

PART 3

MOST HIGH ANDROMADEUS

**The Twelve Angelic Sectors
of the
Seraphic Planetary Government**

MACHIVENTA MELCHIZEDEK INTRODUCES ANDROMADEUS

I am Machiventa Melchizedek, your Planetary Prince. How wonderful to have you gathering still, after these many years. It is always gratifying to us who are cultivating the mortal connection to see how you stick with it. Some come and go; and some graduate to Mansonia; but those of you who endure provide the bulwark of the mission as undertaken by the Teacher Corps under the jurisdiction of myself in conjunction with Christ Michael, whose Mission it is truly to help bring you into an awareness of your place in the universe and the friends and associates you may claim as your helpers in your ascent into consciousness and spirit reality.

It is often difficult for us to assess your real capacities, since mortals are such creatures of habit and cultural conditioning. We see the light within you shine, but we also see how easy it is for that light to flicker when your faith is tested or when the effort of your up-reach is thwarted by the pull of your human condition. But we trust that while we may not always succeed, we will surely fail if we do not at least make the effort. And so it is in that light that I am happy to introduce another character to your Cast of Characters in this unfolding Teaching Mission, and that is one who has visited before in private converse, but who we feel certain will be well received, especially as you pursue your course of study and understanding of the body of helpers, such as the seraphim, in planetary government and ministry throughout your world and other worlds of time and space. And that would be Andromadeus.

Andromadeus you may regard as perhaps the Mayor or the Governor. He is not the King; he is not the Supreme Court Justice, but he is an official in universe government. Let me let Andromadeus speak for himself, but before I do that, I will take the opportunity to impose an immediate assignment upon you, and that is to read from the text from the Paper on Seraphic Planetary Government about the divisions of labor that Andromadeus will speak about ... not only today but possibly over the course of many seasons.

I will put this session in recess until you have had an opportunity to review the material that will help you understand who your new Teacher will be and what he will be presenting. And before I close off for this recess, let me once more convey to you how much we appreciate those of you who do stay the course, and who stay awake, and those who, like us, anticipate the next adventure in the unfolding of the cosmic consciousness of Urantia. Shalom.

MOST HIGH ANDROMADEUS TEACHES THE RIO RANCHO NM TEAM IN 2008

ANDROMADEUS: I beg your indulgence. I am Andromadeus, a Most High Observer, assigned to this critical time in your planet's development. I also oversee the rehabilitation and re-encircuitment of the other worlds in this System, which were isolated at the time of the

rebellion. Thus Machiventa's description of me as a Mayor is somewhat cavalier, but I will not differ with him, my comrade.

The connection here with this T/R [Gerdean O'Dell] is far from optimum, but as is often the case, as we spend time with each other, our energies are able to harmonize as I reach down and the instrument reaches up. At that time we have as good a connection as can be had under these primitive circumstances. Even so, it is a great thrill to us all to be engaged in such an experiential adventure as you have been introduced to: the Teaching Mission. And although it is evident that this term and this phase in planetary development is far from clear, it is nonetheless gratifying to see how many of you reach for the light, who seek this connection, and who yearn to reflect divine light into the darkness.

Your industry in this regard is endearing, even when it is fraught with error.

I am honored and gladdened to be urged to step forward to receive the sanction of Prince Melchizedek who oversees your university curriculum. Much time has been spent in the cultivation of your reality, learning about your place in the universe and the very real connection that exists - personally, energetically, and spiritually, even emotionally - between you and others, human and divine. And we can clearly see your ambition to be about the Father's business in ways that will make your mark on the history of your humble beginnings as a mortal on this world. Often it seems you are eager to win the race, and in your enthusiasm you charge out of the gate as if you know where you are going, as if you know the goal before you even know the direction in which to head. But I assure you we can utilize those drives, that urge. As the Father lures you forward, we come along behind and beside you, attempting to guide your steps and in this we are a vast array of workers. Indeed, this is the seraphic planetary government at work.

While this government is indeed vast and far-reaching into all the worlds of time and space, it is my peculiar privilege to represent you who have been isolated for the efforts we engage in with you here are altogether new and different from the seraphic planetary government of other worlds which have been functioning fruitfully from their beginning. Yours has only recently begun, with the advent of the Spirit of Truth, at the time of Michael's departure from this world and assumption of sovereignty. In many regards we are a new group of workers and while our categories are classified, the opportunities are unique and varied.

I would like, over time, for you to gain a greater understanding of these divisions and as you are able to ponder them each individually, you will be able then to perceive how they are at work in your world. It will not suffice for me to simply say what they do, although I will help you understand, for your task as the student is to research and discover how they work and for you to bring this knowledge into the class room to share and compare with your fellows so that you have a true education, a genuine knowledge of how the universe works, even beginning here in your humble existence as a mortal of the realm -- one only now beginning to emerge out of quarantine.

I am an official. There is no comparison in your local government, your local finite government. I have been compared before as a Mayor to indicate that I serve over the City Council, and in this case the City Council would be the Counsel of 24 on Jerusem as well as the twelve divisions of planetary seraphic helpers, and so my purview is quite large, but it is not as large as, say, Gabriel's or Michael's. I only bring it up because I know you are interested in hierarchy and who is more important and who carries more weight and who identifies with you more closely, and so forth. If you were to read the entire Paper, you would have a better idea of who the Most Highs are and I am one of those. I come from the Constellation level, the capital of which is Norlatiadek.

You have heard it said many times that the Most Highs rule in the kingdoms of men, and yet I have heard many complaints of late that we are not doing our job very well because there are so many wars and rumors of war, and so there is this accusatory attitude that we must not be doing our job that well if war is still a pattern here. Perhaps if you understand what we *do* do, you will have less criticism about what we don't do. It is my privilege to attempt to educate you and to cultivate within you a greater understanding of how it is that the Most Highs work. And I am an Observer. I observe, notate, report and counsel in my job. I do not direct and tell people what to do. I report to others.

Perhaps one of you would read the section on Planetary Seraphic Government that lists the 12 sectors and you could then discuss among yourselves which one of these divisions you would like to focus on first. [Reneau volunteered to read the section]
I hesitate to open the floor for questions, but at the risk of my composure, I will nonetheless open the floor to you. Be gentle.

The Angels of Health

Renault: Since I work in the field of health, that area interests me a great deal, and I've seen great advances happen over just the past 50 years (much less 2,000) -- disease prevention and health promotion and I think that's marvelous. We've come a long way, just in simple things like washing our food and washing our hands. And sanitary conditions and how one person can influence a whole culture. For example, Florence Nightingale introduced cleanliness into hospitals and field medicine in trying to get surgeons to wash their hands before they operate. The present corps is the sixth group. One of my questions is, how often or what decides when another group or corps will come into a specific industry, home, religion, enlightenment, those different subdivisions that we read about?

ANDROMADEUS: Let me ask you then, how long have you been in the field of health?

Renault: Thirty-two years.

ANDROMADEUS: And how many times have you changed over? Why would you change?

Renault: To go to another place, change climate, change environment.

ANDROMADEUS: And do you see where that might be the reason for the changeover as referenced in planetary government? The angels of health serve the doctors, the nurses, the administrators, the researchers, the scientists, the patients, and those that are engaged in improving and maintaining the health of the creatures of Urantia. Yes, let us not overlook the veterinarians and those other fields that contribute to this essential element of effort.

Your world has experienced a lot more disease than necessary, had your Material Son and Daughter followed through with the original plan for racial upliftment. Many of the diseases Urantia experiences today would not exist. This creates much more work and deplorable conditions. It stands to reason, then, that these workers would, like you, grow weary of the deplorable conditions and rather than run the risk of cosmic burnout, their job assignments change. Not just from one hospital to another, but from one area of focus to another. Already, you have a greater understanding of how it is that the most highs work in the kingdoms of men. And when you hear people complain that the Most Highs aren't doing a very good job, since there is still cancer and AIDs and any number of other infirmities that have not been mastered, cured and dispensed with, you can point out that whereas this may be true, small pox is virtually eliminated, as is polio and breech birth and a number of other things that were common even 100 years ago.

Perhaps for the month of January (your time) you can take a look at that area of planetary government. Allow yourself to program yourself to be open to impressions and guidance that come to you through and about the field of medicine and health. Read that description one more time for the record:

Renault: "8. *The angels of health.* These are the seraphic ministers assigned to the assistance of those mortal agencies dedicated to the promotion of health and the prevention of disease. The present corps is the sixth group to serve during this dispensation."

It has been my pleasure to be with you today. I look forward to meeting with you again next month to learn more about seraphic planetary government. Farewell.

The Angels of Superhuman Ministry

Student: Last month we were visited by Andromadeus who talked to us about the Seraphic Planetary Government -- Andromadeus being a Most High Observer -- and the reading from the Urantia Papers indicated that there were twelve divisions of seraphim - angels - who oversee our growth and development ... twelve distinct divisions of labor, as it were, and that we work with as soon as we are competent to do so they will induct us into their efforts, so we are working with the angels as we allow ourselves to be open to divine providence.

We talked last time about the angels of health, and were asked to think about that throughout this month and Renault offered some things to think about in terms of the medical field that she has

been engaged in throughout her life. It is fairly apparent that she is assigned to the angels of health -- at least in this time frame.

Renault: And the twelve are: The epochal angels, the progress angels, the religious guardians, the angels of nation life, the angels of the races, the angels of the future, angels of enlightenment, angels of health, the home seraphim, angels of industry, angels of diversion and the angels of superhuman ministry.

Gerdean: So, do we have preference as to which one you want to learn more about? Or we can ask them to ask more in detail, or embellish somehow?

Students: The last one. The angels of super enlightenment.

ANDROMADEUS: Andromadeus here. Thank you, all of you who have acquiesced to hear me. I am pleased to function with you as a visiting teacher. You have asked about the angels of superhuman ministry, and the text says ... let me hear the vernacular you are working with.

Renault: "The angels of superhuman ministry. These are the angels of the angels, those seraphim who are assigned to the ministry of all other superhuman life on the planet, temporary or permanent. This corps has served since the beginning of the current dispensation."

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, thank you. The seraphic planetary government is a relatively new configuration on Urantia. It came together 2,000 years ago, after Michael (Jesus) left here to assume his rightful place as Master Son of his universe, Nebadon. The seraphic planetary government is indeed a part of the restructuring that has been going on since he took power. Prior to his actions that brought about the Council of 24 there was little organization at all on your world. Even the midwayers were uncorraled.

The Master's presence on this planet has already instituted far more works and wonders than you would know of because of your limited mortal perspective, but this perspective is expanding as you become familiar with the precepts set forth in the Urantia Papers, one of which is designed to introduce you to the likes of which we are discussing. And you run right to the biggest, the most nebulous of all, which is so typical of humans. You want to know what is just beyond your reach. What are they doing? What are they doing among themselves? How do they minister to each other On High?

And without knowing your individual motivations, I am responding to the inner call for that mortal yearning that is so appropriate for children. All children want to know more about their parentage and their cultural inheritance. Every child wants to know who its mother and father are, and who its siblings are. It wants to hear stories of what happened when mother was a girl and when grandfather was a boy, for these provide the scenarios in which their lives take shape and take on meaning, for one alone in the universe, without a frame of reference, or sense connection, is akin to cosmic orphanhood, and orphans you are not. You do indeed have elders,

cosmic aunts and uncles, if you will, and myriad cousins, well beyond the midway level, who are part of your greater family.

And so it is no wonder you are curious to know about them and how they help and serve one another. Even as you ask the question and I attempt to respond, you surely must appreciate the difficulty I might have conveying to you the response without drawing upon your own existence as a parallel, so that you might be apprised of the similarities, for that is the concern you have for not only who you are and how you fit within the framework of your cosmic neighborhood and how you are a citizen of the universe but how you relate to the planetary government and what they can do for this world, and what you can do as a citizen of world.

It is very difficult, however because [lesson lost due to faulty recording] of burnout in any server. The body tires, the mind grows weary, the emotions drain, and the spirit itself requires renewal. As such, the divisions of seraphic ministry have undergone change periodically, since its inception. Once the leaders -- those in charge -- those who rule -- begin to show wear and tear, they are replaced. There is a point of wisdom that comes from experience, certainly, and this wisdom is what we strive for and depend upon. The seraphim of superhuman ministry are those who minister to those who help, or more specifically those in the realms of health, family life, nation life and so forth.

Perhaps I could equate this to how it is that sometimes a psychiatrist needs to see a psychiatrist, because they are dealing all the time with perversions of thought processes which disrupt harmony in the minds of those who come to seek healing. And sometimes the psychiatrist needs to have a reality check, or a holiday from his or her efforts, in order to maintain that quality of excellence that is necessary, and without becoming weary to the point of being frayed.

These seraphim of superhuman ministry are not administrators, if you think that. They do not fire seraphim who are not doing the job. They are merciful and are assisted by myriad types of celestial agents. Such as those which are beyond your ability at this point to recognize. Even so, those entities are actively engaged in the process of evolving and cultivating your spirit reality here indirectly if not directly. And the same is true for the seraphim of superhuman ministry. You may not work with them directly, but you may be sure they and their work impact you. And you may also be assured that to the extent you are growing into yourself and into cosmic consciousness, you will be assimilated, along with those values and ethics which are the heart and soul of these mighty helpers.

There are many mortals who fall under the shadow of this division of seraphic labor. You may or may not perceive of yourself as one of them. And I am not here to designate which ones of you are within the jurisdiction of the division of seraphic planetary government that covers superhuman ministry, but I assure you that I see your lights and recognize your efforts, even when and as you yourselves are unaware of your contributions and even when your fellows are unaware of your contributions to the Evolving Supreme and to the government On High.

This month, in your meditation time, consider and ponder the love of the Creator who would go to such an extent to develop such a plan that involves itself in the cultivation of your reality, even yours personally, by and through the auspices of these beings and through the orchestration of their organization.

It is beyond my ability to convey to you how impressed I am with their efforts and their accomplishments on your behalf. But it will only mean something to you if and as you perceive it within your own consciousness as a reality, not as a piece of information. And so I invite you to open yourself up to your Adjuster's leading you into a glimpse or two or three of how it is that you are being led along the path of spiritual awakening. And let me further suggest that having glimpsed the degree of ... your growing reality, that you bow your head and humble yourself before that love as would nurture you so painstakingly, even out here on the outer rim of space. We have a God worthy of worship for our very existence. It is with joy that we consecrate our will to doing that which He has in store for us. I release you now for your normal studies. I will see you again next month.

Thank you.

Angels of the Nations

ANDROMADEUS: You are watching the elections and the caucuses and the discussions as to the demographics of race and gender and so on. You can see the shuffling of the deck that is involved in the process. This process is an illustration of what happens on a far greater scale as the Most Highs rule. They observe humanity in its current configuration and factor in what happens when influences come into play, such as natural disasters or inherent hostilities on a tribal level, and how the effects of these causes stimulate actions on the part of others.

Often we have heard you complain that the Most Highs are not doing a very good job, since the planet is still very warlike, as if the Most Highs were supposed to make it all better. I will draw an analogy that this mind can understand that being the putting together of Sunday Dinner. It is one thing to go down to a caterer and order Sunday Dinner, invite your guests, set the table and at a certain time have the caterer arrive with everything all cooked. It is quite another to put the meal together from scratch in your own kitchen.

This is what is happening on Urantia. Someone needs to peel the potatoes while someone else is, shall we say, stuffing the bird, or testing the bread. There are different phases that need to be gone through preliminary to the serving up of the dinner, "food prep" being the major part of putting on the meal. The slicing and dicing and adding the spices at just the right time, having the temperature set at just the right heat, and the baking going on for just the right amount of time. To do it any sooner or later may be preliminary to disaster.

And so, even though someone may come along and taste something and say "Yuck!" it is because it isn't finished yet. When everything is set out upon the table, it will be done, and it will be delicious. And this is how it is that the Most Highs are working in your kitchen to bring about light and life. You see one uncooked dish and you throw up your hands and say we are failing in the job, when in fact it is an ongoing process.

Much of what goes on in the angelic corps is completely beyond your comprehension, but another point to consider is that the angels take many of their instructions from their superiors, which in this context are from the Most Highs, which have their job and many of those instructions are derived from Gabriel, the Chief Executive of the local universe, who operates under Michael himself, and so there is indeed a hierarchy.

Let us say you say your prayers; you send your prayers up into the stratosphere and they fall upon God's ears. He then considers your prayer and puts the answer to your prayer into effect by instructing Gabriel who instructs the Most Highs who instruct the angels who instruct the midwayers who instruct the molecules in your environment to answer your prayer. That, of course, is a gross over-simplification, but it indicates that there is a huge orchestration involved in bringing about God's will here on your world. And when you multiply that by how many individuals there are on this world, your circumstances are further complicated. When you get into nation life, you are dealing with governments.

Many of these governments are little more than the caveman with his club raised, as you have seen depicted in the Urantia Papers, and some are sophisticated machines, and they rise and fall, they go through epochs, ages and phases, and when they no longer serve, they fade out of existence; they make way for improved governments, which may or may not change its borders and its configuration based on many, many factors: how well they get along with their neighbors, how well the natural boundaries are able to sustain the natural dividing lines. It is not a hard science. It's a living reality. All of this is alive but it's in a bigger fishbowl than you are accustomed to seeing.

I have no more to add at this time. I would simply ask that you elevate your perspectives and when you look at nation life, step out of your own identification with your own nation and its current fix on the atlas. Think more in terms of advancing government of people on the way to self-government, and think in terms of ways to bring order into chaos.

Thank you for your ears. Thank you, Merium, for the platform. I hope to see you again next month for another mini-lesson in how it is that the Most Highs rule and how the angels work with you and how you can assist your angels in the advancement of humanity.

The Home Seraphim

ANDROMADEUS: Greetings. I am Andromadeus and I've come again to edify you, that is to say, help you focus on the fact of the Most Highs and the work of the spiritual government of your universe -- specifically the area of the universe wherein you live. The agenda, as simple as it is, is to focus on one of the seraphic sectors wherein we are learning more about the sundry angels and how they minister to the myriad children of time and space, and particularly how they impact on your world here, inasmuch as your world here is about all that can possibly make sense to you at this point. I will proceed with my curriculum as planned.

I would like for you, Renault, to read the excerpt from the text that relates to the angels of the home, please.

Renault: "The home seraphim. Urantia now enjoys the services of the fifth group of angelic ministers dedicated to the preservation and advancement of the home, the basic institution of human civilization."

ANDROMADEUS: Thank you. You will note that these angels are interested both in the conservation of the home as well as progressive manifestations. I point this out because it is another area of potential conflict that stimulates the workers, without calling the proceedings to a halt. You know that there are conflicts on-going between the angels of progress and the "angels of the churches" which sometimes have called us all into confer, and once again in the angels of the home there is this potential for conflict and it is very evident in the sundry philosophic approaches to family life as you observe them in your society today.

There are those who hold with the theory that the nuclear family is the appropriate and indeed the only way in which marriage should be regarded, that marriage should only be undertaken by one man and one woman for the purpose of procreating children for the maintenance of civilization. And these are certainly the conservative set, as compared to those angels who work with surrogate families, broken homes, extended families, same sex parents, and any number of adaptations to the original.

This recent flourish of non-traditional family life scenarios is not entirely a reflection of women's liberation, no, but on the new administration - the new and current [planetary] administration, which has found it advantageous to expand the understanding of the home to include that which has been heretofore regarded as unacceptable or for some reason to be left outside the bounds of custom and propriety.

Home has always been where the woman is. They provide that quality, that instinct, which fulfills the role of nurturing life. And all life needs nurture. Even the most valiant warrior grows weary and would derive comfort from the woman's care and nurturance -- emotionally, physically, spiritually. And this extends into the culture, and when allowed, infiltrates society completely. Such a nurturing attitude is worthy of the oversight of angels.

Our universe parents are nurturing beings. They are caretakers and ministers. And their offspring, the Material Sons and Daughters, are trained in methods that will enhance the home in order to encourage it to become a hub of love and laughter, light and levity, illumination of those things worthy of the effort.

When you go away on a trip on holiday, or when you travel far to work and you turn around, you look forward to returning home. "There is no place like home." The hearth has always represented the home, that place where food is prepared and served, and this has been the role of women from time immemorial because she provides the breast that provides the most basic and essential of foods. Men's obsession with breasts is paying homage to the woman's place as key nurturer of the physical realms. It is an acknowledgement of the body of Nebadonia as surely as the bread and the wine are [acknowledged as] the body of Christ (Michael).

This makes the home a sacred place. It makes marriage, for those who commit to its furtherance, a sacred commitment -- humanly sacred. Caring for one another is a sacred act. Even when it is simply for your own survival, when one takes care of the other, it is not a manifestation of selfishness for survival of one without it being a matter of survival for the other. And when you think of the survival of others, you are engaged in a sacred practice.

Those who lean toward the conservative approach regarding family may often feel as though the sacredness of the home is being defiled by all these adaptations to what you know of as the nuclear family, but the future will reveal that the family of man is much bigger than a cluster of nuclear families. It includes *all* of humanity, even those who are outside the bounds of matrimony, and children who are born outside the sanction of marriage. They are all nonetheless a part of the family of our Parents on high and they all deserve and need the nurturance and care that come from the essential hearth of our very existence, which is to be found in the divine Mother and protected, upheld and provided for by the divine Father.

This is the true home. And it is represented here, in the many ways you see it portrayed. No matter how far outside the lines you may color, you will always find the basic building blocks intact. The compulsion of men and women to find each other and procreate is a powerful, powerful urge. It is not there to aggravate you or to inconvenience you, but to keep the pattern alive and progressing. Men and women simply will not live without each other, and so you need never fear that this basic building block will be rent asunder. Rather, in the knowledge of this essential universe law, you may entertain the incredible diversity of variations on that theme and for many purposes. There are many, many ways to feed and nurture humanity.

Now that your world has attained a certain pinnacle of development, you can expand your consciousness to incorporate all the peoples of the world as your kin, your extended family. And by developing an idea along the lines of the above, you might begin to realize something of Mother Spirit's work with you all as you begin to reiterate her affection and her pattern out and into the culture around you, that of knowing that you are well fed and cared for, and that as you are found to be whole within yourself and within the framework of your home and that which

you share with others, there is enough to go around. There is enough to share. There is enough to open the doors and invite in those who hunger and thirst, those who feel they have no one to whom they may belong.

These angels of the home are urging an expanded and enduring vision of the family of man. Certainly the nuclear family has played and continues to play and will continue to play a vital and necessary role, but from that base, open your arms, open your hearts, open your minds, and yes, as necessary, open your doors and open your purses to begin to care for those who share your universe home.

There are other angels, of course, who are interacting with these home angels, home seraphim. So that there are other interests, other energies, other efforts on-going at the same time. It is rare that anyone would be exclusively devoted to assisting the home angels. But to the extent that you value your home and that you wish that no one go homeless, or that no one come from dysfunction or all the many existent situations that cry out for food and care, they are longing for a home. Be mindful of the efforts of the home angels and appreciate those who are working to implant and experientially demonstrate how it is that the parent/child pattern is able to repeat itself in the most peculiar and unlikely combinations of mortal beings.

If the Master could stand on the cross and say [to those observing], "Behold your mother! Behold your son!" and mean to say "Behold Humanity!" then you too can look around and say, "Behold my brother. Behold my sister. Behold my child. Behold my parent." And embrace this idea of family in the context of the home you share: this planet, Urantia. Such a simple concept and yet so far-reaching. Every one of you can reflect on the efforts and the effects and the success that these angels have brought to you and to your existence.

It is a pleasure to be invited into this home to sit around this hearth with you this afternoon, to feel your love and affection, to sense the mental stimulation in your group and to perceive the spirit lights shining bright within you each, and to enjoy this hearth of your association. I have found a worthy home here among you this afternoon. I will leave here now sustained and impressed with new energy as a result of what I received here this afternoon through your nurturance and your care. [Pause]

Merium asks me to add that while women have been regarded as the home, men too are capable of loving and nurturing. I certainly did not mean to be sexist in my dissertation, but even so, there is an element of that simply because of the fact of your being sexual creatures - male and female. And within those roles, within those parameters, each has a role to play and strengths to offer. Women are also capable of being upholders, protectors and providers, and will, as necessary. But again, the essential building blocks are there and they will not go away, even as hundreds and thousands of modifications and variations occur as we advance to embrace the whole of humanity in the family of God.

See you next time.

Angels of the Future

ANDROMADEUS: Greetings. This is Andromadeus and I am here to continue our mini-series touching upon the seraphic divisions of planetary ministry. I would like to address today the angels of the future. Perhaps I could prevail upon one of you to read the brief description of these beings so as to have it as a frame of reference for our discussion this afternoon.

Renault: *"6. The angels of the future. These are the projection angels, who forecast a future age and plan for the realization of the better things of a new and advancing dispensation; they are the architects of the successive eras. The group on the planet has thus functioned since the beginning of the current dispensation.*

ANDROMADEUS: Thank you. I am going to break from tradition somewhat and make use of the mind bank I have at my disposal and reference Gerdean's novel The Zoid Mission to illustrate an example of how the angels of the future function. In fact, you will appreciate Gene Roddenberry's Star Trek and George Lucas' series, Star Wars, and many other fantasies and science fiction venues as illustrative of the human efforts toward helping the angels of the future get some of their ideas across.

The biggest thing they have to contend with are your fears of the unknown. The idea of flying saucers and life in the universe observing you or visiting you is still a relatively new concept. This fear is fast fading in light of technology, however, and the angels of the future are enjoying a heyday of minds opening to the possibilities that lay ahead now, thanks to these many future-minded mortals in setting forth these visions of future life.

Others, in other divisions of labor, are coming forth to volunteer. Science has begun to take the future more seriously and the fields of medicine, education, politics, and civics have begun to have more respect for potential than they previously have. The future has always represented the unknown, and so we begin to look at the future as something you might be able to forge by your own hand. "How can we direct the future," you ask. "What is the future of education? What is the future of the planet [ecology]?" And so other fields become more in tune with a basic law of the universe, that of cause and effect. "If we do this today, how will that affect tomorrow?"

There are still some areas where the future is kept behind closed doors, where the future is not so much of a concern as the needs of the day, and those areas will need to be revisited before the angels of enlightenment can effect long-range changes.

But the angels of the future have patiently plodded and plotted, as cleverly as they have been allowed to do within their own restrictions, to stimulate the minds of mortals to extend beyond conventional thought and traditional behavior, to anticipate not just what is but what might be, what can be one day if we do this, or if that were to be inaugurated, or they were curtailed, and other speculative approaches.

In most materialists, speculation is dangerous ground, but the angels of the future will not be curtailed due to fear. And those of you who are stimulated by the angels of the future to bring forth your contemplative ideas of your unique perceptions of what your world can and will be like in future times, what future organization might serve what future goals, what future course of action might affect future life styles, then follow that call, heed the leading, and be assured that it is within the province of your destiny to present such material, for while it may not appeal to everyone, it has a place in the scheme of things.

This I will say is the value of these small lessons that I am presenting, so that you can begin to perceive that planetary administration is all-encompassing, and like any large organization, there are divisions of labor and skill and energy and ability applied in many ways in order for the organization to succeed and all therein to resolve to succeed within it. Like any large mechanism, each of the gears is designed to function in a certain way in order to provide certain effects.

If you can look at the workings of a clock, for example and see how it is designed to tell time, to record and chronicle the passage of time, you can see how it all works together to create a whole, and sometimes it even has sound chiming the hour or, with modern technology, telling you what time it is, even to say it is time to buy fuel before you run out of gas, and that could be construed as the comprehension of the angels of the future helping you anticipate what is to come based on what facts are available.

However, rather than this being a mere mechanical universe, there is artistry and life involved on many dimensions, and so it is a personal experience taking part in this super-organism. Only you can discern by your own understanding of how the mechanism runs, where and how you best function. And, accordingly, understand too that there are those too who do not respond in the same way, who will if not oppose your course of action, at least not contribute to it, and so rather than regarding them as being obstreperous or inhibiting, simply consider that they are about the Father's business in the way they deem necessary for them to do, and you proceed on course, in faith of your own destiny.

It takes a certain breed of courage to pursue a destiny into the unknown. It requires great faith in something beside yourself that would allow you to lead or encourage others to follow you into that future. But when you consider that life is advancing all the time and no one stays the same, there is really no cause for alarm here. And no one is required to advance any faster or any farther than they are capable of advancing at any given time anyway, so pursue the future with vigor and gusto, those of you who have the calling to set forth those perspectives and visions of tomorrow that will give mankind today something to aim at and reach for.

It is an experimental planet, this one on which you live, and so you too are allowed to have experiences that will demonstrate the experiential nature. Fear not failure. Even though your ideas of a future life may ultimately not be incorporated into the overall divine design, it may be one of those experiences or concepts that generally improves the general configuration of

evolving life that can be used on other worlds at other times. And so do your work as if for God, understanding that the act is yours, the consequences His. And what you do for the future of your world and your ideals, is a part of the flowering of eternity, a part of the unfolding of destiny.

Always does good triumph over evil, and always does love prevail. Thank you.

The Angels of Enlightenment

ANDROMADEUS: Greetings. I am Andromadeus, Most High, come to join with you again and bring to you another lesson on Seraphic Planetary Government of a spiritual nature. Today I will speak to you about the angels of enlightenment. Renault, would you be so kind as to read the reference from the text?

Renault: Page 1256. *7. The angels of enlightenment.* Urantia is now receiving the help of the third corps of seraphim dedicated to the fostering of planetary education. These angels are occupied with mental and moral training as it concerns individuals, families, groups, schools, communities, nations, and whole races.

ANDROMADEUS: A long time ago Teacher Ham spoke to you about the living water and advising that living water is real. It is more real than the water you drink and in which you bathe. Similarly, enlightenment is real. It is light. And it is more light than you find in light bulbs. Indeed, it is more light than you find in the sun.

Light, in our terms, is infinite and it comes from the ultimate power source. It is and represents the illumination of God itself. Thus, each aspect of this illumination is seen in you as you become enlightened, as you become more aware of / responsive to / imbued with and part of this divine light.

Even now you have resident within you the "pilot light" -- the pilot light of God-consciousness. And it will stay with you and endure with you throughout your life regardless of your efforts or lack of efforts to get to know it better. But those of you who set out to allow this light to expand within you, indeed are becoming enlightened as that inner light extends into your mind and being, just as the dawn of a new day extends itself into the next 24 hours or the light of a light bulb illuminates the dark room.

We have been focusing on the fact that these various orders of angels are organized as service oriented sectors / divisions of labor, but they do not just work outside of you, they work with you and in you as well. They have the cooperation of your indwelling Adjuster to lead you in ways that will enhance your ability to perceive.

You have the symbol of a light bulb for the idea, an idea. This light is real. And when you get ideas, they may be mental constructs, but then again they may be the effect of enlightenment, and they may come from within your own mind and your own experience as well as from the stimulation you receive from others, through conversations with like-minded individuals or through reading, research, literature and the like.

In this way the angels of enlightenment work with those who effectively seek to convey their understanding in terms that can be understood by others. The schools of your nation and your world are examples, or should be examples, of what the angels of enlightenment seek to bring into being. Like a chalk board standing empty in front of a class can fill up over time with notations and mota of many ideas from all the students and all the teachers until ultimately a new realization dawns. And from that realization then new lessons can be drawn. This is part of the work of the angels of enlightenment.

Furthermore, experientially, the light enters into you through your choices. As you observe your choices, at first self-oriented and self-centered (as appropriate for those of you just starting out, just beginning, finding your way, finding your limitations, finding your capacities will do), you make mistakes. And looking back, or looking around at the effects of your mistakes, your imperfections, your incompleteness of wisdom, you see ways in which you might improve and thus you acknowledge enlightenment.

There are those who say that sitting in meditation will bring you enlightenment. Mistake not however that you have or can attain a state of complete enlightenment at this stage of your development. Enlightenment is an on-going process. Just as you may have an idea, it is not the answer to life, it is an answer to a situation, or an instance, but new ideas will need to be forthcoming, and they will be forthcoming day after day as you advance in the light. Such is enlightenment.

You are not able at this point to testify to having attained enlightenment, only relative enlightenment. As you stand in the presence of Deity you can accept that you are enlightened, but you are enlightened because of the Original Source of all light. You depend upon and will depend upon the First Source for your Light. But as you grow in this light, you are more effective, more harmonious with that original First Cause, more compatible with the nature of God.

And as this occurs, you will be drawn to and recognize others -- those others of you who recognize the degrees of relative enlightenment that you have already mastered and [those degrees] that have yet to come.

There is a saying to the effect that "the more you know, the more you realize how little you know" and this is Truth. This should not discourage you from expressing your light, from shining your light. You are encouraged to shine your light, and thus lead others out of the darkness. But until such time as we all stand in that pure light of Paradise, there will be distractions and

diffusions of the light such that we never see it completely or in perfection, only enough to lure us forward to the next yearning for greater enlightenment.

This is something that is on-going and has been on-going for a long time. The more you seek to be enlightened, the more light you are able to receive and the more effective the angels of enlightenment can be in setting up circumstances within you and around you that will enable you to be enlightened. There are many nuances to this enlightenment business, and such things as morality ... and ethics.

But it is all part of the planetary administration's attempt to lead you forward into light and life and then beyond into the universe eras ahead so that eventually you may be able to give off such a steady light that you can be a beacon to those who are alert to the light and they will find you; they will be drawn to the light as moths to the flame. Enlightenment is a result of intelligent effort. I will take questions this afternoon, if there are any about the topic.

[Inaudible question]

ANDROMADEUS: I can only speak in symbols because you are finite and you think in finite terms. But I can speak to the spirit in you, which can go beyond the finite aspects to seek true enlightenment. I said just as the living waters are real, so is enlightenment. The light of God is a reality, and while you can understand light as something you see with your eyes, true light is something you see within you.

And yes, enlightenment does well up from within you, because the indwelling God Fragment wants you to be enlightened, wants you to embrace its Light. And so the indwelling Adjuster conspires with the angels of enlightenment to foster your ability to grasp these concepts that will render you enlightened as to that which you are able to grasp, comprehend, adopt and become.

It is a coordinated effort. All growth that occurs to your soul occurs with the full cooperation and support of the indwelling God Fragment. It is the pilot light -- the steady, constant light that shines within you. And as you seek to become more godlike yourself, that pilot light grows and becomes more powerful as a result of your conscious contribution to its desires to shine its light and to be all that it can be.

And while that may be different for each individual, it is still the truth that as you work with that divine Indweller, you move into the light and out of the darkness. You are no longer ignorant; you are no longer lost; you no longer flounder, for you have learned through your own experience the better way. You have learned the difference between your bright ideas and the illumination of Deity. Does that clarify?

[Inaudible assent]

ANDROMADEUS: You can hear the voice of God speaking through others as well as from deep within yourself, if you are open to hearing the divine Voice, even though it may not be and cannot be as clear for you as it is filtered through the voice of others. It can and does plant seeds within your deep mind for you to ponder and consider, just as a fertile woman can receive the injection of the male seed that grows without their knowledge until there are signals that new life is coming into existence. And even then time must pass and a number of developments must occur before the idea is fully born, before the light is truly revealed. In this way, religionists inspire one another and accompany each other on the sojourn into enlightenment.

Thoroah: "Enlightenment".... what good is it unless you do something with it?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, indeed. "Faith without works is dead," it is said. And you are also admonished not to hide your light under a bushel but to set it upon a hill where it can be seen and serve as a beacon for those who would be drawn to the light. It is not necessary to promote the light, simply to live in the light, and avail yourself.

Thoroah: It's not a matter of becoming so aware that you become a magnet, as much as it is that you become enlightened in the process of living. If it wasn't for the relationships that we have with each other, that teach us each us these enlightening things, we could sit in a cave and become that Enlightened One and not do a thing with it.

ANDROMADEUS: I beg to differ. Sitting in a cave, not interacting with anyone, will not bring you enlightenment.

Thoroah: Yes, but I think some people think that's possible.

ANDROMADEUS: Just as joy is not to be had alone, neither is enlightenment. It is interactive. For one person to be enlightened by himself or herself is a very elementary accomplishment in the big picture. But being aware of your relationship with the divine light is, at the same time, a huge accomplishment and will possibly serve you for eternity.

You can have a million people sitting in a million separate caves in the dark, having relative personal enlightenment, but what possible good does that serve? It is when these lights conjoin, come out of the cave and stand on the hill, that the world can see you and rejoice in your being. If you are going to have enlightenment only for yourself, you might as well stay in a cave. But you cannot grow and you cannot help others. Eventually you will crystallize and extinguish.

Renault: The angels work through art and music, literature, that nations and businesses and corporate meetings and schools ... to help spread enlightenment.]

ANDROMADEUS: Yes. Read the last sentence again.

Renault: These angels are occupied with mental and moral training as it concerns individuals, families, groups, schools, communities, nations, and whole races.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, it is like the orchestra, the symphony orchestra. Each one of you has your own instrument and it is something you learned to play as a result of your own efforts - just as your enlightenment comes as a result of your efforts. And rather than playing harmonica solos as does the fellow in the cave enjoy his own enlightenment, there comes a time when, for progress, you emerge from the cave and mingle with those others who would also make music, see and be seen, hear and be heard. And thus groups and organizations and projects commence by those who are compatible with the efforts at hand, like the stings and the horns in the orchestra, gaining momentum and power because of each other's support, and bringing greater and more profound degrees of music to those who would listen.

Certainly the angels of enlightenment are going to affect all those workers in the seraphic planetary government who will work with them as do others in this overlapping process, this huge organization On High designed to advance the mortal races of time and space, each with its own and original set of circumstances, as are yours here on planet 606.

The needs of this world call for special attention just as the needs of each world requires personal attention. And while these attentions may be similar, they are always original, just as you may be similar but you are always original, and thus as the ages come to pass and new worlds come into existence and new races of people come into being and advance and ascend, it is never a dull process, never the same thing, even though as you may have noticed, this group of angels / seraphim has changed since the inception of this paradigm.

And this is part of the organization of Deity also, that those who work to enhance the universes of time and space toward the culmination of the Supreme, continue to experience and serve in their sundry capacities as well. The celestial artisans, for example, who would be working with the angels of enlightenment on sundry projects will be working then with different personalities and different energies as time goes by, such that there is always a murmuring and a humming going on, stimulating and enlivening these living, breathing organism of our universe and the other universes.

I will cease my discussion for now. There are other things that may engage your mind. It has been my pleasure. Farewell.

The Angels of Industry

ANDROMADEUS: Good afternoon. I am Andromadeus, a most high, come to join with you and engage you and your mind in an appreciation of the seraphic corps and today we will focus on the angels of industry. In that light, I would appreciate Elena, if you would read the definition for us as found in the revelation:

Elena: *The angels of industry.* This seraphic group is concerned with fostering industrial development and improving economic conditions among the Urantia peoples. This corps has been seven times changed since the bestowal of Michael.

ANDROMADEUS: Thank you. That brief paragraph does not give proper acknowledgement to the angels of industry, as I see it. They have obviously been industrious, for there have been now seven "changes of the guard" in the past 2,000 years.

With the advent of Thought Adjusters, the forward progressive nature of spirit prompts has instigated a new appreciation for advancement. Prior to the on-set of the Adjusters, industry was hammered out strictly by necessity and the need to survive. Even so, inventions were uncovered/ discovered, and the mortal races of time have always had among them those who were sufficiently blessed with the ministry of the adjutant mind spirits that they would have enough of that adventure lure to allow them to set sail on their own curiosity to discover things that assisted humanity in its forward march, men and women who have laid the foundation for the cultural civilizations that you have today and made no mistake you can credit yourselves with your civilizations since so much of what was intended for your world was lost or neglected, but we are at work today to overcome some of those losses and setbacks. So, let's go into more modern history and talk about industry since the advent of the Adjusters.

Thoroah: And for how long have Urantians had Adjusters?

ANDROMADEUS: They have had Adjusters since Andon and Fonta originally were indwelt, which is many, many thousands of years; however, it was rare for people to be indwelt with a fragment of God until the Day of Pentecost. The outpouring of Adjusters on all normal-minded mortals is the gift of the Son -- in your case, the Creator Son. And when it is not the Creator Son, it is a Magisterial Son who will come to an evolving world and release the Adjusters into the world of their mission.

Elena: I had thought that by reading the UB that we always had those, and I had not drawn that parallel for some reason between the Bible and the day of Pentecost and our having Thought Adjusters, so thank you, Thoroah, for asking that question and thank you for the answer. That's great!

Thoroah: There's a lot more to that whole story right there. It would be interesting someday to study without distractions.

ANDROMADEUS: Indeed, there are many throughout the course of history who have provided spiritual leadership who have been endowed with, indwelt by an Adjuster, but that was because of their own spiritual industry, their own cooperation with the adjutant mind spirits. For the most part, advancing civilization has been slothful and lazy, except insofar as getting its

needs met, and those efforts have often been thwarted by oppression, ambition, disease, isolation, and many factors that have contributed to your remaining rather backward.

However, with the advent of the Adjusters, with everyone being indwelt by an Adjuster, it is like the light switch was installed, and now all one needs to do is turn on the switch through their own will in order to begin to work with this Adjuster. This lends a degree of inspiration and cooperation between humanity and divinity that is functional, even when humanity is and remains ignorant of divinity's influence. And so we have God doing for humanity what humanity often cannot do for itself, or rather *will not* do for itself, but the more humans cooperate with their Adjuster, the more effective with the results be. And this is what would like to focus on today in terms of industry.

You have been doing some remedial work on Urantia in making up for those many thousands of years of pastoral living, herding, hunter-gathering, and so forth, a way of life that has provided for you as a race of people but has not provided overmuch in terms of freedom from the bondage of effort and industry, although today, as for many in prior times, there is a great deal of enjoyment in industry. Work is one of the supreme satisfactions of living. And this is depicted in works of art such as Vincent Van Gogh's work "The Gleaners" or in the old Negro spirituals where the "darkies," picking cotton, their voice would lift up in praise and thanksgiving for the day of deliverance, and so the Spirit has infused workers with joy, even to high art.

It is also a part of your nature as gregarious human beings to enjoy the pattern of working together, mindlessly even, and so the success of standardization has helped to serve your civilization and this has been evident in the Industrial Revolution where millions of people have found a home in manufacturing, on the assembly line, where they do their work without much thought, without much care, for rather relative high pay and a decent life style, their product contributing greatly to the ease of humankind. And more recently, you've had the infusion of technology such that yet another division of seraphic helpers have been applying themselves to your minds which have become imbued with modern technology in terms of your computers, televisions, iPods, DVDs and the like, all of which contribute to sophisticated communications and more opportunities for industry, either in the field of technology or because of the effects of technology.

Even so, any and all of these advancing factors are better served if they are based on the essential relationship between man and the soil, which is the fundamental industry.

I will divert somewhat and call to your attention how it is that the angels of industry work with you in your lives. Earlier we eavesdropped to hear stories about what you commonly engage in. Between those snippets and this mind bank, I can assure you that each of you is an industrial entrepreneur in your own right by the nature of your disciplines in the maintenance of civilization. Over-achievers like Elena are rather connected to the angels of industry for the energy they promote and derive and manage. This is part of the joy of working, and why it is that so many people when they retire are reluctant to let go, because of that energy surge that is

involved in productivity and industry. And this is not just factory or office or business industry, but social and domestic industry as well. Having to give up square dancing for some would be tantamount to social suicide.

And yet, a new dimension of industry is made manifest when the physical nature of industry is set aside in order for mental industry and spiritual industry to take precedence. Inventions, creations, composing music or letters -- these are reflections of the angels of industry as well. Mothers who harangue their children to clean up their room are extensions of the angels of industry. The song, "Take out the papers and the trash or you don't get no spending cash" is a product of the angels of industry, for there is the universal law of cause and effect involved, as the Hebrews injected into social consciousness, "He who does not work does not eat."

The modern day mania for materialism -- money, acquisition, profit -- is one of the unfortunate negative side effects of the energy inherent in the work of the angels of industry. As you evolve -- as a nation, as a civilization, as a global economy, as a people -- you will be less troubled by those who use their ambition without regard such that oppression will be alleviated and it is up to your sense of ethical industry that will help bring that day about. Rather than simply accepting the fact that there are usurers in industry, you may feel free to point out that just because the Planetary Prince's staff counsel on industry succumbed to the sophistry of Lucifer, you need not follow that same legacy.

Service motive is infinitely more effective and productive and the results of that new plateau of operation will be a future product, to which you have contributed by your loyal efforts to assist the angels of industry in joyous effective and ethical means of functioning on your world. Work with them, help them help you, and you will have once more helped carve out your destiny -- both for yourself and your world.

I have spoken sufficiently on industry for the day to give your mind some new food for thought as to how these angels work. (Pause) All right. Let me add then, prompted by Merium, that these angels also work inside industry to eliminate child labor abuses. Much as a union is formed to assist the workers, the angels of industry assist the workers as well as the leaders and the organizations that conspire to advance your world.

As you master your industry techniques, the resulting effect is increased leisure, and with leisure comes the enjoyment such as you have had this week-end and which many of you enjoy as a way of life, having been removed one way or another from the fast lane of industry to the elysian fields of retirement. We will discuss next month the antithesis of industry, that being diversion, recreation and fine arts, those products of leisure that are the culminating reward of having been industrious. Thank you for your attention. Good day.

The Angels of Diversion

[This lesson was lost due to a faulty tape that left the transcript too choppy, but it was the antithesis of the previous lesson on industry, and was comprised mostly of how the group members had amused themselves on summer vacations.]

Renault: "*The angels of diversion.* These are the seraphim who foster the values of play, humor, and rest. They ever seek to uplift man's recreational diversions and thus to promote the more profitable utilization of human leisure. The present corps is the third of that order to minister on Urantia."

ANDROMADEUS: You can see perhaps now why it was essential that our first impression upon you was to adopt the practice of stillness, for it provides instantaneous and dependable rest, recuperation, reverie and the like, that will encourage the system to slow down sufficiently to cultivate leisure that you might then learn how to ... What is the phrase? ... "profit from your leisure." For ultimately, even at play you want to *do* something. Play here connotes attitude -- an attitude of spiritual adventure. ... exaltation ...

The Angels of the Races

ANDROMADEUS: I am Andromadeus. My blessings on you this afternoon, dear students. (Greetings) We have four more categories to cover and I'd rather like to save the first for last. I'd also rather like to reveal the second and third listed in the text, the progress angels and the "angels of the churches" as two sides of a coin, and that leaves me with the angels of the races to discuss, which I will do today, if that is amenable to you all. (Agreement) Would you read then, for us, Renault, the definition as put forth in the text, what it says about angels of the races?

Renault: 5. The angels of the races. Those who work for the conservation of the evolutionary races of time, regardless of their political entanglements and religious groupings. On Urantia there are remnants of nine human races which have commingled and combined into the people of modern times. These seraphim are closely associated with the ministry of the race commissioners, and the group now on Urantia is the original corps assigned to the planet soon after the day of Pentecost.

ANDROMADEUS: Thank you. And before I proceed, what is your understanding of what those nine races are? What is your understanding of what those nine races are? Is that clear?

Renault: Caucasian, or white. Negroid. Polynesian Island peoples. Orientals. Mongoloid peoples. American Indian, red races. That's only five.

ANDROMADEUS: You are referencing the six colored races of the Sangik. There is another range of understanding races: the Andonic race, founded by Andon and Fonta; the Nodites, which result from the merger between the mortals of the realm and the altered Caligastia 100; as well as the sons of Adam.

The Polynesians, as you mentioned, Renault, are a blend of other races. In fact, all the races today are blended to some degree or another; there are no pure races.

Renault: -- left. Even pygmies? Maybe? Aboriginal Australian --?

ANDROMADEUS: Those are not races. They are aberrations of the norm, similar to how dwarfs are aberrations of the norm but they do not constitute a race in and of themselves. And so, in conserving these races and what they have to contribute, what would your guess be as to why these angels exist and what they do? Read again the definition as we think about that.

Renault: *The angels of the races.* Those who work for the conservation of the evolutionary races of time, regardless of their political entanglements and religious groupings. On Urantia there are remnants of nine human races which have commingled and combined into the people of modern times. These seraphim are closely associated with the ministry of the race commissioners, and the group now on Urantia is the original corps assigned to the planet soon after the day of Pentecost.

ANDROMADEUS: That would include everybody. All the continents. All those who have constituted the human race -- not counting pre-humans. So from the time life began (that is to say "religious life"), from the time man evolved into a human being.

The Adamsonites, those who are the progeny of Adam's sons and daughters, are augmented with the Adamic stock that was so critical to the upstepping of the mortal races. That was why they [Adam and Eve] came here, to up-step the stock of the races. And so although their following through with the appropriate plan of action was unsuccessful, they did nonetheless infuse their own biologic contribution, and so their progeny have an edge. But they are not more loved by our Father than are those Sangiks or earlier peoples who each had their own contribution to make and who are now protected and cared for by the angels of the races.

When we talk about the Sangik races, we are talking about the three primary and [three] secondary [races]. That is to say the blue race (of which you are remnants), the red race, the yellow race, the green race, the orange race (both of which have been assimilated) and the indigo race. We are speaking of these terms for the most part because they are the more obvious but even that is diminishing because of the inbreeding that goes on, on an inhabited world. And yet, each one of these six colored races brings something to contribute to the whole of humanity.

The blue race is known for its adventurous nature. The yellow race exalts antiquity and the family that goes back for centuries. The red race, the most noble and faithful. The orange race, which liked to build things, and the green race, also had something to offer. And the indigo race has much more to offer than sports and jazz; they are also a noble people and their spirit runs deep.

Preliminary to these Sangik races, were the Andonites, from Andon and Fonta, and they were not very highly evolved, rather animalistic, and yet they offer stories of heroism and bravery that your more modern races would not know how to deal with. And then there is the blending that is the Nodites, and they, of course, have their own contribution to the whole. In some ways they helped to boost the carriage of the Andonites, but they had their own agenda.

This is not abnormal. All the races tend to like to identify with their own kind and avoid, ignore, or attempt to capture those that are different. You see that even today. There are racial difficulties and conflicts even as in your lifetime you are witness to many triumphs.

The angels of the races seek to support and nurture that within each race which is contributory to the whole, to the overall benefit of humanity. When the judgment is made upon the world, this world, that light and life has been attained, you will be one race; you will have mixed and blended these sundry aspects such that it will be virtually impossible for you to discern one from another and you will all carry within you the legacy, the racial legacy of one another.

The angels are working hard to cultivate that about you each and all that is contributory to the betterment of the whole, physically speaking, for when you are at your best physically speaking, you think better and you make better decisions. And so they perform a vital function in the evolving worlds -- in this evolving world. If you have questions, I will entertain one or two before we return to Merium.

Renault: In the blending of the races that we're doing on our experimental planet, is that part of the experiment as well? And too, is there a general uplifting of the DNA going on in the world these days?

ANDROMADEUS: Before I get to the DNA, let me address the first half of your question. All the worlds of time and space, whether they are experimental or not, have an assortment of races, most particularly the colored races. There are not always six; sometimes there are only three, but there is always an assortment of races that contribute to the mix. Each world receives a Material Son and Daughter and so each world would have offspring from the Adams and Eves.

Thoroah: As well as from the Andon and Fonta?

ANDROMADEUS: As well as from the original human beings, yes. They would not have the interference, necessarily, of the Nodites or their peculiar contribution. That ended up being an experiment.

Thoroah: Was that because of the Lucifer Rebellion?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes. Because of choices that were made by mortals, it was experimental and it was permitted.

Thoroah: So under normal conditions, the Caligastia 100 and the Andonites would have eventually commingled?

ANDROMADEUS: The original staff would have served for a period of time and left.

Thoroah: And those would have been ... what? I mean, the Nodites were basically the result of a failure to carry out the plan originally, so would Nodites be a positive or a negative result? I mean, if there hadn't been a rebellion, would there still be Nodites and would they have been more of a positive influence?

ANDROMADEUS: There would not have been offspring from the Planetary 100 if all things had gone according to plan.

Thoroah: Okay. They weren't supposed to commingle with --

ANDROMADEUS: No.

Thoroah: Would their progeny --

ANDROMADEUS: Not with the mortals of the realm.

Thoroah: Would their offspring have eventually commingled anyway?

ANDROMADEUS: They would not have had offspring.

Thoroah: Okay.

ANDROMADEUS: But, coming to a sex planet with all their equipment, it would not take (in your terms) "a rocket scientist" to figure out what they might be tempted to do. There is great power, in fact, in the procreating experience. There is a tremendous power in creating life, and when you create your children, you experience being as gods. You duplicate the creator prerogative. It is a hard temptation to resist.

In the animal kingdom, it is born in you as an instinct. But the composition of the original Caligastia 100 was such that the advanced aspect of their nature was to take precedence over the finite nature, but in the rebellion, that was lost. That was distorted. That was a part of the arrears. When they sought to exclude God and become as gods, they opted to embrace their human nature and become as mortals, just as the mortals longed to mate with the Nodites so as to become like the gods.

You might anticipate there is a bit of conflict in the remnants of the Nodites, having this in their DNA. And now we come around to the question of DNA. Would you reiterate your question?

Renault: Well, I was listening to a radio station today and this fellow was talking about a method of changing or correcting our DNA. As a process of healing ourselves or each other or whatever, so that, combined with Donna D'Ingillo's talks about changing or healing our DNA, and uplifting the races and opening the circuits is helping to uplift or change our DNA, part of all that. Part of the Correcting Time. Not just a mental or a spiritual capacity for enlightenment but bodily.

ANDROMADEUS: Your DNA was implanted in you from the beginning. Your DNA does not need modified or changed. There is nothing wrong with your DNA. The Life Carriers put it there in accordance with the instruction of the Creator, Michael, and his Consort, Nebadonia. You have everything you need to be fully functioning animals of the realm en route to God in Paradise. What you have are social diseases that affect your DNA that need corrected so that you can return to the original embedded pattern.

When we talk about upstepping the DNA, it is not upstepping it to a new plateau, but upstepping it from the mire that has clogged the spiritual and social consciousness of those of you who have been besotted by banality and error. When you take a shower after having not had one for three days -- working hard, sweating, salty, grungy; your hair is oily and you smell bad -- you go into the shower, you soap up, you shampoo, you shave, whatever; you come out, you feel like a new person.

You could say, symbolically, "I'm a new man." "I'm a new woman." Well, you aren't. You are the same one you were before you went in there, but you got rid of a lot of *stuff* that you had accumulated through the experience that you no longer need to carry around with you. So when we talk about your DNA being up-stepped, it just means you had a shower on the inside.

Now Adam and Eve were to have modified your plasma, thus adding an element to an already fine race, human race of people, that would make it easier for you to access the spiritual circuits and thus you would inherently-- it would inherently provide you with an increased ability to withstand disease. When you live in God's will, when you live in His favor and don't break universe laws of cause and effect, it's pretty much a "cake walk," but that has not been the case on this world. You seem to take some perverse delight in making life as miserable and difficult as possible so that you can bail yourself out, pat yourself on the back, and say "what a good boy am I!"

It would not be necessary for you to go through those contortions if you simply adjusted yourself to the divine will. I say this "simply" as if I were expecting more from you, or speaking down to you, but I do not intend to demean you, rather to encourage you. And so don't take it personally when I say this, at least don't take it so personally that you resent my words to you and provide yourself with another opportunity to go into a psychic tailspin over what I have said, giving you yet another opportunity to prove your confusion.

The angels serve in this capacity. To help you stabilize the peculiar assortment of conditioned responses inherent in your racial composition.

Gerdean: Is this why the UB talks about it being our racial blend being, such as it is, makes it more difficult in the mansion worlds because of what you are talking about?

ANDROMADEUS: Precisely. It makes it difficult for you to know what you are when you are still and yet such a convoluted assortment of sundry parts instead of the whole that you would have been if you had not undergone this twist of fate.

All evolving worlds experience some similar adjustments as you will, because only worlds settled in light and life have fully integrated human beings, ready to fuse. All the worlds have mortals in a state of half developed consciousness. And so there is always some work to be done in the mansion worlds to help you piece yourself together as to where you got this idea and why you did that and what went into developing this loyalty or that anger.

I don't know if this has shed light or confused the issue, but I am assured that I have planted seeds and so I will leave it at that.

Esmeralda: Could I ask you a question?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes.

Esmeralda: I am wondering about the blending of the races. Is Obama helping to further the racial (inaudible); it would seem to me that he is.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, he is, but that is probably more --

Esmeralda: To make us more compatible and more understanding.

ANDROMADEUS: No. No, only in a very, very overall general sense. You are pointing more at politics or culture than race. Racially, certainly he is contributing by being a biracial person, procreating. Any person procreating contributes. And those who have racial stock, any kind at all, if they mate wisely, will contribute to the overall advancement and blending of the races.

But the fact that he is a biracial person running for office does nothing to advance the angels of the races except as he is an educator and an example that others may or may not use or follow in their own procreating choices. He should not be held up as a warrior for the angels of the races, but he is certainly a dramatic example of the affirmation that a woman of good stock and a man of good stock will create good stock.

Esmeralda: Well, that's not exactly what I was hinting about. I was hinting about our present situation. Do you think it's going to help our nation?

ANDROMADEUS: You're talking politics. For that I will return you to Merium. Thank you for your attention.

Group: Thank you, Andromadeus.

The Angels of Progress

ANDROMADEUS: I am Andromadeus, your visiting lecturer from On High. (Group: Greetings!) I know that sounds presumptuous to the mortal ear.

Renault: Well, could you give it a geographical location? On High?

ANDROMADEUS: I am not concerned with geography. I am here with you now and provision has been made for that, and that is all we need be concerned with.

Renault: Okay. I'm ready.

ANDROMADEUS: On High is, however, a place. A geographic place in the universe, far removed from Urantia, where we consort today, but it is not that far removed from consciousness. That is to say, the mind is able to bridge the gaps.

Yes, we are going to continue our discussion today on these aspects of seraphic service that add so much to your lives, socially and spiritually. I believe today I would like to talk about the angels of progress.

Renault: Okay.

ANDROMADEUS: Would you, Renault, read to us about those angels, from the text?

Renault: "*The progress angels.* These seraphim are entrusted with the task of initiating the evolutionary progress of the successive social agents. They foster the development of the inherent progressive trend of evolutionary creatures. They labor incessantly to make things what they ought to be. The group now on duty is the second to be assigned to the planet."

ANDROMADEUS: This is the sector that you gravitate to, you in the avant-garde of the new dispensation, you in the New Age who have branched off from the traditional approach, who have rebelled against the status quo, and who have set out upon the grand adventure of discovering the unknown. ... The pioneers, as it were, of tomorrow.

Usually, the participants in the sector of angels in support of this progressive way of thinking are the youth, the younger people of each new generation, which, in coming up, states they can do better than their parents. They can do better than their home town. They can do better than what went before them. This is to be expected in each new generation.

And yet not all of the generation follows such an ardent path to change. Next month we will discuss those who opt to stay home and treasure the life they have loved and know and believe in. Today, however, we identify more closely with those who left home and have set sail upon the seas of discovery -- not just scientific discovery or factual study but emotional girth and mental depth and spiritual perception.

Science fiction writers would be influenced by the angels of progress if they were depicting ideal societies. Inventors are helping the angels of progress when they are of a mind to introduce a new gizmo or a new technique that will deliver elements or facilitate progress with greater ease. The strivers of your nations, those who compete against others to break records, to press forward, to "push the envelop," to exceed even their own previous accomplishments, these are all effected by the angels of progress.

Ambition is in their domain. Action, the unknown, and adventure are all part of the angels of progress. Medicine research, scientific research, so much excitement and new discovery fall in the realm of the angels of progress. How they work will depend upon the laborers in the field, whether they are sufficiently healthy in body mind and spirit to pursue the goals of tomorrow, whose vision of tomorrow is not warped by the perspectives of revenge or retaliation, will depend upon the cellular composition, the genetic disposition, education and many other factors, and so there is a great appeal to this arm of seraphic service.

They work with you in your mind as part of that conspiracy, through the aegis of your own indwelling Adjuster and your own temperament. The decisions are weighed in your mind -- "the mind arena of choice" -- and so as your mind grasps what it is inclined to interest, it is lodged there until such time as you act upon it and if your will and the Adjuster so will, it will be enhanced by an awareness of other data that can then be steered in your direction to foster that inclination.

If and as your mind thwarts this process, through reticence, reluctance, ridicule or any of a number of possible re-routing of your focused energy, it will accept your rejection and leave you alone, allowing then a space in your consciousness for the entrance of another influence, another good influence, that will be better adapted to who you now understand yourself to be, and what you now understand yourself to be better qualified to do in terms of service.

In this way you participate in your own destiny and you contribute to the weaving of the cosmic tapestry that is created when you interact with divine intelligence, in particular when you interact in such a way as to be helpful to the divine will. This in contrast to the sometime mortal propensity to fight against divine will, simply because of its relative state.

Always will your arenas be overseen by those of us who are involved in the planetary administration. Our agencies are at work and constantly maneuvering the swarming hoards of consciousness resident in the human condition so as to establish a balance. A balance may not always be harmonious, but it is more often than not able to sustain stability in the face of oftentumultuous change. Herein you have cosmic security, whereas the finite world does often stir your sense of insecurity.

When you feel unstable in your consciousness, when you are passing over opportunities in favor of those which are better suited to your soul, assuredly some ministering spirits will support you

and uphold you in the process of making your decisions and steering your course over the experiential shoals. And so, it happens in your mind. And it works itself out in the finite arena.

While those of you in the service of the angels of progress are often seen as the superheroes for your willingness to accomplish something in the name of progress, like the superhero, you must maintain an empathy with the most humble among you, for you never know when your service with one sector will be traded to another sector for service in the greater, global spectrum. And you may find yourself doing duty in a new area that would not appeal to the general consciousness of the progress group.

And so, rather than setting yourself up for a difficult transition, consider that some of the adventures and enterprises of the progress group are the antithesis of those in the "angels of the churches" which carry considerable weight and will stop the march of progress if it is deemed On High that progress is going too fast and far and furious than the rest of the paradigm can keep up. And so balance is restored in order for stability to be continually maintained, even as growth continues.

It will behoove you to have an appreciation for both of those arenas of service, and so next month I will talk about those angels of the churches which are apposite the angels of progress in so many ways. Are there questions?

Renault: So is it our religions that are keeping us from progressing as fast as we could, or is it our technology that needs vamping down?

ANDROMADEUS: Those are two options. There are hundreds more. It is not just one single --

Renault: -- cultural, familiar, state, etc.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes. It is quite an amalgamation of realities.

Renault: It does feel like sometimes we take two steps back from one step forward. Seems kind of long and laborious.

ANDROMADEUS: Well, this would be a typical Nodite response. [Laughter]

Thoroah: This doesn't imply the angels of the churches are retrogressive, does it?

Renault: No.

ANDROMADEUS: Certainly not. There is value in maintaining stability. From the perspective of the angels of the churches, it could be said that the angels of progress are immature, erratic, risky, dangerous, egoistic and any number of adjectives that would denote a negative, but they don't do that; humans do that.

Renault: What does it look like on a world without our problems, one that's in light and life? How do the angels of progress work with the angels of religion and family and culture to

keep that progress going? In other words, is it easier for angels of progress on worlds of light and life?

ANDROMADEUS: These seraphic sectors that we are discussing in this term are unique to Urantia. They are unique to Urantia because of the unique needs here. It has only been established since Michael's return to Salvington, which in historic terms was very recent. Very recent. Other worlds -- those that are not in quarantine, and have been -- have their own system of governance. Yours is unique to your needs.

Renault: I imagine each planet would be unique to their needs.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, but in the main they are more standardized. The worlds that have not been subjected to isolation through rebellion and default run a rather ordinary course. It will be some time before you and your sisters in the insurrection will be considered "ordinary". It may be that you will *never* be considered ordinary. Not the least of which reasons would be Jesus having come here instead of a Magisterial Son to deliver you of the Spirit of Truth.

Since this is the one world in all of his creation that he opted to visit on his seventh and final bestowal en route to his Sovereignty, you are automatically in a class of your own. And so it is hard to imagine how you will ever be ordinary like the other worlds. In fact, if the world of Urantia is established as a shrine to Michael, it will hardly be seen as any of the other worlds. Even so, it must go through the same stages -- more or less -- as the others go through, in order to attain its goal of light and life. It's just that it will take a different route to get there, and these ministers in the planetary seraphic corps of angels to minister to you are relatively new.

You will note that the angels of progress have changed over twice. It would seem then that progress has gone through two cycles since the Master was here. You can pretty well look back and see when these progressive surges came about and if the new team, the new angelic team was all fired up and ready to go or had reached its apex.

Renault: The Renaissance.

ANDROMADEUS: It would certainly appear that way.

Renault: It was like a light bulb went on.

ANDROMADEUS: There is one going on now, too, but that has a lot to do with the revelation. It remains to be seen over time whether that coincides with the changing of the sectors or not, and I am not at liberty to clarify that for you.

Renault: Are we being up-stepped? Currently?

ANDROMADEUS: As long as the angels of progress are on board, you are being up-stepped because they work incessantly for what might be instead of what is, so when you are striving to

reach an attainment of some sort, you can be assured that the angels of progress are at work. To the extent that you opt to work with them, is your free will.

I will turn this meeting back over now to Merium with my thanks for your attention and your unbridled progress. Farewell.

The Religious Guardians

Renault: "3. The religious guardians. These are the 'angels of the churches,' the earnest contenders for that which is and has been. They endeavor to maintain the ideals of that which has survived for the sake of the safe transit of moral values from one epoch to another. They are the checkmates of the angels of progress, all the while seeking to translate from one generation to another the imperishable values of the old and passing forms into the new and therefore less stabilized patterns of thought and conduct. These angels do contend for spiritual forms, but they are not the source of ultra-sectarianism and meaningless controversial divisions of professed religionists. The corps now functioning on Urantia is the fifth thus to serve."

ANDROMADEUS: That was rather long. I'd like to break it up, and I'd like to involve you somewhat more and so, Renault, if you would read the first sentence only of that description again. Just the first sentence, please.

Renault: Okay. "These are the 'angels of the churches,' the earnest contenders for that which is and has been."

ANDROMADEUS: Those who contend for that which has been. Let's think on that for a minute and discern its value. Today, we were watching through Gerdean an antique road show. And in this portrayal of material value, it is apparent that the quality of workmanship and the historic frame of reference for material goods contributes greatly to the monetary and aesthetic value of *things*. This same truth holds for *beliefs*. They represent value levels that are a part of your inheritance that you in fact contribute to and pass on to those who follow.

When we meet at Paula and Men-O-Pah's home, we are met with much of value in terms of time and space, represented through the appointments of their home and the many clocks ticking, keeping time with the mortal sphere, representing decades of gracious living and family values. (Pause) What's the next sentence?

Renault: "They endeavor to maintain the ideals of that which has survived for the sake of the safe transit of moral values from one epoch to another."

ANDROMADEUS: As with the antique road show and Paula and Men-O-Pah's noble home, and indeed, in and with you all here present, there are those standards and values which you have had implanted in you and bestowed upon you by those who went before you which you have

opted to cling to as a part of your value package. Throughout the course of a mortal life, it is possible to review your accumulated possessions, be they material, mental, emotional or spiritual, and divest yourself of those that burden you or weigh you down.

Renault: I was thinking of an ideal that survives from one epoch to another, is that of the Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you" is one that has come down for thousands of years.

ANDROMADEUS: Indeed it is a value lesson that has been consistent for centuries and cuts across barriers of nations and languages and cultures. It is uniform in its ideal. Not all values have been so compatible to the whole of humankind. In fact, there have been religious wars fought over the differences and they continue to this day! Without meaning to call you barbarians, they occur even among you here when and as you disagree theologically, philosophically or politically, simply because that which you hold dear can be justified as a part of your religious experience, thus adding fervor to your commitment. Nothing adds more fervor than religious zeal. Even to battle.

There are some who never get rid of anything. They opt to keep every tenet, every principle, every belief, every facet of religious dogma or scripture or experience, every ort of history, and they become walking museums -- these, as compared to those who hang onto nothing, who subscribe to nothing but the next adventure. The angels who serve as guardians of these values, these religious values, grace your stage with their discernment as to what continues to serve and will generally allow that which no longer serves to simply be shoved off to the side, there to collect dust and eventually to become lost in the shadows of antiquity

Miriam: So ... is it okay if I ask a question?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes.

Miriam: Okay. After Jesus left the planet and all the apostles were around, trying to [inaudible], were the angels nurturing and guiding them at that point? Were they working actively with them, nurturing them to savor and save and keep the best part of what would grow forward as knowledge of the kingdom within?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, to the extent they were able to do so. Remember that the seraphic planetary government that serves your world today was new at that time, new effective the time of Michael's sojourn here -- Pentecost and after. And so for the most part the apostles were quite enthralled with the Spirit of Truth, which rather stirred them up and, I might say, added a great deal of impetus that the angels of progress found to be quite exciting.

The religious angels were not as active in the early days with the apostles, although they certainly did and would stabilize the values that had evolved to that point. But the real growth of the church ("angels of the churches") was not really activated until "the church" became a part of Urantia culture. Prior to the advent of churches, there were, yes, synagogues and other houses of

worship, and those were the receptacle of those energies, but the main thrust was not on the evolving religions but on the revelatory religion in formulation.

Miriam: I'm not grasping this. So let's play like I don't know what the church was that you ...was it Puritanism? Were they Protestants? That flavor of church? Say for instance-- and here's what I'm hearing you saying and I'm trying to understand. Say for instance that church -- let's say they were Episcopalians. I don't know that they were, but ... that burned witches at the stake. And then the mind and soul of man changed and evolved and that church stayed but it transformed into something different so they quit burning witches and they got a little softer and a little kinder perhaps and the church still follows through to this day, so is what you're saying that the angels try to nurture the progression of a church to keep what's good and grow that, and try to negate the evil minister stuff. Is that what you are saying?

ANDROMADEUS: I am saying that the angels of progress stimulate change in the church, whereas the angels of the churches, the religious guardians maintain what exists. I am not suggesting that the religious guardians maintain religious ignorance. They maintain that which has value.

Thoroah: They make sure the baby doesn't get thrown out with the bath water. Figuratively speaking.

ANDROMADEUS: The Protestants who fought against the constrictions of Catholicism may well have been stimulated by the angels of progress. And certainly Byzantine art and Medieval spiritual practices are part of your history -- almost genetic are they in the effect they have on you; these are more recent, however, than when the apostles were here, as were the witch-hunts of Salem, Massachusetts; that's fairly contemporary. I am not suggesting that the religious guardians protect evil; they protect value that is cloistered in a religious way of life.

There are examples in your life, I am certain. Any honor that you give to the cross, acknowledgement of spiritual holidays, these are reflections of the religious guardians. Adoration of the angels, the practice of teaching prayers to your children -- these are gifts of the angels of churches. These are traditions and values that are handed down and you are encouraged to hand them down and embrace them because they keep the fact of religion alive. Religion does not mean in and of itself that you must be stifled by these traditions and values, no. The purpose of religion is to exalt faith. Houses of worship are honorable places. They epitomize the relationship between the Father and his children -- children who go to the Father for all their needs and all their happiness. Yes.

Renault: I presume they work as well in "churches" of Hinduism, Buddhism, wherever you can find that yearning for a Higher Power.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes. Absolutely. They are not limited to Christianity. They are not limited to organized religion. The religious guardians could also be seen to work in and with the Native American tribes in their spiritual practices. The

Renault: Certainly with the Dalai Lama.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, and many others. Even in recovery groups, with their Higher Power, there are traditions that are maintained and fostered *because they work*. It is honorable. These are honorable efforts on behalf of honorable and valuable principles and beliefs. (Pause) Is there another sentence?

Renault: Several. "They are the checkmates of the angels of progress, all the while seeking to translate from one generation to another the imperishable values of the old and passing forms into the new and therefore less stabilized patterns of thought and conduct."

ANDROMADEUS: You have seen in your lives and have experienced as well some of this, as you have observed the influence of the Urantia Papers coming into your consciousness and stirring up your mind from its Christian moorings. The angels who serve as religious guardians have stood by you and with you in your efforts to glean what you would adopt and assimilate from the revelation, gently buffering and maneuvering that which you still hold dear from your original path, your religious roots, in such a way as to allow them to share the same stage, so as not to abruptly cast off that which sustained you for years, in times in darkness and in sorrow. Oftentimes these sentiments will gradually become just that ... sentiments. And now we have religious icons to deal with and other religious memorabilia that hold a special place in people's hearts and minds as humans are wont to do. And so you will your own graven images of what matters; they become totems of your passage through life as you carry forward the torch of your faith, even through the winds of change.

Renault: There's one place where the angels of progress had a talent is in the liberation of theology. The Latin American liberation and Black liberation of theology, because it's sort of like changed or brought the goals, let's say, of the churches -- in other words, it forced them to look at just where are you putting your values: on the poor or on the rich. [Indistinguishable].

ANDROMADEUS: I see what you are saying, however I think your point falls more under perhaps another group of angels - political angels, angels of nations - although it cannot be denied that these kinds of issues are a huge part of organized religion.

Renault: Many times its not so much what those leaders do or don't stand for or don't say that is harmful to the people. Not that they directly harm or order them by withholding or not protecting.

ANDROMADEUS: The sin of omission. (Yes.) What's the next sentence?

Renault: "These angels do contend for spiritual forms, but they are not the source of ultra-sectarianism and meaningless controversial divisions of professed religionists."

ANDROMADEUS: Yes. We mentioned that.

Renault: "The corps now functioning on Urantia is the fifth thus to serve." And I was thinking back on our history, wondering if the first corps with Caligastia and the group that was trying to bring some kind of organization to the humanoids on the planet and has the fifth corps served since Jesus' time? Or has there been--

ANDROMADEUS: All of these have served only since Jesus' time.

Renault: Oh! Okay.

ANDROMADEUS: This administration is relatively new. And so all of these change-overs have happened within the past two thousand years, and the progress that you speak of has to be considered within that period of time.

Renault: Before Jesus came, I can see how people would be really lost out there. Very little directing them. Difficult.

ANDROMADEUS: Primitive world, yes. It is a part of the evolving worlds of time and space. Yet there are simple joys and real compensations for those who make the journey. Although you are correct, prior to the spirit of truth, there were limited sources. It fell upon the individuals to derive spirit value through their own ambition, and as you can well imagine, many mortals' ambitions are less than spiritual in nature.

And yet there are those who have had this temperament, who have been privy to sufficient counsel and guidance as were given to Urantia in the first epochal revelation, who did indeed receive Adamic stock through the second epochal revelation, who have in fact benefited from the priesthood to which Melchizedek belonged and the religion that he sired through Abraham, the Hebrews, who provided us with a home for our Creator Son, who has provided for this more recent influence, most notably that of the pouring out upon all flesh the spirit of truth which has considerably up-stepped progress. But humanity was not without, prior to Jesus.

Renault: Would there be a sort of spirit of truth that kind of helped people along there until they could get more on the road?

ANDROMADEUS: The Divine Minister has always been with you.

Renault: Okay. Good.

ANDROMADEUS: The Holy Spirit is at home here and has been since life implantation, and there are other ministers to the evolving races. Heavenly helpers such as the seraphim whose job it is to guide humanity and protect them in their ascent.

Renault: Could I ask a question? (Yes) We were studying about the angels, the seraphim, and how there are a seraphim for a thousand people and seraphim for a hundred people and seraphim for ten people and seraphim for individuals. We were wondering, do they use these same seraphim for special projects? So when like Miriam is going to have 2,000 people in Salt Lake at a conference, or where we have Urantia conferences, or Teaching Mission conferences, are there special angels of progress and religion and churches or something that attend to each of us, aside from the other, regular teachers. Are those part of their duties there?

ANDROMADEUS: Attending such events, such gatherings --

Renault: Yeah, where ten of us come together, or a couple of hundred of us come together for specific spiritual purposes.

ANDROMADEUS: There they will be in that midst. And they will attend according to the sundry needs of those in attendance.

Renault: So are there personal seraphim that go along?

ANDROMADEUS: Once you attain personal seraphic guardians, you have somewhat more influence on you, but this is the way it is with advancement. The more you acquire, the more is expected of you. And so, those who are attending certain events, such as the one Miriam is planning with others -- this will be attended by virtually all the angels for different reasons. For some it will be diversion and recreation; for some it will be on behalf of enlightenment; most certainly there will be those who are interested in progress; and some that will be interested in keeping alive that which has existing value.

There is plenty of room for them all. They don't take up the same kind of space humans do, and there is room for energies to work together in ways that you would recognize as a cable, perhaps, an electric cable. One copper wire as compared to ten copper wires or 100 copper wires bound together to create that one powerful cable. That is why some of these events seem to be so highly charged. They are! Not only is your energy invested in it, but so is seraphic planetary government energy on behalf of the spiritual hierarchy that oversees the development of the participants. And as you well know, each one is at their own particular and unique point in comprehension and spiritual development.

Furthermore, one individual may benefit from the services of all twelve sectors at one time or another within a fairly short period of time. And we will see more of this when we discuss epochal angels next month.

I wanted to spend just one sentimental moment more on these angels of the churches, in terms of the beauty of their music. The spheres are indeed alive with the songs sung on behalf of spirit ... not simply the church choir that you are here familiar with, and the precious hymns of your

forefathers ... but the inspiration and thrill that goes beyond the ordinary into the extraordinary. And this exaltation of the spirit that is in large part a gift of the angels of the churches touches all of us. We all bow down and worship when we hear these psalms of praise. Indeed, such melodies reach all the way to Paradise. Are there any questions?

Paula: Do you think there's anybody who really believes there are angels that go fluttering around like the one in the picture up there, with a couple of wings there, and everybody is flying around bumping into everybody else. I don't think that's what the good Lord meant. We just-- Maybe there's something else that happens to us when we die, but we certainly aren't going to be angels flying around with our little wings bumping into each other.

ANDROMADEUS: You will not be angels for angels are a separate order of being. You are ascending sons and daughters with your own destiny path but as for what others believe, yes, we are aware of the assortment of mental constructs that humanity brings to their spiritual table. And while much of it is laughable, perhaps, and much of it is sad, it is also a fact of the relativity of your development.

You will not need wings; neither do angels have wings. They have energy fields, as you now have energy fields, and so it goes, on into infinity, a life ahead of eternal adventure and so let us be on our way.

The Epochal Angels

ANDROMADEUS: Greetings. I am Andromadeus, most high observer and student visitor/teacher for this series of lessons on seraphic planetary government, in particular the twelve divisions of angelic orders of beings who are instrumental in developing your new infrastructure, the original infrastructure having been weakened by rebellion and crumbling before your very eyes.

The infrastructure we are in the process of building has been ongoing since the time of Christ when the new government was instituted, following Michael's return to Salvington. As you understand these divisions, you will understand the action being undertaken, and if you are engaged in co-working with the angelic orders or the midwayers assisting them, you will recognize the inner subtleties of such a division of labor so that you learn its language and become able to work within its branches, its arms. You become a part of the divine mechanism, the divine administration.

Let's see. The last section under discussion is that which is listed first in the listing in the Urantia text about these orders of beings. The first, epochal angels, shall be the last in this parade. Renault, my able assistant in this endeavor, will you please read what it says about epochal angels?

Renault: *"The epochal angels.* These are the angels of the current age, the dispensational group. These celestial ministers are intrusted with the oversight and direction of the affairs of each generation as they are designed to fit into the mosaic of the age in which they occur. The present corps of epochal angels serving on Urantia is the third group assigned to the planet during the current dispensation."

ANDROMADEUS: Thank you. One more time.

Renault: *"The epochal angels.* These are the angels of the current age, the dispensational group. These celestial ministers are intrusted with the oversight and direction of the affairs of each generation as they are designed to fit into the mosaic of the age in which they occur. ... "

Does that mean each generation has their own group of angels that the epochal angels oversee?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes.

Renault: Trusted with the oversight.

ANDROMADEUS: Let's take a look at the epochal angels and recognize that an entire legion of angels is operating on your behalf, right now, creatively maneuvering the Paradise pattern into the mortal mix in a manner which will move civilization ahead one notch at a time, one notch representing one epoch, for in terms of eternity, time functions much quicker than it does in the finite realms. This is why it can be said that one lifetime is like the blinking of an eye.

And so what may seem like an endless epoch to you from this perspective, may well be the tick of a clock to those who oversee your growth. This is the advantage of perspective, one which you are invited to borrow as often as possible from those who have greater degrees than you, so that you can learn by our efforts to convey to you the wisdom of the ages appropriate to your capacities at that given time under those given circumstances.

I know that generally speaking your frame of reference for the word epochal is in the phrase "epochal revelation" where you are all apprised of the fact that the Urantia Book is a compilation representing the fifth epochal revelation of divine truth to your world -- fifth of seven epochal revelations typical in the life of any inhabited world.

Renault: Question.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes.

Renault: Do other planets have a comparable UB? Or is this unique to us?

ANDROMADEUS: For the time being I am going to say that it is unique to you. This is a philosophic position I am urged to convey, for it is too easy to give a simple answer that conveys misinformation, and yet the long term reality cannot be conveyed because it is not actualized yet, and so while we can perhaps speculate or imagine the divine plan we cannot know the end result. Only God knows the end from the beginning.

Renault: You said "the fifth of seven epochal revelations common to ..."

ANDROMADEUS: A world.

Renault: So I was wondering if other worlds have common epochal revelations, i.e., the Urantia Book on their worlds.

ANDROAMDEUS: Your world, as well as other worlds that were isolated as a result of the Lucifer rebellion, are being treated individually, and yet they are also being treated as a group, and I think you can understand why that is necessary. You are not just all one group to be lumped together except for certain specific purposes, statistical purposes perhaps, but experientially you are each your own unique world. Some of the worlds in this sector that has been quarantined are younger than you, some are older than you. And so some were in varying stages of development when the quarantine set in. I will leave it to you to imagine circumstances or conditions on other worlds based on that factor alone but I will not lead you into a travelogue.

Renault: They just have their own unique revelations for their world.

ANDROMADEUS: They are being hand-held as you are. It is noteworthy that there is so much focused on this particular planet in terms of circuitry but it is no doubt because Jesus was here and he has a sentimental regard for this world -- not that it is particularly superior or inferior in any way; those are secondary to the fact that this is where he completed his bestowals and to where he came into his power such that the spirit of truth was poured out upon all flesh and subsequently Thought Adjusters were able to freely volunteer the indwelling of these evolving mortals. If you consider that was only 2,000 years ago, you might gain a better perspective on how truly primitive your world still is in many contexts. It is almost a mere one step above primordial ooze.

Renault: (Laughing) In the blink of any eye, huh? But look how far we have to go if we have only just begun. What a wonderful, grand, exciting adventure.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, it is. But before you get too enthralled about what wonderful adventures lay ahead, let me remind you that the other side of that coin is the concurrent realization of precisely how far away the goal is, and thus you remove any need for such a comparison because you are here now, and here now is where your focus is needed.

This goes along the lines of the simple adage of not comparing yourself to others. If you compare yourself to others you will always see those who are brighter and those who are duller and you will have a response accordingly, either that you are brighter or duller by comparison, and so aside from the perspective this gives and the mutual respect that can be developed once it is accepted that you are one among many, it can work to your advantage but in the meanwhile there are many emotional roller-coasters as to how far away it is on one hand and how far away it

is on the other, both good and bad, both positive and negative. Therefore, the sensible approach is to respect the balance and simply put one foot in front of the other, one day at a time.

Renault: Be here now.

ANDROMADEUS: Be here now. In this process of being here now, you are naturally led then along the path and as I observe, those of you who are following consciously or unconsciously the will of God, walking within "the straight and narrow" or "the divine path" or "the Way" or however you want to phrase it, as you walk therein, the entire evolving supreme of Urantia moves forward and the sands of time settle in the new position. Think in terms of the kaleidoscope.

Let us all now look through our mutual kaleidoscope and see how the light and colors are arrayed. Rotating the tube one quarter inch to the right changes the view completely, or at least significantly, and this is rather how it is to observe epochs as they pass in the fields of human endeavor, for this is what we are talking about, we are talking about the epochs of human endeavor as compared to the five epochal revelations which are rather large, comprising a rather large chunk of time in your scope.

Human epochs, however, are smaller, shorter, but relatively speaking, no less dramatic. The age group of you here, you are well able to remember the 50's, the 60's and the 90's as three individual epochs, three separate epochs in your life unfolding. In these demographics of your culture you can see time marching on. The more you have lived, the more perspective you have as to what this looks like in terms of centuries rather than decades.

The wonderful thing about the epochal angels is that they are very contemporary. An epoch in your life, individually, may transpire in the course of four hours if those four hours are that significant, but generally epochs in human lives allow for more time to contemplate and adjust to before another epoch is instituted, simply in order to keep your minds occupied, stimulated, and advancing. Are there questions?

Renault: Are there angels of my/our generation? I feel that our generation has brought along with it a certain set of ideals and standards, I want to say, and I also think of generations like my children's generation and their set of standards and ideals and what they would like to see and do, and my grandchildren's generation and those children who are going to be even more enlightened and capable and I think about, also, the era that my generation was born in, which was the midst of World War II and we were born in that midst and yet we came forth with a whole set of ideals with that generation than when they were born, you know what I mean? So are the epochal angels like each generation has ... do they kind of like travel along with them?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, this is very much their field of dreams and field of influence. Read again, if you will, the definition of these epochal angels.

Renault: " These are the angels of the current age, the dispensational group. These celestial ministers are intrusted with the oversight and direction of the affairs of each generation as they are designed to fit into the mosaic of the age in which they occur. The present corps of epochal angels serving on Urantia is the third group assigned to the planet during the current dispensation."

And I'm thinking of the mosaic of the 60s and what that looked like, and the mosaic of the 80s and what that looked like, and just a feeling that I get knowing what we've gone through -- my generation -- what we've gone through.

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, and if you look at that view through the kaleidoscope, you can see how the positions are all in position to act when the wheel is rotated, and when all those pieces fall into place in the new configuration, the picture is different; it has moved ahead. This is the work of the epochal angels.

Renault: I.e., our election?

ANDROMADEUS: Yes, of course, although they are not the only angels involved in that event.

Renault: Right.

ANDROMADEUS: Certainly it has started a new epoch, this new president elect, new administration, an entirely new paradigm for your country.

Renault: Yes. Hooray!

ANDROMADEUS: Appreciate that the cause and effect of disillusionment and disgruntlement from the previous administration created the circumstances in which you now rejoice. However, be reminded that it happened previously in the earlier change of administration; when people were so glad to be done with that previous administration, they were relieved to fall into a new place. This is a part of the process. It is like Forrest Gump's mother said. "Forrest, life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you are going to get." And the same is true when you change epochs. You never know what you are going to get. You can act because of what came down before, cause and effect, but whatever cards you are dealt is the hand you will play.

Renault: Is there a summing up of the twelve that you might want to do in this last session here?

ANDROMADEUS: No. I am not prepared to sum up anything at this point, except the fact that we have now discussed each of the twelve. I know that I have not been a Broadway hit--

Renault: No! You're great! We love it!

ANDROMADEUS: -- but there is more that I would like to discuss with you from time to time. I feel this is very important information for you who are in the vanguard, those of you who are engaging in shaping the future of Urantia. Since you are becoming enthused, and there is a new energy in your midst, it stands to reason that those of us who have seen from the farther view would want to bestow on you our perspectives so that you can add your own dimension (which is our dimension) to the mix, thus influencing the direction it will take.

Renault: Last question. Is the Urantia Book designed then to last millennia since it is an epochal revelation?

ANDROMADEUS: The Urantia Papers serve a purpose in your planetary history, just as all the previous revelations to your planet have served. Some have done well; some have failed. And no doubt the Urantia Papers, when all is said and done, will have served well in certain ways and fallen short in certain ways. Like you, we have to play the hand we're dealt. Naturally we want everyone to win. We want this to be "all that it can be" -- whatever that may be.

Renault: Highest and best use. Well I certainly am thankful for it. It has certainly helped me a lot!

ANDROMADEUS: But it is not the final say. It's only the fifth. In other words, time marches on, and yet it will always remain a perspective, a point of reference, an epochal point of reference. It has only been here a few short years, not even one full century.

Renault: Right. Fifty-three years.

ANDROMADEUS: It has only begun to be seen. It will take many years for it to have reached its full impact and as you have learned from your studies about Caligastia, Adam and Eve, Machiventa, and Jesus Christ, you will never completely obliterate the effect of these Papers on you. They will not fail. They will be disseminated. There will be many, many other materials, insights, revelations, secondary works, tertiary works, many more papers will be delivered, but there will only, always be one Urantia Papers' fifth epochal revelation.

Renault: Right. Very good. A unique assignment.

ANDROMADEUS: Getting back to the lesson. You find yourself within that epoch which is experiencing the distinct waves it made when it [the UB] entered into your domain. You may think it is not so much, but I assure you it is. You will need to have the perspective of Mansonia and beyond before you can appreciate the intensity with which your world is being affected by the arrival of the Urantia Papers.

I will take my leave, but I will be back. I will not dominate your sessions but there are a few other things I would like to address, one of which is the Reserve Corps of Destiny, which I understand some of you have manifested an interest in and curiosity about.

Renault: That sounds very interesting.

ANDROMADEUS: And so at some point I shall return. Thank you. Shalom.