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Dear Mr. W a g n e r ,

Your letter of March 1st was reforwarded to me from New York and has just reached our remote Himalayas - at my present residence. I was very glad to see that the basic questions of life interest you so deeply. This is the more important since people very often either from fear or hypocrisy evade what is most imperative.

You ask what is the meaning of death. First of all death does not exist and St. Paul in his epistles quite clearly affirms that we do not die but only change. He also speaks of the subtle radiant bodies. Similar definitions can be found just as well in most religions and in Eastern wisdom.

Humanity however was so terrified by superstitions that the normal change into another condition was defined as horrible death with all its sinister attributes. Moreover the very discussion of such a change was regarded as something non-scientific and was in every way refuted and mocked. Even such statements of foremost scientists like Sir William Crooks, Camille Flammarion, Sir Oliver Lodge etc. were accepted with much reserve. Up to quite recently humanity did not even ponder about the energy and might of thought. Only lately when Prof. Bekhtereff, Prof. McDougall, Prof. Rhine and their colleagues under the names of parapsychology, extra-sensory perception, métapsychique etc. put the investigations on a scholarly basis, did the transmission of thought become a matter of university research. Voices from beyond were regarded as something superstitious, whereas radio waves from the blue sky were accepted as normal.

You further ask: - is this the end or is it but the beginning? In infinity there is no end, nor beginning. Life is eternal in all its phases of involution and evolution. Instead of fear when confronting such changes, man should

rejoice knowing that he can participate in the evolutionary betterment of life. Every knowledge, every experience will help him to be useful. The art of thinking will serve him as the best medium in that subtle world, where the energy of thought is the only motive power. Everything good achieved by man will constitute his armour of light and all the evil he has committed he will regret because it will be a hindrance on his path. All these are not dreams but facts confirmed by innumerable evidences of all ages and people.

Towards the end of your letter you foresee that there will be many mockers but let us remember that the majority of deniers act under the influence of fear and ignorance - there are many people yet, who when fear to start out on a voyage. Everyone of us knows of people, who when they set out to cross the ocean, wrote their last wills and concluded all formalities as if passing over to another world.

I shall be very glad to read the opinions of the persons mentioned on your list. I am sending you four of my essays:

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"Combating Ignorance"
"The Untold"
"Essence"

which you can use at your discretion, because in everyone of them I have answered problems, as if in response to your quest.

Yours sincerely,