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**NEW TEMPO FOR
LIVING**

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A NEW TEMPO FOR LIVING

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Next Saturday

THE YEAR 1975 BEGINS AT MIDNIGHT ~~ON TUESDAY~~.
AND HAVING SAID THAT...WHAT DO WE MEAN? WHAT IS
A YEAR? WE MAY EXPLAIN ABOUT THE EARTH'S ROTA-
TION AROUND THE SUN.

BUT IN AN AGE OF SPACE-CONSCIOUSNESS, IT IS
NOT TOO MUCH TO CONCEIVE OF BEING OUT IN SPACE,
AWAY FROM OUR SOLAR SYSTEM...WITH NO SUN TO
ROTATE AROUND, NO SUNRISES OR SUNSETS. NOW,
WHAT IS A YEAR? OBVIOUSLY, IT IS MORE PSYCHO-
LOGICAL THAN ASTRONOMICAL.

THERE IS SOME DISPUTE WHETHER JANUARY 1ST IS
HISTORICALLY, ASTRONOMICALLY, PSYCHOLOGICALLY,
OR EVEN LOGICALLY THE RIGHT TIME TO BEGIN A
YEAR. BEGINNING WITH JANUARY 1ST IS COMPARA-
TIVELY RECENT. THE ROMANS BEGAN THEIR ~~31~~ YEAR
WITH MARCH - ~~HENCE: SEPT, OCT, NOV, AND DEC.~~

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~~NOT UNTIL THE 16TH CENTURY THAT JANUARY 1ST WAS~~
~~ARBITRARILY NAMED NEW YEARS DAY -- AND ACTUALLY~~
~~THE CIVIL AND LEGAL HOLIDAYS CONTINUED TO BE~~
~~ON MARCH 25 FOR ANOTHER 200 YEARS.~~

24 NEW YEARS IN THE SPRING MAKES MUCH MORE SENSE,
WHEN NATURE IS RE-AWAKENING TO A NEW CYCLE OF
GROWTH, WHILE JANUARY 1ST IS "JUST ANOTHER
WINTER'S DAY."

BUT EVEN THAT STATEMENT REVEALS A FLAW IN OUR
THINKING...FOR IT MAY BE A WINTER'S DAY HERE,
BUT IT IS A SUMMER'S DAY IN AUSTRALIA.

THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF TIME DOES STRANGE THINGS
TO US! LIKE 'CROSS^{ING} THRESHHOLD OF NEW BIRTHDAY:
→ YOUNG MAN...SHOULDERS DROOPED, SAD, TURNED 30.

WHAT IS TIME? WHAT IS AGE? CONVENIENT MEANS OF KEEPING TRACK OF FOOTPRINTS IN SAND... BUT THE WINDS OF CHANGE BLOW THEM AWAY AND THERE IS ONLY THE ALLNESS OF ETERNITY.

TIME IS AN ILLUSION. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ONE MINUTE AND THE NEXT, ONE DAY AND THE NEXT, BETWEEN 1977 AND 1978. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS WHAT WE MAKE IT. ~~WEDNESDAY~~ ^{Next Sunday} ~~TUESDAY~~ ^{Saturday} UNLESS YOU ARE DIFFERENT. YOU MAKE THE DIFFERENCE! YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS, YOUR OUTLOOK, YOUR EXPECTATIONS.

I LOVE ~~THOSE~~ THOUGHTS OF CARLYLE: "EVERY DAY THAT IS BORN INTO THE WORLD COMES LIKE A BURST T OF MUSIC, AND RINGS ITSELF ALL THE DAY THROUGH: AND THOU SHALT MAKE OF IT A DANCE, D A DIRGE, OR A LIFE MARCH, AS THOU WILT."

IT REALLY DOESNT MATTER WHEN THE YEAR BEGINS... BUT AS LONG AS THE WORLD IS CELEBRATING IT AS A SPECIAL TIME, IT IS A GOOD TIME TO MAKE A NEW COMMITMENT TO THE FLOW OF LIFE. IT CAN BE A GOOD CHALLENGE TOGET INTO A HIGHER VIBRATION, TO SET A NEW TEMPO FOR OUR LIFE.

MANY PERSONS FAITHFULLY MAKE RESOLUTIONS ON OR BEFORE NEW YEAR'S EVE. A RESOLUTION IS A WONDERFUL THING. IT CAN BE A HELPFUL TECHNIQUE FOR DEMONSTRATION FOR THE SERIOUS STUDENT OF TRUTH.

THE PROBLEM IS: RESOLUTIONS ARE MADE TO REACH TOO FAR. LIFE CAN NEVER REALLY BE LIVED IN ANY OTHER WAY THAN IN THE NOW. IF YOU RESOLVE TO DO SOMETHING OR REFRAIN FROM DOING SOME THING FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR - ONE SLIP AND THE WHOLE PROJECT IS DOWN THE DRAIN. WE SAY: "WELL, THATS THAT! IT WAS A NICE TRY!"

HOW MUCH BETTER TO OUTLINE GOALS FOR THE YEAR,
BUT TO MAKE RESOLUTIONS EACH MORNING FOR THAT
ONE DAY ONLY: "TODAY, I RESOLVE TO BE STRONG.
TODAY, I WILL NOT OVEREAT. ~~TODAY I WILL KEEP~~
~~...~~ ... I WILL BE LOVING AND NONRESISTANT."

IT IS SO MUCH EASIER TO WORK ON THINGS ONE DAY
AT A TIME THAN TO TRY TO ACHIEVE PERFECTION FOR
AN ENTIRE YEAR. AND...THE BEAUTY OF THE
RESOLUTION-FOR-A-DAY TECHNIQUE IS THAT, IF WE ~~WE~~
FALL DOWN DURING THE DAY, THE NEXT DAY WE CAN
START ANEW.

IF WE FAIL 50 DAYS IN THE YEAR, THE SCORE IS
STILL 315 TO 50. WE STAY ON THE WINNING SIDE.
THIS PUTS THE EMPHASIS WHERE IT SHOULD BE. A
RESOLUTION SHOULD BE MORE THAN A WISH OR VAGUE
YEARNING. IT SHOULD BE A COMMITMENT, A SINCERE
COVENANT WITH GOD.

THIS IS NOT TO ~~MINIMIZE~~ MINIMIZE THE IDEAL OF THE
NEW YEAR. ANY TIME IS A GOOD TIME TO MAKE A ^{NEW}
BEGINNING...AND WHILE THE WORLD IS TALKING ABOUT
THE NEW ~~YEAR~~ YEAR...YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT..
MAKE IT NEW BY PLANNING A NEW FORMAT, A NEW
ATTITUDE, A NEW TEMPO FOR LIVING.

TEMPO ~~WAS A VERY OLD~~ SUGGESTS SPEED. WE REFER
TO THE "TEMPO OF CITY LIFE", WHEN WE GET CAUGHT
UP IN A PACE OF LIVING SET BY OUTSIDE INFLUENCES.
WE NEED TO TAKE TIME TO HEAR THE RHYTHM OF OUR
OWN INNER DRUMMER, AND MARCH TO ITS BEAT.

0 TEMPO MEANS TIME - RELATED TO THAT WHICH IS
PASSING...CONTRASTED WITH ETERNITY -- THAT WHICH
ENDURES.

TEMPORAL - WORLDLY, TRANSITORY, FLEETING.

ETERNAL - EVERLASTING, SPIRIT, REAL, TRUE.

THE NEW TEMPO WE ARE SUGGESTING IS THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE ETERNAL, THE CHANGELESS, THE ETERNAL NOW.

0 TIME IS RELATED TO "TEMPORARY"-- THAT WHICH WEARS AWAY, RUNS OUT, GROWS OLD, ETC. IT IS SOMETHING TO BE FEARED.

A NEW TEMPO IS THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE CEASELESS FLOW OF LIFE, THE ALIENNESS OF TIME, THE EVER-RENEWING LIFE, THE INEXHAUSTIBLE SUBSTANCE.

WALT WHITMAN: "OH, WHILE I LIVE TO BE THE RULER OF LIFE, NOT A SLAVE. TO MEET LIFE AS A POWERFUL CONQUEROR...AND NOTHING EXTERIOR SHALL EVER TAKE COMMAND OF ME."

COMMIT YOURSELF TO THIS NEW TEMPO...WHERE THERE IS NO HURRY OR FRANTIC RUSH...OR THE PRESSURES OF FEAR AND WORRY THAT CAUSE THEM...

GET OUT OF THE FRENZY OF CUMULATION, PUSHING, PULLING, DRIVING YOURSELF, COMPETING AGAINST OTHER PEOPLE, USING YOURSELF UP IN ORDER TO FIND OR KEEP SECURITY. AS EMERSON REMARKS:
"WHY SO HOT, LITTLE MAN!"

GET INTO THE NOWNESS OF MIND. REALLY BELIEVE IN THE "HERE AND NOW". THIS IS THE PLACE! NOW IS THE TIME! IF YOU DO THINGS IN TIME, THERE IS STRAIN AND DRAIN. DO THEM IN ETERNITY... THEY WILL BE DONE EASILY...AND IN NO TIME AT ALL!

WHEN YOU ARE RUSHED OR PRESSED ABOUT ANYTHING.. GET STILL AND KNOW THAT WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IS ALREADY DONE IN SPIRIT. ACCEPT IT...AND OPEN ITS FLOW IN THAT CONSCIOUSNESS.

THERE IS NOTHING FUTURISTIC ABOUT YOUR UNITY WITH GOD, WITH MIND, WITH LIFE, WITH INFINITE INTELLIGENCE. AFFIRM YOUR ONENESS, NOT AS SOMETHING YOU MAY HAVE, EVEN WILL HAVE, AT SOME FUTURE TIME. KNOW THAT IT IS THE FOUNDATION OF YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW.

IN PRAYER, AVOID THE TENDENCY TO PRAY FOR THINGS TO HAPPEN TOMORROW, OR SOMEDAY. DONT PRAY TO GET BETTER...AFFIRM YOUR WHOLENESS NOW. DONT PRAY THAT YOU WILL FIND A JOB, BUT KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOW IN THE FLOW OF CREATIVITY AND SUBSTANCE OF SPIRIT. DONT PRAY THAT YOU MAY HAVE A HAPPY AND HEALTHY AND FULFILLING NEW YEAR...PRAY IN AN AFFIRMATION THAT YOU ARE NOW GODS PERFECT CHILD, HAPPY AND WHOLE AND RICHLY BLESSED.

YOU SEE...IF YOU PRAY FOR GOOD TO COME IN THE NEW YEAR...YOU LOSE THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE PRESENCE. AND IT IS BUT A STEP TO THE CONCERN OF WHETHER THE PRAYER WILL BE ANSWERED...OR JUST WHAT WILL THE NEW YEAR BRING?

THERE ARE THOSE WHO ARE PREDICTING ALL SORTS OF DIRE THINGS FOR THE YEAR 1978. IT IS AS IF THE YEAR IS A FIXED PERIOD REplete WITH ALL ITS HAPPENINGS...SEEN IN ADVANCE BY THE SEER.

BUT NO ONE CAN SEE THE YEAR AHEAD, NO MATTER ~~HOW~~ HOW GREAT MAY BE HIS PSYCHIC ABILITIES. THE YEAR IS NOT AN ENTITY. THE PROPHET MAY SENSE TRENDS AND MOVEMENTS OF CONSCIOUSNESS...AND THUS PROJECT THEM FORWARD TO PREDICT THINGS...BUT EVEN IF HIS CALCULATIONS ARE GOOD...THE EVENTS NEED NOT HAPPEN, AND WILL NOT IF WE "REPENT", CHANGE CONSCIOUSNESS, THE RATE OF VIBRATION, THE TEMPO OF LIVING.

DONT PLAY ~~R~~ RUSSIAN ROULETTE! YOUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOU! SO WITH OTHERS. DONT GET INTO THE "WISHING BUSINESS." "I WISH YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR!" FOR THAT USUALLY IMPLIES... "I HOPE YOU ARE LUCKY."

"SMALL MEN BELIEVE IN LUCK, WISE MEN BELIEVE IN CAUSE AND EFFECT."

INSTEAD OF EMPHASIZING THE NEW YEAR... YOU MIGHT BE WISER TO PUT THE EMPHASIS ON THE NEW YOU. HAPPY NEW YOU... MAY YOU HAVE A NEW STATE OF CONSCIOUSNESS... RESPOND TO HIGHER VIBRATIONS.. AND LIVE WITHIN A NEW HIGH TEMPO

THIS IS REALLY WHAT FAITH IS... LETTING GO OF THE TEMPORAL, THE WORLDLY, THE CHANGING, THE EVIDENCE THAT LIFE IS ON THE WANE AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT...

AND GETTING INTO THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE CHANGELESS AND ETERNAL, THE ALLNESS OF GOD, THE ALL-SUFFICIENCY OF SUBSTANCE... THE CEASELESS FLOW THAT CAN NO KNOW DEPLETION.

TO WALK BY FAITH MEANS TO TURN FROM THE TENDENCY TO BE IN TUNE WITH THE INDEFINITE... TO THE NEW TEMPO OF BEING IN TUNE WITH THE INFINITE.

MAKE THE RESOLUTION THAT YOU WILL WALK BY FAITH IN ALL THE DAYS AHEAD. THIS DOESNT ~~M~~ MEAN WALKING WITH HEAD IN THE CLOUDS... FOR THIS KIND OF POLLYANNA ATTITUDE IS EASILY DISILLUSIONED IF DIFFICULTIES ARISE.

FAITH IS NOT EXPECTING NO CHALLENGES, FOR LIFE IS CHANGE AND CHANGE MEANS GROWTH AND UNFOLDMENT. FAITH IS THE CONVICTION OF CHANGELESS SUPPORT WITHIN DURING CHANGING EXPERIENCES WITHOUT

IT IS FAITH THAT SAYS: WHEN I MEET MY NEXT WATERLOO, I SHALL BE A WELLINGTON AND NOT NAPOLEON. I WILL NOT BE THE VICTIM OF CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT I WILL BE THEIR MASTER.

AND WHEN WE WALK IN THIS CONSCIOUSNESS OF FAITH, WE ARE VIBRATING IN A WAY THAT CAUSES THINGS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD. IT IS A CONSCIOUSNESS THAT IS SYNCHRONIZED WITH THE ~~GOOD WITH~~ THE TRANSCENDENT RHYTHMS OF HARMONY AND PEACE AND SUCCESS AND LIFE EVERYWHERE.

KARL JUNG FIRST REFERRED TO "SYNCHRONICITY" AS MEANINGFUL COINCIDENCES THAT CANNOT BE CAUSALLY EXPLAINED...CHANCE...SERENDIPITIES. BUT THEY CAN BE EXPLAINED BY THE SYNCHRONIZATION OF THOUGHT VIBRATIONS...IN TUNE WITH THE UNIVERSE.

STORY OF MARJORIE RAMBEAU, KMOVIE ACTRESS. NUMBER OF YEARS AGO SHE WAS IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT, AND WAS TOLD SHE WOULD NEVER WALK AGAIN. SHE WAS GIVEN ROLES IN TV WHERE SHE COULD SIT. FINALLY WAS ABLE TO STAND...BUT NOT TO WALK.

SHE WAS CAST IN PICTURE, "A MAN CALLED PETER" - LIFE OF THE LATE PETER MARSHALL. SHE WAS TO SIT IN THE FRONT PEW OF THE CHURCH, AND AT A CERTAIN TIME, WHEN THE CONGREGATION STOOD, SHE WOULD STAND...PEOPLE WOULD WALK OUT...BUT THEY WOULD CUT AWAY AND CARRY HER OUT.

AN ACTOR, PLAYING DR. MARSHALL, WAS DELIVERING ONE OF PETER MARSHALL'S INSPIRING SERMONS ON FAITH. "IF YOU REALLY BELIEVE -- HE WAS SAYING -- THEN IF YOU STEP OUT ON FAITH, YOU CAN DO AMAZING THINGS."

MISS RAMBEAU FORGOT SHE WAS AN ACTRESS, FORGET THIS WAS ONLY AN ACTOR SPEAKING LINES. SHE HEARD THE MESSAGE! IT AWAKENED SOME DIMENSIONS OF CONSCIOUSNESS THAT HAD BEEN LYING DORMANT. SUDDENLY SHE CAUGHT THE NEW TEMPO...VIBRATED WITH IT. HER WHOLE MIND WAS SYNCHRONIZED WITH THE IDEA: YOU CAN...

WHEN THE CONGREGATION TURNED TO WALK OUT, SHE JUST TURNED AND WALKED OUT WITH THEM. IT ALMOST THREW THE CAST OFF! SHE WAS A CRIPPLE! SHE COULDN'T WALK! BUT SHE WAS WALKING.

THE CAMERAMAN WAS SO AWED THAT HE NEARLY FORGOT TO DO HIS JOB. BUT SHE MADE HER WAY, HALTINGLY BUT SURELY, DOWN THE AISLE. AND SHE CONTINUED TO WALK AFTER THAT. SHE WAS MARCHING NOW TO HER OWN DRUMMER...SHE WAS IN TUNE WITH THE RHYTHM OF THE UNIVERSE.

THIS WAS A NEW YEAR...A NEW BEGINNING...A NEW LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESS FOR HER. SHE LET GO OF THE PAINFUL EXPERIENCE...AND THE PROGNOSIS OF THE DOCTOR...ALL THIS WAS IN THE PAST.

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT KEY TO ENTERING THE SO-CALLED NEW YEAR: "FORGETTING THAT WHICH IS PAST AND STRETCHING FORWARD TO THAT WHICH IS BEFORE, I PRESS ON TO THE HIGH CALLING OF GOD"...

KING GEORGE OF ENGLAND QUOTED FROM POEM OF M. LOUISE HASKINS IN HIS CHRISTMAS BROADCAST TO THE WORLD AT THE BEGINNING OF WORLD WAR II IN 1939:

"AND I SAID TO THE MAN WHO STOOD AT THE GATE OF THE YEAR: GIVE ME A LIGHT THAT I MAY TREAD SAFELY INTO THE UNKNOWN. AND HE REPLIED: GO OUT INTO THE DARKNESS AND PUT YOUR HAND INTO THE HAND OF GOD. THAT SHALL BE TO YOU BETTER

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THAN LIGHT AND SAFER
THAN A KNOWN WAY."

THE KNOWN WAY IS ALWAYS IN THE PAST. WALKING
THE KNOWN WAY WILL MAKE THIS COMING ~~Y~~ YEAR AS
EVERY OTHER YEAR. RESOLVE THAT YOU WILL WALK
IN NEW WAYS...WITH A NEW TEMPO FOR LIVING.

AS YOU PUT YOUR HAND INTO THE HAND OF GODS --
WHICH MEANS THAT YOUR CONSCIOUSNESS IS SYNCHRO-
NIZED WITH THE INSPIRATION OF THE ALMIGHTY
INSTEAD OF WITH THE WAY OF THE WORLD -- YOU
WILL WALK BY FAITH AND NOT BY SIGHT...AND YOUR
WAY WILL BE FRAUGHT WITH UNBELIEVABLE GOOD.

IN THE NEW TEMPO YOU WILL HAVE SPRING IN YOUR
STEP...BY WHICH WE MEAN YOU WILL WALK IN PATHS
OF ETERNAL SPRINGTIME, CONSTANT NEW GROWTH AND
UNFOLDING OPPORTUNITIES,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!..HAPPY NEW YOU!..HAPPY NEW
UNFOLDMENTS OF THE DIVINITY WITHIN YOU.