A Message For The Ages

Guidelines For Spiritual Unfoldment Through The Infinite Way

Conducting A Tape Group Activity

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.

A Parenthesis In Eternity

Living The Mystical Life The Tree Of Life

There is only one Self, and as long as I recognize that the Selfhood of me is the Selfhood of you, I cannot be antagonistic toward you, but neither can I unite with you because there are not two of us: there is only One. There may be many forms, but back of the forms there is the One.

The Discovery Of The Self

The goal of mysticism is the attainment of the realization of one's self as Self, so that life is a continuing experience of the Self, with a coming down to the personal sense of self only for the purpose of the immediate work to be done.

We must learn to live with this *I* in the midst of us, learn to look to It for all inspiration. If we need an idea for a book or for a painting, for business or for law, regardless of what it is, the *I* encompasses it. And this *I* is within us. Then if it is necessary to find a book, a teacher, a publisher—whatever it is— when we turn within, the *I* will appear outwardly as the form necessary to our unfoldment at any moment.

Awakening Mystical Consciousness

Attaining Dominion Through I
Consciousness

If you believe that [everything and everybody was created for a specific purpose] you cannot be unemployed because God cannot have a wasted action, idea, thought, or projection.

Opening The Way For God's Purpose To Be Revealed

There must be no further desire than to do what is at hand, to do it to the highest of our understanding and with the advantage of receiving God's grace.

We have no right to desire any particular work, even of a spiritual nature, because that would be acknowledging a lack.

Do Not Glory In The Form

If you do not have the presence of God, you cannot have the form.

Beyond Words And Thoughts

Incorporeality: God, Man, And Universe

Attain The Fabric, And The Form Follows

The fabric of life is spiritual consciousness, and if you want the forms of life you must have its fabric first: the consciousness.

When this spiritual faculty was awaked in me, a very unhappy period in my life began because I was really two person: the "old man" was not completely "dead" and the "new man" not fully in control, and so there was a warfare between the two. . . I ended up as broke as anyone has ever been, for the simple reason that I was trying to live in a corporeal sense of supply and at the same time demonstrate incorporeal supply, and it cannot be done. . . It was only when I had no corporeal supply that at last I could say, "Well, now I am all right. Now I have nothing to come in conflict with." Then the flow could begin the other way.

Consciousness Is What I Am

The False And Right Sense Of I Climb Into That Circle Of God

My meditation remains in that circle of God. If it is a question of inactivity, I realize that since God is the source of all activity, there could be nothing other than perfect activity because no one has any activity of his own. Only God has activity. God is the activity of being.

Consciousness Transformed

The Word Becomes Flesh

Lead the contemplative life, but then take every practical human footstep to let "the Word become flesh." Sometimes things are brought right to your doorstep. On the other hand, sometimes, as in the case of employment, it is in the realm of activity and you go and register for employment. That, then, would be right activity. It isn't that your good comes from those footsteps, but sometimes it comes through those footsteps.

Consciousness Unfolding

Gratitude

Be Grateful That You Have Touched The Christ

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.

Let The Christ Interpret Itself

The Christ is incorporeal being, and until you can see yourself as incorporeal, you will be fighting the warfare between the Spirit and the flesh.

God, The Substance Of All Form

Developing A Healing Consciousness Business As An Activity Of Consciousness

God is the only employer and God is the only employee, and furthermore, God is always employed in great action, in great works, in great ideas.

God, employing Its own qualities and action and intelligence and service, individually as you and as me, is the only employment there is.

You must *consciously* realize each day that business is an activity of God operating through the instrument of the one mind and is, therefore, an ever present activity of my mind. . Only as I associate my business with God's business, does it become individually expressed, harmoniously and joyously evident.

Good, The Outpouring Of Consciousness

If we are not doing the kind of work we would like to be doing, we should not attempt to correct it on the outer level. We do not give up our present job to find another one.

Your Consciousness Of Truth Becomes The Substance Of Your Demonstration

You must gain a freer or better consciousness of that with which you are not satisfied before you can experience the desired good itself.

Leave Your Nets

Open Out A Way Open Out A Way

Go to your office in the realization of this inner Consciousness as being your fulfillmet, and look neither to employer nor employee. Your good may come through them, but it will come thorough them only as you recognize that it is coming from within your own being. To *look* to them for it is the mistake. Expecting good from others is the sin. As long as you do not look to another for your good, good will flow to you.

Living By The Word

Let There Be Light

Our Function Is The Realization Of The Presence, Not Overcoming Problems

Our purpose in our morning meditation and in the other meditations during the day or night is always the realization of God's presence, always remembering that we do not have problems to overcome, that we have only to attain the realization of God's presence, and It, by being the light, will dispel the darkness, not dispel it by overcoming it or destroying it, but by proving that in the presence of light, there is no darkness. Thereby, we shall prove that in the presence of God, there is fulfillment. In the presence of God, there is no sin, no disease, no lack, no unemployment, no war; and if we were at the very front of the battle, there would still be no war for us in the presence of God realized.

Receiving The Bread From Heaven Through Listening

Should any temptation present itself to us that we need anything—an idea, a dollar, a home, a job—we are going to answer it with "I have meat; I have bread: I have wine, I have inspiration; I have meat the world knows not of. I have a source of inspiration. I have my oneness with God. I have my supply within me. I have a supply within me that the world knows not of. Already the kingdom of God is established within me, the wholeness of God, the allness of. Then relax in that, and watch what happens in the outer experience.

Living The Infinite Way

Attaining The God-experience

It makes no difference whether you meditate on "What is God? What is prayer? What is health? What is employment?" So long as you meditate on some divine idea until you come to the end of that particular subject. Then you will find yourself at peace.

God, The Only Action

God is both the employer and the employee, and the whole activity of employment, remuneration, reward, and recognition is taking place within God–God acting within Itself. . . God functioning Its own being.

Begin To Pour

You are not dependent upon a government, upon a husband, a wife, or a job, even though at this present time, one of these might seem to be the source of your supply. Therefore, do not cast these aside, but begin right now to break your dependence on them by understanding that you have within you the source of your good.

Spiritual Power Of Truth

God's Grace Is Yours

Since I know that God is spirit, then I know that all that the Father hath must be spiritual. So I do not go to the Father for loaves and fishes. I do not go to the Father for houses, automobiles, or employment. . . When you go to God, go to God for what we might call the gifts of God, the Grace of God. You might ask, "What are these?" and the answer would be, let us not worry about what these are, let us not be concerned. Just let us go for God's Grace. Turn within, because the Kingdom of God Is within you; the *I* of you Is God. Turn within to this I for Thy Grace, for Thy Peace.

The 1954 Infinite Way Letters

The Great Secret

Remember this—never set up warfare with persons or conditions, but take these into your consciousness and there resolve them by seeing that they have no power over you. . . Once you have done that you will know the greatest secret of life: you will have found it possible to be in the world but not of it. You will have found how not to resist evil, and how you need not be concerned for anyone or anything that might deprive you of this, that, or the other thing. You will have learned to go two miles instead of one, and you will have learned that it makes no difference if one dollar or a million dollars are taken from you, since the value will not be in the dollars but in the consciousness of truth within your own being, and through this spiritual discernment you will understand the real values.

The Art Of Meditation

Meditation: The Experience
The Place Whereon Thou Standest

I awaken in the morning with confidence, rejoicing in whatever work is given me to do. Whatever that work is, I do it, not in order to earn a living or in the sense of performing an onerous duty; but, with joy and gladness. I let it unfold as the activity of God expressing through me.

It is not too difficult to be what the world calls a go-getter. . . and thereby glorify and magnify the personal sense of I. It is much more difficult to wait for the world to come to us; but if we once realize the Christ is the real mind of our being, the real soul, the real wisdom, the real love, we shall find that everything and everybody will gravitate to that Christ, and our divine activity will be brought to our very door.

Spiritual man rests in his conscious oneness with God and lets the infinity of good manifest: never does he seek, desire, or want; he stands and serves. The more of a transparency for the Christ we are, the more of a servant we become. We serve as an instrument through which the Father feeds His flock. We become the avenue through which the infinite spiritual good of the divine Source pours forth into visible expression.

The Christ can make of us anything it chooses. It has no favorite occupation; no occupation is more spiritual than another so long as it is of a constructive nature.

The work assigned to us today may not be of our choosing; but if, instead of kicking against the pricks, we remember that God is working out Its plan on earth, and that we are here only to show forth the glory of the Father, there will be nothing limited, confined, or finite about our life or our activity. The Father, being infinite, manifests Itself infinitely.

The Art Of Spiritual Healing

Spiritual Healing: The Practice God Is Our Destiny

If your consciousness is filled with service and cooperation, then your activity. . . will be steadily unfolding.

The Contemplative Life

Daily Preparation For Spiritual Living The Impersonal Source Of All Discord

The problem of unemployment will be met only when it is understood to be an activity of the carnal mind. Contrariwise, employment will be universal when it is understood to be the activity of God: God fulfilling Itself as individual being.

Dealing With Daily Problems

The Father says, "Son. . . all that I have is thine," so whatever employment the Father has, the son has. And this is not in the future tense: This is in the present tense—now. All that the Father has is mine—all the activity, all the employment, all the recognition, all the reward.

The Foundation of Mysticism

Living The Healing Principles
Purifying The Mind

Don't forget that you can't purify yourself once and stay that way, any more than you can take a bath once and stay clean. Purification is a continuous process, and I don't mean for a year or two; I mean forever. It is a praying without ceasing because the world mesmerism is irresistible and it will reach into your consciousness unless you are alert and able to quickly and constantly impersonalize. Once you can do that, you can meditate because your mind is not warring with anybody or anything.

In the Infinite Way you break the spell, the mesmeric sense, which causes you to war or to seek a higher power with which you destroy a lesser power. You break that sense. That is the major point of the Infinite Way, that we are not a teaching that has God doing something for us, another system of a greater power destroying a lesser power. We in this work have come to the realization of one power, and of the illusory nature of everything else presenting itself to us as power.

You see, anything that sets up an opposition to God cannot be truth. God is infinite, and God has nothing, nobody, to war with. God is infinite. God is all. There is no power opposing God. Treat this devil, or mortal mind, as something you do not need to have a deep understanding about to overcome, as something you don't have to go to God for God's help to overcome. Then you can follow this exactly as the Hebrews did on one occasion: "And they rested in this word." Therefore, having seen the nothingness of devil or satan, having seen the nothingness of carnal mind or mortal mind, please do not let us invent some other term and then say, "Oh, help me get rid of my illusion." Don't do that. Don't set up another power against God and then want God to do something about it, or you'll just be going back to theology or the old-fashioned metaphysics.

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We no longer work for a living: we work because it is an activity of our being-normal, natural, and right.

The Thunder Of Silence

From Law To Grace
Ye Are The Light

In reality, there is no power for us to oppose physically, mentally, or spiritually, so we need no sword. It has been given to us to know that we live and move and have our being in God in whom is no darkness at all, in whom there is no warfare. It is given to us to know that the sovereign, divine remedy for all the ills of the world is to *resist not evil*.

Scarcely a person on earth, regardless of how exalted his position, is fulfilling his true destiny on earth. Usually, he is either fulfilling a destiny that he has chosen for himself or one that circumstances have thrust upon him. . . We need to learn how to release the whole situation into God, willingly admitting, "Look, I certainly have messed up this life of mine so far. Let me give up and You take over." Then we may be amazed at how the miracle begins to work in us and quickly what we had thought of as our destiny changes.

There is only one enemy—the universal belief that material and mental force can control this world. The enemies confronting us today are not a threatened epidemic of disease, not a devastating condition of weather or climate, not impending economic disaster, nor destructive war: All these are but part and parcel of the belief in material and mental powers. . . and anything that exists in our mind as an objective thing is not power. Let us never fear an image in our mind whether that image is a person, a disease, even a bomb. That still small Voice in the midst of us is mightier than all of these, and if we can become so silent that that Voice can utter Itself—even if only as a deep breath or sense of peace or warmth—this earth will be filled with the voice of God and the belief in two powers will be silenced.