

Time to relax and pit your wits against our spiritual puzzle

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CLUES Across:

- 1 An Eastern European rye beer. (5)
- 4 Residue from a fire. (4)
- 8 Outdoors in France. (5,3)
- **9** A still very active example of 2 down. (4)
- **10** His Crazy World sang Fire in 1968. (6,5)
- 12 The sun, very good at providing comfort. (6)
- **13** A sort of candle offered in prayer. (6)
- 15 Creatures which in myth can withstand fire. (11)
- 17 Fire needs a spark, oxygen and this to thrive. (4)
- **19** They sang Light My Fire in 1967. (3,5)
- 20 Perhaps the earliest of conservationists. (4)
- 21 They 'are flowers too, once you get to know them', said A A Milne. (5)

CLUES Down:

- **2** See 9 across. (7)
- 3 He had his Damascene moment. (5,4)
- 4 Nickname of George W Bush. (5)
- 5 Mineral source. (3)
- 6 'Good painters imitate -----, but bad ones spew it up' - Cervantes. (6)
- 7 In short, I've no idea who said it. (4)
- 11 Precisely where you might take a blow? (2,3,4)
- 13 Surface, sheen. (6)
- **14** Equipped with protection for the eyes. (7)
- 15 Sort of music which 'may but ascend to heaven'? (4)
- 16 'Find out what lights your fire, then chase the -----' - Allie Lefevre. (5)
- 18 Sign whose ruling element is Fire. (3)

Solutions:

Across – 1. Kvass 4. Soot 8. Plein air 9. Etna 10. Arthur Brown 12. Solace 13. Votive 15. Salamanders 17. Fuel 19. The Doors 20. Noah 21. Weeds Down – 2. Volcano 3. Saint Paul 4. Shrub 5. Ore 6. Nature 7. Annon 11. On the nose 13. Veneer 14. Visored 15. Soul 16. Match 18. Leo