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In unbroken line of ECK Masters have been the Living ECK Master during their respective sojourns in this world, which means each, in his time, was the direct manifestation of God, the divine channel which God uses as Its voice to speak to the worlds within Itself. . . .

The chela keeps wondering when he will reach that moment of meeting with God. But it will never come, for, if he would realize it, he is already at that moment. Rather, he is at this focal point in eternity, for the SUGMAD is always with him, in the form of the Living ECK Master. The chela is always in the present, for the present is always eternity. God is with him all the time as the Living ECK Master, every moment of his life.

Therefore, the chela should recognize that if God is with him, then the Living ECK Master is always the presence he experiences

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constantly. He should understand this and have it written upon his heart, for the MAHANTA is the vehicle God uses to reach every Soul who will listen. This should be kept in mind constantly. . . .

There is never a time when the world is without a MAHANTA, the Living ECK Master, for God manifests Itself again and again in the embodiment of the chosen one. It is constant and always in the worlds. For in the Living ECK Master does It find perfection, as he is the true instrument for the SUGMAD, the Vi-Guru, the Love and Spirit of the SUGMAD. . . .

The ECK is uninterrupted, continuing, eternal. It is the reality of all life manifested here in this world in the embodiment of the Living ECK Master. When one sees beyond the views of this world, he is living in Spirit. He can avoid all the anxieties and dangers of this worldly life by lifting himself again to the top of the spiritual mountain. He looks neither to the past nor to the future, but to the present, the now, knowing that the SUGMAD lives only in the present. He knows that with each step he takes he is on hallowed ground, for the MAHANTA is always with him. . . .

Those who are taken to the summit of the spiritual mountain by the Living ECK Master are the fortunate ones. Here, independent of time and space, above all the lower worlds, they see all the joy and blessings of life.



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