# The Catalina Experience

By Herbert Fitch



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## **FOREWORD**

# By Bill Skiles

"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind."

-Romans 12:2

In this series of talks given by Herb Fitch in 1975, Herb was endeavouring to reveal a transforming secret hidden in the Bible for many centuries. In his own words;

"You've got to go through the Bible and see Eve next to Mary and see the difference. Then suddenly, what you hadn't noticed becomes clear. Everything that Eve is not, Mary is. And everything Mary is, Eve is not, why? Because Mary is Eve, reborn.

There is a message in Eve and Mary that is as subtle as the serpent itself. Eve represents your first birth as a material being. Mary represents your second birth. And the nature of that second birth is something very, very shocking. I'm not quite sure how many of you have ever realized just how deep that second birth goes, but I wouldn't want you to leave Catalina without realizing it fully."

For those who have ears to hear, Herb is revealing that there are no human beings on earth. Indeed, he tells us plainly that if you are talking to a human being, whether as your friend, spouse, child, or parent, you are talking to to one that is dead. He implores us to lift our vision higher and begin to really and truly, "know no man after the flesh."

This is very very difficult for some and completely impossible for others. So much so, that I have been told, "I can't do that, I'm not willing to do that." Yet the Master has stated, "The path is narrow and few there be that enter," and Herb in these talks reiterates the principle of complete and total abandonment of humanhood.

If we were to sum up this series into one word, that word would be "surrender," or as Christ Jesus instructed us, "Sell all that thou hast," for this is the Way to life eternal, this is the Way, walk ye in it.

The serious spiritual student will surrender to the Way, to the Spirit of God in the very midst of them, renounce all belief and attachment to human beings, and come and pick up the cross, and follow Me into the Second Birth of Divine Spiritual Consciousness.

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## CLASS 1

## FORBIDDEN FRUIT

*Sterb:* I want to take you to the 34<sup>th</sup> Psalm I think, the 20<sup>th</sup> verse. And this is a statement made about a righteous man. And we're here, we read here that it says;

"He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken."

He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken. Now I want you to contemplate that phrase because you may find that it is a very essential key to your life. Something you may not have considered before but something we're going to consider tonight, in detail. And I'd like you, while you're contemplating that, to let your mind dwell on the possible meaning of it. I'll repeat it. "He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken."

Now, while you're doing that, associate it with the rib of Adam, and see if there is a clue for you as to the meaning of 'the rib of Adam' in that phrase, 'none of his bones are broken.' Now, in the rib of Adam we find that a bone is broken, and this is the beginning of the breaking away from God. This is the beginning of an expression of duality, for we know that Adam is asleep. But he isn't napping. He's not sleeping physically, he's not taking forty winks. He is asleep to the Spirit of God. He is asleep to the inner Christ. He is asleep to his own Selfhood. And while he is asleep, out of his rib the woman is formed.

Now tonight we're going to see Adam and Eve as Moses meant them to be, not as the world has taught it, not even as many of us have believed it to be. I want you to see that Adam and Eve are one being, one, not two. The breaking of the rib is the expression of the duality of the consciousness of mankind. Spirit is using a method to teach us what we cannot see with our human eyes. Adam is asleep, and the nature of his sleep is duality. He is separated from the knowledge of his own true being, and that separation must show forth as duality. The rib is a symbol, and Eve when she appears, is Adam. Eve is Adam in the outer. And Adam now becomes Adam in the inner. You're looking at the outer and the inner. That is the method Spirit uses to teach us. The outer Eve is the outer you. The inner Adam is the inner you. Adam and Eve are you. They are the outer of yourself and the inner of yourself which you are not aware of until you are Spiritually illuminated. Moses was not teaching three thousand years ago. Moses is teaching tonight. Moses

is teaching every time you are aware of the presence of Moses, or the presence of the Spirit of Moses.

Moses knew nothing about the first man and the first woman. Man is at least hundreds of thousands of years old. Moses only goes back thirty-five hundred. He had to teach something so shocking, that even today, hardly a church in the world is aware of what Moses was telling them. He had to teach that man does not know God. He had to teach that man does not know man. He had to teach that death can never happen. He had to teach that man does not know what life is. He had to reveal to us, forbidden fruit.

And it may amaze you to find that even you today, are eating forbidden fruit. You may have studied the Infinite Way for many years. You'll find to your surprise, that the message of forbidden fruit has escaped you. We don't even know what it is. We have laughed about it. We have joked about the story, and while we are doing it, we ourselves today, our leaders, our theological leaders, our governmental leaders, our educational leaders, our scientific leaders, are all eating forbidden fruit. And so are we. And because we don't know we're eating it, our children are eating forbidden fruit too.

We are saying that we are not in the kingdom of God. We are saying that evil exists. We are saying that there is a tree of good and evil. And the minute we have said that, we have stepped out of the kingdom of God. There is no tree of good and evil in the kingdom of God. There is no evil in heaven. There are no human beings in the kingdom of God, and if you know one, you're not in it. There is no death in the kingdom of God, and if you believe in death, you're not in the kingdom of God.

All our lives we have been looking for a way to enjoy the fruits of the kingdom of God without living in the kingdom of God, and it cannot be done. The twelve fruits of the kingdom are only in the kingdom. And if you want to enjoy them you must stop eating forbidden fruit. If you look at Eve carefully, and banish every concept you have had about her, and accept that Eve is you, whether you're man or woman. Eve is your outer self, your natural self. Eve is your form. Eve is your human mind. Eve has no interest in God. Eve wants the pleasures of good and she doesn't want the dis-pleasures of evil. Eve hides from God, and we are told that she is to conceive in sorrow. We have not accepted that as a statement to every mother on this earth, but that's what it is.

The Spirit through Moses was telling us that all who are born of woman must die; we know that. But it is also telling us that all who are reborn of the Spirit cannot die. And you can never really understand the nature of Eve until

you compare her to Mary. You can't just read Chapter two of Genesis and understand Eve. You've got to through the Bible and see her next to Mary and see the difference. Then suddenly, what you hadn't noticed becomes clear. Everything that Eve is not, Mary is. And everything Mary is, Eve is not. Mary doesn't see a serpent. Mary doesn't see a tree of good and evil. Mary doesn't conceive in sorrow. Mary isn't banished from the kingdom of God. Why? Because Mary is Eve, reborn.

There is a message in Eve and Mary that is as subtle as the serpent itself. Eve represents your first birth as a material being. Mary represents your second birth. And the nature of that second birth is something very, very shocking. I'm not quite sure how many of you have ever realized just how deep that second birth goes, but I wouldn't want you to leave Catalina without realizing it fully. Think of who you are. A friend talks to you, you talk to a friend. Now, when that friend talks to you, what are they talking to? Are they talking to your face, your body, their concept of you, your brain? What are they actually talking to? Who are you that they are talking to? You find that they're not talking to your foot or your shoulder, or your head. They're talking to something that receives them, and that something we'll call your brain, or your mind, if you wish. Now that brain and that mind are going to die. They are talking to something in them that is going to die. So you talk to a dying brain and they talk to a dying brain and they talk to a dying brain, and that is not life.

Is there something in you that does not die? Is there something in you that is immortal that I can talk to? Is there something in me that is immortal that you can talk to? When you talk to your children, do you talk to something in them that is going to die, or something in them that never can die? Which are you talking to? If there is something in us that never dies, why aren't we talking to it? And further, if it is something that never dies, it must be alive now. I'd like you to find that something in you that is alive now. You'll have to go deep, deep, beyond your human senses. You're searching for something in you that can never die. Something that has been alive forever and always will be. You've got to transcend your mind to do it. You've got to let your mind be totally still to do it. The merest whisper of human thought will build a veil between this aliveness of you, which is eternal, and the material sense of self.

There is an aliveness in you, and in your most sublime moments you are conscious of it. It becomes your living Consciousness. You step out of mortality. You step out of the dying self, the dying mind, the dying body. You transcend, you become that very something that is aliveness itself. And if you have not

yet done it, the meaning of rebirth cannot be clear to you. When, almost on tiptoe, something elusive, beyond your mortal self, is realized, you are finding the babe called Christ. And only when you touch that babe, do you touch the aliveness of you, which is eternal. And only when you talk to that babe in every child, every adult that you see, are you touching that in that individual which never dies.

You must come to a birth within yourself, a second birth in which that child is born into your Consciousness, and in which the old self is dissolved. It isn't changing a material self into a Spiritual one, or making a better human self, or a good human self, it's actually finding another selfhood through rebirth. The rib of Adam is the beginning of the human dream, the beginning of incarnation, the falling out of eternity into time, and you must walk back through time into eternity.

One day there will be an awareness of this other Self to such an extent that you'll know that is the purpose of your life. To live in that Self, and that Self alone, more and more, and more, until the child you accept in the inner of your Consciousness takes over the entire Consciousness until there is no you here, but only that child grown up. Otherwise, you will discover that humanly, we are nothing more than a moth. If you've been up late at night, dark room, you put a light on, after awhile you may have noticed a moth or two at the window. This little moth will flutter, squirm, moving its front paws, its front little feet to get in, trying so hard to get in that window at that light. And of course, he's totally unaware of what's keeping him out. He has no knowledge of the fact that it's a glass pane of solidity that's holding him from the light. He doesn't see that glass. And no matter how he struggles, there's no way for him to approach that light. Now, if there's a little crevice at the end of the window he may squirm in, and he'll flutter over to the light, and the next day you'll find him dead on the carpet. He can't win. Either he can't get in, or he finds the light and gets in, and after he's got it he finds that he's got the wrong light. What good was it? He was seeking a light that had no value whatsoever.

If somewhere within your heart there is a feeling that something is missing, that no matter how hard you've tried, that no matter how much effort you've put forth, no matter how diligent you've been, no matter how dedicated, no matter how sincere, you still haven't found something specific that you need, it is because you never will, never will, until you have transcended your own human self and been reborn. Nothing else can satisfy. And the reason nothing else can satisfy is because nothing else is the will of

God. It is the Father's pleasure to give you the kingdom, and the only way you can receive the kingdom is to walk in it as the invisible Christ.

When you were born physically into this world, that was the rib of Adam becoming Eve. All human birth is the rib of Adam becoming Eve. And all human birth goes to death. And that is why the progeny of Eve are cursed. The serpent is a technique used by the Greeks in ancient times, used by Shakespeare in his time, used by Eugene O'Neill as a dramatist. You know there was no snake there. Why did Moses put a serpent in there? To reveal to you and to me, the nature of the human mind.

As a good citizen of any country you are actually trying to make this a better world. You join crusades, civic programs, you want to make it a better world for your children, you want to help people, and still, no matter what you do, one thing remains; every human being dies anyway, in spite of all the things you may try to do for them. It is not the will of God that you make this a better world. It is not the will of God that you improve on God's work. It is the will of God that you see that this world is not the kingdom of God. We have substituted human ideas for the ideas of God. We have substituted what we think God ought to think. And so, we continue like the moth. We do our very best. You may win a Nobel prize in literature or science. You may have lived a full, full life, and have contributed to society, you may have done many wonderful things, and many philanthropies, but that's not enough. Nothing is enough until you have re-conceived and followed the way of Mary, instead of the way of Eve. Mary seeks God. Eve hides from God. Mary seeks within, Eve seeks without.

The nature of the human mind is being shown to us as seeking without. We want to do good out there, we want to help out there, we want to succeed out there, that's Eve. Because Eve is deceived by the serpent she becomes the moth trying to get through the window pane to the light, and when she gets to the light, there's no value in it. When she gets to her pledges, there's no value in them. All she succeeds in doing is being trapped by the mind, the serpent.

We, automatically, in seeking to make a better human life for ourselves, are trapped by the serpent. That is not the way of Christ. Mary does none of these things. Mary multiplies the Lord within, and Eve diminishes the Lord without. But unless you know that Eve is you, your human mind, your human sense of life, you think you're reading a story going back thirty-five hundred years. The human mind says, "how could that be me, I'm a good person. I'm not a sinner." You think, and ask yourself if there's any person on earth who's

really any better than Eve was. What did she do? She's not there as a sinner. She's there to show us the nature of the automatic human mind. It goes outside. It never goes within. And it dies outside, and its children die. And then it shows us Mary who goes within, and her Christ child does not die.

The birth of Christ in you is previewed by the birth of Christ Jesus in Mary. The death of you is previewed by the death of Cain, by the death of Abel, through Cain, by the death of all of the children of Eve, who is called the mother of this world. The mother of all living, the meaning of that is that whoever is born of the flesh must suffer the curse of Eve. Whoever is born of the Spirit is blessed instead. In Mary, in her going within to her Soul, you are taught that your blessing comes only when you have been born first of Eve, then re-conceived in yourself as Mary did, and bring forth the Christ child.

It would shock religion to discover that the Bible has been saying all these years that the God of religion does not exist. You see, the serpent presents to Mary no problem whatsoever, because Mary sees no serpent. Mary looks within. There's no serpent there. But Eve looks without and sees a serpent, and the serpent presents to her, a false God. The human mind presents a false God to the individual, so that this God says; "do not eat of the tree of good and evil." And the serpent says in the same breath, "it's all right, you can." But God says,

"Do not eat of it or you will die," and the serpent says, "If you eat of it you will not surely die."

The contradiction between the Lord God and the serpent is the duality of man which comes forth as the sleep of Adam, and finally the birth of Eve. And now you're looking at one Self and Spirit, through Moses, is showing you that your outer Eve self, and your inner Adam self are divided - right now! If you are still under the belief that you are material being, you are reliving the Adam and Eve story in your consciousness. And not until Jesus on the cross is approached by the Centurions, who pick a spear up, and one hits him right where the rib of Adam was, and out spurts blood and water. This is the symbol that rebirth was taking place. The breach of the rib is being mended by the Spirit, and they cannot break his bones, the bones of his leg. You cannot break the bones of the leg because the Divine image is not breakable.

Now, way from the rib of Adam up to the spear of Longinus which enters the ribcage of Jesus, we are being taught that we must do the same. That which first was the birth through water must become the birth through water and the blood, and whatever you do in your human way to improve your humanhood has nothing whatsoever to do with your primary purpose.

And that is to prepare now through the birth of Christ in you, for your next experience in life.

Those of us who have caught the vision of preparation for our next experience, can look at a different way of living, a different direction than the normal human being. The average person has come here to stuff as much as he can into a lifespan, figuring he's going to get old some day, he's going to end someday, and he wants to get it all, as quickly and as well as he can, and he thinks he's protecting his children by building their security. But he's substituting his will for God's will. You're in the fourth world. If you remain stagnant, the rib of Adam is not healed. Eve lives your life, and Eve dies, because the first child of Eve must always slay the second. The first child is a symbol of the material self, the first birth. And it, in every human being you know, prevents the birth of the second child. It slays the second child. It slays the second birth. That was the symbol of Cain and Abel.

And we, who want to move on in the will of the Father, know that our next experience is in the fifth world, not the fourth. The incarnating rib must be overcome. The outer material self must be seen to be a no thing. It is our function through Mary, the Soul, to enter the fifth realm, the fifth day of Genesis, which opens us to the sixth, which is Spirit, and to the seventh, which is pure Consciousness, or Christ. And you cannot do this if your life is devoted to building your humanhood, because the human mind does not know the way through to the fifth world. It is Eve. It is cursed.

And so, only through your capacity to open yourself to the birth of Christ, can the Christ from the seventh heaven lift you into the world of Soul, the fifth world, and finally up to the seventh world. And you can only do this, this inner journey, through the invisible Christ of your own being. In other words, if you do not live here, now in the kingdom of God where Christ is, Christ in you is not realized, is not born into your consciousness, and there's no way for you to go beyond the fourth level. You are what is called a branch that is cut off, stagnant.

Now, Nicodemus was in his eighties, there'd be no point telling him that he had to be reborn, except that it was a reminder to all of us that we have a job to do here, which is quite different than we had suspected. If you were in high school right now, and you wanted to be a lawyer, you wouldn't expect to graduate high school and go right into the bar. You'd know you have to go to college, and then you have to go beyond to law school. We can't step out of this incarnation into the kingdom of God without preparation. You can't just die here and walk into the kingdom of God. You can't step out of high

school and become a lawyer. You've got to prepare, and this lifespan is a preparation for your next life experience. And the way you prepare for it is to live that life experience here, now.

If you want to walk in the kingdom of God tomorrow, you've got to walk in it today. You've got to prepare for it. And the preparation that we have all been perfectly willing to ignore, is that Christ in you is the only mind that knows the way. And so, I want you to practice daily, finding that Self of you which is alive, and then letting yourself live from that Self. You'll find it's quite a shift in your Consciousness. As you reject mortality, as you reject the serpent mind which says, it's alright you can go ahead and eat evil, as you reject the concepts of that mind, as you accept that there is a living Self where you are, and that you're going to inhabit it, that you're going to open out a corridor for that living Self to express. As you refer your life back to that living Self, and let it express more and more, you will become aware of an entirely new Self. It will think things that you have no way of thinking. It knows infinity. It knows eternality. It knows God aright. It doesn't let itself be deceived by the appearance of evil. It doesn't worship a god who permits evil. It doesn't worship a god who has no power over cyclones and disasters, and blizzards. It doesn't worship a god who permits death.

There is a totally different Self, and it is your Self. And only when you are willing to dwell on that level frequently, frequently enough for it to burst into life within you, will you discover what Moses had in mind. He was teaching the world that without a second birth, a virgin birth within us, man lives in a world not created by God, in a world that he thinks is so real, but it is merely a dream of his imagination. He had no way of speaking those words to the anti-Christ mind because it wouldn't listen. He had to use symbols of the outer man and the inner man. Symbols of the world mind posing as a serpent, showing how the world mind automatically feeds false forbidden fruit to the mind of man, showing how man in his innocence eats this forbidden fruit, these false thoughts of mortality, of materiality, of human birth, of time, of atoms, of space, and lives a completely false lifespan which to him is perfectly normal, even though he knows at the end of it he dies. And all the time scripture is saying, "To know God aright is life eternal." But you can't know God unless you know where God is, in the kingdom of God.

Now, many people you know, have no capacity to know that Christ can be born in them. And others would think you are foolish if you told them that you have learned how to live in heaven. But God is in heaven, and if you are not in heaven, you are separated from God. Wherever God is, the Christ is, and therefore the Christ is in heaven. And if you are not in heaven you are

separated from the Christ. Who is this self who is separated from the Christ? It's Eve, the outer self, the material self. And so, let's get the picture straight. Each of us has been born of woman, that's the first birth. Mary was not content to be born of woman. Mary now had to re-conceive. Eve had a physical husband, Mary does not have a physical husband. And that is to show you that in your re-conception we're not talking now about a second birth through parents, we're talking about a second birth which is an inner birth. First born of woman, and then re-conceived within one's self without a physical husband; a virgin birth within you, is what is being taught.

That virgin birth within you is the way to live in the kingdom of heaven, and there is no other way. You cannot live in the kingdom of heaven with your mouth, or your good intentions, or even your sincerity, or your desire to dedicate yourself to God. You can only live in the kingdom of heaven by reconceiving through virgin birth, the inner Christ. And then you will find the Divine image in which you were created, where the bones cannot be broken. Until you find the Divine image of yourself in which the bones cannot be broken, you are Eve coming out of that rib of Adam. And that is the symbol of physical incarnation.

There is no Holy Ghost in the world, only in the kingdom. There is no Comforter in the world, only in the kingdom. There are no fruits of the Spirit in the physical world, only in the kingdom of Spirit. There is no life eternal in the world, only in the kingdom of Spirit, and there is no God in the world, only in the kingdom of God - Spirit. There was one tree, Mary saw the one tree, the tree of life, and without a physical husband she re-conceived within. There was only one tree, but Eve in us sees the other tree. There is only one kingdom, but Eve in us sees the earth, where only the kingdom is. The earth is our concept of the kingdom through the Eve mind. The forbidden fruit is not sex, the forbidden fruit is not human desire. **The forbidden fruit is this world**. We are all eating forbidden fruit. Christ does not live in the world. Christ does not eat forbidden fruit. "Eat of my flesh," says the Christ. And you'll find that the word 'eat' and the word 'sleep,' and the word 'serpent' are all key words.

We who live as mortals beings are as asleep as Adam. We are in bodies that have been cursed, and the curse is that they must die. But, just as sun shines through the water, we can re-conceive to the body that does not die. This is the command of the Father to each of us that we have ignored. We cannot ignore it. It is the only activity in which we can engage, through which we can fulfill the command of God.

Now, when you have made up your mind that you must find the living Self of you that never dies, and live out of it, you'll find a new depth in your meditations. You won't be satisfied to meditate in order to find a parking place, or to meditate in order to have something good happen in your life. That won't be your purpose. Your purpose will be to relinquish the mind of Eve, to relinquish the human lifespan, to relinquish the dream, and to trust that there is a kingdom of God within you which is called Christ. And to wait patiently until all of you that is human dissolves in your Consciousness, and only Christ stands there. Until I Christ, in you, establish that I am present, alive, real, that I am sent of the Father, that I am not tomorrow, I am today, that I am the now Christ of your being, that there's nothing for you to become, that you are. It is done. It is finished. It is now. This is your Self.

When you re-conceive, and this Self grows within you, you are on your way to the fifth world. "They will never break your bones." It means that you will never have to reincarnate. It means that the curse of Eve is broken, you have transcended material birth. You have accepted, and you have realized the need for a virgin birth within you, a second birth, a second self, which is really the Self that you were before the world began. Jesus buried, is Adam returning. Adam comes into time appearing as Eve. Jesus is buried, and this is his return through, out of time, returning to eternity. We are going through time, returning to eternity through the knowledge of Christ within. That is our function, and you may not win a Nobel prize doing it, you may not make any great discoveries for the world, but you will be fulfilling the greatest command of the Father. "Be ye reborn of My Spirit."

In the preparation for this work for these two or three days, I discovered that the Spirit had already established Itself as the identity of everyone who is here. There wasn't any question but that the Spirit of you, and you, and you, the one Spirit, had picked us all up from wherever we were, and put us on a ferry, put us on a plane and sent us over the water, and pointed in a certain direction and said, "There is where I want you at this particular time, because I want to tell you that I am in the midst of you." And I want to tell you that anything you do which is not in the awareness that I am in the midst of you, is not an ordained act, and is not protected by the Spirit of your being. Whatever you do that is not independent of the Spirit of your being, but is one with that which is in the midst of you, is an ordained act, and is fully supported by the inner Spirit.

We are learning to put substance into the things that we do by letting them be ordained by the Spirit, and performed and perfected by the Spirit. We are learning that it is not our function to initiate anything without Spiritual

ordainment first. And we are learning that in a way that puts substance into the things we do, so that our deeds bear testimony to the inner Spirit of God.

I would like you to know, not intellectually, but through the inner stillness, a phrase that you can prove out to yourself for the balance of this lifespan and in everything you do from this point on. And that phrase is this: GOD NEVER MAKES MISTAKES. Eve didn't know that. She thought evil existed. She thought God comes and God goes. She thought there were times when God is absent. She thought there were two creators. But we know there is only one Creator, and Its work is finished, and It never makes mistakes. If you know that God never makes mistakes and is the only Creator, you will find that you can look at alleged mistakes, and something in you will say, who made this mistake? God is the only creator. Who is there who can create mistakes? What am I looking at? I am looking at not an external evil, and now this is the point; you are not looking at somebody else's disease or disaster; it isn't there.

God never makes mistakes. God never creates evil. God never creates disease. God never creates disaster. God never creates a bad business. God never creates a pain in your back. God never creates death. What are you looking at? You see, as a human being, this is an automatic thing you see. But you're not looking at it. You are not looking at that. The serpent mind is looking at that. The serpent mind is looking at disease. You think you are looking at it, but you're not. That's the nature of the serpent mind. That's the nature of the mind revealed in the Adam and Eve story. What Eve saw wasn't there. The serpent wasn't there, the tree of good and evil wasn't there. She was looking through the serpent mind, the world mind, the mind that isn't. And every time you look at a disease or a disaster, you are not seeing it, the false self of you is seeing it. God didn't create it. God is the only creator. God does not make mistakes.

Now, if you can catch the hypnotism of a mind that sees what God did not create you will realize that Moses was teaching you that the human mind was not created by God. You've been depending on it. You've been looking out with it. You've been identifying the world with it. You've been making your dreams with it. And that mind is not the mind of Christ. It is the anti-Christ mind, and is the mind of most of the people who walk this earth, even while they want to do good. They simply have no knowledge that the serpent in the Bible is the world mind in them, which makes them think there's a world of good and evil where only God's creation is, makes them think there's a tree of good and evil where only the tree of life is, makes them think there is an earth where only the kingdom of God is.

Now, if you can catch that tonight, that every evil you see is not only not external, not only in your mind, but it is in a mind that is the serpent in the Bible. And that mind is presenting an evil that does not exist, and is confirming the presence of the evil that it itself has created within only itself. It is out of that mind that you must step. That is another reason for virgin birth and realizing the identity of Christ as your Self. In the mind that was in Christ Jesus there is no serpent mind, there is no evil seen.

Now, this is one of the finest hairline points there are. And I know from experience with myself that you fall right back into the serpent mind and identify evil, and never can Christ identify evil. Only serpent mind, because it is the creator of the evil it identifies. It is the creator of the human form, which ultimately it kills. That is the curse of Eve. The form created by the human mind is killed by the human mind.

I told you we would be walking a difficult path tonight, and I'm asking you to look at your own mind and see that you have been entertaining the serpent unawares. Oh, there have been beautiful times when you lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, but not enough times. And you cannot do it as a human being. As long as you depend on the human mind you're depending on the serpent. That is the greatest trick of all. It says, "depend on me, I'll take you out of Egypt," but it has no intention of doing so. There is no cancer on this earth. It only appears to the serpent mind. There are no retarded children on this earth, they appear to the serpent mind. We think we're seeing them, but the serpent mind is seeing them, the mind that is not the Christ mind; that's the mind of the third dimension of consciousness. When you're lifted to the fourth dimension of Consciousness, and you look not out of the serpent mind, you'll see the Divine image and likeness of the Father in which there is no retarded child, in which there is no cancer, in which there is no death.

So, we have come a long way. We know we're to make the Word flesh, we know that the Divine image is Divine flesh, we know that we were created in the Divine image and likeness of the Father, and are Divine flesh, but we have a physical concept which we drag around from lifespan to lifespan only because we have not developed the discipline to live in, to talk to, to commune with, that Self of us which is undying, and to step out of that self of us which is dying.

And you can pinpoint this as a goal, to live in the undying Self, to let everything that comes to your attention come into that side of you which is undying, instead of that side of you which is dying. You will find you can

separate the wheat from the chaff much better. You'll find you're living from a higher altitude, you'll find that you have no fear or doubt, or concern about tomorrow, that these were part of the false self of the serpent mind.

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When you refuse to be the child of Eve, the child of matter, the child of mortality, the child who was cursed by the Lord God, when you see that the serpent mind can never know God, that Eve was fed, not about God, but information about a false self. Eve was fed information about a false god, a god who isn't, not a God of love, not a God of wisdom, not a God who is omnipresent, not a God who is omnipotent. As long as we have that mind we are going to be fooled the same way. Crucifixion took place through Jesus Christ before the physical crucifixion that the world saw. When this body reappears with the wounds, its purpose is to show us that it is the same Self that walked the earth before the crucifixion. And this same Self which walked the earth before the crucifixion was the invisible Divine Self born of a virgin, whose legs could not be broken, whose life is eternal, a Divine Self that is ever present.

GOD NEVER MAKES MISTAKES. Every mistake you look at is an image in your mind. And the mind in which that image is, is the serpent mind. It is the mind that does not exist, and therefore, you must learn to defend against the mind that does not exist, which identifies evil that does not exist. And we can do it only by the willingness to transcend that mind, to accept, that when the Father says;

"Thou art my son, this day I have begotten thee,"

"All that I have is thine,"

that there must be a place, a Consciousness, in which the truth of this becomes known to you, realized, and expressed, to dissolve the false images of evil, lack, limitation, disease, disaster, death, that appear in the false mind, which is the antithesis of the real mind of Christ.

There must be such a Consciousness, or the Father would never say, "It is my good pleasure to give you the kingdom." And you could say, "well how can you give me the kingdom when I have this malignancy, I have this physical problem, I have this wrong, and that wrong, I thought you wanted to give me the kingdom?" You're missing it. The point is, that what the Father

wants to do, is done. You have been given the kingdom. And in the false mind you do not know how to accept it. You have been given the kingdom of God. It is the pleasure of the Father to give you the kingdom. Seek ye the kingdom that the Father has given you.

What is that kingdom? Where is it? You're substituting your own will, and not accepting that you're in it. You're eating forbidden fruit. You're tempted to believe you're not in the kingdom. Everything that tempts you out of the kingdom is forbidden fruit. Which tree does the fruit come from? The forbidden fruit comes from the belief in matter, a selfhood that is not the Spirit of God. But the Self that is the Spirit of God does not have forbidden fruit.

Now, watch again, how closely you have ignored God. You say your friend is dying. There is no death in the kingdom of God. You have just said that you're not in the kingdom. You have been tempted by the serpent to walk out of the kingdom of God. That's exactly what happened to Eve. Everything that is untrue that you accept, is your being bated and trapped into accepting the temptation to step out of the kingdom. If you think you are going to die, you've just said that you're not in the kingdom of God. And you will die. But if you know you're in the kingdom of God, where death cannot occur, how can you die? You know there's no aging process in the kingdom of God. All these blizzards that we saw the other day, and the hurricanes, and floods and fires, are they in the kingdom of God? Where did they happen? In a serpent mind, no other place. Where does a woman have a still birth? In the serpent mind. Where does any evil occur? In the serpent mind.

And every time you accept that which is not the creation of God as happening, you have merely stepped out of the kingdom of God. You've been tempted to eat forbidden fruit. Moses knew all this. He was telling us, "do not be tempted out of the kingdom. Don't try to enter the kingdom. You're in it. Just learn how not to leave it, that's all. You're in it." The kingdom of God is within you. You're in it. It's in you. Now, can you be faithful enough to the kingdom, never to leave it by accepting that which cannot be present in the kingdom? Is that clear? If that which cannot be present in the kingdom is not accepted by you, you are not eating forbidden fruit, you are not tempted out of the kingdom. And you will find that when you stop eating forbidden fruit, when you stop letting yourself be tempted for one second, out of the kingdom, you are starving the serpent mind. It will not survive. You will cast it out. When you starve the serpent mind, you're taking no material thought. You're believing on Him whom to know aright is life eternal. You're believing on Me, Christ in the midst of you, and the works that I do, ye shall do, and greater works.

You see how subtle it is? The serpent is subtle, making you believe what is not, and that's the way you step out of the kingdom. But if you don't step out, the law of the kingdom, the power of the kingdom, the glory of the kingdom functions Itself where you stand. GOD NEVER MAKES MISTAKES. God says to you, "marvel not that I say ye be reborn," first of the blood, first of the water, rather, and then of the blood. And then God sends forth the Spirit of God to demonstrate to you, the mistakes of Eve for which she is banished, and the rectification of those mistakes through Mary as a guide, and then the living Jesus Christ walking the earth as your visible Spirit, demonstrating to you what happens, what miracles occur, when instead of accepting the image that shines forth as a cripple, as a leper, as a thief, as a blind man, you refuse to be tempted out of the present kingdom of God where these things do not occur. And you look at them and you say, "who convinceth me?" How can they occur here in the kingdom of God where I am?

And then you are feeding Christ within you, and starving the serpent. And that Christ you feed within you, by your fidelity to the fact that this is the kingdom of God, that Christ will reveal to you that this is the kingdom, and this is the eternal life. It will reveal to you the universe that is now, not the universe that floats in time. You have that power, not to step out of the kingdom, while the world is waiting, and waiting and waiting for it, you are in it, and do not step out of it. Then when you cease eating forbidden fruit, you will find the tree of life with its twelve fruits.

Whoever has not heard tonight that they must learn to live in the life of them which is alive now and can never die, that they must find that aliveness, that individual is going to remain under the curse which is spoken of in the second and third chapters of Genesis, that serpent which recreates the kingdom of God into fractional images in time, which we have accepted through our ignorance, that serpent which enters us and poses as our mind and confirms its own false creation. Forbidden fruit must be recognized, as that temptation to step out of the kingdom into the belief of a material world, made of those qualities and quantities which were not in the perfection of God. They have no existence, and if you will not bite at the bait, you will find that Christ in you becomes more active in your daily experience.

Again, we're going to meditate, we're going to find a place in Consciousness which is willing to crucify the belief in evil, willing to say, "There is no evil in my Father's kingdom. And this is my Father's kingdom." There is no age, there is no bad health, there is no injustice, there is no disease, there is no destruction in the kingdom of God, and this is my Father's kingdom. There is

no physical person in my Father's kingdom. There is only His living Spirit, and this is my Father's kingdom.

If there is a you that can say this and understand it, and believe it, and then know it, that you is Christ. And that you is the one who should hear whatever is spoken to you. That you is the one who should speak when you speak. Only as you let that you live Itself, will you find that you truly are in the kingdom of God now. And I'd like you to make a test. There's plenty of opportunity to do it. At the first evil that comes to your attention, whether it's a lack, or a limitation, or a pain, or it may even be what is called a chronic condition, it is your function to look at it, and to know consciously, that this is not a creation of God, because God never makes mistakes. Two, it cannot actually exist, even though it may seem to be something that is mine for a lifetime. It cannot exist if it is not God's creation. And therefore, it can only exist, three, in a mind which cannot see what is there. And finally, all that is there is the invisible image and likeness of God, and that is my identity.

Now, the mind will try to stray, the mind will try to revert to the belief it had, but that mind that wants to do this, you must hold still until this gels into a living conviction, until you touch that other level of yourself which knows. Truth never stops being truth. I, made in the image and likeness of God, am here now. I'm not something in the future. I am perfect as my Father. This that I see, I do not see, the serpent mind sees it. And I am going to rise above that serpent mind. How? There isn't any. There never was a serpent mind. That is the nature of the dream. The non-mind which sees what God did not create, does not exist. I will accept that there is only one mind, one mind, the Divine mind is the only mind present. That which sees evil is a non-mind

Now, I can't take it away, or move it away. It isn't there. And I must rest in that knowledge until the mind that is here replaces the non-mind, the serpent mind, until the Christ mind shows through the miracle of Christ presence, that that which I thought was there is not there at all. I don't see that blind man anymore. He sees. I don't see the starving multitudes, they are fed. Why? Because the serpent mind has been lifted in the wilderness. You have lifted yourself above the non-mind to behold through the mind of God, that which you really are. You must do this at the first evil you see, the second, the third, until it becomes normal for you to know that I don't see error, the serpent mind looking through me is seeing error. And I'm going to rise above this serpent mind by accepting only the mind of God is present, until in my total stillness, the mind of God can reveal Its creation, my perfect Self, my neighbour's perfect Self. Your fidelity to this day by day is feeding the Christ.

Your fidelity to it is your way of remaining in kingdom in spite of every appearance. And then you're not committing Spiritual adultery.

Now, I know that this is clear, understandable, and that if practiced, it will open you to that Self which says, "I am the Way. I knock. I stand at the door and knock." If you open out a way by fidelity to refuse to leave this kingdom, you'll find Christ will walk into your presence.

Well, that's it. We'll resume at ten in the morning, and I'll look forward to seeing you then.

## CLASS 2

## INSTRUMENTS OF GOD

Merb: We've learned that the body of Adam was broken into two bodies, to tell you that you have two bodies, an invisible body and a visible body, and I hope you have learned to accept that. Your invisible body is eternal. Your visible body dies. Your invisible life is the invisible Adam. Your visible form is Eve. One perishes. You must step out of that which perishes before it perishes, and your duty, your sacred responsibility to every child that you bring into this earth is to teach it that it must be reborn of the Spirit. All you can bring it into is the first birth. It must be brought into the second birth through itself. If you can do that for a child you have fulfilled the will of the Father.

As within, so without. Your inner Consciousness of the Presence of God is the secret of all scripture and of all living in the Kingdom of God. Whenever you are conscious of the Presence of God, you are in the Kingdom of God. Whenever you are unconscious of the Presence of God, you are asleep. Whenever you accept an individual as being outside the Kingdom of God, you are also asleep.

I'll have to put the light on to show you this. This is the newspaper, several days before Easter. It reads on one front page, just one front page: Midwest paralyzed, assaulted by tornadoes and blizzards; Rockies shaken by huge quake; Six escape death as wind batters sea; Ford fears big deficit in budget; Brother rescues family from burning home. That's all there is on the front page, nothing else, except the tornadoes, the blizzards, the disasters, the budget deficits. Who's the publisher of that paper, God? That isn't all. There's a center spread. Hospital clinics, breast cancer, doubles in screenings, arthritis foundation party, divorce; second section.

You see the barrage that's constantly forcing itself into your Consciousness? That was two days before Easter, and then on Easter the Vatican prayed and celebrated the risen Christ. I wonder where Christ rose that day? The day after, there was more of the same, and then the Vatican issued a statement. It's statement was that you must bear all of your earthly sufferings in light of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. On the same day the Attorney General announced that crime in the United States had risen 19%, and he went into all the gory details of what kinds of crime.

We cannot take the world of God lightly. We cannot accept our earthly sufferings in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. That is a copout. That is a fraud. That has no truth. That is a denial of the Presence of God. Can you imagine saying, let us wait until God comes back before we put our house in order? Let us wait for the second coming of God. Is that any different than waiting for the second coming of Christ? Do you see that when we say we must bear our earthly ills in light of the Resurrection, that we are putting God into tomorrow? We are putting Resurrection into tomorrow. We are wasting our present life in the hope of tomorrow.

We cannot wait for God to return. We must accept a now God, and that means a now Christ. The nowness of God and the nowness of Christ is the very opposite of all religious teaching and the opposite of all that you will read in the newspapers, or the magazines, or the television programs that come blasting into your living room. They are not talking about the nowness of God. They're talking about everything but that. As within, so without. These tornadoes and blizzards and breast cancers and hurricanes and fires and divorces are the withoutness of our own withiness. Our withiness is preaching the absence of God, and in the absence of God we experience the absence of the power of God, the absence of the harmony of God, the peace of God, the Presence of God. Unless we have accepted God within, we will not experience God without.

And so we teach criminals that they must be rehabilitated, and our whole pressure on them is to make them learn something, to make them obey, but who are we trying to make them obey? We are not trying to make them obey God within, because we have not learned ourselves to obey God within.

Now, when you teach the future God, the future Christ, the Christ who will return, you are preaching separation from Christ now. When you are not accepting unification now, oneness now, integration now, there is no channel through which you can become an instrument for God. You know that everyone here, everyone in every prison in the world, everyone everywhere, has been invited to be an instrument for God. That is why the kingdom of God is placed in the midst of us, that we may express it, that we may step aside and say, "Father, let your kingdom come." And it seems rather contradictory to speak of a future Christ, a future God, an absent God, an up there God, when the very God we speak of has given us the perfect prayer.

Do you know the beginning of the prayer in Latin? I mention it in Latin because it's the church that teaches in Latin occasionally, and the prayer is

there and it reads: Fiat voluntas tua. And that's our ,"Thy will be done". Thy will be done; fiat voluntas tua, but we forget the rest of the prayer. In Latin it reads: Sicut in coelo et in terra. The same, as in heaven, the same on earth. Thy will be done as in heaven on earth.

Now if we have been making this prayer for 2,000 years, why should it surprise us to find that there is heaven on earth? Why is it such a shock to us to find that this is heaven? For 2,000 years we've been asking for it. Thy will be done on earth as in heaven. How can the will of God be done on earth if it isn't heaven? And when it's done on earth, isn't earth heaven? And we're still praying for it to come. The whole psychology has been for us to pray for it to come, and you can see how wrong that psychology is. We have been asked to pray to God to send his kingdom. Isn't that ridicules? Is God going to wait for you to pray to send his kingdom to earth? Has God been waiting 2,000 years while we've been praying? Do you see the futility of such a foolish prayer when you don't understand it, and how that is not the intention of the Christ whatsoever? We're not asking God to send his kingdom; we're acknowledging its presence. It is. Before you ask I shall answer.

God's will, God's expression doesn't depend on you or me. The sunshine isn't waiting for us to pray. We don't say, send down the sunshine. Thy will be done doesn't mean please send your will to me. It means I acknowledge thy will in me and that I am standing aside. I am forsaking my second will, my human will, that thy will be done, not mine. I am not interfering. I am not standing in the way. I am not wandering off in a second will. Thy will be done means I have crucified myself. I have crucified my will. I have no will. "Thy will be done."

And thy will; what is thy will? How can you fulfill the will of the Father if you're not aware of what that will is? How can you be an instrument for that will, especially if you're busy with your own? "It is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." That is the will of the Father. Do you think the Father waited 2,000 years or 5 million for you to say, "All right, I will accept it?" "It is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." You have it. You have the kingdom because that is the Father's will. It is not a past will or a future will. The kingdom is not something you will inherit after you die. The Father gave you the will. The Father gave you the kingdom. It is in the midst of you. The kingdom and the will of God are in the midst of you. They were there before the foundations of the world. They were there before we were birthed into time and space. They are there now. It is the Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom is life eternal. It is the Father's good pleasure to give you life

eternal. That means you have been given life eternal. The Father's will is never in the future. It is the Father's pleasure to give you all that the Father has now while you are living, not after you die.

And do you see how religion has completely turned away from accepting the kingdom of God on earth? It's always a tomorrow kingdom. It's always be good now and after you die you'll go there, and we, even though we have felt an awareness of the Presence, we are influenced by this world thought, this placing our life in the tomorrow and the after life. One way or another we hear it all around us.

Now we also learned yesterday that our function is to walk in the kingdom. I want you to see how a thread runs through the Bible, which we have to acknowledge again and again. This time I'm taking you to Exodus. It's the 12<sup>th</sup> Chapter, the 43<sup>rd</sup> verse, up to the 45<sup>th</sup>, and listen and you'll find something that is going to become more familiar to you as we go along.

"And the Lord said unto Moses and Aaron, this is the ordinance of the Passover, there shall no stranger eat thereof."

Now this is a pass-over from one consciousness to another Consciousness, moving out of this human consciousness into the immortal Consciousness. That's the Passover Moses is talking about. "There shall no stranger eat thereof." A stranger is one who is strange to the Spirit; asleep to the Spirit, is a stranger. You cannot make the pass-over if you're asleep to the Spirit. If you're not living in the kingdom of God now, there is no transition. That should be clear to you. Transition means I am now in the kingdom of God. When the form passes I pass nowhere. I go right smack into the kingdom that I am living in. But if I'm living not in the kingdom of God when the form passes I stay where I am. You prepare now for the pass-over by living in the kingdom. Then you make transition, or else you're the branch cut off.

There was a time when this was, oh, startling and unbelievable, but now it seems incredible that people will continue to live unaware that they can make a transition into a deathless life out of the false sense of a life that does die. And that includes a transition out of all the false ills of the false life, and not in the future, but in the now of God. You see, God is already every tomorrow. All the tomorrows we talk about are tomorrows of the form, but God already is tomorrow, and as you enter deeper into God, you're entering into every tomorrow before it appears as tomorrow. I go before you.

As you enter into God, all of the false images of the world mind come head to head against the Consciousness of truth which dissolves them. The

miracle is always the Presence of God meeting the serpent mind and dissolving it so that the images conjured up by the re-creator, the deceiver, the liar, the five-sense mind, regardless of whether they have been 38 years old or 105 years old, or whether they happened at a certain date at a certain place, all of this is serpent mind. The moment the falseness meets the Consciousness of the Presence of God, not the words, but the Consciousness of the Presence of God, all that is unlike God is dissolved. All that remains is the image and likeness of the Father.

The Passover; no strangers can eat there, and the word "eat" is significant because strangers eat forbidden fruit. Those who are not strange to Spirit eat a different kind of fruit. They eat the fruit of the Spirit, and the word "eat" you see, now, becomes a symbol for what your mind feeds upon. If your mind feeds upon this world of matter, you're eating the forbidden fruit. If your mind feeds upon the inner Self, the inner Reality, the truth of God's Word, then you're eating not as a stranger, but you're supping at the table of Christ.

"But every man servant that is brought for money when thou has circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof."

And again the word 'circumcision' means one who has entered into the secret inner chamber of his own Soul. When we take this as a physical thing we miss the point. There's even a phrase in here that the heart must be circumcised. We have completely missed the point by taking words and just giving them finite human material meanings. Another word for circumcised is the washed as against the unwashed. Those have been washed in the living waters of Salome.

Of course Moses' people didn't understand this, but he wasn't writing for them. He was writing as a permanent record for those who would walk with God. He wasn't writing for any race or any color or any creed. He was writing because the Spirit of God through him was expressing, and inviting all to be instruments of God.

"A foreigner, an enhired servant, shall not eat thereof."

And the foreigner again is one who is a stranger, asleep to Christ. To eat thereof means to sup at the living Word of revelation within you. To receive directly of the inner Spirit, and if we are foreigners we are separated in consciousness. If we are the prodigal returned, if we have dissolved within us that self will which strays out into a mind of our own, a life of our own, a body of our own, if that is dissolved, we are no longer foreigners. But rather, we are definitely fed by the Infinite. We become transparent channels

through which infinity, the invisible kingdom, expresses itself through us through as that which we call Grace, and the Passover is then accomplished by Christ within, who takes us across the Jordan.

"In one house shall it be eaten. Thou shalt not carry forth out of the flesh or brought out of the house, neither shall ye break a bone thereof."

You heard that yesterday in one of the Psalms. Neither shall ye break a bone thereof. Now then, any one of us can have a bone broken in our material bodies. When you are told neither shall ye have a bone broken thereof, you were told that you have a body in which bones cannot be broken, you are being told about your invisible Spiritual body, not so that you can live here in a material body and hope that after you die you're going into a Spiritual body, but so that you can learn to live here in a Spiritual body now and make the pass over.

It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom of life eternal. It cannot be lived in a body that dies, can it? It can only be lived in a body that does not die. Life eternal is lived in a life eternal body. A body where the bones cannot be broken, and you say, how can I do it? That's fine; that's just what Spirit wants you to say. How can you do it? You cannot, and the only way it can be done is if you learn to let Christ do it. The choice is laid right in your lap. You either let Christ do it, or it isn't done. You either let Christ take you into life eternal, or you forget life eternal.

The kingdom of God cannot be entered into by a human being, and the will of God cannot be expressed by a human being. When you say you want to be an instrument for God, you must also know that God has no human instruments. You may appear to be an instrument for God at one time, but it will not be because you are a human being, it will be because you have found a body in which the bones cannot be broken. The kingdom of God within you is the living Spiritual body of you, and if you cannot pay the price, you cannot walk in it. The price is severe.

God is not depending on your human sense of goodness or your human sense of capacities and talents of your own. The kingdom of God is totally independent of your humanhood. It cannot be swayed by you or bought by you. The price you pay is to give up your humanhood. You have to decide whether it's worthwhile for you to do so. If you want the kingdom of God and the Spiritual body, thy will be done means, I have crucified my human selfhood. I am making every effort that my will be your will, and I am changing the will that I have so that the only will that I have is that thy will be

done. And therefore, thy will is my will. There is no other will here but the one will of the Father.

And finally, there is no other presence here but the one presence of the Father. That's the price; "Sell all thou hast." There must be a surrender that is unconditional, a surrender that has no reservations, a surrender that takes you right into Gethsemane with a perfect willing heart and a perfect total trust. Your surrender is based upon one fact; God is here. The difficulty of the surrender is the disbelief in God being here. We have all been unable to make the total surrender, because in us is a fear that God is not here. When we are totally aware that God is here, there's no surrender necessary. There it is; God is here. Who else is here? God is here. There's no one to surrender. There's nothing to surrender. God is here. The kingdom of God within you is God itself.

Dwell now for a moment on one of the great releases that you can give yourself into a freedom that is beyond our capacity to fully realize. God is not only here, but God is conscious. We say we are conscious, but we are only conscious of the things that are going on inside these four walls. I don't know what's on the other side of the wall. I know what was there before I came in, but I don't know what's happened since. I don't know what's in the sky. I don't know who's walking in the street. I really could only know what's in this room and not that too well, because I can't see the invisible. Even when I open my eyes I won't see God here, and that's all that's here.

But let's go further now and see that God is conscious and let's let that sink in. What does that mean? How can we learn to be aware that God here is conscious, just as I have been? Now suppose my little child is about to hurt himself and I am conscious of it. Am I going to sit there and watch? Am I going to fold my hands behind my back and let that child hurt itself? Am I not going to make an effort to do something about it? If the child is hungry will I not feed it? If the child aches will I not try to soothe it? If it lacks will I not try to fulfill it? Why? Because I'm conscious of those things. Then, what about the Father who is here? Is not the Father conscious of every need that we might have?

Then why are there blizzards? Why are there tornadoes? Why are there divorces? Why are there these things we see? Is not the Father conscious? Is the Father less conscious than we, or more? Are we getting the message? If the Father is not doing something about these things we see, hasn't someone hypnotized us into seeing what God does not see? Do you see the meaning of the serpent mind? That it recreates the kingdom of God into appearances

that God does nothing about because God does not see them even though God here is conscious, and God does not stop them or prevent them even though God is conscious. God does not stop the baby from hurting. God does not stop the assassin. God does not stop crime up 19%. Why? Because the serpent mind sees crime. That which is in the consciousness of man is what man experiences outside. The Consciousness of God which is all pervasive, and the only Consciousness here, sees none of these things because they exist only in the false belief of man.

If you think they are real you have lost God. You have a God who sees crime and stands aside and says, "Go to it, kill each other for all I care." There is no such God. Right where you are, in the middle of the Pacific is where you are right now, God is conscious. And if you were alone in the middle of the Pacific without an island, God would still be conscious where you are. And soon you must learn that the life of you of which God is conscious is not the life you have accepted as your life. The life you have accepted is the life from which you must be reborn, because it is not your life. The life you have accepted is in the midst of the tornado, in the midst of the disasters, because it is part of the dream thought of the world mind. Your rebirth is to step out of that life and be alive, because you have stepped out.

To step out of that life does not mean going anywhere, as far as geography is concerned. It means stepping into the timeless nature of Being. So you stand, aware that God is here, conscious, and you can deny this consciously or unconsciously, and in that moment you have stepped out of the will of God; you're no longer an instrument for God. Thy will be done means I am conscious of your Presence, conscious that you are conscious here, that you know all there is to know, that you can do and are doing all there is to do, and so aware am I of your present Consciousness that all on this earth is without power. There is no power on the earth other than the invisible power of God. It can wipe out a city. It can wipe out a person. It can wipe out a nation, but you in your awareness that only God is power, and only God is present, and only God is life, must be able to look at this wiping out of men, of nations, and look through the mesmerism and know that because God is conscious and God is power, I am only looking at the world mind through the eyes of the serpent; through the eyes of the world which is not aware that God is here and God is conscious.

All of the world-oriented psychology to believe in a God of tomorrow must be dropped from your Consciousness in the acceptance of a God of today; a God of here-ness and nowness; a God whose love is infinite, in whom there can be no crime, no hate, no violence, no lack, no limitation, no

evil. That is your function as an instrument of God; to be an instrument for the Presence of God by your awareness of God's presence.

If you stray into the absence of God you become a part of the imagery of the serpent mind, which you see in the headlines every day. If you can withstand the appearances, but rather, go within, and remain within, and abide in the Presence of God, instead of the absence of God as the world does, you will walk through that fire and through that flood and through that tornado, and your bones will not be broken.

Now then, you must choose whether you want to be an instrument for God or not. You could be in a cell in San Quentin and still have the opportunity. "Today I take thee into paradise." Every criminal in the world should hear those words. That meant Christ within you is ready; are you ready? But who can explain this? Who can teach the living Christ when the world is teaching the dead Christ, the tomorrow Christ, the future Christ? Only those who have been touched can hear it. And so unconditional is your surrender to this truth of Christ within, God within, the kingdom within, the power within, that it matters not what appears at all anywhere. The truth doesn't change.

And so in Gethsemane we see Jesus Christ praying. I received a letter: What do you think Jesus Christ was thinking about as he prayed in Gethsemane? That was the letter. Spirit was teaching us. There is no power in this world. Spirit was teaching us that we are not living in that physical form. Spirit was teaching us that we have a body that cannot be broken. Spirit was teaching us never to lose sight of the Presence of God. The Presence of God in your Consciousness is freedom, because it expresses the will of God, and the will of God is to give you the kingdom. And so, though the world says, "look, they're coming to crucify him," you are being taught that the one who they think is to be crucified is the only one aware that he is not to be crucified. He cannot be. He is teaching us, even though crucifixion seems near, and you can translate this into personal death; seems near, how can it be? Is not God present? Is not God my life? Is not God conscious? Is it not the Father's good pleasure to give me the kingdom? Is not the kingdom of God within me? Will I deny all this and accept this appearance, or will I daily have been practicing the presence, the presence of my Father within me, so that this comes to a Consciousness that has no reaction?

And what if it's something that has happened in the past which I have accepted in my days of Spiritual ignorance? Must I still accept it today now that I have reached a state where I am ready and willing and able to make a

pass over? Can I not unsee the past just as well as the present? Can I not look back at ten previous lives and see that every error committed in them never happened? Error can never happen in the Presence of God.

I've had the most difficult time with people who'll say, "Well I had that accident. It was a terrible accident 18 years ago and I'm still suffering from it." You cannot remove the mental scars and so it's hard to remove the physical scars. Tomorrow's accident hasn't happened yet, and we can see that we haven't had tomorrow's accident, but we insist we've had yesterday's accident because we experienced it. But we experienced it in a moment when we were not living in the Consciousness of the Presence of God, and the Presence of God was present, is present, and it did not permit that accident to happen. There are no accidents in the Presence of God. You see, the accident doesn't happen, but in the absence of our awareness of the Presence, the accident seems to happen. When you are not in the Presence of God consciously, that which cannot happen in God seems to happen. It never happens. You suffer from the non-happening, which seems to happen because you have been absent from the Presence of God. As absent within, so absent without. That is the Xerox copy that matter automatically makes of your consciousness. You might just as well run it through a machine and out comes a copy of your consciousness in matter. But it never happens.

There has never been an accident in the kingdom of heaven. But you have thought that you are not in the kingdom of heaven. You have thought it because no one has told you that's where you are. If you had heard it within you would have known it. And the moment you were not aware that you were in heaven you had built a wall between yourself and God because God is in heaven, and if you're not, you're separated from God.

For 2,000 years we've been asking for heaven to come to earth and it's already here. We've been told to "Seek ye the kingdom of heaven" and we thought we had to seek it out there, not realizing the seeking meant, the kingdom of heaven being within you, seek it within you. Find it within you. It's there. And what is it, it's the Consciousness awareness that the Presence of God is all that's here; never absent, never ungodly, never ceasing to maintain its perfect Spiritual universe right where I stand.

In Gethsemane, the Master, appearing to as the form called Jesus awaits what the world calls crucifixion to teach us that we do not defend against the non-powers of the world. We do not have to defend against poverty, against lack, against disease, but rather, Father, in thy presence these do not happen. They seem to happen in thy absence, and the fact

that they appear now before me does not make them happen. And so the soldiers come and they are led by Judas, who kisses Jesus. This is to show you that the serpent mind of you always seems to be doing you a gracious act, it seems to be leading you somewhere. You trust it. It kisses you.

The serpent mind of you is the same Judas as the serpent in the Garden of Eden. The serpent mind of you is the one who says I was in that hospital for so many months; that was the bill I paid. I have this problem on this day, and I have this problem on that day, and these are the problems I have had throughout my life. That's the serpent mind; that's your friend Judas. He's convinced you these things happen, but when you rise through faith into your own Christ awareness, you're white as snow. You find you have been had by the world mind. It seduces the mind of man. It causes us all to enter into adultery in which we are unfaithful to God, unfaithful to the invisible presence. The very same presence to whom we have said "Thy will be done", is the one to whom we are unfaithful when we accept the physical problems of this world.

How can we say, "Thy will be done" and at the same time say this has happened to me, when we know that was not the will of the Father? Transcend. Transcend Gethsemane, because Gethsemane never happens. It only happens to the false sense of life that we carry over from day to day. Transcend Gethsemane. Gethsemane is the false you, the false you that seems to be in the problem, the false him that seemed to be at the point of being crucified. The Spirit knew better. The Spirit was teaching you to dwell within yourself for hours and hours and hours until the light comes through. How can they crucify the light of God? How could the light of God be in an accident? Whom have I accepted myself to be? That's why I had this problem. I was accepting myself to be another than the one I am.

Is that clear? The problem that you have is not the problem that you think you have. The problem you have is the belief in the human selfhood. That's your problem. The belief that you're still living inside the form, the belief that God created that form, when you know that the form that God creates must be as deathless as God, and therefore, you must disinherit the form. That's why rebirth is necessary.

Even the mother who gives birth to the child, she too must be reborn. The mother must be reborn and the child must be reborn; both. And it's the mother's function to teach that to the child. Each of us goes through two births; two bodies. The first into the flesh, the second, the virgin birth back to the awareness that I am the Spirit.

In the presence then, of God, we find a new life dawning in our Consciousness. If God is present, and I'd like you to join me in meditating on this, if God is present, then this must be heaven, and if you cannot find a way to accept that this is heaven, you have just lost your God, because wherever God is, heaven is. Heaven is not what we have been taught. Heaven is the Presence of God.

You, as an instrument of God, must learn to walk consciously in heaven, here, right here. Thy will be done in me. I am the earth. In me, as in heaven, and now with thy will in me, accepted, realized, understood, this is heaven. "The place whereon thou standest is heaven, holy ground," and as an instrument of the Father, you must let the Father do the work.

Every quality of God is pouring forth in the invisible heaven, the invisible kingdom of God where you stand. It will put meat on your table. It will pay the rent. It will do all of the so-called earthly things if you are conscious of it, because this is the tree of Christ, and its fruits are the fruits of the Spirit. They pour over-flowingly into your life if you accept that within me is the most precious gift of all, the living Divinement of God. It is my tree of life. As I worship it by acceptance, as I cherish it above all, it grows from within me and makes me Self-existent, so that every need flows forth from the invisible tree into the visible life.

Before, in some way, we had thought we were a pear on a pear tree. How silly wouldn't it be for the pear to say to the tree thy will be done, do your will, when the tree is already doing it? Let us change our thinking into the knowledge that God is already doing it, that we are not a pear on a pear tree. The life of that tree is our life. We are the tree. It is real, it is flowing, it is heavenly, it is Divine, it is the power of God expressing, and when the serpent mind tries to make us think something is missing, we simply know it isn't. We have faith in the invisible nature of God. We are instruments of the Father.

Unconditionally we accept the Presence, and that means that unconditionally we do not accept anything which tries to persuade us that there is no living perfect Presence here. Our first fidelity is to the Presence of God everywhere, within everyone. All else follows in the rhythm of God.

We are now feeding Christ within. We are bringing living waters to the Christ. "I thirst" says the Christ, "I thirst to be born in you, give me to drink."

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I'd like you to find a moment within which is a different kind of stillness, not just a quietness, but a stillness in which time itself does not move. For the moment you leave that stillness, that timelessness, the world mind automatically takes you into the flow of time, and without realizing it, you walk back into a human selfhood, and that human selfhood cannot stay awake. It falls asleep in atoms. It goes back into the atomic sleep.

Find that precious place where time is not moving within you, in a nowness that is as vast as the infinity of God, where you do not identify as a point of Consciousness, a form, a changing something, but rather as the allness of the One. And when you touch that allness of the One, you will have lived a thousand days in that second.

We find this in the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelation, verse 9:

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world. He was cast out unto the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

Since the moment we walked into this room we have been casting out the serpent by trying to recognize the nature of the automatic, mechanical world mind, which births the forms of this world and is the false creator of man and from whom it is necessary that we be reborn. And here the serpent in the Garden of Eden at the end of the New Testament is recognized and identified as the world mind, Satan, or the devil. Eve all this time had been listening to the devil, thinking she was listening to the ambassador of God.

And that is the commentary the Bible is making about the world today. Mankind is listening not to God. Oh, that's so evident. It's hard to go anywhere without realizing that. Mankind is not listening to God. Mankind is listening to the will of the world mind. Mankind is trying to do something of itself, and the supreme teacher says, "I of mine own self can do no thing. It is the Father within who doeth the works." That's still part of the price you pay if you wish to walk in the invisible kingdom of God, outwardly expressing the fruits of that kingdom here. You must accept that you can do nothing, and you do that by accepting that God who is present is doing all things, whatever the veil is that prevents you from seeing him does not stop the truth that they are being done, and that is your daily Gethsemane.

Each day you are faced with appearances that tell you God is not present and doing, and each day you accept God is present and doing in spite of what I see, in spite of what people say, in spite of what my five senses report, because these five senses are the five senses of the serpent. They die

with the rest of the form; they are not of God. God did not create human vision, human hearing, the human sense of touch. That's part of the price you pay. What God creates is Divine, eternal, and it is here, and it is perfect, and your Divine perfect vision is here. Your Divine perfect hearing is here, and it will reveal to you inner revelation. It will reveal to you inner vision. It will reveal to you a light that is undying, that you live in, if you pay the price. God is present and this is your religion.

John had seen the breaking of the veil through Christ within his own Consciousness. He had seen that you can walk here in the kingdom of God, and if you do not, life eternal for you is somewhat delayed.

Now this breaking of the world mind is the end of forbidden fruit. Once the world mind in you has no power to convince you that God is absent, you are supping at the table of Christ, and lo and behold, the miracle worker within you, the one who raised Lazarus, works within you and raises you out of the tomb of mortality. Your old self does not remain in control. Your new self comes forth and walks this earth. The un-crucifiable you walks the earth, and when the moment of transition comes, there's no transition to make. You've already made it. You have already attained the first resurrection. You simply pass over.

Now then, our function in order to make the Word flesh, be the instruments of God, is to know that within us is a precious gift called the will of God. Its will is that we be perfect, and therefore we are. Its will is that we walk in the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven. Its will is that we express the qualities of God, so they must be present to be expressed. It is God's will that you, "Be perfect as your Father," and therefore, you can be. Indeed, that is a command. Unless you're willing to let Perfection express itself, you are violating the will of God and you are walking out of the Divine will. If you will not walk out of the Divine will, it being the will of the Father that you be perfect, you will discover that your effort, your fidelity, to walk only in the will of God, to seek the will, to turn within and say, "What is thy will?" To listen for the will, to be obedient to the will, to be obedient to no other will whether it's your own human will or another individual's. This is your fidelity, and then in that fidelity, "The Father which seeth in secret will reward thee openly." That reward is the life of God in you expressing its perfection.

I don't know anyone in the world who can deny those words. They are the words of God and they are true. Our problem is to have the vision, and the courage, and the determination and the love to want to walk in those words, to let them function us. And being here together is a great aid in that

direction, because we learn that there are those on this earth who have accepted the words of the Father as living words. The presence of the Father as a living presence, and are willing to walk that extra mile, to turn that other cheek, to do everything necessary to be a living instrument for a living God. Even at the peril of your human life, because there is no peril to it.

How to live in the will of God becomes a focal point then of the Christ teaching at this moment in this class. How to live in the will of God. How to recognize when we're stepping out of the will of God.

We'll close with the Silence. We learned that we can trust the fact that God never makes mistakes, and therefore the mistakes that appear are not happening, because God is the only doer, the only creator, the only power. We have learned in a measure that God is here and conscious. I'd like you to surrender to the Consciousness of God in your meditation. Yield to it. That's how you accept its presence. Yield to it. I don't know who, but someone described our living in Divine will as a child at its mother's breast. That is how we yield to the Divine will. We become absorbed into the Consciousness of the Father, accepting one Consciousness. We rest there in total trust that the Father knoweth, the Father doeth, the Father is ever present and eternal, and I am the living child of the living Father. We are united in One. This becomes more important to you than anything else in the universe.

# [Silence]

Any time you find yourself not as strong, not as trusting, somewhat fearful, doubtful, wondering, frustrated, dismayed, off center, go back, become aware of the living Consciousness of God always present, and surrender to it, and then like a child, trust it, just trust it to be the all power. Don't tell it what you want, just be there in trust.

This is how we come to our real center, until one day we find that we are there. We don't have to go out and come back, go out and come back; we're there. "I and the Father are one;" Oneness is realized, and the serpent has no place in your house.

### [Silence]

I think we'll pause now; we're going to have about a half hour or so or more for lunch, so I can tell the chef 12 or 12:30, and I think we'll leave it at 12:30 so you might relax a little in the sun, or whatever, and about a quarter after 12, 12:30 we'll have lunch probably out in the open, and then we'll resume at two o'clock.

### CLASS 3

#### CHARIOTS OF ISRAEL

*Sierb:* Let us enter into the Christ Peace. This is something you can do anywhere, any time, and the more frequently you do it, the more conscious you will be of the presence of God in the midst of you. Now, when you enter the Christ Peace, you do so by dispelling every thought of every fear, problem, doubt, that exists in your consciousness. You're not accepting the Christ Peace until you do that. In the presence of God is fulfillment, power, love, wisdom, and because God is always present, when you enter the Christ Peace you are accepting the present power of God in your life as a total commitment on your part. You're really saying, I know what my eyes see and what senses feel but, I'm accepting the Word of God that "His arm is not shortened." I'm accepting the knowledge that right here where I stand, is always holy ground. And in the Christ Peace, I am crucifying the belief that God is absent, and between the Father and I there is a separation. My trust is total, implicit, unconditional; it's a thank you Father. I accept the blessing of your presence, whatever may show forth to my eyes makes no difference.

You will find at times there is something in you that rejects this. It will not do it. It says, "but." It says, "what about this?" We all know about Mr. Thomas. And we all know that there is a difficulty in accepting the presence of God. Now, I want you to identify that something which finds it difficult to accept. It is your false sense of self. And it is the false will of that false sense of self which says, "prove it, or show me, or I can't do it 'because.'" That will refuses to kneel down. That will says that you know something more than God knows at this moment. You know about a problem and you want it fixed. But this isn't the Christ Peace. The Christ Peace is the kind of faith that is willing to accept the Father's Word as the last Word and the first Word, and the Word in between, because by now you have learned that the self will in you which will not kneel down, is nothing more than the same serpent mind that seduces Eve. It's the world mind mechanically functioning in and through, and even as us, until we are reborn of the Christ.

So, again and again, from every direction there will be trials, and they are not trials to one who is seeking the elevation of Consciousness in Spirit. That individual does not accept them as trials, but more as opportunities, because they lead you to develop a higher level of your own self awareness. Every trial becomes an opportunity. And soon you're inviting these trials.

You're not trying to avoid them. You don't want to flee. You want more trials. Every trial is a sign to you that you're ready for it, because the Father never presses you beyond your capacity. And when you know that your capacity is the capacity of Christ in you, you can see why you must be pressed further and further, and further, until the child within you is born, until you find the Divine child, until you release yourself to it, knowing that the Divine child in you contains the fullness of all Divine power.

And then you establish a contact, a Divine pipeline, so that the Father and you are not only one, but through that oneness there is revelation. There is guidance, there is new substance forming, new energy, a new direction, and you are lifted by It. Beyond the capacities of the brain, beyond the capacities of the body, you are lifted. You are lifted by inner substance, and you find that something is happening to you of an unworldly nature. And you recognize that you have crossed from mortality into a measure of immortality now. That something within you that is now moving you, unawares to the outer senses, but resolutely and firmly opening pathways for you, guiding you to where the eyes cannot see, opening doors, perfecting and performing, is the invisible action of the Holy Ghost. When the Holy Ghost functions a measure of your life, you know that you are now functioning in Divine Will. That is the sign that you have at-oned yourself with the will of God in you. That one will is functioning you.

The Holy Ghost is the Divine Enforcer. You have invited it into your life only by your fidelity to the will of God, by your unconditional surrender to it. And you see how firmly and perfectly the Divine plan works? In you is the child of God. In you is the will of God, and only that child of God can function in the will of God. While you function as John Jones, or Pete Smith, or Mary, or Elizabeth, or whoever you may be named, you are functioning in a will separate and apart from the Divine Will in you. And there's going to be a conflict that comes into open view, and that gap is going to be what is called your karma.

You're going to be under karmic law to the degree that you move away from the invisible Divine will in you. And to the degree that you return to it and submit, your karma is dissolved and erased, and you find yourself moving on the cross, not horizontally, but vertically, you're moving up in Consciousness, up, up, up. You're moving on the vertical cross of Spiritual awareness, out of material sense. This continues with the firm invisible inner guidance always directing your path.

In the book of Revelation, I picked a little spot here, which is about this inner guidance, and the way it lifts you, directs you, performs and perfects all that concerns you. And yet it's phrased in a way may not be recognized at first. You'll find it just at the end of the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelation.

"And the temple of God was opened."

That's when you've established this pipeline with the Infinite within.

"the temple of God is opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament."

The ark. You notice the word 'ark'? And you remember how the actual ark of Noah was his new awareness of the Christ within? And how the flood of world evil, world opinion, world material, concepts, world images, world disasters, had no power over him because he had found the ark of heaven, which is disguised as a ship in the Bible. But he had found this other dimension of Consciousness through which you sail over any flood, untouched, over the flood of the world mind. And here this inner temple is opened, the ark of heaven;

"And there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail."

Lightnings, voices, thunderings, earthquake, and great hail, this would seem to be God's punishment, wouldn't it? But we know that the lightnings, and the thunderings are actually the inner communication between God in you and the Son of God in you. That God and the Son of God become a pipeline through which the Divine Will is communicated. And the hail, and the voices, and the earthquake, is the turning over of this inner Consciousness, and now through these inner communications, the Holy Ghost enforces the will of God in you, which is that you be perfect as your Father.

Now, of course, many of you have experienced the Holy Ghost. In the Bible it's phrased in many unrecognizable ways until you're looking for it. In the Bible, it's called, in one place, the Chariots of God. And, I think I'd like to find a place where this is spoken of, because in the Old Testament, the Chariots of God are mentioned quite frequently. And they refer to these lightnings and hails, and earthquakes, when the Holy Ghost is released in your Consciousness. And, of course, It moves mountains. The things we consider insurmountable, or at any rate, impassable, or impossible, the Holy Ghost does with consummate ease because It doesn't work in our dimension. It works behind the atom. It doesn't work in time. It works outside of time. It doesn't work in space, It works outside of space. It works completely free and

independent of everything in this world, outside of time, space, and matter. And then, because It moves behind the world, or what we think is the world, interpreting God's will into activity, that activity appears in your life as what you call the fruits of the Spirit. You say, "I have had a Divine intervention. This impossible thing has happened." But the mechanics of that, at least on this side of the veil are well known now, there is only perfection behind the atom, nothing else. There is only your Father's kingdom.

There was a man in San Francisco who had an art school. He became very well known on a local sphere, and also sort of regionally, because he knew some secrets about colour. He knew, for instance, that colour was not out there. He knew that colour is subjective. And so he became a very competent designer of coloured things, and he taught colour design and other forms of design, very effectively. He knew that colour is subjective, not objective. And we have learned in this work, that form is equally subjective, not objective. We have even learned that the world is objective only to the senses, but not to God. To one who walks in the Spirit, the world is a subjective idea which translates into the outer. And these subjective ideas are not controlled out there, although we try to control them out there.

And this is the mistake that Scripture tries to remedy. When you try to control problems in outer space, you're falling into the trap of the mind of the world. In order to fulfill Divine Will you must learn more about inner space, and how to control it. There are two kinds of inner space. There is a mechanical inner space, and psychology introduced that to us at one time in a very limited form as the subconscious. And there is the Divine inner space, and both appear alike because one is the imitation of the other. You may think you have the thing completely solved within, but you may be in the mechanical, material inner space, instead of the Spiritual inner space. And you've got to learn to distinguish between them, because if you are in Divine inner space, you do not touch the outer with your hands. The Holy Ghost does this for you.

And this is the reason that you must learn that all space in our world is false. It's not a God creation. God didn't dig a hole in space and put a world in it. If space were a God creation, you wouldn't find disasters happening in space. Space is mental energy on a cosmic level. And we all are born into this mental energy of space, and we think we were born into space, actually. But the Self of you is never born into space. This is subjective. This is something you insert into space through mental energy. Everything you see out there is your own mental energy that you're looking at right in your own mind. You know that now. And that's why it's false space, and that's why evil can occur

in it. And that's why God does nothing about the evil that occurs in it. It isn't punishment. It's simply a mental recreation which we make of the invisible kingdom of God because we don't know we're doing it; it's mechanical. And this is what I mean by mechanical inner space. That creates a false outer space. And that, of course, is what the second book of Genesis is all about, how we create false outer space, forbidden fruit.

Now then, the Master came and said, "I will teach you how to control outer space by controlling inner space." But you must know that there is a mechanical inner space which has already controlled your outer space, and therefore, you must see this new inner space, this Divine inner space, and you can't see it while you're taking thought. There's no way. If you have a material concept, you're in the mechanical inner space. You've got to learn how to take no material thought. And I'd like you to meditate on that with me now, because the degree to which you do not take material thought, is the degree to which you open a vacuum, an inner corridor, and as you take no material thought, I mean consciously, whatever comes into your mind of a material nature; you can do one of ten things: You can stare it down, you can simply look at it, you can dismiss it, you can pay no heed to it, you cannot believe it, you can know that it is a false thought because God doesn't think materially, and so forth. You can devise various ways to let this come through the hole in your head and out through the back of it, so that material thought makes no registration on your Consciousness. You look at the tree, you look at the book, you look at the desk, you look at the car, but they don't register as matter in your mind. You just let them go by as you would at an image in a movie, or an image on TV. It's just an image in thought. You accept all matter as images in thought. You develop your capacity to do this, and as you do you find you're not reacting, because you don't react to the TV set, you don't jump up and shoot Indians. You just watch it, you observe, you're a beholder.

Now, we're beholding, and pretty soon our mind has no material thought. And, if some manages to filter in, why, we just let it pass by. We can even develop this to a point where in an instant you can drop back into no material thought, because you do it many times a day when you learn the value of it. And soon you can walk in this world with no material thought. In fact, you're uncomfortable when you don't do it. Your mind becomes a different king of mind, it's a mind that simply knows God didn't create matter. God created nothing that dies, nothing that gets sick, nothing that hurts, nothing that becomes diseased or deteriorates. A perfect God creates perfection. God created only his own Spirit. And therefore, we look at matter with a sort of, an impersonal viewpoint, a detached way of looking at it. We

watch it as an image in the television set of our mind. We truly do it just that way. And so the images go by, the good images and the bad ones, the healthy ones and the unhealthy ones. But whatever they are, we know they are not the Divine image. That's all we're interested in. We're interested in the image and likeness of God, not in those which are imitation images, even though they have names called Mary and Joe. We don't care what their names are, or how pretty they are, or how ugly they are, how fat or tall, or short. They are images on the screen of our mind because they are not Divine images. And that goes for the objects that are animate or inanimate. They are images in our mind. Atom bombs are images in our mind. Burning houses are images in our mind, everything that walks this earth becomes an image in your mind because that's all it ever was.

You find you're living in a subjective world, not an objective world. Oh, maybe it takes you a year or two, or six. I've only been at it about eleven years, and I feel like an infant. But I do know, and can look back to when this technique had not been cultivated, and I don't like to remember those days very well.

Now you've got this capacity developing and somehow there's a vacuum, a vacuum of human thought, a vacuum of material thought. You're not worrying about somebody. You're recognizing that the presence of God is the only assurance you need to know and whoever you're worrying about is invisibly the perfect Divine image, and you're not concerned about the physical in the same way you were.

And into this vacuum flows the thought of the Father. This is your pipeline. When you unclutter, when you open out a way, Divine thought replaces your material thought. But it wasn't going to come in until you had purified, until you emptied out a way, and as It fulfills Itself in you, filling your Consciousness, you have really found, "The Secret place of the Most High." Divine thought is flowing then. And that is the nature of the lightnings, the hails, the thunder, the earthquake, the voices. Divine thought in you becomes the activity of the Holy Ghost. And this is the arrival of the Chariot of God in the Old Testament. I think we have some passages on that, and I think they're very important to us, so I'd like to go to them.

2 Kings. We were given these clues at one time, but we just passed them by because they looked like external events. And all the time they were trying to open us to the voice and the power of God within us. Now, in 2 Kings, I'm going to start here with, well I think we'll start at verse 6 and see what we have.

"Elijah said unto him, Tarry I pray thee, for the Lord hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, As the Lord liveth, and as thy Soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went in. And fifty men of the sons of the prophets were there, and stood to view afar off: and they stood by Jordan."

Now, you know Elijah is the activity of God appearing as the man called Elijah, just as Jesus is the activity of God appearing as the man called Jesus Christ. Both were totally within the will of God. And so, when supernatural things happened to them, what we're witnessing is the same thing that can happen to you and to me, because when you believe in the presence of the invisible Spirit of God in you, as they had reached the level of believing in the presence of the Spirit of God in them, the things they were doing, they were not doing, but the Spirit of God in them was doing. And that's why the things that they do appear so unusual to us. They are not human beings doing these things, nor will you be. And as long as you remain a human being, unaware of the Spirit of God as the invisible identity of your being, the miraculous does not happen.

The kingdom of God can only enforce Itself through the Spirit of your being, through the Christ within. And it's only when you are willing to, "Sell all thou hast," in the way of material thought, to empty out all material thought, this is your unconditional surrender to the knowledge that God's mind is here, why do I need one? The only purpose of my mind is to be an outer pipeline for God's activity, God's thought, God's power. And to do this I must be submissive to It, I must yield to It, I must attune myself to it so completely, that on this end there is no will, no activity, no desire, no intent, no ambition, only a receptive faculty. And so the human mind becomes meek unto the Father.

Elijah had become meek unto the Father, Jesus, totally meek unto the Father, and to the degree of our meekness unto the Father, the Divine power, the Divine strength of the Divine enforcer called the Ghost, shows you that your meekness inherits the earth because the Divine enforcer, through the absence of all human thought, activates the kingdom of God in you. And it expresses the love, the peace, the fulfillment, the harmony, the Divine energy which is limitless, it performs everything that it has ordained you to do. And until you have experienced this, the performance of the ordained acts of God in you, the Holy Ghost is just a word.

But to those of you who have experienced it, you know that this is the sign need to encourage you to continue on the path of vertical cross. The upward motion of your being, not in the horizontal evolution of time, not as a developing series of atomic forms from chimpanzee to man, but rather as a

material being who has learned that only Spirit is the substance of God and in my vertical crossing I am becoming more aware of my Spiritual substance, my Spiritual identity. I am approaching the fifth world, moving now on this side of the veil, out of the fourth world into the beginning of the fifth world, which is the fifth day of Genesis, into the Soul realm, and now my Soul is fed from the seventh level. The Christ level feeds way down to the fifth level of Soul, the seventh heaven feeds the fifth heaven. And all this from the Ghost comes into the fourth level and appears as the miracle. You're out of one kind of automation called the mechanical inner space into Divine automation. And it happens. That's what this passage is going to be about, I think.

"And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither."

Well, that's exactly what Moses is supposed to have done. The waters were divided hither and thither. And with Noah the waters rose up and rose up, and rose up, but his ark rose above them all. Now, do you think he's talking about a man who's dividing waters? Like you would walk out there in the Bay of Avalon and just divide the waters? Do you think that's what he's talking about?

Some of you have received a letterhead from me from time to time, whenever you receive a letter from me, and you'll notice on top it has two circles, a little emblem. And through that emblem and the two circles is coming a sort of a wave. Now, one circle means good, and the other circle means evil. That's the tree of good and evil. And that little wave is something coming between them. That little something coming between them is Truth. In your material Consciousness you have good and you have evil, good matter, and evil matter. When you rise to the level of Spiritual truth you walk between the good and between the evil, because you have no reaction to the material world, per se. But rather, you are sowing to the Spirit, which is neither good nor evil, It is perfect. And this moving between good and evil is what Joel called the middle path.

And I'll tell you why I understand what that symbol means. That symbol was given to me by Joel. He gave it to me in 1964 and I've used it on my letterhead ever since. He told me what it meant. And this is what Elijah is doing here. He's dividing the waters, he's seeing that there is no good and no evil. He's in a state of mental detachment from the material world. When you're in a state of mental detachment from the material world you're not in the tree of knowledge of good and evil. You're in the tree of life. And when you're in the tree of life, that is when you're under Grace. Elijah here, is under

Grace. He's expressing only the power of God. Whatever he does will be the power of God made visible. The Holy Ghost operating behind the atomic world we know, brings out of the infinite invisible the expression of the kingdom of God into our sense of vision, our sense of time. And to us it appears as an improvement on the human scene. We call it a miracle, but it is the normal function and operation of God maintaining God's universe, brought into human experience by you when you have attained some degree of being able to walk through good matter and bad matter, sowing only to the Spiritual reality that is there, that activates the Holy Ghost. It brings you into alignment, into at-one-ment with the Infinite Spirit.

"And the waters were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground." You remember Joshua did that, too.

Now, the new ground is your New Consciousness that only Spirit is present. And the human self of you does nothing, but the Holy Ghost does the walking and the body just appears walking. Whenever you find this beautiful activity of the Holy Ghost in you, it will seem to you that you are doing it to the outer eye. But it won't be you. A woman will tell you, "I fell down, but I didn't fall down. I don't know why I didn't reach the ground, something lifted me up before I hit the ground." We say, "well maybe she had sort of a psychic experience." But there are people who have more than psychic experiences, they have actual experiences that are the experience of the Holy Ghost functioning their lives because they have held to the truth of Being. "Ye shall know the Truth, and" [then only,] the Truth shall make you free."

And, often we have these strange signs coming to us because we have held the truth, and this is the reward, this is the additional encouragement you need to know that what you have done is not a psychic event at all, but, rather, a Spiritual event. And you know when you have a psychic event and you know when you have a Spiritual event. When you want page eleven hundred and thirty-one in the Bible and you need it now, and you turn and there it is, you didn't have a psychical event, you had a Spiritual event. When you don't know what you're going to say the next minute, but whatever you do say is the truth, you know you're having a Spiritual event. And when the Spirit of God in you has made a plan, whatever it is, no matter how difficult it is for your human capacities, it's not a problem at all because the Holy Ghost isn't tied down to a spot. The same Holy Ghost that is right where you are, is in Africa at the same time; there's no place where it is not. It's on the moon long before man sends up a spacecraft to the moon. Is there a place where God is not? And therefore, wherever God is the Holy Ghost is functioning.

Now, when Elijah steps on dry ground, we are being told something. This isn't an historical novel about a man who divided the waters and stepped on dry ground. It's about the Spirit of God in you that moves you through the fire, through the disease, through the death, onto dry ground. It's the story of the Spirit of God in you which performs the same miracles if you believe on Me. If you believe on the Spirit of God in you, whatever you read about Elijah or Moses, or Jesus or Paul, is the story of yourself. And finally, this whole Bible is the story of the Spirit of your being. And you read it that way. And you get out of filling false space with false energy. Elijah had just stepped out of false space, space that existed only in the minds of people around him. The dry land he stepped on was not in their minds, they saw the water.

Jesus walking on water, is showing you about false space, and false matter if you will have it. Always, if you believe in space, and I hope you remember this, if you believe in space, when you die you will return to space. If you have not overcome the belief in false space, you must reincarnate in false space. You heard about forbidden fruit, now hear about forbidden space, because this is a difficult subject. Space is in this world, is it not? Space is divided, this space is here, and that space is there. Now, if space is in this world, and this world is not the kingdom of God, if my kingdom is not of this world, is my kingdom of space? Space is our concept, isn't it? Distance is our concept.

Now, whatever takes place in space must be as equally false as the space itself. That's why you've been seeing these disasters. They take place in false space. And that good friend of yours who died last week or last month, he died in false space. And in the eyes of God every birth takes place in false space, the birth, the lifespan and the death, the diseases and the disasters. You do not see God, and God is the substance of your true being. Nothing exists outside of God, everything exists within God, and whatever exists within God is always perfect Spirit.

Now where do you find room for the disaster? It can't be outside of God, there's nothing outside. It can't be inside of God because God is perfect. Where is it? It's in false space. Do you see how difficult it was for Moses to teach false space? How could he do it? He had to invent, he had to have anecdotes, he had to have fables, the Master had to speak in parables. How can you tell a world it lives in false space? And yet, it's been said a dozen times in the Bible, "My kingdom is not of this world." And what makes you think that the space in this world is my kingdom? And why would you expect to see Divine law in that space? Where is it? It's in the mind of the beholder.

And all of the false space that we have out there is where we try to fulfill our human ambitions. And ultimately, what happens? After you build you chain of hotels you find that you're not left there to enjoy them. I always go back to that owner, chairman of the board of Hyatt House. He was the biggest thing in the building industry of hotels, and he died at thirty-nine. What did he accomplish? A lot of hotels; but I'm sure his wife didn't feel that way about it. The point is, that what seemed reasonable to him also seemed very reasonable to Eve, and also seems very reasonable to us. There are some good things out there, and we want them. That was a very reasonable request, that she go ahead and follow her natural inclinations.

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Now, Mary also heard a voice, but it wasn't a serpent. The voice that came to Mary was an angel. I think Mary's voice told her something much less believable than the serpent told Eve. You wouldn't believe the angel when it tells you you're going to bear a virgin child. That's ridiculous. Who ever heard of that? It was much easier for Eve to believe the serpent. But it turned out that the serpent was undependable. The angel was very dependable.

Now look at it. The serpent is out there, and then realize that the serpent is actually the inner space of Eve. That's the mechanical inner space of mankind, and it's called a serpent. The inner space of Mary was the angel. Why? Because she had opened out a way for Divine thought, angels, to enter her thought. Mary had opened out a way through perpetual going within. She lived in her Soul. She is a symbol of your Soul. And Eve had never gone within. Eve was always going out there. She knew nothing of the will of God in her, nothing of the Christ of God in her, nothing of the kingdom of God within her. She was in mechanical inner space, and it showed forth as mechanical outer space.

The consciousness of the communities where the activities of hurricanes, and blizzards, and so forth, take place, is what is appearing in their visible world. The Consciousness, when it is emptied out of these beliefs, and opens itself to the Divine thought, will find that that which appears in the outer is not a hurricane, is not a flood, is not a fire, but, rather, is the inner space of God coming through the pure at heart into an outer expression of that purity. Believe me, it was not for nothing that Joel was employed by the four biggest companies in the Hawaiian Islands. He did it because he was proving

something. He was their labour relations council, Spiritually. That's all he did, was to know the truth of their labour relations, in Spirit, and from his own mouth we have heard that in the ten years that this was going on, these four companies never had a major strike, while all the smaller ones were buffeted around with union demands, day in and day out. Why? Because inner space, when it is Spiritual, translates itself through the Ghost into outer space.

There are many personal experiences I've had about inner space, and I find that it's very possible, when you become aware of an inner space, which you might call a higher inner space, so that it's above the normal concepts that you have. You find a whole new universe there. It only comes to you in fragments at first, but it's as if you had a TV set with one channel, and then you added an ultra high frequency to it. And you get a completely different series of inner visions from it. And there are these two, split level consciousness's. One is this world, and the other is the kingdom. And it's not really the kingdom, but rather it's the law of the kingdom being made manifest a higher level, so that you see two different images. And they're so different, and yet they're so similar that you recognize it as a teaching.

I've seen where the space that we are looking at is not the space that we objectified yesterday, but we're objectifying it right this second. Right at this instant everything that you objectify outside, is the space that you are manufacturing. And, usually, everybody is helping you manufacture it because they're doing the same. And yet, right where all of you might be looking at that outer space and seeing it that way, someone else can see another outer space that you don't see, which they are seeing in their inner self. And it's at a different level of a different degree of fineness. The colours are somewhat different, the texture is somewhat different, and this outer space from the inner space at this level, is not tangible, so that if it's an automobile in your Consciousness, you can almost know, really know, that that automobile can't be hit by another car, that you are in it, and that it's invisible to the world. And you can almost drive through automobiles with it.

Now you know what I mean. You've read about those things, and of course you've had your own experiences. There are two degrees of inner, higher space. And when you are in the Consciousness of Spirit, you have a, well, the Christ Peace that we entered into earlier today. You have the awareness of another level of your Self which is not crucifiable, the level that Jesus spoke of when he came back and said, "Here I am again." You have an awareness of that level within yourself. You have an awareness of a body that has no connection with the physical bodies of this world. A body that you somehow feel is your real body. A body that never can know disease, there's

no way for a germ to make contact with it. And, it's only much later that you're going to learn that this body has no boundaries to it. The body you're looking at is the image body, but the real body of that image has no boundaries, and it's fed completely by it's own Spiritual Self, it's Self-existent.

Now, that's what we're heading for in this work. We're heading for the experience where we are living in a different level of Self. And there the babe, the Divine child, is no longer one year old and down in Egypt, but has grown up a bit. And Herod no longer exists as a threat because you have let this child survive on Spiritual food. You have have emptied out the human food, the world thought, and this child has grown and grown, so that somewhere along the age of twelve, it's already able to talk to the elders and teach them. In other words, within you the child of twelve is teaching all of your own human experience, which is the elders, that your human experience is now obsolete.

And you can turn yourself over to this inner child of twelve until he becomes twenty, and then thirty, until this inner child is a man. And that is called being made male. And this inner child walks here and now in the kingdom of heaven. To know this inner child aright is your life eternal. And, if you believe this, if you experience this, you will not be concerned anymore about what tomorrow will bring, because you will be in the nowness, in the vertical nowness of time, instead of in the passingness of time. You'll be out of the false passing time, out of mechanical inner space, out of the good and bad of the outer space, living in the Christ space. And this is the pure at heart.

Now, I'm not trying to follow a pattern here, but rather to lay out a road, a pathway, merely to give you assurance that if you're having an inner life which is true, not pretended, or not just hope, but a real inner life, if you're having one, there are others having the same, and you're moving in the Christ path. And your inner life is going to determine the outer appearances, and that's what the outer appearances are for, they are the evidence of the things unseen. They're necessary. You need them out there to tell you whether you're steering clear and correctly inside, or not. And when this Holy Ghost experience comes to you, there's no way to say how it's going to come. Don't try to predetermine for it, because if you do, you're in human thought. The will of God can never function when you are in human thought. Just remember that.

Now we're going to start another meditation, and we must start with a perfect God at all times. Everything evolves from the tree of life, which is the perfect Father. You turn your thoughts to the perfect Father, and to the

degree that you forget you, to that degree, you're feeding the babe within. Every time you bring a you into the picture, you're in duality, because the only you there is is the invisible Divine image of God. You see, Elijah didn't part the waters, but Christ in Elijah parted the waters. You cannot overcome good and evil, you can try, but Christ in you already has overcome good and evil. Christ in you already is the perfect Son of God. Christ in you is already in the prefect Will of God. And this is how the Father maintains the perfection of the kingdom of God. Through your purified Consciousness, Divine Will functions. You become a servant of the Father, a transparency, and then the chariot of the Father, the chariot of God comes as the Holy Enforcer, the Holy Ghost, and it's a chariot because, "I come quickly." And then, you find Christ rising in you, because Christ awakens within the deadness of the human consciousness. And this is really your second coming to Christ. There's no returning of Christ to you, but rather, you returning to Christ. Christ is always here waiting for our return.

Now, if you believe in false space, which is space, I said you would reincarnate into space. And Christ, you see, only believes in the kingdom of God, and so as a human being you will always believe in space unless your find your Spiritual Self. If you believe in time, you must return to time. You must return to your beliefs, it's a mechanical fact. And until you can shed them, you are impure at heart. The kingdom of God has no time and no space. It has no separation. It is one infinite, Spiritual Self. Your willingness to let it live Itself through your purified Consciousness is opening the door to Christ. The less you do, the more It does. The less you try to make it do something, the more It does. It is already now, doing one hundred percent of what it must do. And the degree of that hundred percent that you receive depends on how little you're willing to do to let It do Its allness within you. It would seem that you're to be very passive, but It's the Ghost that then makes you very, very active.

You become the child of the Holy Ghost. And that is the virgin birth. The virgin birth is the birth of Christ in you married to the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost becomes your Father, your second Father. That is why you were told, "Call no man your father upon the earth." You must be born of the Holy Ghost. That is your second birth, and it is the way to heaven on earth.

"And it came to pass when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray, let a double portion of they Spirit be upon me. And he said, thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so."

The ascension of Jesus was seen by very few, because until the eyes of Spirit have opened you to the single eye, you have nothing, no faculty to view the Spiritual image. And so, Elijah says to Elisha, if you can see me when I depart, when I ascend, then you will have my Spirit because whoever can see the ascending Spirit is a Spiritual individual. But if you don't see me, well, you simply don't have the Spiritual faculty yet, and there's nothing I can do about it. But the point is, you're being told it's possible to see Spiritually. And that means you can see the Spiritual kingdom, and you can see activity in it.

"And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that behold, there appeared a chariot, a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven and Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof, and he saw them no more: and he took all of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces."

Now, that Chariot of Israel, the chariot of fire, is the Holy Ghost. It is the sign of the Spiritual activity of God in you. You start out with the desire to make the word flesh because that is the will of the Father, you start learning to live in the kingdom of God because that is the will of the Father. You start negating, redeeming, all that appears that is not in the kingdom of God, looking at it with material detachment, because that is the will of the Father, that you take no thought.

And as you obey the will of the Father, more and more of the will of the Father becomes known to you. And finally, you know you have entered the will of the Father because the Holy Ghost is living your life. And when it does, you have stepped out of the parenthesis. You're not living over here at the beginning and over here at the end, and that's the end of you. You have taken the parenthesis, the interlude, the lifespan, and you have removed its boundaries, because God never made a limited lifespan for anyone.

And so, the Holy Ghost becomes a very important factor in your life. It tells you that the lifespan that you thought was the end of your life, no longer is. The Holy Ghost is the sign of eternal life. To know God aright is life eternal. And you're finding that this eternal life does not mean a longer human life in visible time. No, you're going on the vertical cross, you're moving up into timelessness, out of time. And you're going to find you're moving up into spacelessness, out of space. But you're not doing it tomorrow. You're not doing it in the next life, you're doing it here and now, today. You're doing it every day, as you purify within. You're moving into the eternal, the infinite, the forever, perfection of God's life in you. It's becoming a known reality, not a

mirage, not a conjecture, not a speculation, not a hope, it's becoming a living experience. And that's what the Holy Ghost says to you without a word. Your Soul intuition knows this is why the Holy Ghost is doing this. It is a sign that I have touched Divine substance. My own substance, which is Divine, is becoming known to me. And then, you, too, will see the chariot of Israel, the chariot of fire, the chariot of God.

I think that's said another way later in John, and it's very beautiful. It's in John 20, only now, instead of showing it as an inner event, it appears as an outer event, which it really isn't. It's John 20, the 21<sup>st</sup> verse, you're all familiar with it:

"Then said Jesus to them, 'again peace be unto you, as my Father hath sent me, so send I you."

Now remember this is what the world calls Jesus saying this. But to you and me this is the Spirit of God in Jesus, the Spirit of God in you, which is saying this to you, which you cannot hear, has come forth as Jesus to say it visibly where you can see it, until you can hear it within you. That's the reason this way-shower is out there, to show you in the visible outer world what you are unable still to receive in the inner world. But it is there in the inner world to say this to you, as it said to them, "peace be unto you, as my Father sent me, I send you," this is what the inner Christ is saying to you every moment of your life, if you are there listening, awake, not asleep. And then...

"and when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, "receive ye the Holy Ghost."

This is the inner experience of all who have purified heart of self will, personal desire, and of the belief that life begins here and ends there, and that I am that human self sandwiched in between. Then this inner Christ does precisely what you see here as Jesus doing with his disciples. "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," is the actual receptivity of the Holy Ghost within your own being as a living, permanent experience. From that moment on you know that the capacities of God are your capacities. Never need you be limited again to what you think you can do, or cannot do, because, "The Father within, he doeth the works." From that moment on the miracle is your routine, normal self in action. And the progression never stops because the infinity of God is a continuous birthing process. Birth is happening every second in infinity. Life becomes a vertical progression. All right.

Let's see if we can be still enough to release ourselves, I won't say to the Ghost, because we have no right to outline. We can only make a total

surrender of humanhood, and abide in the knowledge that God is always present on earth as in heaven; perfect God, never less than perfect in every capacity, always conscious, always aware of everything that is happening within God. And always sustaining all that is happening within God, and we release ourselves from the concept of form. We're not trying to ask invisible Spirit to do something for this form, but rather we are dwelling in the knowledge that the child of God, the infinite child of God, the eternal child of God, which I acknowledge myself to be, does not live in a limited, bounded form.

We accept ourselves to be life itself. That life which is the life of God, and the only life we recognize, is your life and my life, and the life of all who walk this earth; that is the one life we acknowledge, and we trust it. We fool nobody, not even ourselves, if we still think we are another life than that, that the life of a pear has a different life than the life of a pear tree. We accept the One life, and we live with diligence in the knowledge that we are the One life, and, therefore, never restricted, never limited by human capacities, never limited by time or space, never building boundaries around ourselves in any capacity, never limiting ourselves to human capacities. We unbind ourselves, and accept the Father's words that, "All that I have is thine." We are, therefore, unlimited. And we do not try to use power, we let it flow from within, with Its own intelligence, doing whatever It will, for it is the will of the Father that we are concerned with, and nothing else. We accept the present perfection and power of Divine will at all times.

Now, this is the fidelity to Christ we practice daily, hourly, minute by minute. And every time there's a gap we are stepping right back into that lifespan, into the limitations of humanhood, out of the kingdom that is invisible to human eyes. And we loose the Grace, the chariot of Israel, the Holy Ghost who performs the Father's will and moves mountains.

We still have to learn how to live in the Consciousness that is not earthbound, that can look at a long set of daily problems and look right through them at a glance, because we are seeing our Spiritual universe. And then, as we dwell in the truth of being, we can watch the Holy Ghost perform the Divine work with the ease and the Grace of the wisdom of God.

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Well, we're going to let you go out into this beautiful Catalina sunshine, and we'll see you tonight at eight o'clock.

### CLASS 4

## LIVING IN THE NOW UNIVERSE

Med: One day you are going to have to face a fact that makes human life very difficult. You can avoid facing it. No one can make you if you don't want to, but the will of God in you will not be denied. And, as long as you defer facing this fact, you'll find that in some way you cannot put all the pieces together. There will always be something elusive in your life. Your triumphs will be temporary, your freedom will be false, all your achievements will slowly dissolve, and for one reason alone. When you live in time you are going backwards. You can only go backwards in time, you can never go forward. Time is past. It is not future. There is no such thing as future time. Everything you acquire in time is something that slowly drifts away. Your loved ones drift away in time, and you watch them, and you mourn. Your possessions drift away in time, your lifespan drifts away in time, and we have not had the good intelligence to look at it and say, "this is not God's doing." God is not drifting away in time.

I'd like you to see time as a rotating mirror in the middle of eternity, and as the mirror rotates, and we in the mirror think of ourselves as that individual, we just come back to the same starting point, start all over again, and that which we are imitating in time is already there before we imitate it, and it never changes; only we change. We simply recur, recur, comb our hair a different way, put on different clothes, adopt a new form. We simply continue to recur, and recur, in the rotating mirror of time, and all of it is an activity that has already happened. In time we are simply living the replay. We are literally walking backwards. All that is in time has happened. And the value of this is that you can learn to live in that which is timelessness itself. And you will find that instead of trying to go ahead into time to get what you want, you do not go ahead, you go up, above. Instead of out, forward, you go above. You rise above time here and now. You do not go to people outside, you go above time, here and now. Everything that you have been seeking in time is already finished here and now, and is available here and now, if you will live in that now, and see that your life is not passing. It is impossible for your life to pass. There is no such thing as life passing.

Now, I'd like you to see something very beautiful, and very interesting. And it will explain to you some of the mysteries that baffle us most of the time. And, I hope, simplify them to the point where you can feel that nothing,

however mysterious it might be, is beyond your understanding, that in one way or another, regardless of the nature of the mystery, if you're willing to challenge it, if you're willing to be dissatisfied with limited horizons, it will yield to your enquiry because it is the Father's will that you know the Father aright.

You will find that it is the nature of Infinite life to constantly be birthing itself. That which we think is a static universe, in Spirit, is new every second, every second is a new universe because of the infinity of Spirit. And as the new universe is born the old one simultaneously dies. Birth and death are simultaneous in Spirit, but they are not called birth and death. They are the newness of Spirit infinite, constantly revealing It's own infinity, and this constant birthing and constant dying is a simultaneous event. The new appears, the old disappears, and in the next second the new replaces the new, and the new that was is no more. Always Infinity is expressing itself infinitely as constant birth. And it is that activity slowed down into time, stretched out in slow motion that becomes the physical birth here, and the physical death there, separated by a span of years. That physical birth and death of the human being is our mental imitation of the constant newness of Spirit birthing and dying, birthing and dying, simultaneously, simply stretched out into time.

But your Self is constantly new. And these opposites that are recurring in our human lives are the time images of the simultaneous opposites in Spirit. Pain and pleasure, inhale and exhale, intake of energy and expulsion of energy, male and female, positive and negative, birth and death, the beginning and the ending, in God they're all at the same time. And in us, because of time, as they are diluted into time from timelessness, we see them as opposites in a sequence of events, rather than as simultaneous opposites which are really one activity. And as you learn this, and dwell with this, you can see the opposites and see the oneness behind them. They lose their sense of dread to you. Time is a beautiful thing for us; it's like sitting at a football game on the fifty yard line, and from there you can see the action better when it's near the fifty yard line, but if it's down near the goal posts it looks different. And when you're sitting in time, that determines how things look to you. Where you sit determines what you experience.

Time is necessary for us. It enables us to see a slow motion parade of the externalized images that otherwise would be invisible. We would not understand birth and death as a simultaneity unless we saw birth and death eighty years apart in this world. And this sequence of events in time becomes the spectacle that tells you what is in timelessness. And these are the fragments that come to us in human sequence, all hints of something greater in the invisible. And these are the fragments that we must bring together.

Now, your present lifespan has already been lived totally, and that's the mystery of it. The death you're going to experience has already died. It has already been born into newness. Within you there are many hundreds and millions of unlived lives waiting to be lived, unless you step out of the time rotating mirror. And you cannot do it intellectually. Everything that we see in this world which we consider evil is happening only as a time image. Sometimes it's a short time image and you call it recovery. Sometimes it's such a long time image that it outlasts a person, and we never see it as a time image. It's too big for us. But everything in this world, including the human body is a time image. The Spirit of you does not live in these time images. The form is a time image, but Spirit lives outside the time image because it doesn't live in time at all.

Now, with the human mind, we think of time as a friend. But there is another meaning to the serpent we hadn't thought about. The Bible is telling us that when you place your faith in the serpent, which advises you to do this or that, as Eve did, she was being fooled by time. The serpent is also a symbol of time, because the serpent being as symbol of the world mind that functions each of us like an atomic robot, in that mind is false time, forbidden time, forbidden space. These are the forbidden fruits. The serpent posts as a friend. Time poses as your friend. You think in five years I ought to make it. In two years I'll be in a better position.

And it would seem that is true; and that's the kiss of Judas. Judas poses as a friend while he's betraying the Master. Time poses as a friend while it's betraying you. Time is going the other way. It is not a future event. It is a replay of the past. And when you place your faith in time you are overlooking scripture which says, "Lay up your treasures in heaven." It is telling you that when you place your faith in time, you will have the illusion of acquiring what you wanted, for awhile, only for a time, will the illusion of acquiring what you wanted be there. And then, slowly, it will unacquire itself.

And so, now we're beginning to look sceptically at time, trying to see that when we try to live in a human brain, to solve the issues of what we call life, there are forces at work which are leading us astray, that are happening invisibly, and causing us to place our faith in that which cannot in any way, repay us for our faith.

Now, I have discovered for myself that my friend is now, not in time. And if you have not discovered that your friend is now, you must realize that God is now. All that God is, is now. Tomorrow there's no more God than there was today, because God is not becoming something tomorrow. Spirit is God.

All that Spirit is, and ever will be, it is now. Time does not enter the picture except to steal, to fool you into the belief that in time there is something that you want. There is nothing that you really want in time, because time itself isn't there.

Now, when we reach into the now, we begin to understand the meaning of life. The word eternal has not been presented to us in its full meaning. And we have lived with that word in such a way that we have thought about it as meaning everlasting. That is only one facet of its meaning. When the Bible tells you to know God aright is eternal life, life eternal, it doesn't mean life everlasting alone, it means much more than that. An everlasting human life wouldn't be much, with all its ups and downs, with all its deterioration's, with all its opposites, but rather, eternal must be seen now to mean, whole, comprising the fullness of all that exists in God. All that is in God now is your eternal life, your full life, your whole life. And that is why when the Holy Ghost functions your being, you find miracles, because It works from your eternal life, It works from the fullness, instead of the fragment in time.

It is very important that you develop the habit to halt time regularly. We'll have to do that now so you'll understand carefully what you can do to step out of the false flow of time. You may find that just to think about it a moment begins to have an effect. Time is not passing. And, if I am not aware of this, the self of me that is not me flows with that un-passing time, and seems to pass, and a little bit of me dies in this minute. But, if the life of God is in my life, a little bit of me never dies in this minute, as it seems to, and so, consciously you must know, and this is a Spiritual exercise, that the life of God which is your life, is not dying minute by minute in passing time.

Passing time does not contain your life. Passing time is only an illusion of the senses. It may seem to be an hour later than it was an hour ago, but not for God, not for Spirit, not for Christ, not for your Soul, only for your sense mind. That which alone lives in time lives under the law of time, which is not the law of God. We must break through the veil and challenge time, challenge it vigorously, regularly, so that every day, in some way, sometimes more than once, you begin to look at time and question it. Where did you come from? Who are you? Are you God ordained, are you an activity of the Father? Can you steal my life away? Until you realize that you are really independent of time, it doesn't matter how the clock ticks away, or how the seasons go by, they have contained a false sense of you; they can never contain you.

Time moves backward. In a funny way you can prove this. Biblically, it's very easy, but to prove it in your own experience is something else again. The

way I find best is to simply dwell with the knowledge that the kingdom of God is within me, and therefore eternity is within me, for the kingdom of God is eternal, the eternity within me is not passing in time; until you realize that the eternal kingdom is your own life, your own life is the kingdom of God, they're one and the same. And, if you think you are going through the experience of passing time, you are denying this life, this one unchanging life, which is ever birthing itself into newness, but not in time.

Someday, someone is going to be ambitious enough to take the Bible, and to start rewriting some portions of it, to show you, to show the world that the characters of the Bible can be seen from one point of view, many points of view, in fact, but this one I'm thinking of, is you can see the characters in the Bible who live in time, and the characters who don't live in time. And you could write the Bible from that point of view. You could rewrite it again from the standpoint of which characters live in space and which live out of space, because that's what it's telling you. It's telling you that the ones who live in time are doing all the suffering. And the ones who live outside of time are leading the sufferers. The one who lives outside of time leads the Israelites out of Egypt.

You can walk out of time. You can walk out of it because you're not in it, and the more you recognize you're not in it, the more you walk out of the illusion of it. And when you do, those rainbows begin to appear, those inner rainbows. When you walk out of the illusion of time you understand that life never began at any one point; it had no beginning. You understand the nature of Melchizedek as the life that never began, the life that is never going to end, and this is your living Consciousness. That life, I am. That life is the Christ life. That life is not in this dimension of human thought, but it has been beckoning to you, for what in time would be called millions of years, inviting you to open your Soul to the realization that timeless life is the only life that exists. Only the eternal life of God exists, and that is your life now. When you dwell quietly in the knowledge that all your life now exists, not will exist, not will become, but your life is all now, that is what may be called inhabiting the fullness of your life. And then, the life that you acknowledge to be infinite now, eternal now, not existing in tomorrows, impregnates your human experiences out here with the infinite nature of itself in such a way that you might say, one moment in now is worth a countless number of hours, days, months and years, in the horizontal flow of so-called passing time.

I'd like you to develop then, the capacity to reach into now at regular intervals. And you might start just by stopping the flow of the human faculties. These faculties that flow in time, are ever changing in time, are false faculties.

They are reporting what is not there, and so we stand in a timeless awareness. All that goes by makes no connection with your awareness. Your awareness remains independent of the invisible flow. While the waters flow by, you stand still in the midst of the waters. And you consciously know that here is the fullness of God now. Here, all that the Father hath is now. The fullness of my life, being the fullness of the life of God, has no boundaries in time now. I extend into every century. I extend before Abraham, I extend after the world, because the Father's life is the only life I can acknowledge here and now.

That life is not at this point, that life isn't sitting on the fifty yard line, that life is the entire playing field, and every other playing field. That life is the life you're acknowledging. And there will be a moment when it confirms within you, yes, I am your life, I am infinite, I am life that ever was and ever will be, beside me there is no other no other life, and I am your life, not a fragment; I am the fullness of your life. Your life and mine are the same One full life. We are the Divine life which knows no beginning, no changes in time, no activity in time, the life which is independent of the flow of time registered by human sensations. That is the life of Christ. And Christ in the Bible, Christ Jesus, lives outside of time. Only an image appears in time, and there is no laying of hands on the so-called victims or problem people because it is unnecessary. Most of the miracles you know do not involve laying on of hands for the simple reason that the Spirit is teaching that your awareness of the life outside of time is the way you live in your inner space, and that controls outer space. When you are in the now, you are in the inner space which controls the flow of things in time in the outer space.

And so, you don't lay the hands on anything. You can run your whole universe from your living room. You can take every problem that you have and see it as an illusion in time, a time illusion, just as if you had a camera and you focused it on something for twenty seconds, and then you made a snapshot. That's what we're doing cosmically every day. Everything we are is just a changing snap-shot in time. And then, the snap-shot makes a snap-shot of others, illusion is pyramided upon illusion. Everything you're looking at in the world is a time image, seen by a time image. And the time images are floating by other time images.

But you can develop the Consciousness of now, which reaches to infinity and throughout eternity, and knows no boundaries. And all the things you had sought in the flow of time you will touch in greater abundance in the invisible acknowledgement of the now that is. And they, in turn, will be activated by the Ghost into the appearances that flow in time. That is putting substance, and that is speaking with tongues. That is the real speaking with

tongues, when you touch the now. Then although in the visible it has not yet appeared, you are contacting the simultaneous opposites which occur in the invisible Spirit now. And then they appear spread out in slow motion time in a sequence with a beginning and an end. You are speaking in tongues. You are bringing forth the now into the flow of time.

When here and there are simultaneous, you are overcoming the false appearance of separations in space. When activities are simultaneous, such as the Christ stepping on the ship that suddenly, instantly, is on the shore, you are being taught that now everything happens in the now at one time, it is simultaneous. It is only when a human mind sees the simultaneity that it interprets it as a flow of events in time. "Son, all that I have is thine," now. As you know this, you are at the hub of the wheel, you're not spinning in the outer perimeter, but you must practice it. You must give time to living in the now. And I find you must also give time to halting the flow of time consciously by knowing it isn't passing. When you are told that time is moving backward, it may stimulate you into realizing certain things that had been incomprehensible to you, but had always intrigued you in some way. You might even look at certain things in the Bible and suddenly see them for what they were trying to tell us. I'm not going to over-dwell on that, but I'd like you to see a few of them so you will understand the meaning of time as going backward. This one is, we'll start I think at the Psalms 22, 17 and 18. I'm back with the bones.

"I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me. They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture."

Now this has been interpreted as a prophecy, because we're thinking from the standpoint of time. In time, this may come true. But forget time, and see that somebody is standing in the now, and seeing it now. And it happens to be in the Psalms five hundred or a thousand years before it ever happens in time. Now, if it's already happened in the now, when we come to it in time, isn't time a replay? We think of it as a prophecy of the future, but it's not. It's a statement of the now. And because our human senses live in time, we misinterpret the statement of now as a prophecy of something that will happen. It isn't that at all. That which finally happens is simply a past event catching up to those who live in the past. This has happened at this point, in the now. If it happens five hundred years later, it's already happened, and so, it is walking backward in time. And so, you see it at the crucifixion, in John 19. It just comes into the flow of time and we accept it as just happening then, but that isn't when it happened.

In the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> verse we read this:

"And then the soldiers when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made from part to every soldier a part, and also his coat: and now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout."

This was the statement of the now appearing in time. When you touch the now in Consciousness it appears in time. And because the omnipotent mind of the Father knoweth all things, when you touch that mind in the now, it will shine forth in the time flow as that which was needed. It could happen five hundred years ago as far as touching the now, and it might show forth in a lifetime five hundred years from now. The moment you touch the now it must appear in time. And that's the meaning that you find here, that the scripture may be fulfilled. It keeps saying that.

Now look at another one: 33 to 36. And this is about the bones.

"But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs."

The Christ, being one Self, infinite and eternal, is not destructible, and this is demonstrating that to us, but, way back in Psalms, we heard about it. Spirit there was touching the now for us, to show us that whatever you touch in the now will appear in time.

If you touch abundance in the now, it will multiply loaves and fishes in time. If you touch something in the now, it will change the weather. Whatever is needed in time will appear if you touch it first in the now. But when you touch it in the now, you don't try to touch a thing, you simply touch the now, and the infinite intelligence of the Father in the now, then appears outwardly in time as the required image to fulfill the need. You never outline, you never have to in any way, shape, or form, ask or pray for, or even say, "I wish thy will to be done;" this is ridiculous. You simply touch the conscious awareness of now; God is, until there's an inner response, and then you can drop all care about what you thought you needed in the outer. Things will be shuffled around and reassembled in a way that you never dreamed of.

And, because you need to make transition into a Higher Consciousness, when you touch the now, the Infinite mind will bring forth the manner in which you are to make that transition. And that's why now is becoming a very important thing for us.

I'd like you to look at Ecclesiastes, Chapter 3, in the 14<sup>th</sup> verse.

"I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be forever: nothing can be put to it, nor anything taken away from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him."

Nothing can be added or taken away. It is Spiritual, it is perfect, and it is now. And everything else is the rotating mirror of time and space revolving, or seeming to revolve, in the midst of this infinite Spiritual universe, reflecting to us the fragments that we have called the lifespans that we live, the parenthesis that we think we come into and out of, and by living in the now you live outside the parenthesis. By living in the now you live outside the false flow of time. And by living in the now you develop Soul Consciousness, because you'll find the mind can't do it.

You start with the mind, you'll have some understanding, and finally, just as the sun shines in the day, and the moon begins to fade as soon as the sun appears, the Soul will overshadow the mind, and you'll find yourself living in the now in your Soul, not in the mind. And this Soul Consciousness transforms, it transforms the now into the passing human consciousness of time, with substance from the Infinite.

Now, Ecclesiastes has this important phrase:

"That which hath been (that which hath been), is now."

There is your statement. Right now, what we call in passing time, has already been. That which hath been is now. Now this is not the now of permanence, this is the passing now. A moment ago was now, and it passed. Now there's another now, and another now, and another now, that's not the now that we want. That's the now he's talking about, the passing now into which we pour our life. And this now of the life goes into the past and its gone, and the now, and the now, and the now keep passing us, but there's another now. If you live in this now, that which hath been, you're just replaying the past. You're not catching the now with a capital 'N', the now that is always now. And you can expand your Consciousness to that permanent ever Now. It is life eternal. And there's a moment when it snaps into position for you, and you know, I am that now. That now and I are one.

So, back in Ecclesiastes we're learning that time does move backward. And we move backward with it thinking we're moving forward. That which hath been is now, and that which is to be hath already been. Tomorrow has already been. Why? Because tomorrow is just a replay in time of the eternal that exists now. And then comes the line that is so vital to us.

"And God requireth that which is past."

That which is now, when time comes along, it is imitating that which already has been, and that is the past that God requireth. In other words, live in that which has always been. And that is putting your treasures in heaven. That is living in the now that is never less than itself. "Now are we taught of God. Now are we the sons of God."

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Not one precious drop of your life is ever lost in now. And it truly works miracles in the human time span that we call the parenthesis. All this is part of what we may call our rebirth, giving birth to that inner Self which has ever been now, and which is waiting for the creature in time to awaken to it.

Now, when we say "stand ye still" reach above into your Soul realm to find there the Self of you that lives now in heaven. You are being prepared for the anointing of Spirit, that which occurs beyond the level of human consciousness in the invisible. It occurs outside of your awareness, and you must enter that vast Invisible in order to find this Divine contact. And when you do loose your human identity there, you are picking up your Divine identity. One replaces the other as subtly as the serpent had been subtle, so much so that you, yourself, may not even know you have made a changeover to another identity. "Tell no man," even applies to that event, that you, yourself, are not told what has happened to you, until you are so completely infiltrated with the Spirit, that for you there is no more a desire to return to human selfhood.

Do you see the preparation that Spirit has prepared for each of us to help us enter into our Selves? It is running a universe that does not depend upon human initiatives. It is far beyond your power and mine. It requires of us that we surrender It and let It run Its own universe through us. We are dealing with a vastness so vast that it can produce human images who have mistaken an eighty year lifespan to be their lives, when they are, invisibly, the infinite life of God. The vastness of this complete infinite plan can never be squeezed into a passing moment or into a human brain. There's no way, and that's why we're told to surrender. When we're in the fifth world, we will surrender on a different level. We will be out of time, and the things that we now see in time one way, we'll see those same things another way. The things that we now see in space one way, we're going to see them another way.

It's just like on that fifty yard line. The play in the middle of the field looks one way, but if it goes down fifty yards away, it looks different.

And, so it is that when you're in the Soul realm, everything will look different. And you must become accustomed to it now. You can't just plunge in. Spirit gently shoehorns you into it, so that as you enter this new realm you are familiar with it. It doesn't birth babies into their tenth year when they start. It slowly brings them into the awareness of what they're coming into. And we are being birthed into the Soul realm, into timelessness, into spacelessness, and even science has discovered, as we have discovered, that in spacelessness, material forms disintegrate. You begin to see the disintegration of that form you thought was so precious in your own consciousness. You begin to see the futility and the innocence that we've gone through in trying to cling to the human sense of life which is passing away in time every minute. You begin to look over your own shoulder, and you begin to feel the great joy of wanting to experience the newness of the invisible, to step out of the form, and not just to step out of it and return to it, but to step out of it forever, not to cling to it, not to want to be limited by it; to step out of the sense of time which limits you to a span, and to live permanently in the Consciousness of a Now which can never be squeezed into a lifespan. You live outside the parenthesis, and when you do, you're living in the Divine Will. And it is the Divine Will that will help you get to that Consciousness, because the Kingdom of God is not in passing time. Passing time is a very pale imitation that only skims the surface and brings to us a parade of sensations which are nothing but the outer surface impressions that the world mind has of the kingdom. And these fragments we have made our life, they are as false as the life they have composed.

Now, there's another Self revealed here, just as Adam had two bodies, two lives are revealed here. You have a life here in time which you have called life, but you have a life outside of time which you must learn to call life. And that is the life you must inhabit now, if, for you, transition has meaning. This is a completely inner event, a completely inner practice, and it's a very private practice. And there will be many around you, even in your own family, who will not respect it, who will not understand it, but they will benefit by it. They will benefit by it because the Consciousness that you release into that home by living in the now of being, rather than in the time that does not exist, will manifest in that home, and around that home, and for the benefit of those people with whom you associate. You will pass the nowness of being, invisibly, through Consciousness, into many you never will meet, and you'll find that you're truly an instrument beyond your wildest dreams.

If you look carefully now at the Bible, in your mind, you will see that many of the wonderful things that happen through the instrumentation of Jesus Christ, and many of those going back from that date, through the old testament, had to do with bringing out of the eternal now, the miracle of a perfect God, into the flow of passing time. That would be interpreted as a child suddenly breathing who hadn't breathed, or a man stepping forth out of a tomb, or a boy sitting up in a coffin, or a girl sitting up in bed, who had been in a coma, and saying, "I want some food," this is all a manifestation of speaking with tongues, touching the invisible now, which manifests sometimes instantaneously, into the visible time flow. That's why absent healing is effective. That's why it requires no hands. When you touch the timeless, the time flow reflects that inner Consciousness.

Our meditation now is three words. **God is now**. We have meditated upon God never makes mistakes, God is conscious, the Consciousness of God is here.

Now know in your own Consciousness that, God is now, always now; there is never a single moment in time when God isn't now. And add the word 'here'. Because there and there, and there, are always here in God. God is now. And when you are able to know this, you are touching now. And it will multiply the loaves and fishes, it will open the eyes of the blind, it will bless you. The will of God in you can be your blessing or your curse. It will bless you if you live in the now of God, for it is the Father's good pleasure that you live in the kingdom of now. And when you depart from the kingdom of now, the will of God in you will curse you, because as you leave it you walk into karma. Now is the kingdom, here is the kingdom, the kingdom here within me now, the kingdom of God and every power of God. And if I will stand in that place all of time will reflect what I know in the now. There is no death in now, and when you touch it you have eliminated death. There is no war in now, and when you touch it you will never be in a war. There is no disease in now and when you touch it disease cannot touch your life. When you touch now, whatever is not in now cannot manifest in your life. And whatever has manifested, which is unlike now must dissolve.

How will you know when you touch now? You will find that there is no human you, and you're not a bit unhappy about it. In now, you realize you are incorporeal being. In now you know that there is no place that can claim you are there as a physical form. You feel the strange wonderment of being, Spiritual being, you don't take up space, you don't inhabit time, you simply exist as Infinite Consciousness. That's how you'll know you're in now. You'll feel the stillness of time, the non-flow of it. And though not even one thought

passes through your mind, that moment of now will govern many, many, many tomorrows, maybe even an entire lifespan. It will never leave you. And still you can go deeper and deeper, and deeper into now, because it is infinite. And maybe one day you'll learn how to stay there long enough to birth the Christ in such a way that never again can a mortal mind persuade you that your name is not the invisible child of God. "Now are we the sons of God."

This is the way Spirit has recommended that we live outside the parenthesis of time and space, but there are many other ways. And as you live in it this way, it will recommend to you other ways. Just like branches on a tree, new branches, new plans, new techniques, all evolve into your Consciousness as you live in this now called, The Tree of Life.

Again, when you are told not to be tempted out of the kingdom, it's the same thing with now, not to be tempted out of now into the false flow. That's why we lose all recognition of the importance of birthdays, and holidays, and changing seasons, and weather, and climate, all of these subtle tempters to think there is time in which these things can happen are avoided, because they very subtly draw us back into the human consciousness which is at the mercy of karmic law. We stop walking backwards, and we stop the illusion of walking forward, we live in the fullness of our being which is the meaning of our eternal life. It is all happening in one moment, all of your life is happening, that is the Now. And it will break all of the bonds of the false attitudes we have entertained in time. It will break the false concepts, it will restore the bones to their wholeness. We've seen that in scripture many places. It will, "restore the lost years of the locusts."

## CLASS 5

### YOUR SECOND BIRTH

Will and how to live outside 'the parenthesis.' And the purpose of living in Divine Will and outside 'the parenthesis' is to attain your second birth. Your second birth is another phrase for resurrection. Resurrection had to be clarified as the Spiritual birth that follows the material birth, and it had to be clarified as an event that must take place in your consciousness before death. And it should be known by now that the visible Jesus Christ walking the earth where men could see him, was showing us, and demonstrating visibly, that resurrection is an interior event. And when it takes place, that which is called death, in his case "crucifixion," has no effect and, therefore, the imagery appears to say, "Here I am".

It is to show us that when we attain the first resurrection before death, death has no effect. And in order to attain this first resurrection, this second birth from the physical to the Spiritual, there are many things that we are required to do. Although mankind has not been taught this specifically, it is still the only way to life eternal, to the actual *living* of it. And therefore, the beloved John, who had lived and walked with the Master, who had learned and who had been designated the heir apparent on earth, he to whom we should look for the Christ after Christ Jesus had ascended, then wrote his Revelation.

Some years ago we did the Revelation and when we did, for some reason that we could not account for at the time, a certain chapter which came on tape, did not come out so that we could hear it, and many who have the entire Revelation series do not have the twelfth chapter. In their series, it was the sixteenth tape. It just didn't come out. And we didn't know why, but I know why now...because that's the chapter we are going to do right now.

The twelfth chapter of Revelation is about your second birth, your first resurrection, your achievement of Christhood before death, and it is written on two levels. It is written on the level of the resurrection of the world consciousness and the resurrection of individual consciousness. It is also the personal experience of John in his first resurrection. Although he has disguised it with words that would indicate a narrative and physical people again, he is talking about that inner attainment of his own first resurrection. That which

gave him the power to know that death could not touch him. And when you start to substitute the symbols for actual knowledge that he is talking about you, and that everything he is talking about takes place inside you even though it's called a 'dragon' or a 'woman with her feet on the sun and on the moon.' He is talking about something that takes place inside you. This is all about your inner Consciousness overcoming the sense of mortality. And I believe when you are able to feel within your heart that this experience is something you have already embarked upon, and that others, like John, have attained the fullness of the experience, you will be encouraged to see that although the path may seem dark at times, there is always a lamp under your feet invisible to your human eyes.

All that is required of you is to move correctly in that direction and let the Spirit prepare the way. This is the experience that John tells us will follow. I feel as I read it again and again, that more of it is yielded to us, and that more and more we can find the confidence that, even though we may feel that we are stumbling or groping, we are at least moving in the direction of Spirit which is far better than feeling successful in the material world, and then finding later that all you grabbed with your fingers was a mirage.

You do have to go through the labor pains to move in Spirit, and I think that's precisely what we are learning here. This is the twelfth chapter of Revelation and we are going to title it "Your second birth," your resurrection, even though it is the resurrection of John and the resurrection which he is presaging of the world consciousness. This was a vision to John and in your own inner visions when you distinguish the truth from the false, the spiritual from the psychic, the substance from the non-substance, you find a meaning which you can depend upon. If, in your inner vision, you are given a certain substance, you know this is "The Word" and this is how the Word appeared in the Soul of John.

"There appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars." [Rev. 12:1.]

Now what makes this woman very important is not only that she had a 'crown of twelve stars and was clothed in the sun,' clothed with the sun, and had the moon under her feet, but she was with child and travailing in birth and pained to be delivered.

And so we have here the beginning of the appearance of that second birth. Now this is you, this is not a woman. This is your material consciousness; that's why it's called woman. Woman is a symbol of the material

consciousness and it doesn't mean a male or a female, it means material humanhood. That's what woman signifies here. So it means anyone who is in a state of mortality.

Mortality is becoming aware of its immortality. Mortality is stepping aside to accept the new birth. Mortality is travailing; it isn't easy. And this great wonder in heaven, then, is a sign, a sign that appears within you, called 'a great wonder in heaven,' and the woman who is 'clothed with the sun, feet on the moon, the moon under her feet,' obviously is transcending this world. Something in you, this sign, tells you that you are transcending this world, but you are still appearing here.

This is not an after-death experience. It's an in-human life, selfhood experience. That's why it's called a woman. Material selfhood is having this experience of a new birth. Material selfhood is pregnant with an idea beyond its own capacity to understand. Each individual becomes impregnated with the light of Spirit, and this is said to be 'clothed with the sun.' 'Clothed with the sun' is another way of explaining the Mystical Marriage when we are birthing the Christ. This means that no human means have been used for this impregnation. God is the Father. There is no Father on the earth for this child that is to be born. God is the Father. That is why she is 'clothed with the sun.' And this is your inner experience when you know that God is the substance of your being. Then God is revealed as the creator of all that you are, which, of course, is your assurance that because God is your creator, you are perfect as your Father.

This is the beginning of the awareness coming to a peak level now in which you are just about ready to accept "I really am the Christ of God." That which has been in the Womb of Consciousness is about to appear as a living, finished experience to send you off into the Kingdom of God on earth. And this, John wants us to know, is an event that takes place in our human life – 'under your feet the moon.'

The moon reflects the sun. But now, it's under your feet because you're not reflecting the sun anymore, you're not reflecting the world mind anymore, you're reflecting God only. You're expressing all that God is; the moon is under your feet. As the birth of Christ in you matures into experience, you find yourself expressing God. And, because you're now transcending the sun and the moon, you are actually transcending all of the karmic laws of time and space.

This has nothing to do with your human capacity; it has to do with the awareness of Christ in me is born. This Christ does the work of the Father, not

the visible you. And because this is such a momentous occasion when the Mystical Marriage is about to produce your own Christ-self, the birth of Christ in you, the second birth, the return to your natural Self, the return to the Self you were before the foundation of the world is the Christ-birth, the shuffling off the false mortal coil.

# "And she is travailing." [Rev. 12:1.]

There must be forces that are opposing this birth, and we know there are – our own concepts, our own accumulated beliefs – the world thought that surrounds us, all is mitigating to prevent this birth – the pressures of tomorrow, the fears of today, the false needs, the false ambitions. Everything that we have known as human beings, acts as a veil, a force, an opposing barrier to blockade the birth of Christ-Consciousness, and so we travail.

'She cried, and she pained to be delivered.' [Rev. 12:2.]

John here is finding that sensitive awareness to the way mortality clings and rejects immortality. And you can find an echo of that in your own consciousness because there is a latent fear of letting go. We know what we're letting go of, we don't know what we are going to find; and this human caution is the crying out, and the paining to be delivered. And at the same time, the Christ within is saying, "I wish to be born. Give me to drink. Accept me in the inn." And so this conflict between the flesh and the Spirit, which is now reaching its climax, may even heighten our fears.

We're afraid to let the Christ in, we're losing control; It will have control. How can we be sure what Its' control will mean to us? And that fear, that doubt, that caution, that indecision, that moment when, as you'll remember in many of your meditations, something so beautiful happens that you recoil. You're afraid to go on, you open your eyes, you say, "Oh that was just taking me too far to the brink." You were afraid. And that intensifies as you come closer to the Christ-birth; you're afraid. You don't want to lose control. You want to have the final say. And all of that is symbolized by the appearance of the dragon. The world mind says to you, "The moment you let go how do you know what's going to happen? You're just diving off a 10-foot board and you don't even know if there is water in the tank." And so you draw back, maybe once, maybe twice. Maybe you've done it many times. But when you know that this is really the birth of Christ in you and you have overcome the fear, then you become more anxious to proceed, more grateful for the opportunity. And when your cautions and fears, and doubts and uncertainties are all dissolved, you will find this is the blessed event, the cosmic birth of Christ in you, for which you are here on this earth appearing in a human form.

And then there is no turning back, no wanting to. You've passed the point of no return where you're ready to give all caution to the winds. This is what you know you want; this is what you're living for, this is what you're willing to travail for. It is a summation of your life experience, the beginning of your entry into the Kingdom of heaven on earth.

"There appeared another wonder in heaven." [Rev. 12:3.]

You're going to say, "How can a dragon appear in heaven?" This is the false heaven, the human heaven, the human concept of heaven. There is going to be a new heaven and a new earth. And that's why the dragon appears in heaven. It's not appearing in heaven at all. It's appearing in our mortal concept which we call heaven. And this new wonder that appears in heaven,

"Behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads." [Rev. 12:3.]

Now to John then, the world mind appears as a dragon, 'a seven-headed dragon, ten-horned dragon, and seven crowns upon the seven heads.' To Eve it was a serpent, but it's still the same serpent even though it is a dragon with seven heads. It is going to try to convince the woman in any way it can not to give birth to Christ. Just as it tried to convince Eve that she had every right to do whatever the serpent told her to do, and that she wouldn't die if she did it. And, of course, the serpent was a liar.

Now this is the same serpent but he no longer has Eve, the innocent, guileless woman, to deal with. He has the Consciousness which has striven with God, which has 'climbed Jacob's ladder,' the Consciousness which has gone through tribulations, sacrifices, which has weathered the flood, the Consciousness which daily has gone within to find the Father, to live in the Father, 'to know the Father aright.'

He doesn't have an easy customer now. And so he's not going to beguile this woman, he's going to threaten her. And you'll find this form of threat comes to you from all angles. Your marriage will break up if you do so and so. You're going to lose your security if you do so and so. Your dearest friends won't want anything to do with you, if you can't come out of that funny shell you've got into.

And outside of all your human relationships, there is your own inner emotional questioning. There is an intensification of all of the negatives about why you should not go this last mile. The 'seven heads of the dragon,' of course, have fooled just about everyone of us in this world up to a certain

point. Every now and then, medicine will come through and uncover something without realizing they are uncovering one of the heads of the dragon. Strangely the only one who doesn't seem to make any progress with the 'seven heads of the dragon' is religion which allegedly represents God.

Now when science comes in and finds the atom, that's progress. It doesn't know it has uncovered one of the heads of the dragon; it has. And then religion, not even understanding that science has done that, goes ahead and worships the atom as they worship God at the same time. You find all kinds of strange duality, because there is no truth to start with in the religious viewpoint about a God up there who isn't here. And so all kinds of gaps have to be filled with contradictions. Now let's try to identify these 'seven heads.'

The serpent represented the world mind and that is the dragon here, the world consciousness, and the reason it has seven heads is because it has seven disguises, seven deceivers, and they are not obvious at all. Time was not an obvious disguise, but it is one of the 'seven heads.' Space was not an obvious one, but it is one of the 'seven heads.' Matter made of atoms, atomic matter, is one of the 'seven heads.' Mind is one of the 'seven heads' because the world serpent becomes the individual human mind, it becomes the individual serpent, the liar within, the five-sense mind. Time, space, atomic matter, energy, and your identity which is not the image and likeness of God, but which we have in some fuzzy sort of way assumed we are as human beings.

False identity is one of the 'seven heads,' and then, of course, from that comes the false lifespan. And there you have them: the false identity, the false lifespan, the false atomic matter, which includes the false body, the false objects of the world, the false energy, the false space, the false time – all counterfeits. The 'seven heads' are the seven counterfeits which are presented to us by the world mind and which we accept. And we live in these seven counterfeits.

They have ten horns because these are considered to be the false powers of the world, and they are opposites. You think this is a power and that is a power, health is a power and bad health is a power. And ten doesn't stand for ten, it stands for 10,000 and more – the almost limitless false powers of the world that we obey because we live in the 'seven heads.'

In Daniel, there is a story about a ram with two horns, and it was the lord of all it surveyed. **[Daniel 8: 3 - 7.]** Nobody could compete with this ram with two horns. It was a symbol of the ten horns of the seven heads, until

along came a goat with only one horn, and that one horn proved to be more powerful than the two horns of the ram: Way back there in Daniel, the story of Oneness.

Because of the false acceptance of time, space and the other 'seven heads,' the false world that comprises our life, our imitation of the kingdom of God, we accept the false powers. And, therefore, there are 'seven crowns on the seven heads,' and each is a crown of sorrow. They are seven counterfeit crowns. When you reach out for one of these great prizes and finally receive it, you find that you have a counterfeit crown, something you can't hold onto at all, something that dissolves as you touch it. When you reach out into space and build towering skyscrapers and put your name on the building as chairman of the board, you have found one of the false crowns. Not that you shouldn't be chairman, it's just that that is going to be just a temporary mirage that you are going to enjoy, because you have found one of the false crowns on the false heads.

Whatever you do in time and in space, whatever you do through and with a human body, whatever you do in a human lifespan, all this, leads to the false achievements of the human mind – the transitory ones – which are very important to us, we think, because we have known no other. All of them are deterrents, detours, that remove us from the direct action toward the only thing that counts: Can you attain rebirth before death?

To deny the 'seven heads,' to learn what they are, to walk through them untouched, to not reach for the false seven crowns of success in any one of the false 'seven heads' becomes the way to rebirth. And so this dragon now appears to us. It tells you, you can build a great future if you will do so and so. It makes you plan to wait for somebody to leave you their money when they die, and then you are going to do so and so.

You have all kinds of roadblocks that the dragon will throw at you trying to give you some portion, some fragment, of the kingdoms of this world, making every possible promise about your own personal glory, your own personal safety. Everything in the arsenal of the dragon will be hurled at you, to convince you not to give birth to Christ. If one head doesn't work, it will go to work on another.

Always it will be catering to your self-satisfaction, your self-love, and sometimes it will make you think that you are doing the world a great deal of good if you will do so and so. It will make you think you are really following God's Will. But it will be the will of the world mind, the dragon, disguised as the

Will of God to convince you to do something, anything, but attain the awareness of your own true identity.

And so John pictures the world mind as having 'seven heads' which deceive us, seven false crowns which we collect, but they are only baubles, and ten horns or ten false powers that we obey, because we think they are powers, when there is no power, but the very Christ you are birthing.

"And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born." [Rev. 12:4.]

Mary went down to Egypt because Herod had an order out for the slaying of all children, all male children below a certain age. This is the same idea. That little infant, when born, is a very delicate infant. That awareness is in a very delicate state when born. You're not ready to jump off buildings and prove anything. It is something to take quietly 'down to Egypt,' something to cherish in the Silence, in the isolation of your own Consciousness, to find a sacred chamber where the world is not even aware that you have given birth.

It isn't something you take and put on lips and 'shout from the housetops.' It is something you nourish and nurse privately, because this infant has one enemy: the world mind which is ever seeking to blot it out. And your consciousness must be the manger where it is born.

So we find a new meaning to "tell no man." [Luke 5:14.] 'Tell no man these things you have seen this day,' but rather, do not go outside once this is happening inside. Remain inside; remain faithful to the task at hand. Do not seek in the outer; have faith in the inner. And even though your own mortality is a servant of the dragon, you must separate your Consciousness of the inner Christ from your own mortality – not try to live the both of them, but rather let the infant have its way. Take it somewhere to a safe place and devote your time to it.

When Jesus came to the room of the girl who was in a coma, the very first thing he did was to clear the room of all the relatives who were wailing and all of the mercenaries that had been hired to make it a professional funeral. [Mark 5: 35 – 42.] And the significance there was to get the 'money-changers' [Mark 11:15.] out of the temple of your Consciousness, to remove all world thought: Same here.

That little infant is only protected if you will take it to a safe place which means remove world thought from your Consciousness. That's the umbrella

you hold over this child. No world thought may enter your Consciousness because, if it does, this child will not be born the way it should be born. And so at the moment when the world mind seeks its greatest entry into your Consciousness, because of the oncoming birth of Christ, that is the moment when you deliberately, with greater effort than ever before, maintain a vacuum of world thought in your Consciousness. Because the most precious gift of all is emerging and you must cherish it in Silence.

'I, in the midst of thee' which am being born am mighty. [Zephaniah 3:17.] I am sent. "I and the Father are One." [John 10:30.] As I rise in your Consciousness, do not make me try to wade through the outer temple of money-changers. Remove all world thoughts. Take a whip and briskly, vigorously, sweep them out of your Consciousness, that I may enter into the purity of the Father's House and reveal to you the Light of being.

Let's be still a moment. It would be indeed beautiful if we could really share a group Consciousness which births the Christ, right here.

And therefore, we are going to put "me" aside. We'll do right now what the Father is asking us to do, to remove world thought and, therefore, we remove the thought of person. We remove the "me." The removal of "me" is the invitation to Christ. Whenever fear came he said, "Fear not little flock; it is thy Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom." [Luke 12:32.] Let us remember that now.

There is no one here but God, the Father, and that fragment of human consciousness to which you are clinging, which you are now being asked to dissolve.

You should be standing now between the fourth and the fifth world. And the fourth world will try to pull you back as the fifth world is lifting you up. And all you do is trust the invisible Father who is present, and the illusion of a fourth world pulling you back will dissolve itself.

We are going to try to maintain this inner Consciousness, even though you will hear words spoken. The words should reach that in you which is accepting the inner birth of Christ, so that the words bounce off your Consciousness when they are of the dragon, for you are only interested now in the inner voice of the Father, not the outer voice or threats of the dragon. And you can look at the non-power of the dragon, its futility as it waves all its might at you, because you know that you are in the Divine Kingdom of Spirit, making a transition in Consciousness out of the false into the real. And the false has no more power.

The human self has let go. The human self has even tried its own will and has failed so many times that it finally realizes there is no future in a human will. There is no place for it to go and now the 'tail of the dragon' is like the 'sting of the locust tail.' We are aware of our own shortcomings and limitations in our own human will, and we're willing to let go of a third part of our human will, just a third part. And the reason we are, is because we have seen some Divine works. We have seen some stars out of heaven appearing on earth. We have seen some miracles. We have had some *inner* revelation; we have witnessed the invisible hand of the Father, and we're willing to, ever still cautiously, remove a third part of our will.

We are holding onto two thirds yet, but we are willing to look a little deeper, and that's what is meant by:

"His tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born. And she brought forth a man child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God and to His throne." [Rev. 12: 4 – 5.]

Well we could find, probably hundreds of analogies in the bible to this event. As you are willing to face every temptation in your human mind which is serving the world mind, something rises higher than that temptation, and you make that great step into the awareness of the presence of Christ where you are; as Self. And you should know that all of your travail was worth what you put into it because, this Christ, this new Self, though still only an infant, just born into your Consciousness, is going to grow up, is going to 'rule all nations with a rod of iron.' For 'this child is caught up unto God, and to His throne.'

Now when you have finally yielded to your own true identity, you have really 'one-ed' yourself with God. You have come into the realization that you are not a mortal being. You have let go of the belief that you are flesh and blood. The birth of Christ in you, is the acceptance of Divine flesh, of a "you" that is not visible to the world, of another "you" that is not limited as the world knows limitation. In the acceptance of Christ, you have accepted the qualities of Christ, or you have not accepted Christ. And the qualities of Christ are Omnipotent; the qualities of Christ rule the world consciousness when you're IN the Christ. 'They shall rule with a rod of iron.'

In Samuel, (this is why I was making a few notes earlier), I want to refer to some of these at this point. In 2 Samuel 7:9.

"And I was with thee, whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies and of thy sight, out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth."

'I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest.' This is telling you that the Christ you have accepted is Omnipresent. Wherever you have been, Christ has always been, and ever will be. The Omnipresence of that Christ that you accept as identity, means that your name is the Omnipresent Christ.

The dragon doesn't want you to think that. The little mind says, "Oh, not you," but yes, You. The Son of God is the Omnipresent Christ; we get that as far back as Samuel. And in the Psalms, we see that the Omnipresent Christ is 'to rule this world with a rod of iron' – meaning Christ is Omnipotent. And how can you have the mind of Christ if you are not the Christ? "Have ye that mind that was in Christ Jesus?" [Philippians 2:5.]

The only thing that stops you from knowing you are the Christ and believing you are the Christ, is the dragon. It says you are a human being made of flesh and blood. But who is this dragon? Your own mind right now is trying to decide which you are. The part of you in your mind which says you are not the Christ, that's the dragon. That's why these symbols are so important to understand. Every doubt that flutters through your mind is known by the Spirit. It can always feel when the virtue is taken out.

Now then, you must overcome the mind which is not the Christ-mind. What are you going to use to overcome the mind that is not the Christ-mind if all you've got is that mind? You've got to go higher. You've got to establish a Consciousness higher than that mind.

You've got to ascend in Consciousness to a place where you can look down at that mind and say,

"You have fooled me up to now into thinking I was a human being, a mortal being...there are none. You've worn 'seven heads' to do it. You've given me a false sense of life, a false sense of body. You've moved invisible time under my feet. You've given me a sense of energy. You've given me a mind to know these things. And only now am I becoming aware that you are the serpent in the garden. I'll depend on you, and then you will deliver me to the coroner. I have been blind, but now I am awakening out of the sleep of atoms, out of the sleep of time, out of the sleep of space, out of forbidden fruit, out of the seven deceivers, out of the five senses which sabotage the truth of my being."

"I am the Christ in Adam, awakening. I am not Adam, I am the Christ IN Adam. I am not Eve. I am the Christ IN Eve. I am not human. I am the Christ where the human appears, because God is your Father. God is the creator of all being. God is the only reality that exists. And to deny yourself to be the invisible Christ is to deny God to be your Father, because Christ is the ONLY Son of God."

And so the scales are changing now, and where mortality weighed the most heavily at first, it is being overbalanced now by the conscious awareness of Immortality. The new Self, is the Omnipresent Self that we have ever been unaware of. We are losing faith in the ability of the mortal self to attain anything of a lasting nature. We are finding faith in the capacity of the Immortal Self to be present, to be lived in; knowing that it leads us only to the fulfillment of our true being. We are choosing 'God and not mammon.' [Matthew 6:24.]

Now this is going to continue with us for many years, day by day, all in the illusion of time that isn't here. And gradually, you are going to find you have the capacity to shuffle off this idea of time and the things that it seems to contain. You'll find more and more you're cleaving to the now of your being – the now Christ, the now Kingdom, the now reality of perfection, the nowness of your own Omnipotence in Christ. And more and more this will cast out the money-changers of the dragon.

Finally, we will come to One mind, where there is no dragon, where there is only the Christ mind, the Divine mind, where there are no 'seven heads' and seven false crowns. The walking on water, the walking over all the sea of opposites, the walking over time, the walking over space, the transcending of the 'seven heads' – that experience is not far away. It is in the birth of Christ; it is an automatic experience in the birth of Christ.

"The child was caught up unto God and to his throne" [Rev. 12:5.] means that the moment you have come into Christ-awareness, you are under Divine law, under Divine Omnipotence. You are now Self-existent. You spin out of your being like a spider that which you need in the outer.

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You have no outer needs, because you have the fullness within you of all that will appear in the outer. "This child is caught up unto God." No other 'child is caught up unto God.' This child is. This birth of the Christ in you is

'caught up unto God.' And the birth of the Christ in your daughter, your son, your mother, your father, must take place the same way for them to be 'caught up unto God.'

Each of us must go through this experience. It is the Will of the Father. That's why it is demonstrated here. That's why Jesus went through three years of showing it. That's why John is writing the Revelation of St. John to tell us 'who have ears' that this is an inner experience we are invited to go through to enter into the Kingdom of heaven here and now.

We are further assured of the *inevitability* of our success, because "it is the Father's Will to give you the Kingdom." [Luke 12:32.] In fact, we are told we can't fail. "Every knee must bow, every knee must bend." [Philippians 2:10; Isaiah 45:23.] 'The Word cannot return void.' [Isaiah 55:11.] It's just you can delay it and delay it and delay it, by living in the falseness of time. Or you can enter now.

"And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her here a thousand two hundred and threescore days." [Rev. 12:6.]

Twelve hundred and sixty days. The wilderness now is when you leave your senses – those five palpable senses that give you the feel of 'this world' are so comfortable to live in, but we walk out of them, into the wilderness where we don't have five senses that will help us anymore. And yet, we find a secret place there, when we step out of our belief in the five-sense world.

We step into the Soul-universe, where a place has been prepared for us, where we are to be fed. And that which we are fed now is substance, Divine substance. This child needs Divine substance. And then we are to remain, to be fed without any interference from the world mind, for 1260 days.

That's a beautiful phrase, because it tells you that once you have accepted Christ-identity, the world mind is powerless for you. Twelve hundred and sixty days represents the balance of your entire experience between this moment when Christ is born and your total entry into the Seventh Heaven.

The way it figures out is this. If you forget 365 days to the year and just take 360 and multiply it by three and then by a half, you'll get 1260 days. So it's three and a half. Three hundred and sixty days times three, times a half gives you 1260 days. And you will find that three and a half is placing where you are now, and the distance you still must travel, into total Christ-Consciousness.

You are in the middle of the fourth world. You've got three and a half worlds to go. But the moment you enter Christhood, the Christ infant begins to feed through the Spirit into the Soul. This little Christhood is Infinite. You are just becoming aware of an embryo. But as your Consciousness expands, you'll find that this Christ you've given birth to is not a baby. It's the Infinite Spirit of being. You'll simply see more and more of it, just as you see more and more of the seed and call it a tree.

Three and a half worlds to go, and in those three and a half worlds to go, from this point, the world mind has no more effect upon you, because Christ is Omnipotent. That's the meaning of 1260 days there. It is positioning mankind as being in the fourth world in the middle of its journey. Each day, or each year, in this case, represents another world – another level of Consciousness up to the seventh level which is Being, not becoming.

In this process you're going to pass out of this time-world, out of this space-world, out of the lifespan, out of the false crowns and the false heads. You won't look the way you look to human beings here anymore, after awhile. You won't feel the way you feel. You'll be making your transition gradually until it happens. Nobody is going to ever put you in a coffin.

You are already Infinite being and you must realize it. The birth of the Christ is the realization that *I* am Infinite being. The dragon is telling you you're not, you're a very finite being. You bleed, you hurt, you pain, you suffer. And you're saying to the dragon, "You're not talking about me. *I* am the Son of God, and *I* know it, and *I* can prove it, and *I* can live it out, and *I* can be faithful to that truth." And this is how Christ is born.

You meet every labor pain with the knowledge of who you are.

"There was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and its angels, and prevailed not." [Rev 12: 7 - 8.]

More of the good works of Christ-Consciousness are displayed in your life, for in you is Michael, just as in you is the world mind. Michael represents your finished, Divine Consciousness. Your finished Divine Consciousness is now, and against it, when you have accepted Christ, the world mind has no power and cannot prevail. So therefore, in your life comes the good works, the ordained works, the evidences of things unseen to human eyes, but to you they are real and you know that you are moving correctly. You have evidence of the action of Divine Consciousness. That's what is being done here – to say that the dragon does not prevail against Michael and his angels.

If you will hold to who you are, the action in you in which you transcend world mind is called, 'Michael and his angels defeating the dragon.' This is all your inner Self, the Self that no one ever sees.

"Neither was there place found any more in heaven, the dragon and his angels." [Rev. 12:8.]

You see, they are false angels. 'There is no place for them anymore in heaven' means you have come to the place where you are out of duality. And there is a place where duality simply does not exist because, in the presence of Christ, all that can express is the presence of God – the power, the mind, the love, the truth, the peace, the harmony, the fullness, the eternality.

Everything from the fullness expresses through the Christ without duality. The opposites are gone, only when you have attained a measure of awareness about your Spiritual Self.

"The great dragon was cast out." [Rev. 12:9.]

World mind is overcome within us, by that capacity to hold to Christidentity.

"The great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth and his angels were cast out with him." [Rev. 12:9.]

This happened in John. A veil just dissolved. He knew where he was, he knew who he was, he knew he was deathless forever. He knew he was not made of atoms. He knew he didn't live in time. He knew he and the Father were One Infinite being. He identified as God expressing. He was no longer deceived.

The veil had been rent; cosmic hypnotism had been pierced – not just for Jesus, but now for John. And not just for Jesus, but before him for Elijah, and Elisha and Enoch, and probably for hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of thousands, who we will not know, until we too have walked consciously out of the visible world of illusion, into the Invisible world of reality.

If you reassess your position at this moment, it will be a beautiful thing if you could just drop all belief in whatever you think and consider to be a personal problem, because you know you can't give birth to Christ and have a personal problem. It's the dropping of the personal problem that gives birth to Christ.

Now what prevents it? Nothing more than this silly seven-headed thing made of paper, that the mind rigs up and calls its kind of truth. It's like those Chinese dragons on the Chinese holiday. If you go underneath them and all the smoke is coming out of their nostrils and you find seven little Chinese boys. That's all that's there.

And this great dragon was spitting fire out of its nostrils and its ears and its head – it turns out to be nothing more than a world illusion – the whole human lifespan. When Joel calls it a dream, you wonder what does he mean? We're breaking down that dream right now. It's a seven-headed dream and every part of the dream is as much a dream as a dream you have while you are sleeping, because we are sleeping in mortality. We are sleeping in atoms that aren't there, and we're dreaming of a life that isn't there.

When you read the chapter, "This is Immortality," in Joel's book The Altitude of Prayer, you'll find that statement. "Human life is a dream." Isn't that what we're finding out here in John's Revelation that human life is a dream – except that he's using all these symbols. And who is the dreamer? You're not; you're not the dreamer. This world mind is doing all the dreaming. We're just the characters he is dreaming; and when we learn we are those characters, we will step out of being those characters.

We're not the characters in the dream of the dragon. And this woman is our New Consciousness giving birth to the truth of our being, taking us out of the false death – the lifespan that ends in a death that isn't there. We're getting to peek underneath that dragon and seeing the little Chinese boys wiggling their eyes. They've been having a great sport at our expense.

And now we're coming into a real freedom – not a false freedom, but a freedom based upon the Word, not upon human thoughts, human judgments, human unrighteousness – but we're accepting the Word verbatim: 'Thou art my Son. This day have I begotten thee' [Acts 13:33.] was spoken by the Christ in you.

There's a place I think we are coming to which is very embarrassing, especially if a person has been brought up in traditional religious doctrines – very embarrassing. It says that this dragon, this world mind, gives us a false God, and it says that the world, because it's in the world mind, is worshiping a God who isn't there. And I think that's very embarrassing.

It also says that we, with this false mind, not only worship a false God who isn't there, but we misconstrue ourselves and think we are the Divine image of God, and man is not the Divine image of God. Right here in this little Revelation. And if one wanted to pursue this and hold it up to the world to see, everybody would have to look at it and make a decision. "Am I worshiping God or am I worshiping the devil?" And you will find that this is saying that man is not worshiping God, but man is worshiping the devil who is impersonating God.

The world mind impersonates God, and mankind worships the world mind which is not God, but is identified as the devil. Now you go to any church in the world and tell them you are worshiping the devil and not God, they won't hear you. But that's what is being said here. Furthermore, it's true. We're going to come to that, and when we do, it might shock some of us. That doesn't mean we're to run out and become critical of our neighbors who are in a church religion, because we here, too, have traveled in the world mind, and everything we can think of to hurl at another we have been just as guilty of.

And so this is speak softly; 'tell no man.' [Luke 5:14.] We must know the truth for ourselves that the world is worshiping the devil mind and is not worshiping God, and that is why the world is always in trouble. It does not "know God aright." It cannot. It cannot break the veil of the world mind. The dragon has got the world. And until you give birth to Christ, the dragon has got you, because even if you're not worshiping the wrong God, you're worshiping something else which is an idol, which is an imitation of God.

You cannot worship God as a human being. That's the message. No human being can worship God. I remember that vividly, as John 1:18, but I never knew it to mean that. I always thought it meant something else, but if you listen to the words, you'll see what it means. It doesn't mean what it seems to mean. We are worshiping a false God if we are not in Christ, because a human being cannot worship God. That's the meaning of John 1:18 if I have it correctly. Yes, I have.

## "No man hath seen God." [John 1:18.]

Now you thought when you heard that "no man hath seen God" meant that God is invisible. But the word "see" doesn't mean to see with your eyes or see with your soul. It means know God. To see is like the word "eat" when you're told to 'eat of my flesh.' [John 6:54.] It means to dwell in the conscious knowledge of the Invisible Divine flesh. What the mind knows is

what it eats. And here in the same way, the word "see" is being used. No man hath seen God at any time. No MAN hath seen God at any time.

"The only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." **[John 1:18.]** Only Christ can see God, meaning to know God. You cannot know God until you birth the Christ. That's the point of 1:18 John. And it doesn't matter if religion knows it or not, that is the truth of it.

That is why it is so vital now, in studying this particular twelfth chapter of Revelation, that we realize that unless we give birth to Christ-identity in our Consciousness, we do not know God, whom 'to know aright is life eternal.' And every religion in the world that cannot know God, because it does not know the inner Christ, is just saying to life eternal, "We're not interested." But it is the Will of the Father that you be that life eternal. And so religion says to God "We're not interested in your Will, we're interested in our own. We want to save our necks."

Now remember then, that it is our sacred responsibility to truth, to birth the Christ, because only Christ can 'know God aright.' Only Christ takes us out of the 'seven heads' of the world mind. Humanly, we cannot do it. We have not the capacity to know God with the human mind. And if we cannot know God with the human mind, we cannot know the Will of God and we cannot experience the qualities of God. There is no way to make contact with the human mind. It is forever consigned to the opposites – the dualities – until Christ is born.

"And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, 'Now is come salvation, and strength and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night." [Rev. 12:10.]

Whatever we may have learned in traditional religion is a counterfeit salvation. There is only one Salvation: the first resurrection, the coming of Christ in your Consciousness as a living fact, as the identity of being. That is Salvation, and now is come the Kingdom of God. Christ in you is the Kingdom of God. And this is happening to John on the earth, walking the earth. John is not dead. He is writing this while he is walking this earth. This is what is happening to John. This is what is happening to us, although still in a lesser measure, but it is also what is happening to the consciousness of the world – through you, through your acceptance of it. Just as through the acceptance of Jesus Christ you are 'leavening the lump.'

Your light is shining invisibly. As you do this, you are multiplying the Word immeasurably. There is no yardstick that can measure the degree to which you are multiplying the Word. You're not doing this just for little you, but while you do it, you are finding that the very Self who is benefiting all over the world is invisibly going to be the invisible Christ of your own being. You are merely extending your awareness of Christ to the Infinite. You are unveiling not just locally, but everywhere. It's so important that you know that you're not doing this for a person.

## "And they overcame him." [Rev. 12:11.]

That is, Michael and his angels overcame him, the dragon and his angels. They overcame him by the 'blood of the lamb.' There was no human mind overcoming the dragon. There was no will power, no good human deeds, no prayer, "I lay me down to sleep." It was instead, that capacity in you to hold to Identity, and that is the 'blood of the lamb.' Not a sacrifice of pigeons, not a sacrifice of doves, not a sacrifice of sheep, or goats, but a sacrifice of your mortal self – that is the 'blood of the lamb' you sacrifice to achieve the birth of the Christ.

The 'blood of the lamb' is Christ-awareness. The only thing acceptable unto the Lord is that you accept immortal Christhood and reject mortal humanhood. This is a *total* surrender. There is no remnant of human thought in order to attain the 'blood of the lamb.' And then in you, the force of Michael, the force of Divine Consciousness, becomes the sunlight, and the shadow of world consciousness diminishes, until there is no turning, until there is no duality, until all is the sunshine of Divine Consciousness within you and without, and the world mind is cast out of the false heaven. A very strange phrase follows:

"They overcame him by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony" [Rev. 12:11.]

Which means by their deeds. Their testimony in Spirit is action, activity. Testimony in human sense is, when we testify is slightly different, when we testify in Spirit, you do it with deeds. 'By their deeds ye shall know them.' [Matthew 7:16.] And this is the self-denial as mortal, acceptance of immortality, and by their deeds which is the word of their testimony. And this is the phrase that is so puzzling until we understand it:

"And they loved not their lives unto the death." [Rev. 12:11.]

"They loved not their lives unto the death." Talking about that capacity in you to love not your human life until it dies, and perhaps now that's quite

reasonably clear – to love not your human life. This is the way you attain Christhood. It sounds like a very forbidding thought. It's even more forbidding when you hear it the way it was phrased in John.

We are going to look at **Luke 14:26** to see how the Christ said it there, and then we may have a clue as to the actual meaning of that phrase. It's just as strange, just as strange.

"If any man come to me and hate not his mother, his father, his wife and children, and brethren and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple."

Now rather than pass by this as we have done, we should stop and realize that there's a message there for us that's vital. I can't go off and say to myself, "Well, some day I'm going to do something about that." We're at a point now where the very birth of Christ-identity is the stake we're playing for. And here scripture tells me to hate my father, hate my mother, hate my wife, my children, my brethren, my sisters, and even hate my own life? Until suddenly, you realize what you're being told: hate mortality. Hate mortality, hate it means, reject it.

You don't have a mortal father. You don't have a mortal mother. You are looking at the Spirit of God. That's hating your mother – knowing her to be the Spirit of God. Now you're hating the mortal apparition. You're hating the false image. You are hating the world mind image of a mortal mother, when all you have is the Spirit of God standing beside you.

That's hating your father. It's ripping away the veil of mortality to reveal the invisible Christ there. That's why in Revelation they attained the birth of Christ by hating their own lives unto the death, refusing to be a mortal creature of flesh and blood.

It's part of the price for the birth of Christ. Well, of course, you can't be Spirit and. Your mother can't be Spirit and. Your father can't be Spirit and. If God is Spirit, if God is all, where is this "and"? We have been "entertaining angels unawares" [Hebrews 13:2.], and we must make the reversal in Consciousness.

We're not only birthing Christ within our own self; we are birthing Christ in our mother, in our father, in our sister, in our brethren. We are birthing the awareness of the Omnipresent Christ. This isn't just for little me; it's for a universal change in Consciousness. That's what we're doing with each other. We are holding hands in the invisible Spirit recognizing the Christ of each other

and the Christ of the world around us. We are giving birth to the recognition of Christ Omnipresent.

You've got to start with yourself, perhaps, and with your mother and your father, and "love thy neighbor as thy Self." [Matthew 23:39; Leviticus 19:18.] Expand it out. You cannot birth Christ in a human body. You birth Christ in an Infinite Consciousness – now, Christ. In time we are persons. In the eternal Selfhood we are Christ. In Spirit we are Christ; in time we are material person – one and the same.

One Tree of life seen through human eyes becomes the Tree of good and evil. One infinite Christ seen through human eyes becomes four billion people walking the earth. But only one Christ is here, and only one Christ is now, and only one Christ is eternal, and that is your name. When the birth of Christ comes into your Consciousness, it will be because you have loved Christ and not mortality.

This is the price we pay for entry into the present Invisible Kingdom of God here and now. It's not a price, is it? It's a gift, it's a cherished gift of God, and we think we are paying a price for it. If we look at it correctly, all we can say is, "Thank you, Father." What more is there to ask for? I give away all my false concepts and, in return, I live forever in the Kingdom of God on earth. That's bringing it right down to what It is telling us.

'Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea.' [Rev. 12:12.]

We who accept this truth, however difficult the travailing is, we are dwelling in the heavens, and there is joy. But those who remain in the earth and the sea, "woe to them" means the earth is material consciousness. The earth is matter. Those who remain in the belief in matter are remaining in the earth. And those who remain in the sea, are those who believe that through mind they can overcome.

The earth is matter, the sea is mind and, of course, the air is a representative of Soul. Those who dwell in the earth and the sea, in the matter and the mind of this world, woe to them. We must rise to the Soul realm. The acceptance of Christ is the acceptance that I am not material self and I do not have a human mind. That is the serpent. I can see through these experiences, through these appearances of a human selfhood, because I trust my Soul to be present, to be functioning and It will image forth the reality of being, as I drop the falseness to which I have clung.

My new thoughts will be the thoughts of God imaging forth the universe of God. My old thoughts which imaged forth the thoughts, the appearances of this world are being dropped. We're changing thought streams, changing mind streams, changing time streams, changing life streams, all because the Word of God we trust.

'Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.' [Rev. 12:12.]

And so you are being alerted that if you have resolved to walk in Christ, you are going to become very sensitive to a lot of other things. This will appear to you as chastisement. This will appear to you as renewed trials, an amplification of your problems. There really is a moment when your problems seem amplified, but they're not. It's just that you are more sensitive to things that you had once accepted. You no longer accept them, and this seems to amplify your problems.

Things that you thought were all right at one time suddenly are not all right. You won't accept them. And so this comes to you as an amplification of your problems. It's merely a sign of your increased sensitivity to truth, to reality, and it comes disguised as an excess or an intensification of your problems, but it never is. It's always a sign that you are now closer to the Christ-birth, because the things that now bother you are only bothering you, because you have become conscious of the presence of Christ.

In that Consciousness, you see, all that is unlike Christ is no longer tolerated. That's what John is revealing here.

"And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the child, the man child." [Rev. 12:13.]

(And this is what I was trying to describe just now.)

"And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly unto the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent." [Rev. 12:14.]

Now these 'two wings of the eagle', then, are what come to your rescue when in the moment you have increased your Christ-awareness, the world seems to be coming at you with greater intensity. With 'two wings of the eagle' you can go to your place. Now these 'two wings of the eagle' are going to be very important. They're going to be first, your capacity to receive inner direction, because that's what Revelation really means; in its broadest

sense, Revelation is not a voice speaking, although it includes that. Revelation is inner guidance, inner substance, inner love, inner peace. The inner expression of the wholeness of God is Revelation. It's God flowing forth through your being, and that is Revelation. That is one wing of the eagle, but you have two.

The second wing is that the inner expression of God coming through you, you can manifest. It isn't just words. It's something that will now become a new type of manifestation. We've had material manifestation. You will now have Spiritual manifestation. That's the 'second wing.'

This is also the meaning of speaking with tongues. When you can manifest that which is revealed through you, you are speaking with tongues. You give it a substance, and whatever you manifest Spiritually, no man can take away, no man can override, no man can veto. It's there. It's permanent. It's under God-domination. It walks through any obstacles. It stands there imperturbably. It is indestructible. It is of the Father's Invisible Substance. And that's the 'second wing'.

You have the power, the dominion, to manifest the Word of God, and with these 'two wings' you can fly through any adversity. That's the point of them. They lift you above. You are able to transcend all enmity. And furthermore, as you transcend it, many times you will find that these 'two wings' will dissolve the enmity so that you will not have to struggle against it in the slightest. Through Grace, those arrows and darts that are thrown at you are turned aside, and oftentimes, the very Love of the Father coming through you, becomes a Love that envelopes those who have thrown the darts.

There is a prepared place for you in the wilderness where the 'two wings of the eagle' take you, that you may be fed of the Father – 'two wings of the great eagle' that ye might fly into the wilderness into her place. You have a place. Never think there is no place for you. That's the point. Even when you seem alone in this work there is a place, and the 'two wings of the eagle' will take you there.

"Where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time from the face of the serpent." [Rev. 12:14.]

This is the same 1260 days. 'Time' is one year or one world, and 'times' means two more, and 'half a time' means another half a world – three and a half worlds away. It's just another repetition of the idea that we've all got to work our way from this point through three and a half heavens. Actually, the

balance of this material world is the half, and then the three heavens makes the three and a half.

"And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman." [Rev. 12:15.]

You're back to Noah's ark – same symbolism, same meaning – the flood of the world mind, the intensification of world mind when you have made your commitment.

"And swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of its mouth, and the earth helped the woman." [Rev. 12: 15 – 16.]

Now you see the earth helps the woman here for a very good reason. This is a New Earth. This is a New Earth. She had 'two wings of an eagle.' The 'second wing' was to manifest. She manifested a New Earth, and this 'earth' was the woman. You are bringing forth a new quality, a new atmosphere. You're changing the atmosphere around you, and it swallows up the animosities that come your way.

"The earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth." [Rev. 12:16.]

You finally find that the power of the Spirit of God in you transcends all, is totally dominant and there is no second power. The dragon was never there. The dragon is revealed as an illusion to you. The world mind is cast out of your Consciousness. You walk in the Christ-mind. John wants us to know this is what happens here:

"and the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ." [Rev. 12:17.]

John has been casting this on two levels, you see. The dragon could not make any contact any more with Christ-Consciousness and so now it goes to all those who accept Christ. It goes to the seed of Christ-Consciousness. Christ-Consciousness is the world, the Infinite Consciousness of God. And when the dragon cannot penetrate the Infinite Consciousness, which of course it cannot, it then comes to you and to me, and to him, and to her.

We are the seed or the remnant of the Infinite Consciousness and now it is pecking away at us. But it's pecking away at "the remnant of her seed which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ." [Rev. 12:17.] So we who remain faithful to the Christ will find, that we,

the remnant, the seed of Christ, will burst forth into full Christhood, and the world mind in us, too, is shattered, swallowed up by our New Consciousness.

Now it was important for us to see this in the Book of Revelation, because we can look at a map of geography and see where places are and it's right in front of us, and we know it's there, and we go there. But here this is about an intangible, an invisible. We don't have maps for it. We only have the word of the prophets, and the word of those who have walked this path before us. It's very difficult to find your confidence, especially when you are told to believe a Jesus Christ you can't sit down and talk to across the table. And so you're really going to have to find all your assurances in your own confirmed Spiritual experiences.

You have 'two wings of an eagle'. You have a pipeline to the inner Self, and if you receive Substance, inner revelation – not just the voice, but Substance, because the voice includes Substance, and you find you can depend on it and go forth and manifest that inner Substance, then you don't have to sit down and talk to Jesus Christ. You can accept every word of the Christ because when you have proved it out to yourself, you will receive the strength to go to your wilderness, to be nourished for 'time, times, and time and a half' until you receive the bestowal of the Seventh Heaven.

Now don't think for a moment that this is a million light years away. For some of you in time, this is nothing more than two or three years away. This is what is going to happen to us, as we continue to dwell faithfully in the reality of Being, sowing to our own Christ-Self. There may be a lot of other ways to live, and you would have to be very firm and sure of what you are doing in order to live in this way.

But you have traveled a long distance – not just geographically. You have traveled a long distance in Consciousness to come to the point where we can sit down and discuss these things in the quiet of oneness, and know that behind the facade of humanhood, stands the invisible God, who is the very Substance and Source of all that really is.

You are that One, there is no other. And in that knowledge of that One, in the acceptance of that One to be the One you are, Christ is born.

The End