

# Our Unity

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## Unity and Solidarity – Hope and Responsibility

“Unity always gives strength; and since Occultism in our days resembles a “Forlorn Hope,” union and co-operation are indispensable. Union does indeed imply a concentration of vital and magnetic force against the hostile currents of prejudice and fanaticism.”

Mahatma K.H., *The Mahatma Letters to A.P. Sinnett*, Second Edition, p. 36

There are three main reasons that Theosophists should have unity: to reflect brotherhood from the higher to the lower planes; to overcome the status quo; and our responsibility to the future.

We are told in Theosophy that there is a great Brotherhood of *Bodhisattvas*, responsible for protecting and teaching humanity. They were once men and women like us, but have evolved in previous cycles to great heights of exalted consciousness and saintly conduct. They exist in an unfathomable field of unity; their hearts and minds attuned to the Great Law, to one another and to all of humanity. They have said that if we wish to know them, to study their philosophy; and if we wish to serve them, to serve their humanity.

Cyclically, they work through adept messengers. At all times, their influence is available, depending on our rising in individual consciousness to their level – and on how much we can collectively mirror their deep unity *via* our unity here on this plane.

As Theosophists, we are not working for any definite organization, but instead, as W. Q. Judge said, to raise the *manas* and the *buddhi* of all humanity. There are forces of selfishness, of the status quo, that have no interest in raising the consciousness of humanity. They are just fine with science remaining materialistic; with religion, superstitious; with wars, poverty, with each man fearing the other. They have no interest in Theosophy – with its