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The Legend of the Dreamsinger

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In the beginning The Source, which we call Great Mystery,

created the world and filled it with the Rock People, the Plant People, the Critter People, and many other tribes of wondrous forms. Each had their tasks to do. Each had their songs to sing. Each contributed to a working whole, giving of their energies, their bodies, their Earthwalk time.

Great Mystery said, “This is a grand and beautiful thing, but the people are so busy doing their tasks and singing their individual songs, there is no one to appreciate it. I shall make a new tribe of people and I shall call them, ‘Human’ They shall walk erect and hold their heads high that their minds might be close to the Sky Nation where all common ancestors dwell and that their feet might be close to the EarthMother who nurtures and supports all our relations.”

Great Mystery thought for a while about how to make the Humans special, for Great Mystery created all the Peoples with their own special qualities and tasks. Great Mystery said, “I shall give them a great capacity for knowing. It will be the task of the Humankind to know, respect and care for all I have created. I shall set them to walk freely upon the Paths of Light and they shall sing My Song.” And so, Great Mystery called upon Eagle to fly to the EarthMother and tell all of the Peoples of these new arrivals, the Humankind of the Tribe of the Two-legged.

All our relations received these new people with joy and affection, often giving of their flesh, their coats, their bodies that the Humans might feed, dress and shelter themselves.

The Humans flourished until they made their council fires in every direction. But then, some of the Humankind forgot their task to know, respect and care for the EarthMother and all who dwell above, upon and within. They forgot that they had been set upon Paths of Light. They began to walk different paths...darker paths. Soon their singing began to change until it no longer resembled Great Mystery's song. As new humans began their Earthwalk, they heard only this changed and mutated music, and in their innocence, mistook it for Great Mystery's song.

All the other Peoples heard this new song and saw what it was causing the Humankind to do. They said to Eagle, "Go to the Source. Tell Great Mystery that we cannot continue to live with the Humankind; that we shall die if these Humans do not change." And so, Eagle flew for four days and nights finally reaching the Sacred Mountain. There, Eagle spoke to Great Mystery of the concerns and needs of the People.

Great Mystery said, “I have heard the new song of the Humankind and I have seen what so many have done to the EarthMother as they walk upon the Paths of Darkness. Yet, it is good that there are many paths...many choices. The Humankind are free...free to choose their own paths.”

And so, Great Mystery spoke to Eagle and said, “Tell All My Relations that from this moment on I shall send Animal Spirits of both the Upper World and the lower World into the dreams of every unborn Human. There, each will tell stories of the many paths, some of Light and some of Darkness, so that the Human may learn and choose. Thus, when new Humans come to the Place of Emergence, they shall go into the world and sing the song of their own choosing.

Those who remember my song shall be called...*Dreamsingers.*”

*And so, whenever you meet a man or woman who sings for the
EarthMother and All Our Relations, listen carefully...*

...it is a Dreamsinger

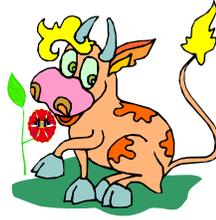
...remembering.

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