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Dear friends and sponsors of the Kaspar Hauser Research Circle!

On this day, the 190th anniversary of Kaspar Hauser's death, I would like to greet you with a saying that I find valuable:

*At the end of the day, gaze not upon your harvest,
But look upon what you have sown!*

Surely, we could also apply this saying to the fulfillment of a year of life, so that it becomes:

*At the end of the year, gaze not upon your harvest,
But look upon what you have sown!*

What is it that I have sown this year? After all, the nature of what has been sown is not so obvious and therefore not as definite as a harvest. What we are sowing is still in the process of becoming, and so can often only be guessed at – and sometimes not even that! And for this reason, we can hear it as a deep question:

What have I sown in this year?

And we can take this question still deeper, applying it then to the span of a whole lifetime, and then we may hear:

*At life's end, gaze not upon your harvest,
But look upon what you have sown!*

And this is where Kaspar Hauser comes to our awareness! What did he not have to endure – reaping as he did, so much mockery and derision, especially at the end of his short life? Kaspar Hauser was discredited by his legal guardian who accused him of lying, of being suicidal and falsely claiming that he had been attacked... when in truth, Kaspar Hauser had been stabbed in a brutal, wicked, manner – the occult steel mortally rammed into the center of his sun-filled heart!

What were the things that Kaspar Hauser had sown? Yes, this is the question that I would wish to impart to you during the time of the Holy Nights, and I hope to bring it to your hearts:

What, seen in the light of your understanding and discernment, did Kaspar Hauser sow?

Does not Jakob Wassermann's quote: "*Kaspar Hauser will be as powerful in death as he was powerless in life*" point us towards the direction of Hope?

Right at the beginning of Kaspar's short life in this world, his teacher Georg Friedrich Daumer wanted to give him closer access to his own name and also to help him understand the mysteries of growth. And so Daumer had his student sow his name, KASPAR HAUSER, into the earth, with garden cress. But it was crushed twice – first by a pear thief and then by a cat! The "foundling" never really found his name in the world. This harvest did not come about. *And yet, did he not sow a pathway through which for all of us, our true name could be kept alive?*

And now we will ask, how is it with the Research Circle? Well, we have been able to reap a harvest this year, and for me this evokes gratitude and joy. Yet to remain true to the essence of this short letter, I will ask myself the question: What have we, the people working in the Research Circle, been able to sow this year?

It really is hard to measure! Perhaps I can share just one simple experience with you. After a weekend seminar in a town in Switzerland, an elderly lady came up to me and said, with deep feeling, she had experienced the warmth of love. This really filled me with joy!

*Yes, may the seed of the **Child of Europe** sprout in us as the warmth of love:
Be it, in how I devotedly nourish my wooden horse,
Be it, in how I praise creation in its immeasurable beauty,
Be it, in how I give compassion to the enemy...*



Dear friends and sponsors! In the spring of 2024, you will receive our next newsletter and also, further books from the Kaspar Hauser Research Circle will be published. And please do look for new and interesting articles on our website: www.kaspar-hauser.net

And we are so glad to be able to share that the major project with which we are collaborating, right in the heart of Ansbach -- of transforming the house where Kaspar Hauser lived and died into a Center for Healing Education -- is making good progress! We should be able to count on it opening in 2024. As a part of this initiative, the Research Circle will be responsible for three rooms in the house; they are for our Research Archive, for seminars and workshops, and also, the room where Kaspar Hauser's lived and died will become a space for contemplation and meditation. A hotel director has also already been found and the name of the hotel has been decided upon:

“Kaspar's House”

This summer from July 28 through August 4, the 14th Kaspar Hauser Festival will take place! The program will be published on March 20th. At the Festival there will be plenty of opportunities to meet and talk with one another. For as we have understood from Goethe, conversation is more quickening than light!

On behalf of my dear colleagues, I extend our warmest greetings and thanks to all of you for your loyalty and support!

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