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SCIENTIFIC MYSTICISM

PREFACE

For centuries past there has been deeply locked in the secret archives of antiquity, and preserved by secret communities and societies of Wise Men, Illuminati, and Initiates, a Body of Truth and Wisdom, concealed from general knowledge in Symbols, Glyphs, Figures and Signs, and by solemn pledges of secrecy which none have dared to break. This Body of Wisdom is generally designated under the somewhat ambiguous term, "The Mysteries," ambiguous only because the term itself has lost its original and true meaning in the common use of it. The reason for the concealing of the Mysteries has been because the world, under the centuries-long influence of Christianity, on the one hand, and of its derivative, Materialism, on the other, has been wholly unfit to receive this Truth. From the time that Christendom fell from the clear and pure Teaching and Tradition of the Apostles of Jesus Christ, the pioneers of the primitive propagation of the Mysteries as the common property of the "Gentiles," or the whole world at large, and sunk into early and medieval superstition, scholasticism, and materialism, the Mysteries have been more closely locked, and more inaccessible, than at any other time in human history.

Until the present century no man has been permitted to

break through these barriers of concealment of the Mysteries, for no man, not under pledge of secrecy in a human society, has penetrated the heights of attainment, and entered the Inner Circle of the "Masters"; and no man has learned the Mysteries without the assistance of human teachers to guide them through the mazes of Symbolism and give him the Key of the Riddle. The Mysteries have therefore been kept secure from the profane eyes of the curious or the irreverent by the protection of these Symbolical safeguards and secret pledges.

It requires a man to pursue the Path of the Mysteries without human aid or direction, to face the dangers that waylay the intrepid seeker of the Wisdom, and find his way to the feet of the Masters, and from Them to receive the Truth by Initiation, and all the indescribable Tests of such a pursuit; to interpret the Symbols and propagate the Mysteries to all the world, as Paul was permitted to do, and by the same qualifications. To such a man there are no embargoes of freedom to speak with boldness those things which others could only hint, or teach in Symbol. The reason why such a man has been found, and has succeeded in this attainment, is because the time has come for the Mysteries to be once more, and finally, released from the past secrecy. The world is again made ready for the reception of the Mysteries without great risk of their profanation and misuse. The need of secrecy and Symbolism is ended. The Wisdom may be expressed in terms of common speech, in language of science and current vernacular. The Wisdom may be divorced from the crypticism that made it occult and mysterious. It may be reduced to scientific and philosophic formula, and meted out to the human understanding in graduated instruction suitable to

the opening intelligence of every student. The great Truths of Cosmology; the Laws of Being, of the Dynamics of the Soul and Spirit; the Principles of Alchemical Philosophy, of the Hermetic Science; the secrets of Ancient Mysticism, of the Gnosis that made the history of the ancient world, when knowledge exceeded the farthest conceptions of modern science, leapt the barriers of human limitation, and unified the human consciousness with the Divine and Cosmic consciousness, with the Infinitude of function, phenomena, and experience;—these are the great Forces and Potentialities which are now being opened to the unrestricted opportunities of "all men everywhere" in whom the Message of the Christ in men, of "God manifested in men," finds a positive and subjective Response.

Hence it is that the author's works, "Progressive Creation," "Progressive Redemption," and his book, "The Life and Discourses of Jesus Christ," have been received with perplexed acceptance by many learned and trained "occultists," and teachers, and leaders of present existing "Secret Societies." They are perplexed, and a little dismayed, that a "Brother" (apparently so by the tokens of his evident knowledge and Initiation) should publicly reveal and propagandize Truths and Facts that they have been taught and pledged, by solemn oaths, to keep inviolably secret. To such it would seem that this "Brother" has broken his pledges of secrecy, has violated and profaned the Mysteries, and has "cast their Pearls before swine." What the accredited and appointed teachers of "esoteric" Lodges and Schools are cautiously imparting to secretly pledged students, after many tests of admittance, this man is teaching openly, without restrictions, without pledges, without embargoes. They recognize the voice of a "Master," the hand of an "Adept," the *imprimatur* of authority. They ask,

"Who gave this man authority?" The "Path" is opened to all humble enquiring seekers, without money or price, and without stipulations, so that *"the wayfaring man, though a fool, shall not err therein."* And they do not yet see that the *New Age of the Open Path*, the world-wide Propagation of the True and purged *"Gospel"* of the Mysteries, has now opened. We may now *put away* the "childish things," for the world has *"become a man."* The Masters now are free to "cast the Net into the sea," to "Sow the Seed beside all waters." The man who may do this is a man whose orders have been never to make pledges, never to identify himself with societies or cults that could limit or bar his freedom to utter the Whole Truth; a man whose Initiations have been under the Divine authority and method, and independently of human intermediaries, yet whose character and personality bear the "hall-mark" of verity, and the indisputable evidences and tokens of *Initiation*. Yet this man is unversed in Symbols and Signs that appeal to the initiated of material and terrestrial communities and cults. He is a simple and plain speaker of the Verities that are veiled in Symbols, but the veils have been drawn aside, and the Mysteries are plainly revealed and expounded, without the mediumship of Symbolism and cryptic Signs, and without the need of secrecy.

In the following Seven Lectures on *"Scientific Mysticism"* are contained Teachings and Verities, in plain vernacular, divested of the Symbolism in which they have previously been wrapped, concerning cosmical Science, which have never before in the Christian Era been conveyed to the intelligence of man other than in the secret Lodges of Mystics and Occulists, Rosicrucian, Esoteric, Occult, Alchemical, Theosophical, etc. Also there is much contained in this volume, and previous volumes of the au-