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# Jesus Christ Is The Door To Life

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

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hey 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

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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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#### Events in the realm of spirits before the creation of the world....

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ou came forth from My love.... thus you are beings whose fundamental substance is love like Me **L** and therefore could be spoken of as images when you belonged to Me and My strength of love constantly overflowed into you. And as long as you therefore belonged to Me you were also most perfect; you were full of power and light; you stood in brightest light; you recognized everything; you knew about all connections, and this extensive knowledge made you happy, because you could now also work in all wisdom and prepare immense happiness for yourselves. For you were able to work and create in free will and yet stood in the same will with Me, your God and Creator, and you therefore moved in fullest harmony.... you moved in divine order.... And I delighted in the happiness of My creatures which I, however, wanted to increase even more insofar as that every being should move in free will, independently of Me... because then the bliss increased limitlessly when the being.... uninfluenced by Me.... entered into My will, although it could also think, want and act against My will, because the freedom of its will did not impose any restriction on it.... It could increase its bliss without limit.... But there was also the danger that the being directed its free will wrongly and acted against My will, which now resulted in the opposite: that the being became unhappy, because only remaining in My eternal order guaranteed the state of happiness for the being.... but thinking, wanting and acting against My order brought the being lightlessness and powerlessness and bondage.... a state which could **not** be called happy. Therefore the fall of the beings was a result of free will, but which again had to be granted to the being, otherwise it would not have been of divine origin, because free will is the proof and belonging to a divine being. The fact that this will now turned wrong and took a wrong direction was the cause of the creation of the world. Because all beings striving away from Me through this wrong will also once again had to strive towards Me in free will to reach again that original happiness, because I want to consider and fill everything that has come out of Me with My exceedingly great love, what is founded in My eternal order. Because love always just radiates love, only no resistance is allowed to be put against this love, otherwise it remains ineffective. Therefore the being once again has to give up its resistance, and that is the purpose of the endless long course through creation, which I called into life to cause the once fallen being to change back, which again has to take place in free will, as once also the falling away from Me had free will as reason. My love no longer stops eternally; My love also pursues the being straying from Me, but it does not force it to return.... But it knows innumerable ways and means to once again achieve the return to Me.... But My love also does not give up on a single being, even if it puts itself on the defensive towards Me for eternal times.... Once it nevertheless returns to Me in free will, then I can fill it again as in the beginning.... You men now, who dwell on earth, to you the knowledge is to be passed on about what preceded the creation of the world, so that you take knowledge of your God and creator

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and his plan of salvation from eternity.... No fellow human being can give you such knowledge unless he has received it from Me Myself. For a human being will never know of his own accord about the deepest secrets of creation and all processes in the spiritual kingdom.... Because man is in that state of lack of knowledge through exactly that former apostasy from Me, through his once wrongly directed will. But an explanation is to be given to him; he is to know about his beginning and his aim to now lead his earth life accordingly, which is to earn him the return to Me when he submits himself to My will again..... And such knowledge can only be given to him by Myself.... And that I impart it to you already proves to you My great love towards you, which therefore expresses itself to also win back your love, which alone can establish the union between us, which is purpose and aim of your earth life as man. This knowledge supplied to you is a sign, a proof out of that spiritual world, which you once had left, because you stepped out of the eternal order, when you directed your will wrongly. And when therefore such a clear proof is given to you men out of that spiritual world that your God and creator reveals himself to you by him giving you knowledge of those processes in the kingdom of spirits, which preceded the creation of the world, then these revelations are only to cause you to it, to seek contact with the kingdom which is outside of the earthly realm, which is your true home and should therefore be striven for by you with all your strength, because only then will you be able to experience the infinite love of your God and creator again, Who, as father, wants to make you happy with all the glories in His kingdom.... For you would never strive towards Him in earthly existence if you were not given a small light as to what you were in the beginning, what you are now and what you shall become again.... For I want to receive you again as My children and fill you with My love, I also want to possess your love and be united with you forever....

Amen

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#### The light descended to Earth....

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December 24th 1960

he world was held in bondage.... You should understand that no-one who stayed on earth, no-one ▲ who lived in Lucifer's world which sheltered the fallen beings, was able to release himself from Satan's bondage.... He kept everyone shackled and would never ever have released them either, for he was devoid of all love, he was purely motivated by hatred and opposition to Me, Who is eternal Love Itself and from Whom he, too, had originated.... The world was held in bondage.... and therefore I Myself descended to earth in order to sever these fetters, to break the chains, to help the fallen beings ascend again.... in order to deliver people from his power. My descent to earth was an act of greatest compassion, for this wretched state was people's own fault, since they once followed him voluntarily. They existed in darkness and not even the smallest light would have been accepted by these fallen beings had I not taken pity on them and ignited a light in them.... in order to show them the path which leads to Me, back to their Father, Whom they had once voluntarily left. This is why the Light Itself came into the world.... The Eternal Light embodied Itself in an infant in order to take the path as a human being on this earth, and the infant Jesus became My outer shell.... I availed Myself of the human form in order to accomplish the act of Salvation, in order to defeat My adversary in an open battle and to wrest **those** souls from him who had the will and the desire to return to Me.... I paid the purchase price for these souls, I sacrificed My life on the cross, I bought them from My adversary with My blood.... Thus I started the earthly path as a human being with the birth of the boy child Jesus, which already started in an unusual way because this human being called Jesus had to fulfil an unusual mission: to serve Me Myself as a shell, because the sinful human race would have been unable to endure Me in My abundance of light and thus the 'Light of Eternity' had to enshroud itself. Nevertheless, exceptional light shone from the infant Jesus already, yet only visible to those whose loving way of life enabled them to endure the light and who therefore were permitted to come close to Me, for I knew who possessed this inner maturity and drew the few people to Me, who thus paid homage to Me as an infant like their king, for their clear souls recognised Me and prayed to Me.

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My birth took place in seclusion for the abundance of spirit which permeated the infant Jesus at His birth caused the most miraculous happenings, and thus a few people were able to recognise that the announcements of many prophets were coming true, who had predicted the Messiah Who was to bring salvation to people in dire need. Those who still believed in a God and whose hearts were willing to love expectantly yearned for their Messiah and their hopes were fulfilled when I was born.... But they were unaware of the fact that I Myself had descended to earth, they were unaware that their God and Creator laid in the manger before them.... although they were seized by sacred awe and felt drawn to the infant in the manger with their whole being. For My love shone forth to them from this infant and touched their hearts.... And this was the start of My mission of giving love and of thereby awakening people's love in return. I took the life as a human being upon Myself, I conformed to all laws of nature, I consciously travelled an earthly path whose goal had been the suffering and dying on the cross. And although the spirit within Me occasionally broke through and expressed itself I was nevertheless no more advantaged than other people, for I had to overcome the pestering of everything which was unspiritual in exactly the same way as is your task, for I wanted to exemplify for you a life as it complied with the Father's will, Who was within Me.... I, too, had to shape and spiritualise My corporeal body such that the Eternal Love was able to take abode in it. And My way of life constantly offered Me the opportunity for that; after all, I lived My life as a 'human being' because all of you humans were meant to follow My example by preparing your human body as a vessel for the divine spirit.... just as I had to do and did during My early years and during the years before My actual teaching activity.... And the Father took abode in the man Jesus, Who shaped Himself such that He served Me as a dwelling place, so that I, therefore, as Jesus the man, was 'full of the Holy Spirit', so that I taught and performed miracles because the Father Himself was within Me.... Every person can achieve this if he only is of good will to serve the divine spirit as a vessel into which it can flow, and then every person will also be able to release himself from the adversary's bondage, for as soon as he has entered into unity with Me in Jesus Christ, I Myself will loosen the chains and set him free.... For I lived on earth in order to redeem humanity.... I brought people the light so that they will find and indeed be able to cover the path which leads back to Me, back into the Father's house....

Amen

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**Good Friday....**B.D. No. **7577**April 15th 1960

hrough My suffering and death on the cross you found redemption from sin and death.... I offered the sacrifice for you as a human being, I gave My life in dreadful agony in order to redeem your guilt of sin, in order to open the kingdom of light for you again which was closed to you due to your fall into sin. And this sacrifice was made by love in Me, for this alone was capable of accomplishing such a work of mercy, because love is the strength, because love is God Himself from eternity.... What the man Jesus suffered you humans will never be able to measure, for although I Myself was in Him the human body was not spared the suffering and pain because He wanted to atone for the great guilt for the sake of righteousness.... The sin of the past apostasy from Me was so immeasurably great that the beings themselves could not have atoned for it, even if eternities had passed. For the beings were full of light when they rebelled against Me.... And the man Jesus, by virtue of His immense love, knew about this great guilt, He knew that this sin demanded an immense atonement so that justice would be satisfied.... And He offered Himself as a sacrifice to Me, and I accepted this sacrifice because love offered it, or also: I offered it Myself, I Who am eternal love.... I took abode in the man Jesus, I filled Him with My spirit, with My love, which is strength, and thus the man Jesus also mustered the strength for this work of salvation, which was associated with immeasurable suffering and torment, which corresponded to the magnitude of the guilt.... For He wanted to redeem this guilt of sin, He wanted to make atonement for the sake of righteousness.... He also knew the hardship humanity was in when no help was brought to it, and His soul had offered itself to Me as a sacrifice, His soul had remained with Me when His brothers plunged into the abyss, and His soul offered itself for their

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salvation because they were no longer able to ascend and because the path of return into the father's house was also blocked for them as long as their great guilt of sin had not been redeemed. The soul of Jesus knew everything.... I had sent My son to earth, I had accepted His offer to make atonement for His fallen brothers.... And He knew about the measure of suffering that awaited Him. But His love impelled Him, His love was for Me and the fallen brothers whom He wanted to bring back to Me again.... He descended to earth and walked the path as a human being, He completely accepted Me into Himself; the love which filled Him more and more.... I Myself.... determined everything He did, for this love was only meant for enslaved humanity which He wanted to release from My adversary's fetters. And so He walked the path of the cross.... the path of suffering and love.... until the time had come when He sacrificed His life for His fellow human beings, until the day had come when He suffered death on the cross in excruciating pain and agony, when He sacrificed Himself on the cross in order to redeem the great guilt of sin which burdened humanity. He suffered unspeakably, unspeakable pain was inflicted on Him by His adversaries who, as My adversary's emissaries, went wild on Him.... They were sufferings which no human being would have been able to endure had He not been sustained by the strength of love.... had not love itself filled Him and given Him the strength to persevere until His death. And this act of love redeemed humanity from eternal death.... God's justice had been satisfied, My love had made the atonement and people were free from their guilt who acknowledge Jesus' act of salvation and want to participate in it.... I Myself took pity on people, I Myself accomplished the act of salvation in the human being Jesus, I chose a human form which took superhuman suffering upon itself so that My act of mercy became evident to humanity, so that it recognized the magnitude of its guilt and now carries its guilt to Him of its own accord Who died for it on the cross.... And since I Myself was thus in this man Jesus, people now come to Me with their guilt and ask Me for forgiveness.... They acknowledge Me as they once refused to acknowledge Me, and they thereby recognize and confess their guilt.... And I accept everyone who carries his guilt under the cross, and for everyone the path to Me is now also free, for everyone the path to the father's house is free, for Jesus Christ has opened the gates which were closed due to the fall....

Amen

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## Descent into hell.... Lucifer's opposition....

B.D. No. **6531** April 25th 1956

It is true that I descended into hell after My death on the cross and that I also brought redemption to those who had not yet entered the gate into eternal bliss, because this gate first had to be opened by My death on the cross.... Countless souls had awaited the hour of their salvation and I appeared to them as Jesus the human being, and I described to them My suffering and death because they, too, had to voluntarily acknowledge Me as Son of God and Saviour of the world. But I was also accepted by those who had lived a good life on earth; I was not rejected by everyone, nevertheless countless souls resisted Me and rejected the gift of grace, My Salvation.... My adversary's influence on these souls was so strong that they only saw Me as the human being who had revolted against earthly rulers and hence was sentenced to death.... The freedom of will had to be upheld for all these souls. Therefore I could not appear in power and glory.... I had to come amongst them just as I had walked amongst the people on earth.... as a human being Who only by means of the Word tried to convince them of His mission and the accomplished act of Salvation.

But My adversary did not want to let go of the souls, nevertheless for the first time he realised the consequence of My act of Salvation.... he could not hold on to the souls who acknowledged Me, who voluntarily wanted to follow Me through the gate which had been opened by Me for them.... They were released from his power, they broke the chains with the strength they received from Me, because I Myself had loosened them.... Hence My adversary raged even more amongst his followers, and now the battle of light against darkness (the battle of darkness against light) began in earnest and has never ceased, and thus rages on earth and in the spiritual kingdom.... I had descended into hell to bring salvation to all those whose earthly life had ended before I came to earth.... to all those who, in spite of

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a right way of life, were still subject to My adversary who even fought against Me Myself and against whom I fought on earth for every soul he was keeping in chains.... And he lost a large proportion of his followers....

I had died for all those souls and everyone could have liberated themselves from him. But his fury was never-ending when he saw himself deprived of his followers.... when he had to realise that I had gained a victory, but which was entirely achieved by love. He, too, could have submitted himself to love, yet his power, his ownership, was still too large and he resisted the strength of My love, and hence it could not take effect on him either. But the moment had come when he had to realise that his power was defeated.... He had to accept that he had found his master in the human being Jesus, Whose love had achieved unification with Me.... And thus his hate grew ever stronger because the divine Saviour Jesus Christ had now become a serious opponent Who could take his followers away by virtue of His love. But My adversary still found a helpful solution in the fact that this depends on every being's free will and constantly tries to influence his victim's will, be it on earth or even in the spiritual kingdom. But I descended into hell after My death on the cross, and I continue to descend into hell to bring salvation to all those who want to liberate themselves from him, and he will not be able to stop Me, he will never be able to forcibly retain the souls who want to follow My call.... His power has been defeated by My death on the cross, but even this crucifixion could not break his resistance, his hatred and his will are unyielding, his actions are evil, and his essence is entirely without love ....

For this reason he lacks the strength to give life to the dead. His remaining strength will only ever be used for negative actions, and thus positive strength has to weaken his activity ever more.... love has to attract and draw to itself everything which is lifeless and then revive it again.... With My descent into hell the return of the once fallen beings to Me had started, the awakening of the dead into life had commenced, for love has proven that it is stronger than hate, love has made

Amends on the cross for the guilt which had resulted in the death of the beings. And thus life has been bought for them, he who had put the beings into the state of death had been defeated....

Amen

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Resurrection....

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Be glad and rejoice for He has risen from the dead....' These were the words of My Own and they believed in Me that I was Jesus Christ, the Anointed of the Lord, that I was really and truly God and had redeemed the world through My crucifixion. I had risen from the dead.... Thereby I had given them the evidence of the truth of My Words: 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up....' I had broken the power of death.... However, My resurrection was only meant to be the evidence for people that life does not end with the death of the body.... They should learn to believe in life after death, and therefore I allowed people to witness what every single soul will have to expect after its earthly demise. For everyone lacked this faith, even the priests and scribes referred to the prophets' death as evidence that even the most pious people will ultimately fall prey to death.... For they had no idea about the consequences of people's conduct, they doubted the resurrection of the soul, and therefore the teachings of the man Jesus were incomprehensible and inconvenient for them. And I wanted to clearly show people the spiritual consequences of following My teachings....

I was Lord over life and death.... During My life on earth I raised the dead and yet, people didn't believe that I had power over life and death.... And so I proved it to them, using Myself, that I was also Lord over death.... that life cannot be taken from **that** person who has already gained it spiritually, even if his **earthly** life is taken away from him....

But I also raised the physical body as a sign that nothing earthly adhered to it anymore, that it was also spiritualised and thereby had the inherent strength to arise in spiritual form.... Nothing earthly

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clung to My body anymore, as it had purged itself completely through appalling pain, because everything of an earthly nature had changed itself into spirit and this spirit was subsequently able to arise fully alive.... For this reason the body was able to emerge from the grave, for nothing kept it on earth....

The whole of humanity was intended to be informed of this process that, as well as why, it was possible to come back to life after physical death, for on this information.... on this faith in My resurrection.... also depends the faith in My divinity, the faith in My mission on earth as the Son of God, and, as a result of fulfilling this mission, they would attain complete union with God....

I have really and truly arisen from the dead and visibly showed Myself to My Own.... and thereby I proved to people that I had conquered death as a human being, that the one who had brought death into the world did not have the power to keep My body on earth, which, through the act of Salvation, was already clothed in a spiritual garment.... And this act of Salvation was made for the whole of humanity.... Consequently, no soul can be kept back by My adversary which - having been redeemed by My crucifixion - has escaped his power.... It need not fear death; it will arise to eternal life and can be jubilant and rejoice, for it knows that its Redeemer is alive and that He will give life to everyone who believes in Him and His resurrection....

Amen

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#### Easter.... resurrection - overcoming death....

B.D. No. **5644** April 5th 1953

Remember death, but do not be afraid of it, for I have overcome death and have risen from the dead to give you faith that there is also a resurrection for you to life which lasts forever. Death has been overcome, I have bought life for all who want to live and do the same as I did on earth, to put the soul and the body into a state of life which no longer allows death, even though the physical shell ceases to carry out its activity, even though the human being dies.

The soul will enter eternal life and will never be able to pass away.... And thus you need no longer fear the hour of death, which was certainly justified before My crucifixion, before My resurrection, for the gate to eternal life was closed, I first had to open it so that the soul could now enter the kingdom of life. Through My death on the cross I acquired everyone's entitlement, I opened the gate and showed all people the path which leads to this gate.... I showed people how they could acquire eternal life like Me, how the human being himself can overcome death, which is a state of powerlessness and darkness and therefore has to be replaced by a state of strength and light in order to have been overcome. People were completely weakened in will under the spell of the one who was My adversary, they were inactive because they were powerless, for they lacked love which would have supplied them with strength without measure. My adversary had people firmly under his control, he prevented them from working with love and therefore also prevented the supply of strength which was necessary for life, for a state of free activity.... And their weakened will was the result of sin.... But I took all people's sins upon Myself, I atoned for the great guilt through My crucifixion and now acquired a strengthened will for people.... I loosened the chains with which My adversary had bound them and helped them to now stir in life-witnessing activity.... They were now able to perform works of love when they called upon Me for help.... I overcame death, i.e. My adversary.... Through My death, My work of love for the enslaved beings, I paid him the ransom and thus bought you off.... You are now free and can work again if you live on earth as I have presented it to you, in unselfish love for God and your neighbour. Then you will also emerge from the grave of death into eternal life, then no power will hold you back in darkness any longer, then you will throw off all bodily coverings and freely enter the kingdom of the beyond, full of vitality and in the most radiant light, then you will also have risen from the dead in truth, your soul will no longer know any fetters, it will only leave behind the immature spiritual, the bodily cover, in order to also enable it to mature. The soul can no longer be held back by the power of

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darkness, it is free and strives towards Me, Who redeemed it from dark power, Who Myself rose from the dead on the third day in order to show you humans that I have conquered death....

Amen

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Fear of death....

B.D. No. 6228

April 4th 1955

**Every** soul has to pass through the gate to eternity, no human being can turn away from this path, everyone has to exchange his stay on earth with the stay in the kingdom of the beyond.... All must discard their heavy earthly body, because only the **soul** enters that kingdom, but everything earthly remains on earth, even if the soul is still so strongly connected to it. Yet it can rejoice and exult on entering the kingdom of the beyond but also arrive there in utmost unhappiness, in hardship and poverty, depending on the human being's life on earth. The stay in the spiritual kingdom can also cause the most beautiful earthly life to fade, but this can also have to be exchanged for extremely dark surroundings, which the soul already feels before and therefore resists leaving the body as long as possible. Yet all people are facing this hour, and no-one can prolong his life by just one day.... the hour of departure from this earth has been foreseen since eternity, and the soul has to bow to divine law. But it has it in its own hands to shape the transition from the earthly to the spiritual kingdom gloriously, and then it will not be able to wait for the hour when it will be released from the heavy earthly garment and clothed in a spiritual garment in which it can now move freely and blissfully and offer praise and thanks to its creator and father Who has prepared this blissful fate for it. Irrevocably, every human being is called away from this earth... and death means fear and terror for most people, they think of it with unease and do nothing to get rid of this terror.... because they don't believe but are nevertheless deeply afraid of the hour of death. And they will not get rid of this uneasiness until they seriously examine themselves, until they give themselves an account of whether and how they could survive if they had to answer for it.... A serious self-examination could cause them to change, to live according to God's will or according to what they themselves know to be right.... and their fear of the hour of death will diminish the more they work on themselves, even if they are not yet able to believe correctly. A right and righteous way of life also includes loving actions, and then the teachings of faith will no longer seem so unacceptable; the human being will occupy himself in thought with questions which previously did not touch him... because the will to live right is already a step closer to God, in Whom it is difficult for him to believe.... Every person knows or feels what is right and just, and if he only allows himself to be guided more by his feelings, he will also learn to think differently.... he will be more concerned with his departure and the state afterwards, and he will look forward to his end more calmly, for now he will follow his inner voice more, he will act as he deems right, and he will learn to believe.... And then he will also find God before his time is over, and the hour of death will also have lost its terror for him....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

# Jesus' resurrection took the sting out of death

B.D. No. **7086** April 7th 1958

Every person's final hour is preordained.... And yet he need not fear it because it is not his actual end, 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

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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 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

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#### Gate to eternity can already be passed through before death....

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August 8th 1940

To whom the gates to eternity open, his earth life does not necessarily need to be finished, because he can also in this life already be allowed to gain insight into the kingdom, which exists outside of earth life, he can know about everything, without being raptured from earth life.... For the human being can still attain a state of maturity on earth which allows him to gain insight into the eternal kingdom. To be able to connect with that kingdom outside of earth and its inhabitants is proof that the gates to eternity are not always only passed through with bodily death, but that for some earthly children there are no barriers at all which prevent them from entering the kingdom of eternity. They live on earth and yet are equally at home in those spheres, because the divine spirit in them overcomes every obstacle, and can be present everywhere and at all times.... thus it dwells in the kingdom of

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eternity even when the body is still held on earth. Such an earthly child will not even be afraid of death.... the physical death which terrifies people. It will be equipped with the knowledge of eternal life that it only longs for the moment when it can give up all ties with earth. The spirit will move into its true home, it will now constantly be there where it could only stay temporarily during its earthly existence, and thus only found entry into those regions when the human being's will permitted it. But now he can permanently be there where his longing on earth let him wander. And thus, the human being has overcome the horrors of death if he consciously tried to penetrate that region during his earthly existence, which is the abode of all spiritual substances after the end of earthly life. He is no longer frightened by the uncertainty of the afterlife, neither does he regard the afterlife as something doubtful, he is in knowledge, and that means that he also recognises the working of the beings of light and hands himself over to these beings of light, precisely because he recognises the consequences of ignorance and wants to liberate himself from an unworthy state, which is his fate on earth, before he works on himself in order to be able to enter into contact with the spiritual beings in the beyond. The human being is far better off whose faith allowed him to recognise divine love and mercy, and who longed for this love and mercy, for it was already granted to him on earth.... The earthly child was allowed to look into an area which bears witness to the infinite wisdom of the Lord, it was allowed to distribute spiritual knowledge on earth itself and thus tear down the barriers which separate the earthly human being from those beings of light.... it was allowed to enter through the gates to eternity already on earth.... For it received something which was offered directly by those beings who inhabit this kingdom of light, and thus death loses all its horror for those earthly children who only want to serve God and who, in their service to God, became true conquerors of death.

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

#### "No one comes to the father except through Me...."

B.D. No. **5952** May 9th 1954

o one comes to the father except through Me.... These words alone should make people realize the importance of acknowledging Jacque and the importance of acknowledging Jesus as the son of God and redeemer of the world, and yet they have completely lost their impact, for humanity does not respect them, otherwise it would not so thoughtlessly reject Him Who calls Himself the bridge to the father.... The words of scripture are for most people only letters without spirit and life.... They speak them without being aware of their meaning, they completely disregard the lord's words and therefore do not find their way to the father either, because they do not believe in Him with the conviction which would result in heeding the divine word. No one comes to the father except through Me.... Yet people lack the will to reach the father, which is why they do not seek the **path** to Him either.... which is also why the divine redeemer Jesus Christ is of no significance to them. This attitude leads to downfall, to spiritual death.... Since they do not reach the father, they remain in the power of the one who is God's adversary, they remain in the depths because they do not desire to ascend. It is an exceedingly regrettable state that people do not show any striving upwards, that they do not think about their earthly task and that they are also indifferent to Christ's teaching, the gospel, that they do not accept any of His words as important and think about them.... that they cannot attain realization because they do not seek enlightenment, because they are completely indifferent to what God wants to convey to them through the scriptures and what the man Jesus, as God's spokesman, preached to people.... And no-one thinks of the fact that he only stays on earth in order to bring about the return to the father, and that he is constantly offered the opportunity to do so, which he rejects in his rigid mind because he does not believe. The distance between the human being and the father is great, yet **one** offers Himself for guidance, for mediation.... One has built the bridge which makes the path to the father passable, and this **one** offers His help to all people.... But He is not listened to, He is not heeded, if He wants to remind people of Himself.... Blind and deaf they pass Him by, although He calls out to them: "No one comes to the father except through Me...." He says of Himself: "I am the way, the truth and the life...." Therefore, anyone who seeks truth and life must take the path via Jesus Christ, he must make use of His mediation, he must request

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strength from Him to be able to cover the earthly path with the success which is the purpose of life: to find union with the father which only ensures a life of bliss, a life which lasts forever. People do not know what fate they are facing through their indifference and unbelief, they do not know what they are forfeiting by not respecting the divine word, by not taking refuge in the one Who alone can save them from ruin.... They don't know and don't believe the words of those who know and want to help them. And even if the word sounds from above, they do not accept it, for they listen to another voice, to the voice of the world with which God's adversary addresses them and to which they willingly open their ears.... They seek not **life** but **death....** they reject the one Who promises them life, and therefore they will remain in sin and death, because without Jesus Christ there is no redemption and no return to the father's house....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Salvation from sin and death....

B.D. No. **7235** 

December 21st 1958

nyone who has found the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, who has taken refuge under His cross in Aorder to hand over his burden to Him, can also be certain that he will be accepted by Him, that His hands will grasp him and pull him up to Himself, that He will take away his burden of sin and thus redeem him from sin and death, which is the consequence of sin. Then he has, as it were, solved his task in life, he has made the final decision of will which sets him free from his material cover, for as soon as his earthly life as a human being is over he can enter the kingdom as a free spiritual being, which is his true home.... He is rid of every material cover, and every spiritual bondage has also been burst through his will to belong to Jesus Christ and to flee from His adversary. He is redeemed from sin and death.... he is free from guilt and will now live for eternity. To have taken the way to Jesus Christ is tantamount to having 'risen to life', for before he was in a fettered state of powerlessness and darkness of spirit, in a state of death.... And now he is alive, he can be active in freedom, for he has the strength to do so and is of bright spirit, so that he now also utilizes his 'life' properly, no matter whether on earth or in the kingdom on the other side.... he will be active in the will of God, the father and creator of eternity, Who embodied Himself in Jesus Christ and brings freedom to the human being who is only willing to accept it. Therefore, the recognition of Jesus Christ also means at the same time the recognition of God, which was once denied to Him.... This is why this sin of rejecting God can now be redeemed through the acknowledgement of Jesus Christ after Jesus shed His blood on the cross as a sacrifice of atonement and thus righteousness was satisfied, which man alone was never able to do. God Himself took humanity's guilt upon Himself and, as the human being Jesus, made atonement for the sin of the former turning away from Himself, He died an agonizing death as the human being Jesus on the cross but now also demands the recognition of Himself as God and father from eternity. Anyone who looks at the work of redemption in this way must also recognize God's greater than great love. Who placed Himself in the shell of a human being in order to suffer and die for His creatures.... Who took the sin of the whole of humanity upon His shoulders and thus walked the path to the cross.... And people need only acknowledge His act of salvation and appeal to Him as divine redeemer for forgiveness of guilt.... and they will be free, they will be redeemed from sin and death in truth and be able to enter the spiritual kingdom again as free beings when the hour of departure from this earth has come. It has certainly been made easy for the human being to become free from the bondage of his guilt of sin, for he is only required to consciously acknowledge Jesus Christ.... it is only required that he consciously turns to Him and asks for forgiveness, that he thus takes the path to the cross with his burden of sin, where he will now be released from it according to Jesus' promise: "He who believes in Me shall live forever...", because 'life' is only possible in freedom and righteousness, which means the redemption of the great guilt of sin. And since Jesus Christ has promised people 'eternal life', He must be acknowledged in order to be able to partake of His promise. But without Jesus Christ no human being can become blessed, for he remains afflicted with his original sin, which prevents him from entering the kingdom of light....

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#### There is no redemption of guilt without Jesus Christ....

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o person will succeed in detaching himself from My adversary by his own strength, everyone will need My support because he himself is powerless without the supply of strength from Me, but he can only receive it if he wants it himself, thus consciously requests it from Me. This is why it is so important in earthly life that the human being consciously confesses Me in Jesus Christ, this is why he must be required to take a stand himself on the problem of salvation, on God's human manifestation in Jesus, as well as on the divine redeemer Jesus Christ Himself.... For once he has to mentally decide for or against Him if he wants his earthly life to bring him the success for which he received it. And therefore he is repeatedly addressed by Me, every person is led to the cross, i.e. the cross is held before his eyes, and the impression this cross makes on him is decisive for his further fate in eternity. It is held up to many people, they look up and away from it again, because it does not touch them, and an opportunity to confess has passed.... But the cross will haunt him until his death, again and again it will flash before him in various forms, and he himself will also often have to walk a cross walk which, however, will only be of use to him when it leads him to the cross of Christ, for there the decision of his life will fall. And very many people believe that it is enough to believe in Me as 'God and creator', and the divine redeemer Jesus Christ has not yet become a decisive concept for them.... But then he himself will never be released from My adversary's bondage, for he has not yet made atonement for his original sin and will never be able to do so if he does not appeal to Jesus Christ for the redemption of his guilt. The human being has to take this path irrevocably, for only this path leads back to Me again, from Whom he once voluntarily distanced himself.... And if he believes that he can also reach the aim of his life without acknowledging Jesus Christ, if he believes that he has fulfilled his earthly task with only earthly activity, he will one day arrive in the kingdom of the beyond in bitter poverty, burdened by guilt and without strength, and even then he will not be released from his guilt until he has called to Jesus Christ for redemption.... He cannot become free without Him, he cannot return to **Me** without having acknowledged **Him**, for He and I are one.... in the shell of the man Jesus I Myself was, and I Myself redeemed you humans from sin and death, I Myself redeemed the guilt for you. And whoever acknowledges Him also acknowledges Me and will be accepted into My kingdom.... But anyone who passes Him by also passes Me by, and his fate will be darkness and torment for endless times again, until one day he will decide to call upon Jesus Christ so that his guilt can then also be forgiven....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### "He who believes in Me...."

B.D. No. **7352** May 2nd 1959

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

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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

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Jesus Christ is the gate into the kingdom of light ....

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Lorey person who has found Jesus Christ, who has a living relationship with him, who is a truly active Christian and not a Christian who merely observes formalities, will enter through the gate of light. This is why the thought of being united with Jesus Christ makes every person happy, because then he will be assured of the kingdom of light, he will not need to fear death and the time awaiting him in the afterlife. But a heartfelt bond is meant by this, a bond which makes the person realise that he belongs to those who Jesus Christ died for on the cross. And this bond can always be found where a person lives a life of love and thereby already takes the path of following Jesus .... This person will be spiritually brightly enlightened through love, the significance of the act of Salvation will be known to him, he will recognise Jesus' mission on earth correctly and will therefore also want to partake of the act of mercy which Jesus, the human being, accomplished on earth as the shell of the eternal divine Spirit .... . For anyone who knows about this immense work of redemption and its reasons cannot do anything but commit himself wholeheartedly to Jesus Christ and closely adhere to him for time and eternity .... However, it requires enlightenment through the spirit, it requires a life of love which makes this enlightenment possible in the first place, and it requires the will to live on earth according to its purpose and goal .... it requires the resolve for good, which always initiates the

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connection with God in Jesus Christ .... Yet a person can consider himself fortunate if he feels this heartfelt love for Jesus Christ, if he has joined Him with all his heart and professes Him to people until he dies .... for he will enter the kingdom which Jesus Christ Himself opened to him through His crucifixion .... The living bond with Him presupposes profound faith, and such faith presupposes love again .... a life of selfless neighbourly love, which faith awakens to life and provides the human being with 'certainty' where he had previously still questioned and doubted .... Anyone who can call such faith his own can truly already consider himself privileged on earth; he is like a rock, and the true church of Christ is built on such faith, that is, only someone in possession of such firm faith that came alive through love belongs to the church which was founded by Jesus. But then a person having attained this depth of faith will already be in a state of bliss, for nothing on earth will frighten him anymore because he will be aware of being embraced by the One Who had died for him on the cross and he will feel sheltered in His arms. Even death will not frighten him anymore; he will merely discard his external shell and enter a different kingdom, a kingdom of light and bliss, which is the fate of every person who has a living faith in Jesus Christ.

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### Light or dark state after death....

B.D. No. **1927** May 20th 1941

s soon as you end your earthly life, a change takes place around you and your surroundings. The **\**bodily eye is extinguished; what you now see you see with the spiritual eye, and this is now able, depending on the soul's state of maturity, to grasp what is around it.... It will be able to take in everything if the human being has striven spiritually on earth and therefore the soul has already attained a certain degree of maturity;.... but it will see little if the soul is still immature. For then its spiritual eye is still closed. And thus it is still dark and lightless around such a soul. Like shadows it sees everything and it now wanders around in a desperate state, like a person deprived of sight who cannot find his way anywhere. It is a sad situation and the soul is now far from seeing its surroundings as a divine realm. It wanders around restlessly until, after a long time, it comes across souls in the same state.... The souls can and do complain about their suffering, depending on their realization.... They will complain and grumble or remain in complete apathy in despair. And yet meeting with such souls is the only way to improve their condition by counselling each other and considering the means to get out of this lightless region. And as soon as this desire is aroused in them, beings of light appear in a cloak of their light form and give them advice on how to improve their situation. In this desperate state, souls seize every opportunity if they are not completely obdurate and they then end up in ever darker regions instead of coming to the light. There is so much misery and suffering in this lightless realm that many a soul feels the desire to help and now does everything in its power to alleviate the suffering. Then their activity of love begins, which they had neglected on earth. And with this activity of love, the spiritual eye also begins to become capable of scooping.... The soul will be able to recognize more and more around itself, and thus it will also become more knowledgeable, for it now sees what spiritual knowledge brings in, has a desire for ever brighter light, thereby enters into contact with beings of light, receives extended knowledge from them, passes on the knowledge in its urge to help and is thus constantly active in love.... So it now strives upwards, it becomes ever brighter and clearer around such a soul, and soon it has escaped the dark realm to be constantly in the light. Once the soul has made up its mind to love through the suffering of the souls surrounding it, its condition is no longer hopeless. But it is bad for those souls who remain in their inactivity, who only think of their own dreadful condition and who are completely unaffected by the suffering of others. They cannot be left in this state either, otherwise other emotions could never develop in them. Therefore, their state becomes more and more lightless, their agony more and more unbearable, so that they finally try to escape their surroundings, so that their own suffering also awakens compassion for the suffering of others. For the soul can only redeem itself through loving activity, i.e. free itself from darkness and ascend to the light. In such a state the soul is particularly in need of the prayer of people on earth.... for

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this gives it strength and strengthens its will to ascend. These souls are so pitiable and can be helped extraordinarily through prayer with love; yet how many souls have to do without prayer.... who have never been lovingly active on earth, few good thoughts follow them into the beyond and that is why their state is so exceptionally bleak. And yet the struggle on the part of the beings of light for such souls does not let up.... And even the souls which have already progressed further take care of them and try to help them, for the beings of light constantly descend into darkness in order to redeem what is not entirely irreconcilable....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Creating and shaping in the kingdom of light.... no man's eye....

B.D. No. **4291** May 2nd 1948

Vou will be seized by an indescribable longing for My presence once your soul has entered the kingdom of light, and the fulfilment of this longing is bliss. You will feel love for Me to an ever increasing degree and therefore also sincerely long for unity with Me, and so that you will find fulfilment I will draw close to you and you will feel My closeness as a blissful feeling of strength, as an increased impetus for activity, as an inner urge to make yourselves happy by distributing what you possess. In order for you to be able to distribute, I constantly provide you with spiritual wealth, I impart profound knowledge to you and therefore place you in an everlasting state of happiness which offers you variety in every way. You will be allowed to see and hear what you will never be granted to see or hear on earth. You will be blessed.... What love can offer you, that you will receive, for My love for you is boundless and constantly intent on turning happiness towards you. Yet you will only ever be spiritually considered, for earthly goods no longer appeal to you in the state of perfection. The desire for earthly goods is a sign of a lack of maturity of soul which can never earn you a state of light. But you will hunger and thirst and always have the desire to be satisfied, and your desire will always be satisfied by My love.... Shape yourselves on earth such that you only desire spiritual goods, try to overcome all matter, only attain spiritual gifts, and you will already be able to enjoy the state of bliss on earth, for as soon as earthly things are overcome I will never ever leave you, then My presence will be assured to you and with it the supply of strength which you will feel as bliss, which will impel you into constant activity for Me and My kingdom. Giving and wanting to please is right love, giving and wanting to please characterizes the degree of neighbourly love, and thus only the urge for pleasing activity can be called love, although the human being's desire is also for things which are only purely material; yet this love is a perverse love which does not lead to Me but distances itself from Me. I want to draw your attention to the fact that only love which has Me as its aim, which therefore expresses itself through unselfish neighbourly love, is strength-inspiring. Love for the world will never put you into a state of bliss which approximately equals that of the beings of light. And never will the desire and fulfilment be as blissful as in the spiritual kingdom, where I alone am the object of your love and longing....

(2.5.1948) Do you now understand why I constantly court your love? Why do I want to win you for eternity? I don't want to improve your lot on earth but I want you to be happy for all of eternity. You shall work together with My angels as beings of light and develop an activity which gives rise to wonderful things, which brings about creations of wondrous design. And thus you shall be allowed to use My might and strength without restriction, but this first requires unity with Me. I want you to become blessed through the use of My strength. I want to give unlimitedly, and you shall be so filled with My strength that you can create and shape like Me according to your will, which is then also My will. The integration of your will into My will is the first condition to find unity with Me, yet you will always think, want and act in free will if you have subordinated it to Me; you will never be active in a feeling of compulsion because this would impair your beatitude and diminish your perfection. In the kingdom of light My will fulfils all beings which nevertheless are active according to their own will, and all beings only have one aim.... to dwell close to Me. Yet it is impossible and incomprehensible for the human being to specialize life in eternity, to take cognizance of the activity of the individual

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beings, because this eludes all conception of human thought. The spiritual kingdom is a different world than the earthly one, and therefore the latter is also not to be mentioned comparatively. Only a certain degree of maturity of the soul makes the human being able to see and to receive and reproduce spiritual impressions. But if the soul leaves the body and enters the kingdom of light it will understand My infinite love and marvel at all the glories of which the human being on earth cannot imagine. Then My word will come true: No human eye has ever seen and no human ear ever heard what I have prepared for those who love Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Overcoming the gulf in the beyond: Jesus Christ....

B.D. No. **7290** 

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vast gulf still exists in the spiritual world between those who kept their distance from Me during their life on earth and those who had already found Me and were able to enter the spiritual. kingdom in a garment of light. They can certainly see the former and ascertain their miserable state, but the former are staying in a realm where they can see nothing else but themselves or like-minded spiritual beings whose constant discord and dispute among each other poisons their existence and prevents them from feeling any kind of happiness. Nor will these souls ever be able to see their loved ones again if these have already departed with a higher degree of maturity; instead, they must first reach a certain degree before a blissful reunion can happen.... Hence, such souls inhabit two worlds, although all souls enter the spiritual kingdom after their body's death.... They are two worlds which are very distant from each other, which is not to be understood spatially but merely relates to the nature of each individual world.... A vast gulf exists, and yet, this gulf must be bridged sooner or later. Time and again beings from the kingdom of light must descent unrecognised and try to do their redemptive work on the souls by attempting to persuade them to detach themselves from their environment and to follow the beings of light, which then will aim to lead them ever closer to their own region.... that is, they must inform the souls in darkness of the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ and His immense act of mercy which was accomplished for these souls should they want My mercy for themselves. Only then will the gulf diminish between them and Me, between the kingdom of darkness and the kingdom of light.... Only then will the souls take the path which leads out of the abyss into higher spheres, and only then will the blessings of the act of Salvation take effect on them and gradually also result in a state of maturity where they themselves can and want to do redemptive work, because they want to repay their gratitude, which impels their willingness to help the wretched beings which still linger in the abyss.

The gulf must be overcome and there is only **one** bridge: Jesus Christ, the divine Redeemer.... Anyone who takes the path to Him also takes it to Me, even though he did not want to acknowledge Me on earth or was still vastly distanced from Me. He can only come back to Me by way of Jesus Christ, and He is therefore the bridge which leads from the dark region into the kingdom of light.... This should be remembered by all people who on earth certainly deem themselves to be in contact with Me and who nevertheless have not yet found the right attitude towards Jesus Christ, who only call themselves Christians by name and in reality have not established a heartfelt bond with Me in **Jesus Christ**, who therefore have not yet availed themselves of the blessings of the act of Salvation and so cannot speak of a redemption of their original sin either.... They, too, will face a deep gulf when they arrive in the beyond, for they will first have to seek and find Him, the divine Redeemer, so that He will release them from their guilt as well, for they only acknowledged Him with their mouth on Earth without involving their heart. But I look into the heart, and regardless of how loud and how often the mouth voices My name, I will not be deceived and cannot place the soul where it doesn't actually belong.... It will be confronted by a vast gulf when it passes into the spiritual kingdom.... in other words: It will see nothing else but what its earthly-inclined senses want it to believe, and it will only be to its advantage if it can detach itself quickly and does not resist the helpers notions, so that it can quickly be introduced to the divine Redeemer as the only Saviour from its situation.... The

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connection must be made, the soul must take the path to Me by way of Jesus Christ and it will safely be guided by Him through the gate into the kingdom of light when it has bridged the vast gulf, when its will impels it to Jesus Christ and it desires and finds salvation through Him. Then it will also have taken the path to the Father.... I will receive it into My kingdom of light and blissful happiness....

#### Amen

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#### Directing the souls in the beyond to Jesus Christ....

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Anyone who professes Me in the spiritual kingdom will be redeemed for all eternity.... As soon as the souls, which are still dwelling in darkness or twilight, are no longer opposed to My name when they are informed of My act of Salvation by disguised messengers of light or by the thoughts of loving people, the darkness will leave them.... the strength of My name alone will take effect in them and drive them to Me, they will start to look for Me and I will also allow Myself to be found.... But the soul's will is and shall always remain free, hence it might also take a long time before they accept Me, before people's intercession becomes effective or the messengers of light joining them in disguise are successful in bringing them the Gospel.

Yet the efforts to gain these souls will not cease, and therefore it is very beneficial if souls are consciously invited to join spiritual conversations relating to the act of Salvation, so that the souls will time and again be directed to Jesus Christ and voluntarily take the path to Me and ask Me for forgiveness of their guilt.... As long as they are not happy they will still be burdened by guilt, and their misery will be able to encourage them to strive for an improvement of their situation and think about themselves, about their life on earth and their relationship with Me, their God and Creator of eternity. It will already reduce the soul's will of resistance if it receives people's loving intercession, if it is kindly thought of and feels their willingness to help. This will also decrease its rejection of help which it is repeatedly offered in the realm of the beyond, and its surrender of opposition is the beginning of progress, for every inclination of such a soul is taken into account and it is bestowed with a small light, which makes it happy and increases its desire for it.

The souls in the beyond have to find Me if they have not found Me on earth already. And you humans can greatly contribute towards it by frequently thinking of souls which suffer adversity.... by only ever directing every soul coming into your mind to Me, to the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, Who alone can help it attain beatitude. Your loving thoughts of these souls are like sparks of light, which make them happy and which they always look out for and to whose origin they hurry. While on earth they had kept away from all spiritual instruction, they had only lived their earthly life and thus entered the spiritual kingdom devoid of all spiritual possessions after their death .... Now they first have to acquire spiritual possessions of their own free will, they should not offer any opposition if the Gospel of love is proclaimed to them, and they must also pass it on with love to those who, like themselves, would like to improve their situation.

However, as soon as you humans take care of these souls they will not be lost; your thoughts will always draw them to yourselves and they will also be able to accept what they hitherto had rejected.... and now experience it as a blessing because it is given to them by your love.... For love is a power which will not remain ineffective.... You should often remember the souls which still languish in darkness, which have not yet found their way to Me in Jesus; show them the way and inform them of the Gospel; and you will accomplish a richly blessed work of redemption that is most significant, especially during the last days, because many souls shall still detach themselves from the abyss, so that they will not fall prey to the new banishment when the end has come....

#### Amen

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he door to the kingdom of light is closed to all those who have not yet recognized their redeemer I from sin and death in Me, i.e. who do not recognize Jesus Christ's act of salvation as such and thus also do not acknowledge My human manifestation in Jesus and thus Me Myself.... And thus you can also understand that countless souls leave earth and enter the kingdom of the beyond burdened by their original sin, that they wander around in darkness or twilight and still stay close to earth, that they often don't know that they no longer live on earth and yet would like to express themselves through people again and therefore harass them in every way. And thus you are also given a reason for the conduct of many people who are.... influenced by such souls.... let themselves be carried away into the worst deeds. And the closer the end comes the more noticeable this influence will become, for time and again people depart from earth who live and die without faith in Jesus Christ and are therefore not free from their guilt of sin when they enter the kingdom of the beyond.... who take their evil thinking and their will, which is still turned towards the adversary, with them and are also influenced by him to oppress people according to their nature.... And thus the earth is surrounded by an endless host of most evil spirits who know no other goal than to transfer all their vices and desires onto people and to weaken their will and also mentally influence people so that the rejection of the divine redeemer also becomes stronger in them again and they are all in greatest danger of losing any faith they still have, who now doubt and turn away from Jesus Christ and therefore remain in deepest darkness and enter the kingdom of the beyond.... Can you now understand why I admonish people time and again to take the path to the cross, to hand themselves over to Jesus Christ and ask Him for strength of will, for forgiveness of guilt and help in the battle with the adversary in order to become free from him?.... I only want to inform people that they are bound by their great guilt of apostasy from Me and that they alone cannot break these chains, but (but only) with the help of the divine redeemer they can become free from his power.... And this is the goal of their earthly life, yet people know little or nothing about it, and since they are close to the end they are in great danger of departing unredeemed from this world and thus entering the kingdom of the beyond unredeemed, where it will be very difficult for them to find Jesus Christ, even though this is still possible then. But as long as it is still possible to convey this knowledge of the divine redeemer to people on earth, the whole world of light will work towards it and exert its influence in My will to enlighten people about it, and I Myself will convey this knowledge to earth so that people will receive enlightenment about Jesus Christ and His mission in all truth and turn to Him of their own free will.... For only then will they also recognize Me Myself in Him and acknowledge Me and thus also consciously take the path back to Me which leads home, back into the father's house. And many souls in the kingdom of the beyond will also participate in the instructions I Myself give to people on earth who are willing to work for Me and My kingdom. And thereby a light can also be kindled for these souls which can also facilitate (illuminate) their path of ascent on the other side, so that they, too, will learn the truth about Jesus Christ and His act of mercy and will no longer be defensive but call to Him from the darkness for salvation, which will certainly be granted to them. And you humans can support this work of salvation by remembering the departed in intercession and by reciting the gospel to them yourselves, by addressing them and praying to them for clarification about Jesus and referring them to Him when they are in darkness or in spiritual distress. And they will listen to you because every effort in love will be felt beneficially by them. And they will also change their will and consciously turn to Jesus, Whom they now also recognize as redeemer, in Whom I embodied Myself on earth in order to be recognized and acknowledged by you humans.... And you will not perish but come to the life which lasts forever....

#### Amen

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he gates to the spiritual kingdom will close when the end of this earth has come.... In order to understand this you humans must know that even after death the soul can progress in its development or sink back into extreme darkness.... You must know that in the kingdom of the beyond the soul is still offered many opportunities to increase the degree of maturity reached on earth or to pass from darkness into light, always according to the soul's free will. Admittedly, the ascent to the height in the spiritual kingdom is far more difficult and requires much help and willingness on the part of the soul, yet it is not impossible and thus a special grace from God Who constantly wants to help the souls to ascend.... But His adversary is just as anxious to keep the souls in darkness which he won on earth, and therefore the descent into the abyss is just as possible, which is why the battle between light and darkness is also fought in the spiritual kingdom, i.e. both sides struggle for the souls.... For it is still necessary to release souls from its fetter before the end of earth; it is also necessary to still test the will there whether it is directed upwards or downwards.... And therefore redemption work is constantly taking place on earth as well as in the spiritual kingdom and with particular zeal in the last time before the end, because a separation of spirits is also to take place there before the new earth will arise.... For a new redemptive epoch begins.... the creations of the new earth accept the souls into themselves which still remain in strongest resistance against God and would never find their way out of darkness because they themselves resist the light. And thus hell expels everything that has fallen prey to it; the spiritual kingdom returns those souls which have no hope of changing their will, and God banishes the spiritual again in the creations of the new earth.... But those who have succeeded in breaking free from satan's chains also strive towards the light, and they find countless helpers and helpers who smooth their path to ascent, who help them to reach ascent. As long as the earth still exists the spiritual gates are still wide open to receive the souls which previously left their body.... no matter in which spiritual state they arrive in the beyond.... The work of redemption will continue for every soul which has not entered the spiritual kingdom as a soul of light.... But when the end has come the gates will close for a long time, for then the possibilities for further development will be eliminated.... The bad spiritual, which is completely in the service of satan, will now experience a new banishment in the creations of the new earth, while the good spiritual, which has remained faithful to God, will also remain on earth, i.e. it will populate the new earth as the tribe of the new generation.... But everything still **capable** of development will be called away beforehand, and in the end there will only be those who openly proceed against God and thus are clearly recognizable servants of satan, and those who remain faithful to God in the most difficult battle against faith and are therefore also suitable as the tribe of the new generation.... who now live a paradisiacal life on earth which is incomparable for the people of earth and therefore also inconceivable. It is an exceedingly blissful state for them because the father will dwell in the midst of His children.... where there is no sin and no death, no suffering and no worries and people enjoy heavenly bliss through the presence of God, even though they dwell on earth. But the earth is no longer what it was **before** the end.... a breeding ground for hell, where God's adversary went on a rampage to win his victims for himself.... The earth has become paradise and those who now dwell on it are people who were fit for the kingdom of light but who are still allowed to possess their earthly body and yet are blissfully happy.... who live in God's will, who take possession of a glorious, newly shaped earth in order to now once again pave the way upwards for their descendants as well as for the still bound spiritual and to promote their upward development, as it is intended in God's plan of salvation.... The battle in the spiritual kingdom has ended for a long time, yet the souls of light also now ascend to earth again to offer their guidance to people, and thus spiritual progress is now also assured for all created beings on the new earth, and the redemption from the form progresses surprisingly quickly because satan's influence has been eliminated for a long time.... and thus peace is on earth and in the spiritual kingdom....

Amen

or bliss I created you, for life.... but not for death, for an unworthy existence which does not correspond to My love and wisdom, which can never be called a perfect state and yet is your fate, you who have fallen. In all perfection you came forth from Me.... But what you are now is by no means perfect anymore, rather, it has to be described as opposite, for you have taken on a completely different form, you have become creatures through your own fault which have no right to call yourselves 'God's creations', because what I once created was supremely perfect and what still exists now has completely deviated from this perfection.... And yet, it still belongs to Me, for it is My strength which expressed itself in My creatures.... And this strength belongs to Me for all eternity.... But in the state you are in now you are endlessly far away from Me, and this means that you have thereby also lost 'life', because to live means to utilize strength in love and wisdom, but you neither possess strength to work nor would utilize such in wisdom and love.... You are dead creatures even though I Myself was your origin. But I want you to live, to be close to Me again so that I can provide you with light and strength.... which you shall use according to My will.... For this is your destiny which you will also fulfil one day and then you can also be called indescribably blessed.... I created you for life and if I want you to return to life again I must take care of you Myself, for you will never reach it by yourselves because you are powerless and without strength you will never be able to ascend into the spheres where there is uninterrupted life.... I Myself must supply you with the strength.... but you must accept My strength, you must let yourselves be radiated as once when you were still close to Me and blessed.... You must turn to Me again as you once voluntarily turned away from Me.... You must acknowledge Me as your God and creator from eternity, as you once left Me because you refused to acknowledge Me as the source of strength, as the father Who called you into being. You must change completely.... You must become again what you were from the beginning, if you want to be full of light and strength and eternally blessed.... if you want to live and work according to your destiny. And this transformation must be brought about by your free will, just as this free will once surrendered everything that made you a divine, perfect being.... I Myself want to give you life again, for My love does not want to leave you in the dead state which can never ever mean bliss or fulfilment.... But you must also be willing to accept life.... you must completely hand yourselves over to Me without resistance so that I can shape you into My image again.... which, however, is impossible as long as you resist Me. Give up your resistance and I will give you an eternal life in all glory.... Escape death by calling to the one Who Himself is life from eternity. Do not let yourselves be held in the depths, in the night of death, but call out to Him Who can loosen your bonds and give you freedom. Acknowledge Him against Whom you once sinned by your turning away, by rejecting His love, which means life for you.... He will turn His strength of love towards you again and again if only you desire it and hand yourselves over to Him.... I will awaken you to new life and you will never ever feel powerless. And soon you will also recognize where you came from, what you were, what you are and what you should become again.... And you will fully consciously strive for the former perfection, you will desire to live and also receive life, you will be able to create and work in light and strength and want to bring back to life what is dead and wretched.... you will give Me all your love and now be and remain My children forever....

Amen

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## "My kingdom is not of this world...."

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y kingdom is not of this world.... What you seek to attain in this world will be lost to you in My kingdom, for you cannot possess both the joys and bliss of this world **and** that world.... Both are opposing in their requirements and opposing in what they offer you.... But only the **spiritual kingdom**, in which I Myself am, can give you eternal blisses. And you humans should always bear in mind that your time on earth is only limited and that you also have to leave behind the little you have

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acquired here.... that you therefore cannot gain anything which will make you eternally happy, and in the knowledge of this.... which you all possess after all.... it would truly be more advisable to take care of wealth which will not lose its value with your physical death. My kingdom is not of this world.... Again and again you have heard it from My mouth, and again and again you have been urged to put earthly striving aside and instead attain spiritual possessions which are everlasting. But as long as you stay on earth only that which creates earthly comfort is of value to you. And your degree of realization is accordingly, which will always be and remain lower as long as My adversary can influence you through the temptations of the world, which is his kingdom, and whom you acknowledge as your lord as soon as you strive for earthly goods. There is no compromise between the two lords.... you must decide, but your eternal life depends on the decision.... You yourselves determine your fate after the death of the body through your decision. And you must make this decision in all freedom, which is why you are indeed assured of the spiritual kingdom in all its glory as absolute truth, but you may not be forced into this decision by their evidence. But the earthly world is visible and tangible to you and therefore you strive towards it with all your senses.... But you are certain of your body's death, and you should reckon with this.... through reflection you should come to the conclusion that your soul cannot cease to be.... because you can evaluate yourselves as a work of creation which, due to its nature, has to serve a higher purpose than just to live a miserable earthly life with only earthly aims.... The **thinking** human being is **not** satisfied with this purpose of life, and he **looks** for an explanation of the actual purpose of existence.... and he will also receive it.... according to his will and his attitude towards truth. But these explanations can never come to him from the world which is My adversary's kingdom.... but they will come from a kingdom which is not of this world, and these enlightenments will prove to him that every person's aim shall be the kingdom in which I reign from eternity to eternity.... Every person can create this proof for himself, yet his will determines whether he reflects and strives for truth or is content with the goods of this world.... But again and again people are reminded of My words: "My kingdom is not of this world...." And anyone who once tries to fathom the meaning of these words already takes a step into this kingdom from which I Myself will come to meet him in order to lead him over into My kingdom.... But he has to leave the world behind, he has to voluntarily separate himself from My adversary's kingdom, then he will always find a gate which leads across into My kingdom.... then he will also make the right decision himself which will determine his fate one day in eternity....

Amen

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#### Confessing before the world....

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f you represent Me before the world, I will confess you before My father.... I spoke these words as ▲ the man Jesus to My disciples and thus to all people, because all My words applied to the whole of humanity, because all My words belonged to the divine teaching of love which I wanted to be proclaimed amongst all peoples.... And precisely these words are to be valued unusually because they impose an obligation on you humans.... Not only should you believe in Me yourselves but you should also profess your faith to your fellow human beings.... You shall **confess** Me **before the world....** You should therefore stand up for My name before the whole world. Only then will you be accepted by Me, the father, as I have promised you. Thus I am not content with you inwardly believing in Me, with you not doubting Me and My act of salvation, with you perhaps also calling upon Me to forgive your sins, for I require a living faith in Me.... and a living faith cannot help but represent Me before the world, for as soon as the human being has a living faith he will be driven from within to constantly remember Me in Jesus, and then his mouth will not be able to remain silent either, he will overflow with inner gratitude and love for Me, Who accomplished the act of salvation in the human being Jesus in order to save you humans from the night of sin. And I knew very well why I spoke these words, for I knew about the great spiritual adversity which comes upon all people who do not recognize and acknowledge Jesus Christ. And in this adversity people have to take care of them in order to help them

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to believe in Jesus Christ. And for this it is necessary that they proclaim Me, that they confess Me in Jesus and now also loudly bear witness to Me and My name.... What a person experiences inwardly, what moves him mentally, is not known to his fellow human being.... he must be quite obviously pointed to the divine redeemer, and this can best be done through the testimony of love of those who have found Him and who now prove their living faith in Me by speaking of My work of mercy.... that they openly stand up for Me and My name in front of all people, that they praise My name and describe themselves as followers of Jesus Christ and also try to win fellow human beings for Me. People walk on this earth in order to finally find liberation from the material form.... But no matter how they change on earth it cannot lead to the aim without the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, because I accomplished the work of redemption in Him and therefore everyone who wants to be redeemed from his bondage has to turn to Me Myself in Jesus Christ.... Anyone who is truly liberated, who has found redemption through Him, also praises His name aloud, he will only ever speak of Him and His immeasurable act of love, he cannot help but mention His name aloud, for all bonds have fallen off him, he is free from adversarial power, he has given himself to Me in Jesus Christ, and such an act of transformation is not carried out silently and secretly, it is recognizable to all fellow human beings. For the mouth is not silent where the heart is filled with the love and grace of Jesus Christ, and thus the human being confesses Him before all the world as his saviour and redeemer, and he also seeks to lead his fellow human beings to Him.... He does not deny Him even if he himself is threatened by danger, because he knows that every danger can be averted by the one Who has power over heaven and earth, Whose breath is sufficient to destroy everything, just as His will is sufficient to resurrect what had already fallen prey to death.... And he who has been raised to life does not fear death either.... He will also stand up for Me and My name when the final decision is demanded, yet he will do it out of love for Me, and therefore I will accept him because he confesses Me before all the world....

Amen

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