What Celestial Spirits Think About War

The Celestials are more interested in salvation of souls than in wars and their outcomes. Their desire is to help save as many as possible, regardless of what nation the individuals belong to. All souls are equally dear to them.

While war is not of great importance to the Celestials, it is not without significance in that it interferes with their work among mortals. As a result of the horrors of war, many mortals enter the spirit world in a bad condition. Those who pass over so suddenly and violently are more difficult to teach the way to salvation than would have been the case if they had lived out their lives and died a natural death.

All wars are deplorable in that they interfere with the ordinary living and dying of people. But the Celestials do not judge the right or wrong of specific wars, but leave it to the laws controlling the thoughts, deeds and recollections that the individuals responsible for the wars will encounter in the spirit world.

The Celestials are concerned for those affected by wars because of the sin involved which causes the paying of the penalties demanded by the law much sooner than would happen otherwise. Also the hatred and desire for vengeance generated in wars adds to the burdens that individuals will have to get rid of in the spirit world before they can progress to a life of happiness.

While Celestials are not indifferent to the misery of humans on earth, they realize that, to a large extent, humans must work out their own destiny. The spirits can only influence individual minds, but not control them. At times, people give way to their evil passions and ambitions, and because of their free will, they must be allowed to proceed and reap the consequences. Unfortunately, many innocent people suffer in the process. Because humans are united in nations and societies, they are influenced by the actions of one another and the consequences of those actions. It may not seem right and fair that the innocent should suffer because of the acts of the guilty. However, Celestial spirits cannot prevent the intermingling of suffering among those living in societies because they cannot interfere with the operations of laws set in motion. So while they have love and compassion for those suffering in wars, they must leave humans to the consequences of their thoughts and deeds.

Jesus is not involved in wars because his mission is not to help the victims of war – other spirits look after these individuals when they enter the spirit world, comforting them and helping them to recover from the shock of their violent and sudden transformation. Jesus deals only with the souls of humans, irrespective of their spirit condition. In a war situation, people are generally not open to his teachings. Rather, he works with those who know the reality and necessity of obtaining the Divine Love.

Jesus is interested in peace and mutual love among people, and his teachings on earth and in the spirit world are aimed toward this end. But wars and the accompanying hatred of battles will never bring peace. Even the horrors and desolation that result from wars will not deter humans from more wars. These things are soon forgotten, and with human hearts remaining unchanged, with all the hatred, envy and ambition that initiated past wars, history will be repeated.

Even God the Father will not intervene in wars to stop them or give one side victory over the other because that would be contrary to his nature of love. However, while He is not indifferent to human suffering, in allowing humans to exercise their free will, in His wisdom, He is bringing out a greater and more eternal good. The Law of Compensation must work itself out for both

nations and individuals, which wouldn't happen in the case of wars being supernaturally stopped. Humans have to learn that acting on evil desires leads to bad consequences, and the only way to stop the consequences is to stop doing what leads to them. In other words, God will not set aside the Law of Compensation and bring about results that are not the consequences of man's desires and will.

However, God has provided a way for humans to minimize suffering in their lives by offering His Love imparted by the Holy Spirit through which wars would not eventuate and the evil consequences would not be manifested.

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