

CHAPTER FORTY EIGHT Marshalling of the Cosmic Reserve Corps

David Morningstar wrote an unusual letter to the Urantia Foundation in Chicago in 1993. This letter is so important I felt I should include it in this book. It not only offers insight into events unfolding upon our planet today but also offers keen understanding of the manner in which the Apostle John received his revelations, which became the New Testament *Apocalypse*.

(Morningstar is not his original name. He changed his name some time after this experience. I inquired but he would not reveal the original. Apparently he felt some affinity with the American Indians, which led to the change.)

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To Urantia Foundation
June 17, 1993
Dear Sirs:

I am not sure why I am writing this letter to you, nor am I sure to whom I should submit this letter. This morning when I awoke I had a compelling feeling to send the following information, which is true, and which I personally experienced. If you would please forward this information to the appropriate person in your organization I would appreciate the courtesy. Prior to the experience I am about to relate, I had never heard of Urantia or the Book by the same name. I do not take nor have I ever taken drugs. I was raised as a Lutheran but did not consider myself (and still do not) affiliated with that denomination. I was a believer in a "God" but now know "Creator" more intimately due to the following experience.

On August 25, 1987, at 11:00 PM Arizona Time, I was reclining on my sofa in my remote desert ranch in central Arizona. This time is exact, as I had observed a digital clock on my television just prior to the following occurrence.

I was not asleep. I was in a relaxed state. I had just turned off my television. I began to hear what sounded like male voices emanating from behind the wall near my sofa. It sounded much like a news program was playing in the adjacent room. I could not understand the words due to their muffled quality, but I could distinguish the essence of male tonal inflections. I called out to my wife in the back of the

house thinking that she was awake and listening to our other TV too loud. In that instant, I fully realized that she was asleep, the TV was not on, and I had no idea what I was hearing.

Suddenly, I experienced a displacement of some type. Not what others have described as an “out of body experience” but a true bodily displacement. I remained fully awake but I was no longer in my living room. To describe what I was experiencing is difficult, due to the lack of English language references to adequately describe the events as they occurred, but the following is my best attempt.

Imagine a very large thick book, much like a large telephone directory. If you were to rifle the pages from page one to the last page you would experience a brief view of each page as it passed before your vision. My experience was much like that in quality, but I was not flipping pages of a book. Rather, I was “flashing” through what appeared to be thousands of real life “movies”. In each case, I was both a participant within each “movie” and I was an observer from outside the scenes viewed.

Each scene viewed/experienced was as real as if I were standing in front of you physically now and conversing with you. I smelled smells, saw colors, heard sounds, saw sights that are not normal to our reality here on Earth. I cannot describe much of what I experienced as there are no language referents for me to describe what happened. (How can I describe colors that do not exist in our current reality?)

Subjectively I felt as if I had been “gone” for at least three months. But upon the end of the experience, my digital clock indicated that I was “gone” less than one minute. I cannot remember now all of the experiences I encountered, but I do vividly remember two, . . . the last two . . . events. I was asked to remember them, because I would be sharing the experiences in my future with people who needed to know. The entity/person who told me this was quite remarkable.

The second to last scene (if I may call it such), I experienced was as follows:

Imagine yourself standing on an emerald green grassy hillside overlooking a tranquil cobalt blue sea. You can look out to the horizon and see the horizon is apparently many times larger than the horizon on Earth. The smooth plain before you is not water. It is instead, a deep cobalt blue glassy, crystal material of some kind. There are multitudes of “beings” of all shapes, sizes and dress standing upon the surface of this crystal plain. Many are human, many are humanoid, some are not human in form at all.

You look up to the sky and observe a beautiful star-filled night sky, but the stars are not in familiar patterns. You look at your hands and realize it is a sunny day, but when you look up you see a beautiful night sky.

The “beings” on the crystal plane before you are mostly conversing with each other, but a majority of them are looking up to the night sky and observing what I can only describe as “holograms” of enormous proportion. The holograms are depicting events on Earth, today.

I remember standing there on the hillside with my jaw hanging loose and saying out loud, “Wow!” I further remember a more impressive event-feeling-happening . . . While the scene before me was awesome, I was completely overwhelmed by the “emotional” experience. A presence on my immediate left, just out of sight of my peripheral vision, was a bright golden white light. Within this light was a being. I could not bear to look directly at this being, but I could feel with every fiber of my existence an overwhelming emotion of what I can only describe as “Unconditional Love . . . and great Authority & Power”. To this day I still break out in tears at the remembrance of this feeling. (People who have described near death experiences relate similar descriptions as I understand their descriptions.)

This Entity/Person spoke to me telepathically. No voice, just a communication direct to my mind. He said I was on a world far from my own at the center of a Universe. He told me it was a great communication center and a place where he called “home”. He told me his name was “Michael” and that he was what is called a “Creator Son”. He told me other things I will not relate in this letter but once I understood . . . or more importantly had a “knowing” that he was who he was, I was transported to a final “place”.

I was standing in a small room, looking at what appeared to be a plaster wall of an off-white color. Standing about a foot in front of this wall was a Greek or Roman column about four feet high with a small one foot square platform. It resembled the type of column one might place a bust upon. In fact there was displayed a bust of an old man (chest high to the top of his head.) It was a beautiful piece of workmanship. An attractive white marble, much in the style of the old masters like Rodin, Rafael or Michelangelo. The voice of “Michael” told me to remember this face, so when I saw that face again I would regain my memory (?) and begin my mission (?) on Earth in preparation for an Arrival (?) The instant I memorized the face I was back on my sofa at home, but in quite a changed state of being.

I saw the clock, it was not yet 11:01 ! I looked around the room, . . . it was light with a golden glow emanating from my body! All of my hair on arms . . . legs . . . head, was standing on end like a great static charge! I had the same wonderful feeling I experienced in the presence of “Michael.” . . . unconditional love and power ! I can only describe it as a cosmic, orgasmic feeling, at the limit a mortal body can withstand. This feeling lasted until about 2:00 AM whereupon I fell asleep after journaling the experience. I told no person about this experience at that time as I believed no person would believe me.

The next day I received a call from a new friend. She called to tell me she had received a mental communication from "spirit." I was to go with her to a book store in Tucson, Arizona. I did not know who this "spirit" was but I was still enough in shock from the previous night's experience to agree to do this. As we were walking along some shelves in the store, a book fell to the ground at my feet. I picked it up and she indicated that "That's it, that's the book spirit wants you to read." I was apprehensive as it appeared to be a religious book of some type and I was not inclined to read such things. When I got home I flipped open the book and read a few lines. I just about swallowed my heart! The book was speaking about a place called "the sea of glass." The book was the Urantia Book. I spent the next 30 days reading the book cover to cover, and retaining every word in my memory, a feat I can no longer duplicate. The ensuing months and years have seen many changes in me and my knowledge of things Universal.

Two weeks ago, I saw the face and since that time I have been feeling strange as if I must follow my internal guidance explicitly on a path leading to some future event. Part of that path is to write this letter.

I do not know where this will lead in the near term, but I now have a "future memory" or a vision, of where I will end up on this so-called "mission." It is amazing!

Perhaps someone in your organization has had a similar experience and you would be so kind as to network them to me. Thank you for any assistance you can give.

Following are my comments.

Practicing Christian

We can see that Morningstar was not a practicing Christian, although he had been raised in a formal Protestant environment. The criteria for his selection for this experience must transcend social and religious affiliations.

There are many such experiences today. The abduction investigators have noted cases where people have cosmic experiences that do not involve lift onto a celestial craft.

Visionary Transport

The form of experience that Morningstar reports was recorded several places in our historic religious documents.

Ezekiel in Ezek 40:1-2

“. . . on that very day, the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me in the visions of God into the land of Israel, and set me down upon a very high mountain, on which was a structure like a city opposite me.”

Daniel in Dan 7:1

“In the first year of Belshaz’zar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream, and told the sum of the matter.”

Paul in 2 Cor 12:1-2

“I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. “I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows.”

John in Rev 21:10

“And in the Spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.”

The *Urantia Papers* state that John’s *Apocalypse* was once a Great Revelation, page 1555. John received his revelation while in temporary exile on the island of Patmos.

The *Urantia Papers* offer this comment:

UP539: John the Revelator saw a vision of the arrival of a class of advancing mortals from the seventh mansion world to their first heaven, the glories of Jerusem. He recorded: “And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire; and those who had gained the victory over the beast that was originally in them and over the image that persisted through the mansion worlds and finally over the last mark and trace, standing on the sea of glass, having the harps of God, and singing the song of deliverance from mortal fear and death.” (Perfectured space communication is to be had on all these worlds; and your anywhere reception of such communications is made possible by carrying the “harp of God,” a morontia contrivance compensating for the inability to directly adjust the immature morontia sensory mechanism to the reception of space communications.)

Through the descriptions offered by this man from Arizona we can now come to better grips with the nature of the old reports. This is especially true for the descriptions by the Apostle John, which carry such vivid scenes.

Note the following parallels:

Morningstar: *"I was reclining on my sofa . . . I was not asleep. I was in a relaxed state."*

Daniel: **"Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed."**

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You might also carefully regard the following remark, page 553 of the *Urantia Papers*:

When the apostle spoke of being "caught up to the third heaven," he referred to that experience in which his Adjuster was detached during sleep and in this unusual state made a projection to the third of the seven mansion worlds. Some of your wise men saw the vision of the greater heaven, "the heaven of heavens," . . .

Morningstar's report suggests that he also saw "the heaven of heavens," the "home" of Michael, which is Salvington, the headquarters of this universe.

Holographic Projections

The form of the scenes witnessed by these people, both in the past, and in the present, have also been described.

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UP327: Energy transmitters can function with regard to all forms of communicable perception; they can render a distant scene "visible" as well as a distant sound "audible." They provide the emergency lines of communication in the local systems and on the individual planets. These services must be used by practically all creatures for purposes of communication outside of the regularly established circuits.

But especially important are the projections made on the sea of glass.

UP511: Once a week, every ten days on Jerusem, the Sovereign holds a conclave with some one group of the various orders of personalities domiciled on the headquarters world. These are the charmingly informal hours of Jerusem, and they are never-to-be-forgotten occasions. On Jerusem there exists the utmost fraternity between all the various orders of beings and between each of these groups and the System Sovereign.

These unique assemblages occur on the sea of glass, the great gathering field of the system capital. They are purely social and spiritual occasions; nothing pertaining to the planetary administration or even to the ascendant plan is ever discussed. Ascending mortals come together at these times merely to enjoy themselves and to meet their fellow Jerusemites. Those groups which are not being entertained by the Sovereign at these weekly relaxations meet at their own headquarters.

While this description is of the System Headquarters sphere, the same events occur on other headquarter worlds, including Salvington.

UP522: At this broadcast-receiving amphitheater the Salvington messages are coming in continuously. Near by, the Edentia word of the Most High Constellation Fathers is received at least once a day. Periodically the regular and special broadcasts of Uversa are relayed through Salvington, and when Paradise messages are in reception, the entire population is assembled around the sea of glass, and the Uversa friends add the reflectivity phenomena to the technique of the Paradise broadcast so that everything heard becomes visible. And it is in this manner that continual foretastes of advancing beauty and grandeur are afforded the mortal survivors as they journey inward on the eternal adventure.

A Need to Know

A time has come when we are being made more aware of how events are unfolding. This is part of the marshaling of the Cosmic Reserve Corps.

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We cannot properly estimate the "need to know." The fact that this letter surfaced within the Urantia community shows that a time has come for it to be made known, and for its significance to be made known. We should recognize that we are being given revelations to show us how it was done in times past, that we play a more critically important role than did the apostles in the salvage of the world, and that we do not have overt divine guidance.

We should not discount the private experiences of individuals who have been taken away, either through abduction, or through visionary experiences, that may have prepared them for service in the Cosmic Reserve Corps. This man is a living illustration of cosmic experience.

Time Expansion/Compression

One of the phenomena connected with such "revelation" events is that of time expansion/compression. I noted this in dealing with the fact of transport of human mortals from the surface of this planet to other places in the universe, together with a series of experiences, all within a few hours. The descriptions by Betty Andreasson were detailed showing this time "compression."

Morningstar: *"Subjectively I felt as if I had been "gone" for at least three months. But upon the end of the experience, my digital clock indicated that I was "gone" less than one minute."*

I believe this time compression was more than the psychological phenomena which takes place at a time of immediate physical danger. We know from human experience that one's life may unfold in a complete series of "scenes" within one's mind, but take only a split second to occur. My wife had just such an experience when we were in an automobile accident. In my view the time compression described by Morningstar was created by celestial agents which permitted his actual transport to the places he describes.

We should note that this transport does not involve celestial craft. By some mechanism unknown to us individual physical beings may be taken directly to other places in the universe.

I offer the following from Revelation.

UP1530: But this was in no sense a miracle. No law of nature was modified, abrogated, or even transcended. Nothing happened but the abrogation of time in association with the celestial assembly of the chemical elements requisite for the elaboration of the wine. At Cana on this occasion the agents of the Creator made wine just as they do by the ordinary natural processes except that they did it independently of time and with the intervention of superhuman agencies in the matter of the space assembly of the necessary chemical ingredients. You should note that this feat was accomplished "independently of time."

The Sea of Glass

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Compare his report with *The Urantia Papers*.

UP522: The superuniverse and Paradise-Havona broadcasts are received on Jerusem in liaison with Salvington and by a technique involving the polar crystal, the sea of glass. In addition to provisions for the reception of these extra-Nebadon communications, there are three distinct groups of receiving stations. These separate but tricircular groups of stations are adjusted to the reception of broadcasts from the local worlds, from the constellation headquarters, and from the capital of the local universe. All these broadcasts are automatically displayed so as to be discernible by all types of beings present in the central broadcast amphitheater; of all preoccupations for an ascendant mortal on Jerusem, none is more engaging and engrossing than that of listening in on the never-ending stream of universe space reports.

You can imagine the reaction of Morningstar.
Then this strange coincidence took place:

Morningstar's report:

"That's it, that's the book spirit wants you to read." I was apprehensive as it appeared to be a religious book of some type and I was not inclined to read such things. When I got home I flipped open the book and read a few lines. I just about swallowed my heart! The book was speaking about a place called "the sea of glass".

Clearly he was intended to learn of the *Urantia Papers*. This eventually led him to address a letter to the Urantia Foundation. I long held the view that only those who were acquainted with the *Urantia Papers* would qualify to become members of the Cosmic Reserve Corps. Only after intense study of the abduction reports did I come to realize that the necessary cosmic concepts could be placed directly into the minds of abductees.

Earth Events

Morningstar: *"what (I saw) I can only describe as "holograms" of enormous proportion. The holograms are depicting events on Earth, today."*

Compare this with the prophets.

Ezekiel:

". . . visions of God into the land of Israel, and set me down upon a very high mountain, on which was a structure like a city opposite me."

The Apostle John:

"And in the Spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God."

As stated by the author of the ancient Book of Enoch, in the "visions" he saw:

"And all shall be smitten with fear "And the Watchers shall quake, "And great fear and trembling shall seize them unto the ends of the earth."

The earth events of today, whether physical, social, political, economic, or spiritual, are related to God's unfolding destiny plans.

The Face

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This is a highly intriguing vision.

The face is human. The face must be from this planet. The face must be that of an individual now living. Morningstar is to see that face.

When Morningstar sees that face he will remember the things he was shown and told. He then will begin his mission. His mission will contribute to preparation for an Arrival.

(### I since learned that David Morningstar began to use his imagination on the "face" and believed it was an incarnation of Aristotle. This mental adventure on his part may have seriously altered his unrehearsed sighting of the face. Upon further inquiry I also learned that he believes in reincarnation, a doctrine strongly opposed by the *Urantia Papers*. If he had studied the *Papers* as carefully as he suggests he would have known that this is a spurious doctrine. We do not know how this mental adventure may affect his future work, or the actual sighting of the real face.)

Who Is The Face?

Morningstar should know. When he sees that face he will have a tremendous psychological and spiritual reaction, unless he has ruined it with his mental adventures.

It seems hardly possible the face would be "any old face." The face is highly specific in identification. The face is that of a living old man, somewhere on the surface of this globe.

Morningstar's reaction to the "old man" might be one bordering on awe. The "old man" certainly will carry an authenticity not approached by other claims to "God's service."

If this information is to be taken seriously, we should expect to shortly see that identification made.

It seems highly probable that the "old man" carries a special role. It may be that this "old man" serves to precipitate action by others. He certainly should precipitate action by the man from Arizona. We do not know how the testimony of Morningstar will impact upon other members of the Cosmic Reserve Corps — if he should publish the fact that he now has seen "the face" and can verify the identity of the "old man." If such event occurs action may be precipitated in those other members. On the other hand, perhaps each person has his own key for call to service.

The implications are stunning.

The Arrival

What is the Arrival?

It may be the return of Jesus.

UP1915: "But the times of the reappearing of the Son of Man are known only in the councils of Paradise; not even the angels of heaven know when this will occur. However, you should understand that, when this gospel of the kingdom shall have been proclaimed to all the world for the salvation of all peoples, and when the fullness of the age has come to pass, the Father will send you another dispensational bestowal, or else the Son of Man will return to adjudge the age. This man is part of the Cosmic Reserve Corps who will proclaim the gospel of the kingdom to the whole world, for the salvation of all people. Then the Son of Man will return to judge the age.

We should not neglect the possibility that this "Arrival" may be of the rebel Planetary Prince when he is released to do his deadly work. I discussed this event in full in my book, *Spirit Entry Into Human Mind*. The "Arrival" of the rebel Prince may be coincident with the "Arrival" of Jesus. It is thus described by the Apostle Paul.

II Th 2:1-4

Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our assembling to meet him, we beg you, brethren, not to be quickly shaken in mind or excited, either by spirit or by word, or by letter purporting to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of perdition, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

Thus we have an estimate of the mission of the man from Arizona, and all who are members of the Cosmic Reserve Corps. They will teach the gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven. They will not teach the gospel of Christian personal salvation developed by Paul and the other early Christian leaders. They will be able to offer explanation of unfolding spiritual events as they have been prepared through contact with the celestial realms, whether by direct transport onto celestial craft, or through visionary experiences, or through the Urantia Revelation.

Another Servant

Consider other revelations concerning this matter.

The *Urantia Papers* tell us that a unique individual will appear on the world scene. I offer the full text in order for you to recognize how the work of this individual is related to the unfolding revelation effort. It is my belief that the “old man” envisioned by David Morningstar is the same as predicted here.

UP1866: Sooner or later another and greater John the Baptist is due to arise proclaiming “the kingdom of God is at hand” — meaning a return to the high spiritual concept of Jesus, who proclaimed that the kingdom is the will of his heavenly Father dominant and transcendent in the heart of the believer — and doing all this without in any way referring either to the visible church on earth or to the anticipated second coming of Christ. There must come a revival of the actual teachings of Jesus, such a restatement as will undo the work of his early followers who went about to create a sociophilosophical system of belief regarding the fact of Michael’s sojourn on earth. In a short time the teaching of this story about Jesus nearly supplanted the preaching of Jesus’ gospel of the kingdom. In this way a historical religion displaced that teaching in which Jesus had blended man’s highest moral ideas and spiritual ideals with man’s most sublime hope for the future — eternal life. And that was the gospel of the kingdom.

The events unfolding today, with a great spiritual contest about to manifest itself around us, and the following nuclear devastations, will demand the utmost personal courage and commitment to God. Such devout and full commitment can only come if the will of the heavenly Father is dominant and transcendent in each of us. His will, above all other concerns, should be the center of our being. If we make this commitment it will be independent of the bodies of Christian association now so immediate to so many of us. The coming decisions cannot be made within the context of Christian theologies, which are so devoid of true understanding of the heavenly kingdom. Nor should we look forward to the coming of Jesus as a sign that we must now act. If he does return it will not be as the babe of Bethlehem, but as the Commander and Ruler of a vast universe, in demonstration of true Godly power. If we wait until we are convinced of his return, in the hope that he will rescue us from disaster, it will be too late for us to act. There will be no Rapture.

As stated so clearly:

UP1919: We most positively believe that Michael will again come in person to Urantia, but we have not the slightest idea as to when or in what manner he may choose to come. Will his second advent on earth be timed to occur in connection with the terminal judgment of this

present age, either with or without the associated appearance of a Magisterial Son? Will he come in connection with the termination of some subsequent Urantian age? Will he come unannounced and as an isolated event? We do not know. Only one thing we are certain of, that is, when he does return, all the world will likely know about it, for he must come as the supreme ruler of a universe and not as the obscure babe of Bethlehem. But if every eye is to behold him, and if only spiritual eyes are to discern his presence, then must his advent be long deferred.

But to continue with the passage associated with the advent of the Servant.

UP1866: It is just because the gospel of Jesus was so many-sided that within a few centuries students of the records of his teachings became divided up into so many cults and sects. This pitiful subdivision of Christian believers results from failure to discern in the Master's manifold teachings the divine oneness of his matchless life. But someday the true believers in Jesus will not be thus spiritually divided in their attitude before unbelievers. Always we may have diversity of intellectual comprehension and interpretation, even varying degrees of socialization, but lack of spiritual brotherhood is both inexcusable and reprehensible.

The coming planetary crises, both physical and spiritual, will cause all of us who are devoted to God to cling together in ways not seen in historic times. We will create a new and real brotherhood upon earth that will far transcend the current cults and religious affiliations.

UP1866: Mistake not! there is in the teachings of Jesus an eternal nature which will not permit them forever to remain unfruitful in the hearts of thinking men. The kingdom as Jesus conceived it has to a large extent failed on earth; for the time being, an outward church has taken its place; but you should comprehend that this church is only the larval stage of the thwarted spiritual kingdom, which will carry it through this material age and over into a more spiritual dispensation where the Master's teachings may enjoy a fuller opportunity for development. Thus does the so-called Christian church become the cocoon in which the kingdom of Jesus' concept now slumbers. The kingdom of the divine brotherhood is still alive and will eventually and certainly come forth from this long submergence, just as surely as the butterfly eventually emerges as the beautiful unfolding of its less attractive creature of metamorphic development.