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"Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast."

- Luke 18:22

"If you have previously thought that self-surrender meant giving up things and habits, you're really only seeing a small picture, a small portion of what you really have to do. On the higher level of self-surrender, it is not a giving up but rather, an accepting, accepting the Truth, accepting the Reality, accepting your Spiritual powers, your Spiritual Identity, your Spiritual Consciousness, accepting your Spiritual Life, accepting your perfect Spiritual Body knowing that they are now existent, that they are Omnipresent..."

- Herb Fitch - Self Surrender Series

In this short series of talks leading up to the seminar at Monterey, California, Herb Fitch once again reiterates the truth that we must be born again. We must step out of humanhood and into the Spiritual Body which is Infinite, Omnipresent, and given to the Sons of God. This rebirth cannot become our experience unless and until we surrender that sense of self which we have lived in for many years, perhaps for centuries. In short, the human must die, that the Divine may live and move and have Its Being where you appear to be.

Nothing less than the complete death of the natural man and all that he holds dear will enable you to wear the Purple Robe of Christhood. *"For this mortal must put off mortality and put on Immortality."* Are you ready to die daily?

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TAPE 1
YOU ARE COMPLETE IN HIM

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Herb: To dear friends across the ocean, greetings of love from the Island of Kauai. By now you have probably received your invitation to the Monterey Seminar in April, originally scheduled for Newport, Oregon. Spirit has wisely moved us to this interesting fishing village on the coast and I am quite sure that we can all bring to this experience a new level of our consciousness and take away from it a still higher level called "Permanent Soul Consciousness." That will be the purpose of the seminar in April, and I bid you welcome to it.

In preparation for that very special seminar, we begin today three tapes and this being the first of those three, we want to lay a ground work so that by the time April rolls around all of us can be working from the level of the consciousness of peace, the consciousness of knowing so well who we are that we are no longer robots for the world mind. We're going to call these "The Three Self-Surrender" tapes but it must be clarified so that we all understand the deep significance of the term "self-surrender." And I think the best way we can accomplish that is to look at our own lives and to think for a moment about what self-surrender means to us.

Most of us at one time or another have said, "If I could only get myself out of the way to let the Spirit of Grace flow freely, I would gladly give up anything that I own to find this true illumination." And I say unto you, if you really intend to enter permanent soul consciousness while on this earth you would be very wise first to examine the goals that you have established for yourself in this life. You may find for example that your goals and self-surrender are incompatible. You may find for example, that you have developed a certain pattern or mold, which make self-surrender very difficult, and sometimes almost impossible.

Now let's suppose that you are a career man or woman or even a housewife career woman. No matter what you are doing at this point you certainly want to be successful and if possible outstanding. Your goals should include happiness, health, security, harmony in your relationships, and also you will require a certain steady source of income to support your particular lifestyle. No doubt you expect the good things of life if possible, a comfortable home; an automobile, recreation; travel, culture, hobbies, interesting friends, and probably

you want creative outlets for your energy. You want love, companionship; you want to be appreciated, and if possible you also want new challenges to stimulate you and in a broader sense you would like to find some way in which you can serve the human race.

That sounds like a fairly full and plan for living for most people but if you examine it closely something is missing, something vital. Actually millions of well-intentioned and very dedicated people have followed these normal goals only to find disillusionment, frustration, and sometimes a total breakdown, a complete breakdown of their life force.

It seems that behind the human picture there is an activity of **the world mind at work**, which is **ever changing things** contrary to the will of man. And so we have unemployment, counterfeit dollar bills, shortage, overcrowded hospital, rapes, muggings, malignancies, volcanoes, floods and every kind of atrocity that man has ever known, all within this contemporary civilization. And for many individuals the bottom suddenly drops out. It drops out of a marriage; it drops out of a business. We lose control of our lives. Something vital is snatched away from us; something vital is denied to us. Somehow we can't find the button to regain control, and then for some other reason inexplicable to most of us, we continually repeat our many mistakes over and over again, **never realizing that we are victims of a universal error** which violates Divine Truth and innocently, we have become enmeshed in a way of life in personal goals, in desires and ambitions, so deeply that we have forgotten to remember that God the Spirit, the Source of life has established goals for us.

We have forgotten that the image and likeness of God, the image and likeness of **Spirit has no personal goals and has no personal will**. And in that oversight we have renounced Oneness with our own Source. We have identified with the dream ego, a dream personality living in a dream body in a dream world. And automatically we move under the dream law of karma not the one power of Divine Grace.

Mankind has surrendered dominion by surrendering his identity and even if we rise to the pinnacle of human success in this world, inevitably whether we like it or not, there is a moment, a moment when we exit. A moment when we come crashing down because **there is no way that a dream can be sustained forever**.

The goals established for you and each individual on this earth are very specific. If we ignore them we ignore God, and if we ignore God we find to our surprise that God ignores us. These are peculiar times, uncertain times, times of vague unrest internationally and domestically. We do not even know if we will reach the twenty-first century in one piece, if at all. And for you and me – pilgrims in the Spirit – we realize that ignoring the goals of

God is suicidal. They lead to death and reincarnation unless they are fulfilled. When fulfilled these goals yield Grace in Life Eternal: harmony, peace, love, wholeness, glory, the power to manifest the Word of God, to live in the kingdom of God, to know the Father aright, to be the living and likeness of Infinite Spirit.

At college a counselor tells each student what his goals should be, a vocational counselor. Then there's the IQ test to tell us our aptitudes, then there's science telling us, religion telling us, education telling us, all setting forth for us the goals that men think that we should follow.

The goals established by God are different. They are sacred goals on the path of Eternal Truth; goals that can be relied upon, goals that lead each individual out of a material dream, out of a divided consciousness and into the blessed realization of Divine Life. You must realize that without these goals, just as we know not what to pray for, we know not what to surrender. And usually if you can judge from the visible world today, man is surrendering the wrong things. And so let each of us look at these God-given goals, the goals that have been expressed by the Father, the goals we can trust and see if these goals have yet become our goals.

God-given goal number one:

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteous and all things will be added unto you.

That kingdom of God we know means the kingdom of Spirit. Seek the Spirit and all things will be added unto you. Now because these words are trustworthy, we know that if you seek the Spirit automatically you will find security, protection, supply, happiness, health, harmony, joy, love, peace, companionship, because ***Son, all that I have is thine.*** Seek you first the Spirit. That becomes then the paramount God-given goal.

Goal number two:

My kingdom, my kingdom of spirit is not of this world.

Therefore, when you seek the kingdom, do not seek the things in this material world but rather seek first my Spirit, seek the substance; do not seek the mental image of matter. You are learning right there that matter is mental, that the things of this world are part of the dream and to take you out of the dream, Spirit directs you to find the kingdom which is not of this world.

God-Given goal number three:

The things of this world are only added things, they are not the main event.

Enjoy them to the fullest, they are not denied to you but if you make them your life goal, you will lose your dominion over your own life and you will follow the decoy.

God-given goal number four:

I say unto you except a man be born of water and the spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

At present you are walking with Spirit in the appearance of a dream body which we call a material body. But God's goal for you is that you step out of this material sense of body and be reborn into your spiritual body; that you walk on this earth in this incarnation as a Divine Being of Spirit. This is the ordained path to dominion over the false powers of matter. All human karma, pain, error, misery, despair, frustration, ignorance, death, are nothing more than **our human refusal** to live here now as Spiritual Being, as Spiritual Substance, as the Living Substance of God rather than as matter, substance of the mortal dream.

God-given goal number five:

And this is the great mystical commandment of the Master:

Thou shall love the lord thy God.

And that means thou shall love Infinite Spirit with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind. And this is the secret command to **love Spirit totally** – remember that: totally, **not matter**. It is the command to become aware of Spirit as the only reality, the only presence and the only universe. And this command is the key to life.

God-given goal number six:

This is a Spiritual universe. Where your mind sees and feels a material universe an invisible universe exists. You can learn to live now in that Spiritual universe, in that Spiritual body and while doing this you can enjoy everything that is necessary for your total fulfillment by grace. This is the miracle of perfect divine life and it can be the experience of every individual who moves faithfully in the goals established by Infinite Spirit.

God-given goal number seven:

Return to your source, return to your Father's house. Transcend the human ego; transcend all limited human concepts of matter, return to your Spiritual Identity.

Scarcely a week goes by that something is brought to my attention from some part of the world in which individuals are suffering from one oversight. They tell me what is

wrong, they tell me what they lack, they tell me what hurts, they tell me what they seem unable to control. And wherever an individual learns in return that what he really lacks is his awareness of Spiritual Identity there comes a turning, a strength, and inner intuition, a resolve, a power, and in the practice of identity, not human ego, not human personality, not man or woman in the flesh, a new force seems to flow to and through that individual slowly and sometimes quickly adjusting that life closer and closer to the divine image and likeness. Return to your Identity.

God-given goal number eight:

The kingdom of Spirit is neither lo here nor lo there, not in holy temples built by men, not in human authorities who bring human truth, but the kingdom of Spirit-God is within you because it is your very Being.

When you ignore the kingdom of Spirit in your daily life, you ignore yourself. To accept less than Spiritual Identity and a Spiritual life is to accept less than you are and the price is always the withdrawal from you of the powers of Spirit and the substance of Spirit so that you walk without the divine powers to guide you into the harmony of life. **Within you,** means you are the Spirit of God now.

God-given goal number nine:

There is a way to free yourself into your Identity. ***The way is I. I in the midst of you, I Am the way.*** Look past your brain, look past your logic, look past your reasoning, look past your five senses. These faculties are doomed to failure. Only Spirit can lead you to Spiritual Identity in the Spiritual universe. Only ***I*** in you can make you one with your Infinite Source. Only ***I*** can give you the Holy Spirit and guide you into all truth. ***For him that cometh to me will I in no way cast out.***

These are the words of Spirit. These are the goals set forth by Spirit for you and this is the method established by Spirit. The witness of God planted in the midst of you is the Divine Way Shower who guides you through the secret pathway of life to your Eternal Self.

Now unless these goals are your life goals you're going to wander off into a divided consciousness and it should be equally clear that Spirit has provided these goals for you to make you as perfect as your Father which are in heaven. So you have the assurance of Spirit that self-surrender is quite more than just giving up cigarettes or meatless Fridays or other little problems that come up in your human sense of life.

Self-surrender is surrender of self. It is not subject to your human whim or to human speculation. When you are told choose God or mammon you are told to choose Spirit

or matter – not both – and if you look deeply at that you are being told to choose reincarnation or transition to Life Eternal.

These goals sharply focus into one concentrated effort to make your transition from matter to Spirit, and then all lesser goals of self-surrender: the material things we thought we had to give up will fall into place in our overall plan. Transition from matter to Spirit, from the self that dies to the Self that is deathless, transition to the perfect image and likeness of God which is Infinite Spirit; are you ready? Can you accept these goals; every one of them? This is the expressed Will of God, and be assured it cannot be fulfilled by anyone who clings to material forms or the false belief that the life of Spirit can exist in a mortal form.

And so I say to you today with all love, if you wish to obey the Will of Spirit you must convert, transform to the ageless, undying, indestructible body of Spirit and learn to walk, to live, to have your being in this invisible body of eternal essence which has no mortal boundaries, no mortal limitations and can never enter into a temporary life span.

This Spiritual body is not the child of woman and it is not confined to human needs, human concepts, human karma. As we turn our will and our ego over to *I* the Master within, we release our human selfhood in full that we may be re-generated, transformed into the living spiritual child of Infinite perfect Being.

Peace be still: this is the real surrender. Surrender your false, temporary mortal, material identity in the appearance of flesh. I tell you this is a narrow path. **The child of flesh born of woman must be immaculately re-conceived as living Spirit.** Your transformation is your immaculate conception. This is your goal. And this is the level of the Infinite Way that we as a group have accepted as our goal and to any individual who is determined to fulfill that level, we extend the warm embrace of Eternal Spiritual love and fulfillment.

Release, release your concept that you are incomplete. Release your concept that God could withhold from you anything necessary for you to be perfect as your Father.

In the true sense of the word **forgive God, forgive the Father**, erase from your consciousness the belief that God has left you incomplete in any way. What are you missing? What do you think you are missing? Listen carefully: what you think you are missing is not what you are really missing. What you are missing is your Spiritual Identity, for when you have that all things that seem to be missing are added unto you. That is your Aladdin's Lamp and you won't have to rub it. Your Spiritual Identity contains all that God has, and when you

say, I miss this or I miss that, you are saying that you are not Spirit, the child of the Infinite Father.

Make your correction: I have. To him that hath will be given because to him who knows who he is all already is given. Ah yes, you say I lack supply; the words won't get me supply. I lack companionship, I lack good health, I lack security. I'm 62 and 3/4 years old and it won't be long before I have a little pink slip in the mail or a little badge rewarding me for my lifetime of service and I'll be dismissed. What's ahead for me? Everything looks bleak. Yes, that's exactly the way it will be for anyone who has not learned to accept Spiritual Identity; completeness in God.

Now fully concentrate eliminating every other thought from your mind down to one Infinite thought: I HAVE ALL THAT GOD HAS IN MY SPIRITUAL IDENTITY. Every need is already fulfilled. In this vast invisible Spiritual universe all my needs exist fulfilled, they can only flow into expression through my Spiritual body, through my Spiritual life. And if I do not live in them these things cannot flow forth into visible manifestation. I have a Spiritual Identity and I will spend my effort, my time, my energy, my thought developing my awareness and fidelity to that which I Am instead of to that which I am not.

This exercise of forgiving God, **releasing God from your false concepts** and realize that **you are self-complete in Spirit now** should be practiced frequently until you will never deny it by word or deed, until the moment you want to say I am missing this or that. Your tongue refuses to say the words because you know better and then you are stilled to let your Soul show you the truth of the Spiritual treasures that you already possess. The substance of all form is within your Being.

Now if you have previously thought that self-surrender meant giving up things and habits, you are really only seeing a small picture, a small portion of what you really have to do. On the higher level of self-surrender, it is not a giving up but rather an accepting, accepting the truth, accepting the reality, accepting your Spiritual powers, your Spiritual Identity, your Spiritual consciousness, accepting your Spiritual life, accepting your perfect Spiritual body knowing that they are now existent, that they are Omnipresent, that they are indestructible and that you are a whole being, a Spiritual Being, a Divine Being. And to let your decisions flow from that level, from that self - trusting those Spiritual decisions to visibly, tangibly express in their own way, the perfection of God right here in this world.

Yes, we do surrender our human will, our desires, our ambitions; we surrender them to our Spiritual will. We surrender our beliefs and judgments of the senses in material powers of good and evil. We surrender the belief in lack and limitation, in seeking material

fulfillment – all this is surrendered because we know that in our real Identity, Spirit, the substance of God, all is included now.

With this basic conviction, you live an entirely different kind of life; you trust the sacred statements of God. You trust them more than you trust your own human brain, more than you trust your eyes and your ears, and in that total self-surrender, you release hidden manna, you release treasures of the Spirit that take you out of the false influence of the material problems and powers in this world which is not the Divine Kingdom.

We are all going to overcome our material sense of self if we wish to fulfill these goals. And in doing so, you will fulfill the Word of God expressed in Scripture, and as Scripture has promised, as the Voice of Spirit has promised: *To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, the fullness of life.*

I am reminded again of Joel in that trip to South Africa, when he went there to visit his students, he arrived without his baggage. Here he was a living master and for some reason or other his baggage was lost. It was very interesting the way Spirit turned that experience around to give the world a powerful lesson in truth. For three weeks he waited, then suddenly it hit him and he was reunited with his Spiritual Selfhood. He was enabled to say to himself, “What am I doing?” There’s no truth at all in this picture. Here we are living in a Spiritual universe where nobody has any need of baggage. Whatever there is of Reality is Incorporeal, Spiritual and Omnipresent. Whatever appears as finite baggage in time and space must be an image and thought; it can have no reality. So I’ve been fooled into hoping and waiting for material baggage to turn up in a Spiritual universe where every idea is Omnipresent.

Joel says it was that understanding that brought him out of the error. But it wasn’t only the quick return of the baggage after that realization that completed the experience; something bigger came out of it. You see, the problem Joel said, wasn’t solved until **I stopped thinking about** baggage, and that’s pretty much the same as not treating hearts, not treating lungs, not treating stomachs, not giving these organs a treatment because that takes you out of Spiritual Being. Belief that the baggage would return is the same as believing that a heart will get well.

Now there you have an amazing principle. **To believe that a heart will get well is a Spiritual mistake. To believe that a lung will be repaired, a marriage will recover, a business will recover, or that our national economy will return to normal. These are all part of the same dream, the same error.**

Now that may sound foolish to our human minds and that is precisely why this truth has been veiled for centuries. **The instant that you stop expecting a condition to improve and stop believing in the existence of matter, you are seeking first the Kingdom of Spirit and you are overcoming the belief that Spirit created material supply, a material heart, a material lung, a material body, a material marriage or a material business.**

But when you accept yourself as Spirit, your family as Spirit, your neighbor as Spirit, your supply as Spirit, and even your so-called enemies as Spirit, the material conditions cannot enter into your experience – they must dissolve.

Because when you realize that Spirit, which is all, cannot create these errors, mistakes or evils, you can no longer be victimized by the material illusion - when you think not. When you take no thought for your life, when you are faithful to Invisible Spirit as the Reality behind the mental images of matter that we all carry in our minds, then the law of Spirit actively flows in your consciousness. Lost baggage appears, physical conditions dissolve, the entire Spiritual universe welcomes you back into the Father's house and showers its gifts upon you.

I'm glad to see that here in our first tape we've really moved out into the higher ground of self-surrender because we all must learn to reach beyond human harmony, beyond human goals and walk out on the waters of Spiritual Identity, understanding it, accepting it, realizing it and living in it. Eternal life lived in while to human sense you appear as flesh, accepting the perfection of Spirit now as Identity, as Reality, as your only Self, will give you the confidence to fear no thing, no person and no condition on this earth; neither man, disease, lack, pain, forces of nature, nor the illusion of death. There is somewhere within you a capacity, a resolve to find the strength, to find the vision, to impregnate your Soul with a determination to follow not your human mind, not your sense reactions, but to follow the goals established for you by the Spirit of God. To move out far above the temporary brain, to move up to that inner Sanctuary where you can actually hear your own Soul saying, "I will not let you stumble, I will not let you be deployed by the dream of material goals. Trust Me. I will be your bread, your meat, your wine. I will be the bread of your life. I will be the substance of your Being. I will express My perfection always, whether you seem to be walking on a mountain top or in a valley. Surrender your human concepts, surrender your body, surrender your material sense of life to Me, and I, your living Spirit will show you the eternal Kingdom here on earth."

When you feel this inner assurance in your Soul, you will know that you are truly ordained to enter and to live in the Promised Land, for this realized conviction in your Soul is the threshold to oneness with your eternal Source.

In the silence of my Soul is the reservoir of the Infinite so I can never lack.

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...In meditation now, let us convert our world from material sense to Spirit. Start right where you are by first stepping out of your material concept of body, releasing physicality like a discarded garment. No hands, no torso, no shoulders, no ribs, no nervous system, no internal organs, no blood stream; let your physical self vanish out of your mind.

Behind this visible appearance such a **You** already exist. This **You** is now alive, has ever been alive and ever will be. This **You** has been unknown to your human mind.

As you develop the capacity to let this living You, which is Omnipresent and Infinite, come into your daily life, the real excitement of living truly begins. Out of no where Spiritual power begins to flow; out of the invisible the higher consciousness takes over just like a breeze that flows out of no where and it flows and ripples across every activity of your life lifting the entire fiber of your being into new dimensions, restoring, re-arranging, manifesting new and incredible harmonies that you never knew existed. And just as gently, this Invisible Spirit releases outworn attitudes, new confidence replaces fear, tolerance replaces resentment, and approval replaces judgments. This living You not in a physical form frees you from all anxieties, all pressures, all need for planning, manipulating, outlining. You feel silent waves of knowing. Life presents to you an invisible perfection. There are no missing parts, no extra pieces. Everything flows in perfect rhythmic balance governed by a vast, positive, infallible unseen Intelligence.

Like the wind this great power of Spirit moves out of the Invisible, enters your experience unopposed, fulfills the perfection of Divine Will, blesses everyone it touches and fills every open vessel with the nectar of Love. The struggle disappears. There are no more crooked places. The difficulties and disturbances vanish. Error yields effortlessly under the visitation of perfect Divine Law.

Do you realize that this is how life was meant to be? Rhythmic, synchronized, with every need met and fulfilled even before it reaches your attention. But how can this happen unless we obey the divine command **to live consciously in our Body of Spirit? *Seek ye first the kingdom of Spirit.*** Seek ye first the body of Spirit and all things will be added unto you. The perfect law of Spirit functions only in your Spiritual body. And when you develop your capacity daily to live in your Spiritual body the harvest is plentiful and the joy of Being lifts you into communion with your One Infinite Source and no longer is heaven in your future it is in your present.

Think for a moment what was the secret teaching when Jesus appeared before Pontius Pilate and declared, ***Thou couldst have no power over me.*** He could have said the same thing to a storm at sea or to the infection of a leper or even to the power of death. Why?

Because he was not operating from a physical body. The invisible Spiritual body of Jesus was saying to Pilate, ***Thou couldst have no power over me,*** and that, as you know, is a universal truth. **That is exactly what your invisible Spiritual body says to death, disease, discord, limitation, lack and the false appearances of age.** Think again, what body walked out of the tomb of Lazarus? His Spiritual Body. What body appeared to the disciples when the Master walked upon water? His Spiritual Body. What body did Paul discover when he fell off a horse in Damascus? The Spiritual Body that has no problems. The Body that is always living, always present, always perfect, always under perfect Divine Law.

You have that Body. Your transition from the physical concept of body to the active daily realization of life in your Spiritual body is the answer to every human limitation. It's the secret of immortality in your Eternal Life right now and the message that was implanted in your Soul before the beginning of time. When Paul said, ***we are willing to be absent from the body and present with the Lord,*** he was divulging the secret of his amazing success as one of the most dynamic founders of Christianity.

In spite of a physical infirmity, which he refers to in II Corinthians, Chapter 12, Verse 7 ***as a thorn in the flesh,*** which as you may remember, many experts believe to be epilepsy. Paul overcame this infirmity but he did it only by dying daily to his physical sense of body and living consciously in his Spiritual Body, which he called his Christ Body. For me said Paul, "To Live is Christ, to die is gain." When he said, ***"We walk by faith not by Spirit,"*** one of the great truths that he was teaching and bestowing on mankind was that you can walk in your Spiritual Body even though you cannot see it. And if we can catch that mind-boggling truth: that we can step out of this material body into our Spiritual Body then we have caught Paul's message.

He had another message and that was what he also discovered at Damascus. Paul discovered that he never had a physical body and that neither do you. The only body that exists is your unseen Spiritual Body.

I think Joel's work clearly tells us about that. The Illusion of the human body and the illusion of the material world are both set forth very specifically in Joel's book THUNDER OF SILENCE. You'll find in the Chapter, "This is a Spiritual Universe," many – well, no longer bewildering but at one time very bewildering statements – and here are some quotes from there, Pages 99 to 110 in THUNDER.

"We do not deny the body says Joel, It is real, but what we see as body is not body, it's a mental image within our own thought, a universal mental concept individualized within us." There is no such thing as a material body; there is no such thing as a material universe, only material concepts of the One Spiritual Body and the One Spiritual Universe. What we see, hear, taste, touch, smell is the unreal creation, a mental image; a mental image which exists only as a shadow within our thought. Nothing occupies time and space only our mental images. We are not working at things but pictures in our minds.

If you exist in time or space, you are a mental image, a nothingness; you are a substance-less shadow. If we can see it, hear it, taste it, touch it, smell it, it is an activity of mind, a mental image, the arm of flesh, nothingness. It is a false creation, which God never made. No matter how material a condition seems to be it is not any more material than was my baggage and that was not material, it was a mental image; the realization of which revealed Omnipresence. There is no such thing as a material body only a mental concept of body."

And then Joel quietly hurls a bombshell when he says, "**The body of God is the body of man.**" What is he saying? Well, God is Spirit and therefore, the body of God means the body of Spirit and Joel's statement means **the body of Spirit is the body of man.**

Interestingly, every one of these statements by Joel is based on his own experience and on a truth revealed and demonstrated to mankind by Christ Jesus and other Biblical prophets, disciples, apostles, seers and sages. You have, mankind has a permanent Spiritual body and when mankind tries to live in a temporary mental body we have duality; we have the Will of God and the will of man, the goals of God and the goals of man, the truth of God and the false truth of the human mind. No wonder our hospitals are overcrowded.

How can the perfection of Spirit function in a body that God did not create; a body that exists only as an image in our human minds? Of course these bodies must die; of

course these bodies commit murder, rape, terrorism, atrocities and all types of cruelty. Of course these bodies develop physical defects and deformities. Of course these bodies are attacked by germs, floods, fires, hurricanes. No wonder they can be destroyed by bullets and bombs, by diseases and radioactivity. **They are not bodies even though four billion people seem to live in them.**

Scripture tells us to overcome, but we have not realized that it is telling us to **overcome our false sense of body**, to awaken, to leave our nets, to die daily, **to transcend the senses, to be reborn of the Spirit into the Spiritual body, into the Spiritual universe.** Because we have such a body we are told to be perfect as God because as Joel said, **God is our real body, the Spirit of God is your body and you have no other.**

Does that clarify why God says *everything that I have is thine*? Does that clarify why although everything the Spirit of God has is ours, we still continue to lack, to be limited, to fear and to suffer, to be at the mercy of world forces, ultimately to die?

It is because we cling to the material sense of body and the material sense of life and then we hope to make these tombs of flesh do what they are not equipped to do. You cannot make a dead tree give fruit. We cannot make tombs of flesh perfect. We cannot make them eternal. We cannot even bring them under the Law of God. *That natural man receiveth not the things of God.* We should face it and not fight it.

The simple fact is that no human body is or can ever be under Divine Law. And if you want your human body to be under Divine Law you are going to spend the rest of your lifetime doomed to failure. The Divine way is to learn to live daily in your permanent body, your Spiritual body which is already under Divine Law. And that is precisely what each of us should be doing at this moment.

You and I cannot be responsible for the many false teachings that have lured mankind into a false sense of security by making promises that cannot be kept, nor can we be responsible for the universal ignorance which has bound men to discords and despair and deterioration and death. Man has been living in a substitute for his real body; bodies without Spiritual substance. But you and I have been given the expressed authority of God. We have been given the power of God, the dominion of God, the presence of God, the intelligence of God to guide us out of imitation bodies into the never dying body of Spirit; out of an ever-decaying universe of the mind into the ever perfect universe of the Soul.

And above all, we have that presence of God within each of us. We have in us the Living Master, the Universal Christ, the Invisible Identity of every person who walks this

earth. How shall we let this living body be our home? How shall we walk, live, have our being in our invisible body of Spirit while we work, live and appear on earth in our visible material bodies? That is the basic purpose of the Bible. Every word, every deed from Genesis to Revelations is there it help you transform from the illusion of imperfect matter, imperfect mortal form to the reality of your perfect Spirit.

Today on this tape and in the two to follow, and then in the eight classes in Monterey, we will practice and learn how to trust Spirit to be our real shepherd and to lead us into the Holy Kingdom of life without end. We will not depend on human brains, we will not attempt to limit God to our human beliefs or human thoughts or human experiences, nor will we make the mistake of trying to pin Spirituality on a person, on a physical selfhood.

The Spirit of God has prepared a way for us; it has planted a living guide in the midst of us – *Itself*. It is the Way Shower through which we may walk through the inner levels of consciousness to the Upper Room and into the Infinite. It is the Way shower that connects us to Infinite Source. It is the Way Shower that attunes us to Reality. It is the Way Shower that leads us from matter to Spirit, from karma to Grace.

And it is this exodus from matter which is exactly like the exodus of the Hebrews from Egypt; our exodus from matter and entrance into Spirit as the living Immaculate Conception, the realization of Spiritual identity, the attainment of the Spiritual body which says to the world of matter *thou couldst have no power over me*. I Am self-complete, eternal, indestructible, whole, and all that Spirit as *I AM*.

This is the path of the Way Shower called *I, the Master within, I, I Am* you stood before Pilate and said *thou couldst have no power over me*. *I Am* the Spiritual Body and the Spiritual Consciousness of you. I stand before every Pilate in this universe whether it be person or condition or death and I say *thou couldst have no power over me.....and I say unto you follow Me*, follow *I* in the midst of you. *I Am the way*. Never think that *I Am* afar off. *I Am* come, *I Am* the Eternal Spirit of God. *I Am* the Eternal Spirit of You. *I Am* the secret splendor. *I Am* the resurrection of man from all mortal blindness to Spiritual vision.

I am not a legend in the past who walked the earth yesterday; I Am the deliverer into the nowness of Being. I Am here always to open your eyes, to feed you the essence of life, to raise you from the false sense of life in a form that dies. I Am here now to remove the blindfolds of your senses, to liberate your from false boundaries of the human ego, to reveal your dominion as Spirit over this world, to bless you with your inheritance as the perfect living expression of Spirit which is called Son of God, to lift you above the belief that you

walk in a mortal form. For whenever you do, whenever you are not in your body of Spirit, you are refusing to follow your own inner eye into the Kingdom of Reality.

Always the material senses of man stop at the threshold of truth, they strive to maintain a separation from Source. They strive to perpetuate the dream, to perpetuate the material separation of one form from other forms, to perpetuate the idea of material individualities. Not so when your faith is enlightened, for then you transcend the obstacle of separate finite forms. These are the nets you leave just as the disciples left their nets when they found the Inner Eye who appeared outwardly as the true Master within them as well.

Then we no longer divide Spirit into finite forms, finite objects. We no longer accept these moving shadows in our minds; we no longer give them a sense of life. We move above mind, above images into Soul, into the Kingdom of Omnipresence, Omni Spirit. We surrender our belief in division; we accept the Spirit of God everywhere as One Self, Undivided, Infinite, Omnipresent, Omnipotent, and Omniscient. We know that the laws of time and space have no power in the Omnipresent Spirit of God, which we are. That is your body, that is your hidden manna. In my Kingdom of Spirit there is One Infinite body without opposite. It is my Omnipresent body says the Father and it is the temple of God and it is your temple. It never depends on the material world for food or clothing, shelter or even air. Your Spiritual body is independent of the elements; it has nothing in no one to overcome. It has no substance that can be worn out or run down or even injured. It is the substance of life that can never know death, discord or deterioration.

Your Spiritual body is the paradise that men have sought in vain and it is the only Living Body in the universe of God. It is the Universal Omnipresent Body discovered by all mystics. *Wither can I flee* from thy Omnipresent Spirit when it is the One Invisible Infinite body which Paul called the body of Christ to which all mankind is resurrected from the illusion of temporary dying flesh.

So I say to you between now and your December tape, please give 10 or 15 minutes daily to the quiet realization of your Spiritual body which means learn daily to step out of your material sense of body.

We have all said why don't people who teach the truth speak without symbols and lay it on the line. Why do we have parables? Why do we have this endless confusion or double meanings; why can't somebody say it the way it is? And the moment you step out of your physical sense of body you have the answer. Oh my heaven! Everything is different, everything. I am different, the world is different. I don't have the power to think human thoughts; I am in a higher dimension. Something is flowing called the invisible Holy Ghost. It

is come like the wind quickly. Where it goes we know not. How it comes we know not, but when it comes, it is saying to you, **I am come** because you are living in your Spiritual body; that is your invitation to the Holy Ghost. If you have tried in vain to bring the Holy Ghost into your physical body, you know now why you have failed. I come unto my own, Spirit unto Spirit. And in this great moment when you know you are not walking, living, being, in a physical form, all of the parables, all of the symbols, all of the endless confusions of human language are gone. You know God aright; **you are liberated from the words that have to come into the material sense of life to awaken those who have not found their Spiritual reality.**

And so, 10 or 15 minutes daily to step out of form will when you succeed, in one instant bring the entire Bible into your consciousness in its Truth. Do it now.

You see, when you step out of form you are in the Divine Body, the One Divine Body, the Omnipresent Divine Body. When you step out of form you are Omnipresent, you are free, you are delivered. This is the meaning of *wither can I flee from thy Spirit. I Am* thy Spirit. Thou art everywhere. **I Am** that Everywhere Self, that Everywhere body always. All of the treasures of the Spiritual universe are in my being always, and when I live in my Omnipresent Spiritual Body those treasures must express; they grow the fruit on the vine. Who is incomplete? The individual not living in his Omnipresent Spiritual body. Who dies, who suffers, who hurts, who reincarnates, who lacks dominion, who is controlled by the forces of the world, who is under karma? I have no physical body; this was the message of Jesus. **Thou couldst have no power over my physical body, Pilate**, I have none. Thou couldst have no power over my physical body, germs, I have no physical body to accept germs. I am Spirit. This is the transition from a finite physical, imperfect, temporary body to the body of Christ. This is the work; then everything else flows.

In your Spiritual body you are one with all Spirit throughout the universe. It's as if there were only one person one the earth, One Infinite Invisible Spiritual Self and the rest is automation, Grace, appearing outwardly as the harmony of your Being, the form that walks through the fire and the flood untouched, the form for whom loaves and fishes fall out of the sky, the form for whom infections fall away.

When I touched the leper I was touching the Invisible Body of Spirit. When I touched the blind man's eye, I was touching the Invisible Body of Spirit. Every miracle in the Bible is the revelation of the Invisible Perfect Body of Spirit alive everywhere. Choose ye your Infinite Body of Spirit or mammon.

Please review the nine goals. Please practice the meditation of being in your Spiritual body stepping out of your body. Please read several chapters in Joel's book Practicing the Presence. There are two chapters we can start with: one is "Self Surrender" and the other is, "The Word Made Flesh." And please look for your next tape in December. While we are here together, I would like to rest quietly with you in one meditation for the hostages. This will be our first meditation on this subject. I would like to ask you also to join me at five o'clock Kauai time, which is...I hope it is 8 o'clock; let's figure 8 'clock California time. I think California and Oregon are the same; 8 o'clock California and Oregon time. Those of you in Chicago or Massachusetts or New Hampshire or Pennsylvania can figure it out from there. We'll work with 8 o'clock California time as the focus.

So here I'll be meditating with you at either 5:00 or 6:00 whatever it happens to be...I think it is 5:00, maybe it is 6:00, I better check it out, but 8 o'clock your time in California, and our subject will be, **The spiritual body of the hostages and my spiritual body are one and the same**. Let's see how we are going to do that.

We will rest in the knowledge first that if I meditate as a human being I am valueless; I am of no value to anyone. All I'm doing is going through a physical exercise. So I will step into the acceptance: first that I have a Spiritual body which is Omnipresent. It is where Iran seems to be, it is where Iraq seems to be, it is where Afghanistan seems to be and Cambodia, and it is where the United States seems to be. This Invisible Spiritual Body is One Undivided Self Omnipresent. It is the body of God and body of God is your body and my body. It is the body of Spirit; it cannot be divided into pieces or separated from Itself. It cannot be less than the Infinity of God so it is Infinite and therefore, there is no other body. We are not meditating for physical hostages are we? We are meditating for the realization that the only body is Spirit.

We are not meditating for baggage to be returned, for hostages to be returned, for human beings to be returned. We are meditating to realize One Infinite Invisible Omnipresent Spiritual Body. We are resting in that oneness. We step out of the human sense of body; we surrender ourselves to the Infinite Soul; rest there in the knowledge that we are living in a Spiritual universe governed by Spiritual law and that besides Spirit there is no other.

We remain in this consciousness letting Spirit do the work, letting the Spirit be the only consciousness, the only mind, the body, the only self, the only substance, the only being, until we find some inner peace, assurance that it is so, until we feel that incredible wonder of Oneness where time vanishes, space vanishes, images vanish, thoughts vanish; the entire universe seems to hang on a pinhead. And we have patience because faith and patience are the

same. Faith and truth; patience to wait and to watch knowing truth must manifest. **I in the midst of you, I Am yourself.** I in the midst of the hostages am you, I Am yourself. I Am the Self of the universe rest in one self, I Am.

One Divine Life flows through the Spiritual universe. One Divine Life is the life of all who appear in mortal flesh. One Divine Life has no opposite.

Every night 8:00 P.M. California time from the time you receive this tape for one month, for 30 days and then let us each look at the entire world situation knowing that we have tried to release it, not to cling to it, that we have tried to reject the appearances; that we are being faithful to the living Spirit. And after those 30 days let us take 10 more days and in those 10 days, let us take this knowledge that I am Spirit and I live in a Spiritual body and transfer this to the knowledge that **everyone I will see today wherever I am is also Spirit living in the same Spiritual body whether they know it or not.** I mean for 10 days after the 30 days meditation on the hostages, we want to work on the knowledge that I live in a Spiritual body and everyone whom I see today also lives in that same Spiritual body; whether they know it or not is not my concern; I am knowing it and I am accepting this truth as a way of life. Whoever comes into my consciousness today will be walking into the consciousness of One Invisible Spiritual Body without opposite.

Do that for 10 days. By the third or fourth day you may reach the point where you really can do it. We won't call these 40 days, your 40 days in the wilderness but they are your 40 days of learning to live in a Spiritual Infinite Body where there are no hostages, no physical neighbors, no physical associates, or employees or employers. Yes, it is a narrow path but it leadeth unto Life and it will prepare us for the next spiritual tape, which is readying all of us for the entry into permanent Soul Consciousness.

This has been a message of Love coming to you ostensibly from Kauai, but truly from the One Invisible Self.

Aloha until December.

I'll be with you every night at 8:00 pm California time.

(Just one more word please. The two chapters recommended are actually from A Parenthesis in Eternity, and not from Practicing the Presence. Be sure you read those two chapters in A Parenthesis in Eternity.)

And thanks again.

TAPE 2

LIVING CONSCIOUSLY IN YOUR SPIRITUAL BODY

DEC 1980

Herb: Soul to Soul, Spirit to Spirit, Greetings of the Christmas Season from the Island of Kauai.

It was over 20 years ago that Infinite Way students around the world were told by Joel Goldsmith that a day would come when all of us would be forced to make a decision quite different than any decision faced by all of the inhabitants of this planet; a decision that would require our total integrity to Divine truth. Perhaps this Christmas 1980 is the day that we are faced with that decision. It is not just another decision of many decisions, it is unique one, one that will determine the remainder of your present life span on earth and will directly influence the nature of your life after the experience of death.

Please take a moment and just put your hands up above your head, stretch them high and hold them there just for a few seconds and listen very carefully:

The body between the tips of your fingers and all the way down to the bottom of your toes is not the image and likeness of God. Between your fingertips and your toes there is a body, an image, and that image is not the likeness of God. It is not the body that God gave to you.

Now you may have faced this before, you may have thought it before and heard it before and read it before, but today as we approach the New Year, it would be wonderful if you as a student of truth, can realize that your body is not the one that the world sees or that you see when you look at yourself in the mirror, or that you see when you look at yourself from head to toe.

Now you can continue believing it is your body, as the world believes, or you can discover that God gave you a Spiritual Body that never ages, never gets sick, never decays and never dies. The purpose of today's class is to help you make that unique decision by making your Spiritual Body more real to you and by providing you with a safe dependable method for living consciously in that God-given body every day, day after day.

As you know, the world is not prepared for this transformation. Mankind is still trapped in what may be called a world consciousness of good and evil. Most people we know are searching for material solutions in a world that is not God's Kingdom. They're suffering physically, emotionally, economically, and they fear infection, destruction from disease, radiation, nuclear attack, natural causes. They are weakened by drug abuse, alcohol abuse. They are rocked by social and ethnic hatreds; ever-struggling either against insecurity, frustration, or a grim hopelessness of life without meaning or direction or any degree of permanence.

Fortunately, among us are a number of enlightened souls who really know that the body created by God is not fighting for its life, not on a battlefield or in a hospital, is not starving or suffering, is not growing older, is not losing its capacity to function.

You may not recall a specific moment but there was one blessed moment in your life – it could have happened three years ago or thirty years ago when you stepped out of the sleeping dead and found yourself in a Divine Universe. And as you opened your eyes to the new world around you in this, inner Paradise, which to you was more real than the external world, you saw there were no nations controlling nations, freedom was not subject to the whims of economy or nature, security was not dependent upon persons or things, but instead there was a perfect Divine Light, something you felt and knew was forever.

Something in you responded to that. That Divine impulse was for you a beginning and gradually you were lifted above the superstitions of the world, above the concepts of mortal man, about a material universe. Oh yes, I know, you must have had second thoughts about many things. You must have wondered about some of the obsolete teachings about fallen man, original sin, and many of those uninspired hand-me-downs from man-made religions who unfortunately, have found the letter but not the Spirit.

And then again, another day, you could see through the lie that the image and likeness of God can be victimized by a terminal disease or an incurable heart condition. You could see the paradox and you could see through the whole nonsense about Divine punishment. That all collapsed around you, you were in a new universe. Step-by-Step Grace made your Soul leap with new discoveries, insights and amazing new possibilities. You could feel and sometimes hear the Divine Word; you felt a wisdom beyond your own intellect, an inner strength beyond your own power. And with this rising inner force came the realization that you were being led by an unseen hand, an unseen intelligence, into a realm, a Kingdom unsuspected by the five-sense mind of the human race.

All this was part of your preparation to make a decision so earth shattering, so unexpected, that only the most dedicated student of truth would even dare to accept the challenge that this decision requires; in order to receive the supreme gift of all, transition, from a temporary creature to the full realization of the eternal Son of God while walking this earth.

Please consider this simple truth: It is the stone that must be rolled away, the paradox that prevents you from living now in the Kingdom of God. Your identity is Spirit, you are now Spirit. Spirit does not and cannot live in a human body of flesh. Spirit lives in a Spiritual Body, and so until you are living consciously in your Spiritual Body you are rejecting your identity as Spirit, and the result is division, duality, separation, a violation of Divine Will and from it flows the absence of the power of God in your life.

Finally, after problems that seem endless, after mountains and valleys, we enter the experience of death and reincarnation. It seems like a rather stupid end to a life, doesn't it? And when we wonder about it, about why we have persisted in living in this wheel of reincarnation and ask ourselves what can we do about it, and why has the world not done it before, we must admit to ourselves that there are very few teachings on this earth that dare to face the cause of human failure, human death, the meaningless of the passing parade. But to you it must become as plain as the nose on your face. There is only one reason: Man does not live in the body that God gave him and you and I have the option to do something about that.

With man living in another body than his God-given body, a body that was not created by the Father, we discover the precise reason why ***God is no respecter of persons***, why *they that are in the flesh cannot please God*, why *the flesh profiteth nothing*. To live in a body of flesh that dies or to live in the body of Spirit that is imperishable, this is the decision that you make which either accepts or rejects your own Spirit, and until you make that decision, you should know that you are walking on a high trapeze with no netting below to catch if you fall.

Human beings who have not developed their capacity to live in their Spiritual Body are called **dead branches** in the Bible. They have no vehicle for Spiritual growth, for Spiritual living, for survival in the higher world, and they are unable to bear Divine fruit in this one. So, the Master tells us they must be cut off and reincarnate. **For them transition is impossible for they have no realized Spiritual Body.**

So you see the choice between transition or reincarnation is entirely up to you. It depends on no person, no condition in this world. You have been given the power to decide whether you will be a dead corpse who reincarnates or make your transition into the Kingdom

of God. And you make that choice not by your good intentions, not by your words, not by your promises, not by your tithing or your philanthropies; you make that choice by crossing the River Jordan, by walking daily, not in your physical form but in the body that God gave you, your Spiritual Body which is perfect and imperishable.

This is the God-given path of illumination. This is the God-given purpose for man on earth and this is the way you light your way to heaven on this earth. Oh yes, there are other reasons for living now in your Spiritual Body, reasons that have been unsuspected by traditional religion.

You know that Oneness is the secret of Grace and of dominion over karmic law, over the false powers of sickness, pain, anxiety, deterioration, over the limitations of fleshly existence. Oneness is the theme of the Old Testament, the New Testament and the theme of The Infinite Way. It is the central focus of every book by Joel: Realization of Oneness; Conscious Union with God; but remember, Oneness is only a word without substance until you become aware of a truth that lies hidden.

Throughout the Bible, you will find it in the first five books of Genesis, in the mystical utterances of Isaiah, Ezekiel and Daniel, in the mystical revelations and the mighty deeds of Christ Jesus; everywhere you turn. And in spite of all the hints, clues, suggestions, allegories, demonstrations, man still walks blindly unaware of a truth that we must never forget. No human body can ever be One with God. All your goodness, all your desire to love God supremely, to love your neighbor as yourself, will not achieve Oneness with God as long as you remain in a human body.

Oneness is the way and the only way to the Kingdom of God and the treasures of that Kingdom; the peace, harmony, permanence. Oneness is our salvation from unreality. Twoness is separation from God and the treasures, separation from the miracle worker, the transforming Grace of Spirit, separation from the perfection and the protection of Divine Life, Divine Power, Divine Wisdom. God is immortal, *immortal*. Mortality and God can never be One. God is Spirit. Physicality and God can never be one. Humanhood and God are two. Two means separation, mortality; humanhood is separation from God. Whoever lives in a human body is separated from God whether he or she wears the robe of the church, the cap and gown of the college graduate or the coveralls of a farmer or factory worker. Only your Spiritual Body is One with God, and until you live in it, you walk this earth without God, without Grace, without dominion, without the glory that was yours before you lost your Identity in the false concept of mortal flesh.

Let us be still and feel the joy of the Presence.

Your Spiritual Body is Real; it is not an abstraction, it is here now, it is radiant, it is glorious. Your Spiritual Body is the power behind the sun, the essence behind the atom, the dynamo of regeneration. The qualities of your Spiritual Body are breathtaking beyond measurement.

This is the secret of all who have found their way into the Paradise of Eternal Life. You are destined to know and to experience the majesty of this Invisible Body of Spirit. You are destined to be lifted by the overpowering discovery that Spirit is the only Living Presence, the only Life, the only Body. And when you accept the truth that Spirit is your Body and willingly surrender to your Spiritual Body, you will find liberation from your entombment in human flesh that withers. And then, only then, have you accepted the body of Christ. Only then are you in Conscious Oneness with Infinite God.

The scriptures of the world never speak about your Spiritual Body directly; it is always a finger to the lips. That is why mankind still wallows in the misery of a temporary, imperfect human sense of body. Whenever an individual is ready and willing to stop glorifying himself or herself and to stop seeking fulfillment in the temporal kingdoms of matter, then for that dedicated seeker of Spirit without opposite, the veil is lifted, the path of inner Light is opened. Even the trials are accelerated to build Spiritual confidence and trust. And finally, the faithful seeker who literally is filled with faith and proves it by devotion to Spirit and its ever perfection in all things; that seeker is rewarded and the realization of the Spiritual Body that never dies, is attained.

Your Bible refers to this Eternal Immortal Body by secret symbols. The number 11 designates the Spiritual Body; the word 'Robe' generally carries the same mystical significance.

You may remember in June of 1964, when Joel experienced the descent of the Purple Robe, he knew that he had attained a consistent Consciousness of his Divine Spiritual Body and that transition, would soon follow, and that is exactly what happened. His earthly mission was completed; the secret of the Purple Robe placed upon the shoulders of his Inner form was exactly like the placing of the Purple Robe on the shoulders of Christ Jesus before crucifixion. Ironically, Pontius Pilate thought that he had the power to sentence Jesus to life or death, and a Purple Robe was placed upon the shoulders of Christ Jesus standing there waiting for the decision of Pilate about life or death. But unknown to Pilate, and seemingly to mankind, that Purple Robe was revealing that the Spiritual Body of Christ which was exemplified by the Robe could never die.

And if we just go a few hours more to the scaffold, to the tree, we find the soldiers fighting over the Robe that would not part – 'the seamless Robe'. The outer seamless Robe was a symbol of the Inner Spiritual Body that is One with God and therefore Eternal, Indestructible. And I am talking about your Spiritual Body and your Purple Robe. The attainment of your Spiritual Body is the only real salvation, nor has it been limited to great sages, saviors and messiahs. Think: it is the Spirit that has taught us that every individual has the One Infinite, Indestructible Spiritual Body of God.

We are told in, I think it was Chapter 16 of the Acts of Apostles, that in the city of Thyatira, there was a woman named Lydia. What was unusual about her? We know she was helpful to Paul in his mission there and very wisely Spirit tells us what was unusual about her when it says that she was a seller of purple. She had attained Consciousness of her Spiritual Body.

And then to show you that the Spiritual Body is the possession of every individual, just turn to Exodus, Chapter 25, Verse 4, and there you find God telling Moses to teach the Israelites to weave garments of blue and purple and scarlet - different degrees of Spiritual progression and Spiritual awareness. I think you might shock any modern religious congregation if you told them that Moses performed his miracles because he walked, lived and had his Being in his permanent Spiritual Body right here on earth and even taught it to Joshua. Moses never openly identified the Spiritual Body of mankind, but he left many records of it in the first five books of Genesis.

Perhaps the most startling teaching overlooked by mankind is a more important monument to truth than all the pyramids and the artifacts of Egypt. Archaeologists are still hoping to find that Ark of Noah. If they understood mystical Biblical terminology, they could save themselves the expense and the effort. The length, the breadth and the height of the Ark given to Noah by God, as recorded in Chapter 6, Verse 15 of Genesis, are 300 cubits, 50 cubits and 30 cubits. Throw away the zeros – they have no meaning. Add up the three, the five and the three, you have the total = 11; this is the symbol of the Spiritual Body.

Moses used an Ark to symbolize the Spiritual Body that he himself had attained and he put two of all creatures in that Ark – in that Body – meaning the entire human race entering Oneness of One Spiritual Body. And then mystically, he showed how the permanent Spiritual Body of man is the secret of resurrection from the first birth in water to the rebirth into Life Eternal. The Ark had to survive as your Spiritual Body survives. And Moses was saying to the world then and now: **you will survive if you enter your Ark, your permanent, Divine, Spiritual Body that God gave you.**

Isaiah had a secret too. And he gave it to us when he said, *“The Lord hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteous as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.”* You’ll find that in Isaiah, I think it’s 61, Chapter 61, right at the beginning.

Throughout the Old Testament there are references and many of them in the Psalms, to the Robe of righteousness and these references have mainly gone unnoticed by religious scholars through the centuries. But to the illumined, this mystical phrase, “the Robe of righteous, the Robe of Honor, the Garment of Righteous, the Purple Robe,” these phrases always are devoted to the Invisible Spiritual Body in which the perfect Law of God functions forever.

You may remember that one day in the early part of his mission; Jesus began to prepare his students for this new Body of Spirit which in time would replace their concept of a material body of flesh that must die. It’s called the **Sermon on the Mount**, meaning the **mount of High Consciousness**, and there is a spot in it that very clearly takes a new look right in front of you as you read it with the knowledge that He is talking about your Spiritual Body. And I really believe that the world has passed this by. The world remembers that He spoke about praying in secret, giving alms in secret and don’t do this, do that, but in Chapter 6 after he has laid the groundwork with things that are familiar on the earth, things with which human beings can identify, He begins to move toward the quiet planting of the truth of the Spiritual Body which had not been observed before. And listen from that standpoint and see if you can’t recognize exactly what Christ is doing.

“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourself treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.”

That Spiritual Body cannot be stolen from you; it does not decay, which is the meaning of corruption...

“For where your treasure is, there will your Heart be also.”

And your Heart here is going to be your Soul, where your Spiritual Body is, your Soul is.

Now listen again:

“The light of the body is the eye, therefore, if thine eye be single, thy whole body will be full of light.”

He's introducing a new idea about the body and the single eye is the Soul which replaces the two eyes; the Soul which replaces the five senses, and when the Soul replaces the mortal mind, the body that is full of Light is your Spiritual Body; your Body of the Soul.

“But if thine eye be evil,...”

...and I'm afraid you must see that the word evil here means mortal, material, if thine eye be mortal and material...

“Thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!”

Yes, it is great, isn't it? So dark that man must incarnate.

“No man can serve two masters. You cannot serve God and mammon.”

You cannot serve Spirit and flesh.

“Therefore, I...

...and *I* is the Spirit of God within you,

“I say unto you, take no thought for your life, take no thought what ye shall eat, what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body. Take no thought for, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat and the body than raiment?”

I suppose the world has not been aware that he was talking about a body that you don't have to take thought about. He wasn't so much saying don't take thought for this body as he was saying there is a body about which you need never take thought, and by taking no thought for this body you are accepting that you only have that Spiritual Body.

Long before his own crucifixion of body, he is talking about our crucifixion of body.

“Behold the fowls of the air, they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, yet their heavenly Father feedeth them.”

In other words, they too are One Invisible Spiritual Body.

“Are you not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?”

Again, a subtle statement that you have a Spiritual Body that can never get larger because it already is Infinite. Oh, there are many other thoughts there but behind all of them is this speaking from the focus of the boundless Body of Spirit, which is your Body.

“Why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, they toil not, neither do they spin.”

Just look at the human race, compare it to that immovable lily; compare the efforts and frantic struggles of mankind to a seemingly unprotected lily.

“And yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these;”

Meaning the human, material, mortal, fleshly appearance of Solomon, could not compare to the Spiritual Body of a lily. We have missed that Spiritual Body in our understanding and in our living.

“Wherefore, if God so clothed the grass of the field, which today is and tomorrow is not, tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe ye, oh ye of little faith?”

... little knowledge, little wisdom, little understanding.

“Therefore take no thought, saying what shall we eat or what shall we drink or wherewithal shall be clothed? For after all these things do the Gentiles seek for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.”

Just think for a moment, that Infinite Intelligence has provided an infinite Spiritual Body, which is not going through the struggles of the human race;

“But seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.”

Do you see how all of the Sermon on the Mount is bringing forth the Spiritual Body?

“Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is evil thereof.”

If today you walk in the Spiritual Body there is no evil tomorrow.

Paul spoke very bluntly, as you know, probably more bluntly than any teacher who ever came before him. One of the reasons might be that Paul was not pledged to secrecy in a secret order like the Essenes or one of the great mystery schools of the day. And you may remember that in a letter to the students in the city of Corinth he wrote: *All flesh is not the same; there is a natural body and a Spiritual Body.* He really left no doubt about which body his followers should live in if they wanted to find the Spiritual Kingdom. And then very flatly he declared: *Flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God.*

In his letter to the Romans, we find another blunt piece of advice: *To be carnally minded is death*. Now, I think you could translate that very correctly to read ***to be fleshly-minded is death*** but *to be Spiritually minded is Life and Peace. If ye live after the flesh ye shall die and if ye through the Spirit do mortify the flesh, do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live*. Paul taught at the peril of his human life, that the crowing achievement of humanhood is to awaken from the dream of mortal flesh; to walk consciously in a finer Body of Divine flesh that neither ages, decays or dies and to qualify for transition from man of earth to Son of God.

There are many more examples, not only in the Bible but in scriptures of all the inspired men and women throughout the ages who had realized that the salvation of mankind is the understanding that no man walks alone, that each of us has the opportunity to step into the ark, to bring our total humanhood into the Ark of Spirit; to be transformed through Consciousness into the realization of the Divine Body of Spirit that weathers the waters of time, that moves through the illusion of space, that overcomes the illusion of matter, and that emerges on the top of the mountain of Truth, Infinite Free, Eternal, One with the Infinite Spirit of the Living God.

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Most people who believe in life after death pray that they will be permitted to enter the Kingdom of Heaven because of their human goodness. Paul had a marvelous answer for this naive belief. *How are the dead raised up and in what body do they come?* And then he proceeded to explain that Immortality in the Kingdom of God can never be attained by living in a mortal body. And as you know, most of the human race is totally unaware that the Spiritual Body you need to live in when you are in the Kingdom of Heaven is under Divine Law and cannot be attained after you die, but must be attained before you move on. This must be impressed upon you that until you have attained the Spiritual Body, there can be no transition.

Another false belief that keeps the human race spinning on the wheel of reincarnation is that the human body, in some way, is a necessary vehicle for this world. And so many will say, “Well, what about my human responsibilities and what about the things I

have to do tomorrow; what about everything that comes in my daily activity? How can I be living in a Spiritual Body and perform these things in the physical body?" I can only tell you **your Father knoweth ye have need of these things.**

All the human objections are like the individual invited to the wedding feast who said, "Well, I can't come, my donkey fell down a ditch." Instead of wondering how we are going to perform our human duties, how about trusting that when we are in the Spiritual Body *the Father within us doeth the works*. Are we that afraid to let go, that afraid that somehow God will overlook our human responsibilities? Are we forgetting that living in the Presence of the Creator, the Infinite Spirit is the only way we can be about our Father's business?

Truth won't go away because we have human objections to it, and the truth is that the human body is always separated from God. A human body can never be One with God. There is absolutely no way that your physical body can find or live in the Kingdom of God because the Body of God is Spirit; that is One Body. Your physical body is another body; that makes two bodies. And those two bodies can never be one body. Oneness is transition; twoness is reincarnation. Choose ye. That duality of living in one body while trying to live in another body, that living in two bodies maintains a gap between man and God. And that gap is bigger than the Grand Canyon.

Across this Great Divide, the Life and the Power of God, the Protection of God, the Will, the Harmony of God cannot flow. The great secret hidden for centuries of false teaching is that your human body keeps you out of the Kingdom of God at the same time that God is telling you to find the Kingdom. It's a big decision, isn't it, because one body has to go?

To find the Kingdom of God you must lay down your concept of a physical body. You must lay down the conditions of that body and you must stop believing in the reality of flesh. If you sow a Spiritual Body now, you will reap a Spiritual vehicle that carries you through the experience of transition; otherwise you are unprepared to move into a higher world.

Now this is the key to the Spiritual resurrection taught through the ages by all enlightened saviors and prophets. Back away and you are electing for reincarnation. Put your responsibilities – all of them – into the hands of your Spiritual Body and let the Father within do the works.

Now there are many who will back away; many who are frightened and there are many like those who have been writing lately, saying, "Let's go, what are we waiting for? I

agree, what else is there to do but live in a Spiritual Body, there's no question about it. How? How?"

Great; that's the spirit we want to see, but let's remember that when you first learn about your Spiritual Body with this total desire to live in it, it's not something that you can get into like a satellite and take off for outer space. Preparation is necessary, care is necessary, patience is necessary. Your Spiritual Body is not a spacecraft; it is your permanent body.

It is a body that already is and already is everywhere. It is a body that will never die because it is a body that was never born. It is a body that will never age because it is already outside time and yet, it is here. It is a body that is independent of weather, independent of climate, disease; independent of all material conditions because it is made of the unconditioned Spirit of God.

When you realize that living in your never-dying Spiritual Body is the only way to stop the wheel of reincarnation which separates you from the Kingdom, and when you decide that for you the higher realms of Soul, Spirit and Infinite Christ realized, are more important than breathing, then you are ready to learn something else..

We recall the wealthy young Hebrew who approached Jesus and said, "I have kept the commandments; I have never murdered, never committed adultery, never stolen nor born false witness, and all my life I have honored my father and mother, and loved my neighbor as myself. What else must I do to have Eternal Life? Quicker than you can say "I Am," Spirit recognized the material consciousness of the young man. It was clear that Spiritual rebirth had no meaning to him; he was not prepared to transcend his material sense of life; his material sense of body. And so to tell absolute truth would have been very cruel, very confusing. So the Master said, "***If thou wilt be perfect go and sell that thou hast and come and follow me.***" What was he saying? Leave mortality; follow Immortality - that was the Christ secret to the young man and to the human race who reads that incident in the Bible. **Leave mortality; follow Immortality.**

On another occasion to a disciple who said he would follow Jesus after he buried his father. What did Christ reply? "***Let the dead bury the dead.***" He could have told the disciple that your father is only dead because he has not realized his Spiritual Body, but he took this opportunity to talk over the shoulder of that disciple to the world.

Christ was saying **all who are in their bodies are mortal flesh**, are asleep to their Identity as Spirit, the Infinite Individualization of perfect God. These he called the dead because they were not in the Spiritual Body which is sustained by Divine Life. They even

may be walking on the earth but they are separated from the Grace and Life of God and inevitably, their human bodies must show the effects of this deadness. Let them, says Christ, bury their false sense of life and mortal matter. Let them surrender mortality. When human flesh is overcome by the knowledge that they who live in the flesh cannot please God then the dead will rise in their Spiritual Body and shall be dead no more.

These statements: *sell all thy hath, and let the dead bury the dead* were ignored or misunderstood for 20 centuries and they're still being misconstrued, even by Bible students. But if you are determined to live now in your Spiritual Body, it's time for you to hear something that is straight to the point. He leaves no room for doubt, no room for misinterpretation. It was written by Joel, 21 years ago, and this is the decision that Joel warned his students that they would ultimately have to face. I think you are going to find this is something that was meant for you right at this moment.

It's in the **1959 Letters of the Infinite Way** and in my edition it's page 45. If you don't have this edition which is out of Unlin in England, you may not find it on 45, but it is chapter three and it is a third page of that chapter. It is for the student who wants confirmation that he is not in a physical body **now**. Not that you should get out of it but that you are not in it. Listen:

“There are certain principles of the Infinite Way which an advanced student should know and which will aid in freeing him from the wheel of life. One of the most important of these is the principle that we are not in the body.

At this moment that may not seem to be of too much importance but sooner or later it will be realized that this is the ultimate and the deepest secret of life and the one which produces the highest demonstration of Spiritual living.”

Now when he is saying that we are not in the body, but when you know that he has said, as we reported in the last class, *that the body of God is our body*, then he is saying that we are in our Spiritual Body. We are not in our physical body; we are in our Spiritual Body **now**. You were going to try to attain it weren't you? You were going to try to leave this physical body and find your Spiritual Body. No. You are not in your physical body now; you are in your Spiritual Body already. That's the only you there is. Is the point made? Let it filter down to your toes because day after day after day you're going to have to remind yourself of this until you do not try to find your Spiritual Body in the future but learn to accept it in the Living Now.

I am continuing a few paragraphs of this because you must see how easily you step out of this truth without realizing it.

“We do not live in our bodies, nor are we the body.”

Nor *Are* We the Body.

“For that reason no one should ever make such a statement as, “I am ill.””

There, he’s putting all the practitioners out of business. No one should ever make such a statement as **I am ill**,

“For I am never ill; I am never ill. The body may be ill, suffering and in torment, but not I, not I, for I am not in that body to be ill. I am nowhere around where the pain or discomfort or discord is because I do not inhabit this body.”

No wonder he received the Purple Robe.

There are three facts about that statement that should make it priceless and memorable for you.

First, it will save you the effort and the frustration of trying to Spiritualize your physical body.

Second, it tells you that you are **not in** a physical body.

And three, unless you refuse to hear it or believe it, Joel was telling you what has been an underground secret in the world for the past 10,000 years. **Human bodies have no existence outside the world mind.** Human bodies have no existence outside the world mind.

Your decision when you decide to live in your never-born never-dying ever-present Spiritual Body must be activated and you cannot activate it unless you include with it another decision which is part of the one decision. **I intend to live in my Spiritual Body and to overcome the belief that I live in a body of human flesh.**

I hope the distinction is clear; that will save you many headaches later. **You can never leave your human body. You can leave your concept of it.** You are being asked to realize that your human body is not there. Your material human body has never been the image and likeness of God. Remember between your fingers and your toes that is not the image and likeness of God? It was not made by God. It was not made because **God made you in his Spiritual image and likeness, and what God did not make was never made.** Your body is a **world-mind image** and it is vulnerable to all human conditions because it is not a Divine creation. And although prophets walk on eggshells avoiding the words to tell you that the human body is nothing but a mental image; that is the truth, that is the meaning behind

scripture. And if you plan to live in your Spiritual Body it's high time that you faced that absolute truth.

I know it's difficult to accept for some of us; I know it's difficult to understand, but if God had created human flesh God would not say, "***They who are in the flesh cannot please God.***" Nor would we be instructed to ***see no man after the flesh***, nor would the Bible remind us that ***God is no respecter of persons.***

In human hypnosis we see bodies where no bodies are, we see matter, where no matter is. We see physical infirmities, where no infirmities are; we see human life spans where Eternal Life is; we see separated bodies, divided from Spirit, divided from each other. And in all this human perception, we overlook the fundamental principle taught by Spirit Itself: **God is Infinite; God is without opposite; God is all.**

When you believe that, your world of mortal flesh is recognized as paper-mâché and when you refuse to live in a body of paper-mâché, the Robe of Immortality descends to clothe you in your Body of Eternal Light. You simply cannot continue trying to live inside a mortal image. Once you are aware of that Truth, you will understand that **being absent from the human body** does not mean to step out of it but to **recognize that it never, never is there.** That is your high mysticism.

And on the following page in Joel's 1959 Infinite Way Letters we are carried into that understanding just a little more and new light is shed on matters of the utmost importance:

"When you catch a tiny glimpse of the truth that life is not entombed in the body you will understand the meaning of the resurrection. It is true that Jesus was entombed – that is, confined in a tomb – just as today it appears that human beings are confined to their bodies. But when the tomb was opened was Jesus there? No, he had risen. The Christ, the Divine Self, could not be entombed. The Christ, your Divine Self, cannot be entombed in a body, and some day the realization must come: *I am not entombed in a body; I never was entombed in a body. I live and move and have my being in God, not in a tomb of material concept. I abide in the Word of God and the Word of God abides in me, not in the body.*"

Whenever I ask you to step out of your body there is no time to go into lengthy discussions about it, but remember it always means, step out of the belief that you are *in* a physical body. And if there are some present who cannot catch this distinction at this moment, as they advance in truth, suddenly, understanding will pop into their consciousness at just the

right time. But enough talk about the Spiritual Body. After a brief meditation, let us start living in this glorious Spiritual Body that God gave us.

This is going to be a preliminary, a sort of general awareness; so that we can all come to a general awareness together that the Spiritual Body was meant to be lived in, that in it all Divine Law functions, that it is the radiant instrument of the Eternal Self, that it is now. Let us never bury the Spiritual Body, but let us bury the mortal body. Let us live now in our Spiritual Body. Let's become acquainted with it by experience; let's learn from It about its own special qualities, how it differs from the human concept that we have called our body, how it functions, how we can recognize it, and how we can live in it even while we seem to perform human deeds and human responsibilities.

Perhaps right now you are sitting in a room and around you are some friends listening with you to this tape. You and they are invited to participate now in a Spiritual exercise. It would be just right if you could imagine that no one else is there but you so that each individual is the only body in the room. And now look around your room and find two chairs, empty ones, just look at them, don't move, don't get up, don't re-arrange anything in the room; just look at those two empty chairs. What is happening – you are sitting in one chair, you're looking at two empty chairs. This is normal human consciousness. What do you think would happen if you were not conscious of your physical body but were conscious of your Spiritual Body? Why don't we find out?

What is your Identity? You are Spirit. You are the Child of God. You made a decision to be Spirit. Does Spirit have a physical body? Is Spirit finite? Is Spirit sitting in your chair? Everything begins with Identity whether it's this experiment or whatever you do in the visible external world. If you're not doing it from your Identity, it has no value, it will be scattered in the wind of time.

I Am Spirit. That is the truth. It will never change. I can depart from that and function in form as a human being but I Am Spirit and **every time I depart from that knowledge I am without God**. My Spirit is undivided from God. **My Spirit and God are One, Indivisible, Eternal**. God is Omnipresent. The Spirit of God is my Spirit. My Spirit is Omnipresent. My Spirit is Invisible. My Spirit is not sitting in this chair, alone. If my Spirit is sitting in this chair it must be in those two empty chairs that I was looking at because my Spirit is everywhere.

So the illusion of two empty chairs and one filled with a body is a denial of the Presence of Spirit without opposite, **without opposite**. Spirit and matter are not here. Spirit is here. I have no physical body. There is no physical body in this chair. There is only Infinite

Omnipresent Spirit. Christ is not living inside my body. Christ is not contained. Christ is not in my body because Christ cannot live inside a finite image, which is not the creation of God.

So what have we? The whole picture is wrong. In our normal human consciousness, we are sitting in a chair and there are two empty chairs over there. Now we do it every day; our entire life is spent in this type of consciousness, which is untrue. A total denial of not only your Identity but of the Identity of everyone else, and while you are in this false identity fulfilling what you think are your human responsibilities, everything you do will be out of focus with your Divine Nature; out of focus with the Will and Life of God. Shocking isn't it?

Just by living in a temporary human identity, in a temporary human body, we become lost sheep, wanderers in time and space, glued to an existence that ends in death and chained to the errors of the world mind. When you know it, you must say, "Never again, I will reverse all that. I will enforce my decision to live in my Spiritual Body. I will roll away the stone of matter formed by my five senses. The lie of the finite senses, which never experienced the Living Spirit, prevents me from loving God supremely and from accepting the Truth demonstrated on earth by the messengers of God. This I will no longer do."

No longer can I rely on the limited evidence of my five senses. I catch the permanent illusion that is always taking place beyond my five senses, without evidence, but with total faith in the Divine Word, I am knowing who I am.

I am honoring the Son of God here now. I, I, I am not this living flesh. I do not live inside this human flesh. I am perfect as God because I am not contained inside a five-sense image called the human body. I am the Eternal Child of God, the Eternal Substance of God; the Spiritual Body of God. I am Infinite Light and all that Infinite Light is I am right now. I am not a dying creature made of dying flesh. I was given a perfect body by God made of His Perfect Substance containing His Perfect qualities forever. In that body of Spirit, I have always lived and am living now and always will live, in spite of the picture formed in the world by the five senses.

That tiny body in the chair is not me. *I am Omnipresent Spirit. My Body has no boundaries. I am the reality behind all space, behind all time. I am the Living Christ of God. Is there another? I know not any. God has one Infinite Son and I answer to that name.*

In the true glory of your Being, on the wings of your own eternal Spirit, let your Soul soar into that Eternity until you are moving like a star across the unobstructed heavens. Believe in your own Omnipresence, accept your Omnipresent Spiritual Body as the Truth that

is always true, always functioning, always all-powerful, always under Grace no matter what appears, and the perfection of your Spiritual Body will demonstrate its dominion over the changing material world.

This is not just a meditation for this class; it is something that you must repeat many times until your Spiritual Body is no stranger to you.

When you *are* alone each day, put a chair in one corner of the room and a second chair in another corner, then sit down in a third chair and look at those two chairs. Realize that you in the one chair and the other two chairs is your normal body consciousness brought to you by your five-sense vision, nothing more. And then lift yourself into Spiritual Body Consciousness, perhaps using this tape to guide you on your first five or ten attempts, but before long you will be flying into your own Real Body in just a matter of a minute or two. And then as this develops, you will discover new techniques along the way; new capacity to go in and out – almost like an instant Transfiguration until you find you don't have to go in and out, it's normal, it's natural, it feels that way; you know who you are. You know that your Spiritual Body is behind all time and space and right here. There is not a star moving across the sky that isn't moving across the reality of your Invisible Spiritual Body.

And as this deepens, you will discover that you are a candidate for the descent of the *Comforter* who *sees God Face to Face*. “***If I go not away the Comforter will not come unto you.***” The appearance of mortality must go away just as the appearance of Jesus had to go away. You must let mortality go away for if mortality goes not away, the Immortal Spiritual Body cannot be realized.

Until today, before we enter 1981, the knowledge of your God-given Body of Spirit and your transformation from a seemingly temporary creature of matter to the radiant expression of Divine Selfhood is the real living message of the Christ. The revelation that we can rise from tombs of flesh is not new, it has been known on earth for centuries beyond count, *but* the knowledge has done little for those who have stuffed their ears with the cotton of mortality.

And so this Christmas, rather than send a printed Christmas card, well, Betty and I would like to send you a talking Christmas card right now. It's a poem that was written 26 centuries ago. It comes from the reference to sacred garments that were worn by Spiritual students in the mystery school of Diamithius, probably pronounced De a mithius. And here's how it goes:

“He who desires in pomp of sacred dress, the Son’s resplendent Body to express, should first availeth him of purple, bright, like fair white beams combined with fiery light.”

That’s our talking Christmas card to you. It’s a thin poetic disguise by a Greek mystic. It’s the Purple Robe in Exodus. It’s the Purple Robe that symbolized the Immaculate Body of Jesus. It’s the Purple Robe that told Joel his earthly mission was over as he saw it and felt it within himself. It’s the Purple Robe that embraces every initiate who places material sense on the cross in order that Immortal Spirit may rise in its place. And that is our Christmas wish for you.

I’d like to suggest that if you’re reading this between now and February that you pick up your copy of Leave Your Nets and go through the last chapter titled “The Robe”; that you also pick up your copy of The 1959 Letters of the Infinite Way and read the third chapter, “The Secret of the Resurrection.” And I would like to suggest that you be patient; patient to the extent that you accept the Word of God that: “***My Word shall not return unto me void.***”

When we walk on Divine Truth it always leads us back to the Infinite Father. It always opens us to the Reality of the Presence of Infinite Grace.

You and I now have a most unusual mission together. That is why since Thanksgiving, I think or a little before, there has been a removal of separation between many students in this work. We have all felt a closeness, even different than any we have felt before. It’s overwhelming and it’s real, it’s like thick syrup, you feel it without being present with another person. It’s because we are coming to that climatic awareness that I really am not in human flesh.

The Phoenix is rising out of the dust. *I* am emerging. There is an unusual conception taking place, and the calls and letters that I receive and the visits that I have shared have all collaborated that there is tenacity, a glorious persevering quality in every dedicated student that says: “I have found The Infinite Way. I may have been a lost sheep back there in time, I may have been overwhelmed by the sense of human responsibilities, but I am finding that I only have one responsibility: **to be myself, to be Divine Spirit**, living in a Divinely Spiritual Body which has no boundaries in space or time.”

And this is what is happening. There are many new faces; there are many new developments in the students who have worked together for the past three, five, ten – even sixteen years together. There are some of us who have worked together that long.

All this is coming to a head for the April experience – and by the way – please take another look at your invitation, I am not sure, but I think it says February 10th is when we

would like to know and reserve your room for you if you are coming. And for those of you, who are coming but are staying with friends, please remember that we have to have chairs for you to sit in at that seminar, so you have to tell us that you're coming rather than just pop-in. It would help if we know that you're coming so that we can prepare the room properly. And I'm not ruling anybody out. If you don't know till 10 hours ahead that you're coming and then you are prompted to come, I can tell you this: there will be a chair there for you if we have to materialize one out of the invisible. And I presume that the Inn will find a place for you.

Merry Christmas!

Joyous New Year in your Beautiful Spiritual Body given to you by God.
Much love from Betty and Herb from the Island of Rainbows.

Thank you.

TAPE 3

RELY ON YOUR SPIRITUAL BODY - UNDER GRACE

FEB 1981

Herb: Soul to Soul, Spirit to Spirit, greetings of love from the Island of Kauai. Easter 1981 is almost upon us. In just a few months we shall re-unite in the city of Monterey, California and join hands and hearts on the other side of Silence.

During the past two or three months there has been an upsurge of inquiries from Infinite Way students around the country. In one way or another the word has been passed along that something is happening and letters have come to us from beautiful souls in Florida, North Carolina, Kentucky, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, Illinois, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Oregon, California, Hawaii, and even as far away as Germany.

We are being united by the Infinite Love of Spirit. It is saying to us: ***I am assembling my own***, and while I say this, I can recall a few more letters from Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and probably others that just keep pouring in, all saying: I want to live in my Spiritual Body. Some say what is it? How large is it? How shall we recognize it? Where is it? Why is it so difficult to find? They're all important questions and they all have beautiful answers.

Perhaps we shall be one of the few Infinite Way classes in the history of The Infinite Way that will meet with one purpose: *To live in the God-given Spiritual Body daily until the blessed moment of total deliverance in which we are Self-existent, independent of form, matter, material law, while we appear physically on this earth.* It shouldn't be so startling if that is our motive when that is the Christ teaching. There have been enough encouraging signs to show us that our work has been blessed.

From the day we started working on community activities and world activities, right back to when there were attempts on the life of Gerald Ford up to the present, we have discovered that together we have a power to release the law of Spirit into expression on this plane, simply by knowing the truth: who we are, where we are, and what we should be doing to be about our Father's business.

One of the most encouraging blessings that we have received lately happened on January 20, 1981 – the release of the hostages. And on January 27th while Washington received the 52 Americans, the world saw only the physical appearance – the 52 men returned from captivity. You and I must see much more than that.

Isaiah would have said during the hostage crisis, “*Cease ye from man whose breath is in his nostrils for wherein is he to be accounted of?*” Paul would have said, “*We are all One in the body of Christ.*” And perhaps Hezekiah would have said, “*The Iranians have only the arm of flesh but we have the Lord Almighty.*” All three would have been saying that there are not 52 American hostages; that there is One Invisible Spiritual Body, not of flesh but of the Substance of God. And their words would have been backed by their living Consciousness of that Truth proven by them, demonstrated by them again and again.

We did not enter into group meditation to bring back the hostages. What we did do is join in the knowledge of One Invisible Body; to reject the mass hypnotism that separate individual bodies existed and had been captured, and to reject the sense appearance that one nation was defying another nation.

Instead, we were standing indivisibly in our Body of Spirit, which is maintained perfectly and without interruption by Divine Law. And right where universal mind saw 52 individual bodies, it was our function to know that only the **Government of God** and the **Spiritual Body of God**, which is the Spiritual Body of man, was there.

Now if you will look back on the last three or four minutes of the first Self-Surrender tape, you will notice that in the instructions on the meditation for the hostages, we did not specify at any time that our purpose was to bring back the hostages. You will recall that that was exactly what Joel learned about his baggage, and when he ceased meditating to bring back the baggage it was because he realized that in the Spiritual Universe there is no material baggage. If you will listen carefully again to those three or four minutes you will find there the realization that in a Spiritual Universe there are no material hostages.

This is the essence of what you and I functioning as one unit, one Spiritual Being, were attempting to realize. Surely there were individual experiences. I can only go from my own to know that many must have reached an inner conviction; some may have heard the voice, others may have seen a vision, others may have felt an intuitive premonition. But for the one month that we lived together in the knowledge that they have only the arm flesh, that we are all one in the Body of Christ, that we must cease from man whose breath is in his nostrils; that we must be one with God, One with Spirit. From that moment on we were living

in New Jerusalem and we were being faithful to the presence of One Infinite Spirit without opposite.

Sometimes in a higher purpose we are lifted beyond our normal capabilities; we seem to require that motivation. That's why sometimes it's more difficult to heal the illusion of a cold in the nose than it is to stand before a hurricane or an exploding mountain, or a tidal wave, or an epidemic, or the lack and limitation that so many of us have felt at one time or another in the world of matter. That motivation, that great purpose, when it stirs within us, somehow we feel ordained to rise to the occasion; we forget ourselves. We lose all our normal sense of personal limitations. We feel the call of the Infinite and it responds to our willingness to recognize it, and it breaks the hypnotism. That Infinite Father within doeth the works, and so large or small, seemingly impossible or relatively simple, always we have no human capacity to defy material law, and that is shown by the inability of governments to live together.

The governments of the human brain are always in conflict or crumbling overnight, but when you find your Spiritual Universe, when you learn to live daily in your Spiritual Body, you come under the Government of God instead of the government of man, instead of the government of germs, instead of the government of material limitation. Karmic debts are broken, the law of heredity is broken; the environment is controlled by an unseen hand; the Divine Life within your Divine Body establishes the Law of Perfection in the midst of every form of discord. *"My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth, give I unto you."* When you are my Son, when you stand in your God-given Spiritual Body, for that is the **Secret Place of the Most High**.

So I thank all of you who joined in this great experience. We're not going to accept any credit of any kind, we're not going to get over-confident and cocky, we're not going to go out boasting to the world what mighty spiritual muscles we have, but rather we should quietly, with fingers to the lips, know that we have been blessed by **a great inner experience** to know that the Living Presence of God is the only power in this universe, and that the appearance of other powers depends totally upon our ignorance of this Presence.

We should remember now that the Spiritual Body which man has ignored is the key to transition from dying flesh. It is the key to salvation, the key to Eternal Life. It is the God-ordained way to walk now in your Father's Kingdom on earth enjoying the fruits of the Spirit. And if through this experience you have gained some confidence, some trust, in your own Spiritual Identity and the power of that Identity to function when there is no human standing there in the way, then we have achieved a major step in our ongoing Spiritual

progress. You are going to need that confidence if you intend to break the universal hypnotism that man lives in a dying form.

Hopefully, in the last two Self-Surrender classes you have been able to reach an inner agreement that if you learn to live in your Spiritual Body, you will overcome this world and the limitations and horrors that appear in it to restrict man in his effort to worship God correctly. Let me now reassure you that your acceptance that you do have a Spiritual Body and that it is here and that it is available is reinforced by scripture on every page. There are teachings so dramatic, so graphic, that when you open your heart to them and see them with the Inner Eye, you can feel without doubt that the ever-present, ever-living Consciousness of the Eternal Father is constantly pointing out to you the truth about your Eternal Self.

We have done this once before, and now with your knowledge of your Spiritual Body beginning to come to a higher degree of awareness with your capacity to live in it to some degree, and your willingness to leave your nets of matter and step out further into your Spiritual Body, just make this little test:

I am going to give you a picture of an event in your Bible and I want you to know that every picture is an outer representation of a Consciousness; something within that Consciousness of that individual or group of individuals in the Bible is sending forth a picture. And that inner Consciousness appearing to you as a picture has a message which you can look at and interpret without the slightest doubt once you are aware of the Invisible Spiritual Body of mankind which has been overlooked these many centuries.

Look at Lazarus – just the picture, no words – into a tomb he goes - dead; out of a tomb he comes - alive, just see the picture. A man is brought into a tomb, pronounced dead, left there for four days; a man walks out of a tomb alive. What is the picture saying? Change bodies! Change bodies! Get out of the mortal body, the material body, the eventual dying body; get into the body that lives, the Spiritual Body which is under Divine Law. That's Lazarus changing material body for a Spiritual Body. It was done inside his Consciousness and you are privileged to see in the visible, the result of that inner change in Consciousness of one who accepted his Living Spiritual Body. That's the purpose and the meaning of the picture.

"I am standing on a cross," said Jesus - now watch the nails: rap, tap, rap, tap. What's the message? What's the message in that picture of men tapping nails into the wrists of the One who for us represents the Perfection of God in every man? The message becomes clearer as you think about the Spiritual Body. The nails cannot touch the Spiritual Body; the nails cannot enter the Spiritual Body. The bullet cannot enter the Spiritual Body. The germ

cannot enter the Spiritual Body. You are watching the crucifixion of an illusion. You are watching the Spirit crucify an illusion in front of you to show you the unreality of the human body. You are watching the Spirit show you that where the human body appears the Spiritual Body is alive and needs no defense of any kind. *Thou couldst have no power over the Spiritual Body.*”

Abraham, he lifts his son; he is about to throw him into the fire. He loves his son and you know it and now he stops. That’s the picture. He lifts his son to throw him into the flame; he stops. What does the picture say? That is the inner Consciousness of Abraham revealed - his realization of the Invisible Spiritual Body.

The old way of sacrifice to a God of wrath was broken. The knowledge of One invisible perfect Self told him that this in his hands, that had been the old idea of who his son is, that had also been the old idea of who he was; two separate bodies of human flesh, but now he had the vision of One, invisible, perfect Body. Nothing to sacrifice; only to realize, my Spiritual Body and the Spiritual Body of my son and the Spiritual Body of God are one and the same; One undivided Spiritual Body without opposite.

There were three men in the furnace. Behind them was a golden Body. The flames did not kindle upon them. What does the picture say? Three men but only One golden Body behind them; why not three bodies? Because the Invisible Spiritual Body is the Body of all. That Invisible Spiritual Body made visible, was the picture to tell us there is One Spiritual Body, and when you live in It, the flames will not kindle upon you. What flames? The flames of atoms, the flames of bombs, anything of any destructive nature in the universe cannot kindle upon your Spiritual Body. It needs no defense.

Do you read the pictures? What is the picture of John the Baptist who says, “*I must decrease, he must increase.*” What is he saying? What is that inner Consciousness revealing? What is the decrease? What is the increase? John the Baptist, man of flesh; Jesus Christ, the Spiritual Body of the Father; in each of us this realization that I the physical self, and John the Baptist and I must decrease. In each of us is the Spiritual Body of the Infinite Father and it must INCREASE in our recognition. Jesus and John the Baptist standing together represent the human body and the Spiritual Body. One dies, one is Eternal, and behind both is the One Spiritual Body, which is why Jesus could later say, “*Elias has been here,*” which is why in Transfiguration we could see the body of Elias known on earth in the flesh also as John the Baptist.

The Spiritual Body is always perfect, always under Divine Law, always maintained by God, always needs no defense. You don’t need an atom bomb shelter for it or a

bulletproof vest, you don't need surgery for it, it never has high blood pressure or arthritis, it can never be infected by cancer. It is not a mythical body. It is not only your body but you will learn that it is your *only* Body. "*Cease ye from man whose breath is in his nostrils.*"

Paul at Damascus realized the Invisible Body of Spirit. Joshua at Jericho realized the Invisible Body of Spirit. Moses in the wilderness realized the Invisible Body of Spirit. Jesus, on the cross, realized the Invisible Body of Spirit. The great prophets, the seers and sages living in their Spiritual Bodies brought us the Word that we too are one in the Infinite Spiritual Body called the Body of Christ. That is your only Body.

At the Last Supper it has the picture of Jesus breaking bread and saying, "*This is my body.*" One whole loaf distributed to all who were present. And if four billion had of been present it would have been distributed to four billion, and he would have said, "*This is my body and your body for we have one Infinite Spiritual Body.*"

You must live now in that Spiritual Body so frequently that when you are not living in it you do not feel right. Just as if, if you were a fish and came out of the water you would feel I've got to get back to the water. And just as now as a human being, if you get into the water you've got to come back onto the land. So we must live in our Spiritual Body sufficiently so that no matter where we go we always want to return to that Spiritual Body until we no longer have to go out. Until like Abraham we are told by the Father, "*Now walk before me.*" Walk in your true Spiritual Body as my image and my likeness; be my Son twenty-four hours of every day. Don't be my part-time Son because I am not a part-time God, be my full-time Son by living in your full-time ageless, deathless Spiritual Body. Can any of us doubt that is what Scripture is all about?

The great mistake of religion has been to believe that a man was crucified and then resurrected, when the glorious message of value and importance to everyone who walks this earth was and is, that Christ on the cross represents the illusion of human form and the presence of One, Divine deathless Body of Spirit for all men.

It was not a command; it was a revelation. It was not a demand; it was the Living Will of God expressing, revealing, showing, exposing, inviting, loving mankind and saying, "**I have given you my Infinite Body.**" Why die, why suffer, why shorten the arm of God? Why invite all the horrors and abnormalities that we see in the flesh? Why walk in individual bodies that are without Divine protection, that are clearly not under Divine Law? Why insult God by believing that evil and sickness and sin can exist where God is? Why call God impotent by believing that cancer can strike where God is? Why think God is without power and without love by believing that there can be people suffering in hospitals where God is,

when the message is **change bodies**? *Cease ye from man of flesh*, walk before God in his image and likeness in your Spiritual Body. Leave your nets of physical flesh; **follow the Way-Shower**.

The Son of God does not live in a dying form, and until you accept and live in your ageless, deathless, perfect Spiritual Body, you are rejecting the gift of God, the Love of God, the Power of God, the Substance of God, and you are actually declaring that Infinite Spirit is not your Source and is not your Identity, and you have cut yourself off from your own Permanent Self. That is how every person on earth rejects God - by clinging to a body of flesh that can never please God and rejecting the wonderful teaching of Christ Jesus that God has given you a Perfect Body of Spirit to live in now and forever.

Find the core of your Consciousness and rest there. Go deeper, deeper than mere sense awareness of being present in a room; deeper, much deeper.

It is important for you to know why mankind has not realized the presence of its Infinite Spiritual Body. I feel that unless you are certain that you understand why it has remained outside the realm of our experience; largely that is except for those who have from time to time made the discovery of the Divine Body; if you know why, I am quite certain the method of breaking the hypnotism of the senses will be clarified. And because there are so many Infinite Way students now with us who may not have heard this and some who may have forgotten, we must now look at the secret of secrets, which is within the first 34 verses of the Bible. Just keep at your center, at the core of your Consciousness while we discuss this.

In the first 34 verses, we are given the secret of hypnosis, the secret of why the Bible says that man is dead or asleep or unconscious, or unaware or separated from God or a prodigal, or words of that nature.

We are today living in the fourth world or the fourth world of Consciousness, **the thought realm, the mind realm**, it is **the fourth world**, it is the **fourth day in the Bible**. In that fourth day in which we live, Spiritual man has not yet been created. In the sixth day, which is two degrees of Consciousness above our present level, Spiritual man is created or conceived.

Now one of the mysteries of these seven days of Genesis has been why it is there and what it is saying, and also why we start with darkness of the night and move into the lightness of the day. There have been many theories about it, but I would like you to accept one or consider one, which may be quite different than a mere theory. The seven days of Genesis are the return journey of your Soul from the seventh day to the void or nothingness.

That's the descent of your Soul as it makes its orbit from the seventh day to nothingness - to the zero point, the nadir, and then from the nadir it rises back to the zenith moving in these seven steps of Consciousness, and this Soul ascension from the void to the seventh day is the ascension of your Soul, which is described in those seven days.

When you start with the first night that is because your Soul is in the darkness of the night working its way back to the light of the seventh day, and it goes from darkness to light. It enters its mineral consciousness; it goes through the vegetable kingdom; it comes into the animal kingdom; it rises to the human kingdom. In this fourth world, in this material world, you are not as a human being, the man or woman created in the sixth day of Genesis, and it is at this point that the Soul and the flesh must be in some way reconciled. This is the cause of universal hypnotism.

The Soul seemingly enters the fourth world, the material realm, the mind realm, and a new false consciousness is created which thinks of itself as the son of God, looks down at its body of flesh with a brain of matter, not realizing that this a consciousness out-picturing a form. It is not a body; it is consciousness out-picturing an image, and this out-picturing of an image by consciousness, that consciousness calls my body. And this is the story of the prodigal son. It has only gone to the fourth level of consciousness and it now calls itself the son of God unaware that what it calls the son of God is but a dying image called human flesh.

The evolution of your Soul to the fifth day, the sixth day where you are conceived, to the seventh day where you are actually the living Christ, must be continued and it cannot be continued until you break the hypnotism of the fourth level of consciousness. And there are many ways to break that hypnotism.

At this point, one of the most important is to know that the body of flesh, which is out-pictured by your fourth world consciousness, is not you. You are the Soul making its evolution, and when you can make the sacrifice of recognizing your Soul rather than your body of flesh, and accepting on faith your invisible Body of Spirit which already is in the sixth level of Consciousness, then your Soul will be permitted to move upward, and the hypnotism of the five senses will be broken and you will no longer be under the law of matter, the law of limitation, the law of lack. You will be doing the equivalent of Jesus on the cross. You'll be saying, "I am not in this form; the nails cannot touch my Spiritual form, nor can the diseases, nor can death, nor can age." That truth has the power to release you from bondage to a temporary body of dying flesh. And that knowledge has the power to make possible your transition by releasing your Soul into its upward progression, into its home base called the seventh day, which is the eternal City of Light.

You are being called upon to corroborate consciously with your ascending Soul; to let it return to its highest level, which is called Christ Consciousness, to its Eternal Glory, to its Spiritual Body, to its realization of Divine Selfhood. And that knowledge that your Soul is evolving, ascending upward in awareness, that is your key to learning how to live now in your Spiritual Body because **you are already the Immaculate Conception of God**. You don't have to become immaculately conceived, **you are the Immaculate Conception**; you are the individualization of God. And in its orbit of Infinity your Soul is simply returning to its full realization of you as the Immaculate Conception.

Your Soul at this point must break the illusion that you are born of woman, and that is why Jesus had to be immaculately conceived into this visible fourth world. He had to come in as the Immaculate Conception because that is the seventh level which is drawing you upward. And Jesus visibly is not Jesus but is the Father who doeth the works. Jesus is the seventh level of Consciousness, Infinite Spiritual Selfhood, revealing itself to man as the Immaculate Conception because that is the Identity of every man.

Every man, every woman, every child, is conceived immaculately already before the world was in a One perfect Spiritual Body of the Father. And now Divine Love sends forth the Christ to welcome your Soul, and this is the prodigal son returning home; you, the Immaculate Conception of God.

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[And know this: only in your Spiritual Body is God your Father. Remember that; accept it. It is the truth of your Eternal Self now!

The hypnosis that..]

..begins with the emergence of a baby form which becomes you, and then unaware of its Soul, identifies as a separate living body, leads to many other misconceptions. **The real hypnosis is the belief that you are not Divine Life and that in some way you are separated from other bodies, and that God is not present where you are**, and then your senses begin to work from the absence of God rather than the Presence of God. Add this up

though many incarnations, through many millions of forms and many millions of incarnations of the human race, and you begin to develop a body of false consciousness or world consciousness, or of human universal beliefs from which we all feed.

You will discover that humanhood itself is a state of hypnotism. The human brain is automatically in a state of hypnotism. It is not under God government, it does not know its own Soul. It has no capacity to know its Spiritual Body. It has no capacity to outlive its brief lifespan upon this earth. And when you fully understand that the Soul in its orbit ascending to its permanent Home, which it already has left, which already exists, which it already has known; that Soul must be permitted to continue that journey in order for you to make your transition.

When the Master says, “*Lose your life that you may find it,*” he is telling you to release the body of flesh which the brain controls for the Invisible Body of Spirit, which is the way you release your Soul to its up-going progression. When you try on the human level to live your human life unaware of this Spiritual evolution, you are not about your Father’s business and the Grace which is ever-present in your Spiritual Body – the Life of God which is ever-present in your Spiritual Body, the qualities and powers of God which are ever-present in your Spiritual Body – cannot work through into your experience.

Now think about your Spiritual Body for a moment. Let’s see if we can’t come to some understanding about what it really is:

It is independent of matter; it is under Divine Law.

It is never separate from God; it contains every Divine quality.

It’s never sick, never suffering, never dying, never aging; it has no size, n o shape, no weight.

Never blind, it’s never deaf, never has a heart attack or cancer; never has high blood pressure.

It can never be in an earthquake or a fire or a war or under the influence of pollution or atomic missiles.

And that is because **your Spiritual Body never incarnates**, it never s q u e e z e s itself into a lifespan. It is totally **uninfluenced by this world**.

It does not depend on human processes to be born; it does not emerge from your mother’s womb; it is not born of woman.

It has no parts to wear out, it never needs Medicare.

It will never be buried.

It is Eternal, disease-less, deathless, sinless, ageless; it is self-existent

It has no limitations, no lack, no indigestion.

And because **it never incarnates**, it never can reincarnate.

It is always alive.

All problems of bodies take place only in the imitation image that man calls body, never in your Spiritual Body. In order to become acquainted with it I'd like you to look at another dramatic picture. This one is the picture of Jesus. See him now as John, Peter and James saw him, changing from visible human form to Light; expanding from an atomic body of molecules, visible flesh, slowly expanding out becoming more rarified, less tangible, almost like the flame of a candle going outward and outward immensely without boundary into Light. That was a revelation of the Spiritual Body of man. It was not a revelation of your tomorrow body; it's a revelation of your Today Body, your Real Body. When you look correctly at the transfiguration of Jesus, you are looking at a wordless picture informing you that that is precisely how your Real Body **is now**.

Where does it end - nowhere! What does it weigh – no way to know. What color is it – you'll never see that with human eyes. How do you live in it? **Be ye born again**; lose your life to find your life. *Cease ye* from flesh. What do they all add up to? They add up to this: awaken from the hypnotism that you are standing in a human body of flesh. That is the hypnotic picture. It is a picture that comes into consciousness because you are unaware of your evolving Soul.

As you are convinced that scripture is awakening you to your Soul, as you are convinced that the various demonstrations of the Bible are teaching you that you are not in a human body, that that is the hypnotic illusion of your senses, then you will realize that the transfiguration of Jesus and the various other demonstrations in the Bible are telling you that you are in your Spiritual Body now. Yes, you don't have to attain it, **you are in it now**, and the only thing that stops you from realizing it is the hypnotism of the human mind.

How big is that Spiritual Body? You've heard the word Omnipresence, you've heard to word sow to Spirit, why don't you do it now? Why don't you sow to Spiritual Omnipresence? If you can find a place in the universe and beyond this universe that is not the Spirit of God you are not accepting Omnipresence. If you can find a place in this universe or beyond into limitless Infinity that is not your Spiritual Body, you are not accepting Omnipresence.

Your Spiritual Body is here now and it extends beyond visible space just as the body of Jesus extends into first visible light and then to invisible Light, this is your Spiritual Body. Identify it! And do better than that. Learn now to live in it. Learn how to transfigure in Consciousness, make the leap into the fullness of your Body even if it is only a willingness to try to accept that you have an Infinite Spiritual Body, which no human eyes have ever seen. Go all the way with it now.

Where you are is an image called your body; that image should become obsolete in your Consciousness. Don't squeeze yourself inside that image. Slowly let yourself expand as living Light; feel it - feel your slow transfiguration – 5 feet, 10 feet, as far as your awareness can handle- up, down, a circle of Light expanding out 20 feet, 40 feet, 100 feet, as living Light. That is not even yet a fraction of you beyond further and now into the Invisible so that you are the color of the atmosphere, it is you, it is your Invisible Spiritual Body, ever out further and further like waves heading out from a little pebble. Feel the scope of your Body.

Your mind may end at one place, that's just a false horizon, your Body ends nowhere; it is boundless. There is no way your brain can contain it. It is the Omnipresent Spirit, It's real, It's alive, It is here, It is everywhere. Your Omnipresent Spiritual Body is a Reality. Can you accept that? Can you bring yourself to the level of belief that this must be so, that this is what the Son of God really is?

Can you see that in this boundless Spiritual Body there is no other body, there are no human bodies within it? They are images in the world mind. Your Spiritual Body, which is Omnipresent, is behind all of the visible bodies in this world. They are **images in the world mind** and your Spiritual Body is the only Body that is here; there is no place where your Spiritual Body does not exist. It is Infinite. You can sit in the quiet realizing the presence of this Body and as you do, you will understand that the hypnotism, which makes individual human bodies appear, which ignores the presence of this Invisible Infinite Spiritual Body, is the cause of every problem on this earth. It creates a false separation by seeing images where only the Infinite Spiritual Body is, and that Spiritual Body is alive acting, living, manifesting; maintaining a perfect harmony in all its invisible activities.

Now let us expand. Expand your Spiritual Body, which is Infinite into and outside of your first incarnation and your last incarnation. Expand that Body through all past incarnations and all so-called future incarnations and see that it is too large to be contained within this incarnation. It extends back thousands of years before Abraham. It extends outward thousands of years unto the end of the world and beyond, so that on both sides of

known time – either past or future – your body extends because it is Infinite and Eternal. And **see that all images in time of your past incarnations and all future incarnations of anyone who is walking this earth is nothing more than the same hypnotism we are experiencing in our human sense of life at this moment.**

All there is is the one Infinite Body of Spirit behind all that appears as time and images in time, behind the world, behind the activities of the world. Yes, that is your Infinite Spiritual Body, which is ageless and deathless, which is everywhere, which is beyond the reach of the five human senses and therefore, ignored by man. But it is the secret of Jesus, the secret of Moses, the secret of Isaiah, Daniel, Ezekiel and so forth.

And when you through daily practice, live in it you will learn to accept the qualities of that Spiritual Body just as you will learn that that Spiritual Body is all that exists here and no other, you will learn that only the qualities of that Spiritual Body exist here and no other. That Spiritual Body is your Body and do not be shocked, that Spiritual Body is the Body of God. Your Spiritual Body and the Spiritual Body of God are One Body, and it is in that knowledge that *I and the Father are one* Spiritual Body practiced daily, lived in, understood, *trusted*, trusted, that the qualities of God functioning in the Spiritual Body of God, function in your experience, dissolving the illusions of error, lack, limitation, evil, crime, sin, and whatever disturbances clutter up the purity of Being in our experience.

The Spiritual Body in the midst of us is mighty. It doeth the works. It is always alive, always functioning, always maintaining its perfection. And whoever is attuned to the realization that it is all, is living in his or her Spiritual Body and it doeth the works. This is sowing to Omnipresent Spirit.

Now if you were to do this sufficiently to get the feel of it, you would feel a stability, which is beyond anything the human mind can devise. And whoever has been doing it for some time knows what that stability is like. You feel that you can trust your Spiritual Body to be the only presence and you can therefore, look at the hypnotized activities of this world with detachment.

You don't get this detachment from personal will power; you get it from the experience of your Spiritual Body, so that for some reason most of the time if you're faithful to this your own body is relatively free. And when disturbances sneak in as they do, you're not too overly concerned; you know it's just a matter of getting back to the realization that the body with the disturbances is not your Body. Your Body is the Infinite Spiritual Body, and the only reason you think you've got this problem is because you're living in the concept of your

own human physical body. You haven't developed the Consciousness of the Spiritual Body, which is everywhere.

Now you know that we're not saying this because we invented it in our brain or even because we read it in a book. The only way you can talk about this sort of thing is to go through the daily experience of living in that Spiritual Body and watching what It does, and then being grateful that those who were able to make that discovery shared it with us.

Before I forget it, I would like you to read something which will help you understand why you have not really been able to live in your Spiritual Body as well as you should have.

If you were a subscriber to Joel's Letters in the 60's and just look at your 1964 Letter in April, April 1964. Its title is "No And!" - No And! Now what that means is that there's no Spiritual Body AND; there's no God AND, there's only your Spiritual Body. And then there's no hypnotism AND. There's no lack, no limitation; there's no sin, there's no disease. There aren't 500 different kinds of germs that can attack you. There's no error, there's no war. You see, all these are part of the same hypnotism just as there's no God AND, no Spirit AND; there's no hypnotism AND because that which we call the evil or the disturbance, that is the hypnotism.

Hypnotism is everything that troubles us, all because of the separation between the human brain and the evolving Soul. The ascending Soul and the human brain being separate, we have what is probably called accurately, a dream consciousness, and it's that dream consciousness in which all of the so-called deadly problems affect us. We say, "I have emphysema." No we don't; we have a separation between the ascending Soul and the human brain. We say we have rheumatism, arthritis; we say we have a terminal something or other; we say the face is beginning to show the wrinkles of old age. We say there's crime and corruption in high places; all this is true to the human brain and all of it exists because the human brain is separated from the ascending Soul.

One hypnotism; one separation separates us from Infinite Spirit, and then the walls of humanhood crash down around us with all the ills that we are acquainted with. **Remove the hypnotism and the evils go with it.**

Now the chapter that Joel wrote in the book Realization of Oneness, the fourth chapter I think, anyway it's called "No And!" I think it's the fourth chapter, "No And!" in the book Realization which came out in 1967, that chapter in there which was published after Joel made his transition is the same as the 1964 Letters in April which was also titled "No And!"

they are one and the same. So either you have the Letters you subscribed to in the year '64 or you have the book Realization of Oneness. But **please get it, read it, assimilate it**. You will see and you will discover that by revealing to you the nature of hypnotism it also reveals to you how you can find and live in your Spiritual Body.

But it's more than just a chapter. It's so powerful because it's so true that if this chapter were understood by every person who walks this earth you could close all your hospitals tomorrow. I mean we would be in the New Heaven and the New Earth. **Once you break the hypnotism of the five senses you are breaking *universal hypnotism* and you are no longer a hostage to the universal mind; you are released, no longer held captive.**

Omnipresence is a marvelous word but if you don't take it out of the word stage you're missing the great experience of breaking *universal hypnotism*. Now if you have been getting the understanding that your Spiritual Body is the only Body you have, it should be clear to you that you are not in a human body, and it should be clear to you that the human body is a hypnotic image produced by the separation of your evolving Soul and your human brain. And that every disease of the body is equally a hypnotic image produced by the same cause, and that every world problem is simply the collective appearance of this individual separation of each person between his evolving Soul and his brain. If you know that is the central cause of hypnotism, you can see why we are told that man is separated from God. Only the Soul knows God and the brain does not know the Soul.

You are not in a human body; you are in a counterfeit image produced by hypnotism or separation from your own Soul. Your reality is One with God and this is what you hold to.

I am the Spiritual Body of God; my Spiritual Body is One with God; the errors and evils and lacks and limitations of the human body are not mine. I do not have to remove them. I have to quietly realize that they are not here because here is my Spiritual Body.

I am the Presence of Spirit. I am that Spirit which is not inside a lifespan; that's another false parenthesis, that's a little bookend over here and a little bookend over there with a hypnotic image in between; I am not in any of it. That lifespan isn't me. I am Infinite Spirit. I have an Infinite Spiritual Life, which is in my Spiritual Body. I am erasing lifespans, I am erasing incarnations; I'm accepting the Lazarus appearance; I have gone into the human body-tomb and I am no longer accepting it, and I am stepping out into my Infinite Spiritual Body. I am not accepting the possibility of death. I am not accepting myself in the body that dies. I am not accepting the possibility of disease. I am not in the body that can have disease. I am not

accepting the images of the brain or the universal images of the collective mind of man. ***Ye shall know the truth*** that you are the Spiritual Body of God and the Truth will make you free.

Again, we will stand in the visible, expand as Light out 10, 20 50, 100 feet, now into the Invisible. And now out into infinity. I Am the Infinite Invisible Spiritual Body. Every quality of God is my quality. There is no quality of God that is not in my Infinite Spiritual Body now. This Body has no problem, this Body has no lack; this Body has no limitation that the human mind can devise. This Body is perfect as God and that is why my Father has told me,

“Be ye perfect as your Father which art in heaven...For Son all that I have is thine...Come now, live in the Body I have given you...That is my Divine Will that you be perfect for you have found the kingdom of God on earth and all things are added unto you.”

Lack is a lie of the human senses. The moment you accept it, you say, “I am not living in the Infinite Spiritual Body of God.” The moment you reject it you are accepting the Spiritual Body of God, which has no lack. When you reject the lie the truth becomes operative in your experience. When you have a disease you are rejecting your Spiritual Body. You are saying, “Look, I have this disease, it’s making me uncomfortable, it’s frightening me, it’s threatening me, I fear it, I must protect against it.” That is part of the hypnotism of separation from your own Spiritual Body.

The antidote is to know the truth, be still, take no thought for your body. In the face of the most dire calamity know, ***I and my Father are one***, the **presence of God is here in and as my Spiritual Body**. I trust the Father’s perfection to maintain this Body forever. I don’t have to make my human body recover. *Listen carefully: I don’t have to make my human body recover.* That should be your Consciousness. I have no human body and therefore I have no human bodily condition. I am living in a Spiritual Body, which is the Body of God. These may be empty words when you first utter them; they will not be when you reach the realization of that Body. And so, practice the acceptance of the qualities of that Spiritual Body.

It is never sick because it is under perfect Divine Law; it is never suffering; it is never in any way less than perfect. You have the Father’s Word on that and so start living in it. Discard the concept of a human body no matter how much it clings to you. It may hurt; it may cause you problems, but it’s only causing the false sense of you problems. It may seem to have an insufficiency of something or an over-abundance of something else, but place your Consciousness in Heaven, not in what you’re going to do about that body but in the Body that is your Real Body and rest there.

That human body is not Eternal Life because it does not have the Life of God in it. Your Spiritual Body is Eternal Life because it does function with the Life of God. When you make the choice between this human image called body and your Spiritual Body, which is Omnipresent and perfect forever, you're making the choice between the temporary life in the flesh and an Eternal Life. You are making the choice between death or transition.

This Spiritual Body is Self-existent; it depends on nothing in the human world. It is under Grace and the law of Grace that it is, is that, it is sufficient unto the Body in every way, so that when you have an insufficiency, don't try to fill that insufficiency with things but recognize that you are in the body which suffers insufficiency and transfer to the Real Body, the Body of Spirit which is never insufficient.

My Grace is thy sufficiency in all things. That means that insufficiency is hypnotism; it's as hypnotic an image as the human body itself. It means that all of the repairs that the human body needs all the time was simply the evidence that it is not the Divine creation. You see, it's the fourth world, the fourth area of consciousness. You're going to step into the Spiritual Body awareness, which is going to lead your Soul up, release it to move into the sixth world where it will rediscover your Spiritual Selfhood and conceive there an awareness of your True Self, your Immaculate Infinite Christhood.

I hope you're getting the basic Divine plan here. The Master planner has made it quite clear to us, once we have accepted the Father as all-knowing and all-present without opposite and then accept the Spiritual Body as all-present without opposite, we can move into accepting the Omnipotence of that Spiritual Body. You see, how can there be a Spiritual Body with the qualities of God unless it also has the Omnipotence of God built into it?

And so with the Omnipresence of your Spiritual Body, now add the Omnipotence of your Spiritual Body. One Perfect Body, Self-maintained forever. That is why your Spiritual Body never dies. The perfect Source, which is God's Spirit, makes the perfect Body, which is your Spiritual Body. Perfect Source – perfect Body. When you accept an imperfect body you are rejecting a perfect Source. You're saying, God was not the creator of this body, and you're right. But the solution isn't to stay in it and try to ask God to repair it. The solution is to recognize that God is your Source and God is perfect, and accept the Body now, that you will fully realize when you reach the sixth level of Consciousness. Accept that Body now, instead of the body you seem to be living in, and accept the power of God to maintain that Body now, because truly that is how you live in the now.

Every time you accept an imperfection in your life you are accepting that God is not Omnipotent, but God *is* Omnipotent, therefore, imperfection is impossible. There can be

no imperfection from an Omnipotent perfect Source, therefore, you are looking at what you think is real but it's hypnotism again.

Now reverse that: do not accept imperfection as reality and do not be concerned about how you're going to get rid of it from the external method. But rather be concerned about how you can live in the quiet acceptance that in spite of this visible imperfection, I can know the truth that my perfect Source being God, everything emanating from that perfect Source must be perfect, and what didn't emanate from that perfect Source cannot exist. It simply must be illusion. The imperfection I am suffering from has no way to exist because God is present and God is perfect. What is the imperfection? Again; hypnosis. How do you break hypnosis? ***Know the truth and the truth will make you free.***

Now we're going to have to do that more often. We're going to have to break hypnosis in every conceivable way in order to live on the other side of Silence; in order to experience the treasures that are now available in that Perfect Body which we are invited to live in consciously day-by-day.

When you were looking at the various healings of Jesus in the Bible, it probably did not occur to you that what he was doing was revealing one Spiritual Body behind each individual who seemingly recovered. We thought that was a cripple and that was a blind man and that was a deaf man, but there was **one perfect Spiritual Body behind all three**, and behind the leper and behind the demoniac and so forth. The revelation that there is one perfect Spiritual Body was demonstrated, and if you could read the picture without the words being necessary, you would see that these recoveries were the removal of hypnotism to show that there stands **One Perfect Spiritual Body**. And because that Spiritual Body, which was revealed as perfect and therefore, demonstrated harmony, was proven to be so and there is only One; that must have been your Omnipresent Spiritual Body that Jesus revealed. And that's why Paul said ***we are all one in the Body of Christ.***

Now you know that's a different substance than atomic flesh. The teeth don't fall out of your Spiritual Body; there's no brain concussion; there is no aging process; it doesn't dry up. Now get convinced of this, I mean work on yourself, get that mind of yours to turn around and live because when you're convinced of it you're going to spend part of every day making sure that you work at living in that Perfect, Omnipresent, Omnipotent Spiritual Body, and you're going to reject everything that denies that is your Body.

And out of that will come a technique, a capacity, a hidden resource. You will begin experiencing your Divine Life. You will show forth the presence of God where you stand. And if you will do this and refer back again and again and again to that chapter four in

Realization of Oneness: “No And!” I can assure you, not only will your world be transformed into the image and likeness of God, but in a very short space of what we call human time, you will know that you are walking in Truth. No one will have to tell you. Grace has a beautiful way of demonstrating Its Presence to those who walk in their Spiritual Body.

And with that I suppose we could say that our three Self-Surrender tapes have brought us to the point where...

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[...we have witnessed some interesting things on this visible earth, and we are going to witness some more interesting things in the invisible Spirit of our Being. If we bring this to our seminar in April, it would be clear to me right now that the other side of Silence is going to thunder with new Light, new inspiration, new revelations, new confidence a new assurance of who we are.

I would like now to thank all of you for working so faithfully these past, I guess it's about five months now, but actually going all the way back to 1979 to Avila Beach when we explored outside time. I feel somehow that the reverberations of that seminar are now bearing fruit in what we are doing today and what we will experience in Monterey.

The Oneness that I feel with you cannot be limited to just our group. As we share this Oneness with our neighbors, as we walk among them living in our Spiritual Body, you will be doing what a child of twelve did so many years ago; you will be in that midnight Consciousness, the middle path, the secret place between time and Eternity. You will be a link between heaven and earth and you will be doing your Father's business right here where you stand.

I look forward to Monterey with all my heart and I look forward to being there sharing with you the Glory of our One Consciousness undivided, as we live in the Body of Christ. That Love embraces us all, and reluctantly I say, I will see you then.

Much love from the Infinite Father to all of us.

Thank you.

The End