve, the Christmas bells ring with a new note in our hearts, and we joyously join in the heavenly chorus, "Glory to God in the Highest."