THE TEMPLE.

To all True Students of Life:

We, the undersigned members of the Executive Council of The Temple, bespeak such courtesy and consideration in presenting the claims, principles and methods of work of the Organization we represent, as we gladly render to all other earnest investigators.

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We heartily invite your co-operation and will gladly extend opportunity for correspondence and investigation.

Cordially yours,

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Vast changes are imminent in the world. Governments and thrones are tottering. All that is not built on true and natural lines, and in accord with the great constructive forces of the New Cycle, will be overthrown. Seething fires hidden only by smouldering underbrush are ready to burst into flame all over the world. The World-heart is in pain, and a great unrest is evident among all peoples. It is the birth pangs of the New Humanity—the fruit of ages of trial and effort. All who are awake, alive, who can understand, and whose hearts are rightly attuned, can do an enormous good in helping to usher a new order of things on this earth. The opportunity of the ages is before all who "have eyes to see and ears to hear."

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To Those Who Seek Illumination:—

- 1. Has a consciousness of the crises imminent in the affairs of men and nations yet dawned upon you? If so, can you perceive indications of the closing of the present Messianic age, and the necessity of combining the known principles of Science, Religion and Sociology for the establishment of righteous laws, thus helping to bring about an Era of Peace and equal opportunity for all who truly serve their fellow men?
- 2. Are you open to consideration and conviction concerning the unalterable Law of Cause and Effect on all lines of life?
- 3. Have the fierce struggles between the spiritual and material—the seeming injustices and inequalities of life—driven you into materialism, and made of you a wanderer on the outskirts of your own Divinity?
- 4. Can you perceive that only by a return to a greater simplicity of life, is it possible to weed out the fungus of false and fleeting ambition, and plant the seed of a great and wise purpose, to serve in all loyalty and love, the whole human race?
- 5. Can you accept the fact that the Omnipotent, Omnipresent God-head can and does communicate consciously by means of perfected men or Masters, with other human beings who have correlated the higher with the lower self, when some great spiritual or national purpose is to be served, and that you, as a component part of that God-head, are capable of evolving and correlating such senses or qualities in yourself by rightly directed effort, thereby becoming a link between the spiritual and physical man?
- 6. Are you great enough, spiritually, to extend the right hand of fellowship to every true aspirant for a better life, regardless of anything the past may have brought to such a one, understanding that the law of cause and effect may place you, in the great tomorrow, in the same position your brother may have been forced into, today?
- 7. If the foregoing questions are of sufficient interest to awaken response, and you are prepared to sacrifice the time and effort required, for entering into a closer relationship with those who are trying to serve their fellow men intelligently, and worthily, will you write for further information, or apply for membership in

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