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Save Your Soul!

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God's Second Coming in the Word.... Great spiritual need....

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Once again I come to earth to help you in an adversity which will cause your death if you don't recognise it in time and accept My help. You are weak and darkened in spirit and I do everything to impart strength to you and open your eyes, yet you turn away indifferently when I approach you and don't realise that you reject divine love without which, however, you cannot live.... which means the life of the **soul, which will** be released from the body shell in not too long a time and then enter into life or death. As long as you are still alive on earth you believe that you have enough strength yourselves and therefore you do not approach Me for strength. But at the moment of death you lose all physical strength, and the soul remains helpless who did not receive strength from Me during its earthly life.... And then it cannot live but is dead.... yet not passed away, because.... what is from Me can never pass away again.... She is in a state of greatest distress, lightless and powerless and yet aware of her being.... It lacks the strength from Me which it was able to procure during its life on earth.... I know about the extremely sad and agonising state of such a soul and I want to save it from this.... And therefore I repeatedly step into your path on earth and try to make you ready to accept My gift of strength.... I constantly endeavour to kindle a light in you so that you will see, so that complete blindness will give way.... And I therefore address you.... I am among people again in the Word, I address those who are of good will. But you humans don't have much time left and if you don't listen to Me you will end up in a dreadful situation.... you will fall prey to the horrors of the end, you will suffer physical and spiritual death, for in your blindness you don't see the only path which leads out of ruin.... in your blindness you do not see the light that illuminates this path. I will make a covenant with you beforehand, I will accept all in spite of sin and guilt, if they raise their hands to Me, if they only remember their God, Whom they shall betray to His adversary.... and they will receive strength from Me to confess Me, if only they turn to Me in their heart.... I will accept everyone who wants to join Me, yet you humans will also be too weak to want the right thing because you don't acknowledge Him Who died on the cross in order to purchase a strengthened will for you through His blood, Who redeemed you from the bondage into which My adversary had beaten you. For this reason you humans are still blind in spirit, because he has taken the light, the knowledge, away from you and because you don't acknowledge his Lord Who overcame him.... because you don't acknowledge Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation, Who truly redeems you from all weakness and bondage if only you would call upon Him for this.... Again I will come to your aid and bring you a light, accept it and let it enlighten you so that you will know what fate you are facing and turn around yourselves and enter the right path

on which I walk beside you and safely guide you to the eternal home.... listen to Me when I speak to you, and remember your soul.... remember death and let the day of bodily death become the resurrection day of your soul.... Believe in Me so that I can give you eternal life....

Amen

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What is the soul?

The soul.... The spiritual spark in the human being....

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The human soul is the unification of countless soul-substances which are assembly points for spiritual strength, i.e. which are receptacles for the spirit of God. Each one of these countless substances was previously embodied somewhere else, that is, enclosed in an outer form for the purpose of the spirit's higher development and for the prospect of later unification with an equal substance. Hence each single substance of the human soul has passed through every work of creation and has, so to speak, matured for its last embodiment on earth. The soul always assumes the same shape as its surrounding outer shape.... If a person with spiritual vision would contemplate the human soul in its composition he would be presented with an incredibly charming and varied picture. This work of God's creation, invisible to human beings, is beyond description, both in its structure as well as in its usefulness. But a description of the formation of the soul would only confuse human thought for he cannot understand the countless miracles within the human body. What human beings understand to be 'soul' is all of creation in miniature. The soul is the innermost part of the human being and includes the whole of creation.... intended to become enlightened during its life on earth and in glorification of God to enjoy the delights of heaven.

The soul has the divine spirit within itself. Although the original substance of the soul is also spirit in all its phases of evolution.... the divine spark of spirit is placed into the incarnating soul of the human being by God Himself.... He instils His breath into the human being.... He places the divine into him and gives the soul the task to choose between the divine and the human during its last existence on earth. If the soul.... the spirit out of God which at one time had opposed God.... is now willing to unite with the divine spirit, the transformation of what was once far away from God begins and the human soul becomes enlightened. The unity of the human soul with the divine spirit occurs when the soul steadfastly overcomes all human desires, which, for the purpose of testing and for strengthening of the will, cling to the human body as temptation.... when it resists all that the body as such requires and willingly submits to the requirements of the divine spirit.

Then the soul finally surrenders its former resistance to God. It chooses God, it is no longer in conscious opposition to the divine and accepts the emission of love, the strength, to increase the spirit within itself, to bring about the unity of the spirit within itself with the spirit outside of itself, and thus consciously strives to draw closer to God. If, however, the body's desire dominates then the divine spark of spirit stays dormant and completely buried deep within the human being, it cannot emit light and the soul dwells in utter darkness. Its earthly life goes by without the smallest accomplishment; the spirit within is condemned to stagnate, its earthly process is not a path towards higher development but a time of standstill or even regression. The divine spark of spirit in the human being had been ignored and therefore could not manifest itself. The strength of divine love could not flow into the being and, as a result, the unity with the spirit of the eternal Father could not take place either. The soul takes this lightless state, which it had chosen for itself on earth, across into eternity and there, with endless pain of regret, contemplates the wasted time on earth and now has to struggle far more strenuously to improve its situation....

Amen

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The substances of soul demonstrate in their composition an extreme finely constructed formation that would strike the human being as enchanting if he could see it. There is nothing that is not present in this creation.... Everything in creation can be found in miniature in the soul because the individual substances had animated every work of creation and therefore also retained the shape of these previous forms, who multiply by continuous association and therefore constantly change and perfect the overall image. A human being's comprehension would not suffice to imagine all these works of creation, yet one day he will, overwhelmed by the wisdom and omnipotence of the Creator, behold the image that reveals to him the most amazing magnificence. The least and most insignificant work of creation holds again thousands of miniature creations within itself which in turn also exhibit everything that is represented in God's great work of creation. The human soul, however, is carrier of all these creations, i.e. it is composed of countless substances, each one has already fulfilled its task in creation and hence was permitted to unite for the last and greatest task.... to complete the infinitely long earthly progress as a human soul. No other work of wonder in all of God's great creation is so extraordinary beautifully shaped as the human soul.... And it is proof of its perfection when the soul can behold itself as in a mirror and perceive its own glory, i.e. when it sees itself in the most radiant light in many thousand-fold shapes and formations, and thus the contemplation of itself causes it unimaginable happiness because the vision of the entire work of creation is an overwhelmingly beautiful experience for the soul. And the soul's contemplations will never end because the image reshapes itself time and again; constantly more enchanting works of creation emerge since God's wonders are endless and so is what His love provides to His living creations who are perfect and thus enlightened.... They always and ever feel His love and as a result experience ever increasing happiness.... There will be no conclusion, no limit of what the spiritual eye may behold.... And nothing remains unchanged, which denotes a state of bliss for the being which progressively increases and therefore requires constant transformation of the being's spiritual vision....

Amen

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The soul's individuality....

B.D. No. 8117

March 5th 1962

For the sake of complete clarity I want to give you a further explanation: The spiritual being I brought into life, that is, which I externalised from Me as something spiritually tangible, cannot be denied individuality.... This being was created in My image; it was externalised by Me into infinity as entirely separate; it was self-aware and therefore also recognised itself as a thinking being with free will.... It was a miniature of Me Myself, but so minute compared to My fundamental fullness that one can indeed speak of a 'tiny spark' from the fiery sea of My strength of love.... And yet it was an individual with self-determination, except that through the influx of strength of love it was constantly in contact with Me, but it did not hinder the being in any way.... It was free and full of light and strength.... It was a divine creature which had come forth from Me in supreme perfection and from My side experienced no limitation of any kind. Any limitation or restriction of its light and strength was caused by itself because it was able to make its own choices.... And the same also applies to all spiritual beings which the first-created spirit brought into life through its will with the use of My strength.... They, too, were supremely perfect, every being was conscious of itself and thus an individual which was able to be separately and fully independently active in the spiritual kingdom in free will. Hence no being was bound to Me and My characteristics by force, every being moved freely and separately within the spiritual creations and was inconceivably happy. If therefore a 'fall of the spirits' is spoken of.... a descent of the original spirits into the abyss, it should be understood such that the beings refused to receive My illumination of love, that they rejected the flow of My strength of love, which ceaselessly poured out of Me and permeated everything with light and strength.... They no longer accepted My spirit, My love, they separated themselves from Me deliberately but would never

be able to fade away again because they were and will forever remain My emanated strength of love. Each fallen original spirit was a being in its own right, an 'individual'.... and will remain so for all eternity.... It strove away from the Eternal Light, from the Primary Source, and therefore deprived itself of all light and strength....

But the original spirit remained the being which once came forth from Me in supreme perfection. Even if the infinitely long process of guiding the spiritual being back to Me, where this being is dissolved and its tiny particles have to go through all creations.... all these particles come together again and, after endlessly long periods of time, form the self-aware being again.... the fallen original spirit.... so that shortly before its perfection as the human being's soul it can make a free decision again as to whether it wants to return to the realm of the blessed spirits or whether it will infinitely prolong its return again as a result of its own opposition.... However, the self-aware being.... the human being.... shelters as soul the spirit I once externalised, which will always and forever remain the same individual that once originated from Me.... It was perfect and chose the abyss of its own free will but it did not cease to exist, it did not become fragmented, it is and forever remains the self-aware being, with the exception of the path of return through the creations when its self-awareness is taken away, when it is dissolved and in the state of compulsion takes the path of higher development.... And even if the being has to travel the path through the creations more than once.... it will always remain the same self-aware being which once turned away from Me, which rejected the strength of My love and thus deliberately separated itself from Me despite the fact that this can never happen because everything that emerges from Me will always be inseparably connected to Me. Thus the 'apostasy of the spirits' is also to be understood literally.... The self-aware being I once emanated fell because I did not stop it and because it was able to determine its own fate in free will. And this spiritual being must return to Me again in supreme perfection if it wants to unite with Me in order to be incomparably happy forever.... For as soon as I can permeate it with My love again it will also regain its original state. However it always remains aware of itself.... it is lovingly united with Me and yet a free being which nevertheless has entirely entered into My will and therefore can create and work with Me in inconceivable happiness....

Amen

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Body - soul – spirit

Mind and body seek to win the soul....

B.D. No. 2532

November 1st 1942

Spirit and body have the one thing in common that they want to possess the soul, that they seek to form it, but in different ways. The body seeks to form the soul according to the world because the world itself seems to be the only one worth striving for and it therefore seeks to transfer its desire to the soul. The spirit on the other hand has another desirable aim; it wants to occupy the spiritual kingdom, and it seeks to form the soul according to this kingdom; it therefore seeks to form it in another way.... according to divine will.... The body strives for matter, the spirit on the other hand is completely removed.... is lord of the **world**. The body certainly still belongs to this world, but when it joins the desire of the soul, therefore willingly gives in, when this wants to unite with the spirit, also the spiritual substances, of which the body consists, are ripe for the next deformation, and they cover the course of development in form considerably faster, because they have given up their resistance. The spirit in man has overcome the body, and this has declared.... what corresponds to the will of God. And this is the state, which the soul is to.... strive for in union with the spirit towards God and strive for the union with him, to seek and find eternal happiness in the sight of God.... .

Amen

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Spiritualisation of the substances of the body....

B.D. No. 3333

November 17th 1944

The body should help the soul to spiritual maturity by giving itself up, by suppressing every desire and only allowing the soul's desire to come into its own, which, if the body releases it, completely surrenders to the spirit within itself, thus giving in to its desire and its urge. The more the body joins the soul's desire the more the soul's material external form spiritualises itself, and then it no longer needs to cover such a long earthly path, whereas a completely materially attuned body still needs a long time after its physical death before it has overcome its desire. The spiritual substances of the outer forms of those souls are, as it were, refined, they are no longer so grossly material, although they are still earthly matter. The soul drags him over into the realm of the spirit to which it has granted all dominion over itself, and the body follows it willingly, it renounces everything that otherwise seemed desirable to it, it is completely without resistance and therefore also no longer turned towards the world. And a person will mature faster if body and soul are subject to the spirit within. The latter now rules them in love and wisdom.... what he demands the soul and the body carries out, and this contributes to spiritual progress. For the soul will be able to hear the voice of the spirit because the body is ready at the same time by keeping every disturbance away from the soul, by putting itself into the state that the voice of the spirit expresses itself. For the body must completely detach itself from the world, it must close its bodily ear and leave the listening to the soul so that it will then convey it to it. The less the soul is hindered by the body, the more audibly the voice of the spirit sounds to it. But the body also has great success. It overcomes matter much more easily, it is, so to speak, strengthened by the food which the soul receives, it spiritualises itself more and more, and the soul takes spiritual substances of the body into itself when it leaves the world. The earthly material components of the body will not have to go through such a long process of maturing, sometimes they will even be admitted to the formation of a new human soul where they can completely spiritualise themselves.

Where soul and body push towards the spirit, such spiritualisation is guaranteed if God's eternal order is also paused in the upward development of the spirit. However, the course of ascent development can be considerably shortened when the spiritual's resistance is broken, i.e. when the spiritual itself gives up all resistance, which is always the case, when the body detaches itself from everything it otherwise strives for, when it facilitates the soul's spiritual striving by joining it and seeking to break every earthly fetter through conscious devotion and submission to the spirit within itself, which now draws soul and body to itself, and a rapid ascent development of both is now the result....

Amen

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Spiritualising the soul.... Overcoming Matter....

B.D. No. 3414

January 22nd 1945

It is absolutely necessary that you learn to despise the world if you want your soul to mature, for only when it no longer desires it will it turn to the spiritual kingdom, to the world which is its actual home, which offers it everything that helps it to ascend and which is therefore also the goal it should reach through earthly life. The more the human being detaches himself from material things, the more his senses deaden themselves for earthly pleasures and enjoyments, the more the soul spiritualises itself.... As long as the human being lives on earth he must indeed submit to the demands of the body up to a certain limit, he must fulfil earthly obligations, he must carry out earthly activities; thus he is earth-bound and cannot detach himself from it purely physically until God calls him into the spiritual kingdom. Nevertheless, the human being can live a second life next to his earthly one.... The life of the soul need not be completely involved in the life of the body, the soul need not strive for the same as the body, but it can form its kingdom completely independently of it, which, however, lies far away from the yearning of the body.... it can turn to the spiritual kingdom, and then the body will certainly fulfil its earthly task but never strive for earthly pleasures for itself again, instead, it will soon join the soul's desire and likewise seek to be spiritually active as soon as its earthly duties allow it time and opportunity to do so. And as soon as this degree is reached, that the human being now disregards all material goods, as soon as he sets the spiritual kingdom as the goal of his striving, he is also immune to strong temptations on the part of the world. He can no longer fall prey to it, he will only have to endure slight struggles at times, if the world presents itself to him again and again with its joys and pleasures and wants to win him over for itself. But these are only temptations which he will always overcome because the powers of the spiritual kingdom.... the kingdom towards which his soul is striving.... never ever let him go, because they pull him with tireless love and thus constantly influence his soul so that it feels the strength within itself to offer resistance. The greater the renunciation of the material world, the stronger the transmission of strength from the spiritual kingdom. And this influx of strength not only benefits the soul but also the body, for the latter is now also able to master its earthly task without therefore neglecting the soul. And the earthly task will be a service in active neighbourly love, the human being will also attain maturity of soul through his earthly activity because this is now in accordance with God's will. For the human being who disregards earthly goals, who no longer desires the world's goods, will also only carry out an activity which benefits his fellow human beings, he will only give but not want to possess and thereby strive ever more towards the spiritual kingdom. Thus the soul voluntarily fulfils its actual purpose.... it overcomes matter and spiritualises itself, it kills off the body's desire which is originally its own and makes it inclined to join the soul's desire; it pulls it over into the spiritual kingdom with it, and thus it seriously pursues the goal which is set for it for its earthly life, and it will also reach this goal, for all forces of light stand by it so that it finds the path into the eternal home....

Amen

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Unification of the soul and the body with the spirit....

B.D. No. 4031

April 27th 1947

What you are able to hear through the inner voice is significant for soul and body and should therefore be heeded by both, i.e. the soul, the human being's thinking, feeling and wanting, should be stimulated by it and the body should also be determined to comply with what the soul now thinks, feels and wants. Despite the soul's idea, the body can still resist; even though the human being is inwardly convinced that he has to act differently, he can still do what is beneficial for the body but harmful for the soul, then the recognition of what is right is certainly present but the will is too weak to turn it into action. The will belongs to the soul, but the will is decisive for the actions of the body. If the will is now strong enough then it determines the body to actions which are beneficial for the soul, then the soul pulls the body into the spiritual kingdom, so to speak, it is no longer materially minded, i.e., earthly desires no longer have the upper hand, although the human being still lives on earth and time and again has to fight the battle with it. Yet the spirit in the human being pulls the soul mightily, and once it has succeeded by virtue of its will in restraining the body from its striving for the world, once it has succeeded in weakening bodily desire and making it inclined towards the soul, then the body will always distance itself more and more from the earthly, i.e. it will certainly still dwell in the old environment but its desire will only have become weaker and finally only apply to what the soul imparts to it. The body, too, will find satisfaction in dwelling in the spiritual kingdom, and the unification of the soul and the body with the spirit can now take place much more easily than before, when the soul still had to struggle with the body, i.e. when its will was still too weak to resist the comforts of the world and the striving for earthly good was predominant. Yet this battle has to go ahead, otherwise the spirit in the human being will not be able to make itself heard, otherwise the human being will not be able to hear the subtle voice of the spirit either... And therefore the urgent admonition constantly goes out to you humans: Disregard the worldly as much as possible, draw from the source of life, let the spirit within you speak, which is able to give you far more than the world can offer you in pleasures and enjoyments. Direct all your thoughts, feelings and intentions towards the spiritual kingdom as often as you are able to do so, also carry out earthly activities with your eyes directed upwards, let your thoughts often wander upwards, call upon God and commend yourselves to His love and grace... And your striving will become increasingly more spiritual, earthly things will only touch you as far as it is absolutely necessary for the preservation of the body, and your soul will mature in knowledge, it will become full of light in you and a heavenly peace will enter your heart, for you have overcome the world...

Amen

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One of the soul with the spirit....

B.D. No. 4732

September 4th 1949

Take care that your soul matures so that the spirit within you can unite with it, that is, so that it can make itself understood and influence it according to My will. And your soul will then mature if you make an effort to live in love, thus to do everything that is good, if you fight against your faults and weaknesses, if you strive to become perfect. The will alone is enough for the spirit to become active in you insofar as it informs the soul what it should do... so that the soul thus sensitively strives for what is My will. The higher the soul's degree of maturity, the more comprehensible the spirit's expressions will be to it. The human being's thinking, feeling and wanting will be turned towards the

spiritual, i.e. the human being will be more concerned with his inner life, with the higher development of his soul's state than with earthly thoughts. And all this is the working of the spirit in the human being which exerts its influence on the soul which has now united with it and allows itself to be drawn upwards. For the spirit in the human being is My share and consequently can only lead to Me, it seeks unification with the Father-Spirit which, however, only takes place when the soul is ready for it, when the human being, through a life of love, breaks through the barriers which previously separated him from Me. The soul, the thinking, feeling and willing in the human being must take the direction towards Me without compulsion, then it awakens the spirit spark in itself to life. And now start its activity and never without success.... Once you humans have achieved this, the spirit in you will no longer rest, it will time and again try to persuade the soul to listen to it.... i.e. the human being will no longer walk thoughtlessly but will seriously consider his fate after death, he will reflect on his purpose of earthly life, he will desire to know the truth and look for opportunities where it is offered to him.... His senses will be spiritually directed.... And this is what you should strive for first, that you grant the spiritual spark within you power over you, which again can only happen through serious will for perfection. As your will is, so is its working.... If the will is turned towards Me then it will certainly lead you towards Me, and you will feel it in the direction of your thoughts which increasingly concern themselves with the spiritual, because this benefits the soul, thus it willingly listens to the spirit. If you all try to reach this state, that the spirit can express itself in you, then you will have made great progress in your development. For as soon as the soul hands itself over to the influence of the spiritual substance every guarantee for its ascent development is given, then that which is My share will draw you to Me, then you will unite with Me and you will have fulfilled your task of earthly life once the union with Me has taken place....

Amen

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Before starting the development of the soul

The soul's process of development before embodiment....

B.D. No. 6930

September 29th 1957

You humans have passed through many forms.... i.e., your real Self, your soul, had to go through a long process of development before it was allowed to incarnate in a human body.... And this process of development was the path through all the works of creation.... Dissolved into countless minute particles the soul had to animate each one of these works of creation and thus slowly mature, as soon as various particles had joined each other they had to constantly enter new forms, and all forms.... the innumerable works of creation.... contributed towards the maturing of these substances of soul until, finally, all particles were allowed to come together again and as a human soul enter and give life to the last form, the human body. Hence you all had to travel this path of development since due to your past fall into sin the separation from God became so great that the soul in its lifeless state, which was the result of its apostasy, would never have been able to overcome this vast distance from Him. It first had to be brought back to life. But life could not be granted to the beings which had become sinful.... they had to acquire it through being of service. However, the being would never serve voluntarily because it would have been prevented from doing so by God's adversary, whom it had followed into the abyss....

But it wasn't meant to remain eternally subject to death, it was meant to be given the opportunity to attain life.... and this 'opportunity' was the creation. God seized the fallen spirits from His adversary and made them serve Himself, He gave every work of creation its purpose according to natural law and made it fulfil this purpose in a state of compulsion.

As a result it had to be of service and, if only after an infinitely long time, thereby acquired a weak life which nevertheless enabled it to become constantly more active. For every being having once emerged from God's love was His emanated strength which wants to be active.... However, the beings which had joined God's adversary rejected God's illumination of love which is needed for living, thus for a being's activity, and therefore it fell into the state of death. And were it left to the being itself it would never be able to come alive again because its fall into the abyss made it completely helpless. For this reason God called a work into existence which at first ruled out the being's will for activity, which subordinated itself entirely to His will and which, through 'natural law', carried out the purpose He had assigned to this work, to the whole of creation.

His plan consisted of slowly bringing back to life what was lifeless, of giving it the possibility to be active again. And thus it was joined to the individual works of creation in tiny particles and through natural law obliged to get active again.... It was bound in these creations and unable to resist, it had to be of service.... but thereby was also able to reach the degree of development which gained it ever more freedom and finally also placed the spiritual being into the state of free will, from where it then has to decide whether it wants to continue its ascent or return into the abyss once more.... For God certainly helps the being to ascend but He does not compel it if it wants to descend. This decision of free will therefore takes place during the final stage of development on this earth.... when the soul is embodied as a human beings and can use its free will again at its own discretion.... Then the human being must recognise the great mercy of the former process of development and make conscious use of his earthly life, he must prove himself worthy and have the will that his final stage shall take him to the goal, he must strive whole-heartedly for his perfection and thus prove that he belongs to God; he must do whatever it takes so as not to fall again into the hands of the one from whom God's love had helped him become free throughout infinitely long times.... He must not live carelessly during this short time but again and again only remember the spiritual goal which will release him from all

constraints, which signifies the reunion with God in light and strength and happiness.... And thus you humans were given earthly life for the sake of liberating your soul from a bondage which was placed upon you by God's adversary since time immemorial but which was its own fault and thus it will also have to remove its own share in order to gain its freedom and everlasting life....

Amen

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The soul consciously enters its embodiment....

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You start your earthly path entirely aware of what is in store for you and voluntarily give your approval.... But your past memory will be taken away from you again; otherwise you would cover your earthly progress under a certain amount of compulsion which would not be beneficial for your soul. Therefore you should not complain about this or that stroke of fate, for they are all merely the means which are intended to help your souls attain maturity and which, with the right attitude, will indeed lead you to perfection. Thus your will needs to aim in the right direction, this is the test of earthly life which you should pass and the reason for your life on earth. When you incarnate as a human being all obstacles seem easily surmountable to you, and you gladly take them upon yourselves because you realise that it is the last embodiment in a shell, that you can live in complete freedom after your earthly progress is over. And it is indeed possible for you to liberate yourselves from the physical form through this earthly life if you always appeal to God for support. Thereby the soul demonstrates that it wants to fulfil its purpose on earth, it demonstrates that it acknowledges God and desires Him or it would not call upon Him for His help. And then the soul will be able to overcome even the most severe strokes of fate, it will never have to bear them alone but receive much spiritual support, so that its earthly progress will also show periods of relief and it will always emerge from every test more mature. Yet without such trials it will be unable to progress in its development. It receives this realisation prior to its embodiment as a human being, and it does not refuse to take the path on earth. If, however, it retained its past memory then its intention and actions would hardly be free, it would constantly act under compulsion as well as out of fear of what is to come, even if it weren't granted complete clarification and knowledge of it. Nevertheless, as human beings you should know that you voluntarily accepted your earthly fate, and this knowledge should reassure you, insofar as that you should always remember that your complete liberation from the physical shell is possible, just as your earthly progress is destined too. You should be aware of the fact that you may always receive spiritual support, that God Himself wants you to return to Him and that He yearns for you, thus He will leave no stone unturned in order to make your return easier, and that you therefore need not fear anything which is destined to come upon you.... For with His help you will be able to surmount everything, with His help you will succeed in becoming master over His adversary who still keeps you enchained.... He has no more power over you if you desire God, Who is Father to all of you.... Who fought in Jesus Christ against His and your enemy and Who defeated him too. And you need only ever pray to Him for strength, He will always stand by your side, He Himself will provide you with strength when it concerns living life on earth successfully.... when it concerns overcoming everything that is difficult, that is imposed on you by destiny, so that you will mature fully while you are still on earth, so that you achieve liberation from every shell and will be able to enter the spiritual kingdom as free beings....

Amen

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Maturing of the soul by love and suffering

Different living conditions no obstacle to the development of the soul....

B.D. No. **0952**

June 7th 1939

People's ways of life are so diverse and yet can lead to the same result, and thus it is erroneous to assume that the soul's life can only develop in certain circumstances, whereas it must remain completely uninfluenced where the human being's situation in life is less beneficial to the soul. This view is extremely erroneous, after all, all people must have the same opportunity to reach the state of perfection, and the eternal Deity can never want to favour or degrade a being, for this would never be compatible with divine love and justice. People's living conditions may seem to be favourable or unfavourable, and this gives rise to wrong conclusions, but the individual person's lot is always assigned to him in such a way that it can contribute to his higher development to the highest degree, if only he makes extensive use of it himself, and this alone is decisive. The human being is certainly often forced by extraordinary circumstances to move in a certain direction of thought, i.e. he will have to solve tasks in the worldly sphere which fill him mentally, so that he will occupy himself little or not at all with spiritual problems, yet no human being on earth is exclusively only earthly active.... obstacle to shaping his inner life according to divine will.... The human being's will is always the sole factor which has to.... threaten to hinder the soul's life. And again, it is the desire for the world which can be considered the greatest obstacle to the soul's higher development.... And this desire can be nourished in seemingly good as well as in bad life situations, but it can also be fought. All resistances exist in order to be overcome, and it is therefore irrelevant whether the human being has to fight a hard battle in life due to poor circumstances and in return has fewer worldly temptations or whether he has to.... even harder battle against the world in a life of well-being - the inner life is always and in every situation completely separate from the life of the body. Thoughts are conveyed to the human being in so many ways by the spiritual beings who look after him that it is only a matter of grasping and utilising them. And this is never dependent on the human being's situation in life and his destiny.... guarantees the highest possible perfection and thus earthly life need only be used correctly, i.e. according to divine will, in order to lead to complete success. Thus the objection that a profession or fate makes it.... Only the will alone is decisive that the human being pays attention to his inner life and is therefore active of his own accord for the salvation of his soul....

Amen

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Purification of soul particles.... Ungeister....

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January 25th 1956

All substances within you still carry immature spiritual substances, both the material outer form, your body, as well as the soul, which is composed of innumerable soul particles.... All these particles have passed through the creations of this earth for the purpose of maturing and have also purified themselves to a certain degree, otherwise they would not have been admitted to embodiment as a human being.... But only a certain degree has been reached, which is still far from perfection.... Now you should reach this perfection in earthly life, your soul should leave earth completely purified, thus permeable to light, in order to be able to be accepted into the spiritual kingdom, where it can now constantly work in beatitude, permeated by light.... i.e., the human being must bring everything soul-spiritual into order during his earthly life, which is divine law. What is immature is not yet in this

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order, it still surrounds the soul like a shell which denies the light access.... But every soul is accompanied by a divine spark which calls for order, which would like to bring the still immature substances to final maturity and can do so if the human being's will gives it the right to do so.... i.e., a human being who **wants to** attain perfection knows that he is too weak on his own, that he needs to be offered assistance, and he seeks this from God.... And God gives it to him through the spirit by directly influencing the person who has entrusted himself to Him, thus who has established the connection with Him. This spirit will always come to the fore when soul substances stir in a contrary order... when ungodly qualities want to express themselves which have not yet been completely conquered in the human being... when desires flare up or unkind thoughts arise. Then the human being is warned or admonished by the inner voice, which is always the expression of God through His spirit..... No human being enters this earth in a perfect state, impure desires or impure impulses still cling to every soul which should be changed in earthly life, so that the human being will move more and more in divine order, so that his soul will purify itself and the divine spark in the human being will be able to spread more and more, so that the light of eternity will thus be able to fill and spiritualise the soul... But only if this is the human being's will to reach perfection and he surrenders himself to God, asking Him to guide him to perfection. For all immature spiritual substances can also be stimulated by demons to unfold more and more, so that the soul's shell becomes ever more dense.... but then the human being's will has not been turned towards God, instead it longs downwards, it longs for that which it had actually already overcome.... His soul substances oppose divine order, they cause ever greater disorder and are therefore also easily influenced by the forces which want to prevent perfection, the return to God.... The divine spiritual spark cannot express itself in such people, it cannot assert itself because its subtle voice is drowned out and because the human being's will itself determines which forces can work in the human being. But then the time on earth passes with negative results, not only has the human being not achieved an upward change but the soul substances, which initially had already matured to a certain degree of maturity, have also lost this degree of maturity, they have fallen into a state which again requires a different process of maturing than the course on earth was.... These souls, if they don't experience the sad fate of a new banishment, have to endure unspeakable torments in the kingdom of the beyond in order to reach the former degree of maturity again and then slowly ascend, yet this is possible under far more difficult conditions than it was possible on earth. On earth every soul **can** reach perfection if it **wants to**, for it is given the strength by God. Without its will, however, it accepts strength from God's adversary, and he does not want its perfection but its downfall....

Amen

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Cross-bearing for the purpose of maturing the soul....

B.D. No. 7054

March 3rd 1958

It is truly better for you to live a sorrowful earthly life and then enter the kingdom of the beyond richly blessed than to be fulfilled on earth and arrive poor and miserable on the other side where the gates into the kingdom of light are closed to you. One day you will realize how short your earthly life is compared to eternity and you will have to realize how unwise it was to have forfeited the joys of the spiritual kingdom for the sake of this extremely short earthly lifetime, for it can take an infinitely long time until you have at least reached the stage in the beyond where you can be struck by a glimmer of light.... And likewise you will look back with gratitude on the difficult fate in earthly life which led you towards your perfection.... But that it should not be too difficult for you to bear is why the man Jesus died on the cross, in Whom **God** embodied Himself as eternal love, in order to atone for your guilt which would have irrevocably caused you **eternal** suffering.... And thus you can call upon Him in every adversity of body and soul, and He will truly help you to bear the cross under which you are in danger of collapsing. But always bear in mind that He has called upon you humans to follow Him

with the words: "Take up your cross and follow Me...." He certainly walked the way of the cross for you, He took your guilt of sin on His shoulders and thus carried it **for** you.... He bore the original sin of your former apostasy from God and died the most bitter death on the cross to redeem it. But you humans do not only walk your earthly path in order to atone, but in order to develop upwards.... You have to reach a certain maturity of free will, you have to transform yourselves again into your original being, and that also means working on yourselves.... a work which is most successfully done by working in love. And you often neglect this work on yourselves, on your soul, and therefore you do not progress in your development. Admittedly, you can be released from your original sin through Jesus Christ's act of salvation, and then you will also be **able** to develop upwards.... But if you default you will be reminded through all kinds of suffering and hardship that you walk on earth for the purpose of perfecting your soul.... Then a cross will be imposed on you to carry, and you must take it upon yourselves and follow the divine redeemer.... You must take the path of love and suffering in order to mature your souls.... You once became guilty, and this guilt was redeemed for you through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ. But with His help, which you will certainly experience, you must now also try to remedy your still deficient state.... You must do what the divine redeemer Himself taught you on earth: fulfil His commandments of love for God and your neighbour. You must serve in unselfish neighbourly love and thereby shape your nature into love again, as it was in the beginning. Without the redemption through Jesus Christ you would be too weak to live such a life of love as He Himself exemplified to you, but this weakness will fall from you if only you want Him to have died for you too. But now you also have to use His gift of grace.... the strengthened will.... by also living a life of love, because this alone will also change your nature, thus it will bring you spiritual ascent. Then you will shed your shells and your soul will be receptive to light. But often you have to get rid of these coverings in another way, you have to go through suffering, which is also a means of dissolution. And then you will have to carry 'a cross'. And you may not grumble and complain but devotedly carry this cross in view of the life of the soul, which lasts forever. For the maturity of your soul is your own work, even if all guilt is taken away from you, precisely through God's great act of mercy, Who knows about your weakness which arose through guilt.... He gives you your strength back again so that you yourselves can now take part in the transformation of your soul back to its former blissful, powerful and light-filled state. You yourselves must do the work, love and suffer, just as Jesus suffered for you out of immense love for you. But it is far better if only your body has to suffer than for the soul to enter an otherworldly kingdom where its fate is an agonizing state.... The sufferings of the body are to be called small compared to the torments of the soul, but you humans can also banish the sufferings of the body with firm faith in the strength of the name Jesus.... For then He will be willing to carry the cross for you, then your soul will already have matured to such an extent when this faith is inherent in it, for this strong faith has been eternalized through love.... And then the human being will also be released from his physical suffering, because the soul will no longer need such means, because it will have attained the maturity which secures its entrance into the kingdom of light. Then the cross will be taken from the human being's shoulder, then the divine redeemer's love will have come to the human being's aid and freed him from his burden....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Purification of the soul through love....

B.D. No. **7360**

May 10th 1959

It contributes a lot to your purification if you only keep reminding yourselves of the commandments of love for God and your neighbour and ask yourselves how far you comply with these commandments. For if you are honest with yourselves you will never be satisfied with yourselves and your way of life, because you could always be more eager in your activity of love and often miss an opportunity. But already the will to act right and already the fact to carry out this self-examination is an advantage for your soul, for every good will has a beneficial effect. And during such a serious examination you will also become aware of your weaknesses, which every person still has, even if his

will is good, until he is so eagerly active in love that he is now filled by the strength of love which also gives the will the right strengthening. Just never believe that you no longer need to purify your soul; never believe that you have already reached the degree which secures your entry into the kingdom of light. You must strive and work on yourselves as long as you live on earth, and you will only do well if you often devote yourselves to such inner reflections and try to fathom your faults and weaknesses. And your will will also be strengthened to constantly carry out the work on your soul, because such introspections already testify to your serious will to become perfect. Every omission of a good deed will come to your mind during self-examination, every failure or disregard of the divine commandments of love will come to your mind, and then you should only ever firmly resolve to improve yourselves and use every opportunity to make up for what you have neglected, and it will only result in a blessing for you that you will always fulfil the commandments of love for God and your neighbour more easily, because you will receive strength if your will is serious. The human being should once consider his duties towards his neighbour if he wants to fulfil this very commandment.... He should always remind himself that he should help his neighbour in every adversity and distress, be it of an earthly or spiritual nature.... And therefore he should not close his eyes to his neighbour's adversity, he should always remember how helpful help would be to him in the same adversity and how gratefully he would accept it. And he should always consider what his fellow human being is in need of, be it spiritually or physically.... For he should also try to remedy spiritual hardship where possible, because this is a work of love with a special effect on his fellow human being's soul. For this reason the human being cannot go into himself often enough and think about everything God requires of him through His commandments of love, for these are always the guideline for a correctly lived earthly change, he can always keep to these commandments if he wants to live his earthly life correctly and according to God's will, always as a blessing for himself and his fellow human beings.... For God requires nothing else of the human being than that he change into love, He only requires that he fulfils His commandments in order to grant him a blissful life in light and strength and freedom, which, however, is inconceivable **without** love.... And all perfection of the soul solely depends on the transformation (of selfish love) into unselfish love, which then also guarantees love for God and establishes the union with Him, on which all beatitude in the spiritual kingdom depends....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Life's fate is always good for maturing the soul....

B.D. No. 7420

October 2nd 1959

In all events you should see the wise guidance of your father in heaven and always know that nothing happens arbitrarily.... Everything in your life is arranged in such a way that it serves the soul for the best, provided your will is in accordance with divine will.... Then your soul has to mature, then it has to reach the aim it has been set for earthly life: spiritualization and union with God, as it was in the beginning. The plan of salvation is fixed for every soul, every person is guided such that he can only ever do what is right but does not necessarily have to do what is right, because he has free will which is to prove itself in earthly life. But nevertheless, the human being's fate is not a reason for him to fail spiritually, his will alone is to blame. For everything that is destined for the human being is suitable to lead the soul to highest maturity of soul with a correctly used will. And all events approach the human being in such a way that the soul can fully prove itself, that it can derive the greatest possible success from them. For the more difficult a person's earthly life often is, the more opportunities are offered to him to help the soul mature, whereas easier earthly lives can often make him lukewarm and lethargic and the soul will not derive any benefits for itself if it is not particularly eager, but then it will always mature in a short time. In the last days many people's lifespan is limited according to God's wise counsel but always for the benefit of the soul, which either threatens to fail or is too lethargic in its soul's work. But then life's fate is often unusually difficult and thus offers the soul double opportunities to mature. And a soul should never believe that it is made particularly difficult for it to mature spiritually. Physical life can certainly be more difficult for one person than for

another, but every soul will be able to mature spiritually if only it has the will to do so. Rather, every person should be grateful when he is touched hard by life, for his soul can grow stronger and soon become master of the world, master of earthly desire, which is far more difficult for it when the person can fulfil everything he wants on earth.... when he is richly endowed by fate and has little to fight for his earthly existence. One day you will experience the blessing of a difficult fate in life when you realize that you have become overcomers of earthly matter, that earthly life is no longer a shackle for you, when you have learned to desire other treasures than just earthly goods. Then a difficult fate of life will no longer oppress you, you will cope with it more easily, and you will have already reached the aim, as it were.... the mastery of matter, which is the soul's fetter as long as the human being desires it. And **the** human being learns to overcome matter far sooner whom earthly life burdens more heavily, but it is for the salvation of his soul, and the human being should be grateful for it but not grumble about his difficult fate in life which God's love and wisdom chose for him in order to help his soul achieve freedom....

Amen

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Solving the world

Overcoming of the matter.... Higher development of the soul....

B.D. No. 1903

May 1st 1941

The soul should develop to the height and must be able to detach itself from the world and its joys and sorrows at any time. Only then it has overcome matter. Because then the will upwards is stronger than the world, only then it can mature and receive spiritual wealth, so it no longer desires earthly things. The more difficult it is for it to climb up into the spiritual realm, the greater is its merit when it nevertheless covers the flight to the heights. For by overcoming the resistances she gains strength, provided she invokes divine assistance. The will of the person who decides to go up will truly be rewarded. And what the soul gives up, it receives back a thousandfold; what it gives up is earthly-fading, what it receives, however, is spiritual good, which has eternal value. And therefore man should desire this spiritual good from the innermost heart, only then it can be offered to him.....

The meaning and purpose of earth life is the higher development of the soul, and always this will have to mean a fight for the soul, because without fight there is no progress. Always something must be overcome to be able to register a success. Whose life now passes without a fight, his spiritual maturity is questioned, therefore his life would be lived uselessly. Therefore a completely carefree earth life will never be granted to man, because this would be a lack of divine love for him. But God has only one aim, to educate spiritually mature beings, and must therefore put them into a constant state of struggle, so that they have the opportunity to mature. But people do not recognize this as a proof of God's love, but mostly unwillingly accept the fate imposed on them. But fighting and suffering in surrender only brings them the reward of a higher development.... To accept everything as God's mission and to try to overcome it with the help of divine power puts the soul into that state of maturity which is the goal of earth life. Because only then he bows to the will of God, then he submits himself and his will to his creator, and then he recognizes the earthly pleasures as a danger which he had to overcome in order to come closer to God through it. For the demand for strength earns him the radiance of divine love and unites him more intimately with God. Therefore, man can only find union with God if he surrenders himself to Him without resistance, giving up everything for the sake of the one goal.... to reach God.... The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak, and as long as the soul considers the body and thus turns its will to it, the spirit is gagged, which wants to go up.... So the soul must fight against the flesh, it must not respect its desires, but give freedom to the spirit. The soul must willingly separate itself from the body in order to unite with the spirit, even if it costs struggle and seems little attractive. And this is the meaning and purpose of life, that man daily resists the desires of the body, so that he may become its conqueror and give the spirit within him the freedom to soar up into the spiritual regions, to receive spiritual goods there, and thus gather imperishable wealth for eternity.

Amen

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Vigilance against the enemy of souls....

B.D. No. 3804

June 18th 1946

You should be vigilant that you don't fall prey to the enemy of your souls, for he is constantly intent on leading you astray and pushing you away from the right path through all kinds of

deceptive means. He also comes in the guise of a leader and thus seeks to gain your trust; he promises to lead you safely to the goal, yet his goal is the world.... thus he promises you earthly advantages, help in earthly distress, he seeks to pave the way for you, yet all on one condition.... to leave your soul to him, thus to detach your senses and thoughts from God, from spiritual striving. And all his promises will demand deeds of unkindness; every person who wants to create earthly advantages for himself will not be able to do so if he wants to live in love. Thus he has to give up one or the other, he has to know that he will sell his soul if he wants to shape his earthly life into a life of well-being.... He must know that every attempt to do so is made at the instigation of the one who wants to corrupt the soul. And he must be vigilant.... he must take refuge in God that He may protect him from the enemy's influence, he must ask for the strengthening of his will for good and for the renunciation of earthly goods.... For what do you exchange if you also create for yourselves an earthly life in prosperity and comfort? Only an unbearable fate for the soul in the kingdom of the beyond. For if the time of adversity comes upon you it will also have its wise meaning and purpose as long as it is permitted by God Himself. But the enemy of your soul pulls the lever precisely in the time of need.... he tries to direct your thoughts and aspirations towards what you lack in earthly goods, he tries to increase your greed for them and capture your thoughts, and only the strength of your will protects you from this. For what he promises is only deception, it will only benefit you for the few days of your earthly life in order to then sink into nothingness and leave your souls in utmost poverty. Voluntarily renounce that which only makes the body happy but is of no use to the soul, live on earth in physical poverty and in return provide your souls with spiritual possessions which are everlasting and will follow you into eternity. Be vigilant against all temptations and remain in prayer. Ask for strength and grace and the strengthening of your will. And your desire will diminish, earthly goods will no longer seem so tempting to you, you will be able to resist all whisperings of the enemy and be able to accept spiritual possessions as compensation, which will make your souls a thousand times happier because they will bring you eternal life....

Amen

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Everlasting battle against the world....

B.D. No. 7344

April 23rd 1959

And if you crave for the pleasures of this world only remember that you will forfeit spiritual pleasures because you cannot possess both at the same time, the spiritual and the earthly kingdom, for My kingdom is not of this world. The pleasures offered to you by the earthly world will only ever satisfy the body but not the soul, which needs something different in order to attain beatitude, which cannot be fobbed off with earthly enjoyments but needs spiritual nourishment in order to become happy. And therefore always take care that your desire will not get out of hand and stifle the soul's desire; always take care that earthly pleasures will not stop you from spiritual striving, that they are, as it were, contrary to them.... that the person's spiritual striving diminishes to the same extent as he tries to provide for himself, that is, his body, physical pleasures. And always remember that 'My kingdom is not of this world....' Consequently, whatever you enjoy or deem desirable and which still belongs to this world will always signify a small obstacle on the path of ascent, into the spiritual kingdom. Not everything is denied to you by Me, it just should not include the danger of straying from the path to Me.... As long as this risk does not exist, you may also give to your body what it requires.... And it is up to you to establish whether and to what extent you will be prevented from your contact with Me, from your earnest striving for My kingdom and its righteousness. And if you then let an opportunity pass you by which might have been able to provide your soul with spiritual saturation merely in order to gratify your body then it will be an injustice to your soul, which is equally famished and in need of strengthening.

The spiritual aspirant will never shelve the spiritual kingdom or his soul, he will always place it in the forefront, he can't help but consider his soul first and will not pay too much attention to his body until he first has taken care of his soul. And whatever he then will give to the body is right before My eyes, for he first considered My kingdom and My will before he considered his earthly existence, and this is right and also in accordance with My will. For I placed you into this world because you can fully mature in it, and your soul will indeed mature fully if you always bear My will in mind and live on earth accordingly. And it will always be My will that you should lift your eyes up to Me, that you strive towards Me, that you look for the connection with Me, that you are therefore held captive by the **spiritual** realm and don't bury yourselves again into matter for the sake of the earthly world, which is your demise. And if you are attracted by great earthly temptations then be always careful that you do not forfeit the treasures of your soul.... that you voluntarily relinquish that which your soul had already taken possession of.... that you disregard its desire and leave it to suffer hardship for the sake of earthly possessions or earthly pleasures. The world is your enemy, try to become its master, you can certainly make it compliant but don't allow it to become your master to whom you subjugate yourselves and thereby suffer defeat instead of gaining victory. Remain constantly in contact with the kingdom which is not of this world and you will truly be victorious over the earthly world; it will serve you to reach perfection, because this is your only goal....

Amen

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Conscious soul work

The will of the human being is valued, not the deed....

B.D. No. 1382

April 12th 1940

The urge of the heart is decisive for people's actions, and every deed will therefore mark the person as to which attitude is inherent in him. However, it is important that the human being is able to carry out what he intends.... but often he is somehow prevented from doing so. Then his will always remains the standard of his attitude, not what he carries out, if the latter does not correspond to his will. Thus the human being can certainly compulsorily accomplish a good deed under some kind of influence which, however, cannot be credited to him because it was not born out of his inner feeling and because he would never have done it without this compulsion, just.... as, conversely, the will to do a good deed which cannot be carried out is credited as a good deed. And thus the Lord again judges in strictest justice, He recognises people's hearts, He knows every impulse, every thought, and nothing can remain hidden from His eye.... If you humans now devote yourselves to the belief that all good thoughts are valued as accomplished deeds, this will ennoble your thinking, you will always start to give account of your innermost feelings, of all words and thoughts.... look at every good deed with critical eyes and always ask yourselves whether it has completely corresponded to your thinking. And that is work on the soul, constant observation of oneself, constant striving for higher ground and an extremely strongly developed sense of truth - all.... this is conscious work on the soul. The human being must first educate himself to love by constantly striving to help his fellow human beings.... He must have a certain spiritual superiority over everything that could trick him into doing something that does not correspond.... Thus he must be prompted by his will to serve God to do every good deed, he must make it his business that will and action always coincide, that therefore the deed never deviates from the will but that will and deed always move in the same direction and that his inner being is constantly shaped until the will has become completely one with the divine will and the deed is valuable before God....

Amen

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Psychological work....

B.D. No. 3661

January 19th 1946

Scrutinize yourselves and recognise your weaknesses.... and then strive to overcome them. This is psychological work, that you try to shape yourselves into human beings who remain within My order, who live in accordance with My will and thus shape themselves to love. Because every weakness, every mistake, every bad habit has its source in unkindness and selfishness. Gentleness, peacefulness, humility, patience, mercy and justice are signs of love for other people; if you lack any of these signs you are not filled with love and need to actively work on yourselves. But in order to do so you have to recognise your weaknesses and faults yourselves and this requires honest analysis, serious reflection and correction of your relationship with Me and your fellow human beings. You have to acknowledge Me as Father and every man as brother because you are all children of one Father. And you children should love each other, then you will find My favour, because then I Myself will be able to stay with you, My children. However, every bad habit prevents Me from doing so and this is to your disadvantage because without Me, without My presence, you will remain weak and imperfect and will not be able to achieve your goal on earth.

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Your goal is to become perfect, to change yourselves into love and to change your nature into the original state that you once abandoned voluntarily. For you are only happy in your original state and as long as you are far-away from it your fate on earth as well as in the spiritual realm will be insufficiency, ignorance and weakness. I, however, want to lead you back to happiness and thus constantly caution you to aspire towards it; that you start the work of transforming your being; that by observing your inner self you learn to become aware of how little your thoughts and actions correspond to My will because you are still selfish. And therefore you have to make an effort to change this

imperfect state, practicing love wherever and whenever an opportunity presents itself. Because you can only become happy with love, you can only master your faults and bad habits with love.

And if you cannot feel this love within yourselves as yet then use your intellect to shape yourselves into righteously thinking people.... be gentle and peace-loving, humble and patient and try to bring help to your fellow human beings.... and the feeling of love will awaken in you, it will make you happy and encourage you to perform loving deeds. Then you will no longer be moved by your intellect but by your heart, then you will be on the right path. Therefore observe yourselves, meditate and seriously ask yourselves whether you think and act righteously, and your heart will answer you.... And I Myself will come to your aid, providing you genuinely ask yourselves this question, I will give you strength to carry out what you seriously want, and the work on your soul will advance successfully, you will find it satisfying yourselves, submit to My will and continue your ascent as soon as it is your will to become perfect....

Amen

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Soul work: transforming self-love into neighbourly love....

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Nothing can release you from doing soul work on yourselves if you want to acquire eternal life. The transformation of your being is a work of free will. It is the transformation from self-love to unselfish neighbourly love, for the latter alone is **divine love**, a love as it corresponds to the original being of God.... a love which works itself out as strength and which is the principle of divine order. But at the beginning of his embodiment the human being is filled with self-love as an inheritance from the one who is devoid of all love and to whom you owe your existence as a human being. For once you were divine beings filled with light and strength, you came forth from God's love and thus were also filled with love as His creations. But it was a pure, selfless, divine love which only ever sought to please, which pushed back towards the eternal love and stood in intimate union with it. But this love changed through the influence of the one who turned away from God in self-conceit and who also transferred his will and his attitude to you. And the turning away from God resulted in His love also encountering resistance, that you rejected it and thus it could no longer take effect on you, because all **resistance** nullifies the **effectiveness** of love. But the fact that God does not abandon His creations which emerged from His strength of love.... that He constantly seeks to regain their love and that He therefore found a way to enable their return to Him again is based on His infinite love. However, the return to Him can only take place when the being accepts His strength of love again, which means that it gives up its resistance, that it changes, that it reshapes itself into what it was in the beginning.... that the wrong love, ego love, thus changes into divine love again.... But this transformation of the being also requires conscious work on oneself.... At the beginning of his embodiment, the human being is always only concerned to care for himself and his physical well-being, and to strive.... He will always think more of himself than of his neighbour, he will first look after his body than perform works of love for his fellow human being, because he is still dominated by self-love as a result of his former apostasy from God. But if he now carries out conscious soul work, then he will also make an effort to displace all selfish love from himself and replace it with unselfish neighbourly love.... And that means a transformation of his nature, for gentleness, humility, peaceableness, justice, mercy and patience will

always have a beneficial effect on fellow human beings, but they also require a putting aside of the 'I' and physical desires, a fighting against weaknesses and faults.... thus ego love will slowly change into pure selfless love which always wants to make happy. You must irrevocably accomplish this work of the soul, and no-one can take this work from you, it is the purpose of your earthly life, it is the sure path of return to God and to eternal beatitude. And there is nothing that releases you from this conscious work on your soul, there are no other means which give you beatitude by circumventing this work on yourselves. You are all afflicted with faults and weaknesses because you have given up your former perfection by falling away from God, by rejecting His love.... But you can attain perfection again, you can become full of light and strength again, yet you first have to align yourselves with God's original nature again, otherwise the divine flow of love cannot flow through you. And this is also possible for you in the human stage if only you have the serious will to do so and therefore consciously work on yourselves. The strength also comes to you as soon as you ask God for it. And what you initially feel to be difficult work will always become easier for you, because then you yourselves will feel an unknown happiness which only pure, divine, self-surrendering love can provide. But as long as the human being still puts his own well-being first, this inner feeling of happiness is also alien to him, even if his body creates well-being for itself.... But it is about the **soul**.... For **this** is your **actual** self, which should take the path back to God if it wants to expect an eternal life in bliss and be received by God as His child into the father's house again....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Man's conscious work of improving his soul....

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Nothing should prevent you from carrying out the work of improving your soul, for this alone determines your fate in eternity. And no-one can relieve you of this work; no-one can do it for you. And therefore every day your soul hasn't made any progress is lost, even if you just carry out a single deed of love.... it helps your soul to mature. Every day that has only satisfied your selfish love, that has only benefited your **body**, is a lost day, for as soon as the **soul** had to starve the day was lived in vain. And yet you could easily progress, for you are offered many opportunities where you can prove yourselves, where you can carry out this said psychological work.... opportunities, where you have to defeat yourselves, where you have to fight against longings or all kinds of bad habits, where you can please with kind deeds, friendly words or helpful acts, which always result in spiritual advantages for your soul....

Time and again opportunities will arise when you can enter into heartfelt communication with your God and Father in order to derive a blessing for your soul.... And time and again you can listen to the Word of God or read it and thereby provide your soul with very special help by providing it with nourishment which enables it to mature. And no matter how lucrative your days will be for you in regards to earthly profit, a **good deed**, no matter how small, is deemed far more valuable, for it results in profit for the **soul** which it can never lose again. But it cannot keep what the body receives; they are just borrowed goods which can be taken away again at any time. And therefore you can also cause daily damage to your soul if you burden it with sin.... if you lead a bad way of life and add many additional sins to the existing original sin, which only your **soul** will be answerable for one day, because **it** is immortal. Hence you should not spend your days thoughtlessly, you should thoroughly consider what you are doing, and you should try to take more care of your soul than of your body, for the **soul** is your **real Self** which has to travel the path across earth in order to mature **fully**, in order to attain perfection, which **it** can only achieve on earth. But this also necessitates your will with which you consciously have to fight against weaknesses and all kinds of faults....

Consequently, if the human being wants to become perfect he will also have to request the strength to live in accordance with God's will, that is, to accomplish deeds of love.... which then will surely be granted to him. He has to live life consciously, always aiming to perfect his still imperfect nature, and

make every effort to do so. Then he will be impelled from within to act with love.... he can't help himself but do kind deeds, and thus he will also be able to progress spiritually every day.... And then he will not let himself be held back by worldly enticements either.... For once he is serious about accomplishing his goal of achieving perfection he will always put his work of improving his soul first, and then he will also always receive help from the spiritual beings guarding his earthly life.... who time and again try to influence his thoughts such that he thinks, speaks and acts in accordance with God's will.... For the only purpose of earthly life is the maturing of his soul which, however, is rarely recognised, and therefore the soul's fate is often an unfortunate one, albeit due to its own fault, for the human being is time and again informed why he lives on earth.... if he doesn't want to believe it, his soul will have to pay for it one day by taking the darkness across into the kingdom of the beyond, with which it had come to earth as a human being....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's word - Food for the soul

Soul Food.... God's care for earthly needs....

B.D. No. 3637

December 26th 1945

The food of the soul shall be desired first, and to it shall be the desire of the heart.... and every earthly worry will become obsolete.... This is My condition which I set in order to be able to take care of you, in order to provide you with everything you need for the preservation of earthly life. I will gladly take care of you, yet you must also fulfil My will, you must make the salvation of your souls your first concern, for the sake of which I gave you earthly life. And your souls can only mature if you feed and water them, if you don't let them starve during your earthly life. The soul must receive spiritual nourishment because it is spiritual, and this nourishment is constantly offered to it through My Word. Therefore, if you accept My Word in order to nourish your souls it will be able to perfect itself; it will receive strength which will enable it to mature. And therefore you must first desire spiritual nourishment, you must long for My Word and hungrily accept it within yourselves, and you will fulfil the condition I set and can look forward to every day without worry.... I cover all your needs in helpfulness which is also clearly recognisable to you. My concern is only for your soul, yet you must tackle the work on it. I cannot shape your soul into perfection but your free will must accomplish this. The maturing of the soul is the goal and purpose of your earthly existence, and I will always help you to reach the goal. And thus, if you seriously strive to become perfect, you can only use all care for your spiritual well-being, and I will relieve you of earthly worries, I will give you everything you need. For I rejoice over My children if they accept the nourishment from heaven offered to them in their desire for Me, if they open their hearts hungering and thirsting in order to let themselves be satisfied by Me. And I now provide for them abundantly, spiritually and earthly.... He who hungers shall be fed, he who thirsts shall be watered, I will sustain the body until it departs from earth, until it has fulfilled its purpose of enabling the soul to mature. Therefore, don't worry and be anxious but leave all earthly worries to Me, your Father of eternity, Who will not let you go hungry if only you desire My Word in your desire for Me, which is always offered to you if you hunger and thirst for it....

Amen

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Food and drink for the soul.... Bread of heaven....

B.D. No. 4581

March 8th 1949

The bread of heaven is offered to you which cannot be handed to you more deliciously, for My love Itself has prepared it for you and distributes it to you as it is digestible for you, as you are receptive for the food which shall serve as nourishment for your soul. The fact that you need nourishment to help you mature is something I have to present to you time and again so that you don't neglect to take it in; yet the form in which I administer it to you depends on how you utilise the spiritual nourishment, for whatever you receive you must not let lie idle but use it for your ascent development. You cannot accomplish any work if you lack strength, and thus you must also be strengthened in order to carry out the most important work, the transformation of your soul. And I want to give you this strengthening by offering you the bread of heaven. Your body demands food and drink every day, and you will not deny it what it needs for sustenance. Your soul indeed also admonishes you about it, yet it only quietly and modestly makes the request so that you usually ignore it and neglect the soul in order to provide for the body all the more abundantly. And thus I Myself

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come to its aid, I want to give it food and drink but need your consent that you turn to the soul, that you therefore also use the gift which comes from above according to its purpose. Then it will constantly receive nourishment and experience strengthening which will do it unspeakable good, through which it will mature and reach the goal set for it during its earthly life. What I offer you from above cannot be replaced by earthly food, just as no food of the body can nourish the soul, for the soul is something spiritual and also requires spiritual substances as nourishment which cannot be supplied to it through earthly food. I Myself must feed it and it can always be My guest, I will never give it meagrely. But I cannot give it anything if the human being desires nothing, if he does not pay attention to a delicious gift from above. And therefore the human being's will is required to accept the nourishment for his soul from My hand. The spiritual nourishment, the bread of heaven, has to be requested, and if the desire for it exists My gift will also be used correctly. I certainly call everyone to My table in order to give him food and drink, yet I demand hunger and thirst so that My gift of love will be received with desire and gratitude and draw strength from the soul so that it can develop spiritually and change into a being which resembles Me, so that I can unite Myself with it and it will be eternally blissful....

Amen

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Good Physician of Souls.... Healing Remedies....

B.D. No. 5601

February 13th 1953

Salvation is truly brought to you humans through the proclamation of My Word. Your souls are sick and shall heal, and only a good doctor can give them the right remedy which brings them healing, only a good doctor recognises their illness and knows what you are lacking. And only a good doctor will be able to free you from illness and suffering, for a good doctor has love within himself and does not want the human being to suffer if he can bring him salvation. But your souls are sick and urgently need help.... You live a life which harms the soul, and you must first recognise the disadvantage your earthly life brings to the soul.... you must be taught because you are completely without knowledge.... If My Word is proclaimed to you, the physician of your soul speaks to you Himself and gives you the guidelines to lead the soul to recovery.... But you must now also listen to it, you must obey what I advise you, you must remember your soul which is in misery as long as you don't do what I demand.... as long as you do not obey My Word. As your souls' physician I will always meet you where My Word is proclaimed, and you can truly be convinced that I will not prescribe anything wrong to you, you can safely expect your soul's recovery if you comply with My Word, for it contains the healing power, it supplies the soul with what it lacks, it strengthens and revives it and it awakens to new life, for the previous state was only a vegetation without light and strength. Let the physician of your souls advise and help you, for only love motivates Me to bring you help, and My Word shall prove My love to you, so that you trustingly hand yourselves over to My care, so that you follow Me and thus approach a life which will never end again, even if your bodily life has ended.... Make sure that your soul does not enter the spiritual kingdom sick, for then recovery will be considerably more difficult, for you can only find the right remedy in the proclamation of My Word, which is always within your reach on earth, whereas in the kingdom of the beyond it first requires great loving help until you recognise it as salvation for your soul.... and then you have to request it in order to be able to receive it. On earth your soul's physician constantly meets you and offers you His remedy.... Don't pass it by, let yourselves be healed and strengthened, strengthen your soul with My Word and you will recover and be released from all adversity....

Amen

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Lebensborn.... Right Soul Food....

B.D. No. 6741

January 19th 1957

You humans can draw from many springs, but if you long for a water of life, if you want to offer your soul a truly strengthening and invigorating drink, then you must direct your steps to the spring which God Himself has opened up for you. You must refresh yourselves where the water of **life** flows forth.... where God Himself conveys His Word to earth. It does not always have to be My Word spoken directly to you which finds access to people in an 'unusual-seeming' way. You can hear it wherever My Word is proclaimed if you yourselves go there **hungry and thirsty and** heartily desire to find nourishment for your soul. And then you will **also** be addressed by **Me Myself**, thus you draw from the right source. Pure, clear water of life is always offered to you if you come to the source of life yourselves, if you intimately unite with Me before.... This **bond** is therefore the prerequisite for the right drink of life to be offered to you. But how often do people switch Me off, how often do people receive spiritual knowledge purely intellectually, they listen to sermons and only listen to the words, they think about them as if they were earthly thoughts, they also want to make a profit from the words, they want to increase their knowledge.... but to offer nourishment to the soul they do not think of.... And if spiritual knowledge is offered to them elsewhere they will accept it in the same way, they will, as it were, drink from any water which is accessible to them without checking from which source it flows. But this examination can only be carried out in connection with Me, and therefore no human being, no matter how highly developed his intellect may be, can attain complete clarity as long as he is in contact with Me. can receive complete clarity as long as he has not established heartfelt contact with Me, for as long as he does so the right source of life is hidden from him, and he only ever satisfies himself with weak nourishment, and his soul languishes and cannot mature on earth. But every person can be certain that I will speak to him Myself if he **desires to** be addressed by **Me....** Every person can be convinced that after heartfelt prayer to Me he will always receive the food and drink his soul needs. And if he accepts My Word after all where it has already been contaminated by human will, then his ear will certainly hear every word but his heart will only be impressed by the truth, only that will enter his heart again which originates from the original source of truth, for I Myself Am now standing at the place where the human being wants to be fed, and I Myself will provide him with the right food and the right drink, because this is now possible due to the intimate bond with Me.... And where the intimate bond has also been established by the preacher himself beforehand I Myself can speak through those preachers, and pure, clear water of life will flow to all those who draw from the source, whose souls want to be nourished and whose hearts will now also be touched by My Word. The bond with Me is necessary, for I Myself Am the source and the origin of all life. The human being must be serious about only accepting the right, unadulterated spiritual knowledge, his soul must feel hunger and thirst and desire the right nourishment, then he can also be certain to receive it, for then he will also turn to Me Myself, he will not merely desire 'knowledge' but seek to attain the knowledge **beneficial to his soul, which he** can only ever find with Me Myself and therefore he must also unite with Me. But then he will also always receive the same which I convey to earth where I can directly address a person. For all these draw from the same source as soon as they unite with Me, and their souls will always be nourished and strengthened, because the nourishment they are allowed to draw from My source of life is so delicious and is available to all people who come to Me and desire My water of life....

Amen

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According to desire you will receive.... For even if spiritual nourishment is supplied to you without desire it will not serve you as nourishment as long as you don't feel hunger and thirst for it. You must therefore 'desire' to be fed and watered yourselves, then you will also receive the right nourishment and your soul will be strengthened and progress in its development. Now the body makes its need known, it announces itself when it needs nourishment for its maintenance. The soul, however, often cannot assert itself because it only expresses itself quietly and its voice is then not respected. It is still pushed back by the body, which first claims for itself what the soul, however, also needs. But the soul cannot be satisfied with purely earthly food and earthly drink.... It needs other nourishment, and this has to be provided by the human being's will by leading the soul to the lord's table where it can receive unlimited nourishment. The human being's will is always ready to provide for the body, but it is far more necessary to provide for the soul, for it will outlive the body when its hour has come. Then neither food nor drink, nor all medicine.... will help the body. The soul, however, remains and is now in a state corresponding to its care during its existence on earth. You humans should always bear this in mind and, out of this consideration, spur on your will to meet the soul's needs, to provide it with food and drink and the right medicine for its state, and the soul's fate in eternity will thereby be assured, it will not need to live in want in the kingdom of the beyond but will have its full life. Thus the human being must consciously provide the soul with food and drink, he must impart the word of God to it which is the soul's proper nourishment and ensures its eternal life. The human being himself must want to receive the word of God so that the soul will be satiated and strengthened on its pilgrimage across earth. Then the soul will also draw strength from the nourishment offered to it, which it cannot receive in any other way than through God's word. And as soon as only the human being himself desires to hear God's voice, his desire will also be fulfilled.... God Himself speaks to the human being in many ways.... He intervenes in the human being's thoughts, He comes to him in the form of a book, He speaks through the mouth of a servant, or He Himself speaks to His child when it goes directly to the father and wants to hear His voice.... The soul's desire is always granted, no soul remains without invigoration which seeks to satisfy its hunger and comes to the lord's table.... which, however, always has to be prompted by the human being's **will**, which therefore has to happen **consciously**, otherwise even the most delicious food, the direct word from above.... offered by God Himself.... would have no effect on the soul. For what is not desired would be a gift of grace without desire but which does not exert any compulsion and therefore remains ineffective. This is why people can often receive this gift of grace without recognizing it as such. Then the words, which God's love guides to earth, remain entirely without impression, which will touch and delight a **desiring** soul in the deepest way. But if the effect of the divine word on all people were the same.... irrespective of their desire or indifference.... then it would have a **compelling** effect on the soul, and every soul would have to ascend but the will would have become unfree, whereas the soul nevertheless has to decide in freedom of will to accept or reject.... The soul needs strong nourishment if it wants to mature and progress, and it is also offered to it at all times, but only the inner desire is decisive as to what strength the soul draws from the nourishment.... which is why the human being must also know about his soul's needs and about the responsibility if he denies it the nourishment it requires, if he does not pay attention to its needs and the soul is weak and wretched when death approaches the human being and it has to leave his body. The soul itself has been indifferent in its desire, otherwise it could have pushed the human being from within; and the soul itself must now also bear the consequences of its indifference, for it remains.... It is the actual I of the human being, which cannot pass away. This is why the human being is instructed again and again but not forced either, for the soul must freely decide in earthly life, and it must now also bear the consequences of a wrong decision in the kingdom of the beyond....

Amen

Power for the soul

Power supply only felt by the soul....

B.D. No. 3162

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The soul perceives every influx of spiritual strength even though the body does not feel it. And therefore the human being himself cannot judge his degree of maturity, because only the spiritual in him matures, the body, however, does not experience any change and thus does not show any spiritual progress. And therefore the human being as such still often has to fight against purely physical desires and weaknesses, whereas the soul has already freed itself from them. But then it is controlled by the body and thus bound to it again, which the soul does not like. The soul certainly constantly accepts strength and will also quickly become the body's overcomer, it will present to it what danger its desire is, and mostly it will also succeed because the spiritual strength becomes effective as soon as the soul gets into trouble. But no human being can mature without temptation, for his strength shall grow through resistance, and resistance for the soul is every temptation it shall pass.... The body still demands for itself what is part of the world until the soul completely dominates the body, i.e. makes it inclined towards its striving. Then it can finally consider matter overcome, because the spirit in it is now stronger, and it determines the soul and the body and is willingly listened to. But the influx of strength must take place in a way which only touches the soul because otherwise the body's will of resistance would immediately be broken in a certain coercion, after all, it would then be an unconscious striving for reward but not a striving out of itself for perfection, which would then move the human being to suppress earthly cravings and bodily pleasures. Therefore the influx of strength only affects the soul, inexorably driving it to activity in love, to renounce earthly pleasures and to constantly work on itself, without the body being affected by it in its actions and desires. But since the soul needs it to carry out the actions which the spirit in itself instructs it to do, it slowly loses the connection with the world and its pleasures, for it will always carry out what the soul asks of it, even if at first with hesitation and with senses still directed towards the world. But the strength of the spirit is stronger and the body's resistance is broken, as soon as the soul completely surrenders to the spirit within itself, then it also determines the body to join its desire and striving, and every danger of a worldly flattening is over. The smaller the battles man has to fight against the temptations of the world, the higher is his state of maturity. If he succumbs in the battle with the world, this is a standstill in his development until he has risen again, until through renunciation he again enables the soul to receive the supply of strength which excludes failure. The temptations of the world are nevertheless necessary and also beneficial, for the human being should test his strength against them, and every struggle against them, every victory, is progress upwards. The soul should remain in constant struggle for perfection, it should not slacken in prayer for support from spiritual friends, it should always remember that its thinking and striving also reduces or increases the influx of strength, depending on whether it is turned towards the world or the spiritual kingdom. The body, however, has been given to her so that she may overcome it, for her strength only grows through temptation if she is sincerely willing to become perfect....

Amen

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The bliss of receiving is not so unusually perceptible to the human being physically as long as earthly life still makes its demands on him and he therefore cannot completely switch off the physical senses. Then the soul lives a separate life, so to speak, which only comes into its own when the body is not occupied. Then it feels the happiness of the connection with God, then it is also receptive to the extent that the intellect also grasps what the spirit imparts to the soul. Then the soul will also glow with love and feel the need to be active, because then the strength of love will flow through it. Nevertheless, the soul does not remain untouched by the effect of spiritual gifts even if it does not consciously feel the delightful sensation; it absorbs a knowledge which remains with it and suddenly emerges when it needs this knowledge. It is, so to speak, constantly fed, and the spiritual nourishment promotes its growth, its maturing and thus its upward development. For every transmission is a supply of strength which is received with full will, even if not always with the same ability of understanding. The soul cannot always separate itself from its earthly surroundings, from a sphere which is little suitable for a purely spiritual life, yet if it establishes contact with God in the will to receive truth and to serve God, the gift of grace will flow to it, and a divine gift will always have its effect as soon as it is not opposed. Yet the human being should seriously strive to detach himself from earth as much as possible, he should try to increase his faith to such an extent that he will be completely unimpressed by the demands of the world, trusting that God will arrange everything as it should be, and he should devote himself all the more intensively to spiritual work, then he will also soon feel the purely physical pleasing sensation, because the strength from God has to refresh him as soon as the body surrenders to its effect. The person's way of life certainly contributes to the extent to which the body is involved or uninvolved in receiving the gifts from above. The living out of the divine Word carries the blessing in itself, the lived Word of God makes the body and soul quiet, calm and peaceful, and then every spiritual gift in the feeling of spiritual communion with God must also trigger a feeling of happiness, for restlessness, worldly worries, the lack of inner peace burden the body so that it cannot participate in receiving the spiritual gifts, that therefore only the soul receives and this is not or only slightly noticeable physically. Yet the human being is not spared these trials, for he should try to pass them himself, he should eagerly fight against being dependent on the body; time and again he should try to separate himself from all earthly thoughts, he should take refuge with the heavenly Father, present his adversity to Him and listen entirely to His voice, for only He is able to banish earthly adversity Who also allows it in order to win His children's hearts. The earthly task God sets for the human being is never unfulfillable as soon as the human being asks for God's help. Then every previously seemingly inextricable knot will be easy to untie, the human being will succeed in every task, he will master life because he first pays attention to his spiritual task.... he establishes the connection with God.... God has assured people of earthly help and His promises will be fulfilled, yet he has to work on his own initiative to shape his soul, and he does this as soon as he often withdraws into himself and communes with the Father in heaven, as soon as he requests spiritual nourishment from Him and allows himself to be taught in humble devotion to Him. And the strength from God will never emanate ineffectively but always benefit the soul, however, it will only be felt when the body completely surrenders itself to Him and disregards the earth, when it strives together with the soul to unite with the spirit within itself and thus strives to fulfil its actual task on earth.... to overcome matter and to assimilate itself to the eternal Deity, Which instructs it through the inner Word so that the attainment of the goal will be easy for it and it will become perfect....

Amen

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The strength for the soul's development is love.... Where love is present in the heart the soul will also turn to spiritual things, it will lead an inner life and not only pay attention to the world, although the human being lives in the midst of the world and has to meet its requirements because the task he is given demands it. Nevertheless, the human being can shape his inner life spiritually, it does not need to be affected by the world's gears. His inner life can be led completely separately and therefore also a soul can mature whose body cannot separate itself from the world, indeed, its merit will be far greater, for the temptations are also greater which want to hold such a soul back from spiritual striving. Yet love is its strength.... A person who is willing to love unfolds within himself what unites him with God, and then God's love draws him upwards, for love is the bond which is unbreakable and intimately ties the soul to God. A soul that is able to love will not get lost, for through love it detaches itself from God's adversary, whose emblem is unkindness and who loses all power over a loving soul. Love is the good, the soft in the human being, which drives him to always act, think and speak well and to help his fellow human being in every adversity. Love will therefore ennoble the human being, it will turn all bad instincts into the opposite, it will shape the human being into the divine image as which he was created in the beginning, because love let him come into being and only good can emerge from love. Such a being created by God's love could only be changed by unkindness, and this was the work of God's adversary who, however, did not have a determining effect on the being but only tempted it.... And the being succumbed to the temptation of its own free will.... The love in it grew cold and thereby it fell into the abyss.... it became imperfect and had to accept all the consequences of imperfection. And thus it also became powerless, because love is the only strength which enables the being to create and work. The being is in a struggling state as long as it is without love.... As soon as love fills its being again, it is also filled with strength and succeeds in everything it wants.... And thus it will also reach the former height again, the state of light and strength and in proximity to God, if only it develops love within itself, because then it will not lack strength, because then it will unite with God again, Who is love and the eternal source of strength Himself, from Whom a perfect being is now constantly fed. Only love makes the being happy, for only love leads to God....

Amen

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The strength of the Word... Daily work of improving the soul....

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February 5th 1960

You should draw the strength you are lacking from My Word. Consider that I speak to you Myself after all, and that this is truly an act of grace which can never be ineffective. Consider that I Myself illuminate you with My love and that you, therefore, should feel it as a flow of strength which is a truly great blessing for your soul. And you will feel physically strengthened, too, if you sincerely unite yourselves with Me.... And new blessings will flow to you time and again because I see your weakness, your spiritual and earthly failure during times of psychological hardship.... But you need not fear failure if only you always keep to My Word: 'Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavily laden.... I will give you rest....' You will always find the help you require with Me. You only need to turn to Me with complete trust and time and again hear or read the Words through which I always address My children as a Father. Through these Words you will receive strength and your desperate situation will always resolve itself, you will be able to wait with perfect certainty until your help arrives. My Word contains the strength which will subsequently flow into you if you allow Me to speak to you, however, you must also be convinced of the fact that you are being addressed by Me. You should not read the letter of the Word but be wholeheartedly involved in it and listen to Me, and

you will feel the effect of My Word within and on yourselves, as is to be expected, because everything coming forth from Me is strength and must also have the effect of strength. If, however, you still believe yourselves to remain unaffected then it is only due to the fact that you did not establish your bond with Me closely enough, and then you should only remember that My love is intended for you and you will feel this love in My Word and your soul will be strengthened....

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The strength of the Word.... Daily work of improving the soul....

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February 5th 1960

Every day offers you the opportunity to mature psychologically, for you can make contact with Me every day through loving actions and heartfelt prayer, and every time you contact Me it enables My strength to flow over to you, which will always affect your soul beneficially.... And if you only make it possible once a day to receive a flow of strength then you can also assuredly expect your maturity to increase and your soul will have won, the day will not have been lived in vain.... And you always have the opportunity, both for loving activity as well as for a heartfelt dialogue with Me, and therefore your process of maturing need not come to a standstill, you can confidently and cheerfully continue on your path through life, for gaining a plus for your soul means a great deal in view of the near end, which precisely requires the increased work of improving the soul. And although you won't physically perceive it, it concerns predominantly your soul, and this need not be left empty-handed, even if you did not greatly benefit in an earthly way from the day. However, you will also receive earthly strength if you earnestly appeal for it to your Father in heaven, for He is aware of all your problems and will gladly resolve them too....

After all, you are My children, I take care of all your worries and difficulties, but I also expect your will to be aimed at attaining full spiritual maturity.... Every prayer leads to spiritual blessings, for yourselves as well as for the loved-ones you pray for. Therefore you will also at all times be able to carry out your psychological task, just as you will always be able to pray, by merely uniting yourselves closely with Me and mentally stammering words.... I hear and understand them and I gladly grant requests which a child sends to Me with confidence in My help. And thus no day need be lost for you, since you can always benefit spiritually, providing, of course, that you are of good will and want to belong to Me, because I Am addressing My children with these words who have already established the relationship of a child with its Father and are no longer apart from Me. The others, however, can let many a day pass by without seriously considering their soul, and they are in great spiritual distress. You may also pray on their behalf and it will be a blessing for them as well as for you, for all people shall find their path to Me, because beatitude can only be found in and with Me, because unification with Me is the first and final goal which all of you should reach. Always remember that I love you, that you are My children and I only long to be in constant contact with you which, however, must be established by yourselves. And if you confer your love to Me you confer your will to Me too, and then your thoughts will always be directed towards Me, and you will assuredly help your soul attain maturity, you will not live on earth in vain, because then every day will bring you closer to Me until you are united with Me forever....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Spiritual connection with God

Supplication to the beings of light in spiritual distress....

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October 31th 1944

Souls in spiritual distress are surrounded by good and bad forces and therefore need not despair in their soul's distress, but neither should they be indifferent lest the bad forces gain control over them. The struggle of the spiritual forces for the soul does not diminish, and as soon as the human being himself favours the bad forces due to weakness of will, but the soul strives towards the light according to its nature, it now gets into hardship which, however, is a warning and admonition of the good forces at the same time. For this adversity should cause it to turn to the good forces for help, which it would never do if the soul were spared the adversity. For the beings of light can only assist the soul when they are called upon.... This divine law cannot be overturned. The light beings' love is so great that they are always willing to help and would help any soul in need. But the strength of the beings of light is also so strong that it can overpower every dark power, thus render it harmless, thus there could never be a distressed earthly child if God had not given this law that the help of the beings of light depends on the human being's appeal. But the human being only sends such a plea upwards if he feels the soul's distress perceptibly. And since the transmission of strength from the spiritual kingdom to the human being is necessary for his soul to mature, the soul has to get into this distress as soon as it is in danger of falling prey to evil forces due to its weakness of will. Hence the battle between light and darkness, which is waged for his soul, must also have a noticeable effect on the human being in order to make him take action, i.e. to stimulate him to appeal for strength, otherwise the soul would never be able to progress in its development. Distress of the soul is therefore inevitable as long as the human being does not receive God's strength through extraordinary loving activity. A person who is constantly active in love will only rarely experience spiritual hardship because the beings of light can constantly influence him and are no longer bound by divine law, for the loving person has broken down every barrier so that the strength from God can constantly be conveyed to him. And that is why a person in spiritual adversity should make an effort to give love, thereby he nullifies the influence of the evil beings, and in combination with prayer for strength and help he will very soon resolve the soul's adversity, for the forces of light have now become victors again and can now give abundantly to the soul. Loving activity and prayer remedy every weakness.... the human being becomes the conqueror of the forces which want to harm him, he strives of his own free will towards the light and flees from darkness.... his will has been strengthened by temptation as soon as he has resisted it. And every victory is a step upwards; the sincerely striving human being will emerge victorious from every temptation, yet he, too, will be harassed by dark forces as soon as he allows moments of weakness of will to arise in him. Yet he can always be certain of the support of the beings of light who hear his plea for strength and are always ready to help him....

Amen

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Desire of a mature soul for God....

B.D. No. 6216

March 20th 1955

The soul longs to return to God as soon as it has become light within itself and has recognised its exit.... Then it pushes towards its exit again, for love is within it which seeks to merge with eternal love. And then its stay on earth will only be a burden and only the body will still cling to the

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earth because it still contains unredeemed spiritual substances which need the form to mature, because the matter the body is made of is not yet spiritually mature, thus the earth is still the element where this spiritual substance resides. But the soul is different if it has recognised the right purpose in earthly life and lives in accordance with this purpose.... if it has thus attained spiritual maturity through its way of life.... This soul feels that everything only means a shackle for it which makes its ascent into the kingdom of light impossible. Therefore it would like to be released from this fetter and take its path to where light and strength flow to it.... It longs for the original source of light and strength. And thus a soul will willingly and without struggle detach itself from its physical shell, it will still give it the opportunity until the end to purify the spiritual substances so that these, too, can approach their spiritualisation more quickly.... even though the path of development of these substances still requires a longer stay in matter, but it can be significantly shortened as soon as the body allowed itself to be guided and determined in earthly life by the soul whose desire was directed towards God. And a longing soul's desire is satisfied.... God calls it to Himself into His kingdom where it now recognises that it has returned home to its Father's house.... This is why a person's departure from this earth only ever signifies bliss if he strived for God's kingdom on earth, if his soul turned towards God and returned to earth, if it belonged to those who believed in God's love, which embodied itself in the man Jesus to help people return to the Father's house.... She fulfilled her life's purpose, she passed the test of will.... Its will turned completely towards God, Who now fulfilled its longing and called it back into His kingdom, to Him from Whom it once originated. And you humans should rejoice in the certainty that this soul has reached its goal and only ever strive to go the same way.... All your thoughts and aspirations should only be directed towards achieving the same unification with your Father of eternity, for the hour of departure from this world lies ahead of you all, and the more your soul longs for this hour the sooner it will be called away, because the Father will satisfy His child's longing if it applies to **Him**. But anyone who loves the world does not yet long for God and if he is nevertheless called away from this earth, then the body, which does not want to lose its life, will resist and a fierce battle will precede the departure.... A purified soul, however, also helps the body, which was given to it to mature, to purify itself until the end, and many spiritual substances can join the soul when it escapes its shell in order to enter the kingdom where it is now free from every bondage and will live in bliss....

Amen

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Blessing of mental bonding with God for the soul....

B.D. No. 6771

February 26th 1957

Spiritual progress is only ever achieved when My strength of love can pour into the human being, for this means increased activity of love and thus also perfection of the human being. And My strength of love can only radiate through the human being again when his heart turns to Me in love, which is already testified to by a heartfelt prayer to Me. Then he consciously opens himself to My influx and then I return his love. This is why the blessing is immeasurable which is triggered by the frequent mental bond with Me.... A person who repeatedly turns his thoughts to Me, who often enters into silence and has a silent dialogue with Me.... A person whose soul often rises into spiritual spheres will always be showered with gifts of love, strength and light will flow to him even if he has no earthly evidence of it.... The soul is constantly nourished, and although unusual activity is **not** recognisable in the earthly body it is nevertheless filled with light and strength, and at the hour of death it need only leave its physical shell in order to then be admitted into the kingdom of light for undreamt-of activity, because it is able to do so due to its spiritual wealth which its earthly change has brought it. For a person who remains in constant contact with Me mentally and through prayer will also constantly work with love on earth, because this is the natural effect of the flow of love which he constantly receives from Me. And thus its soul must also shape itself into that perfection which was

once its own.... It feels its belonging to Me, there is no longer any separation, for its will is fully My own, and thus its return is accomplished, and it can return to its home full of light and strength and be inexpressibly blissful.... Only the close bond with Me is necessary, which has to be established by the human being of his own accord without any coercion.... Then the influx of strength of love from Me is already assured, and then the person's soul can never sink, for it will be held by Me and prompted to everlasting activity of love, because strength from Me can never remain inactive, thus it has to work according to My will. And every person should know that My strength of love is available to him without measure, that he only needs to request it in prayer and through mental contact with Me also establishes the contact which enables the transfer of My strength of love..... It is truly not difficult to reach the state of perfection again, and the path is so clearly shown to you humans, yet you have to take it yourselves, you may not be forced but do in all freedom what helps you to become blissfully happy: You must take note of your earthly task and seek to fulfil it.... You must listen to My Word and live accordingly.... And you can be sure that My love will help you as soon as I recognise your earnest will to attain beatitude and to be reunited with Me as it was in the beginning.... For My love for you has remained unchanged and will not change in eternity, it will do everything in order to also shape you into beings full of love and strength again, it will shine upon you time and again until you, too, desire My love and now open yourselves to Me in the will to become and remain Mine for all eternity....

Amen

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Every soul must find Jesus Christ....

B.D. No. 6797

April 3rd 1957

Every soul thanks you, which was led through you to Jesus Christ as its redeemer from sin and death.... For He alone can open the gate to life for it, He alone can lead it into the kingdom of light to eternal beatitude. But as long as it has not yet found Him it wanders around unhappily when it has arrived in the kingdom of the beyond, its thoughts become confused, its surroundings are devoid of light and its own state is agonizing because it sorely misses the vitality it now lacks but feels the agony of its lack of strength and its state. For this reason it is the greatest work of love and mercy you can accomplish on a person while he is still on earth if you acquaint him with Jesus Christ, if you make it clear to him that he may not pass Him by if he does not want to endanger himself and meet an unhappy fate after the death of his body. All people you come into contact with know Him, yet their attitude towards Him leaves much to be desired, they know Him but do not evaluate this knowledge, they have certainly heard of Him as redeemer of the world but His act of salvation is not a true concept for them. They know about His death on the cross but only consider it in a purely earthly way and are hardly aware of its spiritual significance.... They also do not have the inner bond with Him and therefore do not take the path to the cross, they do not feel like sinners and therefore do not ask for forgiveness of their sins either.... They do not recognize the eternal deity Himself in Jesus Christ and therefore do not call upon Him in full faith either. And therefore they remain burdened by guilt and enter the beyond with this guilt, without light and without strength, for they have not yet attained the life which can only be given to them by Jesus Christ. And then their earthly life was also an idle one and did not bring them any success, it did not bring them closer to God, Who walked across earth in the man Jesus.... These souls will be unhappy when they arrive in the kingdom of the beyond, and they will not be blissfully happy until they have taken the path to Him on the other side. But even in the kingdom of the beyond they are often unteachable when it comes to the problem of Christ, and it requires a lot of love and perseverance on the part of those who want to help them, be they beings of light or people on earth who want to help the souls. But anyone who lovingly takes care of such a soul will also succeed in imparting so much light and strength to it that it will strengthen its will and that it will listen without resistance when it is informed about Jesus Christ, and that it will now no longer

resist calling upon Him for love and mercy either.... It **has to** find Him in the kingdom of the beyond, and Jesus Christ can also be found.... He comes to meet every soul, but only if it has given up its hard resistance, if it looks around helplessly and begs for salvation, if it is aware of its weakness and now listens attentively to what is conveyed to it by beings willing to help or by people on earth.... Then Jesus Christ Himself will force Himself into its thinking and truly make it easy for the soul to believe in Him.... But the **first step** has to be taken by the soul itself, and in order for it to take this first step it has to be helped by people on earth or by beings of light in the spiritual kingdom through loving intercession or through everlasting instructions. It must find its way to Jesus Christ.... otherwise there is no beatitude for it.... But it is extremely grateful to those who helped it to salvation. And precisely the great hardship awaiting such a soul in the beyond, which has not yet found Him, should prompt you humans to repeatedly mention His mission on earth, so that fellow human beings will still find Him on earth and not pass over into the spiritual kingdom without light.... so that Jesus Christ Himself will now come to meet them and open the gates to paradise.... that they will only be relieved of their great burden of sin for the time being, but only Jesus Christ Himself can take it away from them and therefore He has to be recognized and acknowledged as God and redeemer of the world....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Utilisation of the short life time....

B.D. No. 7435

October 23rd 1959

You don't need much time for your souls to mature, you can develop your soul within a short period of time in a way that its certain fate is to enter the realm of light when it removes its earthly body.... But you must sincerely want your soul to mature and apply for God for help in order to achieve it since you are unable to do so by yourself. Your own will is too weak and you constantly return to the love for the world, you cannot overcome your love of self and are time and again pushed off the path which you want to walk for your salvation. However, if you turn to God for help He will guide your thoughts to Jesus Christ, the Divine Redeemer, because you receive your strength of will from Him. Although you are calling on the same God but in doing so you acknowledge the act of Salvation and thus the Divine Redeemer, Who has to be acknowledged if you want to share the graces of the act of Salvation. To call on Him guarantees strengthening of will even if you have to fight against the temptations of the world behind which God's enemy is hiding, who repeatedly tries to cause your fall. But you receive strength and each time again find the firm will to reach perfection on this earth, and then you can be certain to reach your goal.

The intensity and depth of feeling of your bond with Jesus Christ is the key to how much time you need for your souls to become fully mature. And this depth of feeling in turn depends on the degree of love you have for God and your fellow human beings. Love is everything. Love establishes the union with God in Jesus Christ, love fortifies the will, and love gives strength to accomplish the psychological task on oneself which, as a result, guarantees complete maturity of soul. But you should not make the big mistake to believe that you still have a lot of time for this psychological task, you should never delay your aspirations until later because you don't know how long your reprieve lasts, how long you live on this earth.... You don't know when your last day arrives and should live as if you are called back tomorrow and have to give account to your God and Creator. You do not have a long time to live even if you are granted the time until the end.

But you even have to thank God should He not allow you to experience the end if, due to your own negligence, your maturity of soul is still imperfect.... You have to thank God if you are called away before and still get the mercy to mature in the beyond, that you won't fall victim to God's opponent and his intrigue.... There is not much time left and thus you should utilise it to the best of your ability and you can mature fully within a very short time if you are of good will....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The true peace of the soul.... Not of the World....

B.D. No. 4761

October 19th 1949

The world cannot give you true peace, for in it there is only struggle and strife. But where there is peace on earth, there the world is no longer considered, there the connection with the spiritual kingdom is established, there I can give you, as I have promised you.... the true peace of the soul.... But as long as you stay on earth you will have to fight for this peace against yourselves, because you are still children of the world and don't ask your Father in heaven to grant you true peace.... Only by completely renouncing the world with its pleasures will true peace enter your heart, for then you will find Me and no longer desire anything else, then your heart will have become still in love for Me. Then I am its goal, its desire, its hope and its life.... Then the heart has found what it desired and nothing in the world now offers it a substitute.... My adversary has lost power over the one who has found his soul's peace in Me, and whether he now also wants to influence him again and again through the world.... the peace I gave it, the soul will no longer surrender for worthless goods or pleasures of the world. Therefore, first fight a battle against yourselves so that you may attain peace, so that I may give you victory, so that a true and real peace may be granted to you which will make you blissfully happy, because it is My gift, My promise, which is fulfilled in those who love Me and keep My commandments....

Amen

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Dress of light.... eager soul work and unexpected end....

B.D. No. 7283

February 15th 1959

Again and again you will also be told that you should not neglect your soul's work because you don't have much time left. Again and again you are admonished to still use every day for your soul's salvation, for none of you knows the day and hour of your departure, and none of you still has very much time to wait for, because the end comes as a surprise to all of you, but many of you don't know whether you will still experience the end or whether you will already be called away from earth beforehand. You don't take such words seriously, which proves that you don't believe in them.... And yet you should reckon with the fact that every earthly life can only be short, which is proven to you every day by what happens around you. One day you will bitterly regret every day you left unused in order to create an advantage for your soul in the spiritual kingdom, for they are useless days since you don't do any work for your soul, since you don't make an effort to do good works which alone will follow you into eternity. It is truly of utmost urgency that you write these words into your heart that you should work while it is still day, because night will irrevocably fall upon you when you can no longer work.... And you could still perform so many works of love that you could truly acquire a degree of maturity for your soul which would ensure your entry into supreme bliss. You could acquire riches for your soul with which you can then work in the spiritual kingdom.... you could truly create a garment of light for yourselves and then need not fear the entrance into the kingdom of the beyond; but you don't do it because you don't believe that your earthly way of life will one day have an effect after your physical death. And therefore you are told again and again that you should not neglect to help your soul gain a garment of light which you can only create on earth through diligent soul work, through a life according to God's will, through fulfilling God's commandments of love, through

constantly fighting and combating the weaknesses and cravings which drag your soul down and do not allow it to ascend into higher spheres once it becomes free from the bondage of the body. Then it can still be bound to matter by its desire for it, and then it will not find a blissful abode in the beyond but will still have to suffer for a long time from the desire for earthly-material goods, it will not be able to rise from those spheres in which it dwelled during its earthly life, and its state will be pitiful and unhappy. And you could prevent this, you could ascend into bright heights after your death if you took the admonitions and warnings to heart, if you respected yourselves and wanted to do everything in order to discard faults and weaknesses and to dissolve the dross by which the soul is and will remain enveloped if you humans lack the firm will to carry out soul work. You only need to live in love.... and everything else will then take care of itself, for as soon as selfish love has been overcome and changed into unselfish neighbourly love, all weaknesses and cravings will also fall away, and the soul will become louder and clear, because the rays of love can break through and the soul is now assured of a garment of light, so that it then truly need not fear death, even if it suddenly and unexpectedly approaches it and its earthly life is prematurely ended. For as soon as the human being carries out the work on his soul he has also recognized the meaning and purpose of earthly life, and his soul has reached a degree of love which now enables it to enter the kingdom of light when the hour of departure from this earth has come....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Admonition regarding the end....

B.D. No. 7364

May 16th 1959

In view of the near end you will be admonished time and again to remember your actual task, which concerns your soul's full maturing and not only the fulfilment of your bodily needs. You should always be aware of the fact that every day might be the last one for you, that the next day you might no longer be able to use earthly goods and that you will only keep that which the soul had acquired in earthly life. And how deprived will you then feel if you have no spiritual possessions to show for, how poor you will be despite your great earthly wealth and reputation.... None of it will follow you into eternity; spiritual goods, however, cannot be taken from you, they are your possessions and will make you exceedingly happy when you enter the spiritual realm. And all of you can count on having only a short lifetime left, regardless of how old you are. Thank God for it if the grace of a long life on earth was granted to you already, but also bear in mind that you could die any day, for no-one knows the day and the hour of his passing away from this earth. However, in view of the end many people will lose their life **prematurely**, and this will always be God's will, Who tries to save what can still be saved.... Not everyone will be able to survive the events which will yet happen on earth before the end, and besides, it can also still be an extraordinary blessing if the human being is allowed to leave the earth sooner in order to still find an opportunity in the spiritual realm for the maturing of his soul, because he is negligent in his psychological task. Were you able to foresee, you would truly not accomplish your earthly work so keenly, you would.... if you are of good will, focus on the work of improving your souls, for you would recognise that all earthly efforts and worries are useless in view of what lies ahead of you. But your way of life may not be enforced upon you, you must choose the right path voluntarily, you must accept the admonitions and warning presented to you by God through His Word and comply with them, and it will only be a blessing for you. And anyone with open eyes and ears can see for himself what is happening in the world and how chaotic everything is, which irrevocably must lead to a catastrophic end.

And if he listens to God's Word, if he listens to His servants' message, it should be easy for him to lead an appropriate way of life.... if he merely believes that he is close to the end and believes the information God conveys to him through his messengers.... Not much time is left but it would be sufficient for your soul to still attain the necessary maturity, providing you seriously tackle this work.... of being good, of making an effort to treat your fellow human beings with love, of accomplishing selfless works of neighbourly love, of looking towards God and of opening your heart

and ears for Him when He speaks to you.... You should only want to do what is right and appeal to God for strength and grace.... And truly, He will look after you and grant you an abundance of strength and grace, for He will leave no-one alone and without help who turns to Him for help and **wants** to live a right way of life according to God's will. He will be seized by God's love and guided such that everything approaching him will contribute towards attaining maturity of soul. But he must seriously reflect on his actual purpose of existence and not hesitate, for there is not much time left for any of you.... He should listen to what God's messengers reveal to him and arrange his life accordingly.... And he will surely do the right thing, for the time you were granted for the maturing of your souls is approaching its end....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Serious reminder to work on the soul....

B.D. No. 5550

December 7th 1952

Without hesitation you should tackle your soul's work, for you don't have much time left. When I call these words to you again and again, then see the urgency in it, see My love for you and see the danger you are in. I cannot give you obvious signs, signs which you have **to** believe, because this would not benefit you but would only be a compulsive compliance with My will for fear of what you now believe.... that the end will come and with it the downfall. I want to save you, i.e. protect you from this downfall, and therefore I cannot interfere with your free will, I can only persuade you and make you aware of what will irrevocably come but need not be feared by you if you are in a more mature state. You humans on this earth, remember the responsibility you bear for your souls, for the imperishable within you. One day you will bitterly regret it if you don't listen to Me and My Words, for then you will no longer be able to make up for what you can still do now. And you will have to suffer greatly if you lack spiritual riches, if you arrive in the beyond naked and poor.... And no matter how short your time is on this earth, no matter whether you are called away before the end.... every day could bring you treasures if only you wanted to use it properly. Why don't you tackle your soul's work, enter into intimate contact with Me, appeal for My grace, ask Me for strength to be able to carry out what I have given you as your earthly task; hand yourselves over to Me, i.e., completely submit your will to Mine, want to walk rightly before My eyes.... From now on live life with Me so that you no longer leave Me out of your thoughts, so that you constantly think of Me around you, and My love will take hold of you and also help you where you are too weak on your own.... only want Me Myself to take care of you.... want you to fulfil your earthly task, and I will guide and lead you, I will no longer leave you alone, and your will will become ever stronger to enter Mine, and then every danger will be over for you, then you need not fear the end or a quick death.... And then your soul will be saved and it will go towards a new life in the spiritual kingdom....

Amen

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