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**Teacher:** Beloved children, My peace and my blessings I give to you.

I am reminded of a phrase from one of your hymns, which states "Blest be the tie that binds." What, my friends, do you consider is the greatest tie to bind man together in a great Brotherhood?

Questioner: Love.

**Teacher:** Well spoken, my sister. And how shall we define this word love, that is so loosely used among Earth man? Is it an emotion or a phase of our emotions? Is it a feeling that rises up within our being? How could we describe this thing we call love to a fellow being? I can only give you my interpretation of this; perhaps you shall not agree with me.

Let us also consider another word which is used quite extensively among all of you and all of your people. There is much talk today among Earth people, that understanding must be brought about among your people if you are to live together in peace. Now, how do we gain understanding of our fellow man and of ourselves? There are only a few ways that we can do this, and this is by association, by association combined with love, and when we have achieved understanding we have also achieved love. Therefore we cannot separate the two; we must conclude that love is understanding and understanding is love. Then this is what remains, to increase our love and understanding to include spiritual understanding. Before we can have or reach any degree of spiritual understanding, we must first have and cultivate understanding of our fellow man.

There are many on Earth planes that proclaim great spiritual understanding, yet this does not reflect in their life. They do not show love or understanding for their fellow being. Many of them attempt to judge the spiritual growth of another. You will hear them remark that this person or that person is not developed spiritually, harmony does not exist in their life. Where you find this result, there is not any true degree of spiritual understanding, for unless you have within your own heart a true understanding or love for those about you, you will not attain great spiritual understanding.

Let us work to promote this love among mankind, so that he might extend his spiritual understanding, in preparation for a greater life. Great help has been offered to Earth man to bring about these conditions more rapidly, but they have been rejected many times, for somehow man of Earth has not come into the full realization of the importance of Brotherhood. It is now slowly dawning upon him. He is beginning to get through his dim sight, a slight glimpse of the importance of this, yet he hesitates to take the step forward.

He fears that he shall not find the readiness in his fellow man to accept his hand of friendship and love. Everything possible is being done by the higher powers to help mankind come into this realization.

Man of Earth is existing now upon borrowed time. Little does he realize the number of times that through the great efforts of those who understand these laws, he has been given more time. But eventually this must also end, and man will have made his final choice. This opportunity will have passed and those who have not chosen rightly will be doomed to try again through another process of evolution.

Peace be with you, my friends. \$