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Dear Brothers,

We understand that there is a bit of turmoil and confusion at headquarters over the spirit's bearing witness within our organization. We are pleased that the true good news is receiving a hearing, but we are saddened that confusion has resulted. As Jesus said, "my yoke is kindly and my load is light." Therefore, all that is required is a turning to the plain and open teachings of Jesus, and all chaos will be dispelled.

With the Memorial on the horizon, we want to remind you of Jesus' counsel to care for the 'least of his brothers.' Your treatment of all those who profess to be the anointed sons and daughters of God has a direct correlation to how the Christ views your worship. He said:

"To the extent that you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' . . . To the extent that you did not do it to one of these least ones, you did not do it to me. – *Matthew 25:40, 45*

So far, you have chosen to remain silent while many in the organization are being harassed and chastised by uninformed and unspiritual elders and servants simply because the 'least ones' accept the Father's offer of sonship and pursue the prize of the upward call. Indifference is certainly better than an outright attack, but would it not be even better to write a note to the local elders and servants reminding them of the need to support **all** members of the congregation, including those who profess the heavenly hope?

We know it is difficult for fleshly men to shepherd spirit-led men and women. It is the classic struggle between the children of the slave girl and the children of the free woman spoken of by Paul. (*Galatians 4:21-31*) The 'one born in the manner of flesh' is persecuting the 'one born in the manner of spirit.' The Father does not approve of this behavior any more than does the Christ. Therefore, we implore you to support Christ's brothers and, in the process, save these fleshly children from disapproval by calling them to their senses. If you had been in the first century and had the opportunity to support the Christ, we would like to believe you would have done so. If we are correct, then please support his brothers now, and save the ignorant ones from destruction.

In spite of our disappointment in your reaction to your brothers thus far, we continue to hold out hope that you will respond to the spirit's leading. We know that showing you love and respect is counted as showing love and respect for the Christ. And so we continue to reach out to you. For although you sit in the high seats at headquarters, you, too, are among the least of Christ's brothers. The great ones do not resist the Christ.

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Jesus gave us the rule that we are to do to others what we would have them do to us. (*Matthew 7:12*) And he advised that whatever we measure out to others will be measured out to us. (*Matthew 7:1-2*) Therefore, we pray that the Father continue to show you mercy to the extent that you show mercy to Christ's brothers.

And we do so with love.

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