

## FROM ME TO WE

*Our humanity is the conscious meeting-place  
of the finite and the infinite  
and to grow more and more towards the Infinite  
even in this physical birth is our privilege.*

*Sri Aurobindo*

### **The Aquarian Age**

In recent years, there has been a lot said and written about the changes in human culture and consciousness that are being ushered in by the Aquarian Age.<sup>1</sup> In fact, there is a general lack of agreement among writers on the subject as to when the Aquarian Age, a cycle of approximately 2,160 years, actually begins. In general, the speculation is that the “shift time” for the New Age spans several decades from the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> into the 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.<sup>2</sup>

Whether you believe we are currently in the Aquarian Age or not, there is no denying that there has been in our lifetime an unprecedented stirring up of political, economic, religious, educational and cultural changes. Certainly, recent advances in medicine, technology, science, and protection have the earmarks of the Aquarius Age, which is also known as the “Information Age” and the “Age of Innovation.” The prevalent use of iPods, cell phones, LCD TVs, FaceBook and other means of internet communication are all

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<sup>1</sup>When astrologers refer to the Age of Aquarius they are describing the “precession of the zodiac,” or the earth’s movement backward, or retrograde, into this sign. The earth eventually moves backward into each of the 12 signs of the zodiac, which takes the earth about 25,868 years. Each sign, or particular “age,” is approximately 2000 years, and brings with it changes unique to the character of the astrological sign in prominence.

<sup>2</sup> The Tibetan Master D.K., who channeled information through the theosophist Alice A. Bailey, suggested in *Esoteric Astrology* (Lucis Publishing Company), that the “shift time” between ages might be as long as 500 years.

synonymous with Aquarian interests and inventiveness. The launching of the Hubble telescope, the circling of our planet by satellites, and the development of HAARP<sup>3</sup> for researching ionospheric enhancement technology for radio communications and surveillance are all characteristic of an Aquarian “Scientific Age.” News reports that as many as 24 different countries began 2011 with widespread uprisings and protests are indicative of Aquarian qualities that challenge authority and tear down existing structures in order to replace them with something newer and better.

There is no doubt that the Age of Aquarius, ruled by the revolutionary planet Uranus, will bring many changes. In the so-called Aquarian “Scientific Age,” we may see innovations in medicine, such as the regeneration of body parts and the symbiosis between computers and human bodies. The Aquarian era has also been called the “Space Age,” with travel between stars and planets as well as contact with off-worlder beings likely becoming commonplace. As the “Age of Communication,” the Aquarian period should see an increase in personal modes of inter-connection, such as mental telepathy, time travel, clairvoyance, clairaudience, precognition, and past- and future-life recall. Perhaps the Aquarian Age will truly be, as some have predicted, a time of “Universal Brotherhood.” If so, human rights will take greater prominence, environmental protection will be a priority, and understanding between the sexes (with greater balance of yin and yang within individuals themselves) will be more prevalent. Religion may less become about dogma and more about immediate experiences of the Divine.

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<sup>3</sup> The *High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program* was established in

Aquarius puts emphasis on group activities, teamwork, and community. The Aquarian Age has a universal outlook and will work for the betterment of humankind. Aquarian thinking is characterized by “one for all and all for one” rather than being elitist or exclusive. The Aquarian era, then, is a gradual but inexorable transition from “me to we.”

One of the hallmarks of spiritual progress is the desire to serve the greater good. This is not servitude, because we are freely giving from a self developed to the point that we genuinely have something to offer. We have to *have a self* before we can give ourselves to others. The great Indian sage Sri Aurobindo points out that humans are not the high point of evolution but are merely transitional beings. In the Aquarian Age, the spiritual progress of humankind will leap ahead as the process of initiation becomes a progression of inner unfoldment that is not necessarily facilitated by an outer organization, but is

*"In a sense, the whole of creation may be said to be a movement between two involutions, Spirit in which all is involved and out of which all evolves downward (or devolves) to the other pole of Matter, Matter in which also all is involved and out of*

*which all evolves upwards to the other pole of Spirit."*

*"We speak of the evolution of Life in Matter, the evolution of Mind in Matter; but evolution is a word which merely states the phenomenon without explaining it. For there seems to be no reason why Life should evolve out of material elements or Mind out of living form, unless we accept... that Life is already involved in Matter and Mind in Life because in essence Matter is a form of veiled Life, Life a form of veiled Consciousness. And then there seems to be little objection to a farther step in the series and the admission that mental consciousness may itself be only a form and a veil of higher states which are beyond Mind. In that case, the unconquerable impulse of man towards God, Light, Bliss, Freedom, Immortality presents itself in its right place in the chain as simply the imperative impulse by which Nature is seeking to evolve beyond Mind, and appears to be as natural, true and just as the impulse towards Life which she has planted in forms of Matter or the impulse towards Mind which she has planted in certain forms of life.... The animal is a living laboratory in which Nature has, it is said, worked out man. Man himself may well be a thinking and living laboratory in whom and with whose conscious cooperation she wills to work out the superman, the god. Or shall we not say, rather, to manifest God?"*

### ***Devolution-Evolution***

Devolution is the descent of the God force, which encompasses all latent possibilities of becoming, downward into ever denser form until it becomes matter itself. Evolution is the return of this force, now become conscious of itself through the experience of these potentialities, to the Godhead again. Humans are on this arc. The Aquarian Age would have us begin the *return ascent*. Through countless incarnations, we have been becoming more aware until we begin to seek our origin. It is Spirit that impels us and drives us forward on our quest for greater consciousness.