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**Zalhem:** Greetings to you, my brothers and sisters. I am Zalhem.

Since you were interested enough to discuss the forces of good and evil, I should like to make a few comments upon this subject.

A great battle is taking place upon the inner planes between these two forces—those who would control the minds of Earth people and direct them in the evil ways in which they tend to go, and those who would free Man and would bring him into the realization of who and what he is. The latter would bring influences to Man that would aid him in coming to these realizations and encourage him to search out the Truth that it might set him free.

We do not wish to control any individual. We wish only to bring about influences that will be of benefit to you, and that will bring you into a greater light and a greater understanding. Much of the so-called Truth that is taught upon your planet is false. It is not Truth. It is instigated by the forces of darkness. They infiltrate wherever they can to inject, by devious means, things that will lead people astray and will prevent them from having any awareness of the dark forces.

Those who profess to follow the teachings of the great Master whom you call Jesus, are often influenced and misled by these forces. They inject the things that will appeal to people, such as those things that will appeal to the ego and the desire for self gain. They do not inject the laws of justice and responsibility to their fellow man, but rather what can be gained for self.

They do not remove all of the Truth, only enough to mislead. They work in very subtle ways to prevent Man from realizing and knowing the real Truth. They work in devious ways to cause friction among men in organizations and groups that are spreading Truth, wherever they can exert their influences to bring about inharmony and destruction. They are bearers of death and destruction.

Be aware of these that their influences do not reach you. They are always looking for openings and when they find them, they take their opportunity to destroy. So, be ever aware of these and do not leave openings

for these influences. They love to inflate egos and to jump in and promote jealousy and hate among men. Wherever they find these things, they use their influences to promote them.

Many people are influenced but are not aware of it. They have not the slightest idea why they do some of the things they do. Some are even under the complete control of these forces. Some are even aware of being under the influences and the direction of these forces, but they are willing to sacrifice their souls for power and recognition, not realizing that in the end, it will only bring them destruction. These things can only lead to destruction and to the Second Death. There is nothing worse than the Second Death, so be ever aware of these forces.

**Questioner:** How can we help these people who are unaware that they are under the control of these forces?

**Zalhem:** You cannot do anything to help them unless they want to be helped. One can only be helped by being made aware of it and by changing one's own desires. If you follow in the footsteps of your great Master and refuse to do anything that is not good and right and just, these forces cannot influence you.

It is through ego, anger, hatred and the desire for power that they creep in. Those individuals who are selfish and always think of promoting self, are the ones who are influenced through these weaknesses. It reaches into the highest echelons of your nation. All you can do to help these individuals is to make them aware of these things, but many of them do not want to be aware. They would not listen. They would not believe you nor recognize that there are such things.

**Questioner:** Can you tell us what actually happens in the case of the Second Death?

**Zalhem:** This is a long and sad story which I would rather not go into. It is the loss and destruction of the Soul. The man who meets the Second Death remains in darkness for aeons of time before he can be brought out and rehabilitated. These have the chance eventually, to come out and to try again, but many of them fail again. The drive in Man for power and self-satisfaction is great, and he is willing to sacrifice his

Soul for this. Many of them reach a point where they will sacrifice anything for these powers.

**Questioner:** Would you comment on the excerpts which we read this evening from Trevor James's book, "The Cosmic Pulse of Life," concerning the forces of "Lucifer" and "Ahriman"?

**Zalhem:** There are many different terminologies used, but these are influences just as we have the Christ influence. Often they are referred to as Rays and one will have an effect in balancing the other.

**Questioner:** Is Lucifer of the dark forces?

**Zalhem:** Lucifer is not of the dark forces.

**Questioner:** Would you care to comment on the prayer that we read aloud which is known as "The Great Invocation"?

**Zalhem:** This is a powerful invocation that was given to Man by the Brotherhood. It can be very beneficial and powerful when used in the right way by numbers of people. It influences the building of the Christ Light in helping to prepare for the return of the Christ.

**Questioner:** Would you suggest that we use this in the Tuesday night group?

**Zalhem:** It is good for any group to use this. It is one of the most powerful invocations that has been given.

**Questioner:** Would you suggest it be used at the beginning of the meditation or at the end?

**Zalhem:** It does not matter whether it is used at the beginning or at the end. Perhaps if it is used at the beginning, it might lend somewhat more power to the group. This would depend on the consciousness of the group.

**Questioner:** Would you recommend this as an opening prayer for our Saturday night group?

**Zalhem:** It could be used very beneficially for that. It is a strong, powerful invocation, and it is good for use at any time by individuals or groups. Of course, it will be more powerful when used by a group.

**Questioner:** Would this be helpful to us in building the Light for our healing exercise?

**Zalhem:** It is not designed for that purpose, but it certainly would not detract.

**Questioner:** Will you and the other teachers present please stay and join with us while we send the Light around the circle?

**Zalhem:** Yes, and I would emphasize again that you be on your guard against the dark forces, for they will sneak in wherever they have the opportunity to cause any retarding of the knowledge of Truth.

Now, as I leave you I extend to each of you my most sincere love and blessings, and may you always stay in the Protective Ray of the Great Ones. I ask that the

blessings and the love of the Great Ones be bestowed upon you.

Go in peace. Go in peace, peace. ☸