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## A MESSAGE FOR THE AGES

Chapter: God And Prayer

1963 Instructions For Teaching The Infinite Way 4:1

Topic: *Turn Yourselves And Live Ye*

508

Love is the secret of the spiritual life—not human love. Human love tells us to send our children to college; spiritual love demands that we save out some of what we have for the child down the street who cannot afford it, but who also wants to go to college. Human love tells us to support our family, but spiritual love requires us also to remember the family down the street that is still struggling for a livelihood. Human love says that the man in prison is none of our business; he got himself there. Divine love says, "I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

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## AWAKENING MYSTICAL CONSCIOUSNESS

Chapter: Concept or Is?

1954 Portland Practitioner Class

Topic: *Letting What Is Reveal Itself*

95: 1&2

Have the conviction that you are the child of God.

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## BEYOND WORDS AND THOUGHTS

Chapter: The Way of Grace

1963 Kailua Private Class

Topic: *Let The Divine Destiny Be Revealed In Us*

522:1 or 517:1

God is omniscience, and when God has a child, it is for a specific purpose. There is something definite in mind with every individual offspring, something that he was actually sent into expression to do.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS IN TRANSITION

Chapter: Prayer and Receptivity

1948

Topic:

So don't think it will do any good to worry about your parents or your children and whether they are going to be safe in heaven with you. If they are not on this path, your concern is in continuously realizing the true nature of God appearing as friend, relation or seeming enemy.

Chapter: Thought Is Not Power

1948

Topic:

The only reason for divorce is that we see each other as man and woman. It is a hard thing for a man and a woman to live together for many years and not get fed up with each other. If, long before marriage, we get the idea that we are not seeking marriage or home or companionship but are seeking the presence of God in visible form, then you would be surprised at the marriages and birthrate we would have. Every child would be God made manifest. There would be no material creation.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS TRANSFORMED

Chapter: Above Karmic Law: Principles to Live By

1963

Topic:

You must eliminate the word "I" from you life and in whatever degree you succeed, in that degree will you know successful and joyous living. . . If you can eliminate the word I, you have no life to lose, including your children's. It is God's life and God can take care of Its own.

Chapter: As Ye Sow

2/3/63

Topic:

Every problem that comes to you or me represents some degree of our inability to be children of God, to be under the law of God. . . because whatever degree of humanness is still in us is not because of our wish but because of our inability. . . Unless there is a change of consciousness, there will be a reoccurrence of discord.

Topic:

Many times parents write me: "Is it not right that my children should go to college?" My answer is this: "If you think God's wisdom is not sufficient to govern your child." . . . Why feel that you must tell God what it must do for your children? Experience shows me that students [on the path] are ready to give up all forms of outlined prayers, except those which deal with their children. They are God's children, and if college or marriage or not marriage are part of their destinies, so it will be.

Chapter: prayer of the righteous man: God is

September 1963

Topic:

The humility of which I speak is not a depreciation of yourself but rather an acknowledgment that you yourself have no power to benefit this world, even your family part of the world.

## CONSCIOUSNESS UNFOLDING

Chapter: Questions and Answers

1949

Topic: *Attaining An Inner Conviction Of Faith*

No parents ever created a body. The state of consciousness of that child brought forth his own body.

Begin to understand that God is your wife, your husband, and your children; in other words, life eternal made manifest is the only person you know.

## LIVING THE ILLUMINED LIFE

Chapter: Call No Man Your Father Upon the Earth

Topic: *A Life Of Grace Has No Needs*

"Call no man your father upon the earth." For thirty years this has been one of my great realizations in the healing work. I have been stuck and stuck hard with many cases, and usually the thing that saved me was when I could realize, " 'Call no man on earth your father,' then whoever is turning to God for help must be immortal." Knowing that set me free from my fears and doubts, and then the patient responded. "Call no man your father upon the earth." God is your Father; therefore, you are the son, and fortunately, God had all His children before they invented illegitimate ones, so God has no illegitimate children.

## LIVING THE INFINITE WAY

Chapter: meditation

1954

Topic:

The stillborn child, the young soldier killed in battle, the multitudes destroyed by plague or epidemic—none of these experiences ever touches you or me or them. Behind these untoward occurrences, the Self, our true being, remains imperishable and imperturbable, unaware of the hypnotism of mortal sense.

## MAN WAS NOT BORN TO CRY

Chapter: The Truth that Makes Us Free

1960 Kansas City Practitioner's Class

Topic: *Becoming Free Of The Belief In Two Powers*

318:2

The only way a child can be freed from this hypnotism is if his parents, before his conception, have become aware of the truth that neither the mind of man nor the body of man is a creator.

## THE ART OF MEDITATION

Men and women have assumed that because they were fathers and mothers they were originators, instead of knowing that they are the instruments through which God acts to express Himself—not to perpetuate you or me, or my children or your children. God operates as love in our consciousness to produce His own image and likeness. This expression of God we have called your child and mine, forgetting that this is *God's* child, and not a personal creation or a personal possession.

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## THE ART OF SPIRITUAL HEALING

Chapter: Spiritual Healing: The Practice  
Topic: *Spiritual Unfoldment - Not Human Birth Or Death*

1956

Child-conceiving and child-bearing are only concepts of human belief.

There is no such thing as a child. . . God is always at the point of absolute maturity, complete perfection.

The divine child of God never can know such a thing as limitation in any form.

Parents are the instruments through which God operates to bring His children to earth.

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## THE FOUNDATION OF MYSTICISM

Chapter: Introducing The Healing Principles  
Topic: *A Transition In Consciousness*

1959

Since our work teaches us that we must not use force, we must not take up the sword, we must not punish our mind or body, we have recourse only to discipline, but not the harsh discipline of an unthinking parent over a wayward child. Rather, we exercise loving dominion that a wise parent exercises: a discipline with love, a discipline with gentleness, a discipline with peace and patience. And so we learn to gently take dominion over the mind so that we can meditate the way we did in this meditation:

*I say unto thee, peace be still, fear not. Fear not—not all the armies of the aliens, for God in the midst of thee is mighty. . . You need not battle; you need take no thought for what you shall drink or wherewithal you shall be clothed.*

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## THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1955

Chapter: Christmas, 1955  
Topic: *Christmas 1955*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
118:2

Is there any other hope for that child than that the Christ Itself be loosed in consciousness?

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## THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1956

Chapter: God is The Soul of Man  
Topic: *Part Two*

1956

In the silence, speak to the Soul of your children, and even of your pets, and notice how they respond to the Word of Truth.

Chapter: The Part We Play  
Topic: *Teaching The Infinite Way To Children*

1956

[To a child who about to go out and play] “Wait just a minute—have you stopped to let God take your hand?”

Chapter: Withinness  
Topic: *The Ninth Commandment*

1956

You do not see male or female. . . [but] a light which shines forth from each person's eyes. . . the Child of God.

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## THE JOURNEY BACK TO THE FATHER'S HOUSE

You are living the mystical life only when you begin to live in this "secret place of the most High" and realize that the kingdom of God is within you. You are not thinking of the person on your left or your right. You are not expecting anything of your husband, wife, your parents, or your children. You are living within your own being. *The storehouse of God is within me, and I am not dependent on man, whose breath is in his nostrils."*

What are the problems of those who come to us? We could boil them all down to personal sense. Personal sense means that we are accepting two or more persons. There can be a husband and wife; there can be parent and child; there can be partners in business; there can be capital and labor relationships; there can be all kinds of human relationships; and every one of them at some time or other can be the source of discord and inharmony. If we are called upon for help, we have only one remedy: to give spiritually, and that giving is our realization of *I*: "I and my Father are one." That relationship is an infinite relationship, the only relationship there is. So we do not have a "me" and God, and we do not have a me and a partner, and we do not have a me and another person at the conference table: we have only the *I* that I am, infinitely expressed.

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## THE MYSTICAL I

As we begin to tabernacle and commune with the spiritual identity of that child, we can watch the change that takes place in his academic accomplishments. Why? Not because we have improved his intellectual capacity, but because we have put aside his lack of intellectual capacity and are drawing forth his Christ-identity.

*My function, then it to get acquainted with this child as he really is, not to continue seeing him as a human identity. Let me forget the picture I have drawn of this child and let me get acquainted with him. Let me commune with this offspring of God and come to know him. I reject all my former concepts of this child. I have no interest in the world's opinion of him or even in his own opinion of himself. What I am seeking now is that God reveal to me the name and the nature of this child, reveal to me the true identity of this child.*

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## THE ONLY FREEDOM

You love God only when you acknowledge the universal nature of the fatherhood of God, the universal nature of the power and presence of God. And, unless you can see God as the God of all, of all those who were, all those who are, and all those who are to be, you are not loving God supremely. Then, unless you can see every individual as equally one with God, the child of God, the offspring of God, under God's jurisdiction, you are not loving your neighbor as yourself.

The day must come when you no longer desire or have the capacity to be a parent, because you will have evolved out of that stage. Being a parent and bringing children into this world never was meant to be a permanent stage in anyone's life any more than infancy or childhood was supposed to be a permanent dispensation. So the days of parenthood are a period of years which must be outgrown for the next higher form of unfolding consciousness. That is when you begin to live above the physical sense of body and more in the spiritual sense. That is a completely different form of life. By that time, through "dying" daily, you have "died" to the person who was an infant, a child, or a parent. Now you enter a fuller state of maturity in which your higher spiritual development begins.

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## THE THUNDER OF SILENCE

Chapter: From the Unreal to the Real

1956-58

Topic: *As We Forgive*

Intellectually, it is practically impossible to convince ourselves that another person's interest is our interest, and that our interest is his interest or to believe that we are all equally children of God, because material sense testifies to the opposite. It is only in inner communion with God that we find ourselves in inner communion with man.

True, we have to rebuke evil: Sometimes we have to vote against it; sometimes we have to talk against it; and sometimes we have to correct children and even grownups too. But this has to be done without our actually believing it, recognizing, "Yes, that's the appearance-world, and the people in it have not awakened to this great secret that there is neither good nor evil in person, place, or thing."