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Jesus' Promises - "Earthly Care And Eternal Life"

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Tests of faith to fortify belief....

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Ou are persistently subjected to tests of faith but only in order to fortify your belief, for as yet it is still as weak as that of a child compared to the demands that will be expected of you in the coming time. Time and again you will therefore experience adversity during which you should prove yourselves insofar as that you should turn to the One Who alone is able to banish your problems. The adversity will disappear like a formation of clouds if you trustingly hand yourselves over to the heavenly Father and commend yourselves to His grace. Thus you have the certain means to master every adversity, you need only tell Him your problems and sincerely appeal for His help.... and you will be helped.... But first you need to mature this firm faith so that He can and will help you.... Such faith will banish all adversity. However, this requires your awareness of His presence, your bond with Him must be so close that you will never feel alone, but that you will always sense that He, your Father of eternity, is walking next to you and then you will be completely convinced that He will help you.... A life without a fight, without earthly or spiritual adversities would not improve your spiritual development, for your strength only gets fortified through battle, strength is only put to the test through opposition and finally becomes victorious. This is why earthly adversities cannot be excluded, they are effectively merely tests to build up your strength, which you need to cope with in order to become strong in faith. For you will require great strength of faith during the coming time, when only that person will remain calm and confident who became so steadfast through his strong faith that he is aware at all times that he is in the heavenly Father's care and therefore stands above everything that is approaching. Nothing happens in your existence which He is not aware of, and nothing can happen to you without His will... but whatever comes upon you is His will and is always beneficial for your soul.... Firmly commit these words to your memory, then you will always feel cared for by the heavenly Father's love, and you will not doubt his help for one moment if you are in trouble. Everything is beneficial that turns your thoughts to Him, Who is merely waiting for your call in order to be able to help you. It is His will that you should turn to Him, He wants to be your constant companion, He wants to be asked for advice in every spiritual or earthly adversity, He always wants to help you but is only able to do so if you, through your faith in Him, have also freely professed Him.... But then you will be in good care, then you will be able to await even the most difficult destiny, it will turn out for the best, you will receive earthly help and spiritually derive the greatest blessings from what the Father sends to you in order to win you over forever....

Amen

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God's kingdom is not of this world

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

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nyone who follows Me will already gain My kingdom on earth, and I Myself will introduce him into the spiritual kingdom.... Yet My kingdom is not of this world, and therefore you must have completely overcome this world if you want to find admission into My kingdom, which offers you incomparably more beautiful things than the world which is still part of My adversary. For the world.... earthly matter... is the banished spiritual substance which is still apostate to Me, which My adversary seeks to control and which, in the last stage of its development, wants to completely remove from Me. And you shall overcome this kingdom, you shall renounce it and consciously strive towards Me.... And so, if you take the path I took on earth, the path of love.... if you seek to follow Me in it, you detach yourselves from his kingdom, for love is My share, and every loving person belongs to Me, fully and completely... His heart opens to My love and I draw it to Me into the kingdom which is his true home, where death no longer exists, where everything is life and love. And therefore I let you go through trials on earth so that you learn to overcome them, so that you no longer strive for anything that belongs to someone who is devoid of all love. For love makes you blissful beings, yet it must be turned towards Me, towards My kingdom, so that the spirit will unite with Me, the eternal fatherspirit.... Through love you will reach this aim.... And therefore I only gave you the commandments of love which you should fulfil if you want to follow Me. Pray for your fellow human being with love, help him in the adversity of body and soul, don't let him go hungry where you can give, take care of everyone in need of help, create and care for him, and above all strive to win his soul for My kingdom, strive to also inspire him to work with love.... And then you will also love Me Who, as the father of My living creations, wants to win back everything that believes it can distance itself from Me. Then you will fulfil the commandments of love for God and your neighbour, you will assimilate yourselves to My nature and My love will repay you.... it will give to you as you are willing to give, you will be allowed to receive as you give out. And My gift is truly a gift which makes you exceedingly blissful.... Follow Me and walk the path of love.... And I will bless you and fetch you home into My kingdom when your hour has come....

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

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And My spirit will be with you as long as you still dwell on earth.... And thus My kingdom is within you if you follow Me, for only the spiritual belongs to Me, and the spirit from Me sends Its emanation over you, and thus I take possession of you, even if it is not yet perceptible to the body which is still connected to earthly matter. But I draw the spirit in you to Me, and this is truly the fulfilment already on earth, for if it gives itself to Me the marriage with the father-spirit has taken place, and the earth no longer forces it.... he leaves to earth what belongs to it, yet My share has voluntarily returned to Me and its stay on earth will not last long. I want to win your hearts completely for Me and remove everything from them which prevents you from uniting with Me, I want to kill all earthly urges so that the soul will only listen to the spirit within itself so that it will be able to hear Me Myself through it.... I want to purify the soul so that My spirit of love can radiate through it, so that it dwells in My kingdom, even if it is still earthbound. For love is not yet strong enough in you for the souls to be able to stand before My strength of love, and therefore suffering still has to kill the love for the world so that the heart's love only belongs to Me and I can now also reciprocate it in order to make

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you blissfully happy. But I will always and constantly strengthen anyone who strives to possess My kingdom on earth and smooth his paths so that he will reach his aim. Yet you must sacrifice everything to Me that still connects you to earth if you want to belong to Me completely and undividedly.... But I will reward you a thousand fold in the spiritual kingdom. And therefore remain strong in your faith in Me so that I can give to you on earth in accordance with this faith.... Make use of My strength and grace by turning your thoughts to Me; let yourselves be guided by My fatherly hand, which will truly guide you correctly, and feel safe in My care.... For I bring you My Kingdom which is not of this world.... I lower peace into your heart if you offer it to Me, and I desire nothing else from you but only your love, that it desires Me with all fervour, and which I also want to fulfil by making you blissfully happy for all eternity....

Amen

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

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November 12th 1947

y kingdom is not of this world.... And thus everything that is to lead to or contribute towards the attainment of My kingdom will not be of a worldly nature but can only have a spiritual character. My words which I spoke on earth can only be understood spiritually, and the observance of My word must have a spiritual effect, just as it only has to be expressed by every action being always an impulse of the heart, i.e. inner impulses alone are decisive as to what extent the human being takes possession of My kingdom. Neither worldly customs can increase the right to My kingdom nor active help given to the neighbour without the heart being involved. My kingdom is not of this world.... Do you believe that I require worldly or symbolic actions in order to make this kingdom of Mine accessible to you? Do you believe that I can take pleasure in externals which are more of a danger, because deep inner impulses subside in the human being as a result, but the externals distract him and finally are solely paid attention to by him. I truly did not give any encouragement for this through My word, yet the inner bond with Me, through which they attain high maturity of soul and thus can already occupy My kingdom on earth, was not enough for people, and they attached great importance to the fulfilment of certain customs which, however, are completely irrelevant for the attainment of My kingdom. Whoever keeps My commandments.... loves Me above all else and his neighbour as himself can also rightly call himself an aspirant of My kingdom. But it is never possible to gain it if My commandments are not observed. How often, however, do I miss the observance of My commandment of love in those who strictly adhere to outwardness, who strictly adhere to the commandments which were added by people to My commandment of love. How precisely people often comply with what their fellow human beings commanded them, yet I pay no attention to it as long as the soul is not involved in it.... (12.11.1947) although I also bless the will of those who believe to serve Me with it because the truth has not yet been conveyed to them. But it is My will that the truth penetrates and displaces what contradicts it. Consequently, it is My will that whoever receives the truth from Me shall speak up for it. It is My will that error be denounced, that people who still move in erroneous thinking be instructed, that they be given clarification by those who are My servants on earth, whom I have chosen to spread the truth, who hear My word and are therefore instructed by Me Myself in the pure truth. For it concerns the faster development of the soul.... You only have little time left and yet you can gain a considerable advantage if you live according to My will.... disregard everything external and work intensively on your soul, as soon as you base all thinking, speaking and acting on My commandment of love and receive My word wherever it is offered to you.... Hearing My word is urgently necessary, and wherever it is offered to you, there you will also receive blessings if your soul hungers and thirsts for them. And My word you shall hear.... For the sake of My word you should seek out the place where it is imparted to you, if you are not taught by Me directly or My word is conveyed to you through My servants. You should by no means feel bound by laws which did not originate from Me, for the Lawgiver from eternity is Me, and My

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law from eternity is: Love Me above all else and your neighbour as yourself.... Then you will surely gain My kingdom, which is not of this world....

Amen

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Acquiring the spiritual kingdom on earth....

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y kingdom is not of this world, but it can only be acquired in this world.... For if you want to become children of God, if you want to be able to take up your father's inheritance, thus to rule and reign with Me in My kingdom, you have to acquire the right in this world, for at first you are My living creations who still have to gain your childship. Earth is not the kingdom which you should take possession of forever, but My kingdom is the **spiritual** world which is permeated by My light of love, which offers bliss without number and which is your true home.... The fact that you have to acquire the right on this earth to eternally inhabit this kingdom of My light is the result of the fact that you once voluntarily left this kingdom of Mine and that it can therefore only be returned to you if you prove yourselves in a test of will.... And this test of will has to be passed on earth, in the midst of temptations of all kinds, in the midst of a kingdom which is your task to overcome but which you may never make the aim of all your wishes and endeavours, otherwise you will lose your right to My kingdom again and remain bound by the lord of this world for a long time, whose creations are all bearers of the spiritual substances which still belong to him. It is his world, although he has no power over any earthly creation.... yet all creations are shells of the spiritual substance which once fell away from Me and which I want to enable to become free again and one day enter the spiritual kingdom. But you humans on earth should strive for something higher, you should certainly walk through earth as a training station but with the success of maturity for My kingdom, which will then make you unspeakably happy. As long as you are without realization of your actual earthly task, the earthly world may well be desirable to you, yet again and again you will be reminded that you have a task to fulfil on earth.... If you now pay attention then you will also certainly attain realization, and if you then want to do the right thing, if you want to fulfil the will of the one Who gave you life, then you will also strive for My kingdom and overcome the earthly world, for it costs overcoming all your earthly desires.... it is a battle you have to wage against yourselves, and My kingdom can only be seized by force, My kingdom is to be acquired, thus something has to be exchanged for it.... something must be given away which belongs to this world; the soul must voluntarily part with it in order to then receive something far more delicious.... spiritual goods which secure its entrance into My kingdom and signify inestimable wealth for the soul.... Nevertheless, I do not make too great demands on you, and it is possible for every individual to become an aspirant of My kingdom, which is not of this world.... For I help you as soon as you sincerely want to become My children.... I help you because I love you and want you all to become blissfully happy, and because only My kingdom can grant you these beatitudes. I help you because I want you to return to your father's house as My children and, united with Me, can now work in bliss....

Amen

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Look for God's kingdom first

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God...."

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eek first the kingdom of God and you will be able to cover earthly life without worrying about What the body needs, for all this will fall to you, as the lord has promised. For only one thing is important, that you receive the life of the soul, then God Himself will take over the care of your body and its needs. But as soon as you lose faith in this promise you will have to take care of yourselves, and thereby you will get caught in the adversary's nets, who will try to make you believe that this care is the most important and wants to prevent you from thinking of your soul. And now you run the risk of becoming materialistic, of focusing your thoughts and actions entirely on the acquisition of matter, of neglecting the kingdom of God in your constant concern for your body and finally only living a purely earthly life without taking your soul's salvation into account. God has only set one aim for your earthly life.... that your soul will develop upwards.... and in order to achieve this aim you must detach yourselves from matter, you may desire nothing but that which is helpful to the soul. And you can free yourselves from all worries with complete faith if you remember Christ's promise, for His word is truth, and if you first seek God's kingdom then you will fulfil His will and God will also take care of you. But people's striving is mostly directed towards the preservation and well-being of the body, and this in excess, so that spiritual striving takes a back seat and understandably no spiritual progress can be achieved. And it is this lack of trust in the love of God, Who sustains everything He has created. With faith and trust in God's help the human being can become free of all earthly worries, he can easily and light-heartedly go through earthly life, but as soon as he spends every effort on his soul's salvation, as soon as he fully consciously strives towards the spiritual kingdom, as soon as he tries to fulfil God's will in everything and thus strives to reach the kingdom of God. But the belief in this is almost no longer to be found amongst people, and therefore they create a life full of worries and troubles for themselves, they burden themselves with a burden which the lord God has promised them to carry if they fulfil their task in life.... to put their spiritual welfare before the welfare of the body. God sustains the whole of creation, He continuously takes care of its existence and everything develops according to His will. And likewise His care applies to the most highly developed creature, the human being, and his earthly life is just as assured as that of the whole of creation. Yet God has made it dependent on the human being's will, He has set him a condition the fulfilment of which will result in a carefree existence. But if people do not observe this condition they will have a difficult earthly life because they will lose God's care for the body. Earthly life is given to the human being for the sake of the soul, and thus the soul should be considered first, it should be supplied with what it needs for spiritual maturity.... and this can only be fetched and received from the spiritual kingdom. Therefore the human being's senses must always be directed towards the spiritual kingdom, for the earthly kingdom does not offer the soul the nourishment it lacks. The earthly kingdom only fulfils the body's needs, and the human being should faithfully and trustingly allow God to give it to him, as He has promised, and strive all the more for the spiritual kingdom, which is not given to him but which gives what the soul desires according to its desire. And therefore cast all worries upon the lord.... He will take them from you the more intimately you strive for union with Him, the more your soul detaches itself from earthly things and only adheres to that which brings it union with God. And you will truly be safe in His care, you will want for nothing, for He is full of love and might, He can provide for you and will provide for you if only you strive for Him, for His kingdom....

Amen

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No one will enter the kingdom of heaven who pays homage to the world....

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To pay tribute to the world is to forfeit the kingdom of heaven, since the human being cannot gain both at the same time. And anyone who pays homage to the world will not endeavour to attain the heavenly kingdom either, for he will only recognise the earthly world and its attraction and not believe in a kingdom beyond this world. And yet the path to the kingdom of heaven has to be taken through this earthly world, it cannot be avoided, for the human being lives in this world, he has to cover the last stage of his development on earth, in the midst of the realm which belongs to God's adversary. But he can overcome this kingdom, he can pass through the earthly world without allowing himself to be extraordinarily impressed by it, without coveting it with his senses.... he can experience it and yet be its master....

And it is your task to overcome the world, for it was given to you as a means for your soul to become fully mature therein, to detach itself voluntarily from everything pertaining to the world, because this separation is at the same time also a separation from the one who is lord of this world, and a turning towards the spiritual kingdom and its Lord. Hence it is understandable that anyone enslaving himself to the world will never be able to take possession of the spiritual kingdom, neither in earthly life nor after the human being's death.... it is understandable that the lord of the world will keep him tied up because the human being gives him the right to do so himself, for the separation from his power, the separation from the material world, has to be endeavoured towards and accomplished by the individual himself.

He has to wage battle against himself; he has to be able to go without in order to gain something valuable, he has to resist all temptations during his short lifetime on earth in order to then take possession of the spiritual kingdom with all its glories, which will compensate him a thousand fold for his renunciation on earth.... And he will only do so if he recognises the irrelevance and impermanence of what he deems desirable on earth. Only this realisation will give him the strength to change his will correctly, and he can gain this realisation by merely contemplating the material world For he cannot be forced to change his will.... he can only be prompted by experiences into inner contemplation, at which point the result is up to him. And God can only help him by time and again demonstrating the fleeting nature of things, so He allows the destruction of what the human being loves on earth, He intervenes by affecting him painfully, taking from him what his heart is set on.... just to point out to him how worthless the goals of his endeavours are.

But those who learn from such experiences can consider themselves fortunate, for they will gradually change the direction of their will and relinquish the world in order to occupy the spiritual kingdom one day.... But no one should believe that he can make compromises, no one should believe that he can pay homage to the world with impunity.... All striving will have an effect after his death, and if it related to the world then it will result in spiritual death, then he will have relinquished the spiritual kingdom for the sake of earthly gain and the world will have brought him death.... Then he will have handed himself over again to the power of the one in the abyss, and the path of ascent will yet again take an infinitely long period of time....

Amen

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'But seek ye first the kingdom of God....'

B.D. No. **6824** May 7th 1957

Only spiritual adversity need weigh you down, whereas earthly problems can leave you unconcerned, because they will be remedied as soon as you pay attention to your soul's adversity and are willing to help it. Yet precisely the people who experience immense earthly adversity are unaware of the fact that their spiritual adversity is the reason why they must suffer and live in want, for they do not know the correlations and My means of salvation, nor do they know the extent of their

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spiritual adversity, since they are focussed on worldly things and their lack of faith instantly rejects any thought which might cross their mind as an explanation of their difficult fate. Nevertheless, these people need to be instructed about the meaning and purpose of their earthly existence, are they to change their thinking. And in view of their earthly distress such instructions would indeed by appropriate; however, they are usually only successful when people see no other way out by earthly means anymore. Then they will become thoughtful and they can change their mind.... And I will manifestly support especially those people when they turn to Me in thought and appeal for My help. They will not take the earthly adversity over into the kingdom of the beyond; nevertheless, their spiritual adversity will follow them and will not let go of them either until they have turned their will and their thoughts towards Me which, however, is far more difficult than on earth. This is why I said the Words 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....' I can remove earthly adversity at any time; spiritual hardship, however, must be removed by yourselves.... I can certainly assist you with it, yet you must have the will and become active yourselves, you must take the path to Me, you must believe in Me and seek to fulfil My will, thus, you must live according to My commandments of love for God and your neighbour.... But in that case you will be able to confidently place all earthly adversity into My hands, for then you will have fulfilled the requirements, and My promise, that I will help you both in a physical and spiritual way, I will be able to take effect on you, because your soul will no longer be at risk of getting so engrossed in worry about its earthly needs that it cannot perform its actual task because it is too weak and makes no effort to gain strength. Time and again I have promised My help in earthly adversity, I Myself have asked you to come to Me if you are depressed and in need of help, I have given you the assurance that you will never ask anything of Me in vain.... Why don't you avail yourselves of My assurance, why don't you hand yourselves over to Me with complete faith, your Father of eternity? Because you do not believe in Me. And this is the immense spiritual adversity you find yourselves in, for without faith in Me you will not establish the connection with Me, and without this bond you are and will remain weak and will not be able to make any progress whatsoever in your development. As soon as you live your life on earth without Me.... precisely because you don't believe in Me.... you will remain on the same level or even descend further. But you ought to ascend if earthly life is to serve its purpose for you, you ought to get to the point that you can discard all material shackles and enter the spiritual kingdom as free and happy beings.... As long as you do not strive for this, as long as you merely regard your life on earth as an end in itself, you will suffer great spiritual adversity and will require a noticeable earthly burden which will lead you to a different way of thinking. And although it seems that your physical strength is not sufficient in order to master the earthly adversity, you can nevertheless ease your fate.... by merely taking the path to Me.... when you become conscious of your imperfect state and appeal to Me for help.... Then the earthly adversity will be removed from you at the same time or be arranged such that it will be endurable for you, for then I will have achieved what I wanted to achieve by means of the adversity: that you will get in touch with Me, your God and Father of eternity....

Amen

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'I Am the bread of life, the manna which comes down from Heaven....'

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Don't be satisfied by merely feeding yourselves in an earthly way, by providing the body with the bread you require in order to live, rather desire the bread of heaven instead, which is nourishment for your soul.... And believe Me, in an emergency the latter will also be able to maintain the body, but the former will never serve the soul in its higher development.... This is why I have said 'I Am the bread of life, the manna which comes down from Heaven....' For if you digest Me Myself.... My Word.... you will live in eternity. Yet your body will cease to exist even if you constantly feed it with earthly food. It is given its time, and when this is over no earthly nourishment will help in order to keep it alive. For this reason you should be more concerned with bestowing life to your soul, you

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should incessantly feed it with the bread of Heaven, you should make the nourishment available to it, which can only be offered to it from Me. Therefore, you should approach Me directly and appeal to Me for true nourishment and true refreshment. And always remember My Words 'Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat or what shall we drink....but seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....' If only people believed this promise.... However, all their thoughts and intentions are purely earthly-inclined and yet, no person can extend his body's life for even an hour if My will has decided otherwise. But neither can a person give life to his soul if he lets it go hungry, if it remains without food and drink for the sake of the body. But since you humans know that the body needs food in order to live, you become guilty if you don't provide for the soul as well, which cannot cease to exist; you become guilty because I approach you time and again offering food for your soul.... because you are repeatedly addressed by My messengers and need only listen to them and live up to their words in order to provide Me with the opportunity to nourish and refresh you spiritually for the benefit of your soul. Time and again My Word is made accessible to you, time and again you are requested to enter into contact with Me, you are invited to a feast and can come to My table at any time and thus accept nourishment from Me for your soul.... For My Word is the heavenly bread, it is the living water, My Word is flesh and blood.... Only My Word is the right food for your soul which will help it attain the life it will never lose again.... And because you so scarcely satisfy your soul's needs, you will also have to suffer physical adversity, the time will come when you, too, will lack in that which you require for your earthly life, if My adversary does not provide enough for you that you will forget about your soul.... But if you have not utterly fallen prey to him as yet, the tangible earthly adversity could still prompt you to turn to Me and appeal to Me to revoke the latter, and then your soul can be nourished at the same time, because every bond with Me will provide strength for the soul, which will thus signify being spiritually fed. The bread of Heaven is indispensable, and from the fact that I described Myself as the 'bread of life' it is evident that you must come close to Me Myself, that I want to give Myself away, because I would like to give life to your soul.... And you truly need not walk far in order to be with Me, you need only enter into silence and turn your thoughts to Me, then you will draw Me to yourselves, you oblige Me to offer you My gifts, to offer you nourishment and refreshment, for as soon as you make mental contact with Me during silent prayer you will also open your heart, so that I Myself can enter, and then you will truly not need to go hungry anymore. And I will not only nourish you spiritually but also in an earthly way, for this is the promise I made and I will keep My Word 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....'

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The divine promise: "Seek ye first the kingdom...."

B.D. No. **7457** November 17th 1959

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all other things shall be given unto you...." I gave you this promise because I knew that the world with all its demands will push itself forward in your earthly life and that there is a great danger that you will forget My kingdom for the sake of the earthly world and not remember your actual purpose of earthly life.... I knew that the world will exert greater influence on you and that you therefore have to be admonished again and again not to forget My kingdom, which is not of this world. And therefore I have given you the promise that everything you earthly need will be given to you if only you first seek My kingdom and its righteousness.... if you first strive to fulfil My will and thus place My kingdom before this earthly world.... Then you shall also be relieved of earthly worry, for then you will fulfil your purpose of earthly life, you will place your soul's salvation in the foreground and consciously live your existence as a human being, always with a view to Me and My kingdom, which is not of this world. And it is also very easy to understand that you can live carefree through your earthly life if your thoughts are always anchored to Me, if I am closer to you than the world, if you want to do everything and live in accordance with My will, as it is righteous before My eyes. Then you will recognize your

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father in Me, and then the right relationship will be established between you and Me, and then I will also be able to provide for you as a father provides for his children.... with everything you need for earthly life. And earthly life would truly be easy for you.... But who takes this promise of Mine seriously? Who seriously believes in a 'divine' provision, who believes that God also takes care of people in a purely earthly way who give **Him** priority over the world? Many daily worries would be unnecessary if this promise were respected, if people made it their business to strive for Me and My kingdom.... more spiritually than earthly, for then I will truly provide for all your physical and earthly needs, and no human being will need to suffer hardship who 'seeks My kingdom and its righteousness....' Therefore you should not worry about what you eat and what you drink and wherewith you clothe yourselves, but you should leave this to My care, Who truly knows what you need and what will not harm your spiritual well-being either. Leave everything to Me, your soul and your body, so that I will give them what serves them. For I love you and will truly not withhold anything from My children which they need in order to keep their soul and body in a state which does not become a torment for them but guarantees constant spiritual progress. All I ask in return is that you remember Me and strive to attain My kingdom, which is 'not of this world' and can therefore only be believed until it is entered by your soul after your death and becomes a reality. But as long as you stay on earth My kingdom cannot be proven to you. And yet you should seek it with all the strength of your heart.... For your soul feels that it has not yet found its true home on this earth, and therefore it should 'seek' its home, it should let its thoughts wander into the area where I am lord and father of the house, and the serious search for My kingdom will also earn it fulfilment, it will long for it spiritually and physically and know itself to be secure in the father's heart, Who has given it this promise: "Seek My kingdom and its righteousness, everything else will fall to you...." it will no longer worry about its daily needs if it only believes and trusts, for My word is eternal truth and every promise is fulfilled as well as the conditions I have attached to it are fulfilled.... But anyone who desires the world and does not think about My kingdom, or thinks about it only a little, will also have to worry himself about the preservation of the body, for the promise does not apply to him because he puts the world first and thus is also a slave to the one who is master of this world.... And his worries about the preservation of the body will not cease, they will chain him ever more to the world, and much time will pass until he has overcome the world, if he succeeds at all in separating himself from it during earthly life, that is, in overcoming matter and turning towards the spiritual kingdom. For until he seeks My kingdom with his righteousness he is still a slave to the world, and it will not release him so easily unless his will is exceedingly strong and turns away and the human being reveals that he can only attain beatitude if he seeks My kingdom, which is not of this world....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Taking stock of oneself and contact with the spiritual realm....

B.D. No. **7470**

December 3rd 1959

You should quite often abandon yourselves to thoughts of eternity, you should leave the earth and everything relating to it behind you at times and mentally occupy yourselves with the fact that everything is transient after all and question what you should do in order to gain everlasting possessions which will last for eternity. Furthermore, you should consider your relationship with God, whether it is the relationship of a child with the Father or whether God is still far away and out of reach for you, to Whom you only rarely turn to with the right kind of prayer. You should take a seriously critical look at yourselves as to how you conduct your life.... whether it complies with God's will which is, after all, known to you: whether you live a life of love, true to His commandments.... An introspection like that will always be a blessing, even if you can only spend a short time on it but every spiritually directed thought will be taken hold of by the beings of light and answered accordingly and you will always derive spiritual benefit from it. But you should not only consider the world and its demands. For its commodities are transient and will only serve your sense of well-being for a short time but they will not bring you spiritual achievement. However, the time is approaching its

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end and you all still have to do much work to improve your souls, that is, you have to discard your own faults and weaknesses, for which a continuous battle needs to be waged and the strength it requires should constantly be requested from God. Therefore, you should pray ceaselessly, i.e., always direct your thoughts heavenwards and present all your worries and concerns to the Father and appeal for His blessing. Whatever you do, be they spiritual or earthly tasks, shall be done with God's blessing, and they will always benefit your soul, for God only requests your bond with Him in order to convey His strength to you which you require for the work of improving yourselves. And a constant bond with Him requires you to frequently dwell with your thoughts in the spiritual kingdom and a conscious turning away from the world. Every minute you withdraw into silence, every thought you send upwards, is one step higher to the goal, which you will then also surely reach. You should not just live an entirely unspiritual life, for then your earthly life will be a waste of time and will not result in spiritual achievements....

However, your bond with Him will detach you ever more from the world and tie you to the spiritual kingdom, into which you will withdraw even more frequently the more insistently the world approaches you, which soon will no longer attract you, because once a soul has entrusted and joined God He will hold on to it. But it always involves an inner battle, for the world keeps the person captive with its enticements and attractions and it requires a serious will to resist these temptations and to be content with spiritual possessions, the true value of which cannot be judged by a person for as long as he lives on earth. But one day he will be happy about the treasures he acquired on earth, one day he will know that they alone are of value and that only the soul with spiritual treasures at its disposal can consider itself happy, for it will be able to work with them in the spiritual realm after everything of an earthly nature has fallen away from it and it has to relinquish all transient possessions of the world. Then it will be wealthy and blissfully happy, a worldly person, in contrast, will stand deprived and lonely at the gate to eternity, for the possessions he acquired on earth do not follow him into eternity and he will have no spiritual possessions to show.... For this reason you should think often of death and your spiritual state, and try to gain spiritual possessions on earth, which one day will constitute the degree of light and bliss when your soul leaves the body and enters the kingdom of the beyond....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Concern for soul paramount.... Promise....

B.D. No. **7667** August 6th 1960

very spiritual request will be granted to you. For as soon as you are concerned about your soul's Asalvation you also recognize the meaning and purpose of your earthly life and try to live up to it. And because you know that your spiritual development requires spiritual help you request it and it will be granted to you. Everything that helps the soul to ascend will be given to you because you think of your soul first and thus also seek My kingdom with its righteousness. And then My promise will also come true that you will be given everything else you need in order to be able to live your earthly life. But from this you will see that it is far better for you to take care of your soul's salvation and to appeal for spiritual help for it than to worry about earthly needs or to approach Me for such, because your earthly life is secured at the same time if you first take the spiritual state into account, if you first think of the soul and strive for My kingdom. The care for your soul's salvation should be a priority, you should want to help it, to provide it with what it needs in terms of nourishment.... You should remedy your soul's adversity, you should not let it go hungry and always appeal for My support, for strength and grace and constant care through Me Myself.... You should hand your soul over to Me so that I will guide it onto the right path which leads upwards. And even if you no longer take earthly life so seriously it will nevertheless take place in all order, for I Myself will take care of you because you endeavour to bring your spiritual life into the right order. And this always happens when you appeal to Me for strength and grace for your path of life. Then you will also recognize the right meaning and purpose of your existence, and then your maturing will also be assured. The soul will progress in its

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development, you will reach the right aim. Anyone who is concerned about his spiritual well-being already has the right realisation, he knows why he lives this earthly life, and he is also in contact with Me, otherwise he would not appeal to Me Myself for strength and grace which he needs for the soul's ascent. But anyone who is united with Me, whose earthly path has not been travelled in vain.... anyone who is united with Me, the light of realisation also shines for him, and therefore he constantly approaches Me for strength from Me because he recognizes the influx of strength as his original state, and thus he also opens his heart to My illumination of love.... He asks Me and I give Myself to him and thus fill him with light and strength. And no spiritual request will go unheard at My ear, for spiritual requests have been sent to Me in spirit and in truth which always touch the father's ear and cause Him to make Himself His own to His child because He loves it and also wants to be recognized and loved by it as father....

Amen

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Earthly providence of God

God takes care of earthly things....

B.D. No. **5369** April 19th 1952

will take care of your physical well-being if you strive for spiritual well-being, which is the ▲ meaning and purpose of your life on earth. I have given you this promise that I will provide you with everything you need if only you seek My kingdom and its righteousness.... if you strive to walk righteously before My eyes and to acquire the degree of maturity for your soul which entitles it to enter the kingdom of light. And I stand by My word, I take fatherly care of your earthly life, because I can certainly take over this care but I cannot promote your ascent development out of My abundance of power, which presupposes your free will. But you should not be prevented from spiritual striving by earthly worries, you should only be able to devote yourselves to your spiritual task completely carefree; therefore you can trustingly burden Me with every earthly worry, I want to carry it for you, I want to help you in every adversity, as a loving father I want to do everything for My children that makes earthly life bearable for them, I want to provide you with food and drink, with clothing and shelter, I will give you health for body and soul, and you shall want for nothing if only you make an effort to fulfil your task in earthly life, to always and constantly strive to shape your nature into love and thereby come close to Me Myself as your father of eternity. To anyone who seeks to win Me I will give Myself and everything else that will make him blissfully happy.... But on earth he has to prove his will, his love and his desire for Me, he has to live according to My will, he has to fulfil My commandments which only demand love for Me and for his neighbour. Then he can truly be certain that I will take over all care for his physical well-being, because I don't want My earthly children to be held back from spiritual striving by worries of any kind. And even if it seems as if My love has withdrawn, even if it seems as if I don't remember you.... wait patiently until I obviously make Myself known to you.... Often I want you to become aware of help from above, which can only happen when you seemingly hopelessly face adversity. There is no adversity so great that I could not banish it, and there is no love as profound as Mine, which is always ready to help, but which often waits until the moment when it expresses itself in order to be able to reveal Myself to you in My love and might.... But don't let yourselves be put off by the fact that I sometimes keep Myself hidden.... I know exactly what you need, just as I know how I can help you so that it will be a real help for you.... But don't forget your soul, whose hardship is truly far greater if no help is brought to it. For the soul will continue to exist when your body passes away, and the care you have given to the soul can no longer be taken away from it, they are treasures which it will take with it into the kingdom of the beyond and which are incomparably precious compared to what the body needs in order to live on earth. But you need never worry and look anxiously into the future.... what you do for your soul is the only thing that matters, leave everything else to Me, your creator and father from eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The father takes over all the worries....

B.D. No. **7949** July 25th 1961

rust in My help in every earthly and spiritual adversity and only turn to Me, your father of eternity, with all your concerns, Who is always willing to help His children and Whom you will never call upon in vain.... if only you fully trust Me. All earthly events approach you in such a way as to be helpful for your ascent development.... And even if it seems to you as if you get into adversity and distress.... you yourselves can avert these from you if only you faithfully adhere to Me, if you ask

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Me to take all worries upon Myself.... and I will do so, for the father wants to win His child's love and will therefore only ever give it love.... Every spiritually-directed thought also guarantees you My help, for I have given you the promise: "Seek first the kingdom of God.... everything else will be added to you...." And if you now give **priority** to the maturing of your soul, if you turn your thoughts towards Me and the spiritual kingdom, earthly hardship will not affect you so much because I Myself will take it away from you. My promise will come true, of that you can be certain.... I demand of you that you pay more attention to your soul than to your body.... I require you to seek contact with Me and My kingdom, and then I will take over the worries which burden you earthly, I will always regulate everything in such a way that it will benefit you. But you must trust Me, you must not allow yourselves to be depressed by earthly hardship, you must only surrender everything to Me, and truly, you will be able to praise yourselves happily, for no-one can take care of you better than I can, because I know everything you need and because I also want to bestow gifts upon you who serve Me, who are willing to be called My own.... you who think of Me and carry Me in your heart. To whom else should My promise apply if not to you who have the will to live for My pleasure? And so, if you have a concern, be it earthly or spiritual, trustingly come to Me and present it to Me.... And truly, I will consider you according to your requests, for nothing is impossible for Me and My love for you is exceedingly great.... Yet also reckon that great changes will soon take place which are indispensable for the sake of all humanity. Yet even then I will guide My own through it and you will experience My power as well as My love, which will be clearly recognizable in My own.... For they will have what they need and My strength will flow to them so that they will not feel anything too heavy, even if they are affected by strokes of fate.... They will always feel My nearness and in firm faith hand themselves over to Me, and they will always be guided out of every adversity. Just make sure that your faith strengthens, join Me ever more intimately and have a silent dialogue with Me, and you will draw much strength from it and then also do nothing without Me, you will always let Me be with you, you will secure My presence for yourselves through heartfelt prayer and activity of love. And in this heartfelt bond you will also trustingly present everything to Me which is troubling you and be certain that I will take all worries from you, that I will take care of you and can truly do this better than an earthly father takes care of his children. And in order to test you and your faith you will also be confronted by worries and hardship again and again; yet since you know the path you need only walk it.... you need only call upon Me in spirit and in truth.... and truly, I will answer your prayer....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

"Do not worry about what you eat and drink...."

B.D. No. **8322**

November 6th 1962

gain and again I would like to call out to you humans: Do not worry about what you will eat and Adrink and with what you will clothe yourselves.... but seek first the kingdom of God, everything else will be given to you.... You must never forget that you live on earth for a purpose: to take the path back to Me, which has to happen consciously by seeking Me Myself, by doing everything to unite with Me in order to establish the contact which characterises the relationship of a child to its father.... You shall seek Me Myself and My kingdom.... This is the only purpose of earthly life, because it is not about the well-being of your body but about the well-being of your soul, which is everlasting.... For this purpose I gave you existence as a human being, and therefore it is quite understandable that I will also sustain you, that I will cover all the body's needs if you give priority to the soul's needs, if you fulfil your true purpose of earthly life. I am your father and show you immense love which wants to make you happy for all eternity and which endeavours to ensure that you reach the degree of maturity on earth which will result in such bliss for you.... But I am also your God and creator.... I know what you need, not only spiritually but also earthly.... And if I have created you.... if I enable you to walk the earth as a human being, I will also see to it that you are ordered in such a way that you can fulfil your actual task.... I will not demand something from you for which the prerequisites are lacking.... For I know that your body needs many things in earthly life and I will truly give them to it.... But I

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only set one condition for this, that you first seek My kingdom, that your soul's task is of utmost importance to you and that you put the care for your body aside, so that you will now also experience the evidence of My fatherly love: that I take care of you and give you everything you need.... And truly, you could go through your earthly life completely carefree if you take this promise of Mine to heart and only fulfil My demand to remember the soul first.... And thus you must fulfil My will, which is repeatedly announced to you through My word: You must live in love, you must only ever try to overcome your self-love and perform works of love in complete unselfishness.... you must give, want to make your neighbour happy, do everything to help him or protect him from harm.... For if you practise love then you unite with Me, then you also establish contact with My kingdom where only love exists, where I Myself reign, Who is love.... And if you live in love then you will also live a life of justice, for you cannot help but give everyone around you what is due to him.... You will not tolerate injustice because it contravenes the commandment of love, you will completely enter into My will and then also be true aspirants of My kingdom.... But your earthly life will run smoothly because I Myself will take care of you and your physical life, because I will sustain you, nourish and clothe you, just as I take care of everything that exists in creation, because My nature is love, wisdom and power.... And should I not then also be able to take care of all your worries, since everything is possible for Me?.... believe it, that every promise of Mine will come true if only you also fulfil the conditions under which I have made a promise.... I truly stand by My word, and therefore you can also firmly rely on the fact that no worry needs to burden you as soon as it is only your endeavour to come closer to Me and My kingdom, as soon as you are only willing to do everything to enable your soul to mature on earth, for only for this purpose do you walk across earth.... And as soon as you establish the right relationship with Me.... the relationship of a child with its father.... I will also take care of you in a fatherly way and give you everything so that you will not need to live in want during your earthly life.... But if you don't observe My promise you will truly also be destined for a life on earth where you won't get out of worries and hardship. But then it is your own fault because you don't believe what I Myself promised you when I lived on earth, where I experienced everything Myself as a human being and therefore also knew about all your hardships which I wanted to remedy.... but then I also demand of you that you comply with My will and first strive for the maturing of your soul.... in order to then also receive everything your body needs....

Amen

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God's care in battle of faith

Sustaining the body through God's word....

B.D. No. **4335** June 15th 1948

I y greater than great love for you humans is expressed in the word which is conveyed to you from above. Again and again I have to make you aware of this, again and again you have to reward My love with gratitude by opening your heart and ear to Me and accept what I offer you. My word contains the strength your soul needs in order to become Mine forever; therefore My word is nourishment for your soul which you must not lack if you want to become blissfully happy. And thus My word will always be supplied to you so that you can refresh yourselves when you hunger and thirst, and a time will come when you will lack physical nourishment and yet spiritual nourishment will sustain you, physically and spiritually. Remember My words and then don't become anxious if you are earthly deprived of everything you need to maintain the body, remember that My strength and might is unlimited, that I am lord over life and death, over all things in creation and that it is truly possible for Me to sustain My living creations, even if it seems earthly impossible, for everything is possible for Me.... And if I supply you with strength from the spiritual kingdom through My word you can confidently drop all earthly worries and firmly believe that God will sustain you.... Yet you must draw the strength from Me, otherwise My working on you is impossible, i.e. it contradicts My law of eternity. Every extraordinary help is possible for creations which have entered My flow of love, but those who are outside of it will be powerless and perish physically as well as spiritually, because this, too, is a law of eternity that nothing can exist without My supply of strength. Therefore I will meet you humans in the word beforehand in order to show and explain My extraordinary working to you, so that you will then be so strengthened in faith that you will hand yourselves over to Me without any doubt. And then I will also be able to perform the miracle on you that you live without being provided with earthly nourishment.... which will be a miracle for the unbelievers but understandable to you and only proof of My presence and My great love for you. But you must first let the strength of My word take effect on you, you must have already become My own, adhere to Me with love, keep My commandments and always make an effort to fulfil My will, then it will be self-evident to you that I will sustain you in times of greatest adversity, then you will no longer doubt My love and My might and place your fate in My hands with complete trust. And I will sustain you.... physically and spiritually I will provide for you and give you the evidence that you are children of My love and will never lose My fatherly love.... I will guide you through adversity and danger, through earthly suffering and sadness, you will remain steadfast until the end and be allowed to receive the reward I have promised you.... eternal bliss or life on the new earth in paradise....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Promise of preservation of body and soul in time of need....

B.D. No. **5870**

February 6th 1954

And you will be given what you need for body and soul, for My love always watches over you and does not let you go hungry. For a time of tribulation and earthly hardship will come upon you when you are deprived of everything for the sake of My name, when you are denied everything you need to live and spiritual coercion is also imposed on you so that you should deny your faith, then don't worry, for I will take care of you.... I will sustain you and supply your body with what it needs, but I will also give you the spiritual strength to remain faithful to Me.... Whoever believes in Me, in My love and My might, truly need not fear that he will suffer lack of body and soul, for I have

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promised you that I Myself will take care of you with the words: "Do not worry about what you will eat and drink and with what you will clothe yourselves, but seek first the kingdom of God.... everything else will fall to you." And remember this promise when you get into earthly trouble, and hand yourselves over to Me in full trust, Who stands by My word.... My adversary's satanic influence will be revealed in such a way that people who are in bondage to him will stop at nothing, that they are capable of anything in order to destroy faith in Me, that they will relentlessly proceed against My followers and would unhesitatingly hand them over to death if I were not with My might and strength with My own. And it will be obvious that My own are fed from above, for they will live because they receive from Me what they need for body and soul. And whether you humans also doubt this, whether you incredulously listen to these words of Mine.... Who created the whole world, to Him it is truly also possible to preserve people who believe in Me, who stick by Me even in greatest earthly adversity. And I will rescue them from the hand of their tormentors, I will come to fetch them when satan's activity has reached its climax, that I will put him in fetters in order to render him harmless.... And then all adversity will come to an end.... Then I will reward the faith of My own, then I Myself will dwell amongst them and they will be eternally blessed....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Strength of faith.... Nourishing the believers....

B.D. No. **8848** August 30th 1964

Believe Me that you will still have to suffer hard times which will discourage you if you don't have an unwavering faith, a faith of such intensity that you can contact Me at any time and take complete strength from this relationship, that you can endure whatever happens to you in the knowledge that I know of it and will not give you more than you can bear. Because then it is essential that you prove yourselves by requesting strength from Me in order to resist those who will take action against you with the intention of stopping you and your work for Me.... But then you will also triumphantly succeed, since they too are open to instructions, you can inform them about the purpose and goal of earthly life. You will be able to make them understand the meaning of their existence on this earth and a few will listen to you, thus you will have gained those already, because I Myself will support you. During this time many things will still happen that will make them think, and world events will not pass them by without leaving an impression either....

But the achievement of your strong faith will not go unnoticed by those who will treat you with hostility, and anyone who is not yet completely committed to Satan will be impressed by the strength of faith. The effect of a strong faith will be clearly evident to them when they confiscate every necessity of life from you and then have to witness that you live in spite of it, that you don't suffer poverty and that even the laws of nature can't harm you, that you are not nourished by people yet nevertheless live, that you receive the strength from above, which you need only request in your prayer.... And this strength of faith has to be requested by you now, because if this faith is not strong enough you will hardly use the opportunity to pray sincerely and with complete trust at the time of hardship. Thus make use of this time and constantly pray for the strengthening of your faith, for assistance during the time when you will be scared and can hardly think of yourselves.... Then it will suffice to send a brief thought to Me, a call from the heart, and I Myself will be with you and protect My own during all hardship and danger.... Because this is what I promised you and now promise you again, that you who labour and are heavily burdened should come unto Me....

And you will have to suffer a lot of hardship but it should not alarm you, because your helper is ready at all times to protect you, and people will not be able to harm you as long as you are in close contact with Me. And it is certain that you will remain close to Me because everything will take on such dimensions that only One can help you.... And you will take the path to the One because you are already in such close contact with Me that you cannot forget Me anymore.... And for the sake of My Own I will shorten the time since, beyond doubt, the world will be full of devils and every one of

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them will try to kill you.... But in the same way My angels will surround you and protect you from them.... Because My might will finally triumph over My adversary and his followers, and your time of suffering will be over, you will be allowed to experience the new earth, and all hardship will have come to an end....

Amen

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Faith in Jesus Christ

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

B.D. No. **5523**

November 2nd 1952

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

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

"He who believes in Me...."

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

He who believes in Me shall not die for eternity..." These Words of promise of Mine very often cause you humans to draw erroneous conclusions if you believe that it is only enough for you to confess with your mouth or not deny that I walked the earth in the man Jesus.... if you believe that it is enough for you not to dispute the existence of the man Jesus, Who is said to have died on the cross for humanity.... if you only accept without contradiction what you have been taught since childhood without having seriously dealt with it yourselves. For the fact that you believe that I Myself lived on earth in the human being Jesus does not yet testify to your inner attitude towards this greatest act of mercy of My divine love, it does not testify to Me whether you want to belong to those whom I have redeemed through My blood which was shed for you on the cross. You first have to realize what I mean by a right faith, which I require in order to be able to give you eternal life.... Accepting a

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

Amen

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Promise of eternal life

Promise of eternal bliss....

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hy do you fear for your earthly fate when I promise you a far more beautiful one in eternity?.... If you believe in Me and My Word then you will lose all earthly fear, for if you are inwardly convinced that My Word is truth, if you therefore firmly believe in My love, wisdom and omnipotence, then you will also know that My promises will be fulfilled, and then you can take all suffering and hardship, all privations and tribulations upon yourselves with a joyful heart, for they will only last a short time in order to then give way to eternal life in bliss. You only lack faith, and that is why you are anxious and fear the time to come. But if you believe that I exist, that I Am full of love and work without limitation, you must not doubt the fulfilment of My promises, because My Word is purest truth and has to be fulfilled by everyone who complies with My will, who makes an effort to live accordingly, who thus strives towards Me in thought, word and deed. And he need not fear any earthly adversity, for it only affects the body and will also be bearable for the body, but the soul will remain unaffected and will gain the final victory, it will enter the kingdom of peace towards a life full of bliss. Let the short time on earth which you still have to live through also be rich in earthly hardship and worries.... it will pass quickly, it will pass, just as all suffering and hardship will pass, but My Word will not pass forever.... and My Word promises you eternal bliss.... And even if you cannot grasp it on earth, even if you cannot realise on earth what this bliss consists of, My Word must suffice for you that I want to prepare a blissful fate for you, and therefore believe and do not fear.... Humbly accept everything I send upon you and know that all earthly adversity will come to an end one day. But also know that you yourselves can also reduce it through your own will if you carry everything that weighs you down to Me, if you sincerely ask Me to help you carry your cross, if you help your fellow human beings wherever and however you can and also secure My power of love for your neighbour through unselfish deeds of love, which enables you to overcome and endure everything. For as you hand out love My love flows to you in the form of strength and grace, in the form of My Word which imparts it to you at all times, which you can mentally receive from Me Myself or which you may also receive through My messengers.... My love will always consider you according to your worthiness, but this is dependent on your labour of love. And therefore you need not fear any earthly hardship as long as you are lovingly active yourselves, for I will always stand by you even in earthly adversity. But if you focus your attention on the soul, on your spiritual well-being, you will endure the short span of your earthly life more easily in view of eternal bliss, for you will always abide by My Word which has promised My Own all glories in the Father's house, by the Word which has to fulfil itself because My Word is and will remain truth for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

Promise of Jesus: eternal life....

B.D. No. **5255**

November 16th 1951

You shall live for ever and ever.... But life can only be promised to you by Him Who is lord over life and death, Who Himself is life from eternity and Who has conquered death.... Jesus Christ, the son of God and redeemer of the world, Who came forth from the strength of the most high as an independent being, equipped with strength in full measure, Whose love moved Him to bare His strength and, as a weak helpless human being on earth, Who was subject to the law of death, to fight against death and to defeat it in order to liberate all people held captive by satan from his bondage. For

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death had been brought into the world by satan. Death is a powerless dark state that is the consequence of the former sin against God.... Light and strength mean life, powerlessness and darkness, on the other hand, condemn the being to stagnation in inactivity. People on earth would have to expect this rigid state after their physical life, they would sink hopelessly into darkness and would not be able to free themselves from it.... they would face eternal death unless a saviour approached them Who was stronger than death, Who was able to defeat it and give people the life again which they had possessed in the beginning as spiritual beings and which they had lost through the sin of their former rebellion against God.... (16.11.1951) Life had been lost to them, i.e. everything that enabled them to be happily active, for life is incessant activity according to wise law; life is the use of divine strength according to divine principle and therefore a state of unlimited bliss.

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

But you shall live.... What comforting words these are for you humans.... Jesus Christ does not want you to meet death, He wants you to live, and He has promised you this life.... because He alone can give it to you, Who has overcome death. But your will is free.... Don't forget that you can achieve everything, that there is nothing impossible, that Jesus Christ has also shown you all ways and means, but that you must want it yourselves, because what is to make you blissfully happy cannot be given to you against your will. Eternal life is the most beautiful promise He could give you, that all fear of death will disappear, that an unspeakably blissful future lies ahead of you which will last forever if you want it yourselves and fulfil the conditions Jesus Christ attached to His promise.... that you believe in Him.... For then you will comply with all His words, you will fulfil His commandments, you will live according to His divine teaching of love and accumulate divine strength within yourselves, love will awaken you to life even if the body's strength weakens and your shell approaches bodily death. The soul will then release itself, it will break through the barrier of death with all its strength, it will free itself from the bonds of the one who wanted to give you death, it will become blissfully aware of its strength and now be able to be constantly active, the spiritual kingdom will receive it where there is only life, where all beingness is active in God's will, where new life is constantly generated, where there is eternally no more death.... where everything is blissfully happy in and with Jesus Christ....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

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

B.D. No. **6850** June 12th 1957

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

Thus you will find the divine Redeemer under the cross, which means that you will carry your guilt of sin, for which the human being Jesus died on the cross, to Him under the cross, that you will thereby prove your belief in His divine mission and so also reveal your will to be released from the guilt which separates you from Me, your God and Father of eternity.... In that case you acknowledge

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

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

You will live forever....

B.D. No. **7974** August 24th 1961

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

And that is the final goal of the beings which once emerged from Me and My strength as living creations, which were indeed supremely perfect, since nothing imperfect can come forth from Me, but which voluntarily relinquished their perfection, fell away from Me and then had to travel an infinitely long path of development in order to achieve the highest level of perfection again, in order to thus return to Me, yet no longer as a 'living creation' but as 'My child', into which it will have voluntarily shaped itself through love.... which is indeed its fundamental substance because it came forth from My love, but which its free will had to arouse into the brightest of blazes.... but then eternal life in supreme happiness will also be guaranteed.... And this is the life I have promised you.... I Myself want to grant you this blissful life, and thus I will never cease in supporting you to achieve this said high degree of love, whenever it may be.... One day you will attain life and then never lose this life again....

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This is truly the most glorious promise, for you can hope. You need not fear to be lost; you need not remain in the state of death forever, for I have told you 'You will live forever....'And My Word is truth.... only you yourselves determine the time when you will enter into life; you determine the time when you escape death, when you return to Me, unite with Me again and then also arrive at the life which lasts forever....

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

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Resurrection to life....

B.D. No. **8794** March 30th 1964

ou, too, will rise from the dead, that is, you will only leave your earthly body but the soul will Lenter the spiritual kingdom.... And I gave you the evidence of this, I let the process take place visibly in Me, for the whole world was to take note of the fact that I had overcome death, that there need be no death for the human being who has procured the state of maturity for his soul on earth, that it can enter the kingdom of light as spiritualized after its departure from this earth.... But this 'resurrection into life' must always be preceded by redemption through Jesus Christ, otherwise the soul will remain a slave to death, for as long as it is still in My adversary's power it has no life, it is bound and completely inactive, it is truly a state of death in which an unredeemed soul finds itself. But I acquired eternal life for it through My death on the cross.... It no longer needs to fear death, for I gave it life which lasts forever, I merely release the soul from its body of flesh and it can enter the kingdom on the other side in freedom, the soul rises from its grave, it enters a state of light which is completely opposite to the bound state before. That is why I therefore gave men a proof through My resurrection on the third day, because no-one believes in it that there is a further life after death, and because they therefore led their earth life indifferently and lukewarmly and did nothing to secure a resurrection in light for the soul. And I had to prove it to them through the fact that also My body rose, that it broke the fetters of death, that I emerged from the grave to appear to Mine again and to prove to them the fulfilment of My promise that I will rise again on the third day. All of you men are to believe that you are not only created for earth, that with your death not everything is over, but that the actual life only then begins. And you should shape your nature in such a way that you still spiritualize yourselves in earthly life, that not only the souls but also your bodies can rise again out of the grave after death, that they can enter into true life, and that such is possible, for this I gave you the proof.... The ignorance of those men at the time of My walk on earth, their spiritual blindness was so great that they themselves knew nothing about purpose and aim of their earth existence, and they thought to be extinguished again with the moment of death, and accordingly they also only lived purely worldly directed sense; they did not think of their soul's salvation and did not fear the responsibility before their God and creator. And that is why it was necessary to give exactly these men a proof, which indeed was also only accepted by the good-willed as credible, while the others tried to explain to themselves in all

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possible ways the disappearance of My body out of the grave. But My own were strengthened in their faith, to whom I appeared as I had predicted to them and whom I also sent out into the world with a mission.... To carry My gospel out into the world, to proclaim the teaching of love and to make people believe in life after death and to preach about My resurrection from the grave to all who were of good will and listened to My disciples. Men were to be strengthened in their own responsibility for the guidance of their life; they were to consciously strive for a resurrection after death, and as soon as they believed in Me and in My work of redemption, which I have accomplished for sinful mankind, they could also believe in My resurrection and now also go towards their own resurrection without fear and in trust in Me, Who will raise them up one day in eternity. Because I Myself have given you the promise: Whoever believes in Me will live for eternity.... And even if his body dies.... his I, his soul, cannot die, it only changes its abode and enters the kingdom of the beyond, but which is now constituted according to his way of life.... And if I Myself can awaken the soul from its sleep of death, then it will also be granted a life of bliss.... For as soon as it believes in Me it has also found Me in earthly life and carried its sins under My cross.... And then it is free of all guilt and enters the kingdom of the beyond carefree, where it will now live and can never ever lose this life either....

Amen

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Glory of the spiritual kingdom

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

B.D. No. **8400**

February 2nd 1963

Every spiritual request shall be granted to you.... I have given you this promise because My love will fulfil everything that will benefit your soul. And thus you can also rest assured that you will enter the kingdom of light and bliss after your physical death if you have lived your life on earth in accordance with My will, if you have demonstrated your love for Me through your activity of unselfish neighbourly love.... and if you have lived your life on earth with Me by having allowed Me to be your constant companion....

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

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

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

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

And believe that I know every thought in your heart, and thus I also know what you still need and take care that it will be imparted to you.... And even if I occasionally use painful means they will

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nevertheless liberate the souls from their physical constraints and they will merely exchange earthly life with a far more beautiful life in the spiritual kingdom, where they will be of loving service to Me and therefore also enjoy beatitudes which earthly life cannot offer.... For they have entered the eternal truth from whence they once originated....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

'Eye has not seen '

B.D. No. **2415** July 19th 1942

ye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him God has withheld the knowledge of this from people, He merely expects their faith in the glories of the beyond, in fact it cannot be shown to them as long as they live on earth, because what God has in store for His children is nothing of an earthly nature, it cannot be perceived with earthly eyes and felt with earthly senses. Nevertheless, His Word is truth and thus the soul can expect an exceedingly happy state in which it can see and experience the most wonderful things. Nothing on earth exists which could be used as a comparison and even roughly correspond to the truth. It is a state of blissful happiness; it is a continuous view in the spiritual world whose inconceivable diversity reveals itself to the spiritual eye. All spiritual beings are united with each other in utter harmony and equilibrium; there is constant activity of love, a coming together and complementing of each other, a continuous service to God and reception of spiritual strength, a continuous giving of happiness and increase of strength of love It is an indescribable bliss, merely one look at this glory would prompt humanity to live a completely different way of life, yet this would not be judged in the same way as a right way of life before God without knowing the reward. The human being shall be good of his own innermost accord if he wants to partake in these joys in the beyond. Nevertheless, God made this promise to people, and as soon as a human being accepts it as truth, as soon as he believes, the knowledge about this blissful state in the beyond will no longer be a danger to him, for then he will be so united with God that he will strive to be good of his own accord and will not feel obliged to live a good way of life because of promises. For God has prepared these glories for those who love Him. Love for God is the condition, but this must be born in the innermost heart and only the degree of love will be judged, not a deed which is accomplished for the sake of reward. But where love is present, the reward is not thought of Where love is present, there must also be happiness and bliss, for God Himself is love, and God's presence is the most wonderful and happiest state for the soul, love is the fulfilment; God's love is the epitome of heavenly beatitude.

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Abodes in the Father's house.... Eternal home....

B.D. No. 3808

June 22nd 1946

And I will bring you into My Father's house.... So I have given you this promise you may be happy in the knowledge that one day you will enjoy the delights of eternal life as children of God, for My Word is truth and My promise will be fulfilled if you do My will.... All hardship will come to an end for you, every earthly worry will fall away, and in freedom of spirit, unbound by earthly matter, you will be allowed to dwell in those realms which belong to the kingdom of the blissful spirits and which are exceedingly glorious. On earth you cannot grasp the bliss which is granted to the souls in that kingdom, and yet you should believe My Word and live such that you will be able to move into the Father's heavenly abodes after your passing away on this earth.... the abodes which the Father's love has prepared for His own and which will truly be the abode of those who have become My own through their will and a way of life in love.... Why then do you still worry about your physical well-being if you know that your earthly life is only a short transition to true life in eternity? Only use your earthly life to shape your souls correctly and your fate in the beyond will be

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incomparably blissful, for you will be given everything your heart desires.... But make sure that the heart's desire is not for the body, because it will pass away, but what remains eternally is only spiritual good, thus desire this with all your heart. Then your soul will dwell in exceedingly beautiful regions, it will move in creations which you would not be able to imagine on earth, and it will be in its home, in the Father's house, where the Father's closeness will make it eternally happy and His love will provide it with everything which will increase its bliss. For My love for you, My children on earth, is immense and I will prepare a blissful life for all of you if you return to Me of your own free will. For there are many abodes in My house and they are all waiting for you so that you can enter them and behold My glories which I have prepared for you. Live on earth with love and My love shall be bestowed upon you in the spiritual kingdom.... Give to your neighbor with love whatever he needs physically or spiritually, and My love shall give to you in the same measure, for as you measure out, so shall it be measured to you in My kingdom. And if you believe in My promise, then the short earthly life that you are still granted, will be bearable for you, despite all hardship, despite whatever is taken from you on earth.... I will consider you a thousand fold in My kingdom if you voluntarily give yourselves to Me and thus detach yourselves from matter in order to receive spiritual possessions.... For the time of your earthly misery is short, but your life in eternity lasts forever, and there will be no end to the bliss in My Father's house....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

In the Father's house are many mansions....

B.D. No. **6022** August 13th 1954

In the Father's house are many mansions.... The mansions I have prepared for all souls correspond to their maturity at the time of their earthly departure. Accordingly they are very different and are abodes for the souls for as long as they are content with them, although they can be changed, which is the soul's own responsibility. The soul's surrounding in the spiritual kingdom depends on its character at the time of its physical death.... radiant, bright, offering the spiritual eye a magnificent vision of breathtaking harmony which fills it with happiness beyond description.... or bleak and cold, squalid and disturbing, turbulent, dreary and depressing, causing the soul unhappiness and wishing it to leave this environment. And yet it can only be offered what it had acquired for itself on earth, it cannot be moved into blissful realms to which it had never aspired nor can it be given light because this would consume the soul due to its immature state. Nevertheless, every soul has the option whether it wants to improve its environment.

And to awaken this wish is the work of innumerable spiritual beings of light which descend into poorly lit mansions to inspire their inhabitants to improve their fate and their surroundings. Yet even this has to happen such that it does not force the soul's will but results in its own desire. Hence they do not perceive the beings of light as such, instead the beings of light join them by using the same cover as the souls and request to be admitted, then they seek to guide the souls' thoughts to change their present situation.... The souls' will has to be motivated to improve their fate; and as soon as the will is motivated the soul suddenly finds itself amongst needy souls who request its help, and now it depends on whether it listens to their appeals, whether it is willing and attempts to help them....

The stronger its impulse to help the more alive it will feel and darkness gives way to a faint twilight which gladdens the soul immensely and increases its will to love. Imperceptibly its environment assumes another shape as the twilight shines through until everything appears clearly to the soul's eyes and its state seems to have improved considerably.... Yet it is always up to the soul's will whether it continues to be helpful or whether it contents itself with its present situation.... which, however, worsens again if it stops making an effort.

Every soul will find what it wants; and if it longs for light, for love and supreme happiness it will certainly achieve its goal and arrive in extremely charming regions where everything is enlightened and where it can settle for as long as it wishes.... Because it also gives what it requests for itself, and

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this love changes the soul's nature, the love which it receives from the beings of light if it is not entirely obstinate and refuses to ascend from the poorly lit depth and resists all assistance and indignantly rejects every suggestion. Then it also has what it wants.... darkness, which will become incessantly more agonising in order to motivate the souls to change their will.

And for that reason I spoke the Words: 'In My Father's house are many mansions....' Although the condition of every soul is taken into account no soul is forced to remain where it is sent after its physical death.... it will be admitted wherever its will takes it.... it is able to arrange its own surroundings according to its will and thus it can elevate itself from the lowest realms into radiant heights.... providing it takes notice of those whom it encounters as messengers from above, although not recognised by the soul as long as it is without light itself but so touched by their will to love that its own love gets kindled and therefore the path upwards becomes clear.... Eternal love Itself descends into the abyss to elevate what will not resist.... I also redeem the souls from the darkness and countless beings of light take part in this work.... They all help to build those mansions to improve the fate of the souls; they all radiate light and love and entice countless souls from the darkness into their region.... where there is light and strength and bliss....

Amen

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Promises of glory.... images of the dark kingdom....

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To one will be able to imagine the glories of the spiritual kingdom, for they surpass anything you can imagine.... But no human being will be able to imagine the kingdom of darkness either, which likewise exceeds all descriptions given to you. But both kingdoms have to remain hidden from you humans so as not to endanger your free decision of will on earth, nevertheless, you will be informed of the fact that unimaginable bliss in light or also agonizing darkness is your fate when your soul has to leave the earthly body and enter the spiritual kingdom. Yet for the most part this knowledge leaves you untouched, you lack faith in it and therefore also the responsibility.... You live on earth, always only focusing your eyes on the earthly attainable.... but you don't think about the state of your soul after death. What do you not do to create a pleasant life for your body, but you know for certain that it will pass away? And how little use are the promises of an eternal life in glory to you.... how little do you fear an unhappy state in darkness.... because you don't believe in it. But one day you will convince yourselves of the truth of this and, full of remorse, think back to the earthly existence which was given to you to care for your spiritual well-being.... Why do you not let yourselves be impressed by the promises of eternal glory.... why do you not shrink back from the images that are projected to you of the kingdom of darkness?.... Why do you only care for the short time of your earthly life and do not think of the endless time afterwards? You believe that the death of the body is the limit of your existence, yet you cannot prove it..... Why don't you consider the possibility that everything presented to you humans is **true**? You cannot be forced into it, but you should **think** about it freely of your own accord and not so lightly accept your physical death as the certain end of your being. Both the kingdom of light and the kingdom of darkness have to remain hidden from you due to your freedom of will, but nevertheless there is also evidence for the truth of what you are told about it, although it will only appear conclusive to you if you want to find out for yourselves whether you live on after death.... Then the spiritual beings will also reveal themselves to you, yet only in order to strengthen your faith in them.... The spiritual eye will be opened for the **one who wants to see** and he need not walk along blindly.... But where the will to come to the light is lacking it also remains dark, and the soul also receives darkness after the death of the body. For everyone creates his own fate.... a kingdom of light and glory or spheres of agonizing darkness.... according to his will, which is free and must remain free and therefore also determines life in eternity....

Amen

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To man's eye has ever seen and no man's ear ever heard what I have prepared for those who love Me.... But it is certain that I have unimagined glories in store for you, only you may not take a glimpse into My kingdom of glory during your earthly life because then you would no longer be able to live, because you would no longer be able to fulfil your earthly task in freedom of will. But you may always remember My promise and know that I love you and want to make you blissfully happy. You should know that your thinking is only ever limited, that you cannot even imagine the true heavenly kingdom, for nothing on earth would bear comparison with the glories which await you there when you can leave the earthly kingdom in a garment of light in order to enter your true home, with which earth could not bear the slightest comparison even if you imagined everything to a far more glorious extent. They are incomparable structures of the most glorious beauty, they are spiritual creations which make you exceedingly happy.... They are things which you have never seen before and which only appear to you spiritually as soon as you have attained the degree of maturity to be able to see spiritually. But one thing is certain, that you will now start to live more than ever.... that, looking back, you will not be able to comprehend that you once loved the world and found worldly things desirable, and you will be happy that the world did not keep you bound, otherwise you would never be able to behold this kingdom of glory. If you were able to anticipate something of the glories in earthly life or temporarily catch a glimpse of them then you would also strive for this kingdom with all your might, but you would only ever be determined by self-love and never by pure love for Me and your neighbour, and your earthly life would not be able to bring you perfection, which nevertheless has to be achieved and is also possible without the human being being able to form a clear picture of what beatitude will consist of one day.... But My word shall suffice you humans, My promise, which holds out the prospect of undreamed-of glories to you if you live according to My will. And such an unprovable promise does not force your will, for only faith gives it the right to truth, and for the believer it will also be fulfilled but only after the entrance into the kingdom of the beyond. For this reason it is also pointless to try to imagine images of the souls' stay in the spiritual kingdom, for all ideas are only ever based on earth and its possessions which, however, cannot be used as a comparison for that kingdom and lack all understanding for things in the spiritual kingdom of light. Therefore be satisfied with the words: "What no man's eye has ever seen and what no man's ear has ever heard, that I have prepared for those who love Me...." Unfathomable and unspeakably glorious things await you, for My love wants to make My children happy and prepare for them an exceedingly blessed fate.... And you should all strive for such a fate, but only love for Me or for your brothers should ever motivate you to live according to My will, never self-love, the desire for the glories of the world of the beyond, for then this fate will never be granted to you, because only pure, selfless love will earn you such a high degree of maturity that you will be able to occupy My kingdom in all its glory.... that your eye will behold and your ear will hear what you would never have dreamed of before, because all My promises will come true, because My word is eternal truth....

Amen

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Christ's promises.... Conditions - Fulfilment....

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I old on to Christ's promises and you will prevail over every struggle for existence.... He assured you of strength and grace, He promised you spiritual and physical care, He guarantees your attainment of the final goal on earth.... eternal life.... You can believe His Word unreservedly, it will come to pass as long as you meet the conditions which He associated with all His promises. His promises depend on the fact that you try to comply with the will of the One Who gave you your life. Earthly life is not just given to you for its own sake, but for the attainment of a purpose.... for attaining utmost possible perfection on earth. Jesus showed you the path on earth and exemplified the life which will lead you to perfection by giving people explanations in areas where they were still in the dark. He

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showed them the certain way, as well as its effect, in eternity.... setting conditions and making promises to you.... providing you are truly devoted and meet the conditions in order to shape yourselves into perfection, every promise will take effect. You will live in earthly and spiritual happiness and peace, as well as being constructively active. His conditions, however, consist of uninterrupted actions of love....

The prerequisite of every promise is loving activity, if it is to come true. If you meet this condition, you can live your earthly life in every way without worry, since then the Father in heaven will physically and spiritually take care of you.... He will not let your soul and body suffer hardship, but will always improve matters in proportion to your will of love.... His Word is truth and will remain so in all eternity. Firm belief in this provides you with inner peace and certainty in regards to everything that happens to you, due to God's will or His permission. And since, in accordance with His Word, nothing can happen to you against His will, you should try to please His will.... love your Father of eternity with all your heart, so that you will gain His love too, and show your love through doing kind deeds to your fellow human beings. God does not expect much from you, but He will not let go of this condition if His promises are to fulfil themselves in you. Each one of His Words teaches you to love, because every one of His promises necessitates love.... a genuine relationship with God and your neighbour, who is your brother, because you are all children of one Father. You can gain countless gifts of grace through unselfish actions of love and.... if you are lacking the strength for it.... gain strength through sincere prayer. 'Ask and you will receive....'

First, ask for spiritual values and ignore earthly needs, because God will add these once you strive to fulfil His will and try to shape yourselves into love. Time and again Jesus Christ tries to impress on you in His teachings the importance of striving for the kingdom of God.... He is promising you eternal life and the Father's care for your earthly life, providing you aspire for God's kingdom.... and every Word from His mouth is purest truth, and therefore has to provide you with innermost peace and security, if only you have faith. Every earthly worry is unnecessary as long as you endeavour to live up to divine will, as long as your actions of love will gain you God's love and thus make his will inclined to you. Therefore, do not doubt His Word, do not doubt that His promises will come true, but live in accordance with His sacred Word.... Live in love and in constant connection with the One Who is love Himself.... and then allow yourselves to be guided. Trust in Him, confidently place your destiny into His hands and give yourselves completely to Him, then every hardship will soon be taken from you because you no longer require it if you, in firm faith, purify and shape yourselves through actions of love to enter the kingdom of light after you discard your earthly body. For Jesus did not use His Own Words but God spoke through Him, and His Word is truth and has to fulfil itself, providing the person complies with His Word, providing he strives for God's kingdom.... for eternal life....

Amen

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Create and work for eternity....

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It is your task on earth to create and work for eternal life, and if you comply with this task your temporal fate will also be protected even though you will still have battles to cope with so as not to become tired in your striving for the spiritual goal. However, if you look upon Me as your Father and endeavour towards true childship you will also be in Fatherly care and your earthly life will have to progress such as the Father sees fit for His children. But its trust in the Father's love and care releases the child from all fear and worry, for it is full of confidence that its God and Creator, its Father of eternity, will direct everything just right.... And thus it can create and work for eternity, for it is full of love for Me which also expresses itself towards his fellow human being and thus carries out everything with a view to ascend, it strives towards Me fully consciously and lives a way of live in accordance with My will.... Every human being is given the opportunity to recognise his affiliation to Me because he is able to think about himself and his origin and this will mentally lead to realisation if

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he genuinely wants it. Thus every person **can** decide to work for eternal life, yet he is not **compelled** to do so.... Everyone can lay claim to My leadership and guidance, just as he can separate himself due to his own sense of strength and power, but then he will be isolated and far away, incapable of ascending.... but not striving for it either.... Then he will feel inwardly estranged from Me, he will not think of himself as My child nor look upon Me as the Father Who wants His child's love....

And then he will not produce anything for eternal life but only ever see the world and its goods and desire them with all his senses. The burden of life will indeed weigh heavily upon him in the beginning because I want to guide his thoughts to Me, yet this burden will become increasingly lighter because someone else will take it from him and give him whatever he strives for.... but also claims his soul in return. Create and work for eternity and do not pay so much attention to earthly life but accept it with all its burdens and troubles, for they are truly only for your own good, just as everything that happens to you merely serves those of you in gaining perfection who dedicate yourselves to Me, who strive for unity with Me, for My presence.... who hand yourselves over to Me so that I can take care of you.... You have truly chosen the best part even though you lack earthly pleasures, yet you will be rewarded in My kingdom and receive so abundantly that you will want to share it again and also be able to do so for your own happiness. Do not forget that earthly life is only given to you so that you will find the entry into My kingdom.... but which you sincerely have to look for.... and not that you forget your task and get caught in the mire of the world, so that you won't succumb to My opponent's temptations to stay away from your true destination.... Be aware that an arduous path is the right path but that I Myself will always meet you on this path, that I will take over your guidance and safely lead you to your true home....

Amen

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"I am the way, the truth and the life...."

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November 19th 1956

Inly one can give you life in eternity.... Jesus Christ, Who therefore must also be acknowledged by all who strive for a blissful life in eternity. For He Himself spoke the words on earth: "I am the way, the truth and the life...." He alone can command death to release you, He alone has overcome death and thereby also shown you the path to life, and without Him no one will find the right path and attain life. "I am the way, the truth and the life...." No human being on earth could have uttered these words, for before God Himself descended to earth in Jesus there was no path for people which led to life, because the one who had brought death into the world had not yet been overcome, because his power was still unbroken and therefore humanity walked through earthly life in darkness, in ignorance of the truth.... But the man Jesus accomplished the work.... He presented Himself for battle because He wanted to clear the way to life for you humans, He wanted to redeem you humans from death.... For all people were doomed to death **before** His descent to earth.... When Jesus walked on earth a light shone and He carried this light into the darkness.... He taught and brought knowledge to men of what was happening on earth and in the spirit realm.... He brought them the truth, He kindled a light in the hearts of those who willingly listened to Him, and He taught them love.... The **truth** had to be conveyed to people first so that they would also recognize the **significance** of Jesus' life on earth, which ended with the most painful death on the cross.... And He promised eternal life to those who believed in Him, who accepted His words as gospel, who lived out His divine teaching of love and thus followed the path which the man Jesus had taken. These were to attain eternal life.... And this path leads past the cross of Golgotha. There is no other path to blissful life than this one which the man Jesus took and which led to Golgotha.... because in this man Jesus God Himself walked the path to the cross, because the 'eternal love' brought the sacrifice of the cross, which had embodied itself in the man Jesus. You humans must believe that it was God Himself Who died for you, Who rose from the dead after three days, Who overcame death and thus the one who had brought death into the world.... And thus you must follow God Himself on His path, for God Himself is truth and life. God Himself has promised you eternal life, and since He could not make Himself visible to you because

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the souls once and now sinful people would not have been able to bear the sight of Him, He accomplished the act of salvation in the form of the man Jesus.... For God's fundamental substance is love, and love embodied itself in the human being Jesus.... The path to eternal beatitude only leads through Jesus Christ. You must recognize and acknowledge Him, you must follow Him, you must let Him teach you and introduce you to the truth, and only by Him can you be introduced to His kingdom where you will live in bliss forever. And all choirs of angels, all blessed spirits, all beings of light call out to you: Acknowledge Him, hasten to Him, hand yourselves over to Him, the divine saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ.... And you will attain eternal life and never ever lose this life....

Amen

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