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Love To God

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#### Love for visible God.... cause of the revelations....

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I reveal Myself to you.... I help you to recognize Me Myself so that you will pass the test of will on earth correctly, so that you will profess Me as you once turned away from Me despite your fullest realization. Yet in your delusion you see all power and glory in My adversary, in the being whose will gave rise to you and who placed his will in you which now impelled you to resist Me. At that time you were well aware of Me as the centre of strength but you were unable to see Me and therefore turned to the one you could see, who was a being like you but who also first emerged from My elementary power.... You could not see Me.... and that is why you fell, that is why you followed the one you could see.... But I want to win you back. And My merciful fatherly love took shape in order to kindle love in you as a visible God, which shall change your will, which shall long for where it originated. You should recognize Me so that you acknowledge Me and thus return to Me from Whom you once originated. Therefore I reveal Myself to you....

Love alone leads you back to Me, that is why I try everything to awaken this love in you and that is why I reveal Myself to you, because the essence you should strive for has to be recognized by you in order to be loved. Yet I never openly appear before you in My might and glory because I want genuine, profound love from you which you only turn to the father but not to the ruler and controller of infinity, Whom you would indeed fear if you recognized Him but not love. And therefore I also reveal Myself to you as a father Who embraces His children with heartfelt love and wants to make them happy forever. I revealed Myself through Jesus Christ Who, as a human being, recognized the father in Me and completely accepted Me into His heart, Who was so completely permeated by My spirit that it completely dominated and deified Him, that My mighty spiritual strength now became visible in the man Jesus, thus I gave Myself into a form in order to be able to be visible to you, so that you will now also learn to love Me and strive towards Me. I want to win you back again, but love for Me shall determine you to separate yourselves from My adversary. And I want to kindle this love in you by revealing Myself to you, everywhere I step into your path and stimulate your thoughts, everywhere I pour out My strength of love, I walk all paths with you, just waiting for the moment when your will is ready to make contact with the power Which created you.... And I will leave no stone unturned in order to convince you that a being is your creator Which cannot eternally pass away.... in order to then kindle the love for this being in you which prompts you to look for the being so that I can then let Myself be found by you.

Your whole earthly life is a revelation on My part, for you can always recognize Me in everything you experience, everything that surrounds you and everything that happens, for everything is My rule and activity which has its reason in the reclamation of the spiritual substance which once fell away from Me, which shall recognize and love Me so that I can then make it infinitely happy as a visible God, because it has then become Mine for eternity....

Amen

# God's will: Fulfilment of the commandments of love....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

B.D. No. **4932** July 12th 1950

My will plainly manifests itself in My commandment of love for God and other people. It includes everything you should and should not do, and if you therefore fulfil these commandments you will approach your perfection. For then you will neither be able to sin again nor remain within the old sin which consisted of the fact that you had voluntarily distanced yourselves from Me, thus you denied Me love and consequently became heartless towards all living creations which originated from Me. And thus your love for Me, if you fulfil My commandments, signifies renewed unification with Me and illumination by My strength of love, so that your past nature of light and strength will be restored again and you will possess full realisation and be able to work and create in line with your own will.... so that you will be perfect again, that is, you will have shaped yourselves into divine beings again which you were in the very beginning.

For this reason you humans must first know My will, so that you can live accordingly in order to become blessed. You have to be informed of My will and thus you have to listen to My Word which clearly and understandably reveals My will to you. My Word familiarises you with My commandment of love, with your obligation towards Me and your fellow human beings; My Word explains your distance from Me if you don't try to reduce it yourselves; My Word informs you of My love, grace and mercy, of My wisdom and omnipotence, so that the flame of love for Me can ignite itself if only your heart is willing to love. My Word also describes your fellow human beings as My children whom you therefore should approach like brothers, to whom you should also give your love if you want to fulfil My will. My Word cautions and admonishes you and draws your attention to the consequences of a wrong way of life, of a heartless way of life, by failing to observe My commandments. You have to accept My Word if you want to become blissfully happy. But leave it to Me as to how My Word shall be conveyed to you, just be willing to accept it when I offer it to you, for you can only discover My will through My Word and only through living in accordance with My will can you become blessed....

#### Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### Will directed towards God .... shackles of love ....

B.D. No. **5067** February 20th 1951

It is enough for Me that your will is directed towards Me, that you desire the truth and, in order to be able to make contact with Me, strive to become like Me. Then My will is also ready to consider you, and you will effortlessly reach your aim.... the final union with Me, which will secure you light and strength for all eternity. Turning to Me in thought is successful for your soul, for I will not let Myself be called twice, I will come if only one thought of yours is meant for Me. For this thought is already the stretching out of your hands upwards. Your decision of will turns out in My favour, you turn away from My adversary yourselves, and I seize this opportunity to draw you completely to Me because you have given up your resistance as soon as you seek Me in thought.

My kingdom is not of this world.... If you seek Me in your thoughts you consciously leave the earthly world behind you, for the world does not allow thoughts of Me to arise, that is, anyone who is chained in it does not remember Me but is in bondage to the one who rules in the world.... A person

who still belongs entirely to the world cannot make contact with Me because I do not exist for him as long as he turns his love towards the world. He can certainly know My teaching but he lacks faith in the truth of this teaching, and thus I do not exist in his thoughts other than an imaginary figure whose existence he lacks all conviction of. But if he seriously tries to fathom Me then he has already detached himself from the world, and then I can also pull him up, then nothing will prevent him from the right realization, then his love will turn to Me Whom he strives to reach. Thus I know when the separation from My adversary is complete and can then also exert My influence, whereas before the will first has to decide to whom it will incline. Again and again I step into a person's path so that he may take a different direction of thought which does not only apply to the earthly world.... I will make Myself known to him in some way so that he will think about the being Who let him come into being. And once he has arrived at this thought he will not let go of it again, then I will have put a silent shackle over him which, however, will not squeeze him but will constantly let him follow Me without resistance. He no longer wants to release himself from this bondage, he has voluntarily allowed himself to be captured by Me because his will sought Me and I allowed Myself to be found. It is the bondage of love, the strength which flows through him, which emanates from Me and resonates in his heart. And he will never want to escape from this strength of love because it benefits his soul, and this is My 'grasp', I hold with My love anyone who merely turns his thoughts to Me, for love is not a constraint because it only works where resistance is abandoned....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

## Demonstrate the love to God by charity

# Humancommandments....Neighbourlylove....God'sB.D. No. 3697commandment....February 25th 1946

Human commandments cannot further your soul's maturity because I assess a person's will to live in a way that pleases Me, by applying the commandments which I gave to him in wise recognition of their effectiveness. If human commandments conform to My commandment of love, that is, if they merely aim to inspire the human being to love, so that abiding by them will result in the practice of unselfish love for other people, then they also meet My approval, because the working of My spirit in people who initiated such commandments is evident. However, any other commandment is of no value before Me nor do I take any notice of its fulfilment because you should use the whole flow of life-energy for deeds of love in order to achieve maturity of soul on earth. Your goal should be to become perfect .... But how can you become perfect without love?....

How can you expect a flow of mercy by observing commandments whose failure of fulfilment is not an offence against love? Your love for your fellow human beings demonstrates your love for Me, your God and Father of eternity. Anyone lacking love for his fellow human beings also lacks the right kind of love for Me, which would urge him to do neighbourly deeds of love. If you pretend that you, with love for Me, observe the commandments which demand various external actions, I will not acknowledge such love since they are mere formalities which you observe to secure yourselves rewards promised by people.... They are not actions of love by which alone you demonstrate your hearts' love to Me, by which alone you can become blessed. All external formalities, everything recognisable on the surface has not Mine, but human will as its originator.... Only unselfish love for other people pleases Me, although this, too, necessitates external deeds.... I do not expect you to pretend to do something out of love for Me if it is not based on My commandment of love. I only want the fulfilment of this commandment and sincere prayer as the expression of a will devoted to Me.... Only then can you gain privileges of mercy and strength, for there are no other means of grace than prayer and unselfish love.... In that case, however, you will receive in abundance. Your entire life should be an internal one without pretentiousness, yet outwardly you should declare Me; you should confess My teaching, which you must endeavour to follow; you should openly admit to the world your faith in Me, in My name and My act of Salvation, that is, you should speak to your fellow human beings so that they know your thoughts and that your aspirations do not relate to the physical world but to the spiritual realm....

You should prove yourselves as my followers, as My rightful children, whose way of life corresponds to the requirements which I have placed upon you and continue to place upon you with My Word, which is transmitted from above to those mediators who shall reveal My will to you.... If you want to live in accordance with My will then your actions have to be continuous labours of love by which I will later judge you in eternity.... and not external gestures and actions which are of no benefit to your soul but which rather make the human being careless in observing the only important commandment.... to love selflessly....

#### Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### God's overflowing love.... How should love for God be like?....

V ou cannot measure My love which I have for My creatures and which determines Me for everything that happens and what I allow. It is like a mighty hearth of fire, it is like an enormous flame, it is like an ember which consumes everything that comes within its range. And again, My love is gentle and mild, which solicits reciprocal love with all tenderness, which never decreases, which never fails itself, which always and constantly wants to please and gives up nothing that belongs to Me. My love is of such strength that it also achieves everything it wants and is so certain of its success that it does not force anything but waits for the counter-love which is voluntarily given to Me. I want to possess your love, your complete devotion to Me, I want your will which shall turn to Me of its own free will, for then **you** will also love Me, then I will have won you for eternity. But what should your love for Me be like? How can you recognize that you love Me? If you have a high, holy feeling in your heart towards Him, Whom you do not see and Whom you do not know and yet believe in Him, that He is and you are His creatures. This holy feeling, however, must not only consist of mental excitement, but it must be a silent vow to belong to Him and to be at His will.... it must be a silent vow to work with Me using all strength. Therefore, anyone who makes this vow to Me will also feel drawn to everything that has emerged from My hand from that moment on, for he now has love within himself because he attracts Me Myself through his love, and thus he is also devoted to his fellow human beings.... he feels love for his neighbour which is expressed in unselfish activity for him. And thus he demonstrates love for Me through active neighbourly love, because one emerges from the other. Then My love can also shine upon him, yet only to an extent he can bear, but it will increase immeasurably, for My love knows no limits, just as My living creations' love can and will increase once they have been permeated by My strength of love and have found unity with Me, once they have become My own for eternity....

Amen

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Demonstrating the love of God through labouring charity....

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nly that is valid before My eyes which has love as its principle. You will ask yourselves in what way I want love for Me to be expressed, and I can only ever give you the answer: through active neighbourly love.... You should never harm your neighbour, you should never cause him suffering, you should never let him ask in vain if he needs your help, and you should never let him live in want of his soul, for this is a special work of neighbourly love that you come to the aid of your neighbour's soul while it is still languishing in darkness. What you do to your neighbour I regard as proven to Me and reward you accordingly.... I give you My love in return, and to be allowed to receive My love truly means everything as long as you live on earth. You will not always feel My love physically, it is something spiritual and can only be felt as blissful, you will only be aware of it at times, or else you will have constant evidence of My love and grace through the acceptance of My word, which I Myself dictate to you as a sign of My heartfelt fatherly love. Anyone who has this word of Mine can know himself loved by Me even if he does not know the feeling of bliss on earth.... Then I have My wise reason for this, for I truly know every person's life of feeling, I know how easy it is to lose the bond with earth and only want to dwell in spiritual regions.... This is not beneficial for the soul, and therefore I still keep the hearts imprisoned, I burden them with earthly worries and thereby prevent them from sensations which would cloud the soul's clear vision but which is absolutely necessary because I Myself want to take abode in the heart and be heard and this should happen in a state of sober thinking. I come to you Myself, I occupy the heart of the one who has prepared it for Me and now instruct him from within, without external influence and external teachers.... Thus I express My love through this.... What is more understandable than that I also demand love, which you should now demonstrate towards your neighbour? (11.6.1949) Therefore, what you should do in order to please Me, in order to also gain My love, can only be borne by love for your neighbour, for you can do

nothing else for Me Myself but acknowledge what has emerged from My strength of love and thus, if you want to love and honour **Me**, also love what I have created. And since I created the human being in My image and therefore, even if he has become imperfect, he shall shape himself into My image again, he is also worthy of the love of his fellow human being. You are all My living creations and should love each other, then you will also give Me as the father the right pleasure, then I will also be able to embrace you all with My infinite love, for then you will already accept the being which can join Mine, which is pure love in itself. Understand that without love no-one can become blissfully happy, because love is divine and a God-like being belongs to beatitude. And therefore you should be good towards your neighbour, you should helpfully try to remedy every need, you should not offend him, not harm him but always consider him your dearest brother to whom the father's love belongs again. Every thought, every action, every word should only ever radiate love, then you will gain My pleasure, then I will accept this love for your neighbour as love for Myself and return this love to you with all sincerity....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love of the world - Satan's followers.... Love of God - B.D. No. 5039 Overcoming matter....

Only a person desiring to reach God lives a spiritual life, whereas a follower of Satan lives a purely worldly life on this earth, even if he seems to be a representative of God. Overcoming the world also means overcoming Satan, who is lord of the material world insofar as that the still immature spiritual substance bound in matter belongs to him, even though his power over it was removed from him. It is certainly still part of him because it shares his spirit yet it is inaccessible to his influence while it is bound in its form. Nevertheless it is his means in order to draw people.... the souls which have to make a decision between God and him.... over to himself. For the human being, who starts off spiritually immature, desires that which the world presents to his eyes. Yet he should rise above it.... Then he will belong to the Father of eternity but Whose kingdom is a spiritual one. Therefore, anyone who loves the world and its pleasures, who strives for material goods and only lives for their acquisition, belongs to God's adversary and also gives him authority over himself. But anyone who strives for God is no longer attracted to the world, he has surmounted the world, otherwise the desire for God would not have awakened in him. Consequently, turning away from the world is also a sign of a voluntarily aspired affiliation with God.

Satan uses the world to entice and therefore has a means of attraction which most people fall prey to because they love the world. Love of the world and love of God are not possible at the same time, and love of the world and neighbourly love will also rarely be found together as the latter would indicate a lessening of the former, and thereby you recognise the followers of God and the followers of God's adversary.... And as long as a person still pays attention to worldly possessions and still yearns for them he will be unable to find inner peace, the peace of soul. For peace of soul comes from God, and God is only with someone who turns his back to the world. The human being is certainly placed into the world and has to fulfil his earthly task, and that will also force him to keep in touch with the world. Yet it concerns the desire of the heart, it concerns the innermost attitude towards the world's treasures which will completely lose their appeal if a person is imbued with the need to strive for the spiritual kingdom and its treasures. In that case he will indeed continue to exist in the world yet only to fulfil the duties which earthly life imposes on him. The world, however, will no longer attract him, and that is the sign that he has overcome the world and with it its lord, that he has detached himself from God's adversary so as to be able to establish contact with God. No-one can serve two masters, and his desire clearly demonstrates to which lord a person is of service.... The earthly world and the spiritual kingdom are so far apart from each other that what a human heart desires is easily distinguished. And Satan can never dominate a person who, through his will, has already been taken possession of by God ....

#### Those who love God....

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hose who love God will derive a benefit from everything. For God takes particularly good care of them, and if suffering and worries or harsh strokes of fate are granted to them, He will only ever use these means in order to help the soul become perfect. You humans will frequently experience that precisely those fellow human beings who make every effort to live a God-pleasing life are being afflicted by strokes of fate, and you cannot comprehend why they must suffer and struggle so much on earth.... But neither do you know about their glorious fate after their death. 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which I have prepared for those who love Me....' And God wants to prepare the soul which grants Him its love on earth for this bliss. For the soul must have reached a specific degree of maturity before it can enter the eternal splendour, that is, it must be clean and pure, it must have discarded all impurities which prevent it from entering this magnificent kingdom. Only rarely is a soul so perfected that it would need no suffering, no means of purification of any kind. Its heartfelt devotion of God and its love for Him will often be rewarded by Him in a way which you humans on earth, admittedly, cannot understand, whereby through suffering and adversity He helps where the human being himself is still too weak. Yet all those afflicted by suffering shall take comfort in the fact that everything will benefit their soul as long as they only 'love God'.... And they prove their love for God through humble devotion to Him, through their will to live correctly and righteously, and by fulfilling the commandment of love for their neighbour, which also incorporates the fulfilment of love for God. Anyone who loves the next person as himself has the right relationship with God, for his indwelling strength of love is God's emanation, which was only able to affect him because he loves God. No suffering should therefore dishearten that person who has already voluntarily handed himself over to God. He should only ever regard it as the evidence of God's love, Who wants to help him to still mature fully during the short time on earth, in order to then be able to provide him with an inconceivable measure of bliss. Do not allow the difficulties of a stroke of fate to depress you or make you waver in your faith.... For this, too, will have been determined by God's love and wisdom, Who certainly knows what the individual still requires, Who does nothing or lets nothing happen arbitrarily but always pursues a plan which, one day, will also be clearly presented to you when you have successfully completed your life on earth. You must not compare God's reign and activity to that of a human being's conduct, for even if a person is good, he nevertheless lacks the final wisdom which is always the decisive factor for everything that God inflicts upon a person, the wisdom which is only based on God's love. And thus God also realises the outcome a person's every experience can result in, and He aims to achieve this outcome.... And it will certainly raise the state of maturity of a soul which loves God.... Earthly life is only short and you humans do not have much time left in order to enable you to leave the Earth so matured that you can be granted glories beyond measure.... And in view of this, God Himself will help you by still providing you with opportunities to prove yourselves during this short time, which you can certainly do successfully if you humbly accept everything.... always believing God only allows for that to come upon you which is helpful for you. You should not quarrel and grumble, you should not doubt His love. Your love for Him must remain the same while you submit to everything you receive from the Father's hand. For regardless of whether it is His will or merely His permission.... it will always benefit the salvation of your souls as long as you remain inclined towards Him with love. Otherwise His Words 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which I have prepared for those who love Me....' would not be warranted. Your love ensures that His promise will be granted, and if you have this certain and firm faith, you will also endure everything with ease, everything will become less severe and significant, even if, in the beginning, it seems very difficult for you to bear....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### Love of God must be demonstrated through love of neighbour....

Y ou can only ever prove your love for Me through unselfish works of love for your neighbour.... And I require this evidence from you, for you cannot love the father Whom you do not see if you deny your love to the brothers you see. You all came forth from Me, My love created you and you were also love in your original substance. The fact that your love now changed was an act of turning away from Me, and this act also repeated itself towards your fallen brothers, for you were no longer capable of love. The return to Me can only take place in love, thus you must feel love within yourselves and then you can also unite with Me again. But then the feeling of love is not limited.... the love in you grasps **all** beingness, and in all naturalness it also turns towards your fellow human beings, your neighbour, and it will also express itself towards the neighbour. And only then will you provide the evidence that love is in you, that you also love Me and that the return to Me is now also assured. But if you believe that only emotional feelings are to be understood as 'love for Me', then your love has not yet been kindled, because this inevitably also includes your neighbour, because true love is My inheritance and also does not exclude any of My creatures. For I cannot be satisfied with emotional impulses which easily rise in many people and just as easily fade away again when other impressions move the human heart. But anyone who performs works of love for his neighbour with unselfishness has experienced a change in his nature, the person places self-love behind selfless love for his fellow human being, and this person also gives Me proof that he loves Me.... For I Myself can now work in him and impel him to increase his love, because it is also applied in the right sense. However, practicing neighbourly love is often the cliff for people where they fail. Many people pretend to love God, but words alone are of no use. And the deed must be done to the fellow human being, only then can one speak of 'love for Me'. And as long as people's main thoughts are the improvement of their own well-being, they will only lie to themselves if they pretend to love Me.... But the bond with Me will be completely different for the person who observes the commandment of neighbourly love, who does not need this commandment either and yet is absorbed in caring for his fellow human beings. He will communicate with Me in all informality, he will always feel Me close to him, for he allows My presence within himself precisely through his love for his neighbour. He will also by no means need to do without My care of love, for as he distributes himself he will receive, and his love for his neighbour will again and again prompt him to give, be it earthly or spiritual goods.... and again and again he will therefore also be allowed to receive earthly and spiritual gifts and be blissfully happy in My love, because he knows where the gifts come from, because he knows that he has a faithful father in Me Who holds his life and his destiny in His hand. He knows that he is safe but this firm confidence is only given to him by the love which embraces all his fellow human beings and which only ever impels him to help earthly and spiritually. And I demand this love from you humans, the love for your sisters and brothers whom you know to be in need. Only then will you prove your change of nature, only then will you be on the safe path to Me, which you can only reach through love....

Amen

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love for God must be demonstrated....

B.D. No. **7817** February 5th 1961

Whatever you do to the least of My brothers you have done to Me. And thus every act of neighbourly love is valued by Me as if you had done love to Me Myself, and I reciprocate this love a thousand fold, for My love for you is boundless and wants to give itself away. And therefore you can gather immense wealth for yourselves through works of unselfish neighbourly love, but the **words** "I love God" will never suffice for Me, for they have to be proven through **works**. Now you can love your neighbour spiritually and earthly, for he will always need spiritual and earthly help. Earthly hardship need not always be obvious to you; spiritual hardship, however, exists as soon as the fellow human being does not believe in Me, as soon as he does not recognize his earthly task, as soon as he has only directed his thoughts worldly.... And this spiritual hardship is far greater than the earthly

hardship, and then you should help him, you should give him what he needs: You should try to persuade him to believe in Me, you should preach to him about My love, about My everlasting endeavour to win back My children who still belong to My adversary, which is proven by their unbelief in Me. And then you will truly do works of neighbourly love for which I want to bless you. What you do to the least of My brothers you have done to Me. You should take care of his soul's wellbeing because he, too, is My living creation which I want to win as a child. And therefore you shall always proclaim My teaching of love, you shall speak to all who do not yet know Me, you shall bring My word to them.... you shall give Me the opportunity to address them through you, for they are truly in spiritual distress as long as they are not fed with the bread of heaven, as long as they are not given the water of life so that they can refresh themselves and strengthen themselves for their pilgrimage.... Give them a drink of fresh water, physically and spiritually, and you will truly be rewarded for this service of love, because your neighbour suffers hardship but you can remedy this hardship and satisfy their hunger and thirst. Earthly your neighbour will not always need you but spiritually he will always be in need, for the flock of My own is small and shall still be increased before the end. And I alone know the hardship people are in and that they still have to be helped if I don't want them to get lost. And you shall give them this help because you have the opportunity to address them in My name and because I cannot work on them in an unusual way.... Therefore always remember that you work on My behalf when you convey My word into the world, when you thereby help those who are in spiritual hardship, who have not yet found the path to Me, who are truly poor and need to be fed and watered.... Always remember that you are giving them the right nourishment for their souls in My stead and that these are services of love which the neighbour needs if he, too, is to fulfil his earthly task of which he is not yet fully aware.... And believe that you thereby prove your love for Me, which will truly be rewarded to you as I have promised you.... Think of your neighbour and his spiritual hardship and then you will also find the right path to his heart, you will be able to recite My word to him, you will be able to point out to him the unusual grace in which you yourselves stand, that you are taught by Me directly, and you will cause him to think about himself and his earthly task.... And then you will have already rendered him a service which will not remain without success. For there is great hardship amongst people and everything shall still be done to help them before the end comes. For I want to win every soul for Myself so that it will be released from My adversary and reach its aim on earth ....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### "What you do to the least of My brothers ..... "

hatever you do to the least of My brothers, you have done to Me. Every day and every hour you are given the opportunity to do good, to say a kind word, to helpfully assist your neighbour with advice and deeds and thus to alleviate his hardship, which need not only consist of earthly needs but also requires spiritual help through comforting encouragement or guidance on the right path which leads out of spiritual and also earthly hardship. You should only not harden your heart and turn away your eyes when you see hardship; you should not become indifferent and believe that you have done enough once you have given help.... You should always and constantly practice love, then you will know within yourselves the blissful feeling of a giver who is blessed by Me.... who receives from Me again in the same measure as he gives out, and truly, gifts which make him far more happy than the earthly possessions he renounces.... For you give to Me as you distribute to your neighbour, you give Me the love which your neighbour receives from you. You can only prove your love for Me by showing love to your neighbour. You cannot measure the great wealth you accumulate through unselfish love, yet one day you will be happy to recognize the truth of My word and admit that it was truly not difficult to acquire spiritual treasures on earth.... And I want to create this happiness for you and therefore constantly admonish you to work with love.... As soon as you always remember that I Myself come before you as a supplicant when a needy person asks you for a gift, as soon as you

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remember that I know about every gift which is offered with love and look at you with blessing eyes in return, then your love for your neighbour will grow, because love always awakens reciprocated love and carries strength and blessings within itself. Whatever you do to the least of My brothers you have done to Me.... You are all My children, and if the children love each other they give the father the greatest happiness, because only love can cause true bliss and because love leads you all to perfection, which can never be achieved without love. Be grateful as long as you have the opportunity to help and advise, for you still possess the strength of life to do so but you will lack it if one day you recognize your neglect and want to make up for it.... Use your time on earth to work with love so that you will enter the kingdom of the beyond with strength and be able to work there with the treasures you have acquired through loving activity, so that you will not be weak and helpless and bitterly regret what you neglected to do on earth....

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# God's gift in return: His word

#### Love for God.... most delicious gift in return - His word....

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lessed are those who carry Me in their hearts, who take refuge in Me in all hardships of body and  $\checkmark$  soul and desire My protection and My love. To them I will always be a faithful father.... I repay them a thousandfold for their love for Me, for what I give them makes them blissfully happy for ever.... I come to them Myself in the word.... Again and again I tell you that you have to love Me on earth in order to be loved by Me again and to be richly endowed with My gift of grace which guarantees you eternal life. But if I come to you in the word you must also open your hearts and ears to receive it, and I will constantly encourage you to do so and admonish you to never leave the most delicious gift from My hand unnoticed. It must always remain the most delicious thing you possess on earth, it must be desired by you with hungry hearts if it is not to miss its effect. For I truly offer you nothing shallow, nothing half-finished, and therefore you should not accept it indifferently either but demand it with all the ardour of your heart in the awareness that you will be provided by your heavenly father with the most necessary things you need to attain maturity of soul. Keep to My word and everything earthly will lose its appeal and value for you.... Listen to My voice and the voice of the world will only touch you softly.... Receive strength from Me with the word and you will also be able to meet all earthly demands.... but always strive for Me to be present to you and remain in My word. Make Me the king of your heart, Who takes possession of everything, and be subject to Him in love and reverence.... Then He will rule you in fatherly love, He will declare His will to you, He will reward you royally for your faithfulness and love.... He will speak to you, and His word will make you blessed....

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love condition to be able to believe God's word....

The stronger your love for Me, which is expressed in active neighbourly love, the more receptive you will be for My word, wherever and in whatever form it is offered to you. Then you will recognize the father's voice in My word which, however, will remain alien to you and leave you untouched if you lack love. And this is the solution to the riddle why so many people pass by and remain unimpressed by the word which is offered to them from above. They don't have love and therefore don't press towards the father like children, which is why they are also unable to hear the father's voice. And therefore you should first preach love if you want to be successful with the greatest evidence of My fatherly love.... with My word, which is to change people. You should only acquaint them with the commandment, the observance of which signifies a way of life according to My will. Only then will the human being be able to be guided into truth through My word, i.e. the knowledge which is now imparted to him will now be understandable and believable to him. For faith is only the result of love, without love it is not possible for the human being to believe what spiritual knowledge is conveyed to him. And thus a high degree of love must fill the human being if he wants to hear My voice resounding within himself. You all could provide yourselves with the evidence if you believed these words and seriously made an effort to increase your degree of love. But your will is not enough for this, and you also make too little use of the grace of prayer to strengthen your will, to gain strength for loving activity, and thus you will never be able to penetrate the deepest knowledge which is soundly offered to you by Me Myself if you possess the necessary maturity. Hence you will only ever

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have to **believe** but you will not be able to provide yourselves with the evidence of the truth of what is imparted to you through My word. You must believe but you can also do so if only you live in love. Then your faith will be a convinced one, even without proof, for love is always the strength which enlivens everything and also turns faith into a living faith....

Amen

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Where God's Word is recognised, that is where He is present....

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y presence is evident wherever My spirit is able to work, for My expressions through the spirit testify to Me, and only someone closely united with Me can hear this expression of the spirit. For it is the same as if a father speaks to his child, it can hear him because they are together.... So now, you humans will ask yourselves whether I address you too, although it does not happen directly.... when My messengers bring you My Word.... Yet even then will you hear the Father's voice, providing you wish to hear it.... For I will be present to those as well, even if they merely read My Word, since it can only affect their heart if it voluntarily opens itself and thus allows Me to enter, in which case the person feels addressed by Me, the Word comes alive in him, it is no longer the dead Word only heard by the ear but his heart accepts it and is happy to hear Me speak. And thus he is permeated by My spirit, for his spiritual spark has already been awakened to life or he would truly not recognise the Father's voice. Hence, all those people may hear Me who make contact with Me in thought even if they cannot hear My Word directly. But I also know to whom I can convey My Word, who desires to hear Me and who allows Me to speak to his heart.... For this reason I said to you 'I shall pour out My spirit over all flesh....' For everyone's spirit is enlightened who recognises Me Myself in My Word. Thus My spirit is able to speak to the spiritual spark within him, just as his thoughts will be right and truthful, because he is inwardly in contact with Me.... Yet all this presupposes love.... Without love every human being's heart stays closed to My speech, without love all knowledge remains dead for him, without love the human being cannot recognise the Father's voice, he only hears empty Words which mean nothing to him, and he will reject anyone who imparts such Words to him.... Only love is the key to the door of the heart through which I can enter, consequently I have to be present to the person who recognises Me and My Word and allows himself to be impressed by it. And I know people's hearts, I know where love has been kindled and where My presence is possible, because where love exists I Myself Am present ....

Thus, a lovingly active person already has the most certain guarantee for My presence, because I Am Love Itself and therefore have to be where love is being practised.... And where I Am present I will express Myself.... This certainty should make all those of you happy who recognise Me in My Word, for you know that I Am present in you and that you therefore have already established the bond with Me, which is the meaning and purpose of earthly life, and that you have also passed the test of earthly life, otherwise you would be unable to recognise My Word as the Father's voice. And thus you know that My vineyard labourers' task of spreading My Word is extremely significant, for then I can be present in every person who accepts My Word from your hands and who recognises that the Word of his eternal God and Father is addressed to him. I speak to all of you, I speak to every single one of you, always according to your degree of maturity and love, and I guide you into truth, for only truth will be able to fill you with joy yet you can only receive it from Me, the Eternal Truth. This is why all those of you who come into possession of the truth from Me through My servants on earth, if you are unable to receive it directly from Me, may consider yourselves fortunate.... But you can always consider yourselves addressed by Me Myself, for I touch your heart, and the most certain sign that I Am present to you is the fact that you open the door of your heart to Me, i.e., that you long for My presence. And believe that with every Word you receive from My mouth strength will flow to you.... Your soul will spiritually benefit for My Word is not ineffective, it has to lead to spiritual progress because the strength of My love pours into your hearts and can never remain ineffective. Hence your willingness to hear Me, to receive My Word, is already a reliable guarantee that your soul has found

the path back to Me, that it is maturing, because it longs for Me and My presence and thereby enables Me to provide it with everything it is lacking: that it will regain light and strength and freedom, which it once voluntarily forfeited.... I want to fill you with My spirit, as I have promised, and you will receive My Word which will guide you into all truth....

#### Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

# Love is the key to knowledge - Increased knowledge increases the love to God

#### Right knowledge awakens faith and love for God....

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enetrate spiritual knowledge and you will not lack evidence of My might and glory and My love. As soon as this knowledge is made accessible to you, every connection will become clear to you and everything will appear to you to be well-founded; you will recognize that a being looks after you, My living creations, and is active for you, and this in unsurpassable wisdom. And you will learn to love Me and strive towards Me. The darkness of spirit, the complete ignorance of spiritual things also has an effect in an impersonal relationship with Me, mostly in complete unbelief and total rejection. Only knowledge awakens faith and love, even if knowledge remains unproven, yet the idea that it could be as spiritually knowledgeable people portray it awakens in the human being the desire to enter into an intimate relationship with the being, Who thus shall preside in perfection over the whole of creation with all beings. Spiritual knowledge must be presented to the human being if love for Me is to be ignited and become a bright flame. Spiritual knowledge indeed first emerges from love for Me, yet if it is first conveyed to the intellect from outside it can then also penetrate the heart, thus determine the human being's thinking and will, and then the light will shine brighter for him and also warm him from within, only then will it become a true light which can no longer be extinguished; then the intellect is, as it were, the stimulus for an act of feeling, for the transformation of the inner human being into love.... a love which at first is meant for the unknown controller of infinity, but which slowly also extends to everything created. And this flame of love illuminates the spirit, and this now gives man enlightenment in all spiritual questions. The thus knowledgeable human being will no longer want to lose or discard his knowledge, for it satisfies him and spurs him on to spiritual debates. But the person who has become knowledgeable will also no longer lose his love for Me as the creator and sustainer of eternity and thus also establish the right relationship with Me, he will want to remain united with Me and strive towards Me, and his whole being will demonstrate the change towards love, for true knowledge leads to love and thus to beatitude....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love is the key to wisdom....

You will continue to think incorrectly as long as you ignore the commandments of love for God and your neighbour.... No matter how much you study and ponder, it will be of no use to you. Without a life of love of your own, the success of your research will only ever be a false success, i.e., it will not correspond to the truth. But if you put it to the test you would be surprised at how your thinking changes. Everyone can change himself to love, because the ability to love has been placed in his heart and it is mostly only due to his will if he does not use this ability, if he is not lovingly active. For this reason only a few people will go through this test, but by doing so they could so easily get the evidence which would make them infinitely happy, because their hearts would suddenly become enlightened. But the fact that wisdom, the light of realisation, is only the result of a life of love, is not accepted by people as truth, for they cannot associate an impulse of heart with the activity of their intellect, they don't want to link their emotional life with lucid intellectual thinking. And yet, love is the key to wisdom, and no-one who ignores the commandments of love for God and his neighbour will know the truth. However, the explanation that God is Truth as well as Love Itself is so simple.

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One is unthinkable without the other, just as fire emanates light by natural law, so must the fire of love emanate the light of wisdom. The intellect is not enough in order to ascertain the truth, but intellect united with love will explore the most profound depths of divine wisdom.... Even if this statement seems presumptuous to you humans.... you would be able to prove it yourselves if only you seriously wanted to know the truth. This is why all efforts will be futile when you want to ascertain spiritual secrets, things, which cannot be proven by earthly means and yet are meaningful to a truth loving person. But the thoughts of a person who changed his nature, which at the start of his embodiment as a human being mainly knows selfish love, into unselfish neighbourly love, will indeed correspond to truth or be far closer to it than that of a rationalist who is devoid of love. You humans should believe this and transform your nature to love, then you will have accomplished your task on earth and the bright light of realisation will be your reward on earth and even more so in the kingdom of the beyond, which all of you will enter again after your life on this earth because it is your true home, which you once dwelled in and left of your own free will when you threw yourselves into darkness by extinguishing the light of love in you. On earth, you are not aware of the spiritual correlations, but the factor of lack of love also played a part in causing your spiritual darkness, and you can only become enlightened again if you transform your selfish love into unselfish love and thereby approach the Deity once more, Who is Love in Itself and wants to win you back .... And so, in order to clarify your thinking and to learn to understand the correlations which are associated with your earthly task, you must rekindle love in yourselves, you must, quite simply, return to God and unite with Him, Who is Love Itself.... Then light and strength and freedom will be yours again, as it was in the beginning, and once brightly enlightened you will realise everything, you will be blissfully happy because the Eternal Love permeates you once more as before....

#### Amen

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#### Is knowledge necessary on Earth?.... Commandments of love....

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To knowledge needed for the maturing of souls shall be withheld from you. This is why My N Gospel is proclaimed to you, the divine teaching of love, since you need to practice love first in order to be able to actually understand the additional knowledge you receive pertaining to My loving care for your souls' salvation. Thus My Gospel first proclaims My two commandments of love for God and your neighbour, and if you live up to these you will also become receptive for additional information, for then your spirit will come alive and it will instruct you from within; that is, it will grant you the understanding even if the knowledge, which originated from Me, is given to you by outside sources. Love, however, comes first, and no amount of extensive knowledge will be of use to you if you don't possess love, in that case you can be called spiritually dead. On the other hand, a person who lives a life of love won't need extensive knowledge.... He will mature through his way of life and suddenly attain realisation when he exchanges the earthly world for the spiritual kingdom. Nevertheless, spiritual knowledge is also beneficial on earth if it is correctly utilised, if the human being wants to penetrate spiritual correlations, if he would like to get the right idea about My reign and activity.... For then he will learn to love Me ever more and constantly desire to increase his knowledge, because instructions which come forth from Me arouse his spiritual appetite. And thus you humans are being addressed by Me, because only I, as the Eternal Truth Itself, can convey knowledge to you which corresponds to the truth....

And I know where My Word is taken to, where it will meet the right understanding again.... and I know where love is being practised and who tries to live according to My will. And thus they will receive knowledge which is appropriate to their maturity of soul, to their desire for truth and their conduct. And each person is at liberty to use this knowledge at his own discretion.... he can make use of it by passing it on or think about it in great depth himself, and he can increase it if he strives for it diligently and with good will. Then he will receive constantly more spiritual information, and he will gratefully accept the gifts from My hand because his soul will be maturing and his knowledge will be

growing.... For a dead spirit does not desire to know anything about the spiritual kingdom. Nevertheless, no-one should feel depressed if he does not have a lot of spiritual knowledge to show for. As long as he lives on earth according to My will, as long as he fulfils My two commandments of love and thus tries to shape himself into love he will become illuminated with lightening speed as soon as he enters the spiritual kingdom, and then he will be and remain blissfully happy, for he will also understand in a flash and realise all correlations most clearly.... But he must live according to My will, for no-one can be spared the fulfilling of My commandments of love, they are the most important in earthly life, they are the foundation of My Gospel, which is conveyed to you time and again, regardless of by what means. By merely taking the commandments of love to heart and aiming to comply with them you will also fulfil your task in life and help your soul to mature. And this Gospel can be presented to you in all places, you merely need to accept it with the will to hear Me Myself, you must desire and recognise Me Myself in My Word and become receptive when My Word sounds within you, when I address you in order to inform you of My will.... For My Gospel, the good news and doctrine of Salvation, will only ever inform you of My will, which consists of motivating you into being lovingly active and of showing you the effects of a life of love, so that your soul will mature and you will become blissfully happy.... Then the knowledge, which those of you who desire it and which you now may receive, will also make you happy.... You will learn to love Me increasingly more, you will also learn to look upon the next person as My child and your brother, you will love him too and thus slowly change your nature into love, which is and will remain your earthly task of life until you have become perfect, until you unite with Me in love and thus remain united with Me for all eternity....

#### Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### Only love helps to knowledge and bliss....

B.D. No. **8666** November 7th 1963

Y ou humans cause Me Myself to express My love, as soon as you show Me your love and thereby force Me to be present to you, because I **am** love Myself.... And then My presence must also secure My constant illumination of love for you, for through your love you relinquish all resistance and My love can become effective in you. But the effect of My love illumination is that you penetrate into deepest knowledge, that you win knowledge, which indeed rests in all of you, but is closed to your intellect so long, until love illuminates your thinking and you then are able to grasp knowledge in all clarity, which is unknown to you before and also incomprehensible. All spiritual progress, all light which shines to your soul, is the result of your love for Me.... which is expressed in works of unselfish neighbourly love.... With every work of love you draw Me Myself to you; I do not resist love, because to win your love is also My happiness, because love wants to give itself away, and through your love I therefore can give Myself away and therefore make you immensely happy with spiritual gifts, which you only need to accept out of My hand. My last aim is your return to Me, which can only take place through love.... As soon as you now work in love, you come closer to Me step by step; through love the unification with Me takes place, and the original state occurs again, in which you were intimately connected to Me and My love power could radiate into you unhindered. In this state you were therefore radiated through with light, i.e., nothing was hidden to you, you saw through everything, all connections were clear to you, and this deepest knowledge, the knowledge about Me Myself, about My nature, My rule and work, made you deeply happy.... thus you were blissfully happy, and this bliss knew no limit.... That you changed this perfect state yourselves, that you rejected My radiation of light of love, had its reason in the fact that the knowledge of your perfection was given to you through the influence of the highest being visible to you.... Lucifer.... led you to arrogance, that you believed that you did not need Me.... because **not** visible to you and joined that visible being which drew you down into the abyss.... for rejecting My illumination of love also meant that the illumination of love was no longer effective on you due to your resistance.... So you lost all light, all knowledge and also all power, which once let you become creatively active and made you happy.... But now, after an endless long walk from the deepest depth to the height, you have again arrived in **the** state where you are free to request My love and are also allowed to receive it without restriction, yet this is your own free matter of will.... And you will now understand that I.... Who longs for your love because you came forth from My love.... am always ready to radiate towards you again, but this can only happen if you yourselves show love towards Me.... You yourselves therefore also determine the degree of love which shines upon you; you yourselves as man are able to do compulsion to Me, which I cannot resist when you devote yourselves to Me in love, because then I must be present to you, then I can no longer close Myself to you when you open yourselves that My ray of love can fall into your hearts. And I gladly let this compulsion be done to Me, because I long for the return of My children to be able to make them happy again as in the beginning. Because My nature is love, but love wants to give itself away; it wants to draw you to Me for ever; it wants that you reach your perfection again, what is only possible when you again get into the possession of light and power.... Light and strength are again the effect of My illumination of love, so that love is everything and without love there is no happiness.... From My side truly no restriction is imposed on you, if only you yourselves prove your love to Me, by you practicing unselfish neighbourly love; then I Myself can be with you in every work of love, and My presence must also have a happy effect. And so also the degree of light will always increase; you will again be able to understand My rule and work; deepest wisdoms will be made accessible to you, and you will be led out of the state of imperfection; all inadequacies will fall off you, and the aim.... the change of a creature to a child.... you will certainly reach; you will come closer and closer to My father heart, because your love draws Me and I am powerless against love, because it is My original element.... But you, too, were the same in your nature when you came forth from Me, and you must also assume the same original nature again.... And I will help you until you have reached the aim and you can intimately unite with Me through love, because love urges love and most intimate union also guarantees highest beatitude ....

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#### Spiritual knowledge should ignite love for God....

February 2nd 1965

he fact that the secrets of creation are revealed to you, as far as this is possible with your maturity I of soul, is a sign of My great love of which I want to inform you, so that you learn to recognize Me in My nature and likewise show Me your love.... It is indeed always only a partial knowledge, but which is also enough to let you ignite to hot love towards Me, because when you know about all connections, when you know that always My unsurpassable wisdom has let everything come into being so and when you know that all creations serve and have served you for the best.... in a word.... if I let you gain insight into My plan of salvation from eternity.... then all your love must belong to Me.... And for this I desire.... If you just once consider that the entire work of creation was only a work of My love and wisdom, which My omnipotence brought to completion.... and that this whole work of creation only aimed at your becoming 'children of God', then nothing can find room in you apart from love.... And you would sing praise and thanks to Me if only you could grasp this great proof of My love, which, however, already presupposes your perfection.... Nevertheless I enlighten you about your beginning and your aim, because I want it that you slowly return again into that state, in which you stood in the beginning, when all My love power radiated through you. You certainly only open a crack of your heart, into which I can let My love radiate, but also these few love rays are to cause that you always open yourselves further, that you no longer offer Me the least resistance in the end, that you devote yourselves to Me and demand nothing more than to receive My love ray continuously. And soon a bright light will shine in you; you will be introduced deeper and deeper into spiritual knowledge and always be allowed to be certain that you move in truth. And so I woo every man's love until he surrenders to Me that he also opens himself to My love illumination. Because that is My aim that I win the hearts that they give themselves to Me voluntarily, because I do not use any compulsion. But if knowledge is now given to you which was still unknown to you, then you should see from it that only one can impart such knowledge to you.... a being Which Itself knows about everything and

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Which therefore instructs you Itself. And you are to remember Him in thankfulness and His infinite love towards you and also draw the consequences out of that knowledge, i.e. fulfil what I demand of you to also be allowed to take part in the great gift of favour. And through the fulfilment of My demands you now form yourselves to love, which pushes towards Me and makes Me happy. In the beginning you also possessed the light of knowledge, but which has now been lost to you through your fall into sin.... But there is nothing more beautiful than that you again put yourselves into the state in which you stood in the beginning. And to this only belongs the change of your nature to love, and I woo for this love, and I will not stop to woo for it, because there is nothing more blessed for you than that you unite with Me, what exactly requires a life in love. When now a picture is given to you about My rule and work in infinity, when you can conclude from everything about My unsurpassable wisdom, when you know that only love has determined Me to this creation, then you can only love your God and creator with all intimacy of your heart, because he proves to you that He is the most perfect being, which wants to be recognized by you as father. Once I will indeed reach the aim that all My loved ones (creatures) show unlimited love towards Me. But before the end of an earth period it is always a matter of concern for Me that I spare the beings a repeated earth walk (walk through creation). And that is why I let them take note of that knowledge, which I can convey to them through servants devoted to Me and which is always only to testify to My love and wisdom to make it easy for them to believe in a most perfect God and creator, Who reveals Himself to them. For this reason alone I initiate people into My plan of salvation from eternity and give them knowledge which should truly convince them that it is like this and not otherwise.... And this end is imminent and causes Me to be unusually active because I still court every soul whose love gives itself to Me....

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# Love is the key to truth

#### Love is the key to truth....

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A ctivity of love inevitably results in realisation, and thus actions of love are the only way to truth. This is what the earthly children need to know first and foremost. They will never ever attain the truth in any other way. If they receive knowledge which appears acceptable to them without actively living a life of love, then it will be a work of deception by Satan, or, if they are offered the truth, they will not recognise it as such and thus reject it. The pure truth will indeed be offered to many yet dismissed precisely because people are lacking love.... But people like that cling to falsehood with tenacity and it is impossible to explain to them that they are mistaken, that they are being led astray by wrong teachings. Love is the key to truth, without it the access remains blocked....

Truth, however, is everything that comes from God.... Truth cannot be intellectually ascertained but is received from God through the heart. The human being can certainly receive the truth mentally, yet then he will always experience the desire for God.... This desire, however, is love and love takes effect in deeds of selfless neighbourly love.... Only this testifies to love of God. And then the person will think correctly, that is, the thoughts he receives will correspond to the truth. They arise from the heart even though the person believes himself to have reached an intellectual conclusion. But an unloving person's thoughts will never correspond to truth, for then truth-fighting forces will exercise a strong influence on such people's thinking, since through their lack of love they open their hearts to such forces, thus they gain access and use their power by confusing people's thinking.

God is truth, God is love.... one without the other is unthinkable. Consequently, there can only be truth where there is love.... Countless errors have come into the world due to people's heartlessness, and the truth has been displaced. It can only spread amongst humanity again if it changes itself to love, and therefore love has to be cultivated first before a person can attain realisation. All studies are futile if a person lacks love, for whatever knowledge he gains thereby.... will either not correspond to the truth or it is dead knowledge, in as much as it will not further the soul's higher development as long as it does not affect the heart, as long as it does not result in an activity of love. And this is why all spiritual knowledge has to be assessed by the guideline of love.... it has to flow from a helpful heart and teach helpful activity in turn, then it will be truth, and God Himself will be the source of such knowledge....

Amen

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#### Truth not without love....

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**P**eople must strive towards Me in all seriousness of their own accord, they must inwardly feel the need to unite with Me, then they will also be guided into right and true thinking and learn to distinguish truth from error. But as long as this serious will is missing, they cannot be given clarity, which is the right of the one who wants to reach Me. The fact that so much error is widespread in the world is largely people's own fault because they did not observe the commandments of love and therefore My adversary entered their hearts, who mentally misled them and they did not recognize the error as such. And thus people will always be far away from the truth who live without love.... But it will be bright in those who take My teaching of love seriously, who make an effort to live a life of love and therefore also awaken their spirit to life. Nevertheless, it is also difficult for them to free

themselves from error as long as it is presented to them as truth by those who acknowledge them as leaders.... Yet I only ever value their degree of love.... If they sincerely desire the truth, it will be supplied to them.... If they are unable to separate themselves from their previous knowledge then they will one day come to enlightenment in the kingdom of the beyond in a flash.... But their nature must always have shaped itself into love in order to attain the right realisation, for I evaluate their way of life according to their love, and according to their love will be the degree of light in which they enter the kingdom of the beyond. And thus pure truth is the share of the one who changes to love. For My adversary has no power over this, and error is also recognized as such by him. In the last days before the end love has grown cold among people, therefore they will be receptive to everything that contradicts the truth, whereas they will host the truth and persecute every bearer of truth. And this is a sure sign of the end.... Only a few live in love and only a few walk in truth. But the masses will always stand behind My adversary, error will be accepted as a matter of course and not recognized as error. But then you should also know that the time is fulfilled, for this is the spiritual low, that My adversary has gained dominion over people and that they believe him, i.e. the one who fights against the truth because he is My adversary.... The light fights against darkness, and the darkness is already so deep that the light has difficulty penetrating because people themselves prefer darkness.... But anyone who desires light will also see its rays, for that is where I direct My ray of love-light and it will strike people's hearts and touch them beneficially, and they will no longer want to miss the light. And this light is My word from above.... the pure truth which everyone may receive who seriously desires it and who lives in love. Therefore, first make an effort to live a life of love, and you can be certain that I consider everyone according to his love.... for anyone who has love is not in possession of the adversary, he belongs to Me, and to belong to Me also means to receive My light, whether on earth or in the spiritual kingdom.... To belong to Me means to be enlightened and to inwardly distance oneself from misguided teachings which My adversary has spread in order to separate people from Me.... But the loving human being recognizes Me and strives towards Me.... And he will also reach Me, for love unites him with Me, love brings about the final union with Me, and love also recognizes Me as the Eternal Truth....

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# Love is the key to faith

#### Strong faith result of love....

B.D. No. **4827** January 31th 1950

Y ou draw the strength to believe from your love for Me, or love brings faith to life. Everything will appear to you close to its assessed three. will appear to you close to its essence, thus no longer unreal, as soon as love fills you, yet you can only understand this if you have love within yourselves, otherwise they are only words which have no life in them. Again and again I can only point out to you that strength emerges from love, that you are able to do everything if you live in love and thus can also believe deeply, that you then call a living faith your own. I can only answer every prayer to Me for strength of faith with the words: Love Me, then you will also be able to believe.... and love for Me includes love for your neighbour. Therefore you only have to be good and helpful towards your neighbour and your faith will grow into that strength which is unshakeable and withstands every onslaught. But if you have a deep, unshakeable faith then you will also feel Me near you, then I will always be present to you and you will be aware of it. As soon as you are able to speak to Me like a child speaks to its father, your faith will also be strong and alive, for you will only speak to the one Whom you acknowledge, and you prove your faith in Me through prayer in spirit and in truth, and if you then practice the intimate dialogue with Me for a long time, you will no longer be able to doubt either My word or My love, nor anything else which seems unacceptable to you. Then you will believe everything because you feel that your father only speaks the truth and that He loves His children. And because you believe in Me you will also do everything I ask of you, you will live as it is pleasing to Me.... Love will fill your whole being.... Then the union with Me will take place, then spiritual life will have become a reality for you, whereas earthly life will pass you by like a dream state, then you will be so firmly united with Me that a separation from Me will no longer be possible, then you will no longer be able to speak of faith but everything will be knowledge, realization, light for you. Every doubt, every unbelief is eliminated, you are completely permeated by Me and have returned to the original state which signifies light and strength and bliss for all eternity....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Strengthening of faith through love work....

B.D. No. **5371** April 21st 1952

Amen

You strengthen yourselves enormously in your faith if you live a life of love and are always intent on serving Me and your neighbour. Whatever you undertake, you should always be driven by the will to help, love should always determine you and inspire you to think, speak and act. Then you will enter into closest contact with Me, and the result of this is a firm and unshakeable faith which fills your whole being, a faith which gives you inner peace and security, that you are under My protection, that you, as your father's children, are never abandoned and lonely, that therefore nothing can happen to you but what I deem good for you. Love must be deepened in you so that your faith will become stronger. You must help your fellow human being and want to make him happy, you must alleviate suffering and reduce hardship, you must want to support him with advice and action and divest yourselves of what he lacks if the hardship is thereby reduced. You must support him spiritually, help his soul to believe, give him a good example through loving actions, you must instruct him and take care of him if he is weak in faith and does not recognize Me correctly.... You must do everything you want to be done for you in the same adversity. And you yourselves will have the greatest blessing, for you will thereby kindle a light within yourselves which will then shine upon all those around you. You will be able to prove the strength of a strong faith to your fellow human beings, you will be able to achieve great things as a result of love and the faith arising from it. Then there will be neither lack of strength nor fear, neither worries nor anxious questions.... You will feel safe in Me because I must be where love is and My closeness will give you peace and security.... Don't let up in your activity of love, give and make happy, and then let yourselves be made happy by Me, Who gives you everything and fails you nothing if you only believe....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love life.... living faith....

B.D. No. **7436** October 25th 1959

Amen

he strength of faith depends on the spirit of love which moves the human being. Love must flare up in the human being to a bright glow, then faith will also be alive, the bright ray of love will bring knowledge to the human being, and what the human being is otherwise only required to believe will be so comprehensible and undoubted to him that one can now speak of a living faith which also has all strength within itself. The human being can accept many things with his intellect, he can also convince himself to believe them, but only living faith gives him the certainty that what has been presented to him is truth. And only this full certainty is happy, only a living faith is what gives the human being strength and peace. But without love faith is dead .... Therefore love has to be lived first before the human being can enjoy a living faith, even if he represents something with such conviction.... Yet he lacks inner conviction as long as he lacks love. Faith without love is unthinkable, and people should first consider the extent to which they are willing and active in love before they talk about a firm, unshakeable faith, which every person would certainly like to possess but only possesses when he is willing to love. And the explanation for this is quite simple: Anyone who lives in love is united with God, Who Himself is love.... and anyone who is united with God can also make use of His strength, and therefore he has the firm certainty that he can understand everything and achieve everything with God, and this certainty is 'faith'.... To be united with God means that bright light shines through the human being, and to stand in the light means to stand in knowledge, and then faith is also easy, it must be alive in the human being, for the light from God which shines through the human being chases away all doubt, and only certainty remains.... living faith.... For this reason every person should practice unselfish neighbourly love if he wants to attain a living faith, and he will realize with amazement how all doubt disappears in him, how he accepts with conviction and fullest certainty and moves in his heart everything he receives in spiritual teachings which God in His infinite love guides to earth as an emanation of Himself.... His word, which is constantly conveyed to you humans from above. In order to be able to believe it alive you have to live a life of love, otherwise it will only be words for you without meaning and life, yet for a person willing to love it is the most delicious thing he can receive from God.... For it is strength from God, it is light and brings freedom from the chains of the adversary, it brings freedom from the darkness of night.... Living faith is the result of a way of life in love, and My word, like a ray of light, will clearly illuminate everything to the human being, and now he will no longer be able to doubt because love in him is the light, because love in him opens the heart for the word which is conveyed to him from above, because he lives in love. This is why every person must attain a living faith who hears the word from above, who gratefully receives it and passes it on again and again because he lives in love. And therefore no person needs to fear that he will remain dead in spirit and thus also dead in his faith if only he wants to live, if he wants his faith to be a living one, for the will is everything and God will ensure that the will achieves what it strives for.... The human being will walk on earth in love and it will become a certainty to him that God loves him and wants to make him blissfully happy....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

### Love is the key to redemption

#### Only love redeems.... shaping of the heart....

B.D. No. **2378** June 22nd 1942

t is only love that leads man upwards, and it is only through love that a transformation takes place Lin him that is necessary in order to move from the depths to the heights, to the light. Nothing else can redeem him, nothing else can replace love, and nothing else but love can lead him closer to God .... And even if a person lives his life on earth in fulfilment of duty and strict observation and fulfilment of the demands placed on him, nothing guarantees his progress but love alone. For this transforms the soul and makes it willing to open itself and give freedom to the spirit within. And the working of the spirit ensures the soul's higher development.... the maturing without which a life in eternity is inconceivable.... But love is God Himself.... So God must be in everything and with everything that man begins.... And the human being has completely accepted Him in himself if he lives in love, and then his life on earth must bring him perfection because God Himself is in him and can work according to His will. God and love are one, and therefore God can only be found through love, although He is sought intellectually. The knowledge of God and the belief in Him, that He exists, does not bring the human being closer to the eternal deity.... he will only consciously strive for Him through activity of love, then the serious will to come close to Him will be present and only then will the right realization follow, which is imparted to him by way of the heart.... And thus love is indispensable in order to be able to enter the kingdom of God.... Love overcomes everything, it remains victorious even in the most difficult battle, because the one who lives in love has God Himself at his side, Who is in him through the human being's activity of love. A person's degree of love determines when God, as love Himself, takes up residence in him. He can only dwell where love has accomplished such a transformation, where the human being has moulded himself according to God's will.... He must be humble, meek, peaceful and patient from the heart, and all this is brought about by love.... For he puts God and his fellow human beings before love for himself and will always think less of himself; he will demand nothing for himself but will always give .... he will not condemn, but understand and forgive.... he will not seek contention and will suppress all arrogance.... he will have understanding for the weaknesses of his fellow human beings and therefore practice patience. And thus his nature will change and mould itself in accordance with divine will. And God Himself can take abode in such a moulded soul.... Hence love will dwell in the human being in all its fullness, he will no longer be able to do anything else but be lovingly active because God Himself will now direct all his actions and thoughts, He Who is in him.... And where God is, there can be no depth, no darkness and no unfree state; where God is, there is light and freedom, where God is, there is peace and bliss.... love has redeemed man....

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love work.... beginning redemption....

Every human being should contribute his share to salvation, and he can also do so if only he gives an example of a life of love. For by doing so he also encourages his fellow human beings to live a life of love as soon as love is shown to him at all times. Only love is redeeming, and only then can humanity be released from its spiritual and earthly distress if it decides to live a life of love. This will loosen the soul's cover, and at the same time the suffering on earth, which is often a means to stimulate the human being into a life of love, can also be alleviated. But people do not heed

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amen

B.D. No. **3338** November 21st 1944 admonitions and warnings, they continue to remain unkind, their thoughts and actions are far removed from love, and thus they create an unbearable fate for themselves on earth, they are themselves the cause of suffering and misery directly through their unkindness and indirectly that they need a sharp antidote in order to change. But if the individual human being endeavours to live a life of love he will banish suffering for himself and his surroundings, for God will reduce it because He will come ever closer to him to the same extent as the human being practices love, because He will now keep suffering away from him or help him to bear it if it is necessary for the sake of his fellow human beings' souls. And every work of love attracts God, with every work of love the human being creates a weapon against suffering, he can now easily overcome it and thus increasingly recognizes the power of love. But above all, a life of love loosens the cover which still surrounds the soul.... And this is incipient redemption.... it makes itself able to receive God's radiation, His spirit, it gives life to the spirit within itself, the cover is broken which prevented a rapprochement between spirit and soul.... If a person lives a life of love for his fellow human beings, then the spiritual spark in him can connect with God's emanation, and where this can work, the spiritual spark in the soul of his fellow human being will also try to break through his cover by urging the person to do good works and trying to make himself heard.... Thus a good example will always inspire imitation, for this is the strength of love, the strength of the spirit which is awakened through love and which is constantly active and also seeks to make contact with the spiritual spark in the fellow human being. For the spiritual spark in the human being is part of God, and everything divine strives towards each other; but where the divine breaks through in the human being, there is also redemption.... The earth-bound soul becomes free, it casts off all shackles and comes closer to its original state again, the state of complete freedom.... And only love can bring this about.... Therefore, every human being should only practice love, to bless himself and his neighbour.... He should set a good example and know that he will not only break the soul's bonds but also reduce earthly suffering, but that increasing unkindness also means an increase in earthly suffering and that humanity will fall into an increasingly dark spiritual state from which nothing but love can redeem it ....

Amen

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Only love redeems on earth and in the hereafter....

B.D. No. **3555** September 22nd 1945

either on earth nor in the beyond is spiritual ascent possible without loving activity, for love A alone leads to God, love alone reduces the distance from the human being to God, and love alone brings about union with God. Therefore it is the greatest commandment on earth to be lovingly active, otherwise earthly life will be lived uselessly and the soul will enter the beyond at the same distance from God as it was before its embodiment as a human being. But earthly life is the last grace for the spiritual in the earthly world.... then life begins in eternity, in the spiritual kingdom, which can also be a state of death, a state of powerlessness which can never be called life. And now there is only one possibility again to ascend through loving activity.... but activity in weakness is impossible, and therefore the soul is in greatest adversity because it first has to accept strength in order to be able to work in love. And this acceptance of strength is again dependent on its will, which has to be directed towards loving activity for other souls. But a weak soul is extremely weak-willed if it does not have a completely God-opposing will and gives itself over to the forces of the underworld. And a weakened will is hardly able to strive for a change of situation for itself, even less does the soul think of the suffering souls and use its will correctly, i.e. it carries the will within itself to help them. Yet only this will to be lovingly active towards needy souls provides it with the strength which it can now use and thereby treads the path of ascent itself. Until the soul develops the will to love within itself its state will be desolate and hopeless, for only love alone brings redemption from its torment. And this is why the ascent in the beyond is far more difficult than on earth, and endless time can pass before the soul decides to work with love, whereas on earth the human being is in full possession of his vitality and the slightest occasion can impel him into an act of love, which he can therefore also carry out

immediately because he is capable of it. The being's inability in the beyond is a state of utmost agony, for after earthly life the being feels it as a fetter which it cannot release. And since it passed away on earth without love it also does not know about its strength. It is now dependent on the help of other souls which try to persuade it to have the right will through suggestions, and on the prayer of people on earth that strength will be supplied to it which is meant for its weakened will. Redemption can never take place through other beings, the soul has to redeem itself through love.... This is divine law which can never be circumvented. And this is why God creates countless possibilities on earth which are intended to kindle love in the human being, so that he will now work and thereby mature his soul, so that he will not enter the beyond as a powerless being but is already a recipient of strength, i.e. he can enter eternity as a being of light himself, albeit with varying degrees of light strength, yet always able to work with his strength in love again on the suffering souls and constantly increase the degree of light. For love has to be practiced on earth as well as in the spiritual kingdom, it is the binding agent between the souls and God, because God Himself is love and the being can only unite with Him if it has become love itself....

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#### Constant longing for God.... love - happiness....

B.D. No. **3645** January 2nd 1946

ll your thoughts should flow towards Me in a constant longing for My nearness, for My love and My grace.... Then you will have overcome earthly life, even though you still have to live it out until your hour has come. Then your soul will no longer belong to the world, it will have become one with the spirit within you and only push towards Me.... And only love can bring about this state.... Anyone who is constantly active in love can no longer feel differently, his thoughts will be directed towards Me in a love-desiring way, because the spirit in him directs his thoughts and constantly directs them towards the eternal kingdom.... The working of love guarantees the intimate connection with Me, and anyone who has once entered into it will no longer want to miss it. His longing is only for constant union with Me. There is no more blissful feeling than that of love, love draws towards each other and unites, love always and constantly gives, it seeks to please and thereby finds its happiness. And since I love My living creations from the beginning and will never stop loving them, I also try to lead them to the highest happiness and constantly share with them out of strength and grace in order to make them worthy of this happiness. If the soul now loves Me again, it also wants to give Me.... itself, and therefore it pushes towards Me and I draw it to Me to make it blissfully happy in My presence, through My love, through light and strength.... Whatever comes to Me of its own accord I take hold of and make it capable of receiving light and strength already on earth, so that it can distribute again for its own happiness and for the redemption of that which has not yet found its way to Me.... Whatever applies to Me of its own free will takes the path of light, and it can never ever become dark around it. For as soon as it unites with Me through heartfelt remembrance, prayer and loving activity it will also be permeated by My love, and My love is light and strength.... knowledge and power.... The knowing soul will also be able to let My strength flow into it and be able to work through My strength, for it works from Me and with Me. If My love has taken hold of a creature, the lack of strength will have fallen away from it, it will approach the original state again, which signifies full possession of light and strength, and thereby it will become blissfully happy, for it will be able to be active in love as it desires. And if a person already strives for this on earth then the earthly world recedes, the desire for the spiritual world predominates because the soul feels that spiritual activity alone is true happiness, that it alone is only valuable and that it is also urgent because the hardship of the unredeemed spiritual requires it. And every person who feels this and offers himself to Me for help is seized by My love, it flows through him, it makes him capable of suitable work for My kingdom and thus already gives him the happiness of redeeming activity on earth. And let this be your endeavour, you who want to ascend, that you constantly try to turn your thoughts towards Me, that you first commend everything you start, also your earthly activity, to My blessing, that you always and everywhere mention Me as your guide and advisor, that you start nothing, without first having thought of Me, and that you thus live in intimate union with Me, always feeling Me next to you, desiring Me at all times and drawing Me ever closer to you through loving activity until there is no longer any separation between you and Me, until a firm bond has been formed which will remain unbreakable for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Voluntarily turning to God.... Bond of love....

bond is tied which forever connects Me with My living creation if it turns to Me of its own free will, if it, in a manner of speaking, absorbs the ray of love that draws the creature towards Me and never allows it to fall. This bond is indissoluble and, once the human being has taken hold of it, it will also hold on to him and he will never be able to detach himself from it.... But I only speak about those who seriously turn their eyes to Me and not about those who merely profess Me formally, who have not yet made **Me** the subject of their desire, their thoughts and aspiration. For I only speak of a person's innermost feelings, of his private thoughts, of that which motivates his soul. I speak of the person's will, which sought and found Me of its own accord. I speak of the will which cannot be compelled by anyone, which cannot be externally influenced but arises from the soul and may turn in any direction of its choosing. A person is born anew the moment he finds Me and catches My ray of love with which I chain him to Me for all eternity. Regardless of the path he takes.... one day it will lead to Me for certain, even if the human being still has to endure errors and confusions and it appears as if he has distanced himself from Me again.... I will never ever let go of anyone again who comes to Me voluntarily, even if, on account of his weakness as a result of his imperfection, he is often in danger of leaving the right path. I even walk beside him on misguided paths and time and again push him back onto the right path, for he gave Me the right to do so when he turned to Me voluntarily which also assured him My continuous help. I know that precisely these people are especially strongly influenced by My adversary and know how to prevent him from gaining control over them. Only I know whose will has voluntarily turned to Me of its own accord, and so you humans are unable to judge as to whose will already belongs to Me and who is still far-away from Me, for appearances are deceptive.... but you can rest assured that I will help anyone to ascend who seriously strives for Me.

For I cannot be deceived; I know the state of every individual person's soul, I know every reason for their actions and thoughts and truly make the right judgment, I convey every conceivable help to each person when I recognise the sincerity of their striving. However, you humans often let yourselves be deceived by fine words, you judge your fellow human being by external appearances and are often willing to make rash judgments, you are satisfied with assurances or pious gestures in order for you to believe that your fellow human being is on the right path to Me.... And yet he can still be very distant from Me and barely progress one step until he decides to look within himself and catch My ray of love as well, in order to unite with Me for all eternity. I Am only ever waiting for this moment of conscious desire for Me which I, however, will never let pass, for only then will you have escaped the danger of going astray from Me again for infinitely long times. Nevertheless, even then your struggle will still be difficult but you will safely reach your goal, since you can always hold on to My bond of love which will draw you up increasingly more and which you will not let go either because you will be happy to have found Me to hold on to in your life on earth.... But this decision must be made by every person himself.... No-one can be told or persuaded to make this decision because I only judge what arises from within his heart.... Nevertheless, a person's attention can be drawn to Me by presenting Me to him as a loving Father Who longs for His children.... then the child can try to establish the right relationship and will feel the Father's love and willingly hand itself over to Him.... And I Am waiting for this moment which returns My children to Me.... From this hour on I will watch over them and no matter what their future way of life will be .... it will lead to the goal, because My love will not let anything fall back once it has found Me voluntarily....

#### Amen

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#### Bonding with God.... thoughts.... prayer.... work of love....

B.D. No. **8040** November 14th 1961

Make contact with Me and I will truly no longer leave you out, I will no longer leave your side, I will guide you to your aim because then I will possess your will which is for Me.... I only want

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you to turn your thoughts to Him Who created you.... I only want you not to walk thoughtlessly through earthly life and only pay attention to the earthly world.... I want your thoughts to occasionally wander into the kingdom which you cannot see and which cannot be proven to you but which nevertheless exists and is everlasting, whereas the earthly world is a transient kingdom of which you cannot take possession forever. And since you know that you will have to die, that your life in this world will not last forever, you should also think about what will happen to you afterwards, and you should ask yourselves whether you yourselves will also perish completely or whether it will be possible for your actual self to become a living being.... for your soul.... there is a continuation of existence. If you seriously ask this question I will also answer it by giving your thoughts a direction which corresponds to the truth.... For I want to bless every spiritual thought if it is not negatively directed, because I want you to think correctly. But you can also establish the bond with Me through loving activity, even if you don't consciously acknowledge Me as yet, if your faith in a God Who wants to be your father is still weak or completely lacking.... As soon as you live a life of love your resistance will become weaker and weaker if spiritual knowledge is imparted to you which gives you knowledge of Me, your God and creator, Who seeks contact with you.... Love is the bond which joins us together; love is the light which illuminates your thinking; and love is the strength to be able to live a life according to My will.... And the latter means working in love again, which will inevitably awaken a living faith in you in Me, your God and creator of eternity. Your earthly life will never be an idle one if you unite with Me through thoughts, in prayer or through loving activity. For you shall only establish the bond with Me and you will be saved for time and eternity. For it was you yourselves who loosened this bond with Me and broke it off through your own will..... But you are unhappy as long as you keep your distance from Me.... But I want your bliss and thus also your return to Me, I want you to unite with Me again.... and then you will also have escaped My adversary's power, for the will towards Me makes you free from him .... The serious will towards Me also soon earns you a light, and in this light you now also consciously walk the path which leads back into your father's house. However, anyone who refrains from any bond with Me, who only sees and desires the earthly world, his life will be an idle one, and he will stand on the same level at the end of his earthly life as he stood on at the beginning of his embodiment as a human being.... And there is a great danger that he will not take the path of ascent in the kingdom of the beyond either but will always sink more and more into the abyss and be banished into matter again when a period of redemption comes to an end and the 'judgment' comes.... where all spiritual substances will be transferred to where they belong according to their state of maturity.... I want to save all of you humans from this last 'judgment', I want to help you to find the path to Me **before** the end, and I will truly still do everything to inspire your hearts to love, to prompt you to earnest prayer to Me or to turn your thoughts towards the one Who gave you life.... I only want you to remember Me, to call upon Me so that I can take you by the hand, so that I can guide you until the end of your life.... Just seek to establish the bond with Me and truly, you will be saved for time and eternity. But don't live thoughtlessly into the day, for you only have a very short period of grace left which you should make use of for your soul's salvation.... I don't want to lose you, but you have free will.... Direct it correctly and turn it towards Me, and truly, it will only be a blessing for you....

#### Amen

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# Union with God by love

#### 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....'

B.D. No. **2147** November 11th 1941

emain in Me so that I can unite with you. Your life shall be a continuous activity of love. You A should do everything as a matter of innermost impulse, and this impulse shall be love, the most beautiful and sacred feeling, which you should allow to dominate you. Anyone who lives in love is engrossed in Me, anyone who lives in love remains forever united with Me, for he is what I Am Myself.... he is love, as I Myself Am love.... Then peace will be within you, for the marriage of your spirit with Me has taken place, it is no longer outside of Me but in Me, for it is My share for eternity. Then I Myself will be with you and where I Am there must be peace and love and harmony. And if you live in unity with Me, your life on earth will neither be conflict nor worry, for then I will fight on your behalf and take your worries upon Me, for I love you because you are My Own since the beginning. But first you must completely hand yourselves over to Me, you must sacrifice everything to Me, you must so love Me that you willingly sacrifice everything for Me, and you must prove this love to Me by striving to treat your fellow human beings in the same way as you would like to treat Me. I want you to prove your love for Me through your love for your fellow human beings.... It is My will that you should help each other, that one is willing to suffer on behalf of the other, that you serve each other with love. Then your activity of love on earth will be blessed, it will result in the most magnificent reward. I will be with you and place you into a state of profound peace and silent beatitude. For this is the promise I gave you, and My Word always remains the same 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him .... '

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### Union with God through love....

B.D. No. **5357** April 8th 1952

My will is and always remains the union of you humans with Me through love. Love alone establishes the unbreakable bond between us, and love alone abolishes every separation between us. But you have to kindle love within yourselves, it cannot be imparted to you as a gift of grace, it is solely your own feeling which you have to let become divine if it is still ungodly before, that is, if you are still completely immersed in self-love. Then you must change this feeling into a completely selfless love which will make you happy because it will already lead you close to Me, because you will already draw Me to yourselves and I will no longer leave you until you are so permeated by love that you will feel Me Myself in your heart, so that I can take abode in you and then remain with you forever....

You must establish this union with Me, then you will fulfil My will, and then you will also have reached your aim on earth, the union with Me, the transformation from My living creation into My child. Therefore I only gave you the commandment of love for Me and your neighbour.... It is not difficult to fulfil as soon as you have overcome your self-love. Yet precisely this self-love still clings too much to all of you, and anyone who is completely immersed in it can only free himself from it with difficulty, and therefore it is also unspeakably difficult for him to unite with Me and to reach his final aim on earth. For selfish love seeks fulfilment in the pleasures of the world, selfish love prevents giving, it prevents the human being from working with love and will therefore also be an obstacle to recognizing the creator and father of eternity.... No-one will try to reach Me who is still full of selfish love, and thus he will also lack the truth, for there is no light in him which spreads an illusion. In no

way can I influence a person who only thinks of himself and has no understanding for his fellow human being's adversity. Only when he renounces what appeared desirable to him for his own good will he ignite the spark of love within himself and approach Me, for love is solely the means of bonding between the human being and Me, and a union between us can never take place **without** love, but it is the purpose and aim of every human being on earth, because the union with Me first earns the being beatitude, whereas selfish love drives the human being towards My adversary who stirs it up ever more and promises the human being everything the world can only offer..... But I think of your former life, which can only be blissful in union with Me....

Amen

B.D. No. **6225** April 1st 1955

#### "God is in me...." loving activity....

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hen eternal love Itself draws close to you there can no longer be a relapse into the abyss, for what It grasp It hold on to forever.... because love has found itself to love.... Therefore you humans take care that you remember My affection, take care that you live in My will and thus shape yourselves into love, because then I can unite with you, because then I can grasp you and remain united with you for all eternity.... You can truly feel grasped by Me if you practice love, if you only ever do what is My will, for then you submit yourselves to My will and My love permeates you and impels you to ever new activity in love. As soon as you do good out of your innermost urge I am already within you, for this inner urge proves Me, it proves My spirit of love which now influences you, which guides you and impels you into ever new works of love. As soon as you carry out works of love you are also connected with God.... He is in you.... But only if you are lovingly active.... The saying 'I have My God in me....' is only justified if your heart is willing to love, for only there can I be present where love is, because I Myself am love.... And then you will also be able to judge if and when the human being only uses empty words.... For My presence can never be spoken of where the heart is without love. Love and I are the same, but love is unselfish, it is always willing to sacrifice, to give, to alleviate hardship.... it is only concerned about the welfare of its fellow human being.... Love is divine, and it also makes the being a divine creature with which I Myself can unite.... whereas My presence is impossible with a person who acts and thinks without love, who himself has left My flow of love due to his nature, who therefore has no other connection with eternal love than that the strength which animates him has flowed out of Me, but which does not force him to enter into the connection with Me in love.... A 'God' can never be denied by a 'thinking' human being.... But the **connection** with God has to be made possible by the human being himself, he has to establish it through love.... Only then can he justifiably say: "God is in me...." for then I have grasped him and will never let him go from Me, then man has fulfilled the conditions that unites him with Me.... He has entered the law of eternal order, he has changed his nature into love, he has forced My presence upon himself, because I always have to be where love is.... but can never be where love is absent. Love alone guarantees My presence.... The spark of love glows in every person as My share, yet it is completely ineffective as long as it is not ignited.... which the human being's own will has to do, but then he will remain eternally united with Me....

Amen

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#### Faith and love lead to unification with God....

If you bear My infinite love in mind, which took the most bitter suffering and dying for your sins upon itself in order to open the gate into the kingdom of light for you again, then this act of atonement alone should already induce you to respond to My love with as much depth you are capable of feeling.... Yet precisely this is what you are lacking, you are no longer able to muster such love

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because My adversary still keeps you in chains and will do whatever he can to prevent your kindhearted actions. It is not as if you were entirely **incapable**, because you shelter a tiny spark of My love in you which you need only nurture to grow into a bright flame. Yet this requires your will again, which is free and therefore not compelled by Me nor My adversary. And this free will can do anything.... It is able to establish the most heartfelt bond with Me but it can also completely submit to My adversary.... However, even the slightest will for Me is already enough for Me to grant you strength and constantly prove My infinite love to you.... If you therefore call upon Me Myself in Jesus for help against him, your resolve will be strengthened and you will have escaped My adversary, you will strive towards the light, live your life purposefully and indeed reach the final goal, unity with Me.

But what should you do first so as not to live your life in vain?

First, you must believe in a Power Which created you.... If you acknowledge this Power it will be easy for you to establish mental contact with Me, for your belief in Me is already evidence that you want to detach yourselves from your present lord, for he will try to shake any belief you have.... But since you turn to Me of your own accord I will help you take the right path which leads to Me. First of all, I will inform you of the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, in Whom I became a human being, and explain the significance He has for you.... And as soon as you know that you can always turn to Him, that He and I are as One, you will always hand your guilt, which was the cause of your human existence on earth, over to Him.... From then on you will be able to feel the great love I expect of you, which is needed to enter into union with Me.

Thus you **can** all attain faith in a Being Which is exceedingly powerful, wise and loving.... And when you recognise that this Being is exceedingly perfect you will also be able to love It.... In that case you will also know that you should **strive towards** this Being, that you are still distant from It as a result of your past sin of apostasy, that He wants to win you back again and seeks to attract your love which alone can revoke the original sin when it has been handed over to Jesus Christ, Who has redeemed the guilt of sin on the cross....

Only love can lead you back to Me again, only love is needed to enable you to enter the kingdom of light again, only love returns to you all abilities which you once possessed in abundance and relinquished! Love alone is the bond between Me and you, for it is your fundamental element, just as **I Myself** Am love.... Consequently, if you believe in Me, then the spark in you, which brings this faith into being, has already come alive and it will flare up ever more frequently and finally lead to unity.... Therefore, believe that I exist, that I have created you as well as everything you see around you, and you won't be able to help yourselves but to make mental contact with Me and thereby receive strength, you will become knowledgeable. That is, the right thoughts will flow into you so that you will know the truth, for the result of transferring My strength of love is that you may also have an insight into previously closed spheres.... However, it always depends on your degree of love....

Therefore, let love become active in you, for love is everything; it gives you clarity of thought as well as the strength to implement what benefits your soul. It will take you to Jesus Christ, and once you have recognised Me in Jesus Christ you will assuredly also take the path towards perfection, you will return into your Father's house from which you once voluntarily distanced yourselves....

Amen

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# Advertise to the love of God

#### God as a Father, friend and brother seeks to attract love....

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want to be a loving Father to you, a wise guide and advisor, a faithful friend and brother, I want to give you everything you need on earth both psychologically and physically, I constantly want to care for you and you shall never feel abandoned by Me; I want to stand by your side in every adversity and protect you from all onslaughts by your enemies, be they spiritual or earthly, I want to shower you with an abundance of gifts of grace and you shall always recognise My love which I have felt for you since the very beginning and which will not diminish in all eternity.... Nevertheless, I expect you to entrust yourselves unto Me, to strive towards Me, to love Me like a child loves its father. If this love belongs to Me, then I can take hold of you with My strength of love and completely gain you forever. And I ceaselessly seek to attract this love. This is why I will try to guide you into truth, into recognising Me Myself and My eternal plan of salvation, for you first need to know that you are My living creations and the relationship you have as My living creations with Me, the eternal Creator. You must be aware of the great responsibility towards Me and live accordingly, so that you will find grace before My eyes. Your heart must impel you to do so, only then will I recognise your love and then you will belong to My Own whom I have promised My kingdom, for then you will look for Me and when you have found Me never let go of Me again; you will seek the union with Me and appeal to Me for strength because you recognise Me as your Lord and Creator. And you will humbly approach Me, and you will be as it is pleasing to Me, full of love and truth, portraying your problems to the Father with a childlike quality. And I will grant your prayers, I will fulfil your every request because My love for you manifests itself such that I want to make you happy while you are still on earth and one day in eternity.... Therefore you must listen to My Word, for you learn to recognise Me through My Word as soon as you accept My Word in your heart, think about it and subsequently live as it pleases Me. Then you will love Me as well and see your bliss in being in possession of My love for you. In that case I can come to you Myself, I can make you happy through My presence now and forever.... I can provide you with spiritual gifts depending on your worthiness; I can receive you in My kingdom once you have finished your life on earth, and make you blissfully happy for all eternity....

#### Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

#### God's courtship of the love of His creatures....

B.D. No. **5124** May 4th 1951

I constantly court your love by showering you with blessings so that you shall also recognize My love and reciprocate it of your own free will. Everything around you shall prove My love to you, and when you look at every work of creation you should be aware of the fact that it was only created in order to make you blissfully happy, for every work of creation was necessary for your ascent development, which had already reached a high degree when you were allowed to embody yourselves as a human being on this earth. You should be aware of the fact that the whole of creation only arose for the purpose of returning the apostate spirits to Me and that you yourselves are beings which accomplished this apostasy from Me. Just as you can observe a constant coming into being and passing away around you, so too has your soul gone through ever different forms which constantly experienced the process of coming into being and passing away; you have reached ever higher maturity in the state of compulsion, and the whole of creation was the means for this, since the spiritual essence in you could never have developed upwards by itself without My help. You should

consider all this and know that your creator and father from eternity only intended great love for you to let the work of creation come into being, and that you should only reciprocate this love according to your strength in order to then also be blissfully happy again without limitation, as was your former destiny. I don't want to let you fall because you are indissolubly united with Me through My love, but only your reciprocated love will let you feel the happiness of My love; and therefore I constantly court your love which only restores to you the character of a divine creature which you have lost. Look at the creations around you in remembrance of Me, then let yourselves be touched by My rays of love and they will start to warm you, the spark of love in you will ignite, you will involuntarily have to think and act well if you let the creation affect you. For then I Myself will speak to you through it and your heart will be in a soft mood and willing to do deeds of love. And then you will already reciprocate My love which is directed towards Me through your neighbour, even if you are still unaware of it. I want to be recognized by you humans as a God of love, so that you long for Me and I can draw you up to Me at My father's heart.... Then our love will find fulfilment, it will be an everlasting blissful give and take....

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Amen

#### God's everlasting soliciting for love....

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V ou shall only give Me your love.... That is all I ask of you, for your love will lead you back to **L** Me again. And therefore I constantly solicit your love, because love is something free which cannot be gained by force, and because it signifies undreamt-of bliss when love finds its way back to love again. And I will not let up in pursuing you with My love, even though it will often take eternities until you humans accept this love of Mine, until it so touches you that you, too, will burn with love for Me, your God and father of eternity. And then I will come to meet you with open arms because My child has now found its way home to its father's house from which it once voluntarily departed.... Eternities lie between your former turning away from Me and your present state where you, as a human being, should and can accomplish this return to Me. And if you could overlook these eternities you would truly be shocked by the strength of your resistance to My love, you yourselves would not be able to understand that you needed such an infinitely long time in order to have at least given up the hardest resistance, and you would also not think about it for long and return to Me.... But you would only be driven by fear of repeating this long course of development, but not by love.... And that is why you are deprived of your recollection, that is why you live in complete ignorance of your past, only the knowledge about it comes to you which, however, you are not forced to believe.... For I do not want your fear or submissiveness but I want your love.... And this must flow freely from your heart, it must flare up and flow towards the fire of eternal love. Your heart must seek Me so that I can let Myself be found by it. Only then will the return to Me fill you with emotion and also fulfil My desire for you, and only then will I have achieved My aim to draw children from My living creations, for which your free will was the decisive factor. My love, however, is never spent, My love does not diminish, and therefore I will also succeed in this work one day, the return of the once fallen spirits to Me, to beatitude.... But this return to Me is only possible in the human stage, which is why I try everything in this very stage to kindle love in you. I don't want to achieve anything through compulsion, but your free will is often not willing to give love to Me, for the being which embodies itself as a human being on earth lacks realization.... It does not yet know Me in My nature because its fall into the abyss blinded it and My adversary also tries to keep it in this blindness. And it can only show love towards Me when it has recognized Me as a most loving, wise and powerful being Which affectionately draws close to it and wants to lift it up to Itself.... My constant endeavour and concern is to convey this realization to the human being, because it cannot be forced upon the human being again but also requires free will to listen to Me if I want to impart the knowledge about it to him. But I will also not cease to approach the human being and inform him in the form of My word about My fundamental nature and My constant longing for his love, for the child's love which it shall give to its

father from eternity.... (The imparting of) My word(s) is the sure-effective means to win the human being's heart if only he is willing to listen to Me.... Yet this willingness has to awaken in the heart in all freedom, but this is quite possible because earthly life, the course of earthly fate, will again and again admonish the human being to remember his creator, and because serious thoughts are already the first bonds which are used by Me to convey My word to him in the form of thoughts.... For for this purpose I gave the human being intellect and free will so that both become active.... And I also placed the spark of love into his heart. And My love constantly seeks to illuminate this spark and to ignite it.... And one day I will certainly succeed, one day the flame of love will blaze brightly and My infinitely long striving for love will be fulfilled....

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# God requires only love

#### Practicing love the only task on earth....

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here is only one path to Me which you must take, otherwise My kingdom will remain closed to you, otherwise the path will lead into the abyss. It is the path of love, which absolutely must be taken because it is the only path that leads to Me. To walk the path of love means to accomplish a change of nature in oneself, because at the beginning of the embodiment as a human being self-love predominates, which he must discard if the right love is to come to fruition in him, which characterizes him as a divine creature. It is unselfish neighbourly love which accomplishes this change of nature in you and which therefore must always and constantly be practiced if you want to come close to Me and be accepted into My kingdom, where highest bliss is your lot. Thus the task given to you for the time of your earthly change is to practice love, to always be unselfishly active in love, to give, to help and thus to constantly awaken reciprocal love.... I have not given you another task, for if you fulfil it you will do everything that is necessary to pass the last test of will on earth, for anyone who practices love strives towards Me Myself, Who is eternal love. Only through love will you reestablish the connection with Me which was your original fate, only through love will you become again what you were from the start, divine beings in full possession of strength and light. Love for your neighbour certainly requires a certain amount of self-conquest, because the human being has to sacrifice what he owns, because he has to detach himself from what he himself holds dear in order to give it to his neighbour who is in need. Yet he gains a thousand times more than he gives, for with every work of love he comes closer to Me Myself, with every work of love he reduces the distance from Me, and with every work of love he receives light and strength himself, the emanation of My eternal love. He gives earthly things and receives spiritual things in return until his gained wealth enables him to distribute spiritual things himself and he now already works for Me as My servant, which always first requires profound love for Me and his neighbour. Without love you cannot become blessed, but you all carry the spark of love in your heart and it can very quickly flare up into a bright flame, then it takes hold of everything and constantly gives the flame new nourishment so that it shines brightly and the path to Me is now visible to everyone.

Practice love, divest yourselves of what your fellow human being lacks and consider him to the best of your ability, then the awareness of My presence will also awaken in you, and then you will have exchanged something delicious for what you gave away.... Your love has attracted Me Myself, and the love within you now allows for a union which was not possible before.... love establishes the union with eternal love, which always results in supreme bliss....

Amen

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February 3rd 1955

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#### Commandment of love....

I only ever give you one commandment: love one another.... With love you will master everything, and through love you will be in contact with Me, I will walk beside you and guide you forever. To fulfil the commandment of love is the surest guarantee for a life in My order, for then everything you do will also be blessed by Me, because then you will not be able to do anything which displeases Me, which contradicts My will.... And so, if you live according to My will, this life of yours must also be orderly, it must bring you earthly and spiritual success.... the body and the soul must be able to be certain that My love will take hold of them, that they will attain peace and harmony.... on earth already

and one day in the spiritual kingdom.... For love is the law of eternity, and if the human being lives in love he enters the eternal order.... he is no longer in opposition to Me but in communion with Me.... And My presence also guarantees an orderly way of life.... because all disorder, everything negative, everything inharmonious.... is only to be found where, through a life against My eternal order.... through a life without love.... all harmony is disturbed.... where I Myself cannot dwell.... Love is not recognized in its value, people disregard what could make them exceedingly happy, and they often create a hardship for themselves which need not be .... they deprive themselves of the light and strength they could easily acquire through working in love.... Although it is not so obviously recognizable so as not to cause people to work in love for selfish reasons.... because then the effect would certainly fail to materialize. Yet anyone who has shaped himself into love will become aware of the light and strength which now make him happy, for he no longer fears earthly adversity, he is certain of My help in every situation in life, for he has gained strong faith in My love and My might through the working of love, and he hands himself over to Me without hesitation Whom he feels close to him.... he lives with Me and is always aware of My presence and therefore also permeated by strength which no longer lets him fear anything, no matter what may come.... because he knows that he will overcome it together with Me and is never ever abandoned by Me.... But only a person shaped towards love has this inner certainty and the strength of faith.... And therefore My constant exhortation to you is: Shape yourselves into love.... work on yourselves so that you can meet all people with love.... Put away all impatience, all resentment, all feelings of hatred; give love to all your fellow human beings; help them if they need your help; be just and peaceful, merciful and gentle, even if they do not show you the same love.... Understand and forgive.... for the unloving man is sick in his soul, and he must suffer greatly from this sickness.... Set yourselves free from it, for this is the work you must do yourselves, which no one else can do for you.... But this work on yourselves brings you great blessings.... on earth already and one day in the spiritual kingdom....

Amen

#### Translation handled by Doris Boekers

#### Love is all that God requires of mankind....

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gain and again I must give you the assurance that you stand in truth, if you just keep to My revelations from above, if you yourselves do not add own or foreign knowledge, where you cannot determine the origin. But you have the will to only represent truth, and so I also protect you from error. "My spirit will introduce you to all truth...." These words are always to be the guarantee for you that you move in right thinking, because I knew it, in which way My opponent proceeded (goes) against truth and that I again and again had to go against the error, which he would put before you, (has to correct the error, which he puts before you,) to help you up. So you can accept everything unhesitatingly, and you need not fear to be misled again. If you now consider how simple My teaching of love was, how I demanded nothing else from you than only love towards Me and towards the neighbour, how in the fulfilment of these My commandments everything would be promoted out of your soul, how you could overcome every passion, every vice, every vice through it, if you just lived in unselfish neighbourly love, then you could very quickly have accomplished the change to your original being.... And truly, no organisation was necessary for this.... Every person could accomplish this change for himself, and then people would also have come together as a matter of course because they would have served each other and everyone would have made use of the abilities he possessed in order to make his fellow human being happy with them.... But you are far from practicing this love of God and neighbour, and whether you come together in communities to fulfil outwardly duties, which were given to you humanly. When you fulfil them without love, you do not have the smallest profit from it for your soul, because I only demand love from you; I alone value the degree of love, with which you enter the kingdom on the other side after your death, because it was love, against which you transgressed and therefore fell into the deep. And so also love must help you again on the way up; you can only become happy through love and let yourselves be redeemed from your original sin

through eternal love. And this is always ready for it. And when you now consider how little I demand of you, but that you are also not prepared to do this little, then you run the risk to again have to go the endless long course through creation, because your self-love still predominates and this self-love is exactly opposed to My desire to be active in unselfish neighbourly love. Everyone wants to achieve the greatest advantage for himself; to everyone his own lot is important, and he does not consider that he creates a far worse lot for himself in eternity, because I cannot act against My order from eternity; I can only prepare for everyone that lot, which he has chosen for himself. But his life is directed against My order from eternity, and therefore he must also take the consequences upon himself. But that man.... as soon as he is active in love.... will also know about all correlations, this is alien to him, and he could create this state for himself to gain correct knowledge about everything, he would no longer go blindly through earthly life.... He can achieve all this through love, because love is a fire, which radiates **light**; love is the **divine** in man, which again makes him to a divine creature and which now also lets all abilities come to light in him, which lay hidden in him through lack of love. Why do you not seek to regain the light of knowledge? Why do you find it so difficult to live in love, which is your true element? Because you still stand under the influence of him who is without all love and therefore also wants to prevent you to reshape yourselves, and because you do not want to acknowledge the one Who can free you from that power. Call to Him that He makes you free from that power, and He will truly help you; He will give you the power; He will strengthen your will so that you take the way up. But love is the first commandment, which you must fulfil, from which I can release no man, because only love leads back again to Me, from Whom you once came forth (went out)....

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#### **Redesign to love....**

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Amen

y love for you lasts forever.... You did indeed once denounce your love for Me, you rejected My illumination of love, but nevertheless this was not able to diminish My love for you, for it still blazes with the greatest fervour because My fundamental nature is love and will forever be nothing else. You are therefore likewise love.... sparks which radiated from My primal fire and which will also eternally remain nothing but sparks of love.... But they are outside of the primeval fire because you strayed from Me of your own accord and thus distanced yourselves from Me through your will.... And since your will is respected from My side, My love also leaves you untouched, i.e., it relinquishes its effect in view of the resistance you oppose Me. Only when you give up your resistance will the repelling of My strength of love on your part diminish, and only then will it be possible for My love to have an ever stronger effect on you again, that you will be able to feel it again and that you will be blissfully happy to be illuminated by My love again, as it was in the beginning.... But complete union with Me is the first condition for this, your voluntary approach to Me must have been accomplished, you must freely want and strive to be united with Me and open yourselves to Me through this will, thus desire and accept My illumination of love.... And thus you must consciously enter into contact with Me.... Your will must be completely devoted to Me, your thinking must be concerned with Me, you must always lead your way of life in the awareness of My will.... You must give yourselves completely to Me, submit yourselves to My will and thus constantly live consciously in view of Me as your God and father from eternity.... And thus you will see from this that the human being must also occupy himself with Me in thought, that he cannot exclude Me from his thinking, that he therefore takes the path to Me without any compulsion, yearns for Me and trusts Me that I accept him, that I also unite with him. And he will also muster this trust when he remembers that I am love, that profound love unites Me with every one of My living creations, that this bond has not been revoked on My part either, it only has to be established on your part, because it was you yourselves who willingly severed it. Therefore, the human being must remember his actual task in earthly life, which consists of uniting with **Me**, and he must fulfil this task at all times, every day and every hour....

by only ever raising his thoughts to Me and wanting Me to take care of him as long as he dwells on earth. The firm will to reunite with Me, from Whom the soul once separated, will also guarantee the union, for the will alone is enough for Me to keep him from falling into the abyss again, to pull him up and to place his soul into the original state again where love united us, which is the original nature of both of us. It is enough for the human being to change himself into love, then he will also take on his original nature again and then My never-ending love will be able to radiate through him completely again and prepare him for the beatitudes he felt in the beginning.... For My flow of love will now continuously radiate into the being again, which found union with Me and will also never ever give it up again, for love has found its way back to the original love again and it can now experience eternal happiness as it did in the beginning....

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