Standing in the Presence of the Master Self.

I. Master is one who has attained development of power and consciousness transcending that of common humanity.
   A. The idea is not one incompatible with probability.
      1. Principle of evolution indicates development beyond man as he is known to the world.
         a. Quote Huxley.
      2. Evidence from history (Jesus, Buddha, Krishna etc)
      3. Evidence from mythology
         a. Mythology a symbolic record.
   B. The idea is not one incompatible with probability.

II. What we understand a Master to be.
   A. Synonyms, Mahatma, Adept, Initiate, Magi etc.
   B. It does not mean one who is master over any one else.
   C. It implies the following:
      1. Mastery over the lower self.
      2. Mastery of all art and science.
         a. Not necessarily thru protracted external training but thru mastery of keys to these.
      3. Mastery over the hidden powers of Nature.
      4. Complete subjugation of false ego and blending of lower mind with higher and thence with the Spiritual Being.
         a. Hence involves process symbolized by three days in tomb of Jesus.
      5. Before all else it implies identification of the individual self with the Universal SELF.

III. Term used in two senses.
    A. As applied to those individuals who have achieved this correlation between the individual and the universal and unfolded corresponding powers.
    B. As applied to the one SELF within all.
       1. Mystically considered there is but one Master as there is but one Life.
       2. All individuals who have achieved Mastery have become blended with this one Life.
          a. In fact one Master could become another, no separation.

IV. Standing in the presence of the Master Self is to stand in the presence of this one Being, called Christ, Krishna, Buddha, Rama, Tau etc.
    A. It is present in the heart of every living creature.
       1. Not objective.
       2. No Master can be recognized save thru the Master within.
    B. Hence to stand in presence of Master Self, whether objective or subjective is to stand in presence of Heart of All.

V. "Before the soul can stand in the presence of the Masters its feet must be washed in the blood of the heart!"
    A. Personal life must be offered up that life Divine must be realized.
    B. Illustrate with story of Israel in Egypt, and the journey to the Promised Land.

VI. Show how the keys are powers to divide the Red Sea (Sea of Desire) and guide and feed the neophyte thru the wilderness until he reaches the promised land of Self Knowledge and Bliss.