

Word of God

No one can redeem himself - Redemption only by Jesus Christ

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The "bound" shall be redeemed....

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You should open your hearts to My illumination of love from above and you will receive delicious spiritual knowledge, because My love pours into an open heart and thus the flow of My love is synonymous with the 'truth from God' which resounds in you as My word. And thus, as soon as divine truth can be bestowed upon you, you will also most lightfully recognize My once spoken word to you of **spiritual** meaning.... You will know how I want these words of Mine to be understood:

You are in My adversary's chains as long as you have no faith in the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, for you have become his property of your own free will, he has power over you, you are not free but creatures bound by him.... And if you want to become free again, then you must be redeemed by the one Who is stronger than he is and Who broke his power through His crucifixion, Who redeemed you humans from his power with His blood.... This one, Jesus Christ, has broken the chains, the adversary can no longer offer resistance to this one, since He gave His life on the cross in order to restore freedom to the bound creatures, in order to "redeem" them.... But this 'redemption' could not take place abruptly because every creature which had emerged from My strength and love had its free will which now has to decide for itself whether the creature longs for redemption from its dungeon master, whether it **wants** to escape from his control. When I appointed My disciples to their ministry, when I instructed them to go out into the world in order to proclaim the gospel to all nations, I instructed them to **mention My act of salvation so** that people should know that I had descended to earth in order to restore their freedom.... I Myself initiated My disciples into My plan of salvation, I informed them that people were 'bound' and in the adversary's power if they did not take their path to **Me**, that I would release them from his power.... I instructed My disciples to exercise their ministry and, **in turn**, to instruct their fellow human beings which path they had to take in order to escape their bondage, in order to become free from My adversary's chains.... for they were supposed to be active in My stead, because I only lived on earth as a human being for a short time, even only with the ultimate aim of redeeming people. But anyone who fully consciously availed himself of the blessings of My act of salvation was prompted by My disciples to change his will, and his return to Me was now also guaranteed, he had taken the right path on earth and this path was now also decisive for eternity.... You humans must understand that you are still 'bound' when you embody yourselves on earth as a human being, and that you take this earthly path in order to find your way out of this bondage. Yet for this reason you must also know that you **are** bound and **who** keeps you bound.... And again you must know that there is one Who can bring you release from your bondage and what you must **do** in order to become free. The knowledge of this is conveyed to you through My word, which My true servants proclaim to you. And these servants must be taught by Me themselves so that they can impart truthful knowledge to you.... And My instruction to these servants will always be to make My will known to people. And whoever listens to these servants and messengers will therefore let them show him the path which leads to freedom.... For My servants will point him to Jesus Christ, Who alone can set

them free from the adversary's power, Who can loosen their chains because He broke the adversary's power through His death on the cross.... He alone redeems, He alone sets them free, and it is He Who shall be proclaimed by My servants and representatives on earth. And therefore their work is also blessed, for through their service for Me they can show people the path to freedom who are therefore willing to walk it....

Amen

7863 (Easter)

Original light from eternity.... Jesus Christ....

My spirit has become effective in you when you enable Me to speak to you, when I convey My word to you and you hear it in your heart as My direct address. And this word shall convey the truth to you which you need in order to become blissfully happy. Everything you need to know will be announced to you through the voice of the spirit. For as long as I cannot teach you Myself you are blind in spirit, that is, you are without all knowledge, you are without inner light. But I am the original light from eternity, and all beingness which has emerged from Me shall move in this light, otherwise it cannot be blissful.... Thus I let My light emanate into infinity; I radiate through all beingness which does not oppose Me.... I let My light shine down to earth, I guide it to people who are lightless at the beginning of their embodiment.... I guide them into truth, into truthful knowledge which also explains their existence on earth and which provides them with information about the meaning and purpose of their life.... And this knowledge means light for them, which emanates from the eternal light and also leads back to the eternal light again. This knowledge is very extensive, for it encompasses My entire plan of salvation, it encompasses the work of My creation, the apostasy of the created and its return to Me.... It is an act of My greater than great love for you that I convey this knowledge to you, that I give you a light again, you who once rejected this light and thereby became darkened in spirit. But you shall not remain in this darkness forever, and therefore I Myself want to illuminate your earthly path on which you can return to Me again.... If you know about your past apostasy from Me, about your original sin, which was the reason why you once had to walk the earth as a human being, then all other knowledge will also become understandable to you.... And when I Myself can impart this knowledge to you through the voice of the spirit then you will have already come considerably closer to Me, then you will have already separated yourselves from the one who once dragged you down with him to the abyss.... You have then established the bond with Me, otherwise I would not be able to speak to you.... You have become free, you have escaped the adversary's power, you have consciously turned to **Me**, your will desires Me again, from Whom you once took your departure.... And you were able to set yourselves free because the divine redeemer Jesus Christ helped you to do so, without Whom it would never be possible for you to become free from satan's bondage. And the knowledge of the divine redeemer Jesus Christ is the **strongest** light which shines to you through My love, for it determines your beatitude.... You must be permeated by this light, for as long as you are without knowledge of the great act of mercy of the man Jesus you will walk along in darkened spirit and be unable to recognize another light. For in Jesus Christ I Myself, the original light from eternity, descended to earth in order to dissolve the darkness, in order to kindle a light of love in people's hearts which illuminated their path upwards. All of you humans will come to a crossroads on your earthly journey.... And then you will be pointed to Jesus Christ and you will have to take the path to Him, Who died on the cross for you humans in order to redeem the original sin of your apostasy from Me.... My greater than great love will try to provide you all with the knowledge about Him, I will also give you all a light beforehand by trying to enlighten you about Jesus and His mission.... But first this light has to find nourishment in yourselves and light up into a bright flame. You yourselves must turn to Him of your own free will.... And then your return to **Me** is also assured, Who Myself in Jesus accomplished the work of salvation on the cross.... In the darkness of spirit you lack all knowledge, and darkness of spirit is when My adversary tries to push you away from the light, when he prevents you from working with love, because **love** is the light from eternity.... And therefore I will only ever stimulate you into loving activity and do so through the voice of conscience as long as I cannot address you **directly**.... But My spiritual spark in you expresses itself very quietly for the time being, so that only a

small help is given to you.... And your will will then decide. And when it has decided in favour of Me then My light will shine ever brighter in it; it will recognize Jesus Christ, it will recognize Me in Him and never ever will it fall back into darkness, for My light will draw it upwards, in the light it will recognize the path and reach its aim.... he unites with Me forever....

Amen

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Original sin - the reason for Jesus' work of redemption

Explanation regarding original spirit and apostasy....

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You, who want to be of service to Me during the last days before the end, have all My care and attention. For you shall still correct many errors which I disclose to you and through which I hand you the means to take action against them, which you would never be able to do without the transmission of My Word from above. I know where people's thinking is still confused, I know where opinions have taken root in them which they don't like to relinquish but which nevertheless do not correspond to truth. But I want to give light to everyone; I want to enlighten the thoughts of those who were given the task by Me to spread the truth. I can only ever give you the same explanation, namely, that you are My once emanated beings which did not fulfil their purpose because they opposed Me. What I emanated as strength were self-aware, intelligent living creations endowed with free will.... thus not dead works but living ones, for My strength, which was their fundamental substance, is and will remain something alive which constantly wants to be active.... This strength, therefore, was given the form of beings by Me, although this had to be understood in a spiritual sense, for they were able to behold each other as most magnificent and brightly radiating living creations.... Each emanated being was an individual being.... it was externalised as an independent being and continually permeated by My strength of love.... They were images of Myself, they were miniatures of My own nature which were able to work independently in strength and light and were supremely perfect, since only perfection could come forth from Me. And these beings apostatised from Me, as a result of their free will they changed themselves into the opposite, they lost their perfection, became imperfect and wretched, for they rejected the divine light of love which permeated them and subsequently discarded their divinity. However, the beings continued to exist, they merely renounced love, and this was possible because as evidence of their divine origin they possessed free will which could be used in any direction and which expressed itself in opposition to God. The being had merely rejected God's strength of love, thus My continuous illumination of love, and that resulted in its fall into the abyss, because it became incapable of activity and hardened in its substance.... Thus the being I once created in all perfection voluntarily distanced itself from Me and moved ever closer towards the abyss....

This apostasy of the spirits has been explained to you by Me time and again, and you know what the apostasy consisted of: the fact that My love was being rejected.... By doing so the being incapacitated itself to any kind of activity.... But since the being itself was My emanated strength which could not remain inactive, this strength had to take effect in different ways, and this became possible by reshaping this strength into creations.... which then had to be active according to My will.... The fallen being therefore carried out an activity of service in different shapes under the law of compulsion.... That which moves through the works of creation for the purpose of gradually ascending to higher spheres **is the fallen spiritual living creation which once originated from Me....** It is the being I created in supreme perfection, which I externalised as My image and which, on an extremely painful and infinitely long lasting path of return, shall now reshape itself again into that which it had been at the very beginning.... The answer cannot be given to you more clearly when you ask what happened to the 'spirit' when the being fell.... Which spirit do you mean?.... I created spiritual beings and they fell away from Me. The soul is therefore not the 'soul of a spirit' but the soul **itself is the once-fallen original spirit** which embodies itself in the human being to reach its final state of perfection.... And when a non-fallen spirit embodies itself in a human being then his soul is this said **original spirit**, and not just part of it.... The fact that all fallen spirits are also constantly looked after throughout the entire process of return by beings of light which have completely entered My will when they had to prove themselves is time and again explained to you, for their bliss consists of being able to contribute

towards the fallen beings' final return, and their overwhelming love constantly takes care of all creatures and always provides new shells which enable the fallen beings to ascend. For love will always act according to My will, and it therefore also flows continually to an imperfect soul so that it can consciously change itself during its life on earth and become again what it had been in the beginning. And this transformation can only be accomplished by love, which the being must kindle as a human being in order to find the union with Me again, which turns it into a blessed being for all eternity....

Amen

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The act of Salvation and its spiritual reason....

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Time and again explanations are given to you about the mission of the man Jesus on earth, especially since you received such inadequate information by those who deem themselves chosen to educate you but who did not penetrate into more profound knowledge themselves.... and are therefore not enlightened enough about the act of Salvation and its spiritual reason as to be capable of teaching their fellow human beings. And so people have never properly understood it and consequently don't know what immense significance the act of Salvation has for the whole of humanity.... They don't know that the entire purpose of earthly life will remain unfulfilled unless they take the path to the cross, to the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ. People are not aware of the fact that their existence as a human being on this earth was caused by the enormous original sin of the spirits' past apostasy from God.... that the whole earth as well as all creations in the universe were only the result of this original sin, and that the sole purpose of these creations rests in guiding the fallen spirits back to God again.... For disintegrated in countless minute particles they pass through the creations and thereby gradually travel the path towards God.... This is indeed an unspeakably agonising state for the spiritual being during its path of return, for it is not free and helpless, and although the dissolved spiritual beings are deprived of their sense of self-awareness the spiritual substance nevertheless feels the agonies of banishment in the works of creation, since prior to its apostasy from God it existed in complete freedom and any constraint is a state of torment for the spiritual being. However, the immense agonies of banishment in the form.... be they in the mineral and plant or the animal-world which it has to pass through.... do not suffice to redeem this very guilt the spiritual beings had burdened upon themselves due to their rebellion against God, for the beings had been incredibly brightly enlightened, they knew about their origin and were constantly permeated by God's love Who thereby provided them with unimaginable bliss. And despite being conscious of their origin they rejected this strength of love and thereby became subject to darkness.... Hence this immense original sin could not be redeemed even with the greatest amount of pain in the banished state.... And therefore the fallen beings would eternally have been denied entry into the kingdom of light if the redemption of guilt had not been undertaken by a Being of light Which offered to achieve the act of atonement for love of the fallen brothers....

This Being of light.... a non-fallen original spirit, Which had embodied Itself on earth in the human being Jesus.... wanted to achieve a unique act of compassion, for It descended from the light into the dark spheres of the spirits which had become sinful, It descended into the realm of God's adversary, of the first-fallen original spirit Lucifer, who kept his followers in bondage and demanded an extortionate purchase price for every single soul.... And this purchase price was paid by the human being Jesus by means of His act of Salvation, by means of an immeasurable process of suffering and torments which came to an end with His death on the cross.... Thus He redeemed the great original sin of the once fallen spirits as well as all people's sin of guilt on earth, which had been the consequences of their affiliation to God's opponent.... He accomplished a unique act of mercy and was only able to carry it out because He was full of love, because as a human being on earth He had shaped Himself such that the eternal Deity.... Love Itself.... was able to take abode in Him, so that It utterly permeated Him with strength of love and this **Love** subsequently also made the sacrifice.... which now has to be voluntarily

accepted by every person in order to liberate himself from the adversary's control.... For the human being is the spiritual being which is returning to God through the works of creation, whose individual minute particles had gathered again and were allowed to embody themselves as soul within a human being, in order to then consciously travel the last distance of the path of return and also consciously accept Jesus Christ's help, as without it his effort to ascend will remain unsuccessful. No human being can and may avoid Jesus Christ, for there will be no liberation from the control of God's adversary without Him, Who conquered the adversary through His death on the cross and now wrests every soul from him which voluntarily takes the path to the cross, which prays to Jesus for forgiveness of its guilt and for help in order to return to the Father again. This knowledge about the significance of the act of Salvation must be conveyed to people, only then will they turn to Him of their own free will and with His help also reach their goal, they will return to their Father's house, to their God and Creator and then remain with Him forever....

Amen

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Repayment of the debt by Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ recognized the greatness of human guilt....

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You humans cannot assess the extent of your guilt towards God and therefore the full significance of Christ's act of salvation cannot be made clear to you until you have penetrated spiritual knowledge. And that is why the will to reject is often so strong, because the idea of redemption is not compatible with the feeling of freedom, which is strongly developed in the human being. Thus he does not recognize the bondage of his will as long as he lacks the knowledge about it.... consequently, neither does he recognize the one Who redeemed him from bondage because he does not experience the bound state on earth as torment, since he has free will after all. He does not realize that he would not be able to free himself from this bound state for eternity if Jesus Christ had not accomplished the work of redemption for him through His death on the cross. He does not know about the power of evil, which has great influence on his will as long as he remains on earth, and that, although his will is free, he falls prey to this influence because he himself is too weak to be able to resist it. And he does not know about the consequences, about the dreadful consequences of a failure of this free will.... He does not know that the adversary will put him back in chains for eternity and that he will have to languish in unbearable agony in the beyond if he has to atone for his former injustice against God Himself, for he does not know the extent of his guilt.... But Jesus Christ recognized this as a human being, i.e., through His way of life in love the human being Jesus had penetrated into the deepest knowledge of the original state of all beings, of their immense transgression and its consequences, that He recognized the human being's weak will and his lack of resistance towards the enemy of his soul. And He wanted to help people develop a strong will which would be able to withstand the enemy's temptations and utilize the time of his life on earth for his final liberation from him and his power, i.e. his influence. And in order to purchase this increased willpower for people, He gave His life on the cross. His blood was the purchase price that was to bring people redemption from the greatest adversity, which He probably overlooked in His perfection and therefore wanted to avert from every single person. His immense love wanted to reduce the suffering of the unredeemed souls in the beyond, for He knew that no human being could free himself on earth from the dreadful guilt that the being had brought upon himself through his apostasy from God. The realization of this guilt impelled His will to extreme activity and He accomplished a work which no human being had ever been willing to carry out before because it required profound love and which no human being had ever been able to accomplish before either, for this act of salvation required immense strength of will which the man Jesus brought to its highest development through His activity of love and His way of life. And the whole of humanity was to share in this work of redemption. He died not just for one generation, but for all people who, as unredeemed beings, have to go through life on earth in order to finally become free. But the willingness to be redeemed must precede this in order to be able to share in the blessings of the work of redemption. The human being must recognize the act of salvation as well as the divine redeemer Jesus Christ if he wants to belong to those from whom the dreadful guilt against God was taken away through Jesus Christ, Who gave Himself as atonement in order to reduce the guilt of sin of all beings and to bring them redemption....

Amen

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Salvation has come from above.... How many lips utter this and how often is the heart unaffected, insofar as that the human being not even once seriously reflects on the meaning of Jesus Christ's coming down to earth. A child was born, Whose soul descended from the kingdom of light because God wanted to embody Himself in this infant. The infant Jesus was a human being, born to Mary, the virgin, who conceived him through the strength of the spirit.... The human being Jesus started His earthly course of life like everyone else, yet the side effects of His birth were not those of an ordinary person but they indicated that an exceptional cover also sheltered an exceptional boy child.... that it should be the cover for the Eternal Deity Which was only able to manifest Itself in a pure and sinless human being, as was the boy child Jesus. For He had to carry out a mission of such immense significance that the requirements for it also had to be exceptional. **God Himself** wanted to take abode in the infant Jesus and chose for Himself an immaculate form which also harboured an immaculate soul, in which the Eternal Deity was able to dwell in order to accomplish the act of Salvation for the whole of the human race. The fact that God Himself descended to earth was an act of overwhelming compassion, for Earth was covered in profound darkness and all its inhabitants too, they were controlled and gagged by the prince of darkness and languished under the pressure of slavery in sin and agony. And God knew the hardship of His living creations which once had voluntarily separated themselves from Him and, entangling themselves in ever deeper darkness, no longer found a way out and cried for a Saviour to liberate them. God heard their cry and sent His Son to earth.... a Being Which likewise emerged from His might and love and Which remained in His abundance of light when His brothers plunged themselves into the darkness. Jesus' soul was devoted to God with boundless love but it also loved its fallen brothers and wanted to help them return into the Father's house because it knew that happiness and bliss are only possible in God's presence and that the distance from Him meant hardship, agony and darkness.

Jesus knew both conditions and His love for the wretched being motivated Him to offer Himself as a sacrifice in order to remove the guilt of sin which was immense, and the beings which became sinful would never have been able to make

Amends for it themselves. Yet a pure and blameless soul wanted to sacrifice itself for their sins in order to redeem the guilt and to satisfy God's righteousness. For the soul was **love**.... And this **love** was **God**.... God or love permeated the man Jesus, so that He wanted to accomplish an act of greatest suffering and agony for the sake of these fallen brothers. And thus God Himself descended to earth in Jesus and entered a human form which corresponded to all preconditions in order to shelter the Eternal Deity Himself without fading away.... The infant Jesus was full of love and all hearts entering His ray of love became permeated by love, singing praise and giving thanks, for only people came to the infant's manger whose hearts were pure and devoted to God and who therefore felt the love emanated by the infant and who came aglow with burning love for the Jesus child. Although the events surrounding Jesus' birth are now only regarded a myth, anyone who is filled by the spirit of God, whose spirit is awakened, knows that everything which has been preserved as knowledge about the birth of Jesus is the truth. Miracles upon miracles happened around the child Itself, in nature, in Heaven and on Earth, and all the angles bowed down on bended knees before the One Who had embodied Himself in the infant Jesus, just as men and animals were seized by holiest awe and silence when the greatest wonder, God's human manifestation in Jesus, was taking place. And the heart of anyone with an awakened spirit will also convincingly speak the Words 'Salvation has come from above....' For the light of love of the Saviour Jesus Christ likewise shines on him, he belongs to those for whom the Saviour came to earth to save them, he belongs to the redeemed, for whom the act of compassion on the cross was accomplished, because he wanted to become redeemed from sin and death. And he will not just pay lip service to the birth of Christ, with his heart he will think of everything that happened during that night when the light of the world came down to earth, when the infant Jesus came into the world. And he will join in singing the hymn of praise 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will....'

The birth of Christ.... II.

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No-one can judge the depth of divine love which expressed itself in the fact that God Himself descended to earth in order to accomplish the act of Salvation on behalf of humanity. He took pity on people's immeasurable guilt of sin, for the sinners themselves were unable to redeem it since the offence against God's love was fully consciously committed.... not because 'imperfection' made the being unable to recognise its offence against God but because these beings were brightly enlightened and therefore **recognised** God in His power and glory.... However, they were unable to see Him and therefore, **despite better knowledge**, followed the one who presented himself as God and Creator.... and they followed him because they were able to see him although they knew that he, too, was only a product of God's creative will and God's strength. The magnitude of the guilt rests in the fact that the beings were illuminated by the light of realisation and in the face of it turned away from their God and Creator of eternity. And it was impossible for them to redeem this immense guilt, for they were no longer able to undo the sin, they remained burdened by it, and the only option was for God to redeem the sin Himself.... but this, again, could only take place within the framework of divine justice, because every guilt demands atonement so that it can be redeemed. And in order to render this atonement for humanity, God descended to earth and accomplished the act of Salvation in the man Jesus....

God Himself was unable to suffer but He wanted to take the suffering upon Himself which the human race had deserved due to the sin of their past apostasy from God.... And this is why a human being, into Whose shell God Himself incarnated, took the suffering upon Himself.... the Eternal Love, Who thus wanted to offer the sacrifice, the sacrifice of atonement for the immense guilt.... A human being with a heart full of love allowed Himself to be nailed to the cross for the whole human race, and love alone motivated Him to accomplish this act of compassion. A human being with all human weaknesses and fears took a bitter earthly path and the love within Him consistently grew, for God Himself was in this human being and therefore the sayings and actions of the man Jesus were only ever motivated by **love**, just as **love** finally walked the bitter path of suffering and endured and died on the cross. It was no arbitrary act by a human being Who sacrificed Himself for His fellow human beings for the sake of an advantage, He was merely impelled by love to accomplish the act of compassion, because He knew that their path to the kingdom of light was and had to remain closed to them if they were not released from their guilt of sin first.... He knew what the original sin consisted of and that they would never be able to make

Amends for this sin by themselves. And therefore He volunteered to offer God the sacrifice of atonement in order to redeem His fellow human beings.... In truth, however, **love within Him** caused Him to do so; it was the **Eternal Love Itself**, Which thus wanted to redeem people from their inconceivable guilt, for the Eternal Deity sheltered in the human being in full abundance.

And so God's human manifestation has to be understood such that the Eternal Love embodied Itself in a human being Who prepared Himself in a way that the Eternal Love was able to dwell in Him and that therefore everything the human being Jesus did in earthly life was in truth done by **God Himself**.... that 'love' determined the human being Jesus' every intention, thought and action, that the human being certainly suffered and died on the cross but that **God Himself** was in this man, that **He** therefore accomplished the act of Salvation for humanity. Only when people comprehend that God is **Love** will they also comprehend the problem of God's human manifestation and they will understand that God and Jesus Christ are **one**, that they are not two persons, and that the divine Oneness may not be contested, because love permeated the human shell and therefore the external form of the human being Jesus was also the visible form of the divine Love Itself, that they were not separate Beings but only ever **God Himself**. The problem of God's human manifestation can only be solved in this way,

but then a person will also find it easy to acknowledge Jesus, and he will take refuge in Him and by calling upon Him he will call God Himself, thus acknowledging Him. And his original sin will be wiped out, because God Himself descended to earth for his guilt and has accomplished the act of Salvation, the act of atonement, on his behalf....

Amen

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Jesus' free will as a human being....

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Until the end My suffering and dying on the cross also remained a matter of free will, since I truly could have prevented it by making use of God's indwelling strength and resisting all enemies who wanted to implement their thoughts of hatred of Me.... I accomplished the act entirely of My own free will; I was willing to suffer and die for My fellow human beings because, as 'Jesus, the human being', I knew that the whole of the human race was in an appalling state of wretchedness due to the past original sin, and because My love wanted to help all My fallen brothers I had offered Myself to the Father as a sacrifice of atonement.... I was by no means forced to do so, the Father in Me did not dictate My will, I acted completely freely of My own accord.... And I found it incredibly difficult because I foresaw everything that would happen until the act of Salvation had been completely accomplished.... I, as a human being, struggled and prayed in profound distress to the Father that He should remove the cup from Me.... and I was strengthened and completely gave Myself to the Father. For the love in Me was overwhelmingly powerful, thus the Eternal Love Itself was indeed within Me and I allowed Myself to be determined by **It**, which would have been impossible had My human will resisted. Love impelled Me toward the wretched human race and I wanted to help people, and this love made Me accept an extent of suffering which you humans are incapable of assessing. Yet the guilt you had burdened yourselves with as a result of your apostasy from God was also inconceivable. And, in order to atone for this guilt, I had to suffer enormously as a human being and endure the agony of the crucifixion. Love, however, is strength and therefore I persevered until the end, or the suffering itself would truly have been enough to kill My body prematurely had the strength of love not enabled My body to accept the death on the cross and to persevere until the work was accomplished.... until the redemption from sin and death had been guaranteed for all people who accept My sacrifice on the cross and want to find redemption. So once again it depends on the person's free will as to how he relates to Me and My act of Salvation. For every being had turned away from Me of its own free will, and of its own free will it must turn back to Me again which happens when, as a human being, it acknowledges Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation, when it recognises Me Myself in Jesus and voluntarily hands itself and its guilt over to Me.... when it appeals for forgiveness and wants to return to Me again, Whom it once voluntarily left. Then the human being will consciously avail himself of the blessings of My act of Salvation, his weakened will shall receive strength and his return into his Father's house will be assured.

The inconceivable suffering I took upon Myself as a human being was still in no proportion to the immense guilt of the fallen spirits, but since Jesus, the human being, was full of love and volunteered the hardest sacrifice by relinquishing His life on the cross, I was satisfied with this sacrifice and redeemed all guilt for the sake of Jesus' great love, Who wanted to bring His fallen brothers back to Me again.... This was sufficient for Me, and thus My justice was also satisfied.... for I was unable to redeem any guilt which would have remained **without** atonement. Hence the act of Salvation had to be voluntarily accomplished. I did not allow any being to be forced into rendering this atonement.... And since the immense sin of the apostasy from Me had been a violation of My **love**, the act of atonement had to be an **act of love** again, for only love could redeem this immense guilt.... This love dwelled within Jesus, the human being. He was so receptive to it that He was completely imbued with love, which subsequently enabled Him to achieve His act of Salvation.... **Love** redeemed the sin.... **Love** completely permeated a human being.... **I Myself Am Love**, and thus I Myself was in Jesus, the human being, I Myself suffered and died for the human race. However, since I was unable to suffer as

God, the 'human being Jesus' took all suffering upon Himself. Yet He did everything of His own free will, for although love does not compel, it willingly makes the greatest sacrifices.... And love achieves everything; it is a powerful strength which can endure even the most appalling affliction. I Myself, the Eternal Love, imbued Jesus, the human being, and thus I Myself was effective in Him and brought people redemption from sin and death....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Redemption of the guilt of sin through the blood of Jesus....

B.D. No. 8349

December 6th 1962

You humans should all take notice of the work of salvation which the man Jesus accomplished on earth in order to make atonement for the exceeding sinfulness of the created spirits' past apostasy from Me and in order to satisfy My justice.... this is why I sent My disciples out into the world to proclaim Me and My love which manifested itself in the man Jesus, for **love** accomplished this work of mercy, and **love** is **I Myself**.... Thus My disciples had to mention Me time and again when proclaiming My gospel, they had to inform people of My divine commandments of love for the first time and also inform them of Jesus Christ's act of salvation.... they always had to **remember the One** Who sent them into the world with the mission to feed people with My word and, in remembrance of Me, to inform them of the sacrifice on the cross which the man Jesus offered. The knowledge of this sacrifice on the cross shall be given to all people, and this knowledge will not be lost as long as there are still unredeemed spiritual beings which walk the earth as human beings. All people shall know that a human being shed His blood in purest, selfless love in order to redeem their guilt, which required an exceedingly great sacrifice of atonement, in order to be considered a just compensation towards their God and father.... Yet time and again you are told that you, as human beings, are unable to grasp the magnitude of this sacrifice on the cross, yet it should suffice you to know that Jesus Christ has to be acknowledged as God's son and redeemer of the world, in Whom the eternal love embodied Himself in order to redeem people from sin and death. And this knowledge should prompt you to take the path to the cross, i.e. to freely confess your guilt, to hand your guilt over to Him and repentantly ask for forgiveness.... for purification in order to be able to step before the face of God again, Whom you humans can now behold in Jesus Himself.... Know that it is only ever My effort to let you find the path to the cross.... that I do everything to make this problem of My human manifestation in Jesus and My sacrificial death on the cross understandable to you through My messengers, through My disciples, whom I choose Myself, because there is no other salvation for you to be released from the guilt of your past apostasy from God.... because only the divine redeemer Jesus Christ has redeemed this guilt and therefore you must acknowledge His act of salvation and also accept the blessings of His act of salvation, otherwise you will eternally be unable to return to Me as your father.... because I cannot accept a sinful being into My kingdom of light and bliss. But you must be washed clean through His blood, which He shed for you on the cross.... His death was a sacrificial death, for He voluntarily took it upon Himself, He voluntarily walked an unspeakably difficult path of suffering which was then crowned by death on the cross, which brought humanity redemption from sin and death.... But you can also be certain that **every** human being's guilt was redeemed through His act of mercy, that He shed His blood for **all** people past, present and future and that only your free will is necessary to accept this act of mercy; thus you must **want** to belong to those whom His blood has washed clean of all guilt. He gave His life on the cross.... He consciously took the last path when He sacrificed Himself for the sins of humanity, and thus you must also consciously take the path to Him, under His cross.... Redemption cannot be **given** to you **against** your will.... A 'human being' offered this most difficult sacrifice because I, as God, could not have suffered and therefore also withdrew in the end, even though I completely filled Him with My strength of love, yet the man Jesus no longer used this unusual strength in order to liberate Himself from all adversity and torment.... which was indeed possible for Him.... but He suffered **as a mere human being** and died as a mere human being on the cross.... With His blood He ransomed humanity from My adversary, who still has a right to the

souls as long as they do **not** make use of Jesus' act of salvation and the treasure of grace. But My adversary has to release those who **want** to be redeemed, because the great sacrifice was offered on the cross for this. And if I repeatedly convey the knowledge of this to you humans, you should also pass it on, you should proclaim My name in the world, in Whom alone salvation can be found.... You should spread My teaching of love and always mention Him Who Himself gave the commandments of love, Who Himself lived a life of love on earth and finally accomplished the greatest work of love through His death on the cross, because He wanted to redeem you from the sin which had kept you separated from Him for eternities and which you yourselves would not have been able to remove for eternity either.... But your earthly path as a human being will also be in vain if it does not lead to the cross of Golgotha.... For My adversary cannot and will not follow you on this path, he will have to release you, for then he will have lost all right to you, and your former apostasy from Me will have been atoned for through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

There is no self-redemption - Redemption only by Jesus Christ

Atonement of guilt without Christ's act of Salvation....

B.D. No. 2929

October 17th 1943

The extent of a human being's guilt remains unchanged if he does not acknowledge Christ's act of Salvation, i.e. he has to remove the guilt completely, he has to seriously reflect on it entirely on his own.... he eternally has to make

Amends because the human being's guilt is immense.... It is not just a matter of sins he committed on earth, which alone would suffice to expel the soul for an infinitely long time from the face of God, but the past rebellion against God cannot be atoned during his earthly life and thus has to be carried across into eternity in order to find the Saviour there in due course. The being has to languish in darkness for eternity, it is forever without freedom and has to endure a state of most agonising constraint, for eternity it is without the divine light of mercy, it has distanced itself furthest from God and suffers most bitter hardship.... because it willingly defies God and cannot be forced to change its will. Thus it has to make

Amends for its guilt because it did not liberate itself of its own free will; but divine will cannot liberate it because this would be in complete contradiction to God's wisdom and love. Consequently the fallen soul punishes itself if it does not accept Salvation through Jesus Christ, if it refuses to acknowledge His sacrifice....

All sins will be forgiven, all restriction of liberty will be taken from him and all atonement avoided when the human being places himself under the cross of Christ, when he allows himself to be redeemed by His blood, which Jesus Christ shed for all human beings and their guilt. He made this enormous sacrifice for love of humanity because He knew of the infinitely long path of suffering in the beyond, He took pity on the beings' extreme hardship in the beyond, He wanted to lessen it, He wanted to atone the guilt in order to guide people towards eternal bliss, to give them everlasting happiness. Christ's death on the cross is the purchase price for eternal life and all guilt has been atoned by it.... Yet it is an unavoidable prerequisite.... that the human being acknowledges this act of Salvation so that his guilt will be part of the guilt Jesus Christ has paid for with His death on the cross.... Otherwise it will remain unchanged and after physical death taken across into the spiritual kingdom as a burden, which the being can never remove because it cannot find the strength to redeem itself. And therefore Jesus Christ is the only way to eternal life, there will be adversity without Him but salvation with Him.... without Him the human being is weak and his will opposes God, with Him he strives towards God and can receive his strength from Him, the increased willpower which Jesus had bought on the cross for him. And for this reason is Jesus Christ the Saviour of the world, the Saviour of all people who place their guilt and themselves at His feet, who faithfully entrust themselves to Him and request His help.... Jesus Christ had made the sacrifice on the cross for them so that they may be released from all guilt and sin....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

No liberation without Jesus Christ....

B.D. No. 6860

June 29th 1957

You need Me if you want to be liberated from your adversary.... You cannot free yourselves from him on your own, you need help and only one can provide it: Jesus Christ, Who overcame the adversary by His death on the cross.... I Myself was in Him, and He and I are one, thus you have to

request help from Me in Jesus Christ, and you will truly receive it.... If you acknowledge a God yet cannot relate this God to Jesus Christ, the divine Saviour, then your acknowledgment of God is not yet certain. Then you merely speak with your mouth, without faith in your heart, and then you walk your earthly path without Me, and you will be unable to become free from the one who opposes Me and still controls you, and whose power you cannot overcome by yourselves. Believe Me when I tell you that you need Me.... or you will not fulfil the purpose of your earthly life: the separation from the one.... whom you once followed voluntarily.... and the return to Me, your God and Father since eternity. I Am always willing to help you get away from him but you have to request this help from Me because your will determines whether I can liberate you, since the adversary has the same claim on you as long as you share his will, which amounts to renouncing Me.

However, your weakness as a fallen being is taken into account.... A human being died for you on the cross for the sake of love and mercy, Who knew of your weakness and hence also that it would be impossible for you alone to break the chains put upon you by My adversary, although it was your own fault. I embodied Myself in this human Jesus because I took pity on your weak, helpless, tormented state and because I wanted to give you the opportunity to return to Me and to your original state, which is freedom and bliss for you.... Thus I made the sacrifice of compensation on your behalf, in a manner of speaking I Myself paid for the guilt of your past apostasy from Me in the human being Jesus, and I offered My adversary the ransom for you to set you free if you ask for it yourselves.... But you also have to voice this request, you have to want to come to Me, and you have to want to belong to those whose souls I have bought back from your master....

You have to make use of Jesus Christ's help, you have to call to Me again in Jesus Christ, and you can certainly do so if you believe in Him, in His act of Salvation, in My human manifestation in Him.... Only then will you have certain faith in Me Myself, then I will have become alive in you, and then you will no longer walk your earthly path without Me, but then you will also surely reach your goal. And thus you only need to seriously question the purpose and objective of your earthly life and your true task.... And you should only have the sincere will not to have failed at the end of your life on this earth.... And if you have this will, then ask Jesus Christ for help, the only one Who can help you.... because He and I are one, and when you call to Him you call to Me, and your call will not go unheeded. Anyone who genuinely wants to reach the goal of his earthly life will soon have his thoughts guided into the right direction and he will realize that there is no help without Jesus Christ.... But I cannot determine the innermost desire.... that is free.... I can only ever warn and remind you again, I can stimulate your thoughts.... but you have to act in accordance with this inner desire, and such will be your state of maturity when you leave this earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Redemption only through Jesus Christ.... Self-Redemption is not possible....

B.D. No. 7950

July 26th 1961

You were redeemed through the death of Jesus Christ, and not a single being in the entire universe was excluded from this redemption, for He accomplished His act for all once fallen spirits, He accomplished it for all people past, present and future.... But the being itself has to acknowledge it, it has to consciously lay claim on the blessings of the act of Salvation.... God's opponent is entitled to the spiritual being which had voluntarily followed him into the abyss.... It turned to him and away from God of its own free will.... of its own free will it has to turn away from him again and desire to return to God. However, it would never have found the strength to separate itself from him, because its will had been totally weakened by the adversary.... It would have stayed separated from God forever if the human being Jesus, in Whom God had manifested Himself, had not achieved the act of Salvation by means of his crucifixion, through which he acquired the blessings of a stronger will, which could then increase the fallen spirit's will and then also enable it to rise up against the adversary and strive towards God....

The act of Salvation will not force any being to return, but its return is made possible by it, which otherwise could never have taken place. Yet it always requires free will, otherwise all fallen spirits **would have been** instantly **redeemed** and every work of creation would already be spiritualised.... But redemption depends on the human being's free will who, as a once fallen being, is travelling the path across earth for the purpose of becoming free, if he takes advantage of Jesus' act of Salvation and His acquired blessings.... Then his redemption will be certain, then he will return to his origin as a child of God.... then Jesus Christ will not have died for him in vain.... he can still perfect himself in earthly life or ascend to the spiritual kingdom and be active in light and strength and freedom for his own happiness. It only requires your will to be redeemed, for Jesus atoned the guilt **on his behalf**, Jesus cleared the way for him to the Father, Jesus opened the gate to the kingdom of light.... But the human being himself has to **want** the act of Salvation to have been achieved **for him**, he has to consciously place himself underneath the cross of Christ, he has to acknowledge Him as Son of God and Redeemer of the world, in Whom God had manifested Himself in order to be able to become a 'visible' God for all His living beings.... Yet in that case one cannot ever speak about '**Self-Redemption**', even if one's own free will is the first condition to attain the blessing of the act of Salvation.... The human being can never free himself from his great guilt of sin without the help of Jesus Christ, in his weakness of will he will never be able to lift himself up and detach himself from God's adversary....

The redemption of all souls is **only** possible through Jesus Christ, and this is why Jesus Christ the man suffered the crucifixion for all fallen spiritual beings and acquired the blessing of a strengthened will, which every being can lay claim to as soon as it has reached the stage of free will as a human being again. And this exceedingly joyful knowledge is conveyed to you humans. For now you are informed that you are not hopelessly lost, that there is a path of ascent for you, back to your Father's house.... the path to the cross of Christ, which has to be taken without fail but which also assures you complete deliverance. If, however, you don't take this path then you will not find redemption either, you will not be released from your adversary and that will mean that you will never be able to enter into the kingdom of light because your guilt of sin will prevent your entry. You yourselves will be unable to free yourselves from this sin, but you will be able to carry it under the cross, to Jesus Christ, Who shed His blood for your guilt and thereby also bought you back from God's adversary. Only your will has to make conscious use of this blessing, and then your guilt will also be redeemed.... you will be free beings again as you were in the beginning, and need only perfect yourselves in earthly life, that is, through loving activity, shape your nature into love again.... you need only seek closest unity with God, your Father of eternity, and your soul will mature and then, as His children, be able to enter the kingdom of light and bliss

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Redemption in the beyond only by Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ opens the gate to eternal life....

B.D. No. 6850

June 12th 1957

The gate into a life of light and glory is open to all of you who have found Jesus Christ; however, it remains closed to those who are still distant from Him and His act of Salvation. Therefore you all should seriously ask yourselves whether you have already taken the path to Him, to the cross; for His path on earth ended with His death on the cross, hence you will have to seek and find Him **there**, and that is where you must go if you want to participate in His act of Salvation. The goal of His life on earth was the cross, because the crucifixion was intended to bring redemption to you humans.

Thus you will find the divine Redeemer under the cross, which means that you will carry your guilt of sin, for which the human being Jesus died on the cross, to Him under the cross, that you will thereby prove your belief in His divine mission and so also reveal your will to be released from the guilt which separates you from Me, your God and Father of eternity.... In that case you acknowledge **Me Myself** Who accomplished the act of Salvation in the human being **Jesus**.... Your path must lead to the cross of Golgotha if you want to reach the gate into eternal life, for no other path leads to this gate. All of you should seriously question your attitude towards Jesus Christ.... However, with the exception of a few, you fail to do so, even if His Gospel is repeatedly proclaimed to you, even if His teaching of love is time and again presented to you and you continue to hear His name mentioned as that of the divine Redeemer.... You keep your ears closed and all Words bypass you like empty talk. You are barely touched by what you hear about Jesus Christ and His labour of love, it does not enter your hearts, it has not yet come alive in you and you have not yet spent any serious thought on what you have received so far. One day you will have to stop short at the gate to eternity, you will not find admittance, for you had not found salvation as yet because you did not take the path to the cross, His blood was unable to cleanse you and therefore you will arrive at the gate to eternity burdened by guilt. It is not enough to merely voice Jesus' name with your mouth in order to be released from your guilt.... You must approach Him yourselves, you must hand yourselves over to Him with childlike trust and in awareness of your fault and sincerely appeal to Him that He should accept you, that He might also have shed His blood for you, and you must faithfully wait for His forgiveness.... And the weight of your guilt will fall away, clearing the path to the light and opening for you the gate into eternal beatitude.... Jesus Christ Himself will escort you into His kingdom, but without Him you will never be able to go through this gate. If only you would believe that His name is everything, that calling upon His name with profound faith will lift you out of all the adversity which is the result of the sin which still weighs you down.... This is why I descended to earth in the human being Jesus, in order to relieve you of the immense burden of sin and I died on the cross in order to redeem the great guilt which makes all of you sigh while you live on earth.... I died on your behalf.... but you must want to belong to those for Whom I have died.... Hence you must also take the path to the cross, you must make contact with Jesus Christ Who concluded His life on earth on the cross.... Then He will walk with you and guide you into His kingdom which He promised to all those who believe in Him....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

**The souls' redemption from the abyss through Jesus Christ....
Beyond....**

B.D. No. 5153

June 17th 1951

The cross of Christ is the sign of hope for all who have fallen, who are unhappy in their situation, be it on earth or in the kingdom of the beyond. The cross of Christ will show them that there is

still salvation, a way out, which only has to be taken in order to surface from the abyss, from the kingdom of darkness, into the dawning morning. The cross of Christ points to the path of ascent which will never lead astray. For the One Who died on the cross due to His love for sinful humanity initiated this path, He paid the purchase price for the existing souls in the abyss, and every soul can utilise this privilege, the path of ascent is now open to every soul providing it has chosen Jesus Christ, the divine Redeemer, as its goal, providing it wants to leave the abyss in order to reach Him. Then it will be entitled to redemption, then the divine Redeemer Himself will lift it from the abyss, then its sins will be washed away by His blood, the guilt of sin will be cancelled and the act of Salvation will not have been made in vain for this soul. Jesus Christ died for all human beings, for people past, present and future....

He descended into hell.... He also made the blessings of the act of Salvation available to the souls in the abyss, and there is salvation for the souls even in the kingdom of the beyond, yet never without Him, for only the blood He had shed for the sins can pay for the sins of a soul, and His forgiveness has to be consciously requested, He also has to be acknowledged as the 'Redeemer of sin' in the spiritual realm, or a deliverance from darkness will be impossible. An inconceivable act of love was accomplished by the man Jesus on earth, and this act of love is also effective in the beyond, His mercy even follows the souls who had passed away from earth without redemption. Yet, like on earth, the soul must willingly want to find salvation through Jesus Christ in the beyond too, that He should have mercy upon its suffering, that His love should seize it and raise it from the abyss. For this reason, the knowledge of Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation as well as the belief in both is vitally important and has to be conveyed to the souls, if they have not gained it on earth already. But this work is far more difficult than on earth, for the souls of darkness have little knowledge and power of perception and are therefore not easily taught.

Nevertheless, their state is not hopeless when they are in distress and appeal for help to be delivered from their present situation. Then they will not be completely obstinate, and knowledge can be conveyed to them through intercession and loving mental instructions which will enable them to direct their thoughts towards Jesus Christ, the divine Saviour, and call upon Him themselves.... And every call in faith and confidence in His help will be heard.... Then the path of ascent will have begun and will be travelled step by step with His help. There is salvation from the abyss, but never without Jesus Christ.... This is what the souls in the beyond also need to know, otherwise they would never turn their thoughts towards Him, Who alone can save them from their hardship, Who, with love and mercy, is constantly willing to alleviate suffering and change an agonising state of affairs into a state of beatitude.... Nevertheless, it always requires the being's will, and to change this correctly requires a lot of intercession on the part of people with faith and love, who are therefore also able to help those who are still unredeemed....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Helping assistance of people at redemption from the depths....

B.D. No. 6205

March 5th 1955

I distribute an inexhaustible measure of grace because My love constantly endeavours to prepare an eternal life in beatitude for you. Thus I do not leave the souls in darkness without help either, because they cannot help themselves alone, but just as I also look after the still weak souls and give them strength to reach the light. My love applies to all souls, which does not stop, which wants to help and make happy and which therefore also grasps the spiritual which is still very distant from Me.... which is why I bestow graces there.... undeserved aids which shall prove My love. My merciful love follows the souls into the abyss and seeks to redeem them.... And therefore you must understand that every human being on earth is also allowed to **participate** in this act of salvation and that I accept and bless his cooperation if it applies to the redemption of those souls from the abyss.... just as I bless everything which demonstrates love for the unredeemed spirits.... You humans can help by intervening

as mediators, because direct contact between Me and those souls in the abyss is impossible, because these souls would not be able to bear the abundance of light which would shine upon them with My direct presence.... but this presence is also forbidden because it would signify a compulsion of will. But you build a bridge through your love which the souls of the abyss can now enter in order to come to Me of their own free will.... My love and grace also sends messengers to these souls, beings of light who approach them in disguise in order to induce them to release themselves from the abyss and strive upwards. But you humans on earth have greater influence on those souls, especially if love for them impels you to grant them help. You have greater influence because you appear more real to them, because you are still in the spheres where these souls also came from.... And you have a special influence if you are able to convey My word to them which, as a direct emanation of love, has an incomprehensible effect, which provides them with noticeable relief, which touches them beneficially and can therefore be regarded as a very special means of grace for these souls. The otherworldly messengers of light and love also bring My word close to them, yet until they have gained the realization of what they have to strive for in order to be blissfully happy they still behave rejectively towards these beings of light until they have gained the realization through you, whom they are more likely to believe and follow your instructions. People on earth can establish contact with the inhabitants of darkness much more easily and sooner if they want to help them in My name, if they make it their task to be redemptively active.... Then such an endeavour will also be blessed by Me, then I Myself can imperceptibly help.... I can open the gates for the souls of the deep to reach you, which they are not allowed to do without My will, so as not to harass you on behalf of the one who is My adversary.... And thus they come to you soothed and appeal to you for help, which you can now also give to them by offering them My word which is of real help to them and which does not fail to have an effect. People who consciously take care of these souls, who consciously want to carry out redemption work, will always be blessed by Me, for they carry out work which will never remain unsuccessful because they use a means which will certainly bring redemption to the souls.... They convey My word to the souls, and they establish the connection between those souls and Jesus Christ.... and if they now take refuge in Me in Him they are saved for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Happiness and gratitude of redeemed souls....

B.D. No. 6423

December 12th 1955

With an exuberant feeling of gratitude I Am praised and glorified by souls which were delivered from their torment through loving intercession, which had realised that they, owing to their weak will, would have been incapable of liberating themselves, and which were able to strengthen their will through the merciful love of people on earth.... which then appealed to Me in Jesus Christ and were subsequently raised by Me from the abyss.... Hence they want to express their happiness, giving all their love to the One Who has delivered them and, never tiring of praising and thanking Him.... they want to do the same by also helping the unredeemed souls, which they know are still languishing in darkness, to attain the same bliss.... People's loving assistance on earth makes it easier for these souls if they can receive from people what they urgently need themselves in order to give it to the unhappy souls; they have to receive light themselves to be able to let the light shine, and they can always receive light when it is emanated by God into eternity....

Wherever this light is received, wherever vessels open themselves into which the light of God's love can flow, there are places of light and strength which are surrounded by innumerable souls requesting light.... and every soul's degree of maturity, degree of love and degree of desire determines how much light will flow to each soul.... yet every soul seeks to raise this amount by constantly giving and passing it on.... Once a soul has received light it cannot help itself but communicate with other souls, the light illuminates strength which is used by the soul. Hence it is extremely significant when a soul from the abyss has found its way to the light, when it has willingly accepted being illuminated, for then it will receive a constant flow of light because it will have totally surrendered its resistance as a

result of the indescribable feeling of happiness caused by the emanation of light. And it will certainly pass the light on in order to make other souls happy too.... Light, however, is wisdom.... the realisation of truth....

And this light is conveyed to them by My Word, which constantly comes forth from Me as emanation of love, which could affect all spiritual beings in eternity but which will only find a response where there is no resistance.... Beings with the highest maturity of soul are able to receive it directly, whereas weaker beings will have to accept it from them in turn, but My Word always signifies light.... And for that reason My Word will always generate happiness, but only in the beings who want light, which is also the reason why every person on earth proclaiming My Word is surrounded by beings wishing to receive light.... Yet only the pure Word will shine forth into the darkness.... And the pure Word will in turn be received from God Himself again.... I Myself convey it to earth in order to establish places of light wherever souls can obtain what they need and what makes them happy.... It is irrelevant as to whether these places of light are established in the spiritual kingdom or on earth, for the same light shines everywhere, the eternal truth from Me.... But souls in the beyond will often visit a place of light on earth if they are still unable to find their way about in the spiritual kingdom and stay in the vicinity of earth....

However, precisely these souls are in the majority, and receiving My Word is often the only salvation for these souls, it represents extraordinary help for them which they believe they cannot reward gratefully enough and are therefore exceedingly active helpers in the spiritual kingdom.... who continually praise and glorify Me and create real uproar in the darker regions because they won't rest until they have persuaded all souls to follow them to where they shall also be touched by a ray of light.... Their redeeming activity has infinite consequences, for My Word is immensely powerful, which is beyond measure to you humans on earth, nevertheless, you should gather around the source I have opened for you, so that you will already be permeated by light when you enter the spiritual kingdom, when you have to leave earth, and then be able to share it again in order to constantly increase your own beatitude....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Steps of the people to redemption - faith and recognition of redemption by Jesus Christ - exploitation of grace

Work of redemption.... faith in it necessary....

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June 14th 1938

What you are commanded to do is the lord's will, and so today you receive an announcement which touches on the great problem in a comprehensible way, which is so difficult for you humans to understand.... The majority of humanity is in a considerable error if it believes that it can gain merits in the hereafter and yet has not done its part on earth to maintain faith in Jesus Christ as the son of God. A person may well be lawful, he may have always faithfully fulfilled his duties on earth.... he may also have acted as a brother towards his neighbour.... but he has denied Jesus Christ.... then his reward will truly be very little, for since he does not want to acknowledge the divine saviour, he will never be redeemed from his guilt, for only faith is able to set him free, and in Christ all the threads of life will always and forever come together.... And where this faith turns away from the idea of redemption.... where the divinity of the saviour is doubted and denied, there the Godhead itself also turns away.... A person's legal thinking will undoubtedly be recognized, but until the heart of such a person professes Christ, the rebirth of the spirit will not be able to take place and without this the path to eternal bliss will never be paved. Anyone who has therefore been brought up in the faith in Christ but does not want to and cannot profess it will have to go a long way in the beyond.... And his search for the truth will be arduous and very protracted. No amount of strict adherence to God's commandments will achieve what the clear realization of Jesus' divinity can bring about in a short time. If only one thing were always to be considered, that the lord walked on earth because of mankind's guilt of sin.... how clearly understandable it is then that precisely this guilt of sin of man cannot be redeemed as long as he does not want to recognize such a work of redemption, but rather sees it as a human sacrificial act, which, however, lacks any divinity. Thus such a person will never be able to feel the graces and blessings of the work of redemption in himself.... He will only recognize the signs of divinity when, in case of doubt, he begs the heavenly father for enlightenment, which is gladly and willingly granted to him, and he is then so obviously pointed to the true work of the son of God on earth. In His indescribable goodness, the lord seeks to come close to everyone.... He wants to give everyone full understanding and will also always come to help where man alone is paralyzed, but the will must be good.... he must not reject what is incomprehensible to him but must ask for enlightenment, which is then willingly granted to him. But without faith in Jesus Christ it is not possible to enter the father's kingdom.... the gate to this kingdom has only been opened through the work of redemption.... but how can **he** enter through this gate if he doubts the divinity of the saviour.... It has been sufficiently made known to people what the purpose of the saviour's descent on earth was.... not wanting to acknowledge this but then still expecting His blessing is completely unthinkable.... And you humans have no other option but to acquire the kingdom of heaven through faith.... however, without faith you are so far away from it that your other struggles are in vain. You can certainly endeavour to live a good life, you will thereby acquire many graces, but these graces will always help you to find and strengthen this very faith in Jesus Christ, only then will your walk on earth be crowned with real success.... only then will you be able to enter the eternal kingdom which was opened to you through Jesus Christ our lord....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

If you want your earthly life to be successful for eternity, then you must make use of the blessings which the divine redeemer Jesus Christ acquired for you on the cross.... If you don't make use of these blessings then it is impossible for you to attain the degree of maturity which guarantees you entry into the kingdom of light after your physical death.... For you lack strength because you have become weak and helpless due to your past apostasy from Me, because you are subject to the power of the one who dragged you down into the abyss.... You are now at the mercy of this power and cannot resist it with your own strength, you also have too weak a will which does not strive for a release from this power.... But you can certainly experience a supply of strength and a strengthening of will if you turn to the one Who died for this on the cross in order to help you break free from your dungeon master. For what you lack He acquired for you because He knew of your weakness and helplessness and because He wanted to break the adversary's power.... because He wanted to pay the ransom for you through His death on the cross and that adversary **can** no longer hold you if you want to be released from him. Everything has been done for you so that it is now possible for you to ascend again.... you **can** attain maturity of soul on earth but never without Jesus Christ.... You first have to let yourselves be redeemed by Him, you have to appeal to Him for strength and grace which you may now also receive in abundance because you desire to become free from the enemy of your souls. Thus you have to make use of the blessings of the act of salvation: You must ask for strength and reinforcement of will from the one Who acquired this treasure of grace through His death on the cross. When you enter this earth as a human being My adversary still has power over you.... And in earthly life it is solely a matter of whether you turn your will away from him and towards **Me** again, which, however, you only prove if you acknowledge Jesus Christ, because **I** embodied **Myself** in the human being Jesus in order to use My love for you so that you can return to Me again.... Hence, acknowledging Jesus Christ is synonymous with acknowledging Me Myself, Whom you once rejected, thus you separated yourselves from Me of your own will. This great sin had to invalidate you, for My strength of love could no longer take effect in you due to your resistance.... And if I want you to take the path back to Me, then I first have to impart strength to you.... thus I have to give you something you don't have to claim: I have to impart **grace** to you, and this, in turn, had to be acquired through an immense sacrifice which **love** wanted to make for you. And thus the sacrifice must also be acknowledged and thus also the one Who made the sacrifice.... the man Jesus, Whom deepest love motivated to bring help to the bound souls. And in this man Jesus I embodied Myself, because I am 'love' from eternity. Therefore, if you want to return to Me, if you want to successfully cover your earthly path, you can never pass by the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, for only from Him will you receive the strength and reinforcement of your will, whereas otherwise you will remain weak and will never be able to release yourselves from My adversary's power.... Only the call of Jesus Christ is enough to prove that you acknowledge Him, and you will now receive from His inexhaustible fountain of grace what you need in order to attain light again, strength and bliss.... But **without** Jesus Christ you live your earthly life in vain. You will remain in the abyss, for you will be held fast until you call upon Me yourselves in Jesus Christ, for as long as your will is still turned towards him, who will not release you.... but who **no longer** has control over you as soon as you hand yourselves over to the divine redeemer, which is also recognition of Me and you have now also passed the test of earthly life....

Amen

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Exploiting the graces of the work of redemption....

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And if you don't make use of the blessings of the act of salvation then your earthly existence will not be evaluated, for only as a human being can you freely use your will, and no matter how much it is weakened it is still possible for you to call upon the one Who brought you salvation through

His crucifixion.... And this call alone is a request for the blessings acquired from Him. Such a call to Him requires recognition, which every human being **can** also achieve if only he uses the gift of his intellect insofar as he reflects when he receives knowledge about Jesus Christ.... Then the divine redeemer can already take hold of him and convey the right thoughts to him, and then the connection is also established.... The graces can become effective in the person.... But it is different when the human being has a negative attitude towards every teaching concerning the work of redemption.... In that case he closes himself off from the source of grace of his own free will. But then he also only lives a purely earthly life, he does not strive for spiritual progress, he merely regards earthly life as an end in itself, and his will is and remains wrongly directed.... He still belongs to God's adversary and cannot become free from him without the help of the divine redeemer Jesus Christ. Admittedly, you will not lose your existence, for even if you leave earthly life unexploited you will still exist after the death of your body, but no state of life, no state of blissful activity awaits you, instead, you will then be subject to spiritual death because you are still burdened by sin, from which Jesus Christ brought you redemption if you had accepted this redemption yourselves. Your will cannot be circumvented, just as it aligns itself with the divine redeemer, so also is your state.... free or bound.... For you cannot expect redemption **without acknowledging** Him Who purchased this redemption for you on the cross. He took all your guilt upon Himself and atoned for it on your behalf.... But how can you expect a free lot, you who set yourselves apart from Him, who do not accept the graces He purchased for you?.... How can you be blessed as long as you are still devoted to another lord whom you first have to renounce by acknowledging Jesus Christ?.... You can only be blessed when your guilt of sin has been paid off. You yourselves are eternally incapable of doing so, therefore He bore your sins for you and atoned for them. And you must turn to Him in earthly life and appeal to Him that He may also have redeemed the guilt for you.... And then you will receive grace upon grace, for then His love will take hold of you and no longer let you fall. And only then will you properly evaluate earthly life, which was only given to you for this purpose, to return to **God** through **Jesus Christ**, Who embodied Himself in the human being Jesus in order to die for you on the cross. Earthly life offers you the opportunity to ascend freely and brightly into the kingdom of the blessed after your death, for only the acknowledgement of Jesus as redeemer of the world is necessary in order to also be able to make use of the blessings which guarantee your perfection, but you can also, by virtue of your free will, let this great opportunity pass you by and remain in darkness and bondage again for an infinitely long time.... You must open yourselves to the gifts of grace, you must acknowledge Him in free will.... Then your earthly life will not be an idle one, then you will progress in your development, and then there will also be a blissful life for you, because Jesus Christ alone can lead you out of the night of death to life in light and glory....

Amen

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Ask forgiveness of guilt

Guilt of sin.... forgiveness.... redemption.... cross of Christ....

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November 19th 1944

The graces of the work of redemption extend to all people who have faith in Jesus Christ. These are therefore also assured of the forgiveness of their sins as soon as they recognize them, repent and ask for forgiveness. For those who believe in Jesus Christ also know that they are sinful, otherwise they would not acknowledge His work of redemption. Consequently, they stand under the cross of Christ, they feel complicit in the suffering and death which Jesus took upon Himself, and they humbly bow before Him to ask for forgiveness of their guilt. But these people are constantly striving for their soul's maturity, and thus they will also take refuge under Christ's cross again and again if they are exposed to temptations in the battle of life or even succumb to them from time to time. For they know that they are weak and that therefore the danger of sinning is immense if they don't constantly pray for strength and call upon Jesus Christ to strengthen their will. They know that they can come to Him at any time; they also know that God is long-suffering and merciful, that He knows about His children's weaknesses and that He is always willing to forgive them if they have sinned and repentantly approach the cross of Christ. For the work of redemption was accomplished for all people and for all times.... His graces will always be effective on those who believe in Jesus Christ, and all guilt will be cast upon Him who took it upon Himself and atoned for it through the death of the cross. The work of mercy is so great that people are not able to grasp it.... Yet only those who unite with Him through faith can ever participate in it. And this is why the hardship on earth is overwhelming, indeed often unbearable, because humanity has lost this faith, because it does not flee to Him with its guilt of sin but is burdened itself and now also has to bear the burden. Their guilt cannot be paid off, it constantly grows and lies all the heavier on people who lack all faith in Jesus Christ. And it will become so great that the guilt will crush people, that they will collapse under it and no longer be able to rise, for they do not seek forgiveness of their guilt, and God's justice cannot redeem them if they do not desire His grace and accept to be redeemed from their guilt. A human being sacrificed Himself in supreme love and through His death offered an atonement to God which is sufficient for eternities that sinners find forgiveness before God for the sake of this sacrifice.... for He was the purest being, He was without any guilt, and therefore His sacrifice outweighed the sins of the whole of humanity. Yet His sacrifice of atonement has to be acknowledged by people, they have to be willing to accept the grace thereby gained or they will eternally be unable to be released from their guilt. Sin drags people down, Christ's death raises them up again.... Sin is the death of the soul, but under the cross of Christ it comes to life again.... Every person is sinful as long as he still walks on earth; but in faith in Jesus Christ and His work of redemption he finds forgiveness, he finds eternal life, which would be lost to him through sin. The forgiveness of the guilt of sin is therefore of utmost importance, it can only take place through Jesus Christ, it cannot be replaced by anything else, and therefore every person who lacks faith in Jesus Christ and His act of salvation will have to languish in sin. For even if he lives a life of strict self-restraint and purity on earth, the sin of his former rebellion against God, which was the reason for his life on earth in the first place, will still remain with him.... For this sin caused him to have a weakened will which is unable to offer resistance against the earthly temptations and temptations which make him sinful. For Jesus Christ offered His sacrifice in recognition of the profound hardship, in recognition of the weakness of will in which humanity finds itself due to its former sin.... And in order to redeem them from this He gave His life on the cross.... for He was full of love, and love seeks to bring help, love will always be redemptively active....

Amen

All of you can procure My forgiveness of your sins if only you sincerely desire it and take your path to Me in Jesus Christ, Who died on the cross for all your sins. I carried an immense burden of sin to the cross, for I carried the sins of the whole human race, past, present and future.... It consisted of humanity's original sin as well as all sins every individual person has committed on earth.... I shouldered all guilt and walked with it to the cross.... And regardless of how severe a sin is, I took it upon Myself because I wanted to redeem you from your every guilt, I wanted to restore your purity of heart which alone enables you to approach Me again and allows you to behold Me face to face.

I wanted to cleanse you all of your guilt, I wanted to pay penance for all the sins which weighed you down and kept you irrevocably separate from Me, because I cannot unite Myself with sin.... For this reason I redeemed all guilt through My act of Salvation but I require every person's own will to become redeemed. Consequently, every human being must recognise his guilt of sin, which keeps him far removed from Me, and he must appeal to Me for forgiveness of his guilt.... For without his own admission of his guilt and the plea for forgiveness he will not acknowledge the sacrifice on the cross by the man Jesus and his guilt of sin cannot be forgiven.

Hence you must want to become redeemed and with this will come to Me in Jesus Christ and appeal to Me for your deliverance.... Then you will be free from all guilt, from weakness and the bondage in which My adversary has kept you for an infinitely long time.... You will be free from darkness, for the light of Christ will illuminate you, love will be kindled in you and flare up into a bright flame, for the one who lacks all love has no more control over you, and the One Who is Love Itself has come to you and lets His light shine into your hearts because they have become pure, because Jesus Christ has atoned for the sin and your heart has become 'God's temple' as soon as you live in love.... And once you are redeemed from all guilt through Jesus Christ, you will also live a life of love according to His will and I can take abode in your hearts, which you have prepared as a temple for Me through love....

But first you must inevitably have attained and received the remission of your sins. The sincere desire for it will also guarantee complete forgiveness, for Jesus Christ hears every cry rising to Him from a heart burdened by guilt.... I hear you and gladly comply with your desire, I remove your sin and draw you to My heart, because you now belong to the redeemed for whom I shed My blood on earth. I only require your admission of guilt and that is not difficult, for you all know that you are weak and wretched creatures which still live in slavery and spiritual darkness as long as they don't find salvation through the love of Jesus Christ, in Whom I embodied Myself on earth.

Jesus, the man, so loved his fellow human beings that He wanted to sacrifice Himself for the sins of every human being He wanted to redeem the sins in order to open the path to the Father again, Who dwelled in Him.... His love was so great that He wanted to help every person attain beatitude, which can only be found with the Father.... and His love made Him take upon Himself the bitterest suffering and dying in order to atone for the guilt which had created an insurmountable gulf between Myself and the beings and which had to be bridged first, and this was done by Jesus Christ through the act of Salvation and His immeasurable love. He established the connection between the human race and Myself, He helped them to reach the Father and shed His blood on the cross for all sins so that all people can become blessed....

Therefore you should sincerely desire to be released from your guilt of sin, recognise and admit your guilt, carry it to the cross and call upon the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ for forgiveness. And you will be able to enter the kingdom of light in a purified state when your life on earth is over.... you will walk the path to Me, to the Father, which Jesus Christ walked ahead of you, which was started by His love and which must be taken by everyone who wants to become blissfully happy....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Desire for redemption

Free will indispensable for redemption.... (self-redemption)....

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September 14th 1940

By virtue of free will, the human being has it in his power to redeem himself, he is only weak and powerless without the application of the means of grace, without the supply of spiritual strength. Grace is everything that God bestows on man in His love, if he desires it.... To be in God's favour means to be constantly cared for by His love, and this love intervenes wherever a person is in danger. If his soul is in danger, divine love will help him as long as the person himself does not resist this help. The most effective means of grace is prayer. Prayer is the means of receiving unmeasured graces, which means repeated strength and help in all needs and sufferings of the soul. Prayer causes the good spiritual beings to make themselves helpfully available to the human being, that is, to hand over the strength they possess in abundance to the person requesting strength in prayer. For then the free will of man has been active to request power from God. Prayer is therefore a means of receiving unmeasured graces. And a further means of grace is the activity of love.... For with every act of unselfish neighbourly love, divine grace flows to him in the form of divine love, and this urges the human being into ever more active loving activity, and only through love shall the human being redeem himself, thus the more he practises love and thereby receives God's grace, that is, the more strength he receives for his own redemption. No strength or grace can flow to a person who merely fulfils some form; his innermost heart must urge him to pray and to love.... Only then can grace be imparted to him. And worry, illness and affliction are evidence of divine love, for they are intended to bring the human being into a state of using the means of grace, thus to appeal for help in prayer, and to carry out deeds of love for his neighbour. And God thereby directs people such that they desire to stand in the rays of the divine sun of grace; in a manner of speaking, He proposes the means of grace to them so that they make use of them. But the spiritually perfect person is of the same will as God and, as the executor of the will, endeavours in the same way to influence the beings on earth such that they make use of the means of grace.... They stimulate the human being's will to be lovingly active and to appeal to God for His grant of strength.... Only then shall free will be used correctly, only then shall the human being be able to redeem himself, for he does everything with God's help, he makes use of God's grace, and thus lives in and with God....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

Means of grace.... Prayer and activity of love....

B.D. No. 1611b

September 14th 1940

And inner peace shall be the sign that God is in him. But those who lack divine grace, because they neither desired nor received it when it was offered to them, find the path to the heights so difficult that they can never travel it, for their strength is too weak and they do not ask for strength from God, even though it is at their disposal. They use none of the means of grace, and their soul is weak and unable to rise up. And yet, God lets the sun of grace shine on them, too, by giving them His Word, and through it, instructing them to consider their soul. He gives them knowledge of the measure of grace to which every human being is entitled. He wants them to pay attention, and not go through earthly life unwarned. And thus, divine grace also reaches the human being unconsciously and only wants to be seized.... And again, it is the human being's free will to grasp God's hand and to accept the divine grace which is utmost lovingly offered to him, and.... once he has been granted this grace, to request it again and again, and thereby receive strength in order to redeem himself during his earthly

life. His will is therefore only necessary in order to be able to accomplish everything that will bring salvation to his soul. His will has to seek God, his will has to submit itself to Him, and his will has to consciously strive towards Him and request the strength from God to do so.... He then establishes the connection with his Father of Eternity, he wants to get to God. **And this will means his redemption....** And God always and everywhere comes to meet him, He does not demand more from man than he can fulfil, He offers him all means of help which make the ascent possible for him, and only demands of the being that it does not behave dismissively but gratefully receives the favours which guarantee the ascent upwards. Yet God does not force the human being's will; and therefore, God's grace cannot be granted to him without his will either, because otherwise the soul would be pushed upwards, thus it would not desire to ascend in complete freedom of will but would compulsorily cover this path upwards. For divine grace is strength from God which demands to return to God again.... Therefore, this power can only be imparted to the being if it likewise desires God of its own free will. This is why free will is indispensable if the being wants to redeem itself from its last embodiment on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

Recognition of sin.... acting of the will....

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October 6th 1944

It is the will which gives birth to sin, and therefore the will must also be prepared to free itself from it. And therefore the human being must inevitably first come to the realization that he has sinned before he tackles the work of purification. He must be aware of his guilt before he wants to redeem it. And therefore there can be no forgiveness of sin before the human being has recognized his sinful state. For the sinner continues to sin as long as he lacks this realization. However, a person can only recognize his sin when love is awakened in him, love for God and for his neighbour against whom he has sinned. For only this makes him aware of the wrong, only when his heart is capable of love does he understand that he has violated love, that he has become sinful. And depending on the depth of his love he seeks to become free of this sin. Then his will becomes active, just as it was active before when committing the sin. If the human being has not gained this realization beforehand, then he will continue to sin right away.... thus let his will become active in a God-opposing way, and then he can never ever be released from his guilt, for this also requires the human being's will. And thus it is also understandable that redemption through Jesus Christ always presupposes the human being's will to allow himself to be redeemed, otherwise there would be no more sin in the whole world and satan's power would be broken for ever.... Jesus Christ indeed overcame death and broke His adversary's power, He allowed His will as a human being to become extremely strong and accomplished the act of salvation by virtue of His love, yet always leaving people the freedom of their will to acknowledge His work and follow Him.... thus also allowing their will to become active for redemption. He does not exclude any human being from the blessings and graces of the act of salvation, yet no human being will be compelled to be redeemed, instead, he himself has to recognize that he is sinful and in this realization approach Him, the divine redeemer, and appeal to Him for forgiveness of his guilt.... Then the most incomprehensible act takes place.... God forgives his guilt, He forgives him for the sake of Jesus Christ, Who shed His blood for His fellow human beings and their sins.... God accepted the sacrifice of a loving human being, and countless people can go unpunished if they repent of their guilt and ask for forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ.... People cannot comprehend the magnitude of their guilt of sin towards God, and they would never be able to atone for their guilt on earth, and even in the beyond eternities would pass until the final redemption of their guilt if Jesus Christ had not taken pity on them and redeemed them from unspeakably severe suffering on earth and in the beyond through His blood, through a sacrifice of His love, which permeated Him and let Him become the saviour of the whole of humanity. However, no human being can claim redemption who does not turn to Him of his own free will, in the realization of his guilt, and asks for forgiveness.... thus does not acknowledge Him. For this is a prerequisite, because the human being's free will is respected and will

also not be touched by God for eternity and because the human being is free and therefore has to decide for himself to whom he turns.... God or His adversary....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Have all people been redeemed?....

B.D. No. 7218

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There is no general redemption, there is only ever the redemption of the individual, the redemption of a being which was initially perfect and has fallen into the abyss through its own fault. Every individual being has to want and strive for its own redemption, it has to turn to the divine redeemer Jesus Christ even in its human stage, it has to be willing to be redeemed by Him and to let Him redeem it.... It has to take the path to the cross so that its guilt of sin will be redeemed and the path to the father will be open for the being again. Jesus Christ has certainly accomplished His act of salvation for the whole of humanity, for people of the past, present and future.... and no human being is excluded from it. But nevertheless, the will of the individual is first necessary for the work of redemption to be considered accomplished for him. The human being cannot be redeemed without his or her own efforts, without his or her conscious turning to the divine redeemer and without his or her conscious request for forgiveness of his or her guilt. Jesus Christ redeemed humanity from sin and death.... But if only this work of redemption, His suffering and death on the cross, had been necessary for the complete redemption of guilt, then all humanity would also be redeemed and there would no longer be any unholy being in the entire universe. But at the same time all beings would have been deprived of their free will if they had not first been allowed to decide whether they wanted to accept redemption through Jesus Christ or not. But every individual being has to make this decision itself, and it also walks the path as a human being across earth for this purpose, where it, equipped with intellect and free will, is also able to decide consciously. And therefore it is especially important at this time to make the knowledge of salvation through Jesus Christ accessible to it, and the importance of proclaiming Jesus Christ in the world should not be underestimated.... the knowledge of the most important thing in earthly life.... it should influence the thinking and willingness to turn to Him. And once the path to Him has begun, it will also end under His cross, and the human being will be able to cast off his burden of debt, through Jesus' mercy he will be relieved of it because he has carried it to the one for whom Jesus, the divine redeemer, shed His blood.... But no other can take this path from him, no other can walk it by proxy.... Jesus Christ only looks at the human being's will who desires His redemption from sin and death, and He will also comply with this will. But it is erroneous to think that the whole of humanity and everything spiritual **is** redeemed.... Only the being itself makes redemption possible, although no being remains excluded from the fact that one day it will also walk the path to the cross itself.... but only when it is ready for it itself. And thus humanity could indeed end the torments of unredeemed existence itself and change its spiritual state in unity, but it would also have to walk the path to the cross in unity, it would have to confess its guilt in unity and ask for forgiveness of guilt.... However, as long as this is not the case, but only individuals desire and strive for redemption through Jesus Christ, only individuals will be able to be redeemed by Him, yet these will also be and remain immeasurably blessed. For without redemption through Jesus Christ there is no beatitude, without the conscious acknowledgement of Jesus Christ the human being remains in sin and death until he himself changes his will....

Amen

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Serve with love

Redemption through serving in love.... mandatory state and free will....

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September 23rd 1941

Without serving activity, no being can redeem itself. This applies to beings in bound as well as in free will. Serving activity is always the prerequisite for reaching the state which lets it become free of its outer form. And the more willingly the being subjects itself to serving activity the faster it can change the outer form until the last outer form, the flesh body of man, surrounds the soul, and now again serving in love is the task, which the soul must fulfil to also flee from the last outer form and to be able to enter the spiritual kingdom unencumbered. Serving in love is the only thing that frees the soul from its unfree state, and it is precisely this that people pay so little attention to. In their hustle and bustle they no longer find time for other people, they forget the actual task because they consider themselves to be too much the centre of attention. And therefore they remain bound, for only service in love redeems. In the preliminary stages the beings are determined by divine will to be of service, they are in a certain state of compulsion so that they have to carry out the activity God has assigned to them. As a human being, however, divine will is excluded insofar as He allows the human being to think and act according to His will. And therefore he is not forced into a serving activity but he has to be active in a serving way of his own free will. The drive to do so must be present in his heart, love must therefore be kindled in him, for only this drives him to be of service to his neighbour. Without love, however, he lacks the drive and the human being will then not fulfil his earthly task. And the whole of humanity suffers from this....

To be active in love requires the greatest overcoming of oneself as long as the human being is not yet in love. But once the flame of love has been kindled in his heart he cannot help but be active in love, for love is strength, but strength can never remain inactive, it will always stimulate activity, thus it will always want to express itself in a way that makes his fellow human being happy. And so the human being serves the one he wants to make happy and thereby frees himself from his former guilt.... because he wanted to rule in arrogance.... Serving therefore means for him a liberation from an endless time endured bondage and at the same time makes the outer form unnecessary, so that therefore the soul can discard its last outer form, because it has thereby proven that it has given up its former attitude against God, that it is no longer against God, but has become love, therefore stands in God-like will, consequently has completely overcome the separation from God, therefore has become one with Him. Union with God means spiritualization, thus earthly deformation has now become unnecessary and every burden has been removed from the soul. But the union with God can only take place in love. The works of love bring about a rapprochement with God, since God is present in every work of love. But anyone who has set himself the goal of drawing closer to God is already in love, for he desires to be united with Him because he loves God. And thus, through this desire, he is also free from opposing violence.... He has redeemed himself through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

No redemption without love.... vitality....

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June 21st 1944

Redemption is only possible through love. This law applies both on earth and in the beyond and must therefore be fulfilled by all beings, otherwise they will remain eternally bound. The characteristic of redemption is light and strength. As long as the being is still without light and strength it is unredeemed, it has not yet regained its original freedom and therefore also not the ability

to work in fullest knowledge. For the being, which however originally stood in all perfection, the imperfect state also means a state of misery and agony, but which it has caused itself through its will, through its lack of love. And only through love can it become again what it was from the beginning. Therefore, love can never be eliminated and must be the basic principle, so to speak, without which there can be no higher development. But if love is disregarded, the course of development must inevitably be hindered, for an influx of strength and light is then impossible, and where this is missing, a chaotic state is the result. For in darkness everything becomes confused and the lack of strength makes the beingness incapable of freeing itself from the state of imperfection. Light and strength, i.e. knowledge and power.... are the signs of redemption. An unredeemed being therefore cannot give out anything because it possesses nothing itself; it therefore cannot be active in love in the beyond either, and this state is extremely agonizing. On earth, however, the being has strength at its disposal even in its unredeemed state, a strength which is admittedly not the sign of being redeemed but which is granted to it as an extraordinary grace in order to be able to redeem itself. It is the life force flowing towards him which enables the human being to work with love in order to gain possession of light and spiritual strength. This is why earthly life is a special act of grace, because God conveys something to the beingness which it is actually not entitled to in its will of rejection against God.... He gives it the strength to work, even though receiving strength is only a part of the redeemed. This act of grace is immensely significant, and yet it remains unrecognized and unused.... That which has become weak through apostasy from God receives strength for self-redemption, which it only needs to use properly in order to be able to return to its original state of freedom, knowledge and power. God gave the beingness a life which it did not deserve, He gives it strength and constantly provides it with opportunities to be lovingly active, thus to use the life energy flowing towards it to work with love and thereby redeem itself. Yet the being does not make use of this extraordinary gift of grace, it continues to live in heartlessness and ignores its task in life, which is intended to bring it light and strength in the beyond. But there all supply of strength is cut off as long as it does not feel love within itself. And therefore the course of development in the beyond can only be continued under very difficult conditions if it is not completely interrupted or continued downwards by the will of the being itself. For a regression can now occur where the being is completely devoid of light and strength and, due to its lack of love, distances itself ever further from God. Without love there is no redemption, but love has to unfold freely in the being, and God gives it every conceivable opportunity to do so. And even if the process of transformation into love takes eternities, it cannot be circumvented because higher development means an alignment with the eternal deity, Which is pure love Itself, and therefore love has to be developed in the spiritual substance if it is to become again what it once was.... a free, light-filled and powerful being that is allowed to dwell in God's presence....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Help for poor souls.... Love redeems....

B.D. No. 5203

September 4th 1951

Everything that helps the souls to ascend will be appreciated in the spiritual kingdom. The love given to the still immature spirit is the only means of redemption as long as it is unable to lift itself up, i.e. as long as it is still unable to be lovingly active itself, since it is without strength. Everything that will strengthen these beings has My blessing because it complies with the principle of love. The love people demonstrate to immature souls somehow or other has to have a redeeming effect, be it on earth or in the beyond, for no spark of love is without strength, and thus all deeds of love always result in a supply of strength. You humans on earth can therefore help greatly if you are motivated by love to consider the poor souls in the beyond who are completely without strength and therefore dependent on help. And everything you do to strengthen them, everything you do to release them, will be pleasing to Me and never be in vain.

So little love can be found amongst people on earth already, and they consider the souls in the beyond even less, since they do not believe in life after death. And this unbelief also has bitter

repercussions on the souls in the beyond, who languish unredeemed and without strength in dark surroundings and are unable to help themselves. Every kind thought, every loving wish for their well-being alleviates their torment and will be gratefully felt by them. Yet especially the souls who languish in darkness are rarely thought of kindly and lovingly, and thus they remain in utmost hardship. Thus you can understand that people who want to help them are surrounded by untold souls who all would like to make their presence known in order to be helped. All you humans are surrounded by such souls, yet only few of you will listen to them, only few of you have the willingness to help and the faith that you can help through prayer and loving thoughts.... Yet countless souls cannot find anyone to pray for them on earth and therefore also try to approach circles where currents of strength manifest themselves. These souls, too, appeal for your help.... Grant their request, do everything that love inspires you to do and know that My blessing rests upon you as long as you are only motivated by love to help them.

You should only want to help, then you can loosen many chains, then you can free the tormented souls by initially giving them strength, which they will then use themselves by following your example, so that they too will want to help as you have helped them. Never forget that they depend on your help, even if My grace and mercy will not condemn any being forever; but first their hardened hearts have to be touched by a ray of love before they seize My gifts of grace.... And I Myself will guide these souls to you, who just need an incentive to start their path of development in the beyond. Yet without loving help they will continue to languish in the same state for an infinitely long time and cannot find the path of ascent. Pray for them and don't forget them, for their suffering as a result of their unbelief and unkindness is immeasurable; but if you want to help them I will always be willing to lift them with My grace and mercy from the night of death into life, for then I will not be able to resist the love you give to those unhappy souls in the beyond and I will forgive their guilt for the sake of your love....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Garaging of the will

Self-redemption.... Love.... Surrender of the will....

B.D. No. 1571

August 17th 1940

There can be no redemption for a being which does not submit itself to the divine will. Admittedly, it is true that it is also constantly given indications, the observance of which can lead it onto the right path, if it does not openly resist. There is no other possibility of self-redemption than through the surrender of one's own will, since this has brought about the apostasy from God. As long as the being resists, as long as it believes itself to be stronger, that is, still wants to express itself in opposition, it is impossible to be released from matter. There is no other way to God but to shape oneself into a being of light through service in love.... And serving with love is a conscious submission to the One Who is Eternal Love Himself. The serving person will always do something which is a blessing for his fellow human being. He will try to alleviate hardship, help to bear suffering, he will endeavour to improve his fellow human being's lot, and he will always be of service for him. And all this presupposes love, and consequently he will carry out those works with God, for all actions of love have to unite him with Eternal Love Itself, since God Himself is present in every work of love. And where God is present, no other power has room and authority.... Thus the human being is redeemed from this power if only he is united with God.... And being united with God also means doing everything that God tells him to do. It means complete surrender of one's own will and allowing God's will alone to prevail.... It also means to be completely absorbed in the divine will, to carry out everything that contributes to self-redemption.... to care for the body and soul of his neighbour, and to serve God in deepest love and humility. It will often not be easy for the being to serve where it would rather rule, yet love for God is the driving force behind every service, and this love gives it strength.... For if the human being is inflamed with love for God, divine love shall likewise seize the earthly child, and it will feel this love in an increased desire for Him.... And it serves ever more joyfully the more intimately it is united with God through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

Surrender of the will only requirement....

B.D. No. 2841

August 7th 1943

Put your will at My feet and your way of life will henceforth be a blessed one. I do not demand much of you other than the submission of your will to My will, which once turned away from Me in arrogance and resulted in your imperfection. If you now want to become perfect again and thus become My image, then you have to turn to Me again, you have to acknowledge My will and offer yours to Me, you have to be of the same will as Me, because in the state of perfection you cannot want and act differently than what My wisdom and love has recognized. And therefore you must not oppose My will, for then your will will not correspond to My love and My wisdom, and then you will not be able to unite with Me.... you cannot become perfect. But as soon as you acknowledge Me you give yourselves completely to Me, and thus you also give Me your will, and then I can guide you and will not meet with resistance. Then you will also recognize My working in you, for where there is no more resistance I can express Myself, I can let My strength overflow, I can let My will come into effect through you, I can transfer My will to others through you. If you surrender your will you will not become unfree or powerless but you can now accomplish everything with My support. For My will has now also become your will and you will be satisfied because you can leave everything to Me. As long as you do not yet completely sacrifice your will to Me, your thoughts and intentions are still

turned towards the world, for then it is your will which still pays attention to that which is My adversary's share. But you have to detach yourselves from his kingdom, you are not allowed to acknowledge him who once determined your will to turn away from Me, you have to despise him and turn away from him, thereby you prove that you long for Me and that you are willing to accept My will, and thus you submit yourselves to this will. Then you will also pay attention to what I speak to you, you will lend your ear to My word and then I can guide you, and you will follow Me and make My will the guiding principle for your way of life. And then you will have to ascend, you will have to reach your goal, you will have to become what you once were, beings full of light which only ever carry out My will and are happy, because the fulfillment of My will makes all beings happy....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Bond with Jesus Christ

Bonding with Jesus Christ....

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You may speak the name of the lord at any time, and you will always find a hearing with Him, because He only waits for you to turn your thoughts towards Him and He can lower His ray of love into your hearts. Because to the latter it belongs that your hearts open, and this happens by turning your thoughts to Him. Every spiritual thought is a connection of you with the kingdom of light. Every thought of Him, your God and father in Jesus Christ, is a bond with Him, which is the most valuable thing for you at any time, because every bond brings you power and light, which your soul feels even beneficially, even if your body is not able to feel anything of it. That is why you should turn to Jesus Christ even in the smallest needs, because you always establish the bond with Him, which will never remain unsuccessful. And the many small needs in human existence should only ever cause you to turn to Him.... because He wants you to remember Him always and everywhere, and because your bond cannot be intimate enough, you want to experience great blessings from it. You should come so far that you only go your ways with Him, that you entrust everything to Him, that you do nothing without Him, that you ask Him for advice, whatever you do.... that you no longer walk alone, but in constant company of Him, Who wants to be and remain your guide on your earthly life path.... because then you will also safely reach your aim. And even if your concerns are small.... the **bond with Him** is the only important thing, and even the smallest concerns shall cause you to do so, and your father will be pleased with you, with whom He desires to be connected for all eternity. For you had once voluntarily separated yourselves from Him and must therefore voluntarily return to Him again.... In your thoughts you have to turn to Him again, from Whom you once strove away in complete blindness of your thinking. But as humans you cannot be forced to do so, and that is why you stand in the world with **free will**, which you can now also direct towards the world and its charms, but then you yourselves are still very far from God, Who however wants to win you back for eternity. And every thought, which you turn to Him in the middle of earth life, is a beginning return to Him, which is now to be striven for more and more seriously, i.e. that you lift your thoughts more and more often to Him, from Whom you once went out. For this reason, however, the freedom of will also remains with you, because you are to find and go the way to the father out of love; He does not want to force you to do so, because only love is the only binding agent which re-establishes the old relationship as it was at the beginning.... Love alone connects the child with the father, the creature with the creator from eternity.... And God wants to possess this love from you humans, and He therefore entices you in every way and courts your love.... and whether this happens through hardship of all kinds, He seeks to persuade you to join Him, which will then also take place in love, which the father will now prove in many ways so that He wins the child's entire love and the union can now take place which eternally unites the child with its father. Let your thoughts wander upwards again and again, to Jesus Christ, your God and father from eternity.... And your life will soon take place more spiritually, you will easily overcome earthly life with all its difficulties, and you will soon live only for the spiritual kingdom, for the kingdom which is your true home and into which you will enter when your earthly course is finished....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

From My abundance you may take grace upon grace. For I distribute with full hands, I do not limit My gifts if only you want Me to give them to you.... And My love for you is truly exceedingly great, for I see weak little children in you who cannot ascend without help, who need My help to ascend. And if you now appeal to Me for grace and strength it will truly be granted to you, because I will gladly grant such a request, after all, it proves to Me your will to reach Me, from Whom you once took your origin. And you admit your weakness, you recognize the deficient state you are in and humbly come to Him Who is strength and light Himself and also wants to provide you with strength and light. You can certainly dispose of vitality in earthly life but this does not yet guarantee your ascent to the height because you need spiritual strength for it, which you can indeed acquire with vitality.... And if you therefore ask for spiritual strength you recognize your state of weakness yourselves and try to remedy it. I give you everything, I am constantly willing to hand it out, and no-one need go empty-handed who hopes to be strengthened by Me.... But you must approach Me for this.... For once you rejected My love.... and this meant that you became powerless, because My love loses effectiveness as soon as it encounters resistance. Therefore you first have to give up your resistance, and you prove this to Me when you **appeal** to Me for grace and strength.... which means that you are willing to return to Me, that you feel the lack of love as a weakened state and **want** to receive it again. And thus I can also give Myself to you and provide you with grace and strength.... And truly, I will distribute abundantly to you, you will have no lack and now also cover your earthly path of life with success. You will pass your test of will and only ever turn your eyes towards Me because I will now draw you with My love. You can believe that you will not be successful on your **own**, that you need Me and My help.... My greater than great love guarantees that I will grant you this, yet you must request it yourselves, you must turn your thoughts towards Me and open yourselves for the influx of strength of grace. Just as you once turned away from Me and closed yourselves in free will.... so you must now come to Me again of your own free will, and your prayers will truly be answered, for My love only ever wants to give itself away, it wants to make you happy, it wants to awaken the dead, it wants to strengthen the weak.... It wants to draw you to itself and therefore seeks union with you, but you have to enter into it of your own free will because I don't force you. But then I will know no restrictions, you may receive strength and grace in abundance, and the ascent upwards will be easy for you, you will live your earthly life in accordance with its purpose; you will come to realize that I Myself and the union with Me is the purpose and aim of your earthly life. And now you will consciously walk the earthly path, for then you will feel like your father's children, you will establish the right relationship of a child to its father, and truly, you will return to your father's house and now be and remain united with Me forever.... You will make right use of all graces and mature on earth.... You will now be able to enter My kingdom as My true children, which is your true home....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Will strengthen and power supply by Jesus Christ

Weakened will of man.... Meaning of the work of redemption....

B.D. No. 2779

June 19th 1943

The human being can do nothing without God's grace.... i.e., his will is so weakened and his strength of resistance so low that he would not mature spiritually on earth without divine help because he is constantly harassed by God's adversary, who influences his will and thus renders him incapable of fighting against him. The influence of God's adversary is so great on the human being because he holds the pleasures of the world before his eyes and the human being can now determine himself in a state of free will. Endless times before, his will was bound and nothing was accessible to him except that which corresponded to his nature. Free will now lets his thinking, feeling and wanting come into its own, his desires grow and are now directed towards things which still harbour completely immature spirituality, thus they are part of the adversary of God, which he now uses as a lure in order to also win back the spiritual, which had already drawn closer to God again. Through these lures he now weakens the human being's will in such a way that he would not be able to fulfil his actual earthly task if God would not assist him with His grace.... with His help.... The influence of God's adversary on people was enormous before Jesus Christ came to earth, and people's will was so weakened that almost no human being was able to detach himself from matter, from the immature spiritual substance which tries to chain the already more mature spiritual substance to itself. The opponent of God ruled the world, i.e., the will of man subordinated itself completely to his will, and therefore he had great power. The will of a human being now put up resistance to him.... Jesus Christ recognized people's weakness and its dreadful consequences, and in His immense love for people He tried to help them.... He offered Himself as a sacrifice for them in order to buy them a strong will, a will which was able to resist the adversary's activity.... This was a gift which was therefore acquired for people undeservedly, and again it depended on their will as to whether they wanted to accept the gift or not. God's adversary uses all means to prevent people from availing themselves of the grace of the work of redemption by trying to weaken or completely deny it.... And again it is God's love and grace which is likewise extremely effective.... that people are offered the truth from above, that they are enlightened about everything and also the necessity of acknowledging Christ as saviour of the world is made so understandable to them that it is easy for them to believe in Him and thus to place themselves into the blessing of the act of salvation.... People's will is weak, but God constantly endeavours to impart strength and grace to them because without it they cannot withstand the adversary's temptations, because they constantly need God's help in order to be able to master their earthly task, in order to be able to free themselves from the influence of the one who wants to bring about their downfall. Despite his weakness the human being is not helpless, for all the blessings of the act of salvation are at his disposal, i.e., if he believes in Jesus Christ as saviour of the world, in His death on the cross out of love for humanity, which was under the adversary's spell.... if he calls upon Jesus Christ for His help he will also receive the strength to resist; he will be supported and held by Him, in Whom his soul believes, in all adversities and dangers threatening his soul; he will constantly find help from Him, divine grace will constantly flow to him, he will be able to separate himself from earthly possessions and strive towards God without obstacles; his spirit will recognize the truth brightly and clearly, his love will grow and thereby he will constantly receive new strength.... the graces of the work of redemption will have an overpowering effect on him and help him towards his own redemption....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

I must always remind you to consider that you are too weak on your own to release yourselves from your physical shell for good. First of all, you cannot muster the will to release yourselves from My adversary because he keeps your will in a weakened state and, by yourselves, you lack the strength to turn it to Me Whom you fail to recognise because you are totally unenlightened.... Thus, the will needs to be strengthened first and this can only be done by One: Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the world.... for through His death on the cross He acquired the blessings of a stronger will for you. As a result of your past apostasy from Me you had completely handed yourselves over to My adversary's control, who would never set you free again had I not, in Jesus Christ, bought you back from him through My act of Salvation. If you therefore don't want him to be entitled to you anymore, you are able to release yourselves from him but you need strength to do so.... First, you need a stronger will and then you also need the supply of strength to put your will into action.... You must turn this will towards Me and subordinate it to Mine which, in turn, means that you must live according to My will. And it is My will that you integrate with the law of divine order, that is, that you live a life of love. However, your state of embodiment as a human being is not a state of strength and light.... You are weak creatures which still live in spiritual darkness, which are unaware of their original state, of their relationship with Me and of the meaning and purpose of their life on earth. You will never be able to arise from of this imperfect state, you will never regain the original state, without My supply of strength which, because of Jesus' act of Salvation, is abundantly at your disposal, because I Myself died for you at the cross in the man Jesus in order to help you remedy your weakness, in order to illuminate for you the path to Me and to guide you across all obstacles, if this is what you want. And in order for you to **want** this, you need only avail yourselves of the blessings of the act of Salvation.... You need only pray to Me in Jesus for strengthening your will, for all measures which enable your ascent.... and I will grant your prayer.... Every prayer you send to Jesus Christ for your salvation of soul will be granted, and no person can go astray who, with faith in the act of Salvation, entrusts himself to **Him**, appeals to Him for forgiveness of his sin and for support to reach the goal, the release from his material shell, which is the result of his past apostasy from Me.... And every such prayer will be granted, for you acknowledge Me Myself again in Jesus Christ, Whom you once refused to acknowledge and thereby plunged into the abyss.... But you will not accomplish this work of redemption yourselves, you will never have the strength to detach yourselves from the adversary, you will forever remain in his power if you are not helped by the One Who shed His blood for you.... if you don't take the path to Him and thus also to Me, Who will truly release you from His control....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

"And the world will be redeemed from all sin...."

B.D. No. 1434

May 24th 1940

And the world will be redeemed from all sin.... Thus the lord once spoke to mankind, He proclaimed the saviour, He promised mankind redemption from all sin. And Jesus Christ fulfilled this promise through His suffering and death on the cross. But how does the world, i.e. people themselves, view this redemption?.... The lord has done everything to fulfil this promise; but what must man do in order to share in the divine promise?.... He must first have the will to be redeemed.... Thus, by recognizing Christ as the son of God and redeemer of the world, he must want to belong to those who have been redeemed by His death on the cross. He must be prepared to receive the graces of the work of redemption, as there is: a will strengthened by fervent prayer, which makes everything feasible, i.e. can be put into practice. Previously the will was bound by the power of the adversary and there was no means to free itself from this power because the human being was too weak to resist due to his guilt of sin. Divine love gave itself to break the adversary's power, so that the human being's will could become strong enough to escape this power. The strength of will must therefore first be requested through prayer.... And at the same time the human being must mould himself into a loving

being, which is also only possible for him through the lord's work of love.... For sin can only be eradicated through love. Therefore, the person who wants to be redeemed from sin must stand in love, i.e. be permeated, as it were, by the ray of divine love that moved Jesus Christ to sacrifice Himself for mankind's guilt of sin. The human being must affirm the great work of mercy, recognize the love of Christ and **want** himself to be allowed to stand in the circle of those for whom the lord died on the cross.... he must recognize the work of redemption and want to be redeemed....

He therefore claims the graces of the work of redemption who calls upon God's mercy for Jesus' sake, who implores Jesus as mediator between himself and God for His intercession.... If you ask the father in My name, He will give it to you.... For the sake of His son all guilt of sin shall be cancelled, for the sake of His son forgiveness of sins is assured to all men. Whoever therefore believes in Jesus Christ, that He is the son of God, Who through His death on the cross redeemed the world from all sin, will also be redeemed through his faith.... For he accepts the grace that the saviour Himself offers him, he allows himself to be redeemed by His will.... He affirms the work of redemption, he recognizes the immense divine love, he recognizes his immense guilt, he recognizes his unworthiness and his powerlessness to free himself from it. He lifts his hands up to Christ in supplication and asks for mercy.... And so he is freed from all guilt.... The saviour's work of love for humanity can only be assessed in its greatness when the human being imagines the heavenly delights as well as the unspeakable suffering in the beyond, that is, the redeemed as well as the banished state.... when he imagines that only His infinite love moved Jesus to take unspeakable pain upon Himself in order to spare the souls in the beyond the pain. But if His love is not recognized, i.e. if the lord's work of redemption is doubted or even denied, the person excludes himself from the circle of those whom the lord redeemed through His death on the cross. For if the lord in His love offers him the most exquisite gift of grace and he rejects it, it is his own fault if unspeakable suffering comes upon him in the hereafter. No being can be redeemed without Jesus Christ, for the will was bound, i.e. in satan's power, for as long as Christ Himself had not released this will.... The redemption took place through the death of Christ on the cross. The lord died for everyone, and thus everyone's will can become free from the adversary's power, yet without redemption the power of the adversary is so great that the human being alone can never escape it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Following Jesus....

B.D. No. 1834

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There is only one path that leads to eternal life and to union with God.... the path via Jesus Christ, and anyone who rejects Christ will never be able to enter through the gates of heaven to eternal bliss. Man must walk the same path that Jesus walked on earth, the path of love and suffering, for only through love can he redeem himself and reduce the guilt of sin through suffering. And in order to be able to do this, the graces acquired through Jesus' death on the cross must be imparted to him, which he in turn can only receive if he recognizes Jesus Christ as redeemer and son of God. He must have faith in the divine saviour.... he must believe that God Himself sent Him to earth in order to be able to take up residence in Him in all fullness.... he must believe that divine love itself has descended to people, and only then does he prove his faith in God when he recognizes the act of salvation as an act of the greatest love for people and wants to share in the blessing of the act of salvation. Jesus says: "No one comes to the father except through Me...." Jesus does not speak these words as a human being, but they are to be understood spiritually. He Himself was pure love, and therefore man must mould himself into love in order to be united with the father, Who is love Himself. But if the human being is in love, then he will also recognize that Jesus Christ is also the epitome of the eternal deity. He will no longer be able to separate Christ from God, and thus love will be the only way to reach God. However, if a person does not recognize Christ, he can never think correctly. And even if he wants to affirm God, this is not a deep faith that separates God and Christ. He has a false concept of the eternal deity. Christian doctrine prescribes the two most important commandments: You shall love

God above all things and your neighbour as yourself. In order to fulfil this commandment, He Himself must be love, and thus He must walk the same path that Jesus walked on earth; He must distribute love on all His paths through life, and since God is love Himself, He draws the eternal deity to Himself through every work of love, thus He unites Himself with It, and the same thing then takes place that caused Jesus to say: "The father and I are (,are' was overwritten by ,is' ed.) one...." He likewise united Himself with God through His greater than great love, so that He could utter these words with full justification, for His being was completely permeated by the divine spirit, thus the father was.... the eternal deity.... in the son, in that which had emanated from Him, and could no longer be eternally separated from each other. And this merging with the elemental force will always be the result of intimate love for God and for people, thus love is the path that leads to God. The work of redemption was the greatest work of love by a human being for the whole of humanity. Anyone who does not recognize this must be devoid of all love, otherwise he would want to recognize the connection most clearly and all doubt about the divinity of Jesus would disappear. Without love, however, the path to ascent can never be travelled, for then the human being does not follow Jesus; he does not belong to those who were redeemed by His death on the cross and is therefore lost for eternity....

Amen

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Knowledge of the spiritual motives of the work of redemption....

B.D. No. 7852

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It is up to you yourselves how you will engage in My work of redemption, for your will is free.... I will not force a person to take the path to the cross, he has to walk it on his own.... but I will always make sure that he receives the knowledge about Jesus Christ and His act of salvation, because the path to Him is also the path to Me, Who accomplished the act of salvation Myself in the human being Jesus. And this knowledge must correspond to the truth, for it is not enough to merely mention an event whose **significance** is not made comprehensible to you. Nor is it enough to look at it from an earthly-human point of view, for profound **spiritual** motives were the reason why the man Jesus walked across earth and suffered the most bitter suffering and finally the most agonising death on the cross.... And these spiritual motives will give you light and now also determine your will to acknowledge Him and consciously avail yourselves of the blessings of the act of salvation if only you are of good will. If this knowledge is presented to you **incomprehensibly** then you will never recognize and acknowledge Him as your redeemer from sin and death, for only the pure truth will bring you the right light as soon as you take a stand on it. And since I long for your return to Me, Who embodied Myself in the man Jesus in order to redeem you humans, I will also always make sure that you are instructed in the truth about Him, because I want you to take the path to the cross, that you also carry your guilt of sin there, that you also appeal to Him for forgiveness of your guilt.... For then you will also take the path to Me, your God and father from eternity, and you will return to your father's house.... But in the end time My adversary rages, and he fights with all means against it, that it becomes light in you.... In the last days the image of the divine redeemer fades more and more among people, they don't know or recognize Him, they don't know the significance of His earthly life, they often completely doubt His existence or they reject everything they are told without any reservations and don't know that they also reject Me Myself with Him, for He and I are one and I Myself came to earth in Jesus in order to release you humans from My adversary's control. But he wants to stop everything that could give you humans clarity, he wants to block the path which leads to Me, and therefore he also wants to eradicate from you humans all knowledge, all truth about Jesus Christ and His act of salvation, he wants to induce you to deny Him, He wants to cause you to deny Him in order to keep you under his control from which, however, Jesus Christ would like to release you and can do so if you are of the same will to be released by Him and approach **Me Myself in Jesus** to help you and redeem your guilt of sin.... And again and again I will therefore address you humans and again and again point out the act of salvation and its significance to you, I will enlighten you and make the

spiritual motives of My human manifestation in Jesus comprehensible to you, I will instruct you in the truth, because this alone can bring you the right light, and again and again I will admonish you to take a stand yourselves on the spiritual knowledge conveyed to you, so that you will find the right path, the path to the cross.... For no other path leads to beatitude, you must take the path Jesus took, you must follow Him and He will truly open the gates to beatitude for you, He will not leave you in darkness, He will release you from the adversary's power, for if you take the path to Him you will also take the path to Me, Who was Myself in Him when He accomplished the act of salvation.... You come to Me, Who manifested Myself in Jesus, in order to be able to be visible to you, My living creations. Only ever let yourselves be instructed in truth and then you will also be drawn to Me, Whom you only learn to love through truth and Who constantly draws you to Himself through His love, Who will not rest until you have returned eternally.... until you have become Mine and will now remain Mine forever....

Amen

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