Word of God

Jesus Promises - "He Who Believes In Me Will Live Forever!"

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God's word most personal expression of Himself.... no death - eternal life....

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They are words of eternal life which are given to you, for they come from the mouth of God Who wants to reveal Himself to you, His living creations. But God Himself is the life of eternity, therefore His life energy also flows continuously into infinity and takes shape in His creations and as the most personal expression of Himself in the word, He Himself speaks a language to you humans which you can all understand if your heart listens to His voice. And if you hear it in your heart or mentally you will live and never ever taste death in eternity. His word is life itself, because it proceeds from eternal life.... For God is from eternity to eternity the ceaselessly creating spirit, the ceaselessly working creator of heaven and earth... i.e. spiritual and earthly works of creation, which bear His life within themselves and testify to His never-ending power. And thus His word is also strength and must also work as strength in the one who receives it into his heart.... And he has to escape death, he has to get into a state himself where he can be constantly active, where he can create and enliven because he is permeated by God's strength. And thus you humans have a source of strength, a fountain of life, from which you can always and constantly draw, and every powerless state must be alien to you if you refresh yourselves with the divine word, and you need not fear any weakness, neither earthly nor spiritually, for God Himself speaks to you through His word, and this signifies an increased supply of strength if you are worthy of this grace, if you desire this grace and listen for His voice which sounds subtly and softly within you. You will live and never ever have to fear death, and life means to possess fullness of strength and to be able to cope with every spiritual and earthly demand placed upon you. In order to live physically you have to take food and drink, but your spiritual life demands the same.... food and drink for the soul.... With this, remember God through His word.... He gives your soul the nourishment which sustains and matures it, which helps it from the weak, powerless state of death to a free, powerful state of life.... He feeds and waters you so that you may live.... Enjoy often the food that is offered to you from heaven, know that it is the most delicious thing that can be offered to you on earth, eat the bread of heaven and drink of the living water, and give thanks to the father in heaven for His love and grace which He bestows on His children on earth.... For He wants you to live for eternity, so that you will not fall into the state of death where His strength cannot touch you because you close your hearts yourselves. You are destined for eternal life and only His word can introduce you to it, therefore accept it, let the word Itself speak to you and be aware of the immense grace which God Himself bestows upon you, because He loves you from the start and wants to win you for eternity....

Amen

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Unbelief of the people

Faithless humanity.... The end is near....

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ach day takes you closer to the end. Time passes quickly, yet the human race is not aware of what Leach day still means for people, what they could still acquire and how soon the time they are still granted until the end will be over. The human race does not consider the end and thus lives without worry or only worries about earthly things. Humanity is blind and does nothing to open its eyes; it is alive and approaches death even though it is meant to acquire eternal life while it still lives on earth. And yet, nothing else can be done than to proclaim to it the near end through seers and prophets, only the Gospel can be conveyed to it, and anyone who believes in it will be saved.... However, people live without faith; although they don't always openly reject what is presented to them by God, by Christ, by the beyond, they nevertheless don't possess the right faith, the inner conviction of it, and thus their belief is worthless. But if you humans don't want to go astray you must gain this faith. For without faith you will neither call upon God nor appeal for gifts of grace so as to be able to become suitable for the afterlife. Without faith you won't establish the connection with Jesus Christ, Who alone is the path to eternal life.... without faith you won't live your earthly life consciously with a spiritual goal, instead you will live purely an earthly life which achieves nothing for eternal life. Faith has to come alive in you or become convinced faith, if it is merely conventional belief.... Hence you must listen to what God's messengers proclaim to you; you should not instantly reject what you are preached but make an effort to think about it....

If your will is good you won't find it difficult to believe, in that case you will already be consciously considering the end. You will take the possibility into account; you will try to change, for that is the effect of true faith.... If your will is good.... for good will also always develops the love within itself, because a good will always arises from a good heart.

And love helps you to gain a convinced faith. For this reason good and helpful people are more likely to believe in the end, for this belief arises from love and is constantly nourished by love. Just try to gain the right kind of faith, a living faith, which impels you to work at improving your soul.... And once you have gained it you will also confer it on your fellow human beings, for there is great hardship amongst humanity, precisely because you lack the right faith in Jesus Christ as the Redeemer, in eternal life in the spiritual kingdom. This concept is unreal to people, at best they merely profess it with their mouth while their heart is unaware of it; but then the human being lacks the knowledge and strength to transform himself, subsequently, earthly life comes to an end without having led to the goal, without having attained the maturity which assures him eternal life. And the end is coming ever closer.... Anyone who remains without faith is approaching a dreadful end, a fate which would horrify him if he knew of it. God's messengers, the servants He chose Himself, proclaim it to people and draw their attention to the near end. Listen to them if they come to you, and think about what they say.... and take the possibility into account that they have told you the truth. Then you will strive towards changing yourselves, the earthly world will no longer seem so important to you and you will take better care of your soul; then you will not have to fear the near end either, for it will only be a transition for you into a new life which will make you increasingly happier because it can never be taken from you again....

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I umanity will perish in its ungodliness, although it is visibly supported by My adversary, hence gaining earthly power and wealth, knowledge and fame. For it is and will remain worldly profit which is not permanent, which keeps the souls in utter poverty and destitution and returns them to the same painful state of fate again that they had to suffer for an infinitely long time. People want to deny a God and Creator, convinced of their own strength and intelligence they attribute every earthly success to their own intellect and work and yet are merely controlled by the one who wants to displace Me from people's hearts and mind. They don't believe in a God nor do they believe in Satan's existence, nevertheless, they are in his power. And when the time comes when all faith will dwindle because people are only influenced in this godless direction, the moment will also have come when the adversary's activity will be stopped.... Everything points to the fact that My adversary rules the world, that he impels people to use their energy purely for earthly goals, that he pushes everything of a divinely-spiritual nature so far away that people won't make an effort to reach it.... He works on them directly or indirectly, he either openly fights against the faith or he showers people so abundantly with earthly possessions that they detach themselves from Me of their own accord so as not to be deprived of their earthly pleasures, instinctively realising that both together cannot be granted to them. They abandon Me without a second thought, for the world is too enticing and alluring that they cannot resist the temptation. It will also remain a futile undertaking trying to teach people otherwise, since such admonishing voices will be drowned out by the opposing side, because they will be silenced.... if not in another way then by force.... The poisonous seed is already being scattered on the still empty ground, that is, the children are already being given a completely wrong idea about the purpose of their existence, and each tender little plant which turns to the light anyway will be stifled.... the poisonous seed will render it incapable of living. The human being is already guided into wrong thinking as a child and, with the use of clever words, My adversary understands how to gain credibility. And where his cunning is not enough he will use force, for he is in charge of the ruling powers which assert themselves where no firm foundation of faith was built, which will subsequently also stand up to all onslaughts.

However, I also speak a language which is loud enough that it cannot be ignored.... at first in the form of all kinds of tragic events which should show every person the transience of earthly happiness and worldly possessions. And I will speak more distinctly still but will only be successful with those who have not fallen prey to My adversary as yet. Untold people will end their life on earth in this godless state, engulfed by impenetrable darkness which is inconceivable for you humans. But it was created by themselves, it is the inevitable result of their unbelief in a God and Creator; it is the fate awaiting the souls of all people who submit to My adversary and don't try to remove their separation from Me. It is their own fault, for every person with a serious will for truth is capable of deliberating.... no-one is forced to adopt his fellow human being's or the ruling powers' opinion, because every person's thoughts are free and he can also use his intelligence. If he does so with the desire for truth and justice, he will also be granted correct thinking by Me and he will find the truth within himself. Therefore I will always influence people's thinking through unexpected strokes of fate which no-one will be able to defend himself against, for I will not yet give up the fight for each individual soul. As long as a person lives on earth I will also create opportunities for him to attain the right realisation but I will not use force.... just as My adversary cannot forcibly achieve a turning away from Me, even if the earthly authorities take coercive measures.... For I only pay attention to the human being's will, his inner attitude towards Me. And every thought inclined towards Me will receive strength and help the soul to detach itself from My adversary. Yet success will not be great in terms of numbers, but every single soul which does not descend into the deepest abyss again is a gain for Me.... And therefore My love will do whatever it takes in order to still save those before the end which are not yet entirely in My adversary's hands, in order to restore their faith in a God and Creator of eternity Who wants to give His living creations a life in freedom, strength and light again which they possessed in the beginning....

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Belief in God in Jesus Christ

Faith in God.... revelation.... truth....

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want to be acknowledged as God and creator, as your father from eternity. I must first demand faith In Me from you humans; you must have gained the inner conviction that you emerged from the strength and might of a being Which works and rules in all perfection, under Whose will you are but Which draws close to you with never-ending love because you emerged from His love. I must demand this faith, for only it places you in the right relationship with Me, firstly in the relationship of the creature to the creator, to Whom you submit yourselves, and then in the relationship of the child to the father, Whom you love and towards Whom you strive. I don't want to know you forever as beings isolated from Me, I want to be closely united with you, I want to achieve the aim I set for Myself when I called you into being: to work and create with perfect divine beings whom I can make infinitely happy as My children, whom I love and whose love I want to possess in full measure. Faith in Me, Whom you cannot see and yet can recognize, is the basic condition, the first step on the path to becoming a true child of your father, for in order to strive towards Me I must first be recognized, I must be so conceivable to My living creations that they can love Me; yet I can only reveal Myself to them as a supremely perfect being if they believe in Me, that I am real and true.... And they can gain this faith, for they need only desire to know the truth about their origin, about their being and about their destiny.... Where I recognize this desire in a person there is also a right ground for a strong convinced faith in Me.... and there I reveal Myself in many ways.... through creation, through everything the human being sees around him, I reveal Myself to them mentally, I bring the truth close to them in every form, I guide him onto the right path where he will surely find what he desires: information about Me as God and creator, as father from eternity. Every person can believe if he wants to.... but only when he believes in Me can I have an effect on him, because you, as a human being in the stage of free will, must be spared all coercive spiritual influence so that your development will not be endangered. But once the human being has attained faith of his own free will he will also experience the strength and power and love of the one in Whom he believes, for as soon as he acknowledges Me he has taken the path of ascent where he will constantly receive help from above to reach his aim. Believing in Me, i.e., in My existence, can also result in lively intellectual activity, for I have given the human being the intellect for this purpose, so that he can draw conclusions from the existence of that which is apparent to him as creation.... By virtue of his intellect he can already recognize a power above himself to which he is at the mercy, which disregards human will, which is stronger than the human being himself. Yet whether he is able to love this power, whether he wants to strive towards it, is up to his free will, and depending on this will this power also reveals itself to the human being.... For I want My creatures to become blessed, to establish contact with Me in order to reveal Myself to them as a God of love, wisdom and power.... as a father Who longs for His children....

Amen

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God became visible in Jesus Christ....

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June 18th 1958

Anyone who professes Me will also be admitted into My kingdom, for he will already be an aspirant to My kingdom as soon as he has found the path back to Me from Whom he once separated of his own free will. He no longer acknowledged Me, and this was the sin against Me, his

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God and Creator of eternity, which could not be redeemed in any other way than through the conscious acknowledgement of Me Myself.... And in order to enable the human being to do so I personified Myself in the human being Jesus.... For the reason for apostasy from Me rested in the fact that My living creations were unable to behold Me.... Hence they turned to the one who was visible to them who, in a manner of speaking, participated in their emergence and who, despite greatest awareness, volitionally dissociated himself from the Deity Whom he, too, was unable to behold. And thus I became a visible God for you humans in Jesus Christ, and as a result of My human manifestation the reason to deny Me acknowledgment actually no longer applied.... But now the acknowledgment of Me at the same time also requires the acknowledgment of Jesus Christ's act of Salvation....

Due to the immense guilt of the original sin a redemption from it became necessary for you humans, the guilt had to be redeemed first because I could not accept sinful living creations anymore, or, My justice demanded an atonement for this guilt which only then would restore the former relationship between the living creations and Myself again.... which had been disrupted by the said sin. This act of atonement for humankind was thus offered by the human being Jesus; nevertheless, I manifested Myself in this human being Jesus for I wanted to redeem you humans from the great guilt Myself, it is just that I had to avail Myself of a human cover which then, however, should eternally shelter Me within itself, so that My beings would be able to behold their God and Creator, so that they would be able to recognise and love their Father in Him, Whom they then could wholeheartedly approach without having to vanish as a result of His fire of love....

And thus everyone who acknowledges the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ has started the path of return into the Father's house, because he simultaneously acknowledges Me Myself in Him and, as a result of the act of Salvation, his original sin is redeemed. He will therefore also be admitted into My kingdom, I will come to meet My child as Father, for I Myself never separated from him, I merely accepted his will which had turned away from Me because it was free. And thus **free will** has to become active again and strive to return to Me. This is demonstrated by the person through his conscious acknowledgment of Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation and the conscious relationship with Him through his call and appeal for deliverance. For he knows that he is restricted as long as he has not yet found Me in Jesus Christ.

The acknowledgment of Myself is a free act of will which, however, changes a state that had lasted an eternity, which leads from death into life, out of the night and into the light.... For the acknowledgment of Me will also, and without fail, entail a change of character, the human being will re-enter the divine order.... he will leave the region which has been his abode for endless times and enter the spheres of light, albeit his body still remains on earth.... But the soul.... the once fallen spirit.... strives towards its home again, for the acknowledgment of Me Myself in Jesus Christ will always be associated with a transmission of strength and light so that the person will recognise what is right and good and thus his intentions and actions have to be good and right too. For now I will not leave the side of My child again which has found Me, and with My guidance it will also reach its goal with certainty, it will be accepted as My child in the Father's house where it will live in freedom and light and blissful happiness, where it will create with Me and in My will as is and has been its destiny since the beginning....

Amen

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Death is conquered.... Jesus and God is one....

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You shall only take the way to the cross, and then you need fear no more death.... For you will rise again and live forever.... Jesus Christ is your redeemer from sin and death, He is the saviour Who lifts you up out of darkness; He is the one Who faced the adversary in battle and overcame him. And thus He also overcame death, which the latter brought into the world. Jesus walked the path of

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the cross for you and your sins, and as soon as you carry your guilt of sin to the cross, then you belong to those for whom He shed His blood, for whom He died on the cross in order to redeem your guilt of sin.... But you must be willing to let yourselves be redeemed, you must acknowledge Him as the redeemer Who became the shell of the eternal spirit of God, Who united Himself with God and thus also accomplished the act of salvation with the power of God.... For the 'power of God' is love.... The man Jesus was full of love, thus full of the divine spirit of love, through love He was intimately merged with the eternal love Itself, and thus He was one with God, or also: the eternal Deity Itself manifested Itself in Jesus, It completely filled Him, and thus the deification of Jesus' soul took place, the complete unification with the father-spirit of eternity, Who is love in Itself.... Thus God Himself accomplished the act of salvation in Jesus, God Himself redeemed people's immeasurable guilt, and everyone can now be released from his guilt who confesses Him in Jesus, who acknowledges Jesus as the divine redeemer, in Whom God Himself manifested Himself because He.... Whose fundamental substance is love.... completely filled the human being Jesus.... God thus became a human being and Jesus became God, for Jesus was merged with eternal love, Jesus and eternal love were one. Therefore, the path to God, the return to the father's house, is only guaranteed through the cross. The human being has to carry his guilt under the cross, he has to ask the Divine Love in Jesus for forgiveness, for redemption of his guilt.... And truly, the way will be free for him to the father, man will rise to life. For death is the consequence of sin, and death has been overcome by Jesus Christ, by God Himself, and the soul of man will attain eternal life and never ever lose it. The original sin of the former apostasy from God cannot be expiated by the human being himself, for he is bound by the one who brought death into the world.... he is still under the power of God's adversary, who himself fell into the deepest abyss and took countless beings with him, who followed him voluntarily but who no longer have the strength to voluntarily detach themselves from him again.... And Jesus Christ regained the strength of these beings on the cross, He gave His life for them so that their will was strengthened.... He paid the ransom through His death on the cross so that the adversary can no longer keep a being bound which seeks to escape from his power if it takes the path to the cross.... The call to Jesus Christ is enough that He places Himself between the human being and the adversary and supplies everyone with the strength to walk the path upwards towards the kingdom, which is his true home.... For now the kingdom of light is open, at the gate of which Jesus Christ Himself stands and receives everyone who only wants to come to Him and asks Him for forgiveness from all guilt. For Jesus says of Himself that everyone will live who believes in Him.... He will not taste death, he need no longer fear it, for Jesus has conquered death and He will give life to anyone who only desires Him and seeks to free himself from His adversary. Yet without Him there is no redemption, without Jesus Christ there is no forgiveness of sin, without Jesus Christ the human being remains burdened with his original sin and he will never ever find the entrance into the kingdom of light, for God's adversary will not release him and he also has power over him who once voluntarily followed him into the abyss. Therefore no man shall overlook the cross, no man shall pass by the cross.... every person should also carry his guilt under the cross and hand it over to the one Who died for the sake of humanity's guilt of sin.... Who took all suffering and torment of the act of salvation upon Himself in order to pave the way for people to the father, from Whom they once voluntarily separated and plunged into the abyss. And everyone will find redemption who calls to Jesus for mercy, for in Jesus was 'love', and love forgives all guilt.... Love gives eternal life to all who acknowledge Jesus Christ as God's son and saviour of the world.... because love itself was in Jesus....

Amen

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Belief in God in Jesus....

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It is only necessary for you to believe in Me and take the path to Me when you suffer hardship.... for you, like children, to take refuge with the Father, Who will protect you in every spiritual and earthly adversity because you entrust yourselves to Him.... Time and again I emphasise that you only ought to

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contact Me in thought, through kind-hearted activity or in prayer and, truly, you will not be able to go astray anymore, because your bond with Me also guarantees you My help to be delivered from My adversary and to return to the One from Whom you once originated. Admittedly, evidence for the existence of a God and Creator cannot be given to you, you have to **believe** in Him.... Yet if you are willing to do so then you will see the evidence that bears witness to Me in everything that surrounds you.... And by just thinking about it you will already be able to come to believe in Me.... I just do not want you to spend your life thoughtlessly, to only take notice of the world and believe that your earthly life is an end in itself....

You should always ask yourselves why and for what reason you live on earth.... in order to then also get hold of the thoughts about a God and Creator, which will time and again encircle you like waves, for the purpose and goal of your earthly life is to recognise a God and Creator, to acknowledge Him and to desire making contact with Him. Then this God and Creator will also take hold of you and never ever let you fall again.... And He will also convey the knowledge of Jesus Christ, your Redeemer, to you.... For you will have to find Him so that you lose your weaknesses, so that your ascent to the pinnacle is assured.... For even if you recognise Me, you will have little willpower to seriously strive for Me, since you are too weak due to the sin of your past apostasy from Me.... And for the sake of strengthening your will the man Jesus died on the cross in order to acquire the blessings of a stronger will for you.... I Myself came to help you in your great spiritual adversity which was the result of your original sin, and I Myself accomplished the act of Salvation for the redemption of your guilt in Jesus the human being. So the path of return will now be possible for you if you appeal to Jesus Christ for strength, if you place your guilt of sin at his feet and express the sincere will to return to the Father, Who took abode in Jesus, Who united Himself with Him for all eternity.... Even if you thus believe in God as the Creator and Redeemer, this God can never ever be regarded as being separate from Jesus Christ, for God and Jesus are one, God merely made use of a external human shell which people called 'Jesus', but Who sheltered the fullness of Me in Himself.

I created everything, even the human shell of Jesus came forth from Me, Which I chose for Myself in order to be able to stay amongst people. You humans, too, came forth from My will yet you once separated yourselves from Me voluntarily, for only love establishes a bond with Me but you forfeited it of your own free will, whereas the human being Jesus was permeated by love, thus My fundamental substance was in Him, for this **is Love...**. Hence, in keeping with His nature He must be God Himself, and only his external shell was human until He spiritualised it as well, so that it was able to unite with His divine Soul and nothing human remained once Jesus had accomplished the act of Salvation.... Anyone who therefore has recognised Me in Jesus has also escaped the darkness, for then the Light Itself will draw him into higher spheres, for I Myself Am the Light, and the light shone to earth through the human being Jesus because it permeated the human being completely. And I would like to send this ray of light to all of you, yet your heart has to open itself to Me, you must direct your thoughts towards the One Who created you.... You have to muster this will freely but then you will also be seized by My merciful love and everything will be done to impart the correct knowledge about Jesus Christ to you.... and if you acknowledge Him as God's Son and Redeemer of the world Who became as one with Me you will never ever be able to go astray again....

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Believe in the work of redemption

Faith in the work of redemption....

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September 28th 1945

hrough My death on the cross humanity has been redeemed from eternal death.... All people can L become blissfully happy, they can live in eternity if they accept My gift of grace, if they profess Me and My act of salvation as long as they stay on earth. And all people could therefore have a strong will at their disposal to release themselves from My adversary, for this strengthened will is My gift, I acquired it through My blood and can now impart it to all who approach Me for it, who believe in Me and present their weakness of will to Me with the request for My help and grace. I offer people a gift of inestimable value, the acceptance of which secures them eternal life, a release from a power which deprives them of all bliss; I offer them a gift which remedies their lack of strength, which makes them able to reach a degree of maturity on earth already which allows them to enter the kingdom of light.... And people carelessly pass by this gift, they don't acknowledge Me, they don't believe in My redemption from the bonds of death and therefore remain in a state of weakened will which makes all ascent development impossible for them. People are blind in spirit and don't want to become sighted.... The souls' hardship is great, for their weakness of will drives them towards the abyss, they don't grasp My saving hand, they shun My light which would illuminate their spiritual state and let them recognize the danger they are in. They cannot be helped in any way as long as they reject Me Myself, as long as they have no faith in Me and My act of salvation. The significance of the act of salvation cannot be made comprehensible to them, for their power of realization is also weakened by My adversary's influence. And thus a treasure of grace remains completely unused which could bring unimagined blessings if only it were lifted up. And countless souls enter the kingdom of the beyond unredeemed and have to struggle for their redemption there in dreadful torments, in a state of complete weakness and darkness. For these My blood has flowed in vain, they keep away from My cross and do not recognize My great love which applies to their soul's distress.... For them Jesus Christ is only a human being Whom they don't desire to follow, and since they don't acknowledge Me as redeemer of the world Who, through love, had completely become one as a human being with the eternal love Which therefore sheltered Itself in the external form of a human being in order to come to their aid, My help cannot take effect on them, and thus they continue to remain under the control of the one who holds their will captive because they are in bondage to him and don't take refuge with the stronger one Who can release them from this control. They cannot be redeemed because they don't want to let themselves be redeemed, because they don't make use of the grace of the act of salvation. I certainly strengthen the weakened will but I do not force the human being's free will, and thus they prepare their own fate on earth and also in eternity, for without faith in Me and My act of salvation noone can become blessed....

Amen

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Acknowledgement of the work of redemption necessary for maturity of soul....

B.D. No. **3642** December 31th 1945

The open confession of Christ and His work of redemption irrevocably belongs to the attainment of maturity of soul. The human being cannot mature without love.... but the one who has love also recognizes Him who sacrificed Himself for humanity out of love. He also knows that Christ took death upon Himself on the cross as atonement for humanity's great guilt, that He therefore wanted to redeem it from an infinitely long time of captivity. And consequently He will also acknowledge this

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work of great love and mercy and place Himself under Christ's cross in order to also partake of the graces of the act of salvation. But the graces of the act of salvation only bring about the maturing of the soul, for the redeemer Himself now draws the soul to Himself, upwards, He imparts strength to it to want and do what is right. Anyone who does not acknowledge Jesus Christ and His act of salvation remains under satan's control, his will remains weak or turned away from God, the soul remains on a low level of development, for it lacks love.... But love recognizes Jesus Christ, for where love is there is also wisdom, the power of realization for pure truth, and thus Christ's act of salvation will be fully understandable to the loving person, whereas the unloving person is completely ignorant of humanity's sin and guilt, of the meaning and purpose of earthly life, of the human being's aim and task on earth. If he knows all this his way of life is already a life of love, and then the divine redeemer will only be the symbol of profoundest love for him, Whom he has to acknowledge and Whom he also confesses before the world if this is demanded of him. And then his soul will strive upwards and it will certainly reach its aim, because it will not strive of its own strength but with Jesus Christ, because its will will be strengthened by Him and the soul will constantly receive strength and grace, for His promise is: 'He who believes in Me has eternal life...." Faith in Jesus Christ and His act of salvation is absolutely necessary in order to be able to enter the kingdom itself, which signifies eternal life for the soul, which is filled with light and strength and signifies bliss, which Jesus promised to those who believe in Him, because these will endeavour to follow Him and live a life of love as Jesus exemplified to them on earth, for only love will earn them supreme beatitude in eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

'Jesus, my Redeemer lives'

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he spiritual world is rejoicing and glad about My act of Salvation, for that which had taken place on earth is repeatedly revealed anew to all beings of light and they praise and glorify Me as their Saviour from sin and death Who opened the gate into the kingdom of light for them They realise the spiritual significance of My suffering and dying, of the crucifixion and the resurrection on the third day They know that a 'resurrection' is assured to the human race as a result of this greatest act of mercy, that it is not doomed to eternal death and that one day the hour of redemption will strike for all people after an infinitely long time of harshest captivity. And so their gratitude, their jubilation and their love for Me is immeasurable and increases as soon as they participate in the act of Salvation, which they may repeatedly experience again as happening now because in the kingdom of light no time limit exists, and thus they also experience all past and future events as happening in the present. And if people on earth would likewise try to associate with the process of the crucifixion and resurrection, they, too, would derive the greatest blessing from it, and joy and profound gratitude would enter their hearts in view of the fact that I Myself in Jesus Christ delivered you humans from sin and death. For this was a unique process, no human being has ever taken such immense suffering upon himself, and no human being has ever travelled in complete innocence the most bitter path to the cross which ended with His death on the cross, even though people very often come into situations in which the cruelty of fellow human beings presents them with a seemingly unbearable fate. Yet the spiritual processes which also played a part in Jesus Christ's act of mercy intensified His physical suffering many times over, because the soul was profoundly enlightened and therefore able to understand everything both the spiritual adversity, which all people had fallen prey to, as well as the spiritual state of those who tormented Him and carried out this abominable work on Him, who abused his pure body for their appalling cravings and evil instincts, and who He experienced as emissaries from hell. However, He persevered until His death And on the third day He arose again in all glory from the grave which was unable to keep Him imprisoned And so His resurrection was the culmination of His act of Salvation, for all those who want to let themselves be redeemed through Jesus Christ can rest assured that they, too, will arise from the dead to eternal life Although prior to this people's lives had not come to an end with their physical death either, because the soul cannot die,

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it exists forever. But whether the state of the soul will then be a state of life or of death entirely depends on the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ Only He can give life to the soul, and only He is the gate to life in beatitude Therefore, a soul can also enter the kingdom of the beyond in a state of death and will indeed remain in this state until it calls upon Jesus Christ, appealing to Him for life 'And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die ...' The hour of physical death can already be the hour of resurrection for every person, no-one needs to fear his hour of death, because One has conquered death and this One promises life to every person who believes in Him And so, even people on earth would be able to rejoice and be glad were they to grasp the whole significance of Jesus Christ's act of Salvation and take part in it Then death would have lost its sting for all people and all people could join the light beings' song of praise 'He has truly risen Jesus, my Redeemer lives '

Amen

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Resurrection to life

Resurrection on the third day....

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To what extent you humans acknowledge My act of Salvation determines whether you believe in life after death, in a resurrection from the grave into the kingdom of the beyond. Because the act of Salvation, My suffering and crucifixion, found its culmination in the resurrection on the third day, which was meant to verify all My earlier teachings. It was meant to provide people with the evidence that life is not over when the body dies but that spiritual life begins once a person lives in accordance with My teaching. Admittedly, My resurrection is doubted and only taken notice of as a myth.... And neither can it be proven, such teachings can only be believed or rejected. This belief is also a result of My act of Salvation or an indication that the person is redeemed by Jesus Christ.... because he believes in Him as the divine Redeemer and therefore also utilises the blessings of the act of Salvation. However, the fact that My body visibly vanished from the grave does not mean that 'the flesh' had risen from the dead, instead My physical shell had completely spiritualised itself due to My suffering and crucifixion. It was the spiritual garment the soul had put on, which I only made visible to people in order to show them that death had finally lost its fear because I had conquered it. My life on earth intended to show people the path that leads from the abyss to the pinnacle....

To every one of My teachings I attached the promise that eternal life would await them.... But I required faith in Me in Jesus Christ.... Yet I found little of it, and even My disciples had little faith, and they were frightened to death when I handed Myself over to My enemies.... Their faith was not yet strong enough to believe that I was also Lord over death, consequently they did not remember My Words that 'I will rebuild this temple in three days....' Every one of My closest followers was seized by great sadness, something had fallen apart for them when they had to witness My death on the cross.... I wanted to help them, I wanted to strengthen their faith again and at the same time provide them with the evidence that I Am Lord over life and death....

For this reason I made something visibly take place which, however, is granted to all souls.... that they cannot die but wake up in another kingdom, which is in accordance to their life on earth. The soul leaves the body but this, still being immature, stays behind. Therefore a person has no proof of a resurrection after death and neither can it be given to him, on account of his freedom of will. But I was able to resurrect My body simultaneously because its substances had spiritualised themselves, and thus My resurrection on the third day need not be doubted. However, not all people were able to see Me, I only appeared to My Own because I had announced My resurrection on the third day to them, and because their degree of maturity allowed for it.... But those who found My tomb empty looked for many other reasons to explain the disappearance of My body, and therefore they were not compelled to believe. I had risen from the dead.... People had only been able to kill My body, and even this was no longer subject to natural law after My crucifixion, for it was liberated from all constraints....

But a human being on earth only rarely achieves the degree of maturity which enables the body's substances to align themselves with the soul after the earthly death of the body, and therefore the belief in a resurrection is extremely fragile or associated with wrong concepts. Therefore it has to be preceded by the redemption through Jesus Christ, because someone who is still burdened by the guilt of sin is still completely under control of My adversary.... And he will suppress every thought of a possible resurrection, he will only ever influence the human being in a negative sense and thus also portray My act of Salvation and My resurrection as implausible to them. The fact that the resurrection on the third day took place all the same will hardly be doubted by anyone who whole-heartedly professes Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation, since My spirit will tell him so. And thus his thoughts

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will be guided correctly by Me, since I can work through My spirit in every person who has found his way back to Me in Jesus Christ. He will not taste death anymore either, because he will enter into the life which Jesus Christ promised him.... He escaped death because he escaped the one who brought death into the world. And he escaped from him because he fled to Me in Jesus Christ. From the moment of his surrender to Jesus Christ he has risen from the dead, only now has he come alive, and he will eternally not lose his life again.

But even the disbeliever will not cease to exist, he, too, will only lose his earthly body and not his soul's existence, it will merely enter the kingdom of the beyond in a state which is similar to death.... The grave will keep it locked in, and if Jesus Christ Himself does not roll away the heavy tombstone, it will stay there. But the divine Redeemer died for everyone on the cross, and one day the hour of resurrection will come for every soul, because one day it will call for Me in Jesus Christ, and I will not let its call go unheeded.... Then it will rise from the grave and awaken to life, then the darkness of the grave will recede and it may behold the light.... Because I died for all human beings, and even those who rest in their graves will take notice of the fact that I arose from the dead and that I will give life to anyone who desires to live....

Amen

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Jesus' resurrection took the sting out of death

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very person's final hour is preordained.... And yet he need not fear it because it is not his actual rend, instead, he will arise again.... because his soul will merely discard its earthly shell, which was only a shackle for it in earthly life, and enter the kingdom of the beyond unburdened, providing that its way of life on earth corresponded to My will.... that his soul therefore attained a specific degree of maturity on earth. Thus, there is no end, even though there is death, i.e. a dead state of the soul, the soul will not have perished. This is the reason why I died on the cross and arose on the third day again, so that the human being, that is, his soul, can also experience the resurrection, so that it can arise from the grave and enter the kingdom again, which is its true home. The fact that the soul will not cease to exist is an irrevocable law because.... everything that came forth from Me.... is and will remain imperishable. And the soul is the spiritual being which originated from Me, thus it continues to exist even though the body will die, but the fact that it can arise after its physical death in light and radiance only became possible after My crucifixion and My resurrection, because before this it was still burdened by the original sin of its past apostasy from Me.... There was still darkness, the dark of the grave, which the soul was unable to escape.... the tombstone had not yet been removed by Jesus Christ, the divine Redeemer... in other words: the atonement for these souls had not been rendered as yet and without atonement the guilt of sin could not be redeemed.... Consequently, there was also darkness in people's souls, they lacked all faith in a resurrection after death, they were engulfed by the bleak night of the grave and death had become a fearful event.... And I rose on the third day from the dead to provide people with the evidence that the body's death is not the end, that the soul will rise again and merely leave the body behind, which is not so spiritualised as yet that it can take it along into the spiritual kingdom as I was indeed able to do because body and soul were clothed in a spiritual garment and the body no longer needed to go through a further maturing process on this earth....

Through My resurrection I wanted to take people's fear of death away, I wanted to prove to them that the soul merely changes location when it discards the earthly body, when the inevitable hour of death strikes. For this reason I have risen from the dead, for I conquered death, i.e. the one who had brought death into the world. And so no person needs to be afraid of the hour of death, for it is only the entrance into the actual life which is everlasting.... Death has lost its sting.... Nevertheless it is necessary that the human being acknowledges My act of Salvation and accepts the blessings I acquired for you through My suffering and dying on the cross.... that he allows himself to be redeemed by Jesus Christ, that therefore his original sin will have been atoned first so that Jesus Christ can

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subsequently push the tombstone away for the soul to rise from the grave's darkness into bright light, that it thus will enter eternal life.... Anyone who fears the hour of death is still subject to this immense guilt, he has not found salvation through Jesus Christ as yet, he has not released himself from the darkness enshrouding him, he still lays in the grave of his sin, even though his body still lives on earth.... For he will lose all fear of physical death when he has placed himself into My arms, when he sincerely appeals to Me to take care of him at the hour of his death.... For he will blissfully fall asleep in peace with his God and Father, he will leave only his body behind on this earth while the soul will arise, it will ascend to the light, it will not feel the darkness of the grave surrounding it, for Jesus Christ Himself will take its hand and lead it out of its physical shell, He will guide it through the gate of life. And it will know that it, too, has risen from the dead, that it will now live in eternity.... The fact that the human being Jesus rose from the dead is certainly true, and those who believe in Him as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world, as My Emissary in Whom I embodied Myself on earth, will not be afraid of their own hour of death, for Jesus Christ gave them the promise that He will go to prepare a place for those who believe in Him.... Thus they will also be raised to eternal life and He Himself will fetch them as He has promised....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Promise of Jesus: eternal life....

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You shall live for ever and ever.... But life can only be promised to you by Him Who is lord over life and death, Who Himself is life from eternity and Who has conquered death.... Jesus Christ, the son of God and redeemer of the world, Who came forth from the strength of the most high as an independent being, equipped with strength in full measure, Whose love moved Him to bare His strength and, as a weak helpless human being on earth, Who was subject to the law of death, to fight against death and to defeat it in order to liberate all people held captive by satan from his bondage. For death had been brought into the world by satan. Death is a powerless dark state that is the consequence of the former sin against God.... Light and strength mean life, powerlessness and darkness, on the other hand, condemn the being to stagnation in inactivity. People on earth would have to expect this rigid state after their physical life, they would sink hopelessly into darkness and would not be able to free themselves from it.... they would face eternal death unless a saviour approached them Who was stronger than death, Who was able to defeat it and give people the life again which they had possessed in the beginning as spiritual beings and which they had lost through the sin of their former rebellion against God.... (16.11.1951) Life had been lost to them, i.e. everything that enabled them to be happily active, for life is incessant activity according to wise law; life is the use of divine strength according to divine principle and therefore a state of unlimited bliss.

Jesus Christ promises this life to all people, but under certain conditions. He **can** certainly **give** life, but people must also desire it and do everything to make themselves worthy of true life, of life in the spiritual kingdom. They must want out of the state of death, they must take possession of the strength which secures eternal life for them, they must make contact with the source of strength, they must fight the death of their souls **with Jesus Christ** and defeat it, which is only possible **with** Jesus Christ. For it is the death of the soul they must fear, because the death of the body is unimportant, but the soul, the essence in the human being, does not perish, only in a state of complete lack of strength and light, i.e. spiritual death, it can become a slave to immeasurable, endless torment....

But you shall **live....** What comforting words these are for you humans.... Jesus Christ does not want you to meet death, He wants you to live, and He has promised you this life.... because He alone can give it to you, Who has overcome death. But your will is free.... Don't forget that you can achieve everything, that there is nothing impossible, that Jesus Christ has also shown you all ways and means, but that you must **want** it yourselves, because what is to make you blissfully happy cannot be given to you against your will. Eternal life is the most beautiful promise He could give you, that all fear of

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death will disappear, that an unspeakably blissful future lies ahead of you which will last forever if you want it yourselves and fulfil the conditions Jesus Christ attached to His promise.... that you believe in Him.... For then you will comply with all His words, you will fulfil His commandments, you will live according to His divine teaching of love and accumulate divine strength within yourselves, love will awaken you to life even if the body's strength weakens and your shell approaches bodily death. The soul will then release itself, it will break through the barrier of death with all its strength, it will free itself from the bonds of the one who wanted to give you death, it will become blissfully aware of its strength and now be able to be constantly active, the spiritual kingdom will receive it where there is only life, where all beingness is active in God's will, where new life is constantly generated, where there is eternally no more death.... where everything is blissfully happy in and with Jesus Christ....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Do not forfeit your eternal life....

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Do not forfeit your eternal life.... Admittedly, one day it will be granted to all of you, but eternities of infinite agony and darkness may still go by when you are in a state of death and entirely without strength and light. And you can prolong this agonizing time indefinitely so that you can indeed speak of 'eternal damnation'.... but which I have not given to you, instead you volitionally cause and continue to cause it yourselves if you fail to use your human existence to achieve eternal life for yourselves.

I will not let you be lost **forever**, because you are My living creations whom I loved from the start and will never cease to love either, but I cannot give life to you prematurely if you yourselves prefer the state of death, if you are unwilling to accept life from Me.... However, you can easily acquire it by merely entrusting yourselves to Me, Who is eternal life Himself....

And for this purpose earthly life is given you, where you are in possession of intellect and free will, where you can accept instructions concerning your task on earth and thus you need only **want** to emerge from the state of death. And this time on earth is very short, no great sacrifices are expected of you considering what you shall receive if you use your will correctly. The lifespan of a human being is very brief indeed but it suffices to let you reach the goal....

Yet your preliminary development took an infinitely long time until you were able to enter the stage of a human being.... And it will take an equally infinitely long time until you will receive the grace again to repeat your test of volition. The length of these infinite times is beyond your human comprehension since your thinking is limited in your imperfect state.... And just as you do not know of this agony, because retrospection of your preliminary development is taken from you during your earthly life, you do not know of the indescribable bliss either which is integral to the concept of 'eternal life'.... You do not know of the splendours awaiting you in My kingdom when you decide to finally return to Me.... And neither one nor the other information can be proven to you, since then it would be impossible to make a free decision of will.

But you should believe it even without proof and live your earthly life accordingly, you should not forfeit the bliss of a 'life' in My kingdom, you all should include **this** possibility in your intellectual consideration even if it seems implausible to you.... and you should live such that you need not reproach yourselves when the hour of your departure from this earth has arrived one day. You should also listen to those who talk about **such** things which are unrelated to the physical world.... And you should reflect on it and imagine how you would fare if they were right....

There is too much at stake for you humans, it is not just a question of a few years like your lifetime on earth.... it concerns eternal life, it concerns the **never-ending** state of supreme blissfulness.... a state in light and strength that was yours in the beginning.... And for this eternity in light and strength you

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only need to renounce utterly worthless things for a very short time, for a 'moment' of this eternity.... But you value these things exceptionally high, and hence will forfeit 'life' and continue to remain in a state of death for an endless time again....

And all I can do to help you attain life is to constantly send My messengers to you humans, who warn and remind you on My behalf, who should inspire you to try to arrive at the truth.... who point out to you that I, as the only Truth, enlighten your thoughts, who advise you to establish the connection with Me Myself, so that I can then seize and draw you to Myself.... But you have to take the first step, since I will not force you for the sake of your beatitude. But I will support and strengthen even the weakest will which turns to Me. I caused the entire creation to come into being in order to give you life.

I do not want your death, I want you to live and finally escape your state of death, which has already lasted for an infinite time.... I want to impart My love on you again and offer you a wonderful fate which will never end again.... But I cannot stop you from taking the path into the abyss once more if you volitionally follow My adversary again who once had taken your life and delivered you unto death. I can only ever call to you again 'Do not forfeit your eternal life.... ' but you have to follow My call voluntarily, you have to endeavour to achieve life while you live on earth, and I truly will help you achieve it because I love you....

Amen

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Entrance into the kingdom of light

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

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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

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The soul's entry into the kingdom of light....

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February 2nd 1963

Every spiritual request shall be granted to you.... I have given you this promise because My love will fulfil everything that will benefit your soul. And thus you can also rest assured that you will

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enter the kingdom of light and bliss after your physical death if you have lived your life on earth in accordance with My will, if you have demonstrated your love for Me through your activity of unselfish neighbourly love.... and if you have lived your life on earth with Me by having allowed Me to be your constant companion....

'He that believeth in Me hath everlasting life....' And anyone who lives a life of love also believes in Me with a true, living faith, and he will therefore be granted a blissful life in the spiritual kingdom.... And realisation will indeed come to him in a flash, he will move within true thinking and his happiness is such that the soul with its light, by which it is permeated, will also be able to delight the souls which still linger in darkness and long for light.... by making others happy it will find its own happiness, and so it has to have a bright light shining within itself first....

You humans cannot possibly imagine this beatitude nor the nature of the activity, but you may well believe that these souls will no longer desire to return to earth.... especially since they know that no human being will remain on earth and every soul will soon meet its loved ones again. Therefore they should not grieve either but only ever strive to achieve a high degree of love which will facilitate their spiritual vision, because this degree is necessary for souls to meet again immediately after their passing away from this world.... otherwise the souls will first have to strive for and attain this degree in the beyond.

Yet the fact that people will meet again one day is absolute truth, and it will be an exceptionally joyful moment when the union takes place in the spiritual kingdom. You humans, who are affected by harsh strokes of fate, should always bear in mind that whatever happens to you in earthly life is only founded on My love and wisdom.... Stay mindful of the fact that I don't want to cause you suffering but greater beatitudes, which you often gain through suffering.... And you should not doubt it but humbly accept everything and, truly, the blessing will not fail to materialise itself. And if, one day, you look back on your earthly existence, you will be filled by profound gratitude and love for Me, Whom you recognise as your Father, Who only has His children's fate at heart, which will await them in the kingdom of the beyond....

Be aware of the fact that you won't stay much longer on this earth, and that you therefore will have to accept a greater amount of suffering in order to reach the goal of voluntarily uniting yourselves with Me. And every prayer you send to Me will come from the bottom of your heart and therefore will also be answered by Me.... You will often send your thoughts into the kingdom which is your true home, and will also be allowed to receive currents of light and strength from this realm, you will keep in constant contact with those who merely went ahead of you and who.... if you possess a high degree of maturity and light.... will support you to also achieve your goal while you are still on earth.... For a soul which is already permitted to spread light will also be able to transmit the light to you humans, and that means that you will then live within utter truth, for where light exists no error will be able to sustain itself because it will be recognised as such, and the path of anyone living in truth must lead to the goal without fail.

And believe that I know every thought in your heart, and thus I also know what you still need and take care that it will be imparted to you.... And even if I occasionally use painful means they will nevertheless liberate the souls from their physical constraints and they will merely exchange earthly life with a far more beautiful life in the spiritual kingdom, where they will be of loving service to Me and therefore also enjoy beatitudes which earthly life cannot offer.... For they have entered the eternal truth from whence they once originated....

Amen

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Spheres of light.... different luminous intensity.... childhood of God....

In the spiritual world there are many gradations, many degrees of bliss, which are recognizable as ▲ radiations of light of varying strength and correspond to the souls' degree of maturity. As soon as the being, the soul, has entered the kingdom of light, happiness and bliss are its share because it can receive God's emanation of strength, which always means bliss, even if the soul can only be considered to a small extent according to its maturity. But happiness increases according to the being's activity of love, which always means an increase of its strength, thus an increased radiating through of divine love. And the being can be active without restriction, it is in a state of life, of freedom and constant love under constant use of the power out of God, because the divine power continuously flows towards this being and the power reception triggers deep happiness in it. But the being is now continuously active, it works in love again by passing on the strength and making countless beings happy with it and promoting their spiritual progress and at the same time developing itself into ever greater perfection, which again results in an increased influx of strength from God. And ever more luminous are the rays of light which now surround the being. There is no limit in the kingdom of light, and spheres of light are everywhere where the beings have attained the degree of maturity that they can receive the divine emanation into themselves, that they are permeated by His strength of love. But since the abundance of receiving strength corresponds to the degree of maturity, the spheres of light will also have different intensities of light, for the more perfect the being is the closer it is to the eternal deity Who, as the original light, radiates an inconceivable abundance of light onto all beings. But since the perfect spiritual knows no limitation the being can always come closer and closer to the eternal deity, thus it can constantly progress, it can directly receive the emanation of love and yet it is not completely united with Him as soon as it has not attained childship to God. For this means complete merging with the original light, it means unlimited reception of strength and thus highest bliss. Every being in the kingdom of light is unspeakably happy and yet can always feel even deeper happiness the more it expresses its own love and thereby increases its reception of light and strength. But the being, once standing in the light, knows no limits in the beyond, and this awareness is just so extremely happy that the being can strive for ever higher perfection and that divine love is likewise unlimited in its emanation of strength. But receiving strength from God is always to be valued differently than the final union with Him, which earns the being the childship to God, for it is one with God and its activity in the spiritual kingdom is different from that of the beings of light. They create and shape entirely out of themselves and are exceedingly happy, because this activity requires the highest degree of love and therefore increases their bliss immeasurably....

(22.7.1944) The entry into the kingdom of light therefore already takes place as soon as the soul has attained the maturity which allows light to shine through. But then there are innumerable degrees of perfection and thus also innumerable stages of bliss, which is why the soul can enter ever new spheres of light which always and constantly increase. For there is no limit to what is perfect. The soul floats higher and higher, it approaches the original light, and yet it is not completely one with the original light if it has not acquired the right of childship to God on earth. But it has found union with God from the moment it feels His radiance of love, when it is so purified that it can receive rays of strength and light within itself. For from now on it also has eternal life, it can be active, thus work in love, and it can ascend to immeasurable heights, it can receive light and strength from God and, through union with equally mature spiritual beings, increase them and be inexpressibly happy. But just as the abundance of light is inconceivable to man on earth, so there are also no possibilities of comparison for the bliss of the beings which have found entrance into the spheres of light. For as long as the human being lives on earth he is an imperfect creature, he only sees and hears with the eyes and ears of the body and cannot imagine the spiritual world which is devoid of all matter, which only exists spiritually and can therefore only be seen and understood by the spiritual being in the human being, by the soul, but only when the soul has reached a certain degree of maturity. And therefore humanity cannot form an idea of the spiritual kingdom, it can only believe, and this only if it is willing and allows itself to be taught without inner resistance. But it can strive to receive enlightenment and then many things will become comprehensible to it. For then the first rays of light will already begin to

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take effect, and just as a slow maturing of realization, of light, i.e. of knowledge about the pure truth, is recognizable on earth from then on, so the development of the being in the kingdom of the beyond will also increase.... it becomes more and more perfect, it joins God more and more.... it is unspeakably blissful.... But childship to God is a higher degree of perfection, and it includes infinite delights. It is the right of those who already strive for God on earth with all their senses, who love Him with all their heart and want to serve Him in most faithful devotion, who accept suffering and earthly hardship in submission, who strive to fulfil His will and are always and constantly lovingly active, for they already seek to assimilate themselves to the eternal deity on earth, and therefore God's love takes hold of them and paves the way for them to reach Him.... Yet their fate on earth is not easy, they have to pass many tests, they have to fulfil tasks on earth which require great strength and a firm will to reach God. Yet divine grace is available to these souls without measure so that they will reach the aim if only they strive for it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Bliss in the kingdom of light Pleasures and delights

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blissfully happy life awaits My Own in the spiritual kingdom when they depart from this earth, when they have concluded their course of life and are able to shed the earthly form for good. Everything that had weighed them down will fall away from them, they will feel free and light and be received into the kingdom of light whose occupants will come to meet them in order to guide them into their own sphere It is impossible to describe to you humans the delights they will experience and how the kingdom they now inhabit is designed It entails extrasensory shapes and concepts, it is an entirely different sphere for which nothing on earth could be used as a comparison and yet the souls quickly find their way around, they know that it is their true home, for the soul will have received its past awareness again and will be abundantly happy because it will recognise the infinite love and grace with which I had guided it from beginning until it has reached the goal. A person on earth cannot feel these beatitudes which await him there, being still earthbound he only has limited feelings and he would die were the soul able to behold these glories while it is still on earth, but now he can enjoy them ceaselessly without fading away. However, through love for Me and his fellow human being the human being on earth makes himself more or less receptive for the emanations of light, in which he then can constantly move in the spiritual realm and experience immense happiness. It is the happiness of reciprocated love which, however, always impels loving activity as well, because the soul now wants to give as it receives, because it cannot help itself but to provide happiness to those who are still unhappy A person's will on earth guarantees the souls ascent, nevertheless, it must be serious, it must turn to Me deep within the heart, it must not merely express itself with empty words which I always recognise as empty, which are not spoken in spirit and in truth and which are not felt either if the mouth does not voice them. But anyone who has a serious intention will reach his goal. And the promised beatitudes awaiting him shall also make him humbly bear the suffering, for this only raises the degree of beatitude in the spiritual kingdom, otherwise the soul will still have to go through dark spheres and will require a long time before it can enter the kingdom of light. And no being which longs for Me and My love need truly do without Me I will illuminate it and place it in a state of supreme bliss, I will change all suffering and misery into pleasure and delight, I will recompense a thousand fold what a person takes upon himself because He loves Me, and I will royally reward those who fight for Me and My kingdom on this earth I have prepared a fate for them in the house of the Father which will make them eternally happy.

Amen

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You will live forever....

You will live forever.... you will not lose this life anymore.... Is there a more enjoyable promise than that I want to give you eternal life and that you will thus be eternally happy? For life is blissfulness, because life is a state in freedom, light and strength, because 'life' is the state for which I have created you, which guarantees your perfection.... And this perfection will have been endeavoured towards by your own free will, otherwise no life would be possible, for prior to that you were in a state of death and only your free will was able to and can change this state of death into 'life'.... Furthermore, life means permanent union with Me, Who nourishes you with the necessary strength to live, which flows to you without restriction and will never again be limited.... Life is working and creating with Me and in My will.... and yet also in keeping with your will, for you have completely entered into My will because you are perfect, because you have become My images and will no longer think and want anything other than Myself and therefore you will also be incomparably happy.

And that is the final goal of the beings which once emerged from Me and My strength as living creations, which were indeed supremely perfect, since nothing imperfect can come forth from Me, but which voluntarily relinquished their perfection, fell away from Me and then had to travel an infinitely long path of development in order to achieve the highest level of perfection again, in order to thus return to Me, yet no longer as a 'living creation' but as 'My child', into which it will have voluntarily shaped itself through love.... which is indeed its fundamental substance because it came forth from My love, but which its free will had to arouse into the brightest of blazes.... but then eternal life in supreme happiness will also be guaranteed.... And this is the life I have promised you.... I Myself want to grant you this blissful life, and thus I will never cease in supporting you to achieve this said high degree of love, whenever it may be.... One day you will attain life and then never lose this life again.... This is truly the most glorious promise, for you can hope. You need not fear to be lost; you need not remain in the state of death forever, for I have told you 'You will live forever....'And My Word is truth.... only you yourselves determine the time when you will enter into life; you determine the time when you escape death, when you return to Me, unite with Me again and then also arrive at the life which lasts forever....

And thus you can also endlessly prolong the state of death if you misuse your free will again, if you oppose My loving support which stimulates your love. And then you will prolong your state of misery too, for only life is happiness. Yet you have free will, and this prevents Me from giving you life against your will. For you have to attain perfection yourselves, which guarantees you life in eternity, otherwise you would eternally just remain My 'living creations', but the goal of becoming My 'children' requires striving for perfection in free will. As long as you humans are still in the state of death, as long as you lack light and strength because you lack realisation and the influx of My strength of love, you are also in a state of unkindness, for voluntarily practised love would also result in light and strength, and that also means an 'awakening to life'. And then you will no longer be able to fall back into the state of death, because you will be enlightened and also recognise the purpose of your earthly life and consciously strive for it. And this is why love has to flare up in you if you want to attain the life which lasts forever. And I, the Eternal Love, will leave no stone unturned in order to lead you to this life, for I can only unite Myself with life but never with death.... and therefore I will first awaken the dead to life, which My infinite love will indeed achieve sooner or later....

Amen

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Living faith requires the will of the people

Gaining faith requires the will of man....

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veryone should seek to shape himself according to My will and desire strength and grace from Me.... Then his soul is saved for eternity, for with his prayer to Me for strength and grace his will has become active, which is turned towards Me and which I now seize and no longer let sink back eternally. And therefore it is absolutely necessary to direct his thoughts towards Me, therefore he has to acknowledge Me first, otherwise he would not ask Me in thought. And thus he has to believe in Me.... that I exist and possess power and strength in order to be able to distribute them. Faith in a Being full of power and strength is therefore the first thing a person must possess, if his soul is not to perish for eternal times.... And this belief can be gained by anyone who seriously reflects on himself and his relationship to the whole of creation. Just as he must attribute meaning and purpose to everything, even to the smallest work of creation, he will also not be able to deny the meaning and purpose of his own earthly existence, for serious reflection about himself will definitely give him this certainty, because I will come to meet everyone who merely has the will to penetrate the truth. And once he has recognized his earthly existence as a means to reach a certain goal he will also consciously pursue the goal himself, because now faith awakens in him, in an Entity Which created everything precisely because of that goal, and he now leans towards that Entity, he enters into contact with It.... But man has to come this far on his own, in free will he has to turn to Me, but then I seize him and draw him to Me, yet always taking his free will into account, because this is the law of eternity. The gift of intellect and the influence of spiritual beings of light are constant help to gain faith in Me, and if the human being's will does not oppose Me he will irrevocably progress in his development, for faith will then drive him to prayer, to thoughts which are turned towards Me, and I can now provide him with strength and grace in abundance. Anyone who has recognized the creation around him as meaningful and purposeful will also try to explain the earthly adversity to himself as appropriate, and he will soon find the right answer to the questions posed mentally. For I enlighten every person's thinking who is of good will and seriously desires the truth. And in the adversity he will only find the confirmation of what he receives as a mental answer, the adversity will no longer be incomprehensible to him. And he himself will make an effort to live in accordance with My will on earth and join Me ever more intimately, and he will never again be without strength and grace. Yet all this is only brought about by his will, which has to turn to Me freely in order to be grasped and to find My constant support. But the will only becomes active once the human being has gained faith in Me as Creator and Sustainer of everything that exists.... And all means of help are at the human being's disposal to gain this faith, for he can grasp and process what he sees and hears with his senses and the end result has to be a convinced belief in a Being from Whom everything emerged, for I Myself gave the human being the ability to recognize this, yet he has to use it himself of his own free will....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

Faith.... strong wrestling....

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A n everlasting inner struggle is necessary in order to attain strong faith, and this presupposes a strong will to be able to accept what teachings are imparted to people, i.e., to be convinced of its truth. A right faith can be gained, consequently it is also to be regarded as a gift, yet the human being must also be willing to accept the gift, thus again his will must participate, otherwise the human being

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cannot believe. Wanting to believe necessarily also results in being able to believe, the will alone is decisive as to the strength with which faith seizes it. In your deepest inner being you must gain the conviction of the correctness of what is demanded of you to believe, only then can you say: I believe.... But in order to be able to gain this conviction the human being also has to do a certain amount of work beforehand, otherwise this faith can never come to life in him. He must express the will to believe through his way of life, for the will alone, without the deed, is not fully effective and therefore not effective either. But his way of life should be an activity of unselfish neighbourly love. Through this he now connects himself with God, in Whom he is taught to believe. The connection with God lets him feel His nearness, he becomes aware of a strength which flows through him, even if he cannot express this feeling. But as soon as he is united with God through activity in love, the conviction will also arise in him that there is a being full of love, wisdom and power, and he can now consciously say: I believe in this being.... Then faith will have come alive in him. Furthermore, he must take a stand on all spiritual knowledge which is offered to him, which is demanded of him to believe. And again it is love which works in him that his spirit mentally gives him enlightenment from within about what he desires. Thus the thought material imparted to him is made so understandable to him by his spirit or the unacceptable is revealed to him that he can now either accept or reject with conviction, and then one can speak of living faith again. And thus faith in Jesus Christ as the son of God and redeemer of the world is to be understood in the same way, that the human being first has to receive the knowledge of it, that he has to mentally process it and then take a stand on it himself, that he can only do so if he practices love, if he follows Him, so that through love the spirit can develop which guarantees him right thinking; and fully consciously the human being now acknowledges Jesus Christ.... He believes in Him and now surrenders himself to Him in this faith.... Faith has to be won, the human being has to have the good will to be able to believe and now do everything that earns him a deep unshakeable faith.... And for this he must pray for strength and grace so that his will will not flag, so that he will walk on earth according to God's will.... as soon as he has already gained faith in God. God knows the slightest stirring of the heart, and where He finds the will which turns towards good, there He will also direct His grace which will then be accepted and utilized according to the person's will. But the will alone is decisive as to which measure of grace it uses, and the human being's will will also prompt him to pray, which will never remain unanswered but will secure him an increased grant of grace which guarantees his ability to recognize and thus his convinced faith.

Amen

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Living faith by works of love

"He who believes in Me shall live for ever...."

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November 2nd 1952

I e who believes in Me will live for eternity.... These are My words which also gave rise to ■ divisions because the spiritual meaning was not properly recognized. I demand faith in Me in order to be able to give people eternal life.... But what is meant by faith? Not the confession with the mouth, not the intellectual acknowledgement of My act of salvation, but the inner conviction of the truth of everything I taught you humans on earth is to be understood by 'faith', and this inner conviction can only be gained through love.... Thus faith also necessitates love, and thus love is the first thing. But it is also fulfilled by those who believe in Me such that I can grant them eternal life. Right faith therefore promises life because it includes love within itself. But intellectual faith does not lead to eternal life, and it is this intellectual faith which can still be found amongst people if need be but which I cannot evaluate such that it brings the human being eternal life. I want a living faith which, however, can only be gained through love. For the human being only lives when he feels certainty in himself through love, a faith which is truly happy, which now determines his whole will and thinking and results in a way of life which earns him eternal life. To believe intellectually is no evidence of maturity of soul, for the human being may have been pushed onto christian ground through education, thus he cannot reject Me Myself, My earthly life as a human being and My act of salvation with conviction, he regards everything as true.... And yet, his heart need not be touched by it, it is an historical occurrence for him which he cannot deny but it is not felt by him for what it is. It does not touch his heart, which is only impressed when love comes to unfold in him. Then faith in it will trigger beatitude in him, then something will come alive in him, only then will the human being feel himself in the midst of My working on humanity, only then can he speak of faith which leads to eternal life. I certainly first require faith in Jesus Christ, the divine redeemer, because only through Jesus Christ is the path to eternal life, because faith in God alone is not enough due to the burden of sin, which cannot be redeemed without Jesus Christ.... Therefore I spoke the words, "He who believes in Me shall live forever...." Mind you.... I, Jesus Christ, as redeemer of the world, demanded faith, but 'faith' is always only to be understood as living faith through love, which is why people first have to fulfil the commandments of love which I gave to people in order to show them the path which leads to eternal beatitude.... But then they will also be able to believe and in this faith enter into eternal life....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Strong faith.... Following Jesus....

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Follow Me and you will attain an ironclad faith.... A person's faith cannot come alive until he lives a life of love, until he takes the path I took Myself on earth, the path of unselfish neighbourly love.... You can certainly also acquire intellectual faith, that is, by way of logical conclusion gain a rational conviction of Me as Creator and Provider or of the One Who had allowed Himself to be nailed to the cross for you.... then you will also believe, yet such faith is not of much use to you.... it is merely a statement of facts which, admittedly, cannot be proven either but nevertheless will no longer leave you in doubt.... But what is a **living** faith?

A faith which lives and demonstrates or affirms its life through extraordinary works.... A faith which believes itself capable of doing extraordinary things in the firm realisation of also achieving them with My support.... A living faith demonstrates its strength, without doubting it takes My help for granted,

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and such faith enables the human being to achieve things which are regarded as miracles and yet are only the results of a living faith. And such faith can only be gained through a life of unselfish neighbourly love as I exemplified on earth, because love is the strength which achieves everything. Anyone who lives in love receives so much strength from Me that he wants to somehow put it into action, as a result of his activity of love he also feels My presence, and this realisation lets him bring about everything he is prompted to do by his heart....

Love and a living faith cannot be separated; this is why love should be preached to people first, so that they will attain this living faith, for intellectual faith is no substitute for living faith, since it will fail as soon as people are faced by great hardship, it will shrink, the human being will be of little faith in the true sense of the word, perhaps even giving up his faith because it lacks the strength of love. Fighting for and trying to attain a firm faith means doing ever more labours of love, to overcome oneself and change selfish love into unselfish neighbourly love.... This necessitates fighting against all longings, but his struggle will bring him great rewards, for anyone with a living faith no longer knows fear, worry and doubt, he feels safe and secure in Me in Whom he believes, he no longer feels lonely but takes every step with Me, Who lives in him and Who acts and works with him in every way.... Anyone with a living faith is victorious over life and death, for God's strength is at his disposal, he is in such close contact with Me that he will also always make use of My strength and achieve everything because he believes....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Faith without love is dead....

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iving faith alone opens the kingdom of heaven for you.... And only a few people have this living I faith, because it requires a life of love. You first must understand the term 'faith': You can certainly affirm a doctrine in order not to contradict it, you can even inwardly believe this doctrine to be possible, but the firm conviction is not yet within you, and then it is not a living faith either, the faith which helps you to be saved.... And thus faith in Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation can only be addressed as 'faith' when the human being is inwardly fully convinced that God Himself came to earth in Jesus in order to suffer and die for people, in order to redeem people's sinfulness, thus to redeem them.... And this inner conviction will only be in the human being when love is also in him.... when he shows love towards God and the human being, thus having awakened faith within himself through this love. Precisely this difference between a living faith and a formal faith is so tremendously important because Jesus Christ Himself said: "He who believes in Me shall live for ever..." With these words, however, He never meant a shallow formal faith, the acceptance of a teaching without contradiction, but also without inner conviction. For the **right** faith in Jesus Christ brings about a change in the way of life, a self-transformation into love, and love brightens the spirit which now gives the human being such a clear knowledge about the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ that no doubt, no indifference, and no dead faith will find room in him anymore, but everything will gain life and a relationship will be established between the human being and the divine Saviour and Father from eternity which will also guarantee entry into the kingdom of light after the body's passing away.... A dead faith can never replace love, which alone is valued in the spiritual kingdom.... And thus no person can acquire the kingdom of heaven who lacks love either. When Jesus Christ promises life to people who believe in Him, He presupposes love, which is what makes faith come to life in the first place, for Jesus did **not** speak of a dead faith, because all His words were only truth and life and His words never concealed a false meaning.... a meaning which people made up for themselves as it suited them.... Jesus spoke only of living faith.... But what people often call by the word 'faith' are rather empty phrases, they are acquired terms, ceremonies that have become a habit, which Jesus Christ does not allow to suffice Himself in order to make people happy with eternal life.... Yet it is already a considerable advantage for the soul if it is not an opponent of Jesus Christ, if it did not openly reject Him on earth, for then its thoughts can at least be directed towards the One Who can open the gates for it if it turns to Him in

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complete trust.... even though it can take endless periods of time until it sends this living call to Him.... But it will only attain 'life' in the kingdom of the beyond through loving **activity**, which it can then exercise on unhappy souls who, like itself, are dead in spirit. A life in the spiritual kingdom requires love, and where love is already practised on earth faith in Jesus Christ is also a living one, and this faith is therefore the guarantee for 'life in eternity'.... as Jesus Himself promised....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

Faith without love is dead....

B.D. No. **6876** July 23rd 1957

ou would never ever have been able to redeem yourselves had I not accomplished the act of Salvation on your behalf. My infinite love wanted to lift you out of a wretched state although it was caused through your own fault.... Consequently, it was an act of grace and mercy for you, it was an unmerited gift which is at your disposable if you want to become as blessed again as you were in the beginning. Hence the Words 'only by grace can you be saved....' However, without this act of Salvation of Mine you would never have been able to attain beatitude, for you did not have enough strength to lift yourselves out of the abyss and your will was even weaker, so that you would not strive to release yourselves from Satan's bondage either. Thus it is imperative that you make use of the blessings of the act of Salvation.... And this first of all requires your faith in the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, in Whom I embodied Myself in order to suffer and die for you humans, in order to acquire an inconceivable treasure of grace for you as Jesus, the man. Without this faith in Me you will never make contact with Me and appeal to Me for help, for a stronger will, for the strength to be able to ascend.... But what is to be understood as 'faith in the divine Redeemer'? If the words 'I believe in Him' alone were enough then Salvation would truly be assured to the greatest part of the human race, for these words are very often and by many people said. But these words alone are not enough for Me to grant beatitudes according to My promise 'He that believeth in Me hath everlasting life....' I demand a living faith, complete inner conviction of what you humans are taught about the sacrifice on the cross by those who proclaim the Gospel to you on My instructions.... However, in order to attain this inner conviction it requires an already awakened spirit which enlightens the person from within, which gives him an understanding of the cause, of the reason for the act of love which the man Jesus accomplished.... Only what the human being understands will he be able to believe with conviction.... Thus a person must first give his inner spark of love the opportunity to manifest itself, which can only be brought about by love again. An entirely unloving person can therefore indeed say the words 'I believe in Jesus Christ' but he lacks all inner conviction, consequently, he will never be able to acquire eternal life either. Only love recognises Him, and thus I demand a faith that has come alive through love.... But even the concept of 'love' shall be explained, for this word, too, is frequently misused....

All you humans experience love, but you must ask yourselves in which direction your love aims.... you must learn to differentiate between the desiring and the giving love.... the temporal love, which always wants to own, and the pure divine love, which always wants to give happiness. The fact that an earthly- inclined love will not awaken the divine spiritual spark in you is self-evident, thus it must be the unselfish, happiness-giving love which should be kindled in order to allow for the 'working of the spirit' in you. This love is strength which, once the person has kindled it, will never let him rest, which constantly impels him into loving activity, which is not satisfied with emotions but which completely transform the person's nature, so that he increasingly more often enters into contact with Me, because 'Whoever remains in love remains in God and I in him....'And such love subsequently will also yield a living faith, for the contact with Me through love must also lead to brightest realisation, so that the significance of the act of Salvation is clearly revealed to him and that nothing can shake his faith anymore.... 'Whoever remains in love remains in God and I in him....' Anyone who spends serious thought on these Words must also realise that a person, who is most intimately in contact with Me through love, will also be permeated by My strength of love, that the flow of strength will flow into him.... but that this influx of strength will no longer allow for inactivity. Thus the strength of love must

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somehow take effect.... and namely in a way which testifies to the source of this strength, in an activity which is 'wanted by God'.... in all kinds of **loving actions**. The person can simply no longer refrain from taking loving actions as soon as he is permeated by My strength of love, and thus his love will also prove itself by implementing good deeds.... The human being will more or less show his love for Me in selfless works of neighbourly love and thereby join Me ever more firmly and be saved for time and eternity.... For in that case he believes in Me and My act of Salvation, he has already found redemption because this proven love demonstrates his release from My adversary, who shies away from love because he lacks all love himself. No-one without love will have a living faith, and no-one will feel love within himself who does not manifest it in good deeds, because love is a force which impels people into loving activity. And the reason why no living faith in Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation can be found anymore in the last days.... is because love has grown cold amongst people.... Therefore time and time again **love** must be preached to people first, love for one's neighbour must be so strongly emphasised because only this love testifies to love for Me, and love for one's neighbour will also always require an activity, be it of an earthly or psychological nature.... earthly or spiritual help, which, understandably, will only be valued if it is motivated by love.... All this is so easy to understand and yet, without love, people's thinking is and will remain confused. But the 'redemption' consists of the fact that the human being abandons his opposition and allows himself to be illuminated by My strength of love again as in the beginning, when the spiritual being was still perfect.... From love you once emerged and you shall become love again, only then will you be, and remain, blissfully happy for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Living faith.... Awakening of life....

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Awakening into true life begins when the human being makes conscious contact with God, when he acknowledges a Being above himself.... when he thus believes in this Being and tries to join Him, that is, when he feels a relationship between the higher Being and himself and would like to continue this relationship. In that case the spiritual spark in him has already come alive and is trying to influence him from within to strive towards the eternal Father-Spirit. The spark of love has already ignited itself, thus he will always feel inwardly urged to do deeds of love, although at first they will only consist of being kind towards his fellow human beings.... But love will always be recognisable or the life in him would be unable to arise. And now this life is making itself noticeable, it is effectively a second life within himself, independent from his actual physical life which every human being experiences even if the spiritual spark in him is still dormant and he is thus spiritually dead. But only this second life gives the human being real satisfaction, for then he will be associating with God through directing his thoughts towards Him and through prayer.... And this person will not forget his God either, because God Himself will hold on to him and prevent the person from succumbing to death once more....

Nevertheless, a distinction has to be made between the **intellectual** knowledge of Him and the **living awareness** of a higher Being, for anything taught can be forgotten again, it can be rejected at a later time; it has not yet brought the soul to life.... The latter knowledge, however, can lead to a living faith if the human being is of good will.... And then he will never lose the life again once it has come awake in him. And it can arise from the moment the human being is able to think. For as soon as he is willing to love his thinking will be guided correctly, and then he will seek the bond with God, with a Being to Whom he can give himself with confidence. For the human being feels his own inadequacy, he feels that he needs a Guide and Protector because he is aware of his weakness.... And therefore he **looks for** the Being from Which he expects help in every situation of life.... It happens unconsciously at first but it makes him very happy if he can believe in such a Being and has entered into contact with Him. This is the plain and simple faith which can be gained by every child but which is alive in him and not the result of teachings, which the child can certainly accept but which do not bestow the inner conviction

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upon him. For this conviction involves the child's willingness to love which brings the spiritual spark within itself to life. And everything else will then be induced by this spiritual spark, which time and again will stimulate the person's longing for the eternal Father-Spirit until the person quite consciously establishes the bond through heartfelt prayer which then, however, will absolutely guarantee the Father's care of the child and will never again let it descend into spiritual blindness, into death.

This is why the passing on of religious doctrines is not sufficient; although they will not be rejected they won't necessarily bestow 'life'. Only love manages to attain true life, and this alone motivates the children to think about the religious doctrines and look for the Father, Who will also let Himself be found.... And then the spiritual spark within the person will constantly urge him towards the Father-Spirit. He will feel inwardly pushed to bond with Him; he will feel inwardly pushed into kind-hearted activity and prayer. And both will initiate the unification with Him, which is the purpose and goal of earthly life.... both will awaken the human being into eternal life, into a life he cannot lose anymore because it is the spiritual life which has nothing in common with earthly life. And then the human being will have found his God, the child will have found the Father and surrendered itself to Him forever.... And from now on the human being cannot die again; he will live eternally....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The true church of Christ.... Peter, the rock....

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Levery devout Christian belongs to the church which I Myself founded on earth.... But I emphasize: every devout Christian.... For many people only call themselves 'Christians' because they belong to a 'Christian' denomination, to a denomination which certainly preaches of Christ.... but this does not prove that the people also have a living faith in Him.... And I demand this faith in Me because My church is built upon a profound, living faith. People do not, in fact, openly reject the teachings which have been passed on in tradition.... they dare not disagree, but they have no profound unquestionable faith in My act of Salvation, in My actions as a human being on this earth. Therefore, I cannot acknowledge them as living Christians who belong to My church either, rather they are mere nominal members, formal Christians.... They are people who have never spent serious thought on the problem of God's human manifestation in Jesus, nor do they know about the mission of Jesus the human being, instead they merely consider the events surrounding Jesus the man as a myth, possibly believing in Him as an idealist who wanted the best for His fellow human beings.... But even this cannot be rated by Me as 'faith in Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation'....

However, anyone with a living faith also knows why I demand such faith, so that I can bestow eternal bliss upon him.... This is because an irrevocable part of it is love, only this gives birth to a living faith, and you humans must have this love in order to clearly understand the significance of My act of Salvation for humanity and the reason for My life on earth. And only those who have arrived at such awareness can talk about a maturing of their souls, which is the purpose and aim of earthly life as a human being.... Because My spirit, which I promised to everyone who belongs to My church, to everyone who believes in Me, is working in them.... Enlightenment by the spirit is the sign of belonging to My church, which I Myself founded on earth and if you humans call yourselves 'Christians' while your spirit is not yet enlightened the name 'Christ' cannot mean anything at to you at all.... You are outside of My church even if you belong to an organisation which speaks of Me, because you do not heed the only important sermon: that you should fulfil the commandments of love, which are undeniably taught by every church but which are not made the focal point and therefore it mainly produces dead Christians. However, anyone living with love can belong to any ecclesiastical organisation.... he will be a member of My church, because it is built on the living faith which sprung to life through love.... You can only become blessed through love....

Thus, you will have to comply with My divine teaching of love and thereby prove to Me that you want to belong to My church. And since the divine teaching of love is being preached in every

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Christian organisation you have to exemplify this teaching first and foremost, you should not give precedence to other additional commandments by people, for these do not benefit the soul's maturity but only stop you from fulfilling My will, Who gave you the commandments of love for God and other people. Thus, living Christians, who will subsequently be regarded as members of the church founded by Me, will be able to emerge from every church. But not one of these churches can claim to be the only beatifying one, because only love results in blissfulness and this love can and will be practised by followers of all denominations, who will then also be regarded as true Christians, who are aspirants for My kingdom which is not of this world. Consequently, it is irrelevant which school of thought you join in earthly life if only your life of love leads you to a living faith in Me and My act of Salvation.... Then I will admit you into My church, then you will also exemplify My Word which I taught on earth; you can follow Me by living with love, as I have done. In this way you will become true followers of My teaching, because I came to earth to ignite the love which you humans had stifled due to My adversary's influence.... I taught love and exemplified it.... and anyone living with love like Me follows Me, he joins Me.... He belongs to the church I founded because he has the same faith as Peter, the rock on which I built My church.... Do understand these Words correctly and do not apply their wrong interpretation.... Because Peter's followers are only those who, by means of a life of love, have acquired the very same solid faith within themselves and who thus have the right to call themselves followers of 'My church'....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God requires a living faith....

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Only ever believe in Me with a living faith, that is, don't be satisfied with words or other people's assurances but closely unite with Me in thought and speak to Me like a child speaks to its father, plainly and simply and full of childlike trust; always let Me walk beside you as your friend and brother, and tell Me everything that inwardly bothers you, always appealing for My assistance to help you reach perfection while you are still on earth. You should no longer lead a single life, you should always request My presence and feel it too, for every sincere thought draws Me to yourselves, and if you establish this bond with Me yourselves then strength will always flow to you as well, which you can use for deeds of love again.... thus through love you join with Me ever more closely. Hence anyone who does not exclude his God and Creator from his thoughts is also daily and hourly under His Fatherly care, and his earthly life will always proceed such that it will benefit his soul.... For anyone connected with Me in thought already leads a spiritual life, and his soul will constantly ascend....

But how many people spend their lives without considering their God and Creator, they only ever entertain earthly thoughts and just anxiously worry about their physical wellbeing.... And although they call themselves Christians because they belong to a religious organisation they only occasionally establish a relationship with Me, and this is not sufficiently alive in order to generate spiritual achievement.... Much has become a formality which, however, is only of value if it is carried out with a living faith, just as prayer is not what it should be.... a child's heartfelt dialogue with the Father; instead people are satisfied with empty words which don't come from the heart and are merely voiced by the mouth.

I, however, Am a living God, everything has to be truthful before Me, and therefore I want a living contact established by you with Me, but this also guarantees higher development and leads the soul to the goal. For would I leave a child or consider it poorly, be it spiritually or even earthly, once it has made heartfelt contact with Me, to whom I Am truly the Father it can unreservedly trust? But where this intimate bond is missing there still exists a broad gulf, the human being looks for Me in the distance, he speaks of Me as a Being Which is unattainable to him and Which he indeed acknowledges because of Its might which he cannot deny in view of the creations, who also admits to Its wisdom

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which is demonstrated to him through the creations, but who does not know anything about the **love** of a God Who wants to be a Father to all living creations because he has not spent serious thought on the Being Who had brought him into existence. And as long as I Am merely the distant God for people they will live their earthly life without spiritual achievements, for they lack the flow of strength to travel the path of ascent which, however, requires the living creation's heartfelt connection to Me in order to enlighten him.

This is why every human being will achieve his goal if he is able to establish this close relationship with Me, if he expresses a living faith in Me through a constant desire for My presence.... And such desire will be granted by Me, and forthwith the person will no longer walk any path alone, I will always guide him, I will always direct his thoughts, and because I no longer meet any resistance the person will also completely enter into My will and improve himself ever more. Where I have found the entrance into a human being's heart My adversary will have lost his power, albeit he will still try everything to win him over for himself again, but My strength, which the human being constantly receives due to My presence, will resist him.

Just let your soul come to life, which will always happen when I can take effect on it Myself, when I can illuminate it with My strength of love, and you always enable Me to do this through a heartfelt bond with Me.... Then you will ask for Me, and the danger will have passed that the adversary can take possession of you, who will take flight from Me and is unable to besiege you so long as I Am present in you.... And you will soon not undertake anything, nor walk anywhere, without having asked for My blessing, and then you can also be certain that I will walk by your side wherever you go, that I will mentally instruct you and let My strength and light flow to you in abundance.... Yet all this is not possible when a person only mentions his God and Creator with his mouth without being inwardly urged to establish contact with this God.... His earthy life will not bring him much spiritual success unless he still changes his thoughts and actions, so that he will learn to recognise Me and then believes in Me with a living faith....

Amen

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Strengthening of faith by the bond with Jesus Christ

Whatever you ask the Father in My name.... '

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And you will truly receive whatever you ask for in My name.... You have to call upon Me in Jesus Christ.... Only someone who acknowledges Me, the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, who recognises his God and Father in Him and thus prays to the 'Father', will find his request granted, for he will be guided by My spirit to the One from Whom he once originated.... Whoever does **not** acknowledge Jesus, the Son of Man, as the heavenly Father's representative.... whoever does **not** believe that I embodied Myself in Jesus the human being, will not send a prayer to Me in complete trust either.... even if he doesn't deny a 'God', but instead his belief in a God and Creator was purely acquired and did not come **alive** in him.... For a **living** faith is the result of love, but love also acknowledges Jesus Christ as God's Son and Redeemer of the world, Who merged with His Father of eternity.... Thus he will no longer separate the Redeemer Jesus Christ from the Eternal Deity, he will have been enlightened by his spirit that He and I are one.... And his prayer will always be granted, for he will only ever request something I can give to him without damaging his soul....

You humans will only be able to understand the true meaning of My Words if My spirit can work in you.... My spirit, however, can only work in you if you allow it to do so, if you, through a life of love, provide it with the opportunity to express itself to you.... But then you will accept My Word as if it was directly spoken to you, for then I will address My children and with My Word will also simultaneously give them the understanding for it.... And then you will be able to consider yourselves blessed, for your soul will receive light.... it will begin to understand, it will mature, for then you will also do everything I ask of you. You will comply with My will and shape yourselves increasingly more into love, and your soul will perfect itself while it is still on earth....

Call upon Me in Jesus Christ and first of all pray to achieve this perfection on earth.... And truly, you will not make this prayer to Me in vain.... For hearing a spiritual request is most pleasing to Me, a spiritual request will be fulfilled, because the Father won't deny His child anything and because the human being already demonstrates his childship by appealing to Me for help to become perfect.... And always pray that you become and stay aware of My presence.... Then you will constantly walk your earthly path in company with your eternal Father, then you can never go wrong, then you will mentally dwell increasingly more in spiritual spheres and your progress will be assured. You could achieve so much if you remember My Word and conduct yourselves in accordance with My Words.... if you 'ask the Father in My name....'

Earthly and spiritually you cannot make an inappropriate request, I will always grant your wishes, for I made this promise to you and I keep My Word. Call upon the divine Redeemer with Whom the Father united Himself.... Call to God in Jesus Christ.... Then you, too, will belong to the redeemed, then you will have penetrated the mystery of God's human manifestation.... For unredeemed people completely lack the belief that I embodied Myself in the human being Jesus.... But you demonstrate this belief when you ask 'the Father in My name'....

Amen

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Strong faith.... answer to prayer....

he strength of faith achieves everything, and therefore the strength of faith does not cause anxiety but the human being confidently lets everything approach him and trusts in the help of Him Who is in heaven, Who possesses all power and Who directs everything according to His will. He does not become discouraged and fears no one but God alone. But he also loves God and this love prompts him to speak to the father like a child and to present all his needs to Him; he trusts in the father's love for His child and from this he also draws the profound faith that He will help him. He feels himself to be the father's child, and this is the reason for his rock-solid trust.... And therefore nothing can frighten or worry him, no matter what may come. The more confidently he expects God's help, the stronger his faith will be, and God will never let it fail. And that is why the human being should not stop struggling and asking for strong faith. He should try to imagine God's infinite love which looks after and cares for everything that has emerged from it.... But love fulfils every request, and the more confidently the human being trusts in divine fatherly love the less he will make wrong requests, for love denies the human being nothing; only the fulfilment must not harm his soul. But a person whose faith in God's infinite love is very strong and unshakeable is no longer in danger of losing himself as soon as his request is granted, for he no longer asks for earthly goods but only for the prevention of severe suffering which he fears. And he himself can banish this suffering through his faith if he lets it grow to such strength that he is fully convinced of the fulfilment of his request. For then he trustingly gives himself entirely to the heavenly father, he humbly awaits His working and also completely submits to His will. And therefore he now also thinks correctly, and this is expressed by the fact that he expects God's help with utmost calmness and confidence because he knows that God's love leans towards the earthly child which firmly believes in Him. God demands a firm unshakeable faith and will therefore never disappoint it. But the human being himself has to struggle for this firm faith, he has to pray fervently to God for the strength of faith, he has to ask that he will not fail when great adversity approaches him. For God will never let this prayer go unheard, which is more for the soul than for the body.... It is a request for spiritual possessions, for a profound unshakeable faith is not an earthly possession but something purely spiritual, it is the foundation of the spiritual kingdom, because without faith no-one can enter the spiritual kingdom which signifies eternal life for the human being, for his soul. For only through faith does the human being come to God, and only faith prompts him to live a way of life pleasing to God, only faith allows him to reach his final aim.... the final union with God....

Amen

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Faith....

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You all have to acquire a much firmer faith and that means that you have to love even more, because love brings forth a living faith.... Performing labours of love creates a direct bond with Me, Who is eternal love.... It should be self-evident that you can no longer doubt or have a weak faith when you are **connected to Me** because then I Am the guarantee Myself that your faith won't be destroyed.... And although your will to believe can be strong.... but you must have an equally strong will to do works of love.... Love has to be the inner driving force of all your intentions and actions, then your faith will be firm and steadfast.... you simply will not be able to doubt anymore but will be **sure** of what you should believe. And this convinced faith will fill you with joy and give you inner peace because then I Am with you Myself, because your deeds of love draw Me closer to you without fail, because 'those who love are in Me and I Am in them....' Love unites us permanently and love gives birth to an unwavering, living faith. And when you pray for a firm faith then you have to pray for a strong will to love at the same time and you will achieve a firm faith indeed.

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I repeatedly give you this information because you are approaching the time when you need a firm, unwavering faith to remain resolved until the end.... If you have this faith nothing can upset you, no matter what happens, because then you know that I will help you and thus you are giving yourselves into My hands with blind faith.... And then I Am indeed always willing to help, I will not leave you at times of physical or spiritual distress because your willingness to love, your way of life, has made you My Own already, you have joined Me again and I Am now able to work in and through you.

A firm faith is the best guarantee you can have because it gives you inner peace and calmness during all earthly events which I can avert from you or reduce their effects because you have faith.... And thus you should always pray: 'Father, help me to do works of love and let my will to love become ever stronger....' And the will to love will grow at the same rate because love guarantees My presence and My presence guarantees help at all times of distress.... Love also guarantees the recognition of all correlations and hence the understanding for everything which, in turn, contributes to the strengthening of faith. Love is everything.... and if you have love you are also filled with strength from Me and this strength enables you to do unusual things when necessary, when love is the driving force that makes you want to help.... Then you have the faith that moves mountains.... and then you won't fear whatever happens to you. Because then you are connected to Him, Who is Lord above all, Who can command the elements to spare you and Who wants to prove Himself as your Father.... Who loves His children and will not leave them to become victims of destruction.... Ask Me every day for the strengthening of your faith and the will to love, as this is a spiritual request which I certainly will fulfil because love and faith are necessary for your perfection....

Amen

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Power of faith in the coming time

Unshakeable faith.... preparation for the time to come....

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rue faith does not ask for proof and yet remains unshakeable, for the voice of the heart tells it that L it is not mistaken, and thus it needs no proof. And such faith will not waver, no matter how much the adversary shakes it.... Man will neither doubt nor allow himself to be deprived of one iota of what faith teaches him. On the contrary, he will strengthen his fellow human beings in their still weak faith and stand up with full conviction for what he has recognized as divine truth. And this is how faith should be when all the forces of the underworld unfold their activities and fight against faith. Then they shall find strong resistance in those believers who are faithful to the lord. And this resistance will break them, i.e. the believers will be victorious. The lord points to that time with the words: "He who believes in Me will have eternal life....", they will overcome death, they will be stronger than the opposing power, for they believe in the one Who has given them this promise, they believe in Jesus Christ, the son of God and saviour of the world. Consequently, He also stands by them in every earthly and spiritual adversity, for this is how He rewards the love and faith of His living creations who recognize Him as their creator. He fills them with His love and with His (grace) power, and this is able to make man deeply faithful, thus man comes through his deep faith to the love of God and through this again to power and grace. That is why the blessing of true faith should be preached to people, for they will need it in the coming times. And blessed are those who then have the right faith, for they will not fear the world but will be convinced of the divine might and strength and love and therefore always know one Who will take care of them in every adversity and Who will stand by them in the battle which will break out for the sake of faith.... a battle which is of utmost importance, which will be waged with all means and demand countless sacrifices in spiritual as well as earthly terms. And God Himself is preparing this battle of faith.... He first strengthens the people who profess their love and loyalty to Him, He announces the time to them and informs them of the signs which precede the battle of faith....

(4.7.1942) For it is His will that the believers prepare themselves for this time and ask and wrestle for strong faith.... He therefore gives them strength through His word. He brings Himself so close to them that they feel Him and their faith is thereby strengthened. And His spirit floods them and gives them the realization that everything happens for the sake of people and that what comes must also be endured because it is inevitable. The will to believe must be present, then the human being need not fear that he might ever lack strength if this strength of faith is required. For then God is with every individual who calls upon Him and brings him help in his adversity. But a convinced faith is not fearful and despondent, but courageous and strong.... A person may send his thoughts to God in prayer and trust, but he does not doubt that he will be helped, for he knows that he is protected by the promise of Christ: "He who believes in Me will have eternal life...." The believer, however, does not value earthly life highly and only strives for eternal life. And he is certain of all earthly help from God, because he places his life and his fate in God's hands. A true faith is also able to give much strength to his fellow human beings, for it is a testimony to the fact that man overcomes everything more easily and therefore an incentive for those to emulate him....

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The power of faith in times to come....

he power of faith will be revealed in such a way that even the most dismissive people will be Laken aback. The believing person will be the living testimony to the truth of what he advocates, for he will accomplish things which run counter to the laws of nature.... he will acquire the power of Jesus Christ at His call and the lord Himself will now work through him. For the human being will find himself in situations where only strong faith in God will sustain him, and God will not allow this faith to be put to shame. And thus the believers can look forward to the coming time undaunted, they will be protected by the Most High despite all tribulations, and where earthly measures seem unbearable they will be given the strength to become masters of them. And this time has also been planned since eternity; humanity shall recognize that God is with those who stand by Him, they shall recognize the truth of the divine word and be able to convince themselves of what the power of faith can do. The believing person will have a weapon against which the adversary will be powerless, for even the forces of nature will be subject to his will as soon as he needs them for his protection or as proof of the truthfulness of the divine word. And he will be able to banish evil if it wants to harm him. He will be visibly protected by God, even though his earthly destruction is planned. And this time is also announced in word and scripture, for God foresaw the time and the necessity of His obvious working through people, and thus He uses those who are faithfully devoted to Him and equips them with great strength so that His promise will be fulfilled: "You will do even greater things...." and "Whatever you ask the father in My name He will give you...." And the adversity will produce a strong faith, for the followers of Jesus will come into great distress, and the word of God will be their only source of comfort and strength.... And from it they will draw, and strength will noticeably flow over them.... Undaunted and confident, they will accept everything, always assured of God's help, which is assured to them through His word.... And so the word has life, it comes true because it is awakened to life, because people live exactly according to it and therefore the promises must also be fulfilled in them, as it is proclaimed beforehand. And anyone who calls this profound faith his own it will be crushed the earthly power, for he will always oppose it with the power of God and be fearless and assured of God's help.... And so he will be invulnerable to it as long as he is a fighter for God....

amen

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Strength of faith.... Help in every need....

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You may ask for My help in every need even though the fulfilment of your request seems impossible to you. Only then will you understand the strength of faith when the remarkable guidance of My will resolves this need as a result. My power and My love copes with what appears impossible to you.... providing your prayer shows Me a strong faith, providing you entrust yourselves unto Me with complete confidence.... Therefore, take refuge in Me with all your needs, tell Me your problems, relinquish your worries and fears, and appeal for My help.... And truly, I won't let you call in vain when your prayer expresses profound faith and you humbly await My help. Hence you need not fear anymore, providing you firmly believe.... The deeply devout human being belongs to Me eternally, he belongs to My Church, he is one of those whom I will never leave and who therefore always enjoys My protection too.

But now, for the sake of other people and even for yourselves, as a test of faith I send worldly perils time after time that you should prove yourselves, that your fellow human beings should find Me and through you find evidence of strength of faith, that they too should learn to believe and thus reduce their spiritual poverty. And although everything takes place in accordance with My plan of eternity, the faithful human being need not fear anything because My guidance is miraculous, My power is more than great, and My love always finds a solution to every problem for those who belong to Me. Thus, what is unavoidably necessary for the whole of humanity, what it perceives as hardship and

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misery, can leave someone with complete trust in Me utterly unimpressed; he need not be affected by it even though he stands right in the centre of an event which the entire human race identifies as disastrous because he holds on to My hand and this guides him safely and unharmed through all difficulties. You are able to banish everything with a firm faith, and neither people nor spiritual forces can harm you if you escape to Me with a firm faith, entrust yourselves unto Me and unconditionally abandon yourselves to Me and My mercy.

I, however, know the strength of faith in every single person, and his destiny is arranged in accordance with his faith.... But in order to become perfect the soul has to struggle for this strong faith, it cannot be given to the soul without its contribution, without its aspiration and sincere prayer. But someone who struggles for deep, steadfast faith will also attain it because his prayer is for spiritual wealth and won't remain unheard. Therefore he is confronted time and again with events which should deepen his prayer, which are intended to strengthen the faith. Hence you may turn to Me with all your needs and ask Me for prevention or help.... And I certainly won't disappoint you, I will always be ready to help, so that you learn to know Me, My love and My omnipotence and your faith becomes ever deeper until you live your earthly life completely carefree, because you know of the strength of faith and at all times put your trust in Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Reassuring advice to have faith....

B.D. No. **3802** June 16th 1946

You are so timid and fearful and yet could be so strong with firm faith in Me and My willingness to help.... Nothing is impossible, for My power accomplishes everything, and even seemingly impossible help can be granted to you if only you have faith. And therefore you need not be deterred by anything, you need not let hardship nor worry discourage you once you hand them over to Me in firm belief of My love and omnipotence.... Then I will help you and even solve the most difficult earthly problem.... For I will not leave My Own and will be their helper in every adversity and peril. Where else should My love and power express Itself, if not to those who strive towards Me of their own accord, and with the love of a child put their trust in the Father to help them in every hardship?.... Where else should the strength of faith be applied if not to those who are My true children, because they acknowledge and love Me and always try to fulfil My will?

When you speak of God's greater than great love, then it will surely extend to His living creations, for love takes hold of everything and desires unification. And thus, the Father's heart, too, moves towards His children and wants to give them unlimited love in order to please them now and eternally. The Father's love expresses itself in never-ending helpfulness, in keeping every danger at bay, in giving the child profound wisdom and knowledge.... But the child has to accept its Father's gifts without resistance, then it will mature and hold on to its Father with heartfelt love and be indescribably happy.

Would you then be able to experience any kind of adversity that could not be averted by the Father? Hence you should totally trust in Me and not become fearful when you are approached by hardship due to My permission or My will....

I want to test and fortify your faith so that it will become increasingly more steadfast, and the less you fail the closer I will be to you, for I will never leave you again once you have found Me. And whatever happens, it will be good for you, for you truly do not recognise the urgency and purpose of your earthly fate. But I know how you can be helped best, and you can unreservedly trust in My guidance, you need not fear for a moment but always just take refuge in My love which will never be withdrawn from you again. Believe firmly and steadfastly that I will help you.... and My help will not fail to materialise, so that you will clearly recognise the strength of faith, so that you will feel Me and My activity, and as My children join Me ever more intimately until nothing will be able to separate you from the Father's heart, no matter what goes on around you.... And therefore you can look

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forward to every day with complete confidence, and you should even believe firmly when you sense great unrest around you, for you will banish every threatening adversity through your faith, as I have promised, that strength of faith will be able to do everything.... that nothing is impossible for God....

Amer

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"He who believes in Me...."

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He who believes in Me shall not die for eternity..." These Words of promise of Mine very often cause you humans to draw erroneous conclusions if you believe that it is only enough for you to confess with your mouth or not deny that I walked the earth in the man Jesus.... if you believe that it is enough for you not to dispute the existence of the man Jesus, Who is said to have died on the cross for humanity.... if you only accept without contradiction what you have been taught since childhood without having seriously dealt with it yourselves. For the fact that you believe that I Myself lived on earth in the human being Jesus does not yet testify to your inner attitude towards this greatest act of mercy of My divine love, it does not testify to Me whether you want to belong to those whom I have redeemed through My blood which was shed for you on the cross. You first have to realize what I mean by a right faith, which I require in order to be able to give you eternal life.... Accepting a teaching without contradiction is not yet faith, for a right faith first requires serious reflection about this teaching, it demands a serious opinion about it.... And the result of a person's reflection can also be wrong if he lacks the good will to arrive at the truth and if he is without love.... which completely excludes a **right** faith. For a person without love will never be able to believe correctly, because a true faith is only awakened to life through love, but without love only a confession with the mouth can be expected but never an inner conviction of the truth of what the person should believe. And thus a person without love can never refer to My promise that "he will not die for eternity...." if only he can believe My word.... if he only acknowledges My life on earth and the crucifixion because he was taught this way but his inner attitude towards this teaching is still lacking.... because he does not have the will to live in love and to attain the right truth. So then his faith is a dead faith which can also never give him 'life' in eternity. But very many people hope for this promise, who only go through earthly life as formal christians, who do not think seriously but only allow themselves to be satisfied with such words and believe of their own accord that they belong to those who "will live in eternity...." But I demand more from people, for I want them to become truly blessed. And thus I also demand a clear decision from them in all truthfulness.... I demand that they also follow Him in Whom they claim to believe, that they live a way of life in love as Jesus lived it.... And if they do so they will also start to think about this person and His actual mission, and only then will they themselves mentally take a stand on the teachings which so far only their intellect but not their heart had processed. And only then will it be decided whether and what the human being believes of the teachings which were conveyed to him educationally, and only then will his faith become a living faith which has the strength within itself to let the human being penetrate ever deeper into the great problem of God's incarnation and His act of salvation.... Only now is faith the way I want it to be in order to reward it with eternal life, for only now is the human being's attitude towards Me as the divine redeemer Jesus Christ such that it is possible to speak of a right faith which secures the human being 'eternal life' in accordance with My promise. And if you humans seriously ask yourselves then many a person will have to admit to himself that he, too, lives in such a formal faith which certainly accepts Jesus Christ because he does not presume to reject Him outright but which does not yet have the inner conviction of Jesus the man's mission and of My nature which has taken abode in Him for the purpose of your redemption. You also have to 'live' on earth, i.e. let your thoughts and your will become active, if you want to attain eternal life, living faith in Me in Jesus Christ, Who has redeemed you from sin and death.... Only then will you "not taste death for eternity", you will enter into life as I have promised you....

Amen

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