

Excerpts from Paper 52,
“Planetary Mortal Epochs,”
by a Mighty Messenger

[Excerpted from section 5, “Post-Bestowal Son Man”]

The bestowal Son arrives on a world of high educational culture and encounters a race spiritually trained and prepared to assimilate advanced teachings and to appreciate the bestowal mission. This is an age characterized by the world-wide pursuit of moral culture and spiritual truth. The mortal passion of this dispensation is the penetration of cosmic reality and communion with spiritual reality. The revelations of truth are extended to include the superuniverse. Entirely new systems of education and government grow up to supplant the crude regimes of former times. The joy of living takes on new color, and the reactions of life are exalted to heavenly heights of tone and timbre. *[A Mighty Messenger, 596:1 / 52:5.3]*

[Excerpted from section 6, “Urantia’s Post-Bestowal Age”]

The bestowal Son is the Prince of Peace. He arrives with the message, “Peace on earth and good will among men.” On normal worlds this is a dispensation of world-wide peace; the nations no more learn war. But such salutary influences did not attend the coming of your bestowal Son, Christ Michael. Urantia is not proceeding in the normal order. Your world is out of step in the planetary procession. ...

Even on normal evolutionary worlds the realization of the world-wide brotherhood of man is not an easy accomplishment. On a confused and disordered planet like Urantia such an achievement requires a much longer time and necessitates far greater effort. *[A Mighty Messenger, 597:2-3 / 52:6.1-2]*

[Excerpted from section 3, “Post-Adamic Man”]

On an average world the post-Adamic dispensation is an age of great invention, energy control, and mechanical development. This is the era of the appearance of multiform manufacture and the control of natural forces; it is the golden age of exploration and the final subduing of the planet. Much of the material progress of a world occurs during this time of the inauguration of the development of the physical sciences, just such an epoch as Urantia is now experiencing. **Your world is a full dispensation and more behind the average planetary schedule.** *[A Mighty Messenger, 593:5 / 52:3.6 — emphasis added: the final sentence formatted in bold]*