

Celebrating Spring – April 2, 2017

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As we gather to celebrate the

The season of birth and rebirth

We hear the heartbeat of mother earth

With Spring comes the blossoming of plants

And emerging patterns of life

We hear the heartbeat of mother earth

In this the time of growth and reflection

Let us draw closer to nature and each other

We hear the heartbeat of mother earth

In the continuing cycle of life, giving thanks,

We hear the heartbeat of mother earth

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Spring is the season of rebirth, because new life emerges from the darkness of mother earth's womb. Both contemporary and classic poets describe this season as the most perfect of the four, Langston Hughes describes Spring as a time of silver rain, "when so much is in bud, and butterflies lift silken wings, and earth once again puts forth the new life." The law of reaping and sowing tells us that if you plant a seed, water it, give it sunlight and attention, it will become manifest.

This law is just applicable to the human heart. When we open ourselves to the pain of others with empathy and kindness, the planted seeds of love will grow. Moreover, given attention to how we reply within a disagreement; and how we listen to others our hearts will continue to blossom.