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Easter message - Boston transcript, 1935.

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It is true that the minds of men today are pre-occupied with economic problems. Throughout the world millions of men are struggling bitterly to maintain themselves and their families and it is quite natural that the spiritual considerations should be crowded into the background. But they have not entirely been lost sight of. Men are hungering today for those values which cannot be physically grasped or measured but which nevertheless are desperately needed to ennoble and complete man's life upon earth. They are the eternal life hungers of the human spirit -- truth, beauty and the lands beyond the horizon.

Passover and Easter, which the two great historic religions are celebrating this week, are symbols of man's hunger for freedom and for immortality. From physical bondage a nation struggles for freedom and the Promised Land. That is Passover. From the shadows of death man reaches out for life eternal. That is Easter. Without the reality of freedom and the hope of immortality, human life would be sad indeed.