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Father, Thy Will Be Done!

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Knowledge of God's will.... Responsibility....

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I speak to you because you should know My will.... You need to be given guidelines by which you should live your life for as long as you live on earth.... Thus you must be informed of My will, and the consequences of complying or not complying with My will must also be explained to you.... you

must know what I expect of you and why I expect it. And then you should act according to your free will.... that is, you either accept My will or live contrary to it, but then you must also accept the consequences of your rightly or wrongly directed will. But you are free to make your decision.... you are not forced to make this or that decision, to live your life in this or that way. Even so, you decide your fate in eternity and therefore bear great responsibility. Were the information of My will not presented to you, you could not be held to account either but you would hardly reach the goal on earth of attaining your original perfection, which you had lost because your will and activity opposed My will, because you ignored My will. For My will is nothing else but the law of eternal order, it is My will that you should integrate yourselves into this law, whose fundamental principle is love.... If you allow this fundamental principle to break through into you then you will adapt yourselves to My law of order, then you will fulfil My will, you will voluntarily subordinate yourselves to My will. If, however, you lack love, then you are outside of My law of eternal order.... then you are also outside the circuit of My flow of love, you are separated from Me, you are imperfect, because love is part of perfection, which you reject as you once did when you fell away from Me.

At the start of your human embodiment you have no knowledge, and therefore I Myself convey to you the knowledge of your relationship with Me and also that you had sinned against Me, that you had not fulfilled My will, that you had disregarded the divine principle of love and thereby left the eternal order. For this reason I inform you of My will and address you through My Word.... for this reason I require you to enter into My will, into the eternal order, and tell you to live a life according to My will.... But I do not compel you to live this way; I leave it up to your free will.... But one thing I keep preaching to you: Love.... for everything depends on your willingness to love, even your agreement to fulfil My will and to submit yourselves to the law of eternal order solely depends on your willingness to love. For that which you do as a result of love you do voluntarily. Thus 'activity of love' is My will of which I constantly inform you.... Activity of love is the law of eternal order.... activity of love is the path to reach the goal, for activity of love provides you with the strength to do what is required in order to perfect yourselves.... And therefore I will never cease informing you of My will through My Word, I will keep preaching love to you and make you aware of the benefits of a life of love.... I will always try to encourage you to subordinate yourselves to the law of eternal order, to ignite love within yourselves and fan it into a bright flame.... My Word will enlighten you as to the purpose of your earthly life, and I Myself will constantly follow you with My love so that your love for Me will be kindled, and then the principle of love will determine your whole nature, you will gain bright enlightenment, i.e., you will realise the purpose of your process across earth and the goal set for you.... This realisation will give you great joy and you will eagerly strive for perfection.... For once love has ignited in you, you will also unite with Me through love, and then you will never want to let go of Me again, and I Myself will hold you with My love, I will merge with you since it is your own free will and we will never part again, for to have entered into My eternal order means to create and be active with Me and in My will in accordance with the divine principle of love and to be eternally happy....

Amen

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God wants to be known.... Reasons for the revelations....

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Let cannot be told to you often enough that I appear unusually in the end time because I want to save you humans from ruin. I use many means, I address every individual person in his fate of life, I show Myself in unusual events of all kinds because everything that happens is My will or My permission.... And I speak to you humans directly from above through the transmission of My word.... because I only want to achieve one thing, that you recognize **Me Myself** in everything that happens, in everything you encounter, be it of a joyful or sorrowful nature. I only want to be recognized by you.... I want you humans to believe in a God and creator Who wants to be your father and Who, in His love, tries everything to win your hearts for Himself. This is why I reveal Myself, this is why I also send you My word from above, for you shall receive information as to why everything happens

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and that one is above you Who directs everything that happens, even though He takes people's free will into account. Yet My will and My might will know how to judge everything correctly which people's will does wrong and therefore much responsibility also rests on the human being himself.... But since you humans are mostly ignorant, since you lack the right knowledge, I will also try to convey this to you by informing you about the meaning and purpose of your earthly life and your earthly task.... You humans no longer have much time at your disposal but it can still suffice to induce you to strive towards Me Myself as your God and creator, and this is the only thing I still want to achieve so that you need not fear a new banishment in the end when the whole earthly creation will be judged anew again.... You must therefore accept this as a reason when I reveal Myself to you through My word.... I address you.... An unheard-of grace which My love bestows upon you, because My word has a strength which can easily cause a change of will in you. And then you will be saved for all eternity if your will changes, if it turns towards Me and I can now also grasp you. For it concerns your free will.... Neither I nor My adversary can force you into the direction of your will. But My word can bring it about that you give Me your will, because through My word you learn to recognize Me Myself and My nature, because My word is a direct illumination of love which can ignite in you, and because you come close to Me Myself if you willingly listen to My word and act accordingly. It is a means of grace with such a significant effect that you humans can be awakened to life which lasts forever.... For it is life itself, it is an emanation of strength which can awaken everything dead to life if only it gives up its resistance.... Therefore you should listen to Me when I speak to you Myself; you should not reject My messengers who convey My word to you, for I Myself send them to you because I recognize hearts which only still require My illumination of love in order to come alive, in order to then have escaped eternal death. And I will have to speak loudly to anyone who does not pay attention to My silent address, which will also often happen before the end, for where I only see a possibility to soften human hearts I will leave no stone unturned, because it is not about the body's well-being but about the state of the soul, which shall be saved before the end.... Don't doubt My love, for even if you humans are not always able to recognize it, it is nevertheless the reason for everything you experience and which also often affects you painfully. And as long as there is still a possibility to influence human hearts I will not fail to grant them help. For I don't want them to perish; I want them to attain eternal life and be blissfully happy....

Amen

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God wants to be loved and not feared....

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do not want you to look upon Me as an avenging and punishing God Who ruthlessly condemns and Linflicts hardest punishments on all those who act in opposition to Him.... I do not want to cause you to fear Me as a stern Judge because I only want you to love Me.... I want to gain your love, therefore you should also recognise Me in My nature and give no credence to those who provide you with a completely wrong image of Me which will never be suitable to awaken love for your God and Creator Who is also your Father and wants to be recognised as Father.... Every doctrine which portrays Me as a God of revenge and an eternally wrathful Judge is wrong, for such misguided teachings will only ever increase the distance between you and Me, because as long as love for Me is not in you, you cannot come closer to Me either.... My fundamental substance is love and you emerged from this love.... But this love remains unchanging and constantly requests reciprocated love.... It can neither change itself nor vanish, and therefore My love will apply to you for all eternity. It will follow you into the deepest abyss in order to release you from it again.... but at no time ever will I throw you into this abyss, I will never ever condemn that which originated from Me, even if it opposes Me and rejects My love. But this love will do whatever it takes in order to encourage you, My living creations, to come close to Me again.... My love will seek to attract your love until, one day, you yourselves will turn to Me with burning love and try to find unity with Me. And then your fate will be unlimited bliss as it was in the beginning before you rejected My illumination of light. My nature has been wrongly

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portrayed to you humans on earth, at best you fear Me if you acknowledge Me as a Power which brought everything into existence.... but you dare not come to Me like children and appeal to Me for something because you are unaware of My greater than great love for you which wants to give itself away yet requires you to approach Me voluntarily....

However, I do not merely want to be recognised as a God of power but also as a God of love and therefore I constantly reveal Myself to people who experience hardship or sad events an untold number of times in earthly life and are time and again helped to overcome them.... They would certainly be able to recognise Me as a loving God Who knows everything and time after time is willing to help.... For I come close to every human being in earthly life, by just paying attention to it he would be able to detect a higher providence in his earthly life, in his destiny, in all experiences he encounters. But I also reveal Myself to people through the Word, I speak to them and also give them a sign of My great love by admonishing and warning them, by offering advice and comfort, by plainly explaining to them their purpose of life and promising them strength and assistance for their earthly progress so that it may lead to the goal, to unity with Me.... For the Father longs for His children who emerged from His love.... and love will never abandon its children. However, for as long as the human being fails to recognise God's love because false doctrines only taught him to fear God.... he will not establish the right relationship of a child to its Father either, and his return to Me will be at risk. And you can reject every doctrine as error if it causes you to be frightened of your God and Creator, for I take pity on the greatest sinner and try to help him, but I do not worsen his state of torment which he precipitated himself.... I do not condemn but lift all fallen beings up again.... I do not punish, instead the being punishes itself as a result of its guilt of sin and I try to bring him redemption. And what you consider divine Judgment is only a just compensation and helpful act on My part, because every transgression against My eternal order must have a lawful consequence, in which case I only ever help that which has become disorderly back into order again, because My love and wisdom recognises this to be beneficial, for I want to give Myself away and Am only able to do so within the scope of My eternal order.... And whatever you humans regard as sad only ever helps you to fit into My law of eternal order again one day so that I will then also be able to bestow gifts upon you once more, so that I will be able to make you happy with My infinite love, as it was in the beginning....

Amen

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Rejecting Jesus Christ equals rejecting God....

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ou cannot enter the realms of the blessed as long as you still resist Me Myself insofar as you do not acknowledge the redeemer Jesus Christ, in Whom I embodied Myself.... Therefore, if you reject Him you also reject Me Myself, even though you pretend to believe in one God.... Jesus Christ and I are one.... and whether it is still a mystery to you humans, to all imperfect spiritual beings. One day you, who have not yet come to believe in Him, will also be able to understand it. But let it nevertheless be said to you and repeated again and again that you cannot come to Me if you don't take the path via Jesus Christ.... Don't reject Him if you don't want to reject Me Myself as well, but try to find out from your God and creator why Jesus Christ has to be acknowledged in order to attain beatitude.... And this explanation will truly be given to you in such a way that it will bring you full understanding. The fact that many people lost faith in Jesus Christ and His act of salvation was due to the often wrong teaching about it, which was not to their liking and therefore caused them to reject everything connected with Him and the act of salvation. But a correct explanation can also restore your faith again if only you are seriously willing to listen to this very explanation: that your souls are burdened with a great guilt of sin which is also the reason for your life on earth and that this guilt of sin makes the entry into the kingdom of light, into the kingdom of beatitude, completely impossible.... that therefore the guilt of sin has to be redeemed first before the gates into that kingdom open.... that one made atonement for you for this guilt, the man Jesus, Who suffered on the cross and died for you in order to redeem this guilt of sin, in order to open the gates for you.... that in this human being Jesus

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I embodied Myself on earth because I, as the eternal love, wanted to accomplish the act of salvation for you, which therefore had to take place in a human external shell so that you could take notice of it, because spiritual activity could not be visible to you and because you had to know about the act of salvation in order to voluntarily join the group of sinners who can find redemption.... The great sin, however, was that you once refused to acknowledge Me as your God and father, that you turned away from Me and followed another who was My adversary.... Hence you now have to acknowledge Me again of your own free will, and since I embodied Myself in the human being Jesus in order to suffer and die for you, the acknowledgement of Jesus Christ and the act of salvation is also at the same time an acknowledgement of Me, which you once denied Me. For only the outer shell was human, what this outer shell contained was I Myself.... He and I have become one.... The human shell contained love in all its fullness, the original substance is the eternal deity, thus I Myself filled the man Jesus, Who therefore completely deified Himself on earth and Whose external form also united with Me and therefore was also able to ascend into My kingdom after His death.... You cannot separate Me from Jesus Christ, for He was I and I was He.... only that I assumed a form for you humans and for all beings in the spiritual kingdom, because otherwise I could not be visible to all beings created by Me. In the form of the man Jesus you can therefore imagine Me Myself, you can see Me when you see Him.... But you will only be able to see Him when you acknowledge Him as your God and father from eternity, when you devote yourselves to Him and ask Him for forgiveness of your sins.... when you take the path to the cross, which alone leads to Me, to eternal life in bliss....

Amen

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God's justice demands atonement for every debt....

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am a God of goodness and mercy, a God of gentleness and love.... and yet also a God of justice, for ▲I am supremely perfect and therefore cannot let anything bad happen that is contrary to the eternal order, it must be atoned for according to justice. But when I demand this atonement from men, who therefore have become sinful, that must be left to Me and My wisdom, only no man can enter the kingdom of light, who only carries the smallest guilt with him, when he departs from this earth. He must first make atonement, which can exceedingly bitterly burden a being in the kingdom on the other side and can keep him outside of every happy feeling for a long time, until he has become free of his guilt. And you can imagine that no man would leave the earthly body (the earth) free of guilt of sin if only the sins are counted which man commits on earth and that he would need eternal times in the hereafter until all guilt would be redeemed through sufferings and agonies of all kinds of which you are not able to imagine.... But one died for you on the cross, Who took upon Himself all guilt of sin, Who, burdened with this guilt, went the way to the cross, suffered and died for the redemption of humanity's guilt.... Although a far greater guilt was at issue, it was the great original guilt of the beings' apostasy from God, which had to be atoned for and which could never have atoned for the being itself.... For this guilt the man Jesus died on the cross for the first time, so that the gate to happiness could be opened at all, which was closed to the souls through this original sin, and no-one could have entered the kingdom of light anymore without the death of Jesus Christ on the cross, without the work of redemption.... But He died for all sins of men, He took all the guilt of sin upon Himself and redeemed it with His blood.... And thus the human being can also become free from every sin he committed in earthly life if he himself turns to the divine redeemer and asks Him for forgiveness, if he trustingly lays all his guilt at His feet and asks Him to have shed His blood for it too and accepts Him as a sinner who repents of his guilt and asks for forgiveness.... And thus only is it possible that the soul of man can enter the kingdom of light after his death because one has paid the debt for it, because it has become free from the guilt which would have denied it entry.... but which now voluntarily contributes to the redemption of the unhappy souls through constant service in love in the spiritual kingdom, which therefore declares itself willing of its own accord to pay off the guilt remitted to it through Jesus' blood through loving service to the souls which are still unhappy, that it

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likewise seeks to lead these souls to Jesus to request forgiveness of their guilt from Him, and thus, as it were, all of God's justice is satisfied when only the path to the cross is taken, when every soul carries its guilt under the cross and the just atonement has now been made for it. That is why there could be no happiness in the kingdom of light for the souls before the death of Jesus on the cross, even if they had led a pure life on earth, because they were burdened by the original sin. But neither could they put earthly life itself behind them without having transgressed against Me as the eternal love.... they fell into sin, and My justice demanded compensation for it, which they were certainly able to make themselves with good will but then the original sin still kept the gate to the kingdom of light closed to them. If they had never fallen then they would not have needed to sin on earth, as was the case with the beings of light which ascended to earth, which lovingly took care of their fellow human beings and exemplified to them a right life on earth. But the former apostasy from Me had made them in bondage to My adversary, who now, for his part, used all his influence to stir people up against Me, against everything good. And thus a sinful human race was created whose burden of sin has increased and can only find salvation through the act of salvation of Jesus Christ.... But who does not accept the redemption through Jesus, the kingdom of light will remain closed to him until he, too, will one day decide to do so. Because My justice is not to be eliminated; I cannot delete guilt, which was not atoned for, but My endless love allowed a representing atonement, which the man Jesus therefore accomplished and you all find mercy instead of justice, because the love of your father redeemed the guilt for you, because love nevertheless satisfied justice, because the redemption of guilt required an immense suffering, which ended with the most agonizing dying on the cross. But the acknowledgement of Jesus as God's son and redeemer of the world and the conscious request for forgiveness of guilt inevitably belongs to it to become free from the great guilt of the former apostasy and also the sin guilt of man on earth, but then the soul can already after its departure from earth enter into the kingdom of light and happiness, where it itself will now be untiringly active according to My will and again take part in the work of redemption, by it also leading those souls to Jesus, so that they find redemption....

Amen

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God requires a living faith....

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

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

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I, however, Am a living God, everything has to be truthful before Me, and therefore I want a living contact established by you with Me, but this also guarantees higher development and leads the soul to the goal. For would I leave a child or consider it poorly, be it spiritually or even earthly, once it has made heartfelt contact with Me, to whom I Am truly the Father it can unreservedly trust? But where this intimate bond is missing there still exists a broad gulf, the human being looks for Me in the distance, he speaks of Me as a Being Which is unattainable to him and Which he indeed acknowledges because of Its might which he cannot deny in view of the creations, who also admits to Its **wisdom** which is demonstrated to him through the creations, but who does not know anything about the **love** of a God Who wants to be a Father to all living creations because he has not spent serious thought on the Being Who had brought him into existence. And as long as I Am merely the distant God for people they will live their earthly life without spiritual achievements, for they lack the flow of strength to travel the path of ascent which, however, requires the living creation's heartfelt connection to Me in order to enlighten him.

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

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

Amen

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God wants no compulsion.... The truth sets you free....

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The will towards God is at the same time the will to detach oneself from God's adversary.... But the will towards God will also always mean the will towards truth, for the human being who is completely wrongly taught can only free himself from the adversary when he walks in truth.... The truth alone sets you free.... through the truth the adversary's nature will be revealed as well as his shameful work and activity, furthermore, through the truth the human being will also set himself free from all error, and he will realise that error is intended to keep the human being in bondage of thought and will.... that it chains people to decrees and commandments which, again, only originated from God's adversary and which are therefore intended to keep the human being bound, to make him completely unfree and to prevent him from ever finding the truth.... But the truth sets you free.... for anyone who lives in truth no longer recognizes the adversary as his lord, he has recognized him and detests him, he consciously turns to the One Who is the Eternal Truth.... Thus an ecclesiastical organisation based on error can never permanently bind a person to itself who has found the truth.... And thus as long as the human being is bound to this organisation by commandments or laws it cannot

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possibly represent the pure truth, because truth does not tolerate coercion and because coercion has only ever been imposed on people by My adversary, since God Himself created every being in fullest freedom of will.... Hence, as long as people are required to perform earthly or spiritual actions or tasks under the threat of punishment, there is obviously coercion, because the human being shall then be burdened with the feeling of having sinned if he does not comply with those requirements.... The human being should have complete spiritual freedom, under no circumstances should he be subjected to spiritual coercion.... He should only ever be taught in love that God's commandments must be fulfilled.... the commandments of love for God and love for one's neighbour.... This alone is the task of those who want to help people to the well-being of their souls, who want to be God's servants and thus have to render this service to Him, to educate people to love.... But love must also be exercised freely, no services may be demanded under compulsion which are devoid of love, which are only done again in order to comply with human requirements but which do not result in the slightest progress for the soul. Now it is a false objection if it is said that humanity needs laws because without them it would go through earthly life completely indifferent and its state would be completely disenchanted.... You humans, who consider such things to be good, only seemingly maintain a certain order which appears externally, yet the souls are raped because they are deprived of all free determination, because people have to act what they should do of their own free will and this is therefore entirely worthless for their maturing. Moreover, they are deprived of their sense of responsibility if they strictly adhere to what they are offered by individuals who feel called to lead the masses.... With only a little thought you must realise that such commandments, which signify a compulsion of will for the human being.... because in the case of non-fulfilment they are called sin.... can only have come from the adversary of God.... For precisely in the stage as a human being on this earth free will alone determines his spiritual progress, and every spiritual coercion is satanic activity.... And if you know all this it will also be easy for you to completely detach yourselves from spiritual knowledge which obviously reveals the work of God's adversary.... For the truth sets you free.... Memorise that you are no longer subject to the adversary's fetters if you live in truth, which only comes forth from God and which you can only receive and understand if you have already intimately united yourselves with your God and Father, so that you have made a free decision of will and the adversary has lost all right to you. Then you will also no longer fear anything that has been threatened to you by those who are still connected to the adversary, otherwise they would also recognize and strive for the pure truth and try to completely detach themselves from error.... Know that God Himself is love and that He will never impose those punishments on a human being which are threatened to you if you do not submit to the teachings and commandments which were given by human beings under the influence of the adversary in order to keep people in bondage.... The truth alone sets you free, and without hesitation you will release yourselves from those fetters if you are in possession of the truth which God gives to everyone who earnestly desires it, and which alone is the light through whose shine the adversary and his activity is unmasked.... And anyone who has the truth is now also a divine creature again, and he truly no longer needs to fear his adversary....

Amen

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God wants to free people from error....

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It shall be said to all of you that truth alone is the right path to perfection, to a safe return to Me.... For how are you to reach your aim if you go astray, if you are not given correct knowledge of your purpose of existence, or if wrong advice is given to you, if means are suggested to you which have no influence whatsoever on the maturing of your souls? How can you expect spiritual success from wrong explanations of My nature and My will when no truthful image of Me is developed for you and you do not strive for the one thing in your earthly life: to cultivate love for Me and your neighbour within you, which alone brings your soul to maturity. You can believe it, mankind has everything

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wrong and above all truth; far more erroneous than right teachings have taken root in the thinking of

men, and these erroneous teachings can never lead to Me.... That is why it is My constant effort to guide you men into truth, to give you clear knowledge about purpose and aim of your earth life, but for which explanation must also be given to you about the cause of your being of man on earth. The knowledge, which is passed on from man to man, is not safe from deformation, because men's thoughts cannot always be influenced by Me, but far more often by My opponent and he will always deform pure truth. Hence only error and lies will ever emanate from him, but just as truth can only ever emanate from Me and must therefore also be requested from Me. For you must desire it as you once resisted all light and thereby sank into darkness, into confused thinking and completely wrong concepts, which My opponent transmitted to you. But light alone gives happiness, and light is every truthful knowledge; light goes out from Me and illuminates the way back to Me.... And that is why I again and again seek to bring pure truth to you men, to enlighten you about error and therefore to enlighten your spirit, which can never feel well in darkness. Truth will make you happy, and as I love you, because you are My creatures, I also want to help you to happiness, which lasts for ever. And this can only be achieved on the way of truth. You must know about My nature so that you give love to Me, but love connects you with Me, and love also secures eternal life for you, because love is power, and only he can live who stands in full possession of power and can be active all the time. You men must desire to move in truth.... you must not be satisfied with all spiritual knowledge which you receive from fellow human beings.... you must always ask yourselves whether the guarantee for pure truth can be given to you when you are taught by fellow human beings.... And you must earnestly desire to stand in truth. Then you can expect with full certainty that it will be supplied to you and that you will then also feel it yourselves whether truth or error is supplied to you. Only this desire for truth must be your innermost wanting; not only words or shallow wishes are allowed to express this, but you must **desire** truth in all seriousness, and you will be protected from all error. Because I Myself am truth, and I Myself want it that My creatures move in truth, but I do not determine your will, which is free. But unmeasured I will consider a man who strives for Me Myself.... and he will see the way to Me brightly illuminated and now also cover it in the certainty that it leads to the right destination. For this reason you humans should all ask yourselves whether the spiritual knowledge you possess corresponds to the complete truth.... you should seriously examine the spiritual knowledge you have adopted as to whether it testifies to a God of love, wisdom and omnipotence, and you can reject as erroneous any teaching which causes you to doubt this, for the truth will always reveal My nature to you as supremely perfect, as infinitely loving, immeasurably wise and supremely powerful.... And you will also be able to love such a being.... But I want to win your love because it leads you back to Me again; your love towards Me will also always fulfil My will, and you will yourselves mature in your souls, what only love achieves. But as long as you walk along in error, your maturing will be questionable, because error is part of the adversary, and he will always seek to prevent your maturing during earth life. You seriously have to come to terms with the thought that you cannot achieve spiritual success as long as you lack truth, and that your earthly progress can then be in vain, for you are only on earth for the purpose of reaching your aim, the final perfection, and become blissfully happy.... and become blessed....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Insertion into the law of divine order....

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You were created for a life of bliss, not for a dead state in which you cannot feel bliss. But since you have placed yourselves in this state, you are not in the law of divine order either, you yourselves have overturned this law and placed yourselves outside of My law.... But from Me this state cannot be approved of, and since I Myself.... as supremely perfect.... only ever represent order, since everything that is divine must therefore also move within this order, I cannot **forever** tolerate that what I have created is **outside** of it.... I therefore seek to restore this order, even if this requires eternities. For the being's free will also belongs to that area of order, which is why the emergence from

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My lawful order could take place in the first place. In order to slowly re-establish this order the once fallen spiritual being, which had become unruly towards Me, was first deprived of its free will, i.e., since it had misused it, it became unfree, for it was under the control of its producer, who had first rebelled against Me again.... Thus the latter had bound the will of his offspring, which is why I wanted to help the spiritual being regain the freedom of its will but also withheld its free will until it was able to use it correctly again when it had reached a certain degree of development. Thus I first reestablished a certain order by integrating the spiritual substances of the fallen beings into a process of activity according to My will, which they now had to comply with. It was no longer possible to speak of **I-conscious** beings, which cannot be thought of without free will. That which had stepped out of order had thereby made itself into something without being, it was only hardened spiritual substance which I therefore used for the execution of a plan which could restore the lawful order and also serve the beings to highest perfection, a plan which also guaranteed a life in bliss again for all once-fallen beings. What is outside of divine order is therefore certainly the property of My counter-spirit, which was the first to step out of My order; but it is and also remains My share, because the original power which let the being arise originated from Me and irrevocably also has to return to Me again, because this is also divine fundamental law. But this return to Me also happens again in a lawful way, and although My direct help has to start in order to slowly awaken this hardened spiritual substance to life again, every being which has attained self-awareness again is nevertheless free to place itself entirely under My law of order or to isolate itself again, to disregard My divine order and to strive for the state of death again.... For the being has to make this final decision itself, for which it certainly receives My help at all times but is not forced by Me. Yet a 'life of bliss' is only possible within the framework of My divine order, for a life of bliss presupposes the perfection again which the being originally possessed.... And perfection also means integrating oneself into divinely perfect laws.... And if you humans now want to attain life, then you must also submit to this law, you must fully submit to My will, and you then also enter into the law of eternal order.... you have escaped the state of death, you are alive, and you will now no longer lose this life eternally....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's will: principle of love....

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nly that corresponds to My will which reveals the principle of love.... And thus you have a precise characteristic of My will: Your thoughts, intentions and actions must be based on love for Me and your neighbour... you must only ever want to help and make people happy and never combine your actions with selfish thoughts. For selfishness is self-love, a perverse love which you may only cherish in your heart to a very small extent.... to a degree that ensures the preservation of your body as long as it has the task to fulfil.... to be the carrier of your soul.... What you therefore need to make the body suitable for this task is the measure of love for yourselves granted to you. But you yourselves are free to increase or decrease the degree of self-love, and the latter will always mean a plus for your soul which you will only recognize when you reap the fruits of what you have sown on earth.... For what the body desired on earth for itself it has to give away.... what it denied itself in order to help its neighbour the soul finds again in the kingdom of the beyond as wealth with which it can now work, which makes it blissfully happy.... So I will not force you in earthly life, I will not hinder you in your thinking, wanting or acting.... you can cover your earthly path at your own discretion, but "what you sow you will also reap...." And you will always know about My will which only ever requires loving activity from you which, however, you have to practice voluntarily if it is to serve your soul's perfection. And if the heart is willing to love, if the human being has fought against selfish love as far as possible, then he will do of his own accord what corresponds to My will.... He will no longer do it in order to merely fulfil My commandments, but out of the innermost urge of his heart he will think and act according to My will.... It will inwardly urge him to give and make happy, for then he already carries My spirit of love within himself, he has changed his initially love-poor nature, his heart

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embraces everything that surrounds him with its love.... And thus he also radiates love to his fellow human beings and can also cause them to change their nature according to his example.... Love is divine, it is My primal element, and it therefore has to deify everything that is seized by it and let it become My image. A heart which now allows itself to be seized by Me Myself, which ignites love within itself and now unites with Me, must irrevocably approach the original state again, for it deifies itself and again assumes all characteristics and abilities it once possessed when it was externalized by Me as an emanation of love in all perfection.... Love alone restores this original state, because love deifies the being and because love causes the union with Me which results in an overflow of light and strength in abundance.... This is why My will can never ever have anything else as its aim than to always cause you humans to do deeds which reveal the love principle in you.... This is why My will can only ever be the fulfilment of My commandments which teach you love for Me and your neighbour, and this is why you must all know about this will of Mine.... For this reason My word is repeatedly brought to you humans which informs you of My will.... And only he who fulfils My commandments of love will be blissfully happy, for he can only return to Me when he has become the love again which he was in the beginning....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's will: Fulfilling the commandments of love.... Presence....

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am truly present wherever My presence is longed for. For no call passes My ear which arises from La person's heart, because I want to be closely united with every one of My living creations which once originated from Me. And you shall also become aware of My presence, you shall hear My address at any time when your heart opens to it. And My loving care will only ever admonish and warn you, I will always give you advice, make My will known to you and then kindle a bright light in you when you fulfil My will: I will convey knowledge to you which only I Myself can impart to you. My will, which I make known to you, is only ever the fulfilment of the commandments of love.... Hence the transmission of knowledge, of the eternal truth from Me, is **only possible** if you live a life of love in accordance with My commandments. And then it is also understandable that you now pass on the knowledge, for your love for Me will prompt you to also give to your fellow human beings what makes you happy yourselves. But they, too, first have to learn about My will, they, too, have to fulfil the commandments of love, otherwise the imparted knowledge will be incomprehensible to them and they will reject it. But anyone who fulfils My will, who endeavours to live a life of love, will also soon feel My presence, for I Myself am love, and "he who abides in love abides in Me and I in him...." You must therefore first understand that you cause Me Myself to be present in you through every work of love, that you draw Me to you when you perform works of love.... that you therefore unite with Me through every work of love.... that the union with Me can only be established through love.... Therefore I preach love to you again and again, and thus you, who pass on My word, should also proclaim the teaching of love first, you should present these two commandments of Mine to your fellow human beings as the most important, because only a life of love according to My will can bring you humans perfection, because only a life of love will lead you to the aim, to unification with Me, which is the final purpose of your earthly existence as a human being. And if you live a life of love you will also always desire My presence, and I will always comply with this desire, after all, My desire is also directed towards unification with you, because I love you from the very beginning. But love seeks unification, which will always take place on My part, yet it has to be striven for on your part, since it was you yourselves who left Me of your own free will and therefore you also have to voluntarily return to Me again. And love will always achieve this.... And even if you say that I keep repeating Myself in My address.... this instruction cannot be given to you often enough, and the effect of a life of love cannot be described to you forcefully enough.... You cannot be warned strongly enough not to go through earthly life without love.... Only love can complete you, only love will ensure your return to Me, and only through love do you cause Me to be and remain present to you....

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And My presence truly also means the certainty for you that you will reach your aim while still on earth. For when I am present to you I speak to you, and thus My love also radiates towards you and ignites a bright flame of love in you which constantly flows towards Me, and the unification takes place which is the purpose and aim of your earthly life. Just look for Me in all earnestness and I will truly allow Myself to be found.... And always remain united with Me through loving activity, through heartfelt prayer and constant turning of your thoughts to Me.... And My love will take hold of you and never let go of you again, for you are now My children and will remain so for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Destiny of life is God's will....

B.D. No. **3211**

August 3rd 1944

its course for every individual person as it was determined by God. No-one can avoid his destiny; by way of thoroughly trusting prayer he can merely reach a point where God will help him to bear up to it if he is too weak himself. And therefore the human being is unable to shape his own destiny differently, even if he believes otherwise, for the way it turns out is the way God has intended it for eternity, and He Himself places the thoughts into a person's heart so that he will do precisely that which corresponds to His divine plan. The human being certainly has free will but earthly events must always be looked upon as God's will or permission which entirely coincides with the eternal Plan. For God has known every human being's spiritual state for eternity. And thus nothing comes upon the human being which His profoundly wise will does not consider to be beneficial for his soul. Consequently, it is not possible for the human being to avert anything from himself, only through heartfelt prayer can he increase the effect on his body, if it is favourable, or reduce it, if it is damaging to him. For this reason the human being can leave himself to God's reign and activity with complete confidence, since whatever happens will be good for his soul, and the strength of faith can indeed make every earthly happening bearable if the person fully and trustingly hands himself over to the Father in Heaven and allows Him alone to reign. Without the slightest worry he can let everything happen to him, for nothing exists which wouldn't have met with God's approval first, thus is considered good for his soul and therefore imposed upon him. Hence the human being need not fear anything either, he need not be afraid of forthcoming events as soon as he intimately unites himself with God, after all, his whole course of life proceeds in accordance to his attitude towards God. And if he realises this he will calmly and collectedly await what is given to him, since he knows that only God's love is the reason if joy or suffering comes upon him. For He has known for eternity what means the earthly child needs in order to be able to mature psychologically, and He employs these means.... Everything will happen without fail as He determined, and no human being will be able to change it of his own strength. This is why all worries a person has about his future are unnecessary for he cannot improve it if it is not conducive for him, just as it need not become worse if the person's faith is so strong that he will remain in close contact with God. For His will shall always be done in Heaven and on Earth, no human being can oppose His will, and His will is truly wiser and therefore always good....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Everything is God's will or permission....

B.D. No. 3594

November 4th 1945

You should be attentive and regard every event as wanted or permitted by Me if you want to draw blessings for your soul from it. Only the constant certainty that My will is behind everything that happens will let you become calm, even though you live in a turbulent, restless time which means increased hardship and worry for you. As soon as you recognize Me everywhere and in every event all

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restlessness will fall away from you, for then you will know that I am equally willing and powerful to create a more favourable situation for the individual, and this faith will not be disappointed by Me, for I only try to build up a strong faith because I will need it in the coming time.... because I require supports on earth which, only through a strong faith, are capable of helping to establish My kingdom in this world or to protect it from destruction by My adversary. I try to develop this strong faith in you, I constantly try to deepen it and constantly instruct you, mentally imagining My creative power and My will to love and relating every happening around you to it.... And thus, if you pay attention to everything and to your path of life in particular, you will always have to recognize My love for you which again and again finds ways when you need help. And you should leave yourselves to your fate with utmost confidence, for I, your father of eternity, already guide you correctly and nothing is impossible for Me if only you expect My help with firm faith in My love and strength.... I want your faith to become strong and therefore also have to subject it to tests where it shall prove itself, where it shall grow stronger until it has become unshakeable and you are now suitable instruments for Me on earth. Nothing happens without My will or My permission, and everything can be a blessing for you if you look at it from this point of view, for then you will always feel Me close to you, you will not feel alone but relieved of all worries because you can entrust them to Me, the stronger one Who always helps you if you ask Him for it. I will always stand by your side as soon as you only allow My presence through spiritual unity with Me, through good thoughts and good deeds.... as soon as you hand yourselves over to My guidance and courageously also want to conquer what seems insurmountable with My help. Then every burden or obstacle will become smaller, it will collapse, and step by step you will come closer to the aim because I am with you, because I walk with you and you will safely reach your aim by My hand. Therefore believe and consider everything as My will, whatever comes upon you.... and believe that nothing is impossible for Me, Who is love and the source of strength from eternity......

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's will to help is greater than the adversity....

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The adversity will never be greater than God's will to help.... He knows why He inflicts it on you, and as soon as it has served its purpose of having motivated you to enter into most heartfelt contact with Him, He will also remove it and clearly come to your aid. For His might is infinitely great, and His love is supreme.... And if you believe that He does not want to let you to suffer without reason, that He thereby only intends to benefit your souls, you only need to commend yourselves to Him and His grace and He will help you in every danger and distress. Yet you must always consider the fate of your souls first, you must always aim to mature psychologically, i.e., to fulfil God's will, for you are only on this world in order to shape yourselves in accordance with God's will. If you disregard His will then you will have to be moved by suffering to change your mind; but if you voluntarily comply with His will then the suffering will always be bearable for you, even if you have to endure it for your own and your fellow human beings' sake. For at a time of a low spiritual level, when the whole of humanity is neglectful in fulfilling the divine commandments, when it no longer lives according to divine will, suffering and adversity will also have to strike the whole of humanity to a greater extent if it is to change and accomplish its purpose of earthly life.

So it is to be expected that it will also affect the people who at all times make divine will the guiding principle for their way of life, yet their adversity will always be endurable, God's help for them will always be clearly recognisable, He will always let them feel His love and support them by virtue of His omnipotence and His love, which will constantly express themselves with His Own. For He wants to strengthen their faith, He wants to reveal Himself as an ever helpful and kind Father, Who will not leave His children in adversity if they call upon Him for help. And every earthly and spiritual crisis shall induce people to call upon Him in their hearts, in spirit and in truth.... For through his heartfelt appeal to God the human being unites himself with Him and is able to receive the necessary strength

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from Him to become fully mature in his soul. And God will time and again clearly reveal Himself to His Own, and anyone who pays attention to it will be able to convince Himself of His love and care every hour of every day, and He will glorify and praise Him in his heart and give thanks to Him.... For no adversity is greater than the might and love of the One Who sends it.... He always knows a solution, even if the earthly peril seems insurmountable.... Therefore believe in Him and don't doubt His love, for it takes hold of you and will never ever leave you, so that you shall recognise Him and become and remain His Own for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Mischief and misery.... God's will or permission....

B.D. No. 6635

September 4th 1956

'he worldly man is satisfied with what satisfies his bodily senses and does not deprive himself of anything that satisfies his senses, even if he believes that he is indulging in 'spiritual' pleasures and only understands this to mean intellectually acquired goods, if he occupies himself with knowledge which again only concerns earthly things. Thus he feels good and does not deprive himself of anything because his soul does not push itself forward with its desire and cannot push itself forward either, since the body has the upper hand. But this state of contentment does not last until death, or only very rarely, because such a person usually ruins himself physically, because illnesses or increasing age prohibit those earthly pleasures or the fulfilment of bodily desires and the person is then often forced to think about himself, about his life and about the purpose of existence. And then God's love approaches him again and again and tries to hold him back from the world, He tries to impart strength to the soul that it influences the human being from within to detach himself from the previous striving and to free himself from worldly thoughts.... But the soul will only penetrate if it has a certain amount of strength which, however, must come to it from outside.... through help which can consist of good conversation, spiritual conversations or transmission of the divine word, through good books or through loving intercession of a fellow human being.... From this the soul receives the strength to also influence the body, and then a slow change of thinking can occur, and the rest of earthly life can still be used well for the maturing of the soul. Illness, misfortune and earthly hardship are therefore indispensable for people who give themselves too much to the world and are often the best and only means to learn to recognize the world's staleness. And these means are therefore used again and again and become ever more apparent the more humanity turns its gaze to the world. And that is why increased enjoyment of life, excessive earthly pleasures and the sensual performances of the worldly side will always be accompanied by phenomena of a negative kind, by misfortunes, illnesses and blatant misery, which is based on excessive enjoyment of life. People should, as it were, already experience in their own bodies the devastating effects which hedonism and intemperance produce, and they should thereby learn to recognize what the body actually is and what the life they have led up to now has brought them. For other means are unsuccessful with such worldly people, but these can still achieve what ideas and good speeches could not.... that they distance themselves from the world and escape the greatest danger of being devoured by it. For this reason, all apparent disaster in the last days should be regarded as divine will or permission which can also still have a beneficial effect, even if it is caused maliciously or also testifies to adversarial activity.... It can always bring people to their senses and result in a turning away from the world, and then their soul will be saved from a far worse fate after its recall from this world....

Amen

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et it be said to all of you that you are unable to do anything without My will or My permission.... but this does not mean that you do not have free will.... For will and execution are two different things, the will is your own affair which I do not determine in any way. But whether you can also carry out your will requires My consent, My will. And sometimes it has to work against your will, sometimes I have to intervene for the sake of your souls. But your actual will is judged, how it is directed.... in a good or evil sense. For your will shall be tested in earthly life. But sometimes it can also be so directed that the effect of the will, thus the deed carried out, harms or misleads the maturing of your own soul as well as that of other people's souls; and then I often intervene and don't allow the deed to be carried out in the first place, although the human being also has to answer for such a wrong will. But I do not prevent all such bad intentions and deeds, otherwise no-one would believe in the freedom of will and a hopeless chaos would arise, as well as the destroying-willing principle would assert itself on earth to the detriment of people who go through earthly life. Nevertheless, every person can pass the test of will, whether his plans are carried out or not, for he will only be judged according to his will. However, there is also a reason why I very often allow wrong actions, for people should become aware of their own wrong actions and recognize the wrongness of their will and actions by their own wrong actions or those of their fellow human beings, because the effect of such actions will never be good. The freedom of the will, however, will constantly be disputed by people because their course of life does not always unfold as they want it to and they therefore declare the will to be unfree. But no human being is forced to follow a certain direction of his will.... Every person's will is completely free and can turn in any direction at its own discretion.... But I know when you have to be stopped, when I have to oppose My will and thus prevent actions which this free will gives birth to, which it plans to carry out in blind hatred, in ignorance of its effect and the harm it can cause to his fellow human being.... For My love and wisdom sees further and seeks to compensate and spare people much hardship and misery who trustingly hand themselves over to Me, who entrust their lives to Me again and again and whom I therefore also protect from great harm.... But I also overlook the great.... And I often call people away from life whose attitude does not correspond to the well-being of their fellow human beings and who have already proven their wrong will too often.... because I want to prevent unnecessary suffering from coming upon people which does not benefit them spiritually.... but just as I also call people away whose attitude has always corresponded to My will but whose mission on earth I consider to be finished and therefore end further activity on their part.... For My will and My permission are only decisive as to whether the human being's will can take effect or not. But the human being is responsible for his will, regardless of whether he is prevented from carrying out the deed or not. This is why much guilt will have to be carried away, for the human being's thinking and will is free and he will one day have to give account for everything.... not only for the works that have been carried out.... Therefore, be careful and pay attention to your thoughts, for they reveal your innermost nature; pay attention to your will so that it is directed towards what is good and sublime, and you will not have to fear responsibility one day in eternity....

Amen

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Destiny.... 'Father, Your will be done....'

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Levery individual person's course of life is predetermined and has to be taken without grumbling and complaining if it is to have a favourable effect on the soul. But strong trust in God has to be present too, then every destiny can easily be endured, for it is shaped by God alone according to His will, only He is able to change every situation in life, He is able to change joy into grief but also suffering into joy if he is approached in heartfelt prayer, and He will do so if the human being in childlike trust tells Him of his problems and commends himself to His grace.

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A long path has to be travelled from the abyss to the pinnacle, and this path cannot always be even or it would not lead to ascent. Obstacles have to be overcome, mountains have to be climbed, for the goal is up above and every progress is arduous without the assistance of the right guide. And as long as you humans walk with God Himself by your side as your guide, as long as you entrust yourselves to His guidance, you will not travel the path in vain, He will lead you upwards, and with His help you will be able to overcome every obstacle. And the steeper the path the shorter it will be and the higher you can climb; but when you have reached the pinnacle you will be able to look back and be grateful to your Guide Who enabled you to reach the goal, and every adversity will be over.

The more difficult a destiny, the higher the goals set for you and the brighter the light will shine, and all abysmal darkness will be defeated. God, however, is able to make even the steepest path of ascent seem smooth to you if you hand yourselves over to Him as His children, if you accept every sorrowful event, if you always pray 'Father, Your will be done....' Then He will not let you suffer, even in greatest adversity He will calm your soul and give you peace, He will powerfully work in you Himself and nothing will seem difficult and yet you continue to progress, for your will, your submission to His will, lets you partake of His strength, you will not consider anything a burden to you and always gladly and cheerfully cover your earthly path until the loving Father's hand takes hold of you and takes you into the Father's house, until you have reached the goal and return to the eternal home, into the land of light where no sorrow, no suffering nor adversity exist but only eternal blissfulness....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's will.... power of the adversary....

B.D. No. 3509

August 9th 1945

eaven and earth and also the forces of the underworld obey My will, although the latter strive Lagainst Me and carry a will averse to Me. But whatever aims they pursue, if My will does not give its consent, they are powerless. However, the fact that I also allow their evil will to take effect is based on My love and wisdom, even though this is incomprehensible to people. The final redemption of the spiritual being from the bound state first requires the knowledge of good and evil. The perfect being must detest evil as the worst injustice and therefore also be able to gain insight into its depths.... In order to be good, it must completely turn away from evil. But since the bound spiritual being is still under the influence of the one to whom it owes the state of being bound, it is initially more inclined towards evil, and as long as it feels good in bad surroundings, as long as it carries out bad actions without any concern of doing wrong, it is still so far away from perfection that it will never be able to feel My love. It first has to come to realization in order to then be able to decide in free will for good or evil. And I gave the human being the ability to recognize good and evil Myself, yet I also gave My adversary the power to influence the human being's will, to entice him into evil deeds so that he will then freely decide. Yet I will never ever allow the evil forces to exercise their temptations on the human being. For My will only calls good that which has love in it. I do not prevent bad deeds which people carry out under the influence of these forces, for they are intended to be a reason for the human being to decide for or against them, they are intended to sharpen his realization of good and evil, they are intended to help him turn away from them in deepest disgust. Yet I do not always allow the planned effects of such deeds but weaken them or prevent them according to the necessity of adversity and suffering in order to come to the aid of people's souls. Evil must be recognized and detested otherwise the soul cannot free itself from it. For how the soul, the thinking, feeling and willing of man, attunes itself to it is decisive. Bad thoughts, bad feelings and bad will give birth to bad deeds; but My adversary seeks to make the person's thinking and wanting inclined towards these bad deeds by irritating the person's feeling through ideas which are pleasing to the body. And thus he tries to make the human being's soul completely subject to the body's desire and thereby achieves his aim of alienating it from Me. But I do not take this power away from him, after all, it is up to the human being himself whether he subordinates himself to it. For the good spiritual substance is also constantly active to convey good thoughts to people, thus to make the concept of good and evil understandable to

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them, and the human being is not at the mercy of the forces of the underworld. All forces, even the bad ones, contribute towards the spiritual's redemption, since the final decision lies with the human being himself as to which direction he will take and neither good nor bad forces can force this will, because My will commands them to stop if the human being's free will is not respected. For My will rules heaven and earth, the spiritual and the earthly kingdom, and it rules full of love and wisdom in order to redeem the fallen spirit....

Amen

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God's will comes forth when adversariy transcend boundaries....

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Ou humans cannot oppose God's will if He allows it to become active. His will rules in heaven and on earth, in the kingdom of light as well as in the kingdom of darkness. But He will only ever use His will when the opposing will is so completely out of order that it has to be overruled in order not to endanger the still weak-willed spirit which has not yet completely fallen prey to the prince of darkness. In the kingdom of light only God's will is valid, and all spiritual beings lovingly conform to this will and find their beatitude in the implementation of divine will. Now on earth the will of the spiritual.... of people.... has not yet been completely decided. has not yet completely decided whether it should bow to God's will or allow itself to be captured by the prince of darkness.... and although God's will is always decisive, He will nevertheless remain silent towards the human being, i.e. God does not use any compulsion of will but seeks to achieve by other means what He has set as His aim:... that the human being **voluntarily** submits to His will. His aim is and remains the integration of the being into the divine law of eternity.... Although it is easy for God to place the being into that divine order, this is not enough for Him. This placement should take place in complete freedom of will, only then will the being be suitable for the kingdom of light, where only God's will rules. But this is why earth is a station of development where chaotic conditions can be found next to divine order, where people themselves determine what they will do with their earthly life, in which sphere they will live and which degree of development they will attain. God's will does not determine the human being but He also allows that which does not correspond to His will or His eternal order, yet He knows this and also allows such to become a means again which can be beneficial and promotes ascent development. God is powerful and wise.... He applies His power where His wisdom recognizes expediency. And He withdraws His will when the being's will is to decide freely in order to achieve perfection.... And thus He also lets the beings rage and work in darkness, yet always putting a stop to it when an encroachment on the human being's free will on earth is intended from that side.... And such an encroachment will always take place before the end of a redemption period and is also to be expected again now, which consists of making it impossible for the human being to make a free decision of will... insofar as, on the one hand, people are forced to give up their faith in God, and on the other hand, people are to be deprived of the **knowledge** of God and the act of salvation through coercive measures. As long as people still have the possibility to decide freely of their own free will, they are responsible for their own decision.... But if this possibility is taken away from him, then the will of God's adversary will prevail, and then the adversary will find his master in God, Who rules everything in heaven and on earth.... Then God's will will also take His adversary's freedom away and bind him so that the divine order will not be completely overturned. Then His **power** will prove itself to everything that is hostile towards Him. And it will not be long before this encroachment on the part of the adversary becomes obvious, for the time has come when people's weakness of will can no longer offer resistance, where the adversary has an easy game and where he would make all maturing of people impossible if a stronger person did not take away his power. For God is indeed longsuffering and patient, and He watches for a very long time as His adversary rages amongst humanity, but He does not let him have victory.... He helps the weak who cannot resist him, and His will is enough to put an end to his activity, even though it seems for a long time as if the adversary will reach

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his aim.... For God alone reigns in heaven and on earth, in the kingdom of light and also in the dark world....

Amen

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Vows not in the will of God....

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\ / hat you want to achieve on earth you should achieve of your own free will but not feel induced to do so by coercion of any kind, for you should make a free decision of will and this alone determines your fate in eternity, your spiritual development, your spiritual maturity. And therefore you should not bind yourselves through a vow either, for then you will make your will unfree yourselves, and that does **not** correspond to My will. You will raise the objection that this vow was made by you of your own free will, but you should know that you are anticipating Me, that you are doing something for which you do not have My approval, which I would never give you either, precisely because of your freedom of will. You can do exactly the same thing you want to do even without having taken a vow, and then you will also be able to be certain of My blessing as soon as they are works of love.... But what good is a work which lacks love if you feel prompted to do such works by a spiritual compulsion?.... It will not take you one step further in your maturity of soul, and you will waste time which you could use better if you were free from any such obligation. You should not bind yourselves with a vow which I will never ever approve of, for every constraint kills, you render yourselves incapable of working with love.... because a constraint weighs down your soul and everything you do under this constraint cannot result in spiritual success. And that person who takes such a vow from you is also to be condemned, for he is controlled by My adversary, otherwise he would have to recognize the nonsensical, God-opposing nature which is expressed in a vow. You promise something and don't know whether you will be able to keep it, whether you will not break yourselves with such a vow, because you have completely wrong ideas if you believe that such a promise is pleasing to Me. For this reason no person should be of faith to make himself My servant through a vow if this is taken from him by a fellow human being.... As soon as he offers himself to Me Myself for service in My vineyard, as soon as he hands himself over to Me that I may accept him, his free will has become active and I then use him according to My will, where and how I need him. But a **person** should never take a vow from his fellow human being, and a person should never promise something if he himself does not know whether he will be able to keep it..... For then he will have relinquished his freedom of will, and his actions or omissions will be of no value, they will not be regarded as voluntary deeds in My eyes, as the individual's free decision of will. A vow can be the occasion for an activity which is then only carried out mechanically and whose value is thereby reduced. And a vow can also stifle any love that cannot be forced, that must come from the heart and also develop freely.... And only that which is based on love is pleasing to Me. It lets the soul mature and promotes development. And anyone who has love within himself does not need a vow.... he is driven from within to do everything, and he will truly always act as it is My will, as it pleases Me and as it is beneficial for his soul's salvation....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Space exploration is not God's will....

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The strength which emanates from Me and My Word will touch your soul and you will find peace in Me.... When you are ready to serve Me then the strength to accomplish My will, which I place into your heart Myself, will also flow to you. And you will think, want and act in accordance with My will.... And thus you can always safely proceed on your way, My blessing will always accompany you, I will take you by your hand and guide you such as it is right for you and your fellow human beings'

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salvation of soul. Just put your trust in Me and truly, I will never allow your confidence in me to falter.... For although your body does not feel the evidence of this strength but your soul receives it in abundance instead and is grateful for all support, the soul matures and unites itself with its spirit, and this strives towards the Father-Spirit, and the unity with Me will become ever closer. And if I Am then able to speak to My child My presence will be confirmed too and peace has to enter its heart, every worry has to vanish and the child only has to listen to what his Father has to say to him:

And I still want to reveal much more to you, for the end is swiftly approaching.... You will still experience things which will make you doubt Me and My Word.... You will ask yourselves why I do not intervene with My might when humanity arrogantly dares to penetrate the universe.... But a limit has been imposed on their projects, they will not be able to implement their experiments for long, for even these actions merely hasten the end, the forthcoming Judgment. I will let them have their way, so that time and again they will have to realise that their capability will never suffice in order to complete their projects. They have handed themselves over to My adversary who will constantly influence their mind and also give them a certain amount of strength which, however, will always have disastrous effects on people as well as the works of creation My adversary wants to destroy. It is the time of the end, which is merely emphasised by such actions, for people's spiritual state itself will give rise to the end. My adversary wants to destroy the belief in My existence and My might, and such people are already subject to him due to the fact that they have lost all faith, deem themselves masters of creation and try to prove it. Yet they will not have much time left for that, because they hasten the end themselves since they revoke the laws of nature themselves and thereby pave the way for a work of destruction which will encompass the whole world and every living creation in, on and above the earth....

People's actions oppose God and that will also result in appropriate consequences.... But I allow My adversary's rage, yet people themselves could resist it and would then not become subject to his rule.... Time and again people are reminded of Me and My might and could quite easily take the path to Me.... Their will, however, is free and thus I do not prevent their actions, but My might and My will shall also reveal itself to those responsible for the anti-God activity that can be witnessed by all people.... They, too, will repeatedly be shown that a divine Power keeps expressing Itself Which proves their wrong thinking, for until the body dies I invite every soul to return to Me.... but I will not force it. And since My adversary cannot force it either, he influences all bad characteristics in a person even more and gains the soul for his disgraceful plan, since the craving for power and recognition is particularly strongly developed in people who do not believe in Me. For these are My adversary's characteristics.... It is his nature, which he passes on to them. But his time will soon be over, and My might, too, will soon visibly express itself.... Yet I will never give you such obvious proof of Myself that you have to believe in Me.... Time and again you have to bear in mind that I expect your voluntary faith which you should awaken through love.... And then you will also recognise the signs of the time; you will understand that you live in the last days when My adversary works in unusual ways, until the hour comes when he and his followers will be constrained, as it is has been proclaimed in Word and Scripture....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's will - human will.... free will....

B.D. No. 4445

September 29th 1948

As it has been decided since eternity, world events take their course, i.e., human will certainly determines the course but the effects of what is stimulated by human will will always correspond to My will, thus in some way serve people's upward development if they derive the right benefit from every event. And thus people's intentions can certainly be completely contrary to My will, yet if I allow something I also associate it with an aim, and thus every event corresponds to My eternal plan, because I have known about people's will, about their thoughts and actions since eternity, and

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therefore everyone can nevertheless freely want and act, thus he is by no means **determined** to carry out what he does. The fact that I know this is no evidence of a coercive influence on people's will.... what they want to do is up to them, yet the effect of their actions is subject to My will. And thus people will accomplish things in the last days which characterize their material spirit, they will want to improve their earthly life and obtain pleasures and therefore carry out actions which, however, will result in the opposite because I want it that way.... because I know that the realization of their plans only signifies complete spiritual decline, and thus I thwart their intentions in order to indirectly help them attain maturity of soul, even though only few recognize this and the number of those who know about My plan of eternity and see My guidance in everything is also small. More than ever people will be of faith in the end time that it is they who direct the nations' destiny through their will, and yet they are only the figures in the game. They will be governed by Me but always with respect for their free will, which I will never touch for the sake of people themselves. Thus, if people carry out an act which is not caused by love, if they strive for worldly advantages, if it contravenes christian neighbourly love or is expressed in hatred or unkindness towards their fellow human beings, then I will not prevent these actions, I will leave people free will there too, but I will also demand responsibility from them for every deed or every thought which harms their fellow human beings in any way. But whether their plans are carried out with the success they desire is entirely My will, and whatever happens now will always give the striving human being the opportunity to find Me, to recognize Me and to make contact with Me. And thus the underworld also serves Me, that is, it cannot stop My will either and will therefore only unintentionally contribute towards the realization of My eternal plan, which aims at the redemption of the spiritual world....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Selfish love.... Love your neighbour as yourself....

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August 14th 1947

Zod instructed you to love each other; He gave you a commandment you must fulfil if you want to be saved. And this commandment requires nothing else but love for Him and your neighbour.... Yet it includes the entire work of improving your soul, which should attain perfection while you still live on earth. Your every thought, word and action should correspond to this commandment of love, it must express itself in your will to give and to please, to help, comfort, encourage and protect.... the human being must do to other people what would please himself were he in need of the same degree of help. Love your neighbour as yourself.... Hence, God has granted the human being a degree of selfish love by which he can always judge how far he fulfils the commandment of neighbourly love. If a person loves himself very much, he also has a duty to give a greater measure to his fellow human being if he wants to comply with God's will. In that case he must also accomplish more kind-hearted deeds.... If a person's selfish love is small and he wants to fulfil God's will, his neighbourly love will exceed the degree of selfish love, and he will find this easier because he will easily be able to let go of earthly possessions and give them to his fellow human beings. But you humans are always expected to practise unselfish neighbourly love, consequently, you must also be able to go without, you must be able to make sacrifices in favour of pleasing a fellow human being. And the more you love a fellow human being, the easier you can do this. But in order to awaken the feeling of love for a fellow human being you must bear in mind that all of you are children of a Father, that all of you came forth from the same strength and therefore all of you are creatures of God's love.... Then you will learn to regard your fellow human being as your brother, you will treat him with love, you will want to help him if he suffers adversity, and your willingness to help will make you happy, because it is blissful in itself and results in spiritual knowledge.... If you give to your neighbour what you desire yourselves, then God will give you what belongs to Him.... He will give you the truth, He will give you light and strength and grace.... He will please you and likewise will only give you possessions which originate from His kingdom, which cannot be offered to you in an earthly way. But He will also bless your possessions in an earthly way by increasing what you sacrifice if it benefits your soul's salvation. If you therefore

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give because of love for your neighbour, you will not need to starve, for God's love will give you in kind if you are in need, and He is not prudent with His Own but distributes His gifts without measure.... providing you also sacrifice without anxiously calculating what you can do without. If you are impelled to give by love, you will not hesitate or give very little and therefore also receive in abundance from the eternal Love. And if you are incapable of the feeling of love, then you must train yourselves to accomplish unselfish deeds of love, you must look around yourselves and actively intervene with helpful support when you come across hardship. This is God's will, and you should adopt this will as your own, then your kind-hearted activity for your neighbour will make you happy in every way.... you will kindle love in yourselves until it grows into a bright flame which takes hold of everything that enters its vicinity. For love is divine, it comes forth from God and leads back to God again, this is why the commandment of love for God and one's neighbour is the most important commandment which must be fulfilled on earth as well as in the beyond in order to unite with the eternal Love and to attain eternal bliss....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The activity of natural forces according to God's will.... Disaster....

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he laws God gave to the world from the beginning as being necessary for the beings' spiritual ▲ development are always applicable for the human being's journey through life. Forces often actively oppose them, but these are subject to a superior invisible Authority, they will always experience the effects of their adverse actions as being detrimental to them and will either turn around and work according to God's will or, if they maintain their malicious nature, experience God's power increasingly more severely. Hence, the activity of natural forces, too, is always and forever subject to God's will, for were this left at the mercy of the opposing power everything would soon be a total work of destruction, since the opposing forces only ever cause destruction, whereas God's wisdom and will applies to the preservation of all created things. Where natural forces manifest themselves destructively nevertheless, it is always the work of God's will, but this destruction is by no means the permitted action of evil forces. In that case there are carefully considered reasons for God's intervention which, however, only ever help the advancement of spiritual beings or the development of human beings. Even destruction has its good side in many ways. It releases natural spirits from their indescribably long state of constraint.... other natural spirits may become extensively active and thereby comply with their purpose.... and it arouses sleeping spiritual beings from their tranquillity, which can do nothing but harm to them. The fact that the effects of such destruction are often regretful for humanity is also permitted by God, it refers the complete unbeliever to His existence and is a touchstone for believers, whose strength and faith shall be fortified by it. For only such extraordinary phenomena, which natural catastrophes will always be, can place a person into a state of reflection.... When all human power is not enough to stop it, and rich and poor, high and low are equally subject to such God-intended disasters, then the question may still occur to this or that person as to why humanity has to suffer such a judgment and to what extent a divine power is noticeable. Such questions could lead to a complete turnaround of his present way of thinking and guide the human being to the path of realisation. Every natural disaster is preceded by smaller events which make such thinking easier for the human being, and each previous inner state is, in a manner of speaking, a preparation for the ensuing experience. Would the human being only once realise that all worldly power cannot achieve the slightest change in such elementary effects of nature.... that all those within the vicinity of a natural disaster are at the mercy of it.... he would have to turn his thoughts upwards and try to attain a spiritual explanation....

However, the human race has already become far too arrogant.... at best it will describe such evident activity by the eternal Deity with the words: Activity of natural forces.... and will thereby try to dismiss everything which disagrees with its spiritual attitude. It deems itself knowledgeable and considers everything it does not understand merely an inherent manifestation of nature.... but very

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rarely a visible intervention by a divine Being. Their most acceptable explanation of all natural phenomena is the continued development affected by the sun's rays which, again, are still an unexplored source of strength in the universe and which manage to achieve all life on earth, but, in accordance with that, people are nothing else but living beings having been brought to life through these natural forces, who have their beginning and end on this earth. The fact that one Being is in control of the whole universe, Which, in accordance with Its wise plan, through Its will and omnipotence, has placed each one of the living creations, from the tiniest creature to the crown of creation, the human being... on this earth for a specific purpose... cannot be grasped by such uninformed people. They do not acknowledge such a Being and, therefore, will never regard the activity of natural elements as the manifestation of God's will. Those who are further away, who are not affected by it, don't pay any particular attention to such disasters; they only ever quote similar instances and thus quickly dismiss such events. And God must use increasingly more obvious means.... He must ever more quickly let one disaster follow another and have a serious effect on people if these phenomena are to make an impression. It is regrettable as to how seldom the suffering of fellow human beings triggers true sympathy.... and how habitually a hint from above is taken in. And so the signs will have to take on ever greater proportions are they to arouse people from their tranquillity. Only when their own lives are in danger will they attach importance to something, and thus much suffering and fear will still have to be people's fate.... and things will have to manifest themselves which draw people's attention to a will which cannot be resisted.... Yet even exceptionally unusual natural phenomena will be explained and accepted with the greatest of ease, because worldly scholars are instantly willing to give a completely natural explanation for everything people cannot understand, yet such an explanation will never refer to God's reign and activity and His will. They deem themselves superior to this and therefore have a completely misguided point of view which cannot be of any benefit to the people they are instructing. Many a person will still change his attitude and, therefore, will still have to make many sacrifices until he gains completely realisation, and in order to precipitate this, the Lord will now intervene more than ever by rattling and shaking the world so that all those living on it shall take note and pay attention to the divine voice, which informs them of God's will, of His omnipotence and wisdom, and anyone who looks upon every natural phenomenon and the turbulent reign of the elements in this sense, will recognise these as the voice of God and make an effort to always do what is right before God....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Man's will.... God's will.... assurance....

B.D. No. **3413** January 20th 1945

intervene in world events at the right time, and I steer them in other directions. But before My will ▲ goes into action I give human will free rein to the extreme. I allow what people want to carry out in order to then tangibly instruct them, since gentle instruction completely misses its purpose because people close their ears when they are confronted with the ruinousness of their actions. Thus I do not hinder their will if they resort to means which every right-thinking person must abhor; neither do I hinder the great adversity their will conjures up; nor do I deprive them of the vitality they use to carry out deeds which are worthy of condemnation, but I let them do as they see fit. However, a limit has been set for them which they cannot cross.... And one day their will will not be able to do anything because My will is stronger.... You, My believers, should not indulge in heavy thoughts, you should live every day full of confidence and only ever strive towards My nearness through unselfish activity of love; you should help where your help is needed and thereby make your heart receptive for the strength of love which flows over to you from Me when you need it. For demands will be made of you and in order to be able to fulfil them you must receive grace and strength from Me. Whatever may come is My work, My will and your destiny, which will shape itself as your state of maturity requires. People still rage and everyone tries to increase his strength through unkindness, and this is ruin, for I have to prove their lack of strength to them.... But before that I still bring Myself to their remembrance

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by letting people get into an adversity that they should call to Me.... Their souls shall seek Me, they shall not call upon Me with their mouths but from the bottom of their hearts they shall appeal to Me for help. Everywhere is hardship and misery, and yet suffering is unable to transform people.... They remain unloving and domineering, and they forcibly seek their supposed right. And where they do not find this, they proceed with brutal means of struggle.... And I allow this.... But the end I determine Myself. I come at the right time and let My voice be heard. And therefore do not be afraid but faithfully wait for My help if it appears as if you are in serious danger.... My father's eye watches over you who remain united with Me in prayer and loving activity.... I let nothing approach you which could endanger you, and I am constantly with you if you call upon Me. And this is certain, that the hours of adversity will come to an end through Me before you, My believers, are affected by it.... For I have promised you My protection.... But My word is truth and will remain truth forever....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The coming ruler according to the will of God....

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January 22nd 1941

nd it is My will that a power should be formed on earth which shuns all violence and only exercises its rule with love. And I will call this power into being, I will give it My blessing, I will. let it become great and the world shall recognize that it is appointed by Me. In the foreseeable future someone will ascend the throne, that is, I will give him power over many countries, I will appoint people to elect him as their prince, as their ruler, and he will gain the love and esteem of all nations, he will be without falsehood and give Me alone the honour, and therefore I will bless his work on earth.... But before this comes, an unspeakable tribulation will befall the earth, for the adversary still reigns and his influence seeks to destroy. He determines all evil powers to tremendous activity, and thus the earth will be stirred up, all evil spirits will gain the upper hand and earthly measures will be taken which likewise indicate satanic influence, and the worldly ruling power will live without God, and thus the exercise of power will also be.... lawless, brutal and shying away from the light of truth, and humanity will recognize the evil influence ever more clearly and feel the secret desire within itself that this rule may be replaced by a power in accordance with divine will. God has planned this change, but the time has not yet come, for satan's activity must first be revealed, even to those who are completely committed to it.... For only when the evil is recognized will it also be abhorred, and only then will the good striving of the ruling power be recognized and appreciated accordingly. For God wants people to be governed wisely, even by worldly power; He wants the same relationship to exist on earth between the people and their ruler as God demands of people for Himself.... Man should willingly submit to the power that has been given to him as authority by God. Where the people are governed wisely, they will also be devoted to the authorities and will do everything to establish the best understanding.... the authorities, i.e. the ruler, will always be regarded and honoured as the divine representative, and this relationship between the people and their ruler is in accordance with the divine will, so He will bless both the ruler and the people, because both make the divine will their guiding principle and live for each other....

Amen

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Retrogression never will of God.... re-embodiment.... reverse process.... new banishment.... light beings....

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A reversed process now takes place, certainly initiated by My will but determined by human will itself. It can be regarded as an act of retrogression when spiritual substances already embodied as human beings are bound in solid matter again, thus as an act brought about by My will, since I only favour progressive development according to My eternal order. Yet this act also has to demonstrate the same principle which is based on My order.... For the spiritual has already fallen into the abyss

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through human will, from which I guide it again on a slow path upwards. Hence a retrogression has taken place, not through My will but through human will, whereas My will enables the ascending development again and thus a new healing process now begins after the end of this earth, a healing process which is unspeakably painful and seems to have no end and yet is the only means to help the fallen up again. Therefore, what My work of redemption has not accomplished, this process must achieve: what was easily possible must, because it was not striven for, be achieved with extreme difficulty.... the redemption from form, the liberation of the spiritual and awakening from night to light. I made it easy for people through My death on the cross, but people did not accept My gift of grace, I took the suffering upon My shoulders, but they rejected My help, and therefore they have to take it upon themselves and bear it for an infinitely long time. They were already high up and plunged themselves low down.... And My love and mercy now creates new opportunities for them to reach the height again. The process of upward development has taken place backwards again at a tremendous speed; after all previous stages of development man has gone back in free will in the short time on earth and arrived again where he was an inconceivably long time ago.... with matter, which he strives for with all his senses and which will therefore also be his lot. Yet it must always be made clear that this decline was never caused by My will but by human will itself, and that only My will will now intervene by putting a stop to it and assigning a serving purpose to the solid matter which shelters this fallen spiritual substance, so that the spiritual substance will ascend again step by step, yet in bound will, because it would not be possible otherwise. And thus My will is expressed again, and thus also that only an ascent development is favoured by Me, but every retrogression is caused by human will. Hence it is absurd to think that something which has already matured experiences a retrogression through My will.... that a being which has already liberated itself from the material cover and entered spiritual spheres receives a physical cover again through My will which at the same time takes away the being's retroconsciousness and it has to pass a test of will again.... which it had therefore already passed once but could now just as well fail in free will. For the purpose of ascent development such a soul, which has already passed the test of will, does not need a new embodiment as a human being, since there are many opportunities in the spiritual kingdom to become increasingly more perfect. But if a soul has not passed the test of will then it will be even less transferred back to earth, because this transfer back would then have to take place through My will but would now be an act against My eternal order, because only constant progress is favoured by Me but not standstill or regression. If, on the other hand, the act of embodiment of a soul on earth is permitted by My will, then it is not intended to achieve a missed degree of maturity but merely to fulfil a mission for humanity's spiritual adversity, which can certainly result in a higher degree of maturity for the being but is not the reason for it. Souls which embody themselves on earth can certainly already have a certain degree of maturity if they come from other stars in order to reach the highest maturity on earth. But for these souls it does not mean a transfer back to an already overcome stage, which would be the case, however, if a soul from the spiritual kingdom, which had already once been an inhabitant of earth, were to be transferred back to earth again for the purpose of ascent development. Moreover, it could **not** be a blessing for such a soul, since its recollection would be taken away from it and thus it would not be able to use the knowledge it had gained earlier but would have to decide of its own free will just like the first time, which, however, could also lead to a complete fall downwards. Anyone who strives upwards will also find enough opportunity in the spiritual kingdom to reach the heights.... anyone who strives towards earth is still under its spell and will never be moved back by Me. However, anyone who is in the light and wants to descend to earth out of love for the unredeemed will be allowed this re-embodiment, but it can never ever result in a descent into the abyss, because the soul comes from above and, despite ignorance of its origin, possesses enough strength to resist all temptations on earth. For I will never ever let a being of light fall. It will always fulfil its mission, even though it always acts and lives on earth in free will. But its will is and remains turned towards Me, because it also has love within itself which recognizes Me and eternally no longer wants to lose Me. And thus what wants to ascend will be eternally supported by Me.... what desires the depth will not be hindered by Me. But My fundamental principle is always upward development, which will also always be recognized by those

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who strive upwards. What therefore leads upwards is **My** will, but every decline is the human being's will which is not touched by Me in its freedom....

Amen

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Spreading the revelations of God's will....

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t is God's will that His revelations should be spread so that people learn to regard every world event Las a divine mission or divine permission for the sake of their souls; so that they learn to recognize the correlation between it and people's spiritual state. Only through the word of God, which He Himself imparts to people, can this correlation be explained to them, for people first have to be instructed about the spiritual adversity and its effect on their souls in order to be able to understand which countermeasures are necessary in order to remedy this adversity of people on earth. The knowledge about the meaning and purpose of creation, about the grace of embodiment and about the consequences of a right as well as a wrong life on earth makes everything understandable that is otherwise incomprehensible to people. And there is only one way to convey this knowledge to people, as it cannot be offered to them in any other way. For as soon as a person wants to instruct his fellow human being he would not find faith in him, even though he only speaks the truth, because humanity is already too disenchanted, that is, it has distanced itself too far from the truth to be able to recognize it as truth. People are so earthly-minded that they only laugh in a lofty manner at everything that is imparted to them as spiritual teaching. This is why it has to be built up on an earthly basis, i.e. spiritual teachings have to be conveyed to people in a way that arouses their interest; they have to be able to convince themselves of the working of a power even if they do not want to recognize this power. And therefore they must be informed of this working, they must be informed of the content of the proclamations so that they can convince themselves that they correspond to the truth when world events develop according to the proclamations. The unbeliever will nevertheless persist in his unbelief because he is free to believe or not He will consider everything a coincidence and also try to influence his fellow human beings. Yet many people will also reflect and change their opinion, and God knows about these people and wants to help them because they cannot find their way out of the confusion on their own.... And so He reveals Himself to them, and blessed are those who recognize Him and believe His revelations.... They will be saved from spiritual hardship because they are willing to be taught....

Amen

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Redeeming work for souls in the beyond in God's will....

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Put your trust in My Words and only believe that My love is watching over you and that I Am protecting you from all onslaughts by My adversary if you take refuge with Me during earthly and spiritual difficulties.... Your will also assures you My help and My protection. I only appraise your will, and according to this will you are either in My hands or in the hands of My adversary. If your will is directed towards Me and you desire to please Me you can also consider yourselves looked after by Me.... But if you want the world and its possessions then your will belongs to My adversary and then he has control over you which he, however, would never be able to have if you strove towards Me, if you look for and pray to Me in spirit and in truth.

Your faith is still weak, yet it will get stronger if you always just make the effort to live a life of love, and you will become increasingly more certain of the fact that My Fatherly love applies to all who are still unredeemed on earth and also pass away or have passed away unredeemed from this earth. All these souls suffer immense hardship and My love does not want to leave them in this adversity forever. And thus I create countless possibilities for them to escape their hardship but

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without determining their free will.... Nevertheless, I know every individual person's will and that of every soul in the beyond. I know when they are ready to take the path to Me, and I let you humans participate in the redemptive work, since there is a tremendous amount of work to be done and every individual soul should be offered the opportunity to give up its resistance and turn towards eternal salvation.

Consider the immense number of souls which are still distant from Me, which have no faith and whom I therefore cannot approach because they don't believe in Me.... I constantly endeavour to provide these souls with the possibilities to come to Me by indirect means as well, and you humans can assist Me in this by taking care of these souls, by informing them of Me, because they are more likely to listen to you, providing they are at all willing to change their adverse situation. On the one side a regrettable lack of faith is evident, on the other side, however, a comprehensive work of salvation is taking place on the souls in the spiritual kingdom, because this work of salvation is mainly unsuccessful on earth. My adversary has great power over people on earth because they are too involved with matter and he tempts them with material goods. Many a soul in the beyond recognises the worthlessness of what it had pursued on earth because it experiences utmost poverty and darkness, and for that reason they can be more easily won over, if only their faith can be awakened in them....

And I truly have many ways in which I implement things and which are hardly ever unsuccessful. The situation of these souls in the beyond cannot be described to you exactly, there will always remain a layer which prevents your view into the kingdom of the beyond.... Yet you can believe that I look after all souls and for their deliverance also involve you humans if a greater possibility for success is thereby assured. Anyone who wants to be of service to Me can certainly do so, and I will place him where his work will be successful.... But you must always believe in My greater than great love and mercy.... Then you will also understand everything and you will no longer doubt the task which I give you.... Then you will gladly be of service to Me and also be convinced that your work is beneficial.... you will participate in the redemption of countless souls from adversity and pain.... you will show them the way to light and beatitude....

Amen

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God's will - guideline of life....

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nyone who does not take My word as a guideline for his life will not take the right path, for then The will go against My will and not observe My commandments which My word informs them of. If you want to follow My will I have to inform you of it in a certain way, and I will also make sure that the knowledge of it is made accessible to you, yet it depends on your will whether you accept or reject it. Every word of Mine shall serve you as a guideline, and it is truly not difficult to live in accordance with My will, for My yoke is gentle and My burden is light.... I do not ask you to do anything that is unworkable, yet there is an obstacle which makes even the easy to do seem difficult.... your will, which must completely submit to Mine. And if your will has not yet entered Mine you will have to use force.... then you will seize the kingdom of heaven. Then you will have to wage an inner battle in order to change your will, which is still turned away from Me, into one which is completely subordinate to Me, and then it will be easy for you to do everything I tell you to do through My word. I cannot deviate from My conditions for attaining maturity of soul, yet I make them easy for you and give you strength to fulfil them. Yet you must take notice of them and not inwardly resist My requirements, you must make My commandments your own intention, of your own free will you must make an effort to live in love, and thus all commandments I give you for the time of your earthly life are also fulfilled. Your way of life must be based on My word; that is all I require of you, but it requires knowledge of My word, it requires an inner life in which you deal with spiritual questions, where you have to take a stand with what I require. Therefore, if you want to reach the aim you cannot live thoughtlessly into the day, you have to think about your purpose of earthly life and your task and

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criticize yourselves as to how far you fulfil the task of life set for you. And then you will always have to keep My word before your eyes for comparison, for My word gives you all guidelines and will always show you the right path.... the path which leads to the aim, to unification with Me, your God and father of eternity....

Amen

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God does not require of man more than he is able to perform....

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hen you insert yourselves into the law of My eternal order, when you let My will be your concern, when you fulfil the commandment of love towards God and neighbour, then you also change your nature and slowly take on your original nature, where you did not move differently than in My eternal order, where everything was determined by the principle of love, where you could not work differently than in My will. And that is the aim, which you are to reach in earth life, which I constantly present to you through My word from above as being most highly blissful for you and about which I give you information how you can reach it.... And so that you are able to reach this aim, I provide you with power at the same time with the supply of My word from above.... You therefore need not fear that I demand something of you, which would be impossible for you to achieve.... because I only demand from My creatures what every creature can achieve, because My love towards you is so great that I will truly not overtax you, and because I also know that you are weak, because My opponent still has power over you. But immeasurable is also My treasure of favour, which is at your disposal, because I acquired this favour for you through My death on the cross.... Therefore you only need to make use of this treasure of favour to safely reach your aim. My adversary certainly has great power over you, but only your will is enough that he turns towards Me, and you then receive power in excess to make yourselves free out of his power. But this will must come out of you freely; I cannot and will not force this will, but also your opponent can exert no force on you. He certainly keeps you in darkness, but I bring you a light, in the shine of which you recognize the way, which you are to go.... it is only the way of faith and love.... This alone is the law of eternal order, into which you have to insert yourselves, if you want to reach Me and happiness. And when you accept that light, then also at the same time with the light the power is given to you to be able to live according to My will. And you will achieve the transformation of your nature with ease, because you are never without spiritual help, you just have to direct your look towards the kingdom, which one day is to receive you. And you will always feel this help; again and again the world of light will support you, because as soon as you just strive for your spiritual aim, you will also be provided from there with a power current, which makes every overcoming possible for you, which cannot be prevented by My opponent, because your inner thinking, which is meant for Me, wards him off and takes all power over you from him. But this aim should always be desirable to you, because then you will also get rid of your earthly form, and you can swing yourselves up into the spheres of light and happiness, while on the other hand you will be banished into matter again and everything already achieved so far is invalid, of which you cannot be warned seriously enough.... For all My love is meant for you, yet I cannot create a blissful state for you against your will, nor can I forcibly snatch you from My adversary's clutches, I can only ever help you to give Me your will yourselves.... But then your aim will also be secured, then you will insert yourselves into the law of eternal order, and then your fate can only be an exceedingly blissful one....

Amen

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will place the feeling as to what you should and shouldn't do into the heart of those of you whom I Llove because you strive towards Me. And if you entrust yourselves to Me in prayer, if you confide your worries or thoughts to Me, you will feel it in your heart and whatever you then feel urged or desire to do, that is what you should do and it will be right before My eyes. If you commend yourselves to Me in prayer you will no longer be able to sin, for then I will no longer let you become sinful. If you appeal to Me for My protection I will grant it to you, and then you can confidently rely on the voice of your heart, that is, you can do what your heart desires. I Am your Father, I want you to come to Me with complete trust, and I truly want to provide for you like a loving father does, I want to give to you what makes you happy, providing it does not cause you damage. And since you yourselves are unable to judge what is beneficial for you and detrimental to the soul, you should come to Me and totally hand yourselves over to Me, tell Me your problems, be they of a spiritual or earthly nature, and I shall answer you, that is, I shall place My will into your heart so that you will want to do what is right and also be able to accomplish it. And thus you can come to Me with all concerns, you will never be left without an answer, for I will place it into your heart. You just have to pay attention to the voice in your heart, you ought to know that every inner urging is always the influence of forces which want to persuade you to accomplish something or to leave it. Forces of darkness will want to tempt you into committing a sin, forces of light into actions which are pleasing to Me. Let the forces of light gain influence over you, then you will never be able to sin. And hand yourselves over to these forces whenever you seek to make contact with Me in prayer, whenever you communicate with Me and always consult Me with all your problems. I love My living creations and My only goal is their salvation of soul. And where there is no danger of this I will grant them everything, even earthly pleasures, if they do not detract from spiritual striving. Yet I always want to be your Mentor, you should always leave the decision to Me and, after heartfelt prayer, ask your heart and it will truly guide you correctly....

Amen

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Faithful prayer makes the will of God inclined....

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rust in God's help in every adversity of body and soul and give yourselves completely to Him. The hardest will to the contrary can do nothing against His will, and you should humbly submit yourselves to His will, you should accept everything from His hand with the firm confidence that it will serve you for the best. You should let Him rule, then it can only be good for you. Divine love endeavours to win over every individual, yet the means are different because the will of His creatures is also different. And to give this will a certain direction, experiences approach every person such that they cause him to express his will because it is necessary. This is why people will not all experience the same fate but always differ from each other, and each person can then take a different approach to it, and this will help him to mature spiritually, providing the person always recognizes God's will and submits to it..... Nevertheless, you can ask for help even though you submit yourselves to His will, for a believing prayer has great strength and makes you inclined towards God's will, a believing prayer can avert what is intended to serve you for education, for a believing prayer is a manifestation of humility and weakness which pleases God and stimulates His love to fulfil the prayer. And therefore, in every adversity of body and soul, turn trustingly and confidently to Him, to Whom nothing is impossible, Who, full of love, draws close to a pleading earthly child if it calls upon Him.... Entrust yourselves to Him and He will help if it does not harm your soul, He will help if you believe, for He will not let a firm faith fail....

Amen

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The fulfilment of prayer in firm belief.... 'Father, Your will be done....'

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Ou can obtain everything from Me, if you only believe in Me firmly and steadfastly.... For if you L bear My greater than great love for you in mind you will also know that I will not leave any prayer unanswered. However, firm faith in Me also includes absolute trust in Me, it includes the certainty that I, in My wisdom, also recognise everything that is a blessing for you, and that I will not allow you to be harmed by granting you something that will not be beneficial for you. And this is why a profoundly devout human being will hand himself over to Me unconditionally, he will leave it up to Me what I choose to give to him, he will not demand but humbly present his requests to Me, always making My will most important and commending himself to My love and grace. And I will give to him abundantly; I will never let him go short physically and spiritually, for I will never close My ears to My child's prayer. If, however, I deny you the fulfilment of a request then don't doubt My love anyway, for it is precisely My love which wants to protect you from harm. And you, yourselves, are not always able to recognise the effect of a fulfilled request. Therefore, present your wishes to Me trustingly and leave everything else to Me, and My love will consider you such that your path to Me will run smoothly, so that you will safely reach your goal, so that you will return as My children into the Father's house in order to live a blissful life in eternity. Yet always and forever make use of the strength of prayer, call upon Me in every situation in life, come to Me if you are in difficulty and also think of Me in hours of peace and quiet.

Don't forget Me so that I will not forget you either, and establish contact with Me quite often through heartfelt prayer, and thereby constantly call Me close to you, then strength without measure will flow to you, if you look for Me of your own free will, if your thoughts apply to Me and your heart is urging towards Me. You have to find the way to Me yourselves and therefore enter the bridge which I have established for you from earth to Me.... You have to pray, for in prayer your soul is rising into the spheres of light, in prayer you enter the bridge to Me, in prayer the child steps in front of the Father, it establishes the relationship of a child to its Father, as it is My will. And if I Am called upon as Father when a childlike heart is beating for Me I will answer every beseeching request, for I will not disappoint My children who come to Me in complete trust. And My love will express itself to them, My love will hand out gifts in abundance, My love will take care of the child spiritually and earthly, and it will never ever again have to suffer adversity if its appeal to Me is truly childlike, that is, if it sends its prayer to Me in spirit and in truth.

You all should make use of the grace of prayer, for you are able to achieve everything in firm, living faith in Me and My love.... Yet don't demand and complain or grumble if I seemingly won't grant your prayer, for then My Fatherly love knows that the fulfilment of your prayer will only cause you harm, and in order to protect you from this it will deny itself.... Yet anyone who always submits his will to Mine will never be disappointed, for his is the true prayer which is pleasing to Me if he adds to all his requests 'Father, Your will be done....'

Amen

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