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## A MESSAGE FOR THE AGES

Chapter: Christ-consciousness as a Universal Experience  
Topic: *Realized Spiritual Principles Form The New Consciousness*

1963 London Work; Instructions; Kailua Private  
526, 512, 520

Never before has it been known that every truth received in consciousness becomes a law unto consciousness. That has been revealed through the Infinite Way. Each truth that we consciously realize, we will realize as being established in human consciousness, and that will give greater power to the work that we doing. Some of the earlier metaphysical work may have had as its purpose the improvement of the patient but now it is not only the patient that is improved: it is all human consciousness, too. . . The second coming of Christ is here, and we are playing a part in Its unfoldment. One of the major ways in which we are doing this is by knowing that every truth realized in individual consciousness becomes a law.

Chapter: Educating the Human Mind out of Itself  
Topic: *Across The Desk*

1963 Kailua Private Class 5:1&2  
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According to the human picture, a law of supply and demand operates in the distribution of goods necessary for human consumption and human needs. It is based on the assumption that a person needs something outside himself. So he looks outside and struggles to obtain the money with which to satisfy his needs. This whole process is a denial of the principle of Consciousness as the substance of all form.

Chapter: Guidelines for Spiritual Unfoldment through The Infinite Way  
Topic: *Conducting A Tape Group Activity*

1964 Instructions, Tape Group Leaders, 1963  
557, 509, 511

In meditation a student should have one single point to dwell upon until it fades out and he becomes still and is listening. Such a quotation is helpful in centering attention on some specific principle. For example, if a student meditated properly on "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God," it should bring the student to the place where he realizes that he does not have to worry about money, a position, or anything else in the outer world. What he has to have is a word from God. That breaks the attachment to the outer scene—the fear of it or even the reliance on it—because eventually everyone has to see that he does not live by money or by employment, but by the word of God. . . If it takes thirty years, he might as well dedicate himself to that because only through receiving that Word can these other things be added unto him.

No advanced student is going to succeed unless he keeps going back to the basic principles. It is my experience that occasionally I have to remind myself that I am not going to God to get a power. I have to remind myself once in a while that I am not seeking God to do anything to error. I do not know how anyone becomes so advanced that he can go beyond that.

The basic and foundational tapes and books are essential for the development of spiritual consciousness. Among such tapes I can recommend the 1959 San Diego and Lausanne work, the 1960 Santa Barbara, Toronto, Grand Rapids, Holland, Lausanne, and Denver work, the 196 I San Diego and Lausanne work, and the 1962 Holland and Lausanne work. All these contain basic foundational points and the application of these principles to daily human problems—not the use or the application of God, but the use and application of specific principles to the problems of everyday living.

Chapter: Infinite Way Pearls  
Topic: *Impersonalization, Essential To Illumination*

1963 Instructions For Teaching The Infinite Way 1:2,  
509, 511

I have many patients with whom I have been working for as long as twelve years who do not catch this principle and do not get their healing. They are holding a wall up that insists that this is a person, either the "me" of themselves or of the other person. In such a situation the practitioner may not be able to break through.

Is there any principle in the Infinite Way greater than the truth that God is individual consciousness, your consciousness and mine? This is the top secret because to my knowledge it is the first time it has been revealed. Everyone has a consciousness; therefore, everyone has God; but there are two states of consciousness: the illumined consciousness and the unillumined consciousness.

Chapter: Infinite Way Protective Work

1963 Instructions For Teaching The Infinite Way 6:2

Topic: *Building A Consciousness Of One Power*

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[The principle of One Power] is completely covered and thoroughly explained in *The Infinite Way Letters of 1955*, chapter three, which should constitute a daily text for our study. There is also a chapter in *Man Was Not Born To Cry* covering this, and the April and May letters of 1964 (*Realization of Oneness*) devoted entirely to the healing ministry of the Infinite Way, setting forth specific principles that must enter into every treatment we give. But there must be the consciousness of what is contained in this material, and all the *1964 Letters* pound away and hammer at the specific principles so that we may develop the consciousness of the message.

Chapter: Not Appearance but IS

1963 Instructions For Teaching 2:1; 1954

Topic: *Christhood, Not Human Good*

510, 90

As you look out at the world, do not declare that it is all illusion, but rather that the erroneous concept of it that you are entertaining is the illusion. Any erroneous picture that you are entertaining is the illusion, and therefore the illusion exists in your mental misperception, not in the external world. If you grasp the point that an illusion cannot be externalized, that it can never exist externally, then you will understand the Infinite Way and its healing principle.

The Infinite Way principle is that any truth realized in the practitioner's consciousness becomes the law unto the patient or student who has brought himself to that consciousness. Never does the practitioner project his thought to . . . patient or student, never! He does not use the word *you* in any treatment, prayer, or meditation. It is always whatever truth he can realize.

Chapter: Now I See

1963 Instructions For Teaching The Infinite Way 1:1

Topic: *Omniscience*

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Once a student grasps the nature of God as omniscience, he can never again reach up to God or even dream of asking God for peace on earth or for anything else. . . This principle cannot be learned in two weeks, two months, or two years. How long it will take students to come to the point where they never are tempted to tell God anything, to try to influence God, or to let God know about the problem, I do not know.

Chapter: The Parenthesis

1963

Topic: *Teaching The Infinite Way: Bringing The Christ-activity To The Situation*

510, 511

These principles must have become so embodied in our own consciousness that it is automatic to ignore the person who says, "I have a terrible pain. Will you do something about it?" or where it has become automatic to disregard the degree of the fever or the size of the lump, and come right down to the middle path of ignoring the appearance and abiding in spiritual reality until that place of stillness is reached where we can let the power of God be made evident through the still, small voice.

Chapter: The Simplicity of the Healing Truth

1963 Instructions For Teaching The Infinite Way 7:1

Topic: *No Destructive Powers In God's Creation*

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The healing principle of the Infinite Way is that God is consciousness, universal infinite consciousness, appearing, formed, and expressed as individual man and the universe. This is a spiritual universe, and since every appearance of error is the product of hypnotism—a hypnotism caused by a belief in two powers—there is no such thing as cancer, consumption, poverty, unemployment, an erroneous person, or a sinner. In the proportion that you see such things, you are hypnotized; you are seeing forms of hypnotism. Only when you are dehypnotized will you see a person as he is. Only then will you see God as God is, and God's universe as it is.

Successful practitioners stand on the two basic principles: the nature of God and My kingdom, and the nature of evil and its world of illusion. They stand fast in those principles until they develop the consciousness that is not fooled by appearances. . . Once you enter the kingdom of God and realize a spiritual peace, you will at the same time realize that you never had an enemy in any form. All you were faced with was a hypnotic world, the substance of which was hypnotism, and temporarily you were fooled by the pictures formed by that hypnotism. One day it was a fire, one day a tidal wave, the next day a volcano, the next day an epidemic, next day unhappiness, and the next day poverty. Every day hypnotism formed a new picture for you, and as fast as you were able to get out of one picture it produced another picture.

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## **A PARENTHESIS IN ETERNITY**

Chapter: Attaining The Mystical Consciousness

Topic: *The Function Of The Mind*

When the mind is used for the purpose of knowing the truth, that truth then becomes the law of harmony unto our experience. . . The truth that we entertain in our consciousness takes over our life, eliminating discords and inharmonies and bringing about peace, harmony, and security.

Chapter: Living The Mystical Life

Topic: *Beyond Time And Space*

As we become beholders and watch each hour unfold to see what God does with it, we overcome the egotistic belief that this is our world and that we are responsible for it. . . This is being a witness. A witness is not an active participant: a witness is one who bears witness, who sees and beholds. That is what we are: God's witnesses. At first this principle is difficult to practice.

Chapter: The Basis of Mysticism

Topic: *Reality And Illusion*

If Consciousness is infinite, there is no other substance beyond consciousness, and the world of God's creating must therefore be Consciousness formed.

Knowing the truth, following spiritual principles, sowing to the Spirit instead of the flesh—only this will bring our regeneration, resurrection, renewal, and finally, our ascension above all materiality. In that exalted state of consciousness even the karmic law of good ceases to operate in our experience, because in the recognition that we are never the actor or the doer, but that only God is acting and doing through us, we have stopped sowing.

Why should we need to use power if there is only one power—God? What would we want to use it for, on whom, or on what? And why do we need any power to correct a *belief* in two powers?

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## **AWAKENING MYSTICAL CONSCIOUSNESS**

Chapter: Awakening to the Soul-Faculties

1961

Topic: *Awakening The Soul-center*

Grace cannot touch us until we have become consciously aware that God is the mind of all mankind.

Chapter: Releasing Spiritual Power

1962 London Special Class

Topic: *The Ultimate Goal Of The Revelation Of Spiritual Power*

494:1&2

Human consciousness must always demonstrate. . . its beliefs

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## **BEYOND WORDS AND THOUGHTS**

The basic principle of The Infinite Way is the word *I*. The teaching, as set forth in the textbook, *The Infinite Way*, is that God appears as man—not God *and* man, not man going to God, but the revelation that God appears as man. Then all that God is, I am; all that the Father has is mine, and so the way to find God lies in going within to that *I* that I am. . . Now it is presumed that students are ready for the *realization* rather than merely the teaching of this principle. It is one thing to be taught or even to teach something: it is quite a different thing to *be* that, to attain the consciousness of that which has been taught.

Forgive yourself by recognizing the impersonal nature of evil, and drop out of your thought right now that it was any error of yours, *except an ignorance of spiritual principles*.

Until you as an individual come to an inner agreement that destroying civilian populations by atomic bombs is inexcusable, you are under that karma, because the commands to “resist not evil” and to lay down your life rather than take another life are basic Christian teachings. Certainly the teaching was never to save your life at the expense of another’s.

“The earth is the Lord’s and the fulness thereof.” Therefore, although I, Joel, have nothing of my own, all that the Father has is mine. So when I give [anything] away, it is still the Father’s: it has not changed ownership. As long as I live in that consciousness, I can have infinity. . . I can give, I can share, and I can impart without lessening anything of my own. You cannot accept this until you can believe in and understand incorporeality. . . Supply is your consciousness. . . Once you have the sense that “the earth is the Lord’s, and the fulness thereof,” and all that the Father has is yours, it becomes incorporeal. The moment you understand that it is incorporeal, the more you give, and the more you have.

God gave Himself to this world as you, the begotten Son. He did not breathe into you your life: He breathed into you His life, His breath. So, it is not your breath you are breathing: it is His breath; it is not your mind through which you are thinking: it is His mind; it is not even your body through which you are functioning: it is the temple of the living God.

In the spiritual life, you must never forget that you are not living your own life and that you have no right whatsoever to consider what you would like to do, when you would like to do it, or how. Always in the back of your mind is the reminder that it is God’s life that is being lived, and it is your privilege to be at that state of consciousness where you can watch God live your life without interposing a wish, a will, or a desire of your own. . . Until such time as the Spirit Itself says, “Leave all for *Me*,” or “Leave your nets,” no student should ever forget his responsibility to his family, his associates, and to his work. . . It is only to the few that the call to leave their “nets” eventually comes, and when it does come, it is unmistakable, and it compels obedience.

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## COLLECTED ESSAYS OF JOEL S. GOLDSMITH

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## CONSCIOUSNESS IN TRANSITION



Topic:

The very moment you begin to take the attitude toward life that there is a beneficent power—an all-knowing, personal effort, you find that this principle works. You come the authority and your own demonstration.

Chapter: Opening Consciousness to Truth

1948

Topic:

The highest mystical statement of truth that I know is: "My kingdom is not of this world." I doubt that Jesus said anything of a more mystical nature than that. When he said, "I have overcome the world," that was, of course, the realization that "My kingdom is not of this world." The statement itself—"My kingdom is not of this world,"—immediately sets us free from the desire of person, place, thing, circumstance or condition; it sets us free from the world of effects and makes us live in conscious union with cause, with God.

Chapter: Student and teacher

1948

Topic:

I have said in the *Spiritual Interpretation of Scripture* and in *The Infinite Way*, that God is not a creator. And, of course, I meant that literally, just in the sense that I mean that the principle of mathematics did not create two times two is four. No, it did not create a four and fasten it on to two times two. Two times two includes four, and as soon as two times two came into being, the four was there. God did not put it there, it could not. It was there. It had never been separated from two times two.

In the same way, we cannot say that God created the universe. That would mean there was God and no universe, and then suddenly there was God and a universe. But when we think of God, as creative principle, infinite, eternal, omnipresent, without beginning and without ending, then we can see that a cause must be a cause to something and that something we call an "effect." Cause and effect are *one*, coexistent, co-eternal, and of the same substance.

So we arrive at the truth that God, as creative principle, is the cause of its manifested being appearing as effect. A cause and effect that bind together, like two times two is four, not separate from each other, but always in one place. Wherever the problem is, the answer is, and if the problem is in your thought, the answer is there also. They never get separated from each other.

"Only because I am conscious, because I am consciousness itself, do I know that I exist, and do I know there is a universe existing." If we can, in a measure, understand ourselves, understand God as consciousness, we can understand this universe as consciousness formed. We can understand this universe, including our body, as a formation of consciousness: incorporeal, spiritual, eternal, coexistent, self-maintained, self-sustained. As two times four maintains itself unto eternity, so when we can see that consciousness is the reality of our being, that it is causative principle, then we can say that consciousness becomes evident to us as an infinite variety of forms, and therefore as eternal as ourselves.

Once we have the understanding that our consciousness is the causative principle of our universe, then we know that no matter what we do, this universal consciousness is ever producing and reproducing—just as the law in an orange tree is continuously producing and reproducing oranges. No matter what we do with the world of effect, the consciousness which is its causative principle, substance and law, is forever producing and reproducing. It is not creating. It is just unfolding, like the moving-picture reel unfolding the entire picture. The picture is already there on the reel; it is only unfolding it to our view.

Let us, so far as we can, dwell on the idea, "What Is God," because only in the realization of what God is do we know that which God is God to. And that is the effect-or the universe. The importance of that is this: we have taken up, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God (the awareness, the consciousness of God) and his rightness, and all these other things shall be added unto you." Once we have the understanding that our consciousness is the causative principle of our universe, then we know that no matter what we do, this universal consciousness is ever producing and reproducing, just as the law orange tree is continuously producing and reproducing oranges.

Chapter: The Nature of Error

1948

Topic:

You've got to make your choice. Either you have come into the assurance, the realization that there is a God, a principle of the universe, or else you are going to be battling sin, disease, and death all your life. But, once you have seen that God is the substance, the law and the form of all being, then you must agree that sin, disease and death, lack and limitation, unemployment, homelessness—all of that—is illusion.

Right identification—which means the one appearing as many, or God, life, appearing as individual being; and then reinterpretation—which means looking right at sick, sinning, human, dying men and reinterpreting that to see, inasmuch as God is all, that this is part of the allness of God which is being misseen, coming to me as a false suggestion, which I must reinterpret.

Chapter: Thought Is Not Power

1948

Topic:

One such statement is from Jesus: "My kingdom is not of this world." I don't know how that registered with you but I can tell you that for the last five years at least, that quotation has been my life and my blood and my bones-and all that goes to make up me. "My kingdom is not of this world."

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## CONSCIOUSNESS IS WHAT I AM

Chapter: Mind Is a Transparency

1962 London Special Class

Topic:

496:1

The mind of itself cannot accept the principle of the one Self: it must be we who accept it and keep it in our mind. Every time somebody talks about an evil, dangerous, or insane selfhood, we come back with, "But there is only one Selfhood, and I am that Self." We hold to that truth against every appearance thrust upon us of a male or a female self, a poor or a rich self, a sick or a well self, and as we do, we "die" to the belief of many selves and are reborn into the consciousness of one Selfhood.

If we accept the metaphysical principle of keeping the mind stayed of God, if we hold to the positive side of life and let the negative side gradually be weaned away or allowed to atrophy, we will discover that we ourselves govern our life, our mind, and our body. But we do more than this. Eventually the day comes when we are not thinking any thoughts at all: we are receiving thoughts. And that is where the *I* comes in, the *I* that is God.

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Chapter: The Consciousness of Truth Is the Healer

1959-1960

Topic: *Contemplative Meditation Or Treatment Lifts Consciousness*

Did God create any law, any being, any power, or anything anywhere any time that could destroy Its creation? No, the infinity of God eliminates all possibility of God ever having created anything destructive to Itself, and there is no other creator or creative principle.

After your meditation on the allness of God is completed, you may still be faced with whatever the seeming problem is. So you come to the most important principle of healing work. Error is not personal; therefore, it has nothing to do with you, with your patient, or with your student.

Practicing principles prepares consciousness for entrance of God.

Applying the principles prepares consciousness for God.

Chapter: The Issues of Life Are in Consciousness  
Topic: *God, The Self-created And Self-maintaining Principle*

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If we can posit a principle of a self-created and a self-maintaining infinite Substance, then we must logically go the next step and recognize It as the only Substance. If It is Self-created and Self-maintained, it must be good or It could not last eternally and immortally; and if it is good, It is good in any form in which it appears. No organ or function of the body in and of itself has the intelligence to be healthy or to be sick, to be active, overactive, or underactive. No part of the body can determine for itself what it will do or how it will act or when or why. The Consciousness that formed the body in the beginning is the Consciousness that maintains and sustains it. . . Since it is our state of consciousness that has accepted the belief that the organs and functions can act of themselves, it must be our consciousness that rejects that belief and accepts the truth that God gave dominion through Consciousness, and that this Consciousness is the cause and the creative principle of our body.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS TRANSFORMED

Chapter: Above Karmic Law: Principles to Live By  
Topic:

1963

There is no law of karma, there is no law of cause and effect, there is no law of ‘as ye sow, so shall ye reap.’ This is just an ancient superstition and is not binding on spiritual man—and there is no other man. . . We have been prisoners of the mind for generations, and the mind has bound us with laws, but there is only *one* law—spirit. . . and that law frees you from the domination of the mind. Moses spoke from Mount Sinai, Jesus spoke from the mountain. . . and this I have given you today has come from the mountaintop of spiritual revelation.

Chapter: Becoming the new man  
Topic:

1963

Of course there is a God, but there is no God in the human scene, and this is one of the truths that must not be given to young students too soon. It not only shocks them, but it creates a fear.

Chapter: Beside god there is no other  
Topic:

2/10/63

You see how it is that the word *consciousness* sums up everything in our work. It is what you are conscious of that operates in your experience as a law. . . The law of God that governs the universe must govern our business and our bodies, or there would be something outside the jurisdiction of God’s law. As long as we hold to the consciousness that the law of God is the law of my business, whatever is erroneous will be corrected. This same principle applies to the body and health, but if we do not consciously bring the body and business under the law of God, so it will be unto us.

Chapter: Beyond Metaphysics—*I AM*  
Topic:

1964

You must understand that God cannot think. God cannot start anything and God cannot stop anything. There is no beginning in God and there is no ending in God. In metaphysical teachings it is said that “God thinks and we think after God.” Of course that is not any more true than the fact that God punishes and rewards. God does not do anything. God is being. . . God does not think any more than the principle of mathematics thinks. . . It never *thought* 2 x 2 into being because there never could have been a time when 2 x 2 was other than 4.

Topic:

For most people there is a long period of study of a message of this kind, then a long and arduous practice of these principles. Then all of a sudden “in a moment ye think not,” the light shines . In other words, “Whereas I was blind, now I see.” There is then a stilling of all of the mental senses, a rest, a “Peace unto our people.” You then look out and no longer see a world that needs to be healed, changed, or reformed. You now see God’s world breaking through the crust of humanhood.

Chapter: Experience God

1964

Topic:

The Infinite Way message is unique in that it does not teach you to rely on teaching, the books, or the revelator. [They are] only for the purpose of leading you back to the kingdom of God within your Self, so that you may be taught of God.

Chapter: Freedom is an activity Within your Own consciousness

1964

Topic:

If all power is in individual consciousness, then all power is good, and there is no power external to it.

In facing the temptation that there is an external power, go back immediately and realize that consciousness is the basic substance, cause and law of all creation. Therefore, all creation manifests its qualities, character and nature because creation is the heir to all of those. This shows you why you do not need God over error.

Chapter: Growing day by day – Attaining the transcendental consciousness

8/31/63

Topic:

“In quietness and in confidence” really means to get away from knowing the truth for awhile and be still. It is not necessary to keep your mind filled with truth, because you are then back in the mental realm. You cannot become quiet or confident, but the Soul can give you quietness and it can give you confidence if you will relax from the mental exercise of knowing the truth and let your Soul take over. . . But until you really have that hidden manna, keep on with all of these principles that we are going through.

Chapter: I and My Father are One

1964

Topic:

Realize: “In this invisible *I* that I am is embodied my life and everything needful that pertains to that life. I do not have to go anywhere for it, because it is already *embodied* in the *I* that I Am.” Review several of the principles that may come to your thought, but the following is the important part: Settle into a listening attitude. . . Let the inner ear be open. Just let that peace be upon you until you feel the period is ended—two minutes, three minutes, five minutes—and then get up and go about your business. . . You have made room for the spirit of God to awaken in your consciousness. Then it will do its work in you and for you and through you and before you. If any human wish or desire enters. . . you have lost the benefit of it because you have separated yourself from the conviction that only God performs in you and through you that which God ordains.

Chapter: Lessons on Grace

1963

Topic:

God cannot operate in the future. The only possible time that God can operate is now—only now. . . Take this principle home and ponder on it: that God cannot do anything for you in the past or in the future. You must attain that conviction. . . In this moment God’s grace is functioning within you to whatever extent is necessary for you at this moment. . . Nature gives us enough air to breathe only for this second, and you know right well how impossible it would be to try to put your breath in storage.

Topic:

God is your Soul, so spend no time whatsoever in wondering what the Soul is like. . . To me it is always as if I could just rest my head back on a pillow of cloud, a resting place, where I can be at peace, taking no thought for my life. But it is as real as if it were a solid object. When Truth reveals itself to me in this withinness, it is never about anything that concerns my own life. It is always concerned with a principle of life.

Chapter: *My consciousness*

3/31/63

Topic:

You see, these are the two major functions of The Infinite Way. The one under the heading of “the nature of error” is its metaphysics and the other, a revelation of “God as your consciousness” is the mysticism. It is the highest realm of mysticism when you realize, “*I* and consciousness are one and the same. . . Thou sees *Me*, thou seest the consciousness that *I* am.”

You are only in tune with the infinite, you are only one with God, when love is the animating principle of your existence: non-judgment, non-violence, no revenge, no punishing anyone—disciplining yes, but not punishing.

Chapter: Realizing the non-power of Appearances

1964

Topic:

When emotion controls you, you have no opportunity of benefitting by principles of life. When you are facing a situation and withdraw emotion long enough to realize the impersonal nature of the appearance, you immediately begin to dispel it.

Chapter: Silence! Stillness! Quietness!

1964

Topic:

I believe the greatest principle revealed in the message of The Infinite Way [is] “My conscious oneness with God constituted my oneness with all spiritual being and idea.”

Chapter: spiritual discernment

September 1963

Topic:

I spent the year 1959 traveling the world, giving classes everywhere on the specific healing principles of this message. In 1960, 1961, and 1962 I was given a specific subject each year, so that the students might eventually be prepared for the higher works. At the beginning of 1963. . . I received inner instructions to cancel [January through May classes] in order to prepare the students for that which was to come.

Chapter: the adjustment must be made within your consciousness – Secrecy

September 1963

Topic:

Never hesitate to urge students to study the bound copies of The Infinite Way *Letters*. More profound teachings cannot be found in literature of The Infinite Way, because these books pound at the basic principles Secrecy is a spiritual principle. Secrecy is an actual substance that holds within itself your experience, to bury your experience in the principle of secrecy and just let the fruitage appear outwardly. . . Go and tell no man that the *I* of you is God.

Chapter: the word becomes flesh

1963

Topic:

Once you have learned these specific principles, put them out of your mind and you will draw on what you have stored up. After you have meditated, go out and do something completely different: go to a movie, watch television, or read good literature. . . If you want to receive wisdom from divine grace, the entire secret is that it comes at a moment when you are not thinking. Then as we live naturally, the divine grace establishes itself and it speaks for us.

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## CONSCIOUSNESS UNFOLDING

There are only three points comprising the letter of truth in this instruction, and these are: God; God individualized; and error as suggestion or world belief which must be rejected in order not to suffer from its effects. That is all.

Instead of being grateful for the *effect*—some human form of government—we, on the spiritual path, have learned that our gratitude should be for a *principle* of government, and for the fact that we have discovered enough about the principle to maintain it and sustain it in individual and collective consciousness so that no man or group of men can tear it down.

Even the copyrights on our Infinite Way books are only for the particular words used in presenting this principle. . . Nobody can copyright or patent the idea of spiritual healing, or the idea of multiplying loaves and fishes.

*I have meat ye know not of—have substance and awareness, a principle, so that I do not have to be dependent on thing, circumstance, or condition in the outer realm. I do not put my faith in a man, in an organization, in a job, or in an investment, If all these things were taken away, I still would have a consciousness from which all things would flow.*

You do not have the principle until you can bring it forth as healing.

[Three principles in detail]

One thing more [than just declaring the three principles] is needed. That one thing more is your conviction of the truth—not your declaration, but your conviction of it, your inner response to it, your actual awareness of it.

It was in 1932 that I caught the vision that God is the only creative principle and that all these other ideas about wrong thinking and sin, had nothing to do with healing or supply. But it was not until 1946 that I published a book or went out to teach this truth.

We bring together all the work, all the unfoldment, we have had and cement it together in these two ideas: 1. The infinity of God appears as individual being. 2. God, in the infinity of Its being, unfolds and reveals Itself, here and now—eternally here and now.

God is the creative principle of Its own Being, and this Being is as spiritual as It, Itself. Therefore, all formation, all expression, must be as spiritual as the mind that conceives it.

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## GOD, THE SUBSTANCE OF ALL FORM

One of the great differences between this message and that of certain metaphysical teachings is that in The Infinite Way there is not some divine Mind or divine Love or divine Something or Other that is going to do anything for you.

Make it your particular work to realize that the power, the quality, the quantity, and the reality are not in that which is formed, but are rather in the Principle or Soul or Consciousness which produces all form.

You are that ideal man all the time, and all that is necessary to bring that man forth into manifestation is your realization that there *is* a divine Principle operating in the universe. . . [Then] you let go of all that constituted your humanhood—your worry, your fear, your doubt, your anxiety, your planning, your scheming. And in the moment that you let go of the false sense of humanhood, you find yourself to be that spiritual man.

## LIVING BY GRACE

The Infinite Way principle of prayer and of supply is that you cannot pray to God for something to be added to you, sine you are already the fullness and the completeness of God made manifest and all that the Father has is yours. You must acknowledge this and begin to open out so that the flow of God can go through you to this world that does not yet know this Truth. My mission, then, is to ask of you three periods of meditation every day for the world. These three periods of meditation are in addition to your periods of meditation for yourself, your family, your patients, and your students. These are three periods of meditation that you as part of The Infinite Way offer to me for the world.

A new concept came. To all appearances, I did beautifully with it, and things seemed to be working out wonderfully well. Then one day came the realization, "I've made the same mistake again! What I thought was Truth is not." I went through that process several times. The latest one was terrible. It lasted three days, and I went through about as much hell as one man can take... The thought came, "Well, God, this is a failure. No doubt about that! But look what a grand and glorious failure! I have spent thirty years getting to this point of failure. I've really given my heart, my soul, my energy, every ounce of me to this failure!" A great sense of relief and peace came to me, and with that sense of peace came this message: *You were doomed to failure from the very beginning. The more you realize that, the closer you will come to Truth.* That was astonishing! Now it was evident that my failure was in believing that I had the power to succeed or fail, when all I could ever be was an instrument for the power of the Divine. God alone is the principle of life. The only success that can come in this world is God's success.

The Infinite Way message has been leading you to the stage where you live without words or thoughts. Keep working hard and long with the principles of The Infinite Way until the principles are embodied in you and your soul begins to feed you with the hidden manna. But do not make an eight-hour day of it. Take time out to work in your garden or read a good book or even read a good novel.

Each class brings forth some specific principle that leads us still another step toward our spiritual goal when we embody the principle in our consciousness. Very briefly, in 1956 karmic law was revealed and the Sermon on the Mount. In 1959 the letter of Truth as applied to spiritual healing was revealed: impersonalization and nothingization. In 1960 or 1961 the raising of the Christ in you was revealed. Step by step, these revelations were given to me. Then through classes and writings, I have given them to you.

There must, of course, be an orderly procedure of study. I recommend that students start with the introduction to my book *Living the Infinite Way*, spending several days on it and then going on into the book. Then I recommend spending two or three days studying the introduction to my book *Practicing the Presence* (New York: Harper Bros., 1958), then go on into the book... Then I recommend the student to *The Art of Meditation* (New York: Harper Bros., 1956) and *The Art of Spiritual Healing*. From there on, any of The Infinite Way books are in any order. However. I always point out that the books *The Infinite Way Letters* of 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, and 1959; and *Our Spiritual Resources* (New York: Harper & Row, 1960); and *The Contemplative Life* (New York: Citadel, 1976) contain in every chapter certain principles and their application. You can always go to these books and find a working tool... I do not know at what point students will be ready for *The Thunder of Silence* (New York Harper & Row, 1961) and *Parenthesis in Eternity*, (New York: Harper & Row, 1963), because these two books are a hundred years ahead of their time.

Chapter: The Christ Ministry

Topic: Attaining Inner Realization

As a general rule, adopt this principle: When someone requests help for an aunt, uncle, nephew, niece child, or friend, be sure to reply, "Certainly I will, as long as they request it, but I will not intrude upon their consciousness."

## LIVING BY THE WORD

Chapter: Easter: An Experience of Consciousness

Topic: *Dominion Over The Body*

1958 London Open Class Reel 4:1 Secret Of

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*I* the very Spirit of the Lord God, is the principle and the law unto my body. As long as I know that I am not in the body, but govern it, I have given my body to my divine Self for Its government. *I* does not have to control the body by conscious thinking or by psychological beliefs. *I* left to Itself governs the body. *I* knew enough to form this body; therefore *I* knows enough to govern this body and maintain and sustain it.

Chapter: Scripture as a Way of Life

Topic: *Loving God Supremely*

1961 Maui Work 3:2; 1957 First Halekou Closed 4:2

391 or 190

In being confronted with any problem, whether our own or another's, let us have no resistance in our mind, no desire to refute, to deny, to overcome, to rise above, or to destroy—just that calm peace. Because we have acknowledged God as the only creative, maintaining, and sustaining Principle, we know there is no other power, so we need not invoke any power for any purpose. When we are in meditation and are not struggling with a problem, we are not then trying to overcome it, destroy it, or rise above it. If necessary, we are looking right at it and not even needing God, since we know that God already is. Then we are loving God with all our heart, because we are giving It utter supremacy and not acknowledging that there is something we want It to do something to.

Chapter: Spiritual Discernment of the Bible

Topic: *Across The Desk*

*Our Spiritual Resources* is one of the most practical of all our Infinite Way writings. In fact, some students have said that if they could have only one Infinite Way book, that would be the one because it embodies the principles of spiritual living so clearly and concisely and in a way that leaves no doubt as to their practical application to everyday situations. . . "Release God from any obligation to us and recognize that God's only obligation is to maintain and sustain His own spiritual universe. Set God free! God owes us nothing, but God owes Himself the joy of living freely and joyously—freely expressing, freely being—and we are the recipients of God's grace. God is forever in expression. And I shall live with the word is. God is, Good is, Life is, Infinity is, Omnipotence is, Omnipresence is. My prayer is to know this truth, not to set forces in motion."— *Our Spiritual Resources: A New Life by Grace*



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## LIVING NOW

Chapter: Beyond Words and Thoughts

1963

Topic: *Beyond Words And Thoughts*

Several years to demonstrate a spiritual principle.

Chapter: The Revelation of Spiritual Sonship

1963

Topic: *The Immaculate Conception*

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## LIVING THE ILLUMINED LIFE

Chapter: Building the Transcendental Consciousness

1961 Manchester Special Class

Topic: *Living Out From The Principle Of One Power*

413 2:2

*All power flows out from me since the kingdom of God is within me. No power flows to me: all power is within me. Since I and the Father are one, I am infinite; and therefore there are no powers external to me. . . As our individual consciousness on the subject of power changes, so does this world change in its effect upon us, and while a thousand may fall at our left and ten thousand at our right, it will not come nigh the dwelling place of those who have accepted the principle of one Power and are practicing it and living in it until it becomes a definite settled state of consciousness.*

Chapter: Call No Man Your Father Upon the Earth

1962 Princes Kaiulani Closed Class

Topic: *What Is Your Estimate Of Yourself?*

475 2:2

You will never be under the law of God until you can acknowledge that you have only one Father, a spiritual a creative Principle. Until you can acknowledge that, how can you be anything other than human, mortal, carnal? You can never rise any higher than your estimate of yourself.

Chapter: Preparing for spiritual Baptism

1961 London Open Class

Topic: *Impersonalization Of Good And Evil Makes Consciousness A Transparency*

416 3:1

When we can impersonalize both good and evil, we no longer have Christians and Jews, or Protestants and Catholics. We no longer have a dozen different Hindu faiths, two or three Chinese faiths, and half a dozen Japanese faiths. Once we have learned to impersonalize, we have God as the life and mind and soul of individual man. This is one of the most important principles in the enriching of our consciousness. It is amazing what happens once we begin to perceive that God really constitutes our being, that we are one in spiritual sonship.

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## OUR SPIRITUAL RESOURCES

Chapter: Bringing God into Daily Experience

1960

Topic: *Establishing God-contact*

God is a power only in the sense that God is a creative principle, the power that maintains and sustains Its creation.

Chapter: Dominion over Mind, body, and Purse

1960

Topic: *Dominion Over Mind, Body, And Purse*

Treatment means consciously knowing the truth and applying the principles of truth through the instrument of the mind, and the first step is to establish yourself in your true identity as *I*, that *I* which has dominion over mind and body.

Chapter: Living By Meditation

1959 Hawaiian Village Open Class

Topic: *An Overturning Is Necessary To Awaken Man Our Of His Inertia*

The human mind does not wish to be disciplined; it does not wish to labor or to hold itself to principles: it prefers rather to follow a policy of drift.

[The principles of spiritual healing] work wherever they applied seriously, sacredly, secretly, and unselfishly. They will not work, however, if anything of a selfish nature is the motivating force.

We may work faithfully and consistently with some principle of health, studying, learning, and putting the principle into practice, until one day all of a sudden it happens, and we enter the very consciousness of health.

Footnote: These principles are clearly stated in the author's Infinite Way Letters of 1959. [June & September]

The principles of spiritual living. . . when practiced deepen and enrich consciousness. This *attained consciousness* is the Christ which now lives our lives, becomes our bread, meat, wine, and water, becomes the resurrection from the tomb of material living, raising us to the live of divine sonship.

Accept the principle that your good is the gift of God by Grace, and that the substance of your good is already intact, infinite, and complete within your own being and will unfold from within you.

This that constitutes the major principles of The Infinite Way did not come to me through books, but through revelation, and it has been proved throughout thirty years of demonstration.

A revelation was given to me late in 1929, but it was sixteen years after that before I began to teach, and those sixteen years were spent in proving in daily experience that these principles are true.

Let us rejoice, even though we are not able to walk on the water alone, that this great principle of nonpower has been given to us.

*The Art of Meditation* sets forth the specific healing principles of The Infinite Way.

The percentage or specific amount is not as important as adhering to the principle of giving your first fruits to God, even to the extent of doing without in order to practice this principle.

I have had to be at death's door twice, and come back, so that I could learn and teach the principles of healing.

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## REALIZATION OF ONENESS

Hypnotism makes you see the picture erroneously, know the principle of nonpower.

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## SEEK YE FIRST

When we go into meditation, the first principle to remember is that we are not going to God for anything, unless it be that God speak to us. We are not going to God for health, wealth, companionship, or a home. We make sure that we are not going to God for any motive because this is the barrier to God-realization, the almost insurmountable barrier. To do that would be like thinking of God as a way station to what we wish to attain, and that would make God our servant "Dear God, go out and get it for me," implying that there must be something more important than God.

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## SHOWING FORTH THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Chapter: God, the Substance of Universal Being  
Topic: *When The Spirit Of The Lord Is Upon You*

1951 Second Portland Series  
601 1:2

Stop this nonsense of believing that you are a good practitioner and you can heal disease. There never was a good practitioner in all the history of the world except the practitioner who knew he couldn't heal a disease. The good practitioner is the practitioner who knows that God is the only creative principle of this universe, and God never created anything to heal or reform or enrich. The spirit of God is upon you, and you can drop this illusory sense of a selfhood apart from God.

Chapter: Start the Flow to God  
Topic: *Conscious Union with God*

1955 Capetown Series  
707 1:2

When I began to teach the class which later was incorporated in the book *Conscious Union With God*, the first words out of my mouth were, "My conscious oneness with God constitutes my oneness with all spiritual being and idea." I did not know that until that very minute. In that minute, I was given the principle that when I am consciously one with God, I am one with every person. I am one with supply; I am one with home; I am one with companionship; and I am one with health. . . So it has been that, by a willingness to teach when called upon, the lessons have been given to me, the words with which to convey the lesson, and in most cases I have been taught at the same moment the students were being taught.

Chapter: The spiritual Life  
Topic: *Learning To Rely On The Inner Substance*

1951 Second Portland Series  
603 3:1 &2

Operating from the spiritual principle that I have no life and no mind of my own, but the life and mind of me is God, then I understand that not only is the life and mind of the salesman God, but the life and mind of the buyer is God and therefore, it no longer lies within the prerogative of the buyer to determine whether or not he will buy from me and how much. Then instead of a salesman going to a customer and wondering if he is going to buy, what mood he is going to be in today, or whether somebody else has gotten there ahead of him, the salesman's attitude would be: There is only one mind and that is the only mind that is functioning or can function, so I am going to the buyer knowing full well that the mind of God will speak through that buyer.

Chapter: The Substance of all Good  
Topic: *A Material Sense Of A Spiritual Universe*

1951 Second Portland Series  
602 1:2

In reality there is no such thing as sin, disease, and death. In reality, if any man has ever died in the history of the world, the whole principle of God is invalidated because God is life eternal and God is infinite. So there could not be any life that could ever pass into death. There could not be one trace of consciousness ever becoming unconscious. If there were, then the whole principle of God disappears off the face of the earth. Certainly, material sense will testify to death.

Chapter: The True Demonstration  
Topic: *Our Consciousness Of Truth Becomes The Law To Those In Our Consciousness*

1951 Second Portland Series  
601 1:1

We exist to each other merely in consciousness, not in time or space, As we embrace our friends and associates in our consciousness, our consciousness of truth and every word of truth that is active in our consciousness becomes a law unto them: a law unto their health, a law unto their supply, and a law unto the harmony of their existence. The truth that is active in our consciousness is a law unto all whom we embody within our consciousness, since truth is also law or principle. . . It is for this reason that everyone of whom we are thinking consciously or unconsciously is blessed, not by you or me, but by the activity of truth taking place in our consciousness. There is never anything personal about this.

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## SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT

Gradually we learn that healing is not brought about by power: healing is brought about by our awareness of the unreal nature of appearances not only of discordant appearances but of harmonious ones. That is the essence of the spiritual healing principle.

When you are called upon for help, do not think or declare that it is not true or that it is not real. In other words, do not try to negate it. Instead, come into agreement with it and acknowledge that something has come to your awareness. Something is. The only thing you do not know about it is what it is. The world may say it is evil, but you know it cannot be evil because God is the only creative principle. Why deny something that cannot be evil? It makes no difference what its name or nature is because actually you do not know its name or nature or what it is. . . To say that it is not evil but spiritual is still putting a label on it, making a judgment of it.

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## SPIRITUAL POWER OF TRUTH

Every time we read a book or every time we hear a tape, there are more principles and we wonder if we are ever going to get to the end of it. As a matter of fact, it is not quite that way. There are not many principles revealed in the message of The Infinite Way. What seems to make it so involved is that each principle requires so many different ways of hearing and reading before we actually attain the consciousness of it.

We have to go through every step that is outlined in these writings, recordings, and monthly letters. We have to work with them, we have to prove them principle by principle, until we eventually arrive at the state of consciousness that sees good and says, "Ah, here is not a good man, not a good plan, not a good group, and not a good religion. Here is the divine Consciousness really being lived and manifested on earth." . . . By the same token, reading or hearing about all kinds of evil in the world, we are saying, "Yes, I know thee, who thou art; I know thee, the carnal mind, the universal belief in two powers, the arm of flesh, nothingness, no power! I do not have to fight you, and I do not have to call upon God. I only have to recognize you and it is done!"

You will see why we do not use the name of the patient in our treatments. You will see why we never say "you" in a treatment, or "he" or "she" or "it." You will see why we never say to a patient, "You must be more loving" or "You must be more generous" or "You must be more patient." Why? We merely present the Principles of Being, and so, when giving a treatment, how can I treat you for something when I know there is no you except the God Self which is you?

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## THE 1954 INFINITE WAY LETTERS

We do very little in the way of giving testimony, except where the testimony illustrates some principle that was involved in the demonstration. Never do we give a testimony merely for the sake of showing forth a healing.

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## THE ALTITUDE OF PRAYER

Meditation without a spiritual principle bears no fruitage.

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## THE ART OF MEDITATION

Chapter: Meditation: The Experience

1956

Topic: *The Beauty Of Holiness*

Meditation is the art of divine appreciation, through which we learn rightly to appraise man, his achievements, and the universe. Our appreciation of the outer forms is increased because the meditation gives us an understanding of the divine Love which produced the form. When we understand the mind and the soul that has produced any form of good, we can better appreciate the good itself. . . Meditation develops the insight which carries us from the object to its creative principle, and then, with this new insight, the world is revealed as it really is.

Chapter: Meditation: The Practice

1956

Topic: *The Indissoluble Union*

Look at that statement, "I and my Father are one." Visualize a figure one and see contained in that figure one the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. That one is God, the Creative Principle, invisible; that one is the Son, appearing as the figure one; that one is the invisible Holy Ghost, which maintains and sustains the Son throughout all eternity. That one never becomes two; it never becomes a minus one, because there is something inherent in it that maintains its oneness. Just so every person is one with God.

All supply is in and of God. When we spend, therefore, let us spend as if it were God's abundance and not ours that we are using. Then we shall find that we do not have less—instead there will be twelve baskets full left over. This was the principle the Master was illustrating when he multiplied the loaves and fishes.

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## THE ART OF SPIRITUAL HEALING

Chapter: Spiritual Healing: The Principles

1951-1958

Topic: *Is God A Servant?*

God as "Father" [means] Creative Principle.

Thou couldest have no power over me unless it came from the creative Principle of the universe [i.e. infinite good]

All problems fade out in proportion as you develop this ability to be quiet, to behold, and to witness divine harmony unfold, and because of the principle of oneness, you patient experiences this harmony.

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## THE CONTEMPLATIVE LIFE

Chapter: Beginning the contemplative life

1961 L

Topic: *Recognize The Universality Of God*

No person can ever hope for spiritual enlightenment unless he can first of all recognize that there is only one creative Principle in this world, whether It created cabbages or kings.

Chapter: Contemplation develops the beholder

1961 L

Topic: *It Is I; Be Not Afraid*

"It is I; be not afraid. . . My kingdom is not of this world. . . Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?" These are the three scriptural passages that have been the foundation of my healing work ever since the early 1930's. . . "Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostril. . ." [i.e.] Do not try to change man, improve him, or heal him, and certainly do not judge or condemn him: take no account of him. In other words, be still! . . . "My kingdom is not of this world" [i.e.] Do not judge by the appearances of this world, because in *My* kingdom, harmony is.

Chapter: Daily preparation for spiritual living

1959-1961

Topic: *Students Must Never Advance Behold The Principles*

The Infinite Way. . . is difficult for the beginner because there must be an understanding of the basic principles, and then there must be a practice of them until the student develops an actual consciousness which makes it possible to let go of any strenuous attempts to *make* these principles effective and demonstrable.

Those who have difficulty with meditation should give more time to the contemplative form of meditation and practice these three basic principles until they actually experience a release, and then they can settle down into an inner listening attitude and receive God's grace.

Chapter: Supply and secrecy

1961 L

Topic: *Gratitude As An Evidence Of Receptivity*

My many years on this path have demonstrated to my satisfaction that our supply is in direct proportion to our receptivity, that is, to the degree of gratitude that we express in the form of bread placed upon the waters as benevolence, forgiveness or praying for our enemies because then we are expressing spiritual principles.

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## THE EARLY YEARS (32-46)

Chapter: Business

Topic:

Drop the weight of responsibility from your shoulders. "Stand ye still" and let love provide the customers, the volume, and the profits. Allow no thought of competition to enter. You are not dependent on material conditions for your business. The lie of mortal mind is I that you are dependent on weather, prosperity, surroundings, or no competition for your success. . . Prepare thought for the day's business and mentally invite the world. Know that love fills all space, that every corner of your world is filled with divine ideas that express joy, gratitude, and love. Keep thought away from transactions. Just hold to the truth that Christ has invited all to "come unto me"—be served of him. Do not but know constantly that divine intelligence is continually expressing itself in your business; that divine love is eternally being manifested in it; that mind produces all the needed activity; that love supplies the currency; that principle is forever expressing itself in harmonious, active, and complete business.

Chapter: Consciousness

Topic:

All that is, is the expression or formation of consciousness. It is consciousness that is the creative and governing principle of all forms and expressions, whether animate or inanimate, and which maintains and sustains its creation now and forever. We must learn to view life from this standpoint, and then we will not too highly value anything in the manifested or objectified universe, knowing as we do, that the power of manifestation and jurisdiction is not in the objectified realm, but in the consciousness which has objectified itself as the universe. "Destroy this temple, and in three days I (consciousness) will raise it up."

Everything exists in the universal consciousness, or divine mind. Sun, moon, stars, animals, and plants, all have their being as individual idea in mind, as forms of consciousness, as formations of spirit, as expressions of life, and all live and move in accord with the infinite law of divine principle. This principle is impartial and absolute, and governs impartially all of its creation. Divine mind, universal consciousness, is, therefore, forever conscious of its ideas, and conscious also of the harmonious relationship existing between all these ideas, as a natural result of the reign of principle.

Every quality of divine love, every faculty of infinite mind, every law of principle, every activity of eternal life, which is embraced in divine consciousness is individually expressed *as* you and me. This should be carefully studied, because it underlies an understanding that every student of truth must recognize and accept if he is to do the "greater works."

Spiritual consciousness reverses the material senses in which good must flow to us, and reveals true spiritual joy, reveals good flowing out from the center of our being—where we do not seek good, or seek happiness or contentment. We seek only the opportunity to let good flow out from us. This takes thought away from a human sense of selfhood, which seems always to be in need of some one or some thing, and enables us to demonstrate our divinity, or Christhood. . . If we are successful in maintaining this position firmly, we will find everything in our experience expressing or manifesting the harmony, the activity, the abundance, the perfection of our perfect principle.

"Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world." This statement gives us the assurance of the presence and power of the omnipresent and omnipotent Christ within us, ever ready and able to meet every situation; to reverse every seeming adverse circumstance, and to recognize the reign of good, the government of divine principle in our affairs. Harmony throughout the universe is the law of God, the principle of infinite good.

Health, harmony, wholeness, is the direct result of consciousness. It is not dependent on mental manipulation but on our consciousness of the harmony, peace and freedom of all God's universe. As we perceive that the principle of life can only express itself harmoniously, completely and impartially, it is so unto us and we bring it into our human experience.

The only God there is, is principle, the principle of our being, and it would be impossible for our affairs to get outside the operation of this law. Then all the error, inharmony, discord, that is apparent to us is, as a matter of fact, not present at all, but exists only as belief and must be so understood. A belief operates as a law only until its true nature is discerned, just as the belief that  $3 \times 3$  is 8 vanishes without any further effort on our part. We do not have to destroy it or rise above it, because it vanishes of its own nothingness, its non-existence.

You co-exist with mind, consciousness—the principle of thought. This makes you free to mold thought and its expression in perfect harmony. Therefore, you are the thinker, the cause or creator of your thought and as such you must co-exist with mind, principle. Unless you see this you will always be looking for a power or presence apart from yourself to act upon you, upon your thinking, or your affairs; in which case you will (in belief) have separated yourself from the one and only God, cause or creator, your divine Self, the only Self, the One.

To manifest perfect body, being, health, harmony, it is necessary to know that you, the source of your thought (the thinker) is ever maintaining the purity and truth of your thinking in righteous channels. . . The thinker is always greater than his thoughts and no presence or power can govern thought except the thinker. Know, therefore, that as the thinker, coexisting with mind, truth is the substance of your thought as well as of its manifestation; that principle maintains and sustains the integrity of your thinking and of its effects. Thus you become captain of your ship, the master of your fate. . . When you have learned to live as consciousness, bit by bit you will discover that all the universe is the expression, the manifestation of this consciousness which you are, and that your universe is subject to this conscious awareness

"You can never demonstrate spirituality until you declare yourself to be immortal and understand that you are so. Christian Science is absolute; it is neither behind the point of perfection nor advancing towards it; it is at this point and must be practiced therefrom. Unless you fully perceive that you are the child of God, hence perfect, you have no Principle to demonstrate and no rule for its demonstration." [Miscellany 242 3-10]

In Christian Science we find that God is divine mind and, therefore, its creation must be in the form of ideas; that God is principle and his government must necessarily be impersonal, impartial, and universal; that God is love and this divine quality is manifested in the care and protection of love's creation; that God is truth, expressing infinite wisdom in its control over man and the universe; that God is spirit, the eternal, unchanging substance of all being. Added to these, we learn that God is infinite life, the one and only life, animating all men and things.

As we all are one with God, we are all equally happy, joyous, successful, healthy, and we *know* it, the evidence notwithstanding. In mind (the only universe there is) all are faithful, loving, cooperative. Our home is the atmosphere of love, peopled with spiritual being eager to serve in patience with joy and calm, appreciation, and usefulness. Over and above all is our perfect principle, vitalizing us in our various endeavors to serve its purpose, to the end that all this may glorify the harmony of our spiritual Selfhood. This is the Father's business: expressing his love. In this atmosphere of spiritual consciousness, all are expressing his will and enjoying his grace. "Thy will be done. . . Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory." Let us know that we are serving him when we are serving each other. This cannot fail to result in perfect harmony.

You must separate yourself from the belief that you have a demonstration to make. You must hold steadfastly thought that "I am about my Father's business" regardless of what the condition seems to be. You must cling to the truth that you do not have a single need, because you embody all your good and nothing can be added to you or taken from you. You must see with the "single" eye. Build your life in your oneness with principle and let this truth do the rest. One with God is all there is.

The mind of man is the creative principle of the universe. We, however, long taught to believe that our mind is personal to us, that therefore the mind of one individual differs in intelligence and understanding from another, have lost the consciousness of the infinity of mind, our mind. We can regain this true consciousness of mind only in the degree that we perceive the universality and oneness of mind.

The revelation of Christian Science shows forth the individual as spiritual consciousness embodying the universe of ideas. It reveals him as eternal, immortal, infinite being, embodying every divine quality. It naturally follows, then, that error, finiteness, limitation, disease and death are never any part of this creation or manifestation.

Mrs. Eddy makes two very significant statements: "It is our ignorance of God, the divine Principle, which produces apparent discord, and the right understanding of Him restores harmony; [S&H 390:7-9] and "If God were understood instead of being merely believed, this understanding would establish health. [S&H 203: 7-8]

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## THE FOUNDATION OF MYSTICISM

The principle is this: If you have come to a place in consciousness where you can seriously and honestly pray that your enemies be forgiven, that they be released from the punishment of their sins, that the spirit of God enter their souls and minds and beings, that they be given release from these mortal claims, you are no longer a mortal.

What of material laws and mental laws? These cannot be laws if God is law. God is Spirit, therefore his law is spiritual. . . We have to recognize frequently that we are not under the law of punishment but under the law of forgiveness. We have to remember every single day that we are not under law, we are under grace.



The principle [Mary Baker Eddy] taught was that God was the only cause and the only creator, therefore, there could be no effect from any other cause. So, the basis of her spiritual healing was the absolute allness, the omnipresence, of God.

The very moment [The Infinite Way] becomes organized—and God forbid it ever does—be assured that you are within twenty years of losing the healing principles. The reason is that in every organization there is an authority, and instead of going into your own consciousness, taking the books and the tapes into your own consciousness for guidance, it becomes so easy to ask someone else, "What about this?" or, "Give me some lessons." Then you get an interpretation that does not come from the source within you. That has happened before and it can happen again.

One of the earliest revelations that came to me regarding the nature of God was that it's a waste of time to ask God for anything at any time because God isn't withholding it.

This work was based on two principles that had not heretofore been used to any great extent and were little known. When I began teaching them I taught them as the nature, of God and the nature of error. Many of our students didn't like the term the nature of error, and many wouldn't give their time to studying that subject. I can't blame them. It is really much more wonderful to think about God and if possible to sit on cloud nine. But when you sit on cloud nine a long time and suffer too, your demonstration is incomplete.

Chapter: LAYING THE FOUNDATION

1959

Topic:

The fundamental principle of your treatment is first of all, to know why you expect your treatment to be effective. It isn't because of you or me. It is because the word of God entertained in our consciousness is "quick and sharp and powerful." It because you are knowing the truth that makes you free. But you must know the truth and you must know it fully and completely. You must be able to remember the principles which constitute this message and put them into active expression.

Always remember: *Now* truth constitutes my consciousness; *now* I am a law; *now* I am an authority; *now* I am ordained to heal the sick, forgive the sinner, raise the dead, and feed the hungry by virtue of truth entertained and expressed in my consciousness. Specific truth. The specific truth is that there is only one power. The specific truth is that none of this that's hindering you has the power to hinder you. Why? The specific truth is that your consciousness is an annihilation to everything unlike good; your consciousness filled with truth is a law of benediction and grace unto everyone who enters your spiritual household, your consciousness. Do you see the need for specific truth, specific principles of truth, consciously expressed?

Chapter: living the healing principles

1959

Topic: *Know The Truth*

Never, under any circumstance, do we give a treatment to anyone, even if they should ask for it. Why? That is not the procedure of the Infinite Way healing principles. The message of the Infinite Way teaches this: If I am a practitioner, I must know the truth. If I do not know the truth, I have no right to be a practitioner. Now, if I know the truth, it makes no difference where I am or what the circumstances are. The moment I witness a lie, I correct it within myself. If I see a person who is ill, I don't give him a treatment, not even if he is my patient. I don't give treatments. When my attention is called to an illness, I turn within myself for realization of the truth. And what is the truth? God constitutes individual being. God is your Being. Your soul, your mind, and even your body is the temple of God. I'm not saying this to you; I'm not giving you a treatment; I'm repeating this to myself.

I know as well as you do, there are too many Infinite Way books. There should be only one. One is enough. But in our humanhood we cannot stay with one book and take it sentence by sentence, principle by principle, until we've demonstrated it. So we have twenty-five books, and as you read the same thing over and over, the same idea in a different context helps you to assimilate it. But one book is enough, just as one Bible is enough. One book of John is enough to save the world, if everyone would take the book of John sentence by sentence, principle by principle.

There is no part of the Infinite Way message which is mine, that I have ever thought up, or conceived in any way. Every principle that is in our writings and in our work has been given to me from an infinite source, and it does not represent my opinion, my belief, or my concept, separate and apart from the fact that it is mine because it was given to me. In the same way, every passage of scripture that has been spiritually interpreted in our writings has been given to me. Those for which I have not received spiritual interpretation, I have never included in my writings and never will until the interpretation is given to me.

"Cast your bread upon the waters." Why? So that your bread can come back to you with butter and jam. But remember: If you do not cast your bread upon the waters, there is no bread on the waters to come back to you. You can't have the bread that belongs to somebody else. That bread is on its way back to the one who cast it upon the waters. You can't even get away with stealing it. That is why it has been clearly revealed in the message of the Infinite Way that there is no such thing as competition; there is no such thing as anyone taking from you that which is yours, except in the human picture. If you are living in obedience to the spiritual principles which constitute this message, it would be an utter impossibility for anyone to take away from you that which is yours.

Years ago it was revealed to me that it is nonsense to pray for anything at all, because it isn't possible to get anything through prayer. The principle behind that is this: God is the substance of all form. Therefore, if you haven't God, you haven't the form; but if you have God, you have all the forms that God constitutes. Always remember, you must be consciously aware of God. You must have a conscious experience. It's an experience that has to take place consciously in your consciousness.

It makes no difference how small our demonstration is today. The tiniest demonstration is proof of the principle. From then on it is in the developing of Our consciousness, the increasing of the depth and scope of our realization, that we perform the greater works. Then some day, at the point of ascension, the greatest works unfold.

You are not dealing with persons. You are dealing with a state of nothingness which you have realized to be a state of nothingness. That's, what you're dealing with, not the person, not the patient. They don't enter it. They're merely the beneficiary of your understanding, if you have understanding. They're going to be the victim of your lack of understanding if you don't have the understanding. But it isn't the patient you think about, or the disease or the unemployment or the poverty, or any other phase of the error in his life. What you are thinking of is the principle of your work. The principle is God, an infinite God. The principle is that we are being tempted by a million different pictures, all of which emanate from the same old devil, or mortal mind, all of which represent the arm of flesh, or nothingness.

The principles that are embodied in these writings are not mine. I did not make them up; I did not dream them up. They came to me in consciousness, and therefore they are not mine. They should be made available to anyone, anywhere, at any time, who can accept them, receive them, and respond to them. And that's the way it is. By having no organization, no memberships, no obligations, those who are led to these writings may embody them to whatever degree they wish and still maintain their freedom. In this way you will eventually find what we are already beginning to witness: that these very principles are being accepted as truth in many religious fields and ultimately will become embodied in the religions of the world. And I feel that's far better than putting a barrier around the message and saying it belongs to me, and wanting either cash or credit for it. I don't. I am happy to be an instrument through which this has happened, and it brings far more joy than any glory or money could.

When my first religious experience took place [1928], it brought with it the healing gift, and healings began immediately. . . Time passed, then in 1940 an inner revelation told me that I must learn about the impersonal Christ and about impersonal healing. In 1941 I began an automobile trip around the United States, going as far north as Banff and Lake Louise, then south to New Orleans and Florida, from the East Coast to the West Coast, traveling nineteen thousand miles. The most important revelation came in the early part of the trip when it was revealed to me that all forms of metaphysics which teach that error in individual thought is responsible for illness are erroneous.

The question that came to my mind early in the work was how do these teachings come through? How can they be brought through? How can they be taught? How can I convey this spiritual message, this guidance, this protection, this direction from within? The answer given to me was meditation. . . If the kingdom of God is to be contacted, it must be contacted within. It was for that reason I could stick with it night and day for eight months in the attempt to prove this was true. And I proved it. Then began instruction in meditation, which really came to fruition in the first San Francisco lecture. This was my first writing on the subject of meditation. In all of the writings, you will notice passages that tell you the correct letter of truth. That is the metaphysics of the message. Then you find other passages which go from meditation to the actual experience of illumination. That is the mysticism of the message. Through this message, you can attain the mystical contact, or conscious union with God. Through this message you can learn and practice the laws of metaphysics which bring about harmony in human experience. One helps you to achieve the other: more especially, knowledge of the letter of truth and its practice will lead to the mystical experience whereas the mystical experience itself will not always lead to the correct letter or metaphysics of truth.

Here is the revelation which makes this the Infinite Way: at the time of that experience called "eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil," the sense of separation took place in which life was lived in the mind of man instead of in the mind of God.

Chapter: Treatment: Its meaning and purpose  
Topic:

1959

If you want greater intelligence, greater experience, greater maturity, turn within and realize your conscious oneness with God. Understand that the invisible mind and invisible life, which is God, is now forming itself as your mind and your life. Then you, too, will find that you're not cut off. You don't wither at sixty or sixty-five; you begin to mature at that time.

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## THE INFINITE WAY

Chapter: Prayer  
Topic: *(prayer)*

1946

There is no other creative Principle [all that God did not make. . . ]

. . . spontaneous and sincere affirmations of the infinity of God and perfection of His manifestation.

. . . the soliloquy of a beholding and jubilant soul. [Emerson]

Spiritual consciousness recognizes the universe as mind-appearing and governed by divine Principle

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1955

Chapter: Suggestions for Healing Work  
Topic: *God Is Individualized Consciousness*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
118:1

This principle can operate only if and when you leave the individual (patient) out of your thoughts.

Chapter: The Deep Pool of Your Being  
Topic: *The Deep Pool Of Your Being*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
117:2

our first point: God is individual consciousness the consciousness of you and me

Chapter: The Invisible Nature of Your Live  
Topic: *In Quietness And In Confidence*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
117:2

The Silence is the creative principle of all existence.

*I* exist not as body but as Principle, as Spirit, and the very Consciousness of God.

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1956

Chapter: Contemplative Meditation  
Topic: *Be Taught Of God*

1955 Capetown Series  
704:1

The greatest healing principle in the world is to be able to recognize and rely on the *I* that is within you.

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1957

Chapter: August: Your Names Are Writ in Heaven  
Topic: *The Secret Of Healing Is Reaction*

1956 Second Steinway Hall Closed Class  
147:1

If you react with the tiniest trace of doubt or fear, thereby accepting the appearance, you may have a long battle. . . Our concern must never be with the appearance, but always with the principle.

Chapter: December: Tithing with Melchisedec  
Topic: *Christ Healing*

1957

Not only is there a creative Principle which produces Its own image and likeness, but. . . It is the sustaining Principle of life. Its creation must necessarily be of Its own essence—Life, Love, Spirit, Soul—and this is the nature of man.

Chapter: July: Supply  
Topic: *Our Consciousness Of God Is Our Supply*

1957

The entire message of The Infinite Way is based on the principle that the Word becomes flesh.

Chapter: June: The Secret of the Healing Principle  
Topic: *The Secret Of The Healing Principle*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
113:2

The people involved [in a failed healing]. . . are not yet ready to live by this principle [of Grace].

Chapter: March: Understanding the Body  
Topic: *Across The Desk*

1955 Kailua Study Group  
113:1

The principles [of The Infinite Way] were given me in meditation; the demand to teach came from God.

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1958

Chapter: June: Security through God-Realization  
Topic: *Travelogue*

Only through perfect freedom and a complete lack of any organization can the principles revealed in our writings be. . . recognized as spiritual principles of such a universal nature that they can never be said to belong to any man, group, corporation, or institution of any name or nature.

This belief in two powers may overwhelm you unless you have stabilized yourself in the principle of one power through continuous daily and hourly practice with each and every appearance.

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### THE INFINITE WAY LETTERS 1959

Chapter: August: Conscious Dominion  
Topic: *Across The Desk*

1951 Second Portland Class  
602: 1&2

“Protection” The 1955 Letters, December ‘58, June ‘59

“Love Thy Neighbor” Practicing The Presence.

Reels 5 & 6 1959 Maui Advanced Work

Reels 3 & 4 1959 Hawaiian Village Open Class

Hawaii Class Work July ‘58; San Diego August; London and Manchester September; The Hague and Lausanne October

NYC November

This divine Principle is inoperative unless we understand that God is the principle of *individual being*, that God is the law and the substance and the activity of individual you and me, and of individual him and her.

Chapter: January: Individual Responsibility  
Topic: *Across The Desk*

1959

The March and October 1958 Letters and the chapter “Love Thy Neighbor” epitomize the essential principles of Infinite Way spiritual healing.

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### THE JOURNEY BACK TO THE FATHER’S HOUSE

Chapter: Meditation: It’s function and Purpose  
Topic: *Conscious Awareness (three Principles And Their Practice)*

1959 Hawaiian Village Closed Class

Everything in your life is either an activity of your consciousness expressing itself or the result of your unwillingness to let your consciousness express itself, and thereby become a blotting paper for the beliefs of good and evil that permeate the world. You either become a blotting paper and take them all in and respond to them and show them forth, or you become master of your fate and captain of your soul-but only by an act of consciousness, not by saying. 'Oh, God will take care of it.' There I must be an activity of truth in your consciousness, and that activity of truth has to be built. . . around the principle that there is only one power, that nothing but God and the activity of God is power, and that any sense of evil is impersonal and is nothing but the activity of the fleshly mind, the 'arm of flesh,' or nothingness.

Chapter: Unconditioning the Mind  
Topic: *The Unconditioned Mind Abides In The Consciousness Of The Presence*

1961 New York Special Class 1:2  
427

We let this mind be in us "which was also in Christ Jesus," but we do not let thoughts of this world intrude into our mind, not even thoughts of improving this world. We let the mind that was in Christ Jesus be in us, and It will function. It will give us the new melodies we may be looking for, the new ideas, the new principles, the new discoveries, or the new inventions. It will provide shelters, high towers, hiding places in Him. Only we must take no thought for the things of this world, and let the Christ within us give us light. While we are taking no thought, this presence of God within us will speak, will reveal and empower us.

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### THE LETTERS '32-'46

Chapter: Consciousness  
Topic: *Consciousness*

1932-46

Your consciousness is the Principle of your universe.

Principle maintains and sustains the integrity of your thinking and of its effects.

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### THE MASTER SPEAKS

Chapter: Christ Consciousness 1949  
Topic: *The Reality Of The Christ*

Chapter: The Ever-Present Christ 1949  
Topic: *Spiritual Power*

Since all there is is the light, what senses see is erroneous, i.e. belief having no oneness with *I*.

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### THE MYSTICAL I

Chapter: An Act of Commitment 1964 London Studio Class  
Topic: *Silence Is The Womb Of Creation* 563:1

We cannot separate this loving of God supremely from loving our neighbor as ourselves as if they were two separate commandments. They are virtually two parts of one commandment. . . There must be an act of commitment, an "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto" yourself; or "inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these," ye have not done it unto yourself. . . There must be dedication and devotion to this principle, not to persons, but to this principle.

Chapter: do not "pass by on the other side" 1964 London Studio Class  
Topic: *The Purpose Of The Infinite Way* 562: 1&2

Once you understand that the principle that all evil is impersonal and that it does not have its rise in any individual, you will begin to have the secret of healing work and the secret of world work, because you will not attach the sin, the disease, the struggle for power, the wrong thinking, or any other thing to an individual.

Chapter: *I Speaks* 1961 Maui Work  
Topic: *The Tree Includes Its Branches* 392:1

This Self and you are one, but It is greater than you. Can you not see that what is invisible, the Source of your inspiration, the Source of your life, the Cause and the creative Principle of your life, even though you are one with It, is greater than you? It is greater in the same sense that we speak of the branch of a tree and the tree as if they were two, but a branch of a tree and the tree are not two: they are one, one tree, and the tree includes the branch.

Chapter: Impersonalizing Error  
Topic: *The Omnipotence Of I*

The Annunciation means the conception of Christ in you. Your recognition of this truth is the birth of the Christ in you. But when you accept this, do not forget that it is not complete until you have followed up the omnipotence of *I*, which is the first principle of The Infinite Way, with the second, which is the nonpower of that which is appearing as the world of effect.

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### THE THUNDER OF SILENCE

Chapter: From Law To Grace 1956-58  
Topic: *Ye Are The Light*

If necessary, let us sit in a chair all day and all night until the Spirit of the Lord is upon us and dwells in us. Then after this principle of *resist not* has been demonstrated in our family, even to some small extent—because it can never be demonstrated beyond their ability to accept it and live up to it—and we know that we are capable of rising above the battle and resting in God, our consciousness of God's presence makes itself felt by bringing some measure of harmony to our community.

Now we perceive that man is not flesh, but consciousness, possessing only spiritual qualities. We discern that there is a creative Principle which produces Its own image and likeness, and that this creative Principle is also the sustaining Principle of life, and therefore Its creation must necessarily be of Its own essence—Life, Love, Spirit, Soul. This is the true nature of man.

There is a creative Principle which produces Its own image and likeness.

The very moment we can demonstrate the Master's teaching of *resist not evil*, we shall no longer spend our days as most of the world is doing, chasing, searching, and begging for a power to do something, and competing with everybody else in the world. When we realize this new principle—not a new power but a new principle, a new dimension of life—we live in a world where there is no competition and in a universe where men do not fight one another.

When we realize that the problem presenting itself to us is not a God-created spiritual entity, but a mental concept without cause or reality—without presence, power, or substance—then in the realization of God as the creative, maintaining, and sustaining Principle of all that truly is, we already have all the God-power needed, without turning to God to do anything about it. It is not necessary to overcome hate, fear, jealousy, or resentment, but it is necessary to sit down, close the eyes, and realize, "These are mental images in thought. These are projected states of thought out of the vast mental illusion. Then by abiding in an inner peace, they are dissolved. They are not destroyed because there is nothing to be destroyed; there is no substance to them and they have no more reality than the pictures on our television screen.

My mistake was that I was sure [my missing baggage] would turn up, which is exactly like being sure that a person's heart is going to get well, or that his sick foot is going to be better; whereas the principle upon which all our work is based is that of the real creation as recounted in the first chapter of Genesis in which God made all that was made, and all that He made is good. The spiritual creation is an incorporeal creation, and the proof of that is that there was light before there was a sun in the sky.

The mind produces its own image and likeness, and if we who stand behind the mind permit it to be filled with superstition, ignorance, or fear, all of which stem from the belief in two powers, that is what the mind produces in our experience. Mind is the substance of every form of sin, disease, death, false appetite, lack, limitation, wars, rumors of wars, and all the other things listed under the word evil. . . Matter is matter only to the material state of consciousness, but once we rise to a mental state of consciousness, matter is not matter, but mind. Mind is the essence and substance of which matter is formed, and it appears to us as form or effect. Mind is the principle, the life and the law, of all material and mental form.

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