

'I Am' Born of Visions

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husband's experience on Mount Shasta in California.

He went there on a hike one day and a young man appeared suddenly beside him and gave him a cup of milk-like liquid to drink.

"The taste was delicious and the electric vivifying effect on my mind and body made me gasp with surprise," he said.

LEARNING THE TRUTH.

The young man introduced himself as Saint Germain and, thereafter, in August, September and October of 1930, Mr. Ballard experienced a series of happenings which, he asserts, were Saint Germain's way of convincing him and teaching him of the truth of the I Am Presence and its meaning.

"Saint Germain withdrew me from my body," he said, "and lifted me from the ground. I could see my physical body resting where I had been lying. Saint Germain began to show me some of the previous lives I had lived."

First, he was introduced to a village in France where he was born as the daughter of a beautiful mother. He saw himself become a famous woman opera singer.

EMBODIMENT IN EGYPT.

Saint Germain next showed him an embodiment in Egypt. Mrs. Ballard said they went to a long-lost city and there he recognized his son, Donald, as the high priest in a temple. He himself was the assisting priest and his wife, Lotus, was the vestal virgin guarding the sacred fire.

He awoke in his earthly body after these experiences, Mr. Ballard says. Then there was another meeting with Saint Germain at which, without leaving the body, they used "projected consciousness" to see events which

happened in the Sahara Desert 70,000 years ago.

The desert was then a garden and civilization was much more advanced than ours, he said.

"For instance," said Mr. Ballard, "they had airplanes which made ours look insignificant and they derived their power from the atmosphere.

"The people were near perfection, but they sinned, succumbed to hate and greed, and were reduced to the status of ordinary mortals."

These happenings were climaxed by a visit in another body, the head of the I Am movement relates, to the Royal Teton Mountain. Saint Germain showed him a door which only an ascended being could enter. They entered an elevator made of glistening metal and descended 2,000 feet into the mountain.

AUDIENCE OF PERFECTED.

Below was a great audience chamber where the perfected beings gathered. Miraculous screens projected, as in a moving picture, scenes from all over the world and on the other planets in times past and present.

"There also," he said, "we found the absolute, physical histories of civilizations for four and one-half million years. I could read them. They were tangible. I could hold them.

"Later I met Mrs. Ballard and Donald at the retreat and we were shown many other things. Wealth in gold, precious stones and metals of the lost continents of Mu and Atlantis is stored there

awaiting the time when the perfected beings will release it for the use of mankind."

There were other adventures, including a visit to the civilization of the ancient Incas, where the Ballards were brothers and sisters and were even then, 14,000 years ago, under the influence of the Great I Am Presence.

"After these and other experiences," Mr. Ballard said, "we started out teaching in Chicago. At first, we had seven students then fourteen, then twenty-one. We met in a room in the Pure Oil Building.

"Recently, Saint Germain told me that we have more than 600,000. Two years ago he told me we had 300,000."

The Ballards' meetings will continue through October 16.

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WELL, WHY DON'T THEY?

Boots, aged 3, had been told by her mother to take a pan of food to the chickens in the family yard, her mother explaining that it was an important duty because the chickens were very hungry. Boots studied the matter for a moment, and then said: "We Mommie, if those hens are so hungry, why don't they just lay an egg and eat it?"

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