OPENING READING

The Great Peace

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I place my heart upon your own that you may be welded together as one. Let nothing come near to disturb these days of The Great Peace, that sacred peace in which the soul grows, as does the holy flower upon the still lagoons.

You climb from opposite points of life, but it is the same stairway, the final mount of which will always bring you together in every effort or problem. Never halt on any less than the topmost step through doubt or fear. Such alone can separate you and blacken the step on which you halt.

Whenever difficulty of understanding falls upon you, always *climb higher* until you reach the broader landing at the top, on which opens the door of the House of Wisdom and Learning, the Temple of your own souls and hearts, the Home of the Master and all most dear to Him and you.

There alone can you find peace and happiness. The light from that home shines clear and wide to help you in that climb; the fire on that hearth burns bright to warm and cheer you when you enter.

- Hilarion

ANNOUNCEMENTS for Sunday, May 19, 2024

- 1. The Temple Healing Service is held every day at noon here in the Blue Star Memorial Temple. Join us in spirit if you can't join us in person. The healing service prayers are posted on the Temple website under the Events menu.
- 2. Temple study classes are held Tuesdays and Fridays on Zoom at 5:30pm Pacific Time.
 - The Tuesday class is studying writings from William Quan Judge.
 - The Friday class will study <u>Spiritual Leadership</u> from Temple Teachings Vol. 2.
- 3. Next Sunday at 10:30am we will hold Enter the Silence, a program of inspirational readings, meditation, and the beautiful prayers from the Temple Healing Service.
- 4. You can join classes, learn more about the Temple, make donations, or reach us through the contact link on the Temple website: templeofthepeople.org.

5. Announcements:

- The Judge Library is open on Mondays from 9:30am to noon.
- Tonight at 6:00pm, join us for a special one-hour meditation to Buddhist chants recorded by today's speaker, Vladan. The Temple website has more information.
- In preparation for flags to be placed for the Monday Memorial Day holiday, a cleanup will be held this coming **Saturday**, May 25, at the Halcyon Cemetery. Start time is 10am, with a potluck in Hiawatha Lodge that afternoon at 3pm. Please bring a dish to share.
- Then on Sunday, May 26th at 3pm, we will hold a special Temple Builders Service in the Blue Star Memorial Temple. This thirty-minute service will endeavor to be suited for children of all ages and the young at heart.
- Join us in the UC immediately after this service for tea, coffee, snacks, conversation, and have a chance to speak with our esteemed guest and Temple friend, Vladan.