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Gift of grace before the end.... Jesus Christ....

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will pour out an abundance of grace in the last days before the end, for people are in need of it; they require much support in order to still be able to cover the last stretch of their earthly path successfully. And many people will even have to be guided onto the right path first and they, too, will require help for this, for they are still on the path into the abyss and have to be called back and guided correctly. Every means used by Me before the end is a means of grace, for people themselves do nothing to prevent it, they travel their earthly path indifferently and therefore don't deserve any help, since they still rather resist than accept help. Yet I love all My living creations and don't want even one of them to go astray.... I don't want them to languish in a wretched state for an infinitely long time again.... And this is why I will temper justice with mercy.... I will leave no stone unturned to save them before the end. And I also know what will help every individual person; I know what is suitable to guide him onto the right path. And this is what I will use without, however, compelling the human being's will, for he has to make a free decision. But it will be made easy for him, for the means of grace will be brought to him so visibly that he will also be able to recognise them as such.

Time and again the human being's attention is pointed to the spiritual kingdom.... Time and again he is approached by death in some form or other, he experiences it in his surroundings by having to let go of people who are very dear to him, and he hears of various kinds of death. He will always be reminded of his own fleeting nature and can then reflect on thoughts about what comes after death.... His thoughts will be directed towards the spiritual kingdom, since they often also follow the deceased and thus give rise to such questions as: Where are they now? Have they completely ceased to be? Or is there a prospect of meeting again?.... And then time and again spirit guides, to whose protection people are entrusted, will intervene by trying to influence them and giving them an explanation.... They make it possible for such people to receive knowledge of My Word, which is directly transmitted to earth, or they let them come across books which will offer them clarification, they do everything to direct their thoughts to the kingdom which is their true home and which they will enter when they pass away from this world.... And the departed, too, exert an influence from the beyond by constantly entering their thoughts which, to a certain extent, will establish a connection from the spiritual to the physical world. My measure of grace is inexhaustible and everyone would be able to take advantage of it, if only they were willing to do so.

That is why I let My Word be heard, for whoever hears and accepts it will truly make use of the greatest gift of grace which certainly will also bring him the right result, which will help his soul to mature and let him reach his goal while he is still on earth, so that he will find Me and enter into union with Me, which then will also assure his perfection.... For it is important that the human being establishes his bond with Me before his soul leaves the body, before the hour of departure from this earth has come.... As soon as he has recognised and acknowledged Me he will not get lost, for then he will take the path to the cross, to the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, he will recognise Me in Him and thus will also have taken the path to Me. And then he will have been saved from the adversary for

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good, for Jesus Christ will deliver him from his bondage; Jesus has taken his guilt upon Himself and opened for him the path to the Father.... Jesus and I are one.... To realise this is the guarantee of return for the once fallen spirits to Me, and for that reason I will always provide people with the information through My Word, that is why My Word is the greatest and most effective gift of grace which I can still offer humanity before the end, and blessed is he who accepts it, for he will truly not go astray anymore.... There is not much time left, and the battle for the souls is fiercely waged on part of the darkness.... But I, too, Am fighting for you, My living creations, and I will help you, so that you, who will settle this battle, will make the right decision, so that you will take the path to Jesus Christ, in Whom I became a human being Myself in order to redeem you.... Make use of this immensely merciful act of Redemption through Jesus Christ and, truly, you will be victorious and delivered from the one who wants to destroy you....

Amen

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Grace of God's address....

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can certainly convey My word to you humans but I cannot force you to accept it, for your will is I free.... But always bear in mind that even My adversary cannot force you to oppose Me and My word.... Hence you yourselves decide, and therefore you will also have to answer for it one day if you ignore My gifts of grace, if you pass them by unimpressed and thus your earthly life is an idle activity which has not brought your soul the slightest success. It is the great grace which is still given to you in the last days that you can hear Me Myself, that you can receive strength directly from Me which comes to you in the form of My word.... And you should make use of this grace, you should listen to Me and then let your heart speak, and you will truly also become aware of the strength which flows to you from My love. Especially you humans who are not yet in contact with Me should not close yourselves off to My word, you should unprejudicedly move My word within yourselves and you will feel addressed as if by a good friend, you will be beneficially touched as long as you don't openly resist My word. And I also want to speak to you like a good friend, like a father Who only ever wants the best and wants to make His children happy.... I only want you to give up your inner resistance against Me, then every word of Mine will touch you like a loving address which will move you in your heart and which you cannot oppose.... Just listen to Me willingly and truly, you will not regret it, for My word conveys strength and light to you, and your soul will feel at ease when it is supplied with strength and light.... Therefore, again and again I will try to make My word accessible to you humans, because only My word is still able to change you if you have not yet taken the path to Me.... My word can be the good Shepherd's call to you, Who follows His sheep who have lost their way and are going astray.... My call can still reach them, even if they have strayed far from their Shepherd.... And they can follow Him and return in free will. For I must respect your free will and may not compulsorily influence you. But I can address you at any time, for you always determine yourselves whether My address reaches your heart.... You always determine yourselves whether you hear your father's call in it and turn to Him, because you feel His love in every word which touches you. And when you are struck by My ray of love, then don't close your hearts.... open them and let the light shine into you, and truly, you will thank Me eternally that My love followed you even when you still turned away from Me.... For you will now come to life, My strength of love will awaken you from death to life, and you will now no longer lose this life, for My word will now sound to you forever and ever, and forever and ever you will desire to be addressed by Me, and forever and ever I will fulfil your desire....

Amen

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Thank you father for your word

God's word greatest gift of grace....

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Treat grace is bestowed upon you through the transmission of My word.... You are in contact with I the spiritual kingdom, you no longer only live in this world but you can enter the actual home at any time and draw strength from there for all hardship and suffering of earthly times. And you can entrust them to Me through faithful prayer and ask Me to carry them for you, for through My word you have knowledge of My greater than great love, omnipotence and wisdom and, if you believe, know that you are always safe in My protection. I impart the knowledge of this to you through My word, and if it is offered to you directly from heaven it also makes it easier for you to believe it, for what I announce to you comes true, and thus you can let go of all doubt, if you are still of little faith you can only live out My word and thus put it to the test, and you will recognize that My word is truth, that it is My word which is offered to you from above. You receive a gift of grace which is incomprehensible to you, a gift which you cannot appreciate enough, for it constantly puts you in a position to be able to distribute light and strength yourselves and thus to carry out a great work of neighbourly love and thereby to have a redeeming effect on earth and to mature exceedingly quickly in your soul yourselves. My love gives you every possibility of a rapid ascent, yet you must also contribute everything yourselves so that the gift of grace can take effect on you, for this solely depends on your free will whether and to what extent you use My gift of grace. You must be aware of the fact that it is a gift from Me which you do not deserve in your state of maturity but which My love bestows upon you in order to make you more worthy so that you can approach Me. And therefore you first have to obey My word, you have to believe it, that your state of maturity will increase if you do what I demand of you through My word. Then you will also recognize the truth of My word by its effect and gratefully accept My gift of grace as an extraordinary gift. Appreciate it, don't become lukewarm and indolent but let the transmission of My word be a constant miracle for you which fills you with gratitude and love towards the giver; know that you can have an exceedingly great advantage if you don't carelessly pass it by. Be aware of your unworthiness and make an effort to become worthy of My love and grace by fulfilling My will, which I reveal to you through My word. Appreciate the gift of grace by letting it affect you again and again, immerse yourselves in My word, accept it with a hungry heart and let yourselves be refreshed, for your soul needs strengthening and refreshment so that it can still mature on earth. And thus I give you the nourishment of the soul, spiritual bread and living water, I constantly feed and water you through My word which is offered to you from above because I love you and want to make you blissfully happy....

Amen

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God is the Word.... God's presence.... Different conveyance of the Word....

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And thus I Am in the midst of you in the Word as I have promised. I won't leave you on your own and you shall also feel My presence, and so I draw near to you in the Word, for I Myself Am the Word and anyone who has My Word can also speak of My presence and feel protected near to Me. I Myself Am a Spirit Which is not bound to any material form but is strength and light to the highest degree and Which, due to Its will and Its thinking ability, has to be addressed as a Being, Which takes effect with love and wisdom and therefore emanates love and wisdom into eternity. And My love expresses the strength and the light in a form which you humans can become aware of, as you are not

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yet mature enough in order to receive strength and light in its fundamental substance.... And this expression is My Word, which I convey to you so that you shall gain maturity.... A Spirit which is light and strength in itself can in fact only be present in the form of light and strength, and thus My Word, the emanation of Myself, has to incorporate light and strength within itself, and this characterises My closeness. And therefore I gave you the promise that I will stay with you until the end of the world.... by the fact that My spirit is always with you who want to receive light and strength.... by the fact that My directly emanated Word is constantly conveyed to you in order to make My presence known to you. I Am with you.... and even if I don't visibly dwell among you, you nevertheless have the evidence of My presence in your hands if you recognise Me in the Word. For I Myself Am the Word.... and you will constantly receive it as soon as you desire Me and My being close to you.

Thus anyone who recognises Me in the Word will also be profoundly happy that I Am close to him, and all doubt, all fear and all worry will leave him because he knows that the One is beside him Who will helpfully support him in every adversity of body and soul. Consequently, My will grants strength and grace, for anyone desiring My Word will open the door to his heart through which I can enter in order to take abode in it. And I will never ever leave him again once his will applies to Me and he has recognised Me in the Word.

For the Word is the medium through which I express Myself, through which the most perfect Spirit of eternity reveals Himself to the imperfect beings in order to lead them to perfection.... I Am close to you.... So why do you who have My Word, who receive it directly or through the mouth of the recipient, still hesitate and worry.... I Am with all of you, because your desire for My Word demonstrates your love for Me.... And remember that only the flow of My Word to you gives you the certain proof that I Myself Am with you. Anyone who does not desire to hear Me does not desire My presence, his heart does not strive towards Me, for it would long for the expression of My love, for proof of My presence. Admittedly, the desire for My Word can certainly vary.... the human being can want to be comforted and strengthened through spiritual consolation, he can want to enrich his knowledge of spiritual spheres, he can also think of Me with gratitude and therefore want to express it by desiring My presence, he can want to remain with Me in intimate dialogue and accept My Word in his thoughts.... yet he must always be spiritually minded, then I will also let Myself be found and his call will draw Me to himself, and I will reveal Myself through My Word, since otherwise the human being would be unable to endure My presence. And likewise My Word will be conveyed to him in different ways.... through the direct working of the spirit within him so that he will be able to hear My Word himself.... through receiving it from a direct recipient who proclaims My Word on My instructions, or by way of mental transmission of knowledge from the spiritual kingdom.... through reading the Word I convey to earth.... through spiritual conversations with fellow human beings.... I will always look after a heart which desires Me, I will always be with those who want to hear Me, for I Myself Am the Word, and thus I Myself dwell amongst people if they listen to My Word with the sincere will to let Me speak to them. Then I will offer them the bread of heaven, My flesh and My blood.... And if they thus eat and drink Me Myself they have to be most intimately united with Me.... if they accept My Word in profound faith that I Am the Word Itself they will accept Me in their hearts and I will constantly please them with My presence.... For I gave you the promise that I will stay with you until the end of the world, and every Word of My promise will come true, because My Word is and will remain the truth for all eternity....

Amen

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God's word gift of grace.... unbelief in connection with God....

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The gift of grace of a direct connection with Me is of such inestimable value that people cannot be grateful enough to hear words of love from Me which otherwise could never touch their ear. For this not only applies to the direct recipient of My word but also to fellow human beings who take

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notice of it through him, even though it first requires people's will to hear Me speak, otherwise My word will touch the individual like a word spoken by people. You can all come into possession of a gift of grace if only you have the will to do so.... if you want your heavenly father to draw close to you and make you happy with His word. But very few carry this pious desire in their heart. Countless people walk this earth to whom the thought is alien to connect with their father and creator in order to hear His voice.... and the few who certainly have the desire to hear Me do not believe that this is possible.... And thus there are only a few whose faith allows for a connection with Me, because this faith came alive through love and only a living faith allows for an audible utterance on My part. It is now up to these few to enlighten people about their relationship with their creator and about His willingness to make Himself known to His living creations. But they will only find faith again where love is active, where the spirit is awakened through unselfish activity of love, so that what is said to him about the living connection with Me appears credible to the human being. And then the desire to hear Me speak also arises in him. Whether he hears Me directly or My word is conveyed to him through My servants is the same in its effect, for he will recognize and feel the word conveyed to him as being spoken by Me and accept it with the same love as if he were honoured by a direct address from Me. Just as his desire for Me is, so is the fulfilment of his desire.... His heart's emanation of love also determines the degree of bliss when receiving My word, but which is felt more by the soul than by the body. I thereby enable you humans to take notice of My will and to fulfil it, since I also give you the strength at the same time as My word. There is the possibility of approaching Me to the highest degree if My will is fulfilled. And therefore I make sure that you know about My will and convey it to you through My word. For all who don't believe in a living connection with directly imparted word I send My messengers to bring My word to them from outside, to proclaim the gospel to them which expresses My will as a teaching of love. Yet the word received from outside only comes alive when it penetrates the human being's inner being and is enlivened there by the spiritual spark.... when the spirit from Me can therefore be active in the human being so that the word coming from outside is also recognizable to him as My word. Then it will exert its effect, it will guide the human being's will in the right direction, it will give birth to a living faith through love, the human being will establish the living connection with Me and become able to hear My voice in his heart himself. But then he will already be very close to Me that only his earthly life will still stand between us as a separator.... Then he will depart from this earth as My child and be lovingly received in the spiritual kingdom by the father from Whom he once originated and found his way back again in order to never again separate from Him for eternity....

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God's word – proof of his love

The word of God proof of His love....

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othing can prove My love for you more than My word. And therefore you cannot do anything more reprehensible than reject My word, because you thereby also reject My love. You humans do not yet understand what the latter means, yet your lack of strength, your spiritual low, is proof that you cannot ascend in your development without My love, without My word. Where My word is received through listening or reading or directly from Me, people will also draw strength from it, for I Myself speak to them and transfer My strength to the recipient, and this expresses itself in an increasing desire for Me and My presence, it expresses itself in spiritual striving, in loving activity, in turning away from the world, furthermore, it expresses itself in increasing realization, thus in correct, truthful thinking and knowledge about the beginning and destiny and thus in a way of life according to My will. All this is brought about by My strength, which you receive with My word.... Thus the transmission of My word is also evidence of My love which wants to make you happy in every way and help you reach perfection. For through My word the striving upwards shall become easy for you, through My word you shall gain an insight into My rule and activity and come closer to Me willingly and through activity in love. And since you yourselves, due to your imperfection as a human being, are unworthy to be addressed by Me but I nevertheless do so, you have proof of My love for you again, for with My word I give you a gift of grace of inestimable value and undeserved. Yet your will is too weak to desire My word and therefore I communicate with you in the word without being asked, yet it can only become effective for you if you accept it of your own free will, that is, you will only feel the strength of the word if your will is ready to receive it. And thus My word can also remain completely unsuccessful with people who certainly hear it but don't make use of it, for whom it is just an empty sound because they don't receive it into their heart but only hear it with their physical ears. They feel no effect of strength and therefore cannot recognize My love from it either, because they themselves have a hardened heart which is incapable of love. They don't know Me and don't desire Me, for their love still applies to the world and matter and they disregard what comes to them from the spiritual kingdom. But then it is never due to My word that they go empty-handed but due to themselves, because My gift of grace has to be accepted with desire and gratitude in order to be effective and to testify to My love for people....

Amen

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God's infinite love.... gifts of grace....

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Every gift presupposes love.... the will to give pleasure, to prove one's love to the other and thereby also make him inclined towards oneself. For I only speak of an unselfish gift which does not seek to achieve earthly advantages, which is a 'gift' in the truest sense of the word.... And such a gift to you humans is also My word which is based on My profound love for you, which signifies a precious gift for you because you can thereby achieve greatest spiritual blessings and because you also learn to love Me Myself when I address you and you then also return My love to Me. You are certainly still at a great distance from Me but I am unable to remain completely silent towards you because My love for you is stronger than that your voluntary former turning away from Me could have extinguished it.... And this love always seeks contact with you again, and it is intent on making you happy, on giving itself to you in order to regain your love.... This is why I address you.... a gift of grace of greatest

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value I impart to you in order to provide you with everything you lack: with light and strength for your upward development, for your perfection.... No human being is denied this gift, yet whether everyone respects it is questionable, and therefore My word will not touch every person's heart in order to only then be recognized as the most delicious gift it is.... Yet because My love never ceases it also pursues those who turn away from Me, and therefore 'words of God' will also occasionally sound in their ears, I will also address them again and again in order to once achieve that a word finds its way to the heart, that they then turn to Me after all and desire to be addressed further. If I didn't have this infinite love for My living creations they would certainly still walk endless times on dark paths in weakness and unhappiness.... But not all are able to resist My loving address, just as a beautiful gift can gladden a person's heart and change it so that it leans towards the giver and gratefully accepts his gift.... Only it has to be offered with love.... And I am truly only moved by My love to address people again and again and to convey My word from above to them.... because I also know what people on earth lack and what aim they should still reach. And I will never withdraw My love from My living creations, yet only when they also reciprocate My love, when they accept My gift of grace and convey it to their destiny, then I will have won them for ever.... And thus the conveyance of My word must not appear unusual to you, for My love for you, My living creations, is nothing unusual, it is merely My fundamental nature which will never change. Thus I cannot but act in love.... And even apparent cruelties are based on My love if you humans close yourselves off to My blissful love and yet I only want you to open yourselves. Then My love will use other means which you, however, will not recognize as the 'working of love by a God'. Yet they are all gifts which I offer you because they are intended to promote your happiness for once and because you, as beings which voluntarily fell away from Me, do not deserve them, thus they are 'gifts of grace' in the sense of the word. But He Who continues to shower you with gifts of grace is your father and also wants to be recognized as a father by His children. My love will not cease for My created beings, and this love of Mine will not rest until they have transformed themselves into children in order to then prepare glories for them which no human eye has ever seen and no human ear has ever heard.... Then My love will shine through them again as it once did, yet their bliss will be far greater because they will now be close to Me and see Me face to face....

Amen

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God's endless love can be recognized by every human being....

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You shall only become aware of My infinite love for you, and then you will also ignite the spark of love within yourselves which will become a flame and strike Me again. And that is all I want of love within yourselves which will become a flame and strike Me again. And that is all I want to achieve, that love will ignite in you which will then unite us eternally again, just as unkindness once separated you from Me. And the fact that I love you could become evident to you again and again if you were to look at everything around you and also your whole earthly life in thoughts of Me, Who directs your destiny, Who created everything that delights your eyes and your senses.... as far as it is not My adversary's means to chain you to the earthly-material world. But you can see My love for you everywhere if only you look around you with open eyes. If My love did not keep you then you would be surrounded by unimaginable chaos, for your earthly life would already lack all order, since I must rule by natural law even over those whose will is completely turned away from Me. They would have supremacy and destroy everything that is still meant to serve their fellow human beings for upward development. My love, however, puts a stop to them and prevents them by natural law from encroaching, which would be extremely harmful to all of you. But you humans often don't recognize My rule and activity when it is openly evident, because you take everything for granted and accept comforts as a matter of course. And yet, it is love which applies to you, My living creations, whom I want to make My children and who therefore shall return My love to Me so that I can unite with them as it was in the beginning. My love for you has not yet diminished and will also not cease eternally.... Yet you will not feel it as long as you are without love yourselves and do not open yourselves to My

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illumination of love. But once you become aware of My great love for you, then the ice around your heart will melt and then My illumination of love will have taken effect.... You begin to reciprocate My love, you ignite the flame of love within yourselves and the now flaring fire seeks to unite with the fire of love from eternity. You humans should only pay attention to how often a merciful fate saves you from **unusual** sorrow and suffering, you should pay more attention to everything beautiful and happy in your life and gratefully remember Him Who allows you to experience it.... You should pay attention to every smallest event in your life which reveals a wise guidance of your heavenly father, and you should know that nothing happens without My will or My permission, that I constantly remember you and let everything happen to you out of My love as it is beneficial for you.... You should know that only My love ever speaks out of all events which affect you.... And if you are now fully aware of My love then the hot feeling of love for Me will also ignite in you, then you will want to make contact with Me, you will enter the circuit of love and allow yourselves to be illuminated with the blissful feeling of resting on the father's heart and being well sheltered in His love. And then I will also be able to have a direct effect on you, and My love will give you further evidence which you will only be able to experience in heartfelt union with Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

And the Word was made flesh.... '

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And the Word was made flesh and lived among us....' I Myself, the eternal Word, came to earth and became flesh.... It was an act of overwhelming love and mercy that had moved Me to make contact with the human beings who had distanced themselves from Me to a point that they were no longer able to hear My voice, that they could no longer hear My Word within themselves, and who did not have a relationship with the Word of eternity any more.... They had caused this vast distance from Me themselves, and they would never have been able to bridge this distance on their own, they would never have been able to hear My Word again such as it was in the beginning when I could communicate with all My living creations through the Word.... For this reason My love has bridged the vast distance Itself.... I Myself came to earth and became flesh and then tried to get in touch with My living creations in order to speak to them again and to build a bridge for them which would lead them back to Me into the kingdom of light and bliss....

I Am the eternal Word Myself but I could not have spoken directly to any human being **from above** without placing those who once had originated from Me as **free** living creations into a state of compulsion. They had to cross the bridge to Me voluntarily and I could only achieve that by means of My Word which, however, should not sound extraordinary but like the spoken word between human beings. And for this reason I became flesh.... I took abode in the human cover of Jesus and spoke to people through Him.... But it was **My** Word which now was spoken to them, and through this Word I was able to show people the way. I was able to instruct them and tell them My will, I was able to reveal the Gospel to them, the divine teaching of love, which should once again change their souls to a state which would enable every person to hear My Word within himself if this was his sincere will.... But first humanity had to be released from sin and death. The former guilt of sin, caused by the apostasy from Me, first had to be redeemed, so that the subsequent bond with Me could be crowned by the 'pouring out of My spirit'.... so that the human being himself could hear My voice within himself again as it was in the beginning....

'And the Word was made flesh and lived amongst us....' Only few people understand the meaning of these words; the eternal Word came to earth Itself because humanity was in greatest difficulty, it was not aware of its wretched condition, of its lack of light, of the spiritual darkness in which it lived.... It was completely separate from Me and did nothing to reduce its vast distance from Me. The only way to help people was by means of instructions which corresponded to the truth.... They had to be informed of their God and Creator's will, and this will had to be conveyed to them by Myself.... I had

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to speak to them Myself and could only do so through a human being.... Thus I embodied Myself in this human being, and only in this manner was it possible to instruct people truthfully, to draw their attention to their wrong way of life, to inform them of My will and exemplify the kind of life they should lead themselves in order to escape their spiritual darkness, in order to walk the path I showed them first so that they could attain eternal life again. For they were influenced by My adversary who continuously provoked them into leading a life without love which subsequently made and kept them weak and they were not able to contribute anything towards their ascent.

I Myself provided them with the evidence that love results in strength. I healed the sick and carried out other miracles which only the strength of love could accomplish.... I also informed them about the consequences of a heartless way of life.... for I first had to explain to people **why** they were experiencing physical and spiritual hardship.... I had to inform them that their state as human beings could not be considered a happy one and what they therefore should do to attain beatitude.... And they had to hear all of this from the mouth of God.... They had to be able to hear **My Word**, and thus **the Word Itself** came down to earth and became flesh.... In the original state the Word sounded within every being and was the cause of inconceivable bliss.... And the beings abandoned this blissfulness themselves by voluntarily distancing themselves from Me and thus could not hear My Word any longer, because this Word was a direct emanation of love on My part which they then rejected.

Humanity's excessive hardship on earth prompted My love and mercy to draw nearer to them and to confront them in **Word** despite their resistance.... And anyone who had ignited just a tiny spark of love within himself recognised Me and accepted My Word.... He also recognised the Deity in Me and followed Me.... But by and large people just saw the human being in Me and therefore valued My Word simply as that of a human being.... I was amongst them and they did not recognise Me.... Nevertheless, I was able to proclaim the Gospel of love, to repeatedly impart the divine teaching of love to people and to educate My apostles Myself and then send them into the world with the task of proclaiming My Gospel and bearing witness to Me.... The 'Word Itself' had come to earth, and It was made flesh for the benefit of humanity.... And every time My Word is spoken, My infinite love and mercy bows down towards humanity and emits Its love into those human hearts who willingly accept My Word, who listen to it and recognise it as their Father's voice and who are grateful for this great gift of grace.... For I Myself Am the eternal Word, and anyone who listens to Me enters into closest contact with Me, and he will indeed achieve his last goal on this earth, he will find complete unification with Me, his God and Father, to Whom he has finally returned to be eternally blessed....

Amen

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God's word conveys truth, knowledge and insight

The Word of God: Unadulterated truth....

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hy do you humans hesitate to accept the pure truth?.... I herewith speak to those who reject spiritual knowledge purely because it was received in an unusual way, because it was not acquired through study or intellectual thought but clearly reveals that it flowed forth from a different source. Why do you value the knowledge **you** possess so highly that you are unwilling to let go of it? Who guarantees you the truth of this knowledge, which certainly was passed on from person to person time and again but which was naturally also always subject to changes because nothing remains as pure as it was given to the imperfect human race in the past. I, the Eternal Truth, will always take care that the pure and unadulterated truth is conveyed to people but, for the sake of their freedom of will, I cannot prevent this pure truth from being repeatedly spoilt. But it should also make sense to you humans that no guarantee can be given that it will be kept clean.... Hence, each one of you should be able to understand that time and again I will make sure that people will be able to live in truth.... and you should be grateful for this and longingly accept this truth as soon as it is offered to you. But what do you humans do?.... You are hostile towards those who offer you something very exquisite; you shake them off you like irritating insects and thus throw away the opportunity that I speak to Myself and 'guide you into truth', as I have promised. You are satisfied with something that has become worthless, with nourishment which no longer contains any nutrients, for your soul is meant to mature fully during your life on earth and, for this purpose, needs hearty sustenance which only My Word, which is the truth from God, can provide. If, however, it is offered food which no longer contains any strength whatsoever, the soul cannot possibly mature.... And this food is the knowledge you traditionally adopted, of which you did not even once seriously form an opinion but which you diligently endorse as truth and ignore the pure truth from Me, which is offered to you by My love time and again. Admittedly, as human beings you believe yourselves incapable of judging what is truth or error.... and likewise deny this power of judgment to your fellow human beings and, therefore, insistently adhere to the knowledge you possess.... but you forget that I Myself.... the Light of Eternity.... want to bring light to you as well and certainly have the power to do so. But on account of your freedom of will My activity must take place within a natural framework, otherwise it would be easy for Me to address you loudly and clearly from above and inform you of My will. And thus I repeatedly transmit the truth to you humans in an entirely natural way, as I have promised. For My Word 'Heaven and Earth shall pass away, but My Words shall not pass away....' is also a confirmation of this, because only the pure truth is My Word.... If this is to remain, I must convey it to you over and over again in all purity, because people do not protect it from becoming spoilt, because people change and distort both its words as well as its meaning as long as they have not awakened their indwelling spirit, and because this spiritual awakening has only rarely happened with those who deemed themselves called to interpret My Word.

You humans move within a tangled mass of error.... you usually merely hold on to words whose meaning you don't understand.... Nor do you know the correlations, because the knowledge of this is only the result of the awakening of the spirit.... Neither have you got the deep desire to hear your **Father's voice**, if you actually listen to the 'Word of God'.... It is more an involvement of the intellect than the heart, and I Myself can only speak to you through the heart, thus My Word bypasses your ears ineffectively.... Besides, you can only receive the pure truth from Me if you **seriously desire truth**, because then you will also desire to enter into contact with Me as the Eternal Truth, because through your desire you also prove your love and your faith in Me. Consequently, you humans, who reject the messengers wanting to bring you the truth, know that you are without love and without faith even if

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your mouth says otherwise.... You know that your Christianity merely observes formalities, that it is not a living Christianity, otherwise you would have come alive and would also be able to speak of the 'working of the spirit' in you.... that your thinking would then be guided right through the spirit. Then you would also learn to distinguish between the pure truth flowing forth from Me and the 'additional human work'.... the teachings, which certainly originated from Me once but which have become so distorted by people that they can no longer be described as 'My Word'. But the fact that I constantly convey My pure Word to you again ensures that you receive the 'pure truth', which can only originate from Me, the Eternal Truth. For this reason you can only receive it again directly from Me or be taught by those who receive it directly.... for your fellow human beings will be unable to guarantee that they distribute truth if they gained the knowledge intellectually or adopted it according to tradition. You must always take into account that the truth will never remain pure as soon as it is guarded by imperfect people.... unless they are enlightened by My spirit. But they will also unhesitatingly condemn and denounce what does not correspond to the truth from Me.... The living water will always have to be drawn from the source. I Myself, as the Eternal Truth, will always have to be the **origin** of the knowledge you humans ought to accept as truth, and therefore you will always have to establish the bond with Me Myself first if you want to gain possession of truth.... But you can rest assured that it will not be denied to those of you who earnestly desire truth....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's light of love is insight and knowledge....

B.D. No. **8239**

August 13th 1962

\ \ \ / herever I can convey the light from above the darkness which My adversary has spread across the earth will be chased away. People who allow My light of love to flow into them..., who thus read My word conveyed to you from above and move it in their hearts, will become knowledgeable, the veil which hung before their eyes will lift.... it will flash within them and they will attain brightest knowledge about things which were previously hidden or incomprehensible to them. For My light of love has a powerful effect if only no resistance is offered to it. You humans need no longer fear darkness of spirit if only you wanted to listen to Me and let My words penetrate your heart.... Yet you are mostly indifferent and yet you are offered something delicious when you are allowed to receive My word through My messengers. And if you feel addressed by Me then My word has entered you, your heart has been touched by My word and you awaken from a state of twilight which is your fate as long as you have no spiritual knowledge.... But if these are offered to you in the form of My word then they will also make you happy as soon as you are of good will, i.e. if you want to fulfil the will of your God and father Who called you into being. As long as you are ignorant you will only live your earthly life..... But if you are given knowledge which corresponds to the truth then you will start to live a spiritual life on this earth. And then you will become enlightened, you will ask questions and receive answers, for I Myself will intervene in your thinking when I see that you desire light. And only now will life appear worth living to you, although you separate yourselves from the desire for matter, but you have recognized a higher purpose and you will pursue it and seek to reach the goal. My will is only that you step out of darkness, that you desire the light and gratefully accept it from Me when I kindle a light in your hearts, when I convey knowledge to you which signifies light for you, because you enter earth completely ignorant and life is and remains an idle course for you as long as you don't kindle a light within yourselves in which you now recognize everything brightly and clearly and thus can now also live a conscious earthly life.... conscious of your outcome, your earthly task and the goal which consists of unification with Me.... And you can receive this knowledge from Me at any time if you listen to My word from above and live it out, if you are not only listeners but doers of My word. Then all shadows will vanish, the correlations will be bright and clear to you and you will also gain knowledge of My nature, you will feel that I Myself am love and you will then also offer your love to Me.... then you can no longer remain in the night of death, you long for light yourselves and I will also let it shine brightly in you, for I love you and don't want you to dwell in

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darkness.... I Myself am the light from eternity which descends to you, which shines into your hearts and shall only be willingly accepted by you in order to then also make you unspeakably happy....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Truthful education about Jesus and redemptive work....

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You will still often have to deal with error because the raging of My opponent will become more and more obvious who can only confine the them. and more obvious who can only confuse the thoughts of men through error and lie and therefore will also omit nothing what helps him to do it. Again and again he will attack truth and so want to undermine My work with you, but what he will not succeed because I have strong supports on earth, which do not so easily become unsteady because they are supported by Me Myself. And their strength already consists of the fact that they are able to recognize every error and therefore will also take action against it.... A knowing person cannot be deceived so easily and a knowing person now has the task to also give enlightenment to fellow human beings as far as this is possible.... And it will be the adversary's attempt to keep people ignorant of the value and importance of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ.... Because what they do not recognize as important, that they also do not strive for. And if the adversary only succeeds in portraying Jesus as a person who transgressed against the authority of the state and was therefore condemned to death, then people will not feel prompted to take the path to Him, to the cross, for they lack knowledge of His act of salvation, of His merciful love, and this is the adversary's endeavour.... To first refute this opinion to people requires a certain courage as an orator, for people only rarely want to engage in such conversations because they have a defence against Jesus as a result of the adversary's influence, to portray Jesus as a rebellious person.... That is why from My side the work of redemption of Jesus Christ is always emphasized; it comes to the fore because completely different connections lay the basis of this work of mercy and these are to be explained to fellowmen if possible to grasp his significant mission. And this is My counter work that I direct pure truth to earth, otherwise men would already long ago be in fullest ignorance about Jesus Christ and the significance of His work of redemption. Then this knowledge will be offered to you truthfully, then you will understand it and accept it, but if only that representation is supplied to you, then you will easily be inclined to consider Him as a secondary figure, but not as Him, in Whom I Myself became man, in Whom I as God have united Myself with Him. Jesus' deity is denied by the adversary's side but it is the most important problem which is to be solved for you, because you are to recognize and acknowledge Me Myself in Jesus.... And therefore I will reveal Myself again and again to a person who consciously allows these revelations, so that again and again the exact knowledge about the act of salvation and God's incarnation will be conveyed to people who willingly accept the knowledge, who are willing to follow Jesus and who want to turn to Me Myself in Jesus and unite with Me for eternity.... Anyone who has taken note of who Jesus is and what motivated His earthly progress will truly not walk this path of earthly life in vain, he will consciously strive towards the final aim, the final unification of his soul with Me, Who embodied Myself in Jesus on earth.... That is why this knowledge is of such great importance and the spreading of it is always an action against My adversary, who is **more** interested in nothing than to leave people in ignorance about it or to give them erroneous explanations about the man Jesus.... If Jesus is only portrayed as a man who has transgressed against the authority of the state, then this portrayal is intended to pass Him over as unimportant, and the purpose of earth life is missed.... But also an enlightenment corresponding to truth contributes little to perfection on earth when it is received indifferently, without living faith.... when a man does not seek to draw the benefit for the soul out of truth.... when men do not seriously think about what the work of redemption of Jesus Christ means.... And also this indifference, the form faith, is a work of My adversary to prevent that men earnestly seek Me, that they earnestly go the way to the cross to find redemption from their guilt, which was the cause of their existence as man.... And the adversary will do everything to prevent the redemption through Jesus Christ if the human being's will does not seriously strive for its perfection, so that I can mentally convey the truth about Jesus and

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His act of salvation to him, which he will then also use for his own and his fellow human beings' salvation. The will of man alone is decisive.... And the adversary seeks to subjugate this will to himself, and only Jesus can prevent him from doing so.... But that is why He and His work of redemption must be recognized and a truthful enlightenment must also be sent to man, which then will cause him to strive further and also let him reach his aim, because now his will always experiences more strengthening than grace of the work of redemption of Jesus Christ.... And so it will remain a constant fight between light and darkness, constantly My adversary will seek to condense the darkness, but constantly I will also let the light shine and send truthful enlightenment to men, and who gratefully receives My gift, he will also escape the power of My adversary and reach his aim on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Spiritual knowledge should ignite love for God....

B.D. No. **8924**

February 2nd 1965

he fact that the secrets of creation are revealed to you, as far as this is possible with your maturity of soul, is a sign of My great love of which I want to inform you, so that you learn to recognize Me in My nature and likewise show Me your love.... It is indeed always only a partial knowledge, but which is also enough to let you ignite to hot love towards Me, because when you know about all connections, when you know that always My unsurpassable wisdom has let everything come into being so and when you know that all creations serve and have served you for the best.... in a word.... if I let you gain insight into My plan of salvation from eternity.... then all your love must belong to Me.... And for this I desire.... If you just once consider that the entire work of creation was only a work of My love and wisdom, which My omnipotence brought to completion.... and that this whole work of creation only aimed at your becoming 'children of God', then nothing can find room in you apart from love.... And you would sing praise and thanks to Me if only you could grasp this great proof of My love, which, however, already presupposes your perfection.... Nevertheless I enlighten you about your beginning and your aim, because I want it that you slowly return again into that state, in which you stood in the beginning, when all My love power radiated through you. You certainly only open a crack of your heart, into which I can let My love radiate, but also these few love rays are to cause that you always open yourselves further, that you no longer offer Me the least resistance in the end, that you devote yourselves to Me and demand nothing more than to receive My love ray continuously. And soon a bright light will shine in you; you will be introduced deeper and deeper into spiritual knowledge and always be allowed to be certain that you move in truth. And so I woo every man's love until he surrenders to Me that he also opens himself to My love illumination. Because that is My aim that I win the hearts that they give themselves to Me voluntarily, because I do not use any compulsion. But if knowledge is now given to you which was still unknown to you, then you should see from it that only one can impart such knowledge to you.... a being Which Itself knows about everything and Which therefore instructs you Itself. And you are to remember Him in thankfulness and His infinite love towards you and also draw the consequences out of that knowledge, i.e. fulfil what I demand of you to also be allowed to take part in the great gift of favour. And through the fulfilment of My demands you now form yourselves to love, which pushes towards Me and makes Me happy. In the beginning you also possessed the light of knowledge, but which has now been lost to you through your fall into sin.... But there is nothing more beautiful than that you again put yourselves into the state in which you stood in the beginning. And to this only belongs the change of your nature to love, and I woo for this love, and I will not stop to woo for it, because there is nothing more blessed for you than that you unite with Me, what exactly requires a life in love. When now a picture is given to you about My rule and work in infinity, when you can conclude from everything about My unsurpassable wisdom, when you know that only love has determined Me to this creation, then you can only love your God and creator with all intimacy of your heart, because he proves to you that He is the most perfect being, which wants to be recognized by you as father. Once I will indeed reach the aim that all

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My loved ones (creatures) show unlimited love towards Me. But before the end of an earth period it is always a matter of concern for Me that I spare the beings a repeated earth walk (walk through creation). And that is why I let them take note of that knowledge, which I can convey to them through servants devoted to Me and which is always only to testify to My love and wisdom to make it easy for them to believe in a most perfect God and creator, Who reveals Himself to them. For this reason alone I initiate people into My plan of salvation from eternity and give them knowledge which should truly convince them that it is like this and not otherwise.... And this end is imminent and causes Me to be unusually active because I still court every soul whose love gives itself to Me....

Amen

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Willingness to accept the gifts of grace

Indifferent or demanding acceptance of the divine gift....

B.D. No. **2049** August 29th 1941

Every spiritual gift should be received with gratitude and must therefore be recognized as a divine gift. The ignorant person, however, does not know how to appreciate it and this is the reason why he indifferently accepts what should deeply move and delight him. And a gift which is received so indifferently has little effect on the human being's soul. Therefore it remains an unsuccessful attempt to want to convey the truth to these people, for they lack the receptivity, i.e. the power of realization, which again can only be given to the demanding person. It is irrelevant on which spiritual level he stands if the divine gift of grace is offered to him; if it is only received with a hungry heart then he will soon be guided into realization, for a desiring heart opens itself to the spiritual influx and thus it can flow over unhindered, and the result is that a wealth of knowledge will be made accessible to the human being which can never be attained by earthly means. The desiring person will receive, but the indifferent person will come away empty-handed even though he is offered the same, for the desire for spiritual possessions can never be eliminated or the human being's free will would not be active. Thus the human being need only want to receive the power of realization, then he will soon be able to make a decision as long as spiritual truth is offered to him, and then he will also be grateful from the bottom of his heart that he is worthy of divine grace....

Amen

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The world wants to see miracles and does not see the greatest miracle of all....

B.D. No. **4665** June 11th 1949

It seems strange to you that I do not appear in great glory, that I do not make My presence known through eye-catching unusual appearances, but simply and without splendour merely express Myself through My Word where I Am able to be present. The world wants to see miracles but My Own see miracles everywhere and therefore will also recognise Me in plain clothing. They feel My spirit which gives evidence of itself that it is not a deceptive light, but it spreads a soft yet bright light that radiates from the heart, where I Myself can dwell. The world wants to see miracles and fails to see the greatest miracle of all....

For is it not a miracle that you may hear the voice of God, that I Myself can speak to you like a Father speaks to his children? Is it not a miracle that I personally answer questions which arise in a thinking person and which he is nevertheless unable to answer himself? Is it not a miracle that you yourselves have the teacher within you Who educates you in purest truth and grants you wisdom? You, who look for God in the distance, will never be able to grasp this miracle and therefore you will be unable to believe, for you do not allow My working within yourselves and thus I cannot make Myself known to you either. Yet My Own, who have established a relationship with Me through their thoughts, who always feel Me close to them, are impressed by the miracle, even though the miracle keeps itself hidden from them, that is, they cannot comprehend the full extent of their experience. For they should remain open-minded in their relationship with Me, so that they speak and commend themselves to Me as a friend and brother without any sense of excessive awe. And therefore I Am closer to them than to those who want to behold Me intellectually and yet will never be able to find Me.

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But I will also appear to some in an obvious manner, and they will then be able to bear witness of Me and portray Me as truly existing, and through their faith they will also help to strengthen the faith of those who are still weak but not without faith. My Word will speak for itself and give evidence of Me to the world. The substance of the Word conveyed from above to earth is a far more obvious miracle than any extraordinary process which people would like to experience as 'proof of God'. My servants on earth who remain simple and receive My Word without trance, who equally simply pass it on again as they have received it from Me, are not affected by inner excitement, yet their souls experience the merciful, unusual event and will be enlightened, even if the human being as such is unaware of it. I know why My servants must have this apparent insensitivity and thus it is also My doing, not in order to disadvantage but to benefit the soul. And therefore do not allow such thoughts to reduce the value of the messages but know that I Am present with you Myself when you hear My voice, and that this presence of Mine is truly the greatest of miracles which, however, only few people believe or experience consciously. For the world wants to behold and be in awe but not quietly listen and be grateful for every genuine secret revelation which the conveyance of My Word from above signifies to people....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Willingness to accept gifts of grace....

B.D. No. **5894** March 4th 1954

when we willingness to will own many grace can take effect on them. It requires a willingness to Laccept the gifts of grace, and this willingness again requires an acknowledgement of Myself, a faith in Me and thus conscious turning towards Me in the form of thoughts or prayer.... For the gifts of grace are My emanations which can only touch the human being if he establishes a connection with Me. This is quite simply a law that a flow is interrupted as soon as the connection is broken.... and that it is therefore entirely up to the human being's will whether he establishes the connection himself in order to enter the blessing of the flow of strength emanating from Me. For everything that originates from Me is strength which is tremendously beneficial for the human being if it is utilized. And since the human being does not have to claim it because he once voluntarily separated himself from Me, every grant of strength is to be evaluated as an act of love and grace.... Thus undeserved gifts are given to you when My strength is conveyed to you, and these gifts are acts of grace.... They are only intended to help you become powerful again, they are only intended to promote your upward development, because without the supply of strength you are unable to develop upwards. In My infinite love I want to remedy your self-inflicted inability, I want to give you what you lack because you have given it away yourselves.... Light and strength.... but your will is the prerequisite that you are willing to accept it. You must not turn away from Me but turn to Me with an open heart and a flow of strength will flow into you which will remove all weakness from you. Something will be supplied to your soul which it will feel exceedingly beneficent and increase its impetus to come closer to Me.... You need only accept what My love offers you in order to now be able to change completely, in order to brightly and clearly recognize where your beatitude is to be found and what your task is on earth in order to reach the aim. You receive light and strength unmeasured if only you are willing to accept it. It is an undeserved gift, yet without your will even such a gift from Me has no effect.... But for everyone who connects with Me.... be it through questioning thoughts or also conscious prayer.... the flow of grace will not remain without effect.... He will always request and receive more because his will no longer offers Me resistance and I can therefore consider him according to his desire....

Amen

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Divine gifts of grace.... God's love.... willingness....

You may draw from My fountain of grace at any time, for it is always at your disposal. Whatever you do voluntarily in order to receive the little in order you do voluntarily in order to receive the blessing of My gifts of love will never be without success.... but since it depends on your free will whether you request or use them, people often remain unbenefited, i.e. they go without where they could receive unmeasured. No restriction is imposed on you by Me, but you yourselves set limits to the reception of My gifts of grace if you are not willing to let them take effect on you. But again and again I offer them to you.... Again and again I step into your path, yet rarely recognized as the giver of delicious gifts.... For everything that can help you to gain possession of strength and light are such gifts of grace which My love constantly offers you. And thus I create opportunities for you where you can hear My word. I create opportunities for you where you can be active in serving love, I direct your thoughts to questions which you should move in your heart in order to thereby come into contact with Me so that I can answer these questions for you.... I also let you go through suffering and hardship in order to achieve this contact with Me.... I try everything to only guide you to the source where you can receive light and strength, where you can supply your soul with what you lack. And I only do this out of love for you, for they are undeserved gifts which therefore have to be called **grace** because you once freely gave yourselves everything My love offered you in abundance. But even now I cannot and will not force you to accept such gifts, for only if you take the path to My fountain of grace of your own free will can the blessings take effect and be of greatest blessing. And thus no human being will be able to say that My love is meagrely given to him, instead, it is up to him himself which measure of grace he accepts, and it will flow to him unmeasured if only he intends to use it correctly. Yet a person's willingness to accept gifts of grace and let them take effect on him can bring about such an obvious change in him that his deficiency gives way to an unusual talent or ability, that he can make use of spiritual powers to such an extent that what seems impossible becomes possible for him. And he only steps back into the state which was once his own.... He has accepted My gift of grace and thereby has regained possession of strength and light which were once his own and which also enable him to be unusually active on earth. But you humans will never be able to reach this state as long as you spurn My gifts of grace, as long as you keep yourselves away from the spring which is at your disposal... as long as you don't draw from the source of light and strength. For only the connection with Me also secures the influx of light and strength for you, and you can enter into this connection with Me at any time if you gratefully accept from My hands what My love offers you: My word, which as the greatest evidence of love, as the most effective gift of grace, will supply you with everything you need and which will also cause you to pay attention to every further gift of grace, for I do not hand out meagrely but give abundantly to all who want to let Me give them a gift....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Various blessings of the divine word....

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The unusual gifts of grace you have already been offered are beyond your knowledge, and it will only become obvious to you in the spiritual kingdom what measure of love you received from Me during your earthly life. Not every person has the same level of realization but the same can be offered to every person, therefore only some will ever be able to penetrate profound wisdom, whereas the others certainly hear words, they also have the best will to understand them and yet cannot grasp the profound meaning which is hidden in every word which I Myself convey to you from above. Therefore you can certainly be in possession of a comprehensive spiritual knowledge but the effect on the human being's soul will or can be completely different, depending on the soul's degree of maturity. And this, in turn, is determined by the degree of love the human being kindles within himself.... But if the fire of love in you humans were equally great then you would all already be in a blissful state on earth, for the knowledge inherent in you now would make you exceedingly happy and let you

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approach the end of your earthly life full of hope. But you cannot gain this 'realization' with your still **lacking** love despite the greatest knowledge which is conveyed to you by My messengers on earth. And yet, you should be extremely grateful for this knowledge, for as soon as it merely prompts you to practice love, to strive for perfection on earth, it has already fulfilled its purpose, and you will nevertheless attain this happiness one day, even if not on this earth.... but you can never ever get lost. The will alone to put yourselves in possession of this knowledge is proof of your willingness to fulfil your earthly task. And 'willingness' always ensures 'success', for it is already a detachment from My adversary and a turning towards Me which will never be useless for you. And thus people to whom you impart My word will be able to ascertain quite different effects on themselves, they will react differently and their souls will be impressed differently.... But not everyone's understanding of the meaning of the words will be the same either, because My word allows for such a multifaceted explanation, which only an already very spiritual person will be able to understand. However, it first has to be offered to you humans in such a way that you are able to grasp it with still insufficient maturity of soul, so that even then you will already recognize a meaning and then also be able to lead your way of life in accordance with this meaning. And if you are already somewhat advanced in your development, then you take another meaning from the same word again, and you are happy to be able to expand your knowledge with the same gift, which you could only partially understand before. And thus your understanding of it grows with increasing maturity, you penetrate My words' spiritual meaning ever more deeply, the knowledge makes you ever more happy, and you now strive ever more eagerly for your spiritual perfection in the realization that it only gives you brightest light and deepest bliss.... (10.7.1958) For just as ever-widening fire radiates ever brighter light, so will the spiritual light increase with increasing degrees of love until the change of being is finally accomplished, until the original being is reached again, where My ray of light of love completely permeated the being and therefore it also stood in fullest realization.... But then you will also know that at the time of your earthly change it was not possible to convey exhaustive knowledge to you, for you lacked the understanding for it. And yet, what you receive from Me as My word completely corresponds to the truth. It is only offered to you in a form that you can grasp it and thus are able to grasp the initial reasons or correlations which enable you to think for yourselves and thus also demand your own assessment. You must acquire all further recognition or understanding for deeper knowledge yourselves. It cannot be given to you because it is closely connected with your task of earthly life: the transformation back to love, without which there can be no entry into spheres of light and no beatitude. Thus your intellect is not the decisive factor as to how far you penetrate spiritual knowledge, and the most simple-minded person can harbour far more inner wisdom than a 'thinker' who is still weak in love, which is why the effect of My imparted word will also be completely different for the people to whom it is conveyed by My messengers. For depending on the person's degree of love his distance from the world will also be.... which can very easily exert a negative influence and thus also impairs the understanding for My word.... You humans should know this, and then you will also understand why you are sometimes overwhelmingly seized by My word, while it then rushes past your ears again, although you belong to the willing ones who want to listen to Me and also take My word to heart.... The degree of love is always decisive and this very often depends on your attitude towards the world, which will nevertheless approach you again and again as long as you are still in the midst of the world. But once you have experienced the bliss which a deep insight into eternal secrets has prepared for you, then the desire for repetition will also become ever stronger and the change to love will certainly take place in you, for the world cannot offer you anything which outweighs the bliss of spiritual realization. And therefore people don't know how meaningful a life of unselfish love is and how many beatitudes they can create for themselves if only they shape themselves into love. And this will always and forever remain the greatest and most important commandment: "Love God above all else and your neighbour as yourself."

Amen

Let the spirit work in you....

You must not resist the spirit within you if it wants to express itself.... You must always be ready to listen to it, you must often go into silence and listen to what it wants to say to you. You must consciously open yourselves, for he will never force or try to penetrate too loudly but always wait for your willingness and then offer you delicious things. The spirit within you is the voice of My love which is always ready to sound for you, which constantly wants to speak to you but can only speak to you if you are also willing to listen to Me. And if you seriously consider what a great grace it is that you are privileged to hear My word, then you must only ever give thanks in profound humility for this gift of grace and never miss an opportunity to receive it. And thus the more often you open your heart the clearer you will hear My voice, and I will be able to impart inexhaustible wisdom to you which will make you profoundly happy.... And then you will soon be able to rise above all earthly things, you will learn to regard everything as a quickly passing final test and trial which will then be followed by an eternal, unclouded spiritual life.... Soon nothing will bother you anymore, because your soul will detach itself more and more from the material world and only longs to return home to its father's house. Only My spirit can convey this to you, and only your spiritual ear can receive it, but you yourselves can shape yourselves through your will such that you will become able to hear My voice, and My gifts will never be limited to you.... But you determine the measure yourselves. It is the law that free will is not ignored, that you must turn to Me yourselves if My ray of love is to affect you. But I do not restrict you, I do not withdraw from you but you yourselves give the reason when it seems to you as if I am not present to you, because a wall immediately pushes itself between us when your will is looking for another aim. And you must also remove this wall again yourselves and you will find Me again because I was never far away from you.... But that you are at a considerable advantage if My nearness is constantly proven to you through the receipt of My word need not be told to you, for your state of soul will prove it to you yourselves, you will feel an inner peace in My nearness and be full of strength because you receive it directly from Me. Let the spirit within you often have its say, just always create opportunities for it to express itself.... So often give yourselves over to inner contemplation, shut yourselves off from the noise of the world and listen to the subtle sound within you.... Want Me to speak to you and listen to Me.... And you will truly go through earthly life richly blessed and also be able to pass on much of the blessing.... For you all need strength and light.... which My spirit gives to everyone who opens himself to it....

Amen

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Following God's word

Obeying the divine word.... effectiveness of its....

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rite down the following: The words, given from above, must be gratefully received and pondered in the heart in order to now also work as power. What has been written down should now have an effect.... It should stimulate people's thoughts and determine them to live according to the word. And now the effect of the divine word will also be felt by ennobling people, educating them to love and causing them to strive for God, for light and truth. Receiving the word of God alone is not enough, man must now put everything into practice, and that requires strength, which he must ask for. Thus prayer is always necessary in order to be able to obey the divine word, for man's strength is inadequate but will be increased immeasurably if it is requested. Man's will to serve God and to prepare himself to receive God's word is sufficient to be honoured with this grace. But now also the whole will must be mustered to make the received spiritual property, i.e., heart and intellect must be active to let the offered work in oneself, and at the same time the will must be strong to fulfil God's will, which is announced to men. What God gives must therefore also be utilized so that the blessing of it can become visible. And there are so many endless possibilities to allow the divine word to take effect in you.... the prerequisite is always the will to comply with what God demands. And depending on how this will is put into practice, the person will also feel the blessing and the strength as an increased will to serve God, increased power of knowledge and joyful service to the neighbour who needs his help. Only then is the word of God consciously received when it has become spiritual property and is obeyed. Knowledge alone without action is not enough. God wants His gift to be received with a deeply grateful heart and not carelessly put aside. Mankind, however, hears the word but lets it pass by unheeded.... And so it also lacks the power to regocnize the divine. Consequently, the power of the divine word cannot become effective either and therefore it will not be possible to prove to humanity the truth of what God conveys to people as a promise. However, the believing person who lives according to the word of God will fully experience the blessings of it in himself....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Compassion.... Sick and weak people....

B.D. No. **1032** July 31th 1939

Take care of the sick and the weak, and consider that they are suffering and need your help. You should be compassionate and constantly consider the welfare of these poor people, whose physical afflictions make their life intolerable, you should try to alleviate this suffering and selflessly help them at all times. This is pleasing to God, and since you are all children of God, one shall also be concerned for the other and not allow heartlessness or indifference towards your fellow human being arise in you. How often do people pass by the sick and the weak without offering them a comforting word, it is very depressing for these sufferers. They are helpless in their state and grateful for every word granted by love.... And how often do they have to go without because no considerate word is spoken to them. They are lonely, and their soul is seized by profound sadness, for it hungers for love and is only scantily considered....

And the Lord teaches compassion.... and promises eternal bliss, for compassion presupposes love, and only a labour of love will bring salvation to the soul. Compassion is purest neighbourly love, for it wants to help and expects nothing in return.... A person can be ailing in body as well as in soul.... and bringing him help is always inexpressibly valuable.... speaking words of comfort to the physically

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weak and offering the psychologically sick and frail the right remedy out of kind-hearted neighbourly love.... For the body's suffering will come to an end one day but not that of the soul unless it is approached by active neighbourly love bringing it help to escape its adversity.

The weak and ailing person, however, needs twice as much support, for the body's weakness often also lets the soul descend into helplessness, and it can only be helped by selfless love which, as it were, awakens the soul from its lethargic state and thus stimulates it to take care of improving its condition. Then the human being will also bear his physical suffering with patience, if only the soul has come to the right recognition on account of its fellow human being's active help which supported it during its adversity.

Any actively compassionate person can bestow untold blessings, for the earthly child will feel this both earthly as well as spiritually, and the thus considered person will have to feel relieved and, on account of the spiritual strength which shines across with every deed of love, turn his gaze upwards. And thus will love and compassion for sick and weak people result in twice as many blessings.... It will help to improve the physical condition of the sick and weak and simultaneously be extremely beneficial for the soul, and therefore, don't forget to grant them your help and kind-hearted sympathy, lift them up physically and spiritually, and thereby also let their time of suffering become a time of spiritual maturing for them.... and the Lord will bless those who are full of compassion towards their suffering fellow human beings....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Fulfilling the divine will.... observing the divine word.... love....

B.D. No. 4132

September 30th 1947

nyone who does not bow down to My will will also hardly inherit My kingdom, for he can never Lenter into complete union with Me as My child. However, it is every person's own business what stand he takes towards Me and My will, thus towards My commandments, and therefore he will neither be forced nor prevented from performing actions which prove his direction of will. He can freely decide upwards or downwards, yet he is responsible for his decision because knowledge of My will was conveyed to him beforehand, which he should respect first. And My will is made known to you through My word, which you can hear loudly and clearly directly, offered by My never-ending love to people who have profound faith in Me and My might. I can express Myself to them and yet only within the scope of the natural so as not to infringe the freedom of will. Yet I give people proof of the truth of My word by giving them the opportunity to inform themselves beforehand of events which take place in nature according to prediction. I speak through a human being to the entire environment.... Anyone who listens to Me has gained much, for what I promise a person will truly come true.... Anyone who listens to Me cannot get lost, he is in contact with the spiritual kingdom and will never ever remain without guidance from the beings of light.... anyone who listens to My word.... however, not only with his ears but also accepts it with his heart and follows it. And if he now complies with it he fulfils My will, he bows to the law of love, the fulfilment of which I demand as the only and first thing because eternal beatitude depends on it, the complete uniting with Me and the complete transformation of your being into love. Everything the human being does to fulfil My will must therefore be dictated by love if it is to be successful for his soul, otherwise it would be a humanly issued commandment without value and effect for eternity. But I pave the way to salvation for you by informing you of My will. Therefore make My will your concern and you will thank Me for all eternity that I make it easy for you to submit yourselves to My will. And believe that I have great power and want to use it for My children, for whom I want to prepare a kingdom in eternity which will open up all glories for them. Believe this and make an effort to do everything that corresponds to My will so that you will be saved....

Amen

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Draw strength from God's word

Strength of the divine Word....

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mmense strength will permeate you if you accept My Word with faith in Me and with love, if you ▲ want to hear Me and faithfully receive My Word. Then you will effectively force Me to be present to you, and My presence must also emanate strength, and although it is only felt beneficially by your soul, it is exceedingly grateful for it. Once a person accepts My Word consciously, the separation from him to Me will have been overcome, since hearing My voice is also the evidence of My presence. His will and desire to hear Me is sufficient for Me to be inclined towards him and speak to him in any form, in Word or scripture, directly or through messengers or also in spiritual conversations.... I will always reveal Myself to the one who wants to hear Me. Therefore you humans have a reliable means of eliminating the separation from Me by withdrawing into silence or by engrossing yourselves in a book containing My Word and when you thereby acknowledge Me as a Being you wish to be close to. Then you will inevitably draw Me close to you, for I perceive every heartfelt wish and will grant it. Nevertheless, My Word will remain lifeless for you if you merely read it without sincerely desiring Me.... For this reason, not everyone will draw the **same** strength from My Word; this is why it may greatly strengthen one person whilst another will not feel any effect at all, because his heart remained indifferent while his eyes and ears accepted My Word. You yourselves determine the effect of My Word, you can take possession of an abundance of strength or give sparsely to your soul, depending on your heart's degree of desire, for you either accept Me and allow Me to be present or you close the door to your heart and deny Me entrance, even if I knock at your door and wish to come in. For I often come to meet you by Myself if you do not draw Me to you through your desire.... I offer you an exquisite gift indeed, because I Myself would gladly like to speak to you; nevertheless, I will not force My gift on someone who does not want it, but once a person has felt the strength of My Word his soul will constantly long for it. He will never let Me bypass him but accept Me in his heart instead, so that I will remain there and constantly refresh the soul.... And so it will never need to go hungry and live in want, it will always be replenished with My Word and receive strength without limitation....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The word of God is blessed with His power....

B.D. No. **2235**

February 14th 1942

People will only realize the power of the divine word conveyed from above when the need on earth is so great that they can only draw comfort and help from it. If no earthly power can bring them help, then there is still one who is ready to help. And this one then comes to people in the word and brings them refreshment and strength when they are in danger of succumbing. He has blessed His word with His power.... people will sense this and receive His word full of desire because the power from God will flow to them tangibly. And they will need this power, they will also come together in hidden places to receive food and drink from heaven because it can no longer be offered on earth. They do not want to do without and praise God with a grateful heart that He takes care of their need and provides them with spiritual strength, which is indispensable to them. For their hearts hunger for it, they hunger for the words of love and grace, for God's word gives them knowledge of His care and everlasting helpfulness, and the word penetrates deeply into the hearts of those who desire to hear it, it gives people confidence and hope, it deepens their faith and increases their love, it spurs on their endeavours and connects them with the spiritual world, and this connection makes the transfer of

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strength from God possible and also makes it effective. Divine strength cannot remain ineffective as soon as it is received with a grateful heart; it must have a beneficial effect, it must have a revitalising effect on people and cannot be replaced in any way by human gifts, for what people offer will only ever be able to have a physical effect.... but the word of God is strength for the soul, it strengthens and revitalises the soul even if the body is meagrely provided for and thus has to suffer hardship. But if the soul suffers, then the suffering is excessive, and only the divine word can banish this suffering and give the soul rest and peace. This is why the longing for divine comfort will be great in the coming time and increase to a heartfelt desire, and God will satisfy this longing and provide comfort and help to people through the word, He will convey strength and grace to all those who unite with Him by accepting His word. He will not let them go hungry but will satisfy their hunger, and whoever is thus fed by the lord Himself will not lack strength in the time to come.... he will always look upwards, from where help will come to him....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Power stream from God....

B.D. No. 6656

September 28th 1956

Try to receive the divine currents of strength within yourselves by opening yourselves to Him, Who is the source of strength from eternity. Your thoughts, your will, your desire may only be turned towards Him, and your heart must open willingly in order to receive from the eternal source of strength what God wants to give to all His creatures: strength and light in abundance. Consciously enter into silence in order to unite with Him and cultivate this intimate contact, and you will always be strengthened anew, His love will always give you what you lack and what you desire.... You must live more consciously.... by always longing for the nearness of the one Who is your father and to Whom you should establish the right relationship as children in order to also experience the father's love. Life has been given to you by God and therefore you should always remember Him with love and gratitude, you should not take it for granted but also appreciate this extraordinary grace by not letting go of Him in your thoughts and thus a continuous overflow of His strength can take place in you which will let you grow and mature until perfection.... And when you feel certain of the influx of strength then you will also be able to accomplish or overcome everything, then every weakness will fall away from you, for then you will be in possession of the most delicious good.... Divine strength fills you and you are aware of God's presence.... Your earthly progress shall bring you to this state where you have become overcomers because you are allowed to make unrestricted use of divine strength, but you still have too little faith that you are allowed to appropriate this strength, and yet God requires nothing more of you than that you open yourselves to His strength.... that you appeal to Him for the supply of strength and at the same time are already willing to accept it.... that you let yourselves be fully consciously permeated and, as it were, surrender your whole body to Him so that He takes possession and expels everything that is ignoble.... that you only seriously want to become a receptacle of divine strength. Your will is everything, and your will also causes everything, as soon as it is spiritually directed.... And to be filled with strength from God is a spiritual desire which is fulfilled. The desire for divine strength still expresses itself too little, even in spiritually striving people.... For then the body tangibly feels this lack of strength, and it has to suffer.... But where there is strength from God, there is no suffering, no illness, no hardship, for all this is overcome with divine strength.... God wants to be present to you always and forever.... But you do not always allow His presence. When you perform works of love you tie Him to you because He Himself is love.... But you can also cause Him to be present through thoughts, and you should make use of this and thus never go without Him, for He only waits for your call, which is every thought turned towards Him.... And He responds to this call and will make you happy as a sign of His presence with power in the form you request.... And He will speak to you as a sign of His presence when you open your ear, or He will convey strength to you when you open your heart to His flow of grace.... You should make use of His love and always allow yourselves to be given, for He only ever wants to give if only He recognizes

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your willingness to receive, if only you are willing to accept what His love has intended for you.... Power and grace in abundance which will make you overcomers on this earth. For strength from God is always effective if only its effect is permitted.... if only the human being faithfully trusts this strength....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Meaning of the gift of grace.... Power gift....

B.D. No. **7919** June 14th 1961

lways accept My word as given to you so that you will pass it on and fulfil its purpose: to bring strength and light to people who walk in darkness and are powerless.... Again and again it is necessary for you humans to know the significance of the great gift of grace which I convey to you because you are in great spiritual need. Your thoughts and aspirations predominantly belong to the world; yet you think little of your God and creator, and therefore you rarely establish the bond with Me, in which alone I could impart strength to you for your pilgrimage on earth. You should not believe that the life energy at your disposal was only given to you in order to fulfil your earthly wishes.... You should use it to acquire spiritual strength, which means that you should use the strength of life to work with love, which will then certainly also earn you spiritual strength. For you need spiritual strength for your ascent upwards, for the maturing of your soul.... Spiritual strength will not be lost to you when you have ended your earthly life and lost all vitality.... Your task in earthly life is to acquire spiritual strength, and you receive spiritual strength through loving activity, through heartfelt prayer to Me and through listening to My word, which is a direct transmission of strength and which, once again, only informs you of My will: to shape yourselves into love, without which you cannot become blissfully happy. Believe that you only have to strive on earth to increase your spiritual strength. And believe that I want to supply you with this strength and therefore speak to you. And when you hear My word from above it is truly a gift of grace with an extraordinary effect, for it gives you what you lack but which you need in order to mature during your earthly life in order to be able to enter the kingdom of light and bliss when you have ended this earthly life.... My word, which I offer you, is everything: it is the bread from heaven, it is the manna which comes from heaven and is nourishment for your soul.... it is a light that dispels darkness, it is the source of strength from which you can constantly draw the water of life.... It is the proof of My love for you humans to whom I can be present if you also show Me your love.... It also proves My wisdom and power to you, for you are introduced to a knowledge which gives you a clear picture of My nature.... My word is the illumination of My divine strength of love, and this can never remain without success, it has to take effect on yourselves, on your soul, and lead you to **perfection.** And therefore I want to address all of you, that is why I convey My word to earth and only ever instruct you to pass it on to your fellow human beings, and again and again I make the significance, the effect of the great gift of grace, understandable to you, so that you listen to Me and thus receive strength in abundance through the conscious utilisation of My grace by listening to the word and also living it out by fulfilling My will, which I proclaim to you through My word because I love you.... And you should believe that your God and father addresses you Himself, for I want to win back My children who have been distant from Me for an infinitely long time, I want to show them the way back and also impart to them the strength to be able to walk it.... I want to receive them all into My kingdom again and prepare for them the bliss they were allowed to enjoy in the beginning.... The father wants His children back who once left Him voluntarily....

Amen

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Passing on the divine word

Extraordinary gift of grace obliges to pass on....

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he grace of being spiritually instructed is not given to a person arbitrarily but always requires the will to use this spiritual instruction according to its purpose. Therefore the instructions, i.e. the knowledge gained through them, always have to be passed on so that fellow human beings will also benefit from what is offered to a person from above. Then grace will also become effective in the human being, then he will mature in his soul. Therefore, on the one hand the recipient of spiritual gifts is exceptionally gifted, yet he has an obligation which he absolutely has to fulfil, otherwise God's grace will remain ineffective in him. And thus this knowledge received from God has to be advertized in all directions, it has to be spread, it has to be brought to all doors and offered, yet it remains up to the messengers whether they are joyfully received and listened to, for every effect of grace requires free will. But if the bearers of truth make an effort to pass on the divine word then many doors will open, many hearts will be willing and able to receive it, many will therefore also be allowed to participate in the gift of grace and the souls will mature. Anyone who wants to work actively for the kingdom of God will always find a field of work, and now he must also prove himself worthy of the undeserved gift of grace which has fallen to him.... he must speak everywhere and mention the divine activity, he must convey His word to all those who are willing to listen to God and yet are unable to hear Him directly. And the living water will refresh and refresh all who are hungry and thirsty.... And thus recognize your task for the first time; believe that it is important and significant and that you should therefore place this task before the earthly one; believe that you are guided and that everything meets and moves you as it is necessary for your spiritual work; believe that God is always close to you and guides your paths, that He Himself brings people together who should work together or mature in each other, and consider nothing as coincidence.... Everything is divine providence, determined since eternity, because it has been recognized as good since eternity and not otherwise. And no matter how unreal it may seem to you, the spiritual is the only real thing, whereas everything earthly-worldly is only an appearance which fades away if God wills it, which does not exhibit and cannot give birth to anything permanent if the spiritual light does not shine and have a life-awakening effect. Anyone who is destined to work for the spiritual kingdom will only ever lead to the aim, which is called the redemption of erring souls. Everything will happen in his life in such a way that his fellow human beings will be given the opportunity to gain insight into the truth and that they will be pointed to their earthly task.... to redeem themselves through love.... Whoever is active in this sense, that he helps his fellow human beings to salvation, will also receive His blessing as a right and diligent labourer in the vineyard of the lord now and one day in the spiritual kingdom....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The grace of receiving the Word is a commitment....

B.D. No. **7878** April 25th 1961

The grace of receiving the Word is a commitment.... on the one hand to **distribute** what comes to you from above, and on the other hand to **endorse** that which you recognise as truth towards your fellow human beings. It is futile if you, who receive the Word from Me, are satisfied with the information which is sent to **you**.... you should, with full conviction, pass this knowledge on to your fellow human beings who are in need of it. And you should not let yourselves be deceived by objections, for people will always do so, despite the fact that I Myself impart the pure truth to you

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which will always stand up to such objections. For this reason I need strong-willed servants who will stand up for what they receive.... And they will also always be able to clearly judge where error exists and therefore counteract it, because they are in My service and as My faithful servants in My vineyard are duty bound to do so. I convey the truth to earth because you humans are in need of light, you live in darkness because many fallacies were and are still offered to you.... Only truth leads to beatitude.... erroneous belief prolongs the path to the goal, for time and again it will obscure this path so that you humans will stray from the straight and narrow and require a long time until you get back on the right path towards ascent, on the path of truth, where the light is shining which I radiate down to earth for the sake of your benefit. Be glad that you may receive bright light and make use of this illumination.... Take the path that is shown to you, abide by My Word which sounds from above, which My servants convey to you on My instructions and which they can also justifiably endorse as pure truth because they have received it from Me.... And where you humans can recognise an obvious working of the spirit, that is where the pure truth from Me exists. And this is what you should adopt, but don't mix it with spiritual knowledge whose origin is doubtful to you.... And because it is My will that the truth from Me shall remain pure I also expect those who receive it from Me to firmly endorse that which originated from Me, for they know that they are thereby of service to Me, because they recognise the extreme value of the information they receive through My spirit....

Consequently, if the pure truth is in danger of becoming distorted it should be heedfully guarded, for My adversary avails himself of every opportunity which presents itself in order to render the truth from Me ineffective. And he succeeds in doing so as soon as different spiritual knowledge is added to it.... which was conceived by human intellect and which cannot be spoken of as the working of the spirit.... My Word should certainly be spread, but it shall be offered to people in all purity, just as it came forth from Me Myself.... And it is My servants' task to ensure that this Word will remain pure, as far as it is within their power. For the seed shall not become contaminated because it is intended to bear good fruit. However, anyone whom I appoint to an office will also receive the strength from Me to administer it.... Hence, I will also guide you such that your attention will be drawn to where your work is needed, where you shall carry out your mission, and I will always guide your thoughts correctly so that you will work according to My will.... For receiving My Word is a grace of utmost significance, and anyone who wants to serve Me will therefore always have My support and at all times take the path which corresponds to My will.... I Myself will guide him, I Myself will turn his thoughts in the right direction, and I Myself will give him the strength to work in accordance with My will....Amen

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Thank you father for the creation

Cause and origin of creation....

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our human existence is the result of your earlier apostasy from Me in the spiritual kingdom. It has been explained to you many times already that you yourselves were the cause of the emergence of the earthly creation through which you, as creation's crowning glory, shall once again achieve your original state which you once had voluntarily surrendered. I brought every kind of earthly creation into existence because of you, for I searched for and found a way for you to return to Me, and this way is the progress through the earthly-material works of creation. The last stage of this earthly progress is your human life.... And now you have to start your voluntary return to Me again, since you once parted from Me voluntarily. Because you are divine beings by origin who, as a sign of their divinity, possess free will. Your life as a human being gives you the opportunity to prove your divinity.... it gives you the opportunity to direct your free will towards Me and thus also to unite with Me again.... Then the earthly creations have served their purpose, they succeeded in achieving the work of return in accordance with My plan of eternity. And thus you have to view all creations as the result of your transgression against Me but also as your means of learning to acknowledge Me again.... you have to recognise creation as an expression of My love for you which I did not want to lose. You should know that My supreme wisdom recognised 'creation' as the most reliable means of winning you back.... And one day you will be able to see the progress you made through the creations for yourselves and be tremendously grateful for the mercy My infinite love bestowed unto the souls which otherwise would be lost.... Then the creation will no longer be a constraint for you, rather it will be such immense proof of My love that you yourselves will want to take part in the work of creating in order to give the spirits even more opportunities to return to Me for good....

Just as love motivated Me to create, so will love not let you rest either, and then you will use the strength, which flows from Me to you, in accordance with My will: you will create and design for your own blissfulness.... But this requires a certain degree of maturity which you can acquire during your earthly life already if you use your free will correctly and direct it towards Me.... Then your soul will return to the original source of light and strength from whence it once originated, and then it may also receive light and strength in abundance, then it will be able to create and work with Me and be happy. And thus, on the one hand the works of creation are a constraint for the immature spirit, but on the other hand they are an opportunity for the free spirits to work lovingly and help the unredeemed souls.... On the one hand they are judged spirits themselves, and on the other hand they bring freedom to the spirits because all creations have to comply with their instructions to serve, thereby enabling the constrained spirit within to achieve freedom.... The redeemed spirit of light knows this and in its love is constantly active by forming new creations in accordance with My will, by taking part in creating, because it knows My eternal plan of Salvation and wants to help with the work of returning all spirit essence to Me. Hence the creation may well be considered My adversary's realm because it contains the unredeemed spirit.... however, he himself cannot influence this spirit during the time of its constraint.... while the world of light protects this spirit and time and again can help it to become free.

Yet the human being has to fear his influence again. But he need only use his will correctly, he need only direct it towards Me and I will take care of him and truly release him from the hands of My adversary. However, he has to pass this test of will himself.... neither I nor My adversary will force his will in either direction, he has to prove his 'divinity' himself by asking for the light, from whence he once originated....

Amen

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Miracles of creation.... language of God....

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The miracles of nature's creation remain mostly without impression on people because they always L repeat themselves in a regularity and this turns the miracles of nature into something commonplace which they only pay little attention to. These people also do not hear the language of God in nature, Who expresses Himself to all people through His creation and thus makes Himself known. And therefore it is not easy to make them believe that an essential deity wants to make Itself known to people in the works which have emerged from It. For since they don't pay attention to the works they don't think about the creator of these works either, and therefore they are completely without faith, i.e. they lack the convinced belief in an almighty, wise and loving God.... The soul's higher development is the human being's first and last aim on earth, and thus an earthly life which has not earned the soul an increased degree of maturity is completely pointless lived, for earthly successes are not in proportion to the grace of embodiment as a human being. Nor do they come close to the miracles of creation which, after all, were formed by the wise and loving creator for a specific purpose.... i.e., earthly successes would be very minimal in relation to the things which came into being for the sake of a purpose. However, anyone who passes by the miracles of creation indifferently does not think about the meaning and purpose of these either, because he does not acknowledge a creator of them, and again, he does not acknowledge Him because he does not take the works of creation into closer consideration. Otherwise he would inevitably come to the conclusion that his earthly life was given to him to achieve an aim. As soon as the creations of nature are observed attentively, a constant higher development can be observed in them, and this in itself should cause the human being to think that he himself must also constantly develop upwards if his earthly life is not to be lived in vain. An observation of creation necessarily results in a question and answer game in which man is always the questioner and God, through nature, is always the answerer. And such a dialogue must give information to the human being who earnestly desires Him. For God wants to reveal Himself through creation to people who have not yet recognized Him otherwise. He first shows them His work before He reveals Himself as the master of the work. And the human being can very well recognize the infinite wisdom, omnipotence and love of the creator from the work and thereby also come to believe in the creator of heaven and earth. And this self-acquired faith is incomparably more valuable and unshakeable than the faith transmitted to him by fellow human beings, which must first become a convinced faith through its own opinion. By observing the wonders of creation, by intimately immersing himself in nature and its daily miracles, the human being enters into direct contact with the creator Himself, and he gains insight into His rule and activity and thus into His essence, because he can recognize love, wisdom and strength in everything that surrounds him, and love, wisdom and strength are the epitome of His essence.... And this highest and most perfect being reveals Himself to people through His works.... He lets people, as it were, take a look at them in order to confront them Himself, for every work of creation must have a creator and upholder as Whom He then wants to be recognized, for the creator expresses Himself in the work, and if the human being attentively observes a work he will always have to conclude that it is also the creator and upholder and also recognize Him in His works. But if works come into being and have come into being which man cannot copy with his own strength, as the creations of nature undeniably testify, then it must be concluded that the creator of these works has a strength at His disposal which is incomprehensible to man. Therefore he must be able to affirm the omnipotence of God in his deepest heart.... In the same way, the human being contemplating the wonders of nature also recognizes all creations as being founded in deepest wisdom, and he must conclude from them God's greater than great love for human beings. And thus he slowly penetrates the truth, and he truly does not need people to teach him intellectually about it, for a dialogue with God, a question and answer game in nature alone will earn the human being rich knowledge with which he can work again. Only then will he recognize that the creator has a purpose with His creation, thus he will now think about the purpose, and if he thinks legally he will try to live in accordance with this purpose, and then he will also be seized by God's

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great love and the pure truth will be presented to him. And thus the miracles of creation contribute much towards the human being becoming a living believer, for the inner conviction has to be gained such that the human being draws conclusions, weighs up all pros and cons and now possesses clarity of thought.... It is now rock-solid certainty to him what seemed to be only legend to his fellow human being, for the miracles of nature speak for themselves, they testify to God, to His supremely perfect being, to His love, wisdom and omnipotence.... they make him a believer.

Amen

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Earthly and spiritual creations....

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verything which presents itself to your gaze, which you see and feel, and countless works of reation which lie beyond your field of vision, which fill the whole universe and bear eternal witness to My love, My strength and My everlasting creative will, came forth from Me. All creations are My work, they carry My strength within them, they are constantly sustained by My strength and thus fulfil their purpose according to My will.... But they carry something within themselves which does not yet correspond to My will.... they harbour the spiritual substance which has changed contrary to My will, which has left the state of perfection in free will and has sunk into a state which is imperfect, thus completely contradicts My order of eternity. And this imperfect spiritual substance was the cause of My creation.... My will became active in the same way, only in the opposite direction.... what wanted to distance itself from Me I try to hold back, I try to guide it towards Me again in a roundabout way, respecting free will but supporting it as long as it is in a state of complete ignorance due to its striving away from Me. My creation is therefore only a means to an end, and the end is the final return of that which once originated from Me in all perfection and became imperfect through its own fault. As long as this creation is visible to your eyes it is animated by spiritual substances which are completely opposed to Me and bound in material form. As soon as this resistance subsides, the form changes more quickly in order to finally release the spiritual completely, even if it has not yet completely given up its resistance. Then, however, spiritual creations are its abode, depending on its state of maturity. And these spiritual creations are so exceedingly versatile and wonderful to look at as soon as the spiritual has already approached Me so far that it can look with spiritual eyes. Nevertheless, even then they still serve the spiritual kingdom's higher development, thus purpose and aim cannot be denied to them either, for nothing is without purpose that has emerged from Me, because My will to shape is paired with profoundest wisdom, because supremely perfect thoughts flow from Me which I let become form through My will. The spiritual kingdom is the actual world, the earthly world only a faint reflection, a creation of a minimal kind, adapted to the spiritual, which, embodied as a human being, enlivens earthly creations. And yet, earthly creations also completely correspond to their purpose, and they are the most effective means for the reclamation of the spiritual, even though the latter often disregards the means in free will. My work is never imperfect, only it can be too little utilized by the still immature spiritual being, and then even the most effective means fail to achieve their purpose. Once the human being has attained the spiritual maturity that he is already able to see spiritually on earth, then he will also recognize the great love and wisdom which underlies every work of creation; he will recognize Me as the creator of everything he sees, and he will reverently bow before the power Which gave him life and let him walk through creation to his perfection.... Yet the human being's gaze must be spiritually directed if he wants to learn to recognize Me, and creation will speak to him in a language which goes to his heart.... He will praise and give thanks and eternally glorify the one Who let everything come into being, he will recognize Me and love Me with all his heart, for he has found Me in order to never lose Me again....

Amen

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Spiritual creations.... Beatitude.... 'Eye hath not seen....'

Everything that is visible to you testifies of My might and strength and love. Yet My strength of love also produced invisible creations which will delight you in the spiritual kingdom, but only when you have achieved the degree of maturity which allows for spiritual vision. Then you will indeed marvel at My love's works of wonder, they will enchant your eye, nevertheless they will also be comprehensible to you, for then you will recognise Me Myself as strength and love, then you will already be so pervaded by it that you will be able to understand that it is the primary cause of every creation, and then you will forever glorify the One Who employs His will for constant works of love.

The spiritual creations are inconceivable to people on earth, they are the epitome of proportion, perfection, beauty and versatility, they are exceptionally magnificent formations and their ever changing appearance makes them increasingly more wonderful to behold and they will never tire or oversaturate the onlooker's eye but forever cause immense happiness and gratitude towards Me, the Creator of heaven and earth. Indeed, earthly creations occasionally also appear lovely to a person and let his heart beat faster in the realisation that he is facing the eternal Creator, Who is almighty and full of love. However, the most beautiful creations on earth are but a pale reflection of the spiritual creations which are incomparable, since it is not possible for My love be so evidently visible on earth because people have not yet changed themselves into love.

But I can bestow the abundance of My love to souls which have become love, My creative love can reveal itself to them and I can show them and bestow on them what I have promised 'Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him....' And the more profoundly a being is able to love the more glorious will the creations become.... Profound love gives them an insight into My reign and activity in the spiritual kingdom, they are no longer opposite Me as imperfect beings, but have become what I Am Myself.... love.... they are full of might and strength themselves, and in highest perfection are able to create and shape in harmony with My will through My strength.

No comparison can be given to people on earth about their activity in the spiritual kingdom since it is subject to completely different laws and spiritual activity has nothing in common with physical activity, with work on earth. Yet it is a blissful activity, an activity which signifies supreme happiness for the being which has become love, which can think, feel and want, which is able to see and hear, which feels like an individual being and yet is extremely happy in unity with other beings because it thereby increases its strength and love and intensifies its ability to be active. The inhabitants of the spiritual world exist in a state of utterly blissful harmony, a state which is constantly aspired to as soon as the soul has attained realisation on earth or in the spiritual kingdom.

I would like to place all beings into this state because I love them and would like them to behold the glories of My kingdom. For the activity of My love constantly applies to My living creations' happiness, My love is infinite and wants to give and delight, and thus I want to make My living creations worthy of being allowed to stay in spiritual creations; yet they themselves have to want it, they must shape themselves into love of their own free will so that they can be made indescribably happy in the spiritual kingdom for all eternity....

Amen

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Man the greatest miracle of creation.... mental activity....

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The lord's ways are marvellous, and by completely submitting to God's will the human being is always visibly guided towards what serves his soul's perfection. And so all the hours you use to win erring souls for the kingdom of heaven are also particularly blessed for yourself. The slightest encouragement of such a soul can already cause it to turn more and more to spiritual thoughts. These

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people will see something unusual in such an experience and, even if they cannot completely fathom it, will nevertheless pay more attention to the words and try to give an account of it to themselves, and their further life will always be somewhat under the impression of what they have heard. Similarly, their thirst for knowledge will also be stimulated, they will seek to investigate and no longer live thoughtlessly, for many are willing to believe if only God's teaching is offered to them in the right way. That is why people on earth should use the time and diligently seek and investigate, only always on the path of the heart.... They should never switch off God when faced with the most important, solely unsolvable question of life, but ask their creator for an answer, and this will then become clear and undoubted.... For God alone is able to solve this question and will instruct man and give him explanations according to his desire and willingness to believe. Man is indisputably the greatest miracle of divine creation and was truly not created this way without meaning and purpose.... All functions of the body serve to maintain and determine it, and likewise the activity of thought must also be based on a certain intention which aims at **more** than just the exercise of earthly activity.... It must be clear to the human being that, if many miracles of divine creation exist apart from him, visible and invisible to man, the activity of thought can and must also extend to such. For what else would the whole of creation be for if man, standing completely apart from it, could not make it the centre of all mental activity.... How could everything be explained if all research appeared to man to be completely pointless and no connection whatsoever could be established between human thought and creation in the universe? What is visible to man must inevitably stimulate him to reflect, and this in turn must lead man to conclude that he is a being to Whom everything is subject.... Where thoughts are once in such activity, faith must also start there, and if the human being then turns to precisely this higher being in incipient faith, asking It for realization, then his desire will be granted and his thoughts will wander ever deeper and, because they are correctly guided by God, will soon come closer to the truth and strengthen faith in the human being, for no-one who takes refuge in God goes the wrong way. Everyone who recognizes a deity should bear this in mind.... that this eternal deity will not let Its living creations grope in darkness if they have approached It for enlightenment. The creator of heaven and earth will always have the means at His disposal to approach the human being in a clearly recognizable way, only the human being must have the full will to do and recognize what is right and turn to the creator with complete faith, then his path on earth will truly be the right one....

Amen

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Joys granted by God.... creation miracles....

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Vou are lost to the world as soon as the spiritual kingdom has captivated you. But you will not be captivated by the latter against your will, instead, the voluntary surrender of the world must have preceded it, but then you will also be free of any bond with your previous master.... which, however, does not mean that he will give up his efforts to win you back again.... But then you will be stronger because you will no longer be willing to give away what you have now taken possession of: spiritual goods which he will never be able to offer you. But as long as the world's goods still tempt you he still has a certain influence on you, you are not yet completely free from him, but neither do you yet possess My kingdom, which is not of this world. And thus you can also judge for yourselves what spiritual success or degree of maturity your soul has achieved by seriously examining yourselves to what extent your desire is still turned towards the earthly world. If it still appeals to you then you must work very hard on yourselves in order to kill all desire for it if you want to attain My kingdom, which will truly give you far more desirable goods than the treasures of the earthly world. Nevertheless, many earthly pleasures are still granted to you, and you need not fear that any pleasure is an offence against Me or demonstrates a diminished love for Me.... I want you to walk happily through earthly life, to enjoy My works of creation, to joyfully and gratefully accept the goods I offer you Myself.... And you should only differentiate between what is offered to you by Me and what is offered to you by My adversary. And you will easily be able to do so if you think about the degree of maturity of the

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spiritual substance you desire.... I let countless creations arise in order to wrest from My adversary what belongs to him and to help these creations to slowly develop upwards. And therefore the adversary no longer has power over this bound spiritual. And as soon as you now show the right love towards it, everything will also make you happy which proves to you My greater than great love for the once fallen. Thus you will be allowed to enjoy the manifold creations of nature, for these are visible evidence of My love for My living creations.... And so you will also enjoy the starry sky, the sun with its beneficial rays, the rain with its all-refreshing effect, and these joys, too, are gifts to you from your God and creator of eternity.... just as clear air and fresh water always prove to you the love of Him Who called everything into being. All these pleasures are suitable to refresh your souls and to gratefully remember the eternal creator, thus to direct your eyes and thoughts towards Me, Whom your soul shall find on earth. Therefore, you humans can safely enjoy what uplifts the soul, what drives it towards Me.... But countless temptations are held up to you on the part of My adversary, which pull down all your thoughts, which link you ever more firmly with that, which let you enter into bonds with still completely immature spiritual substances, which, as it were, take you back to a state long since overcome. These are earthly-material goods which your body strives to possess, which then also subjugates the soul to its desire and which therefore cannot find its way to Me, Who is not to be sought where My adversary has his kingdom. And the human being can easily give account to himself whether his body or his soul seeks satisfaction.... And he will have to admit that his thinking predominantly applies to the improvement or creation of physical well-being, whatever it is he strives for.... And he will also know where and when even a right joy can stray and turn into a low joy which poisons the soul.... For this is what My adversary will always try to achieve, that he will also contaminate the pure, that he will try to couple the joy of nature with purely physical desires and draw people into his domain. And therefore the body has to be forced if the soul wants to acquire My kingdom, things the body desires have to be renounced.... For only when all desire is stifled will earthly-material goods no longer harm the soul either.... Then the human being will only value and evaluate them in a just measure, and only then has he set himself free from the adversary, even though he still walks on earth, in the midst of the earthly-material world. But it is no longer able to pull him down, he controls matter, he has freed himself from the dominion of him to whom the material world belongs, and he has already taken possession of the kingdom which is not of this world....

Amen

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Dealing with God's creation

Feeling for natural beauty and it's purpose for people....

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You are ruled at times by beings that you attract through thoughts that are concerned with the creation of the universe. These are the beings who are granted the power over everything that surrounds you in nature on earth. They also put some of the sensation into your heart, so that it swells and gets excited as soon as nature around you is of special attraction.... You all know the feeling of happiness that takes possession of you, and this at every season of the year, but especially when everything arises anew and becomes green and blossoms.

The being tho whom all these are subordinate, connects a good spirit with the earthly children.... They are always excited to give mankind news of the eternal Godhead, and so every leaf, every flower, every blade of grass.... everything that delights the human heart in nature, is only a visible sign that points to the Divine Creator, to whom all creating spirit beings are subject. Where these miracles already emanate such a delightful power on your emotional life, there every thinking person must come closer to eternity, if he does not consider all these miracles as something commonplace and takes little notice of them, as the state of affairs has unfortunately taken the upper hand with people....

These in turn will find it difficult to get the eternal truth explained through the miracles of creation.... The obvious signs with which the Creator works all this will make no impression, and the so hardened human hearts are evil.... because they lack the first basic concepts which make a deep understanding possible. So the heavenly Father puts the sense of beauty into the heart of all of you.... The more you cultivate it by learning to look at everything around you spiritually, the easier you will be able to understand that the feeling for beauty in you also triggers the feeling of happiness....

But vice versa it will hardly be possible to offer you something if you cannot gain anything extraordinary from such apparent work of the spirit-beings.... When you walk blindly through this beautiful life on earth and are not able to recognize the thousand wonders, which surround you daily. The spirit-beings, which let everything arise around you, are well-disposed towards you.... their goal is.... like that of all higher developed beings, likewise the struggle for the souls of darkness, and they apply all means available to them, so that man is stimulated to think and through the play in nature a question forces itself upon him:.... What is the connection between man and all that surrounds him?....

Once this question has been raised, then a slow recognition begins, which is vividly supported by these spirit-beings, because the concern for these people is also close to their hearts, and they are therefore constantly endeavoring to have an enlightening and pleasing effect on humans, in order to awaken the feeling of a union with God in these, from which then the light of recognition is ignited and now the earthly existence in such an enlightened state is exploited for eternity.... It is the will of the Lord that the emergence of nature each year stimulates you to think, that you reflect on why and for what purpose, according to the earth, splendor is brought before man's eyes and what is man's task in the midst of this environment....

Amen

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Premature destruction and consequences....

record very matter is given a certain time of existence for the maturity of the spiritual within it, which cannot be shortened at will by the spiritual itself. Only the will of man is free to free the spiritual from matter or to shorten the duration of its stay at will. For it is up to man to remodel matter and to create new things again and again, which again become a stay for the spiritual. So it is so to speak left to the free will of man how long the spiritual is allowed to stay in a certain form. And this will will always also be the will of God as long as man's activity is meant for the remodelling of matter and as long as the purpose of such newly formed forms is again a serving. Everything that is produced out of matter through human will has to serve humanity again, then the duration of the outer shell of the spiritual corresponds entirely to God's will. However, if an external form is dissolved beforehand by human will and the newly created work is not given a serving task, then this is an interference in the divine order.... The course of development of the spiritual is interrupted or the spiritual is forced into an activity that serves no creature on earth for the best, the spiritual is prevented by human hand from maturing through service. At the same time, however, the human being presumes to destroy creations prematurely and thereby help the spiritual in these creations to become free prematurely, which has an extremely detrimental effect on spiritual life as a whole. For the spiritual substance senses very well that it does not yet have the necessary maturity for its next embodiment on earth and therefore tries to let off steam with people, which does not have a favourable influence on them. The spiritual cannot revive a new form until the old form has been completely overcome. Consequently, a great deal of spiritual substance will be released from its outer shell in the time to come and can harass people until its time is over and the new form can now take up residence... (25.4.1942) The still immature spiritual, whose course of development was interrupted through premature destruction of matter, the cause of which is the unkindness of men, uses its freedom in a way, which is not to the advantage of men. It remains in the destroyed matter for as long as there are still undestroyed parts in it and awaits its new moulding. But where the material has become unusable, the spiritual seeks another place to stay.... it initially oppresses people, depending on how great their desire for possession was. And indeed, it repeatedly presents itself to this person as that which the person has lost and seeks to awaken their desire and stimulate the will to create the same thing in order to be able to embody itself in it again. And this often means an agonizing state for people because they lack the opportunity to do so. And this agonizing state is the expression of that immature spiritual substance which wants to take revenge on the human being for its interrupted development. But as soon as man uses all his strength to get rid of this destroyed matter, the harassment on the part of the spiritual also ceases, just as man's whole attitude towards matter is decisive as to how long the spiritual stays near it and harasses him. The greater the desire was and still is for matter, the greater influence the spiritual has and the more it uses its influence to increase the human being's desire. Where it is not possible through human activity to bring things into being that harbour this spiritual substance in themselves again, there it oppresses other creations....

It tries to unite with such and to influence their activity, which manifests itself in phenomena which deviate from the natural, thus in irregularities which are particularly evident in the plant world. Immature beings interfere with the divine order without being prevented by God, so that people realize that every work of destruction, every premature destruction for ignoble motives, also has a destructive or unlawful effect again. The spiritual, which becomes free prematurely, is not powerless and in the free state can always press or influence the spiritual, which stands on the same or higher level of development, and it uses its freedom in such a way that it joins this spiritual and wants to be active as it were, therefore now two intelligences want to express themselves through a work of creation. Admittedly, these are only ever attempts, for the spiritual in the form resists them, but for a short time it is disturbed in its regularity and this results in deviations which, although not serious, are nevertheless noticeable. For God certainly lets the spiritual in this way seek and find a balance but protects the other works of creation from significant changes through such entities which are still completely immature. But people should recognize from this that every offence against divine order has the effect of overturning the divine order again, and this to the detriment of people.... be it through

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delayed growth in the plant world or bad harvests or also weather influences, which likewise often cause such spirit beings that have become free to run riot in nature.... in the clouds or in the air. Very often the human will itself is the cause that prematurely destroys works of creation and thereby even influences the plant world unfavourably, for the released spiritual being does not remain inactive but looks for new deformations and a new field of activity, even if it does not yet have the necessary state of maturity for this until it has found an outer shell corresponding to its state of maturity and can continue its course of development....

Amen

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Creation miracles should make you think....

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gain and again the wonders of creation are pointed out to you, and you should not blindly pass them by, for everything around you proves Me and My might, yet you humans are incapable of letting even the tiniest little plant, the smallest living being come into being.... not to mention yourselves as the crown of creation. And you move in the midst of the whole creation as something completely independent and self-evident and do not ask what meaning and purpose creation serves. And everything should still remind you of a creator, who is exceedingly wise and powerful and Whom His love determines to create such an environment for you, in which you are to enjoy yourselves. You yourselves.... as the greatest marvel of My creation.... you can think, and you only apply this privilege to create for yourselves everything that would be added to you in vain if you would think about the meaning and purpose of creation and yourselves and now live according to this purpose. Because as I maintain the whole creation, so also I maintain your bodily life and all worry about it would be useless. But the thoughts of men go other ways.... what is nearest to them they pay no attention to, nor do they think about the creator and sustainer of all things.... But every such thought would be answered for them out of the kingdom of light, and that truly so that they would now also see in Me as their creator the motive why and for what purpose I have put man on earth. And such an attitude would be right and would soon let man mature that he would fulfil the meaning and purpose of earth life.... But how different is it with the creatures, which My will has put into this world? They carelessly pass by what I have given them for joy, and not with one thought do they dwell on Me and ask themselves about the reason of their earth life. But with increased eagerness they chase after the world with its goods, and their whole wanting and thinking is meant for the bodily well-being. But exactly the earthly world is the kingdom of My adversary, whom I certainly overruled by letting creation come into being, therefore took his following from him, but had to leave him his rule over you in the stage as man, where he now seeks to have an effect on you again with all power through "his world", through hard matter, in which the whole immature spiritual is bound.... And exactly this "matter" you strive for and in your desire you go far back, because it was eternities ago when you had overcome this matter and had advanced upwards in your development. And that is why you are so endangered by your desire for earthly goods, because as soon as it fills your whole sensing, you will hardly still look at the creation around you and also not ask yourselves for what purpose I let it come into being. And precisely this question could become a blessing for you, because then you would recognize your creator as a God of love, wisdom and might, to Whom you could turn and establish a close bond with Him.... And your purpose of earthly life would be fulfilled, for I truly do not ask much of you, I only want one thing, that you should recognize and learn to love Me. And the work of creation around you is most capable of that, that you look at all these miraculous works in thoughts of Me and your love towards Me grows and you want to get into contact with Me to now no longer loosen this bond. Creation is therefore proof of My existence and My love for all created things; you can recognize Me Myself, and you will also know that only love has allowed it to come into being. And you will ask yourselves why My love thus became effective.... And the answer will always be given to you if you earnestly desire it, for light will come to all who desire light....

Amen

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No work of creation is pointless or purposeless....

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here is nothing in material creation what would be senseless and purposeless, even when you men L cannot recognize the purpose. Everything once came into being to serve spiritual for ascent development, and this ascent development consists in serving, even so in bound will, in a state of compulsion, where everything takes place according to divine natural law. The serving purpose is not always apparent to man, and still every work of creation has come out of the hands of God, and in unsurpassable wisdom a function is assigned to it, which sometimes only concerns the spiritual itself, which is bound in those creations, that it keeps that spiritual "bound" to break its resistance, to cause it to strive for freedom. Because the spiritual, which is to develop upwards, is through its resistance against God-hardened spiritual, which has to give up its resistance, if it is to progress in its development. And such works of creation remain unchanged in their form through endless times, and still they fulfil a purpose.... that they enclose spiritual, and that this spiritual is already in (out of) the deepest depth and starts its course of development upwards in a work of creation. Because there is still endless much hardened spiritual substance, which has not yet started the way, which could not yet be enclosed by matter, because its resistance is still so strong that it could not yet become matter, that it did not let itself be enclosed by the love of God and still a long time can pass until also this spiritual once starts the way through the creations. But what you men see in creation, everything has a serving purpose, but which you men can prevent through your will, if you do not use the individual works of creation purposefully, if you hinder them through this at serving, which alone brings about their ascent development. The development and continuation of many creations is secured by precisely those works of creation which are able to fulfil their serving purpose. Because creation not only serves man but it secures its own existence because one work has come into being for the other and this is considered and determined in all love and wisdom by God, who lets nothing come into being without meaning and purpose because this contradicts His love and wisdom.... But whether you recognize every purpose is questionable as long as you yourselves as man still stand in a lower degree of maturity; but the realization will come to you with increasing maturity.... And only then the miracle of creation will touch you more and more, because then things will become clear to you, which you are hardly able to grasp, because they prove to you an infinitely powerful, loving and wise creator, Who has set Himself an aim and also surely reaches this aim. And so you humans should also make the right use of everything creation offers you. You should make use of its services, whatever it may be, for both hard matter.... the world of rocks, as well as the world of plants and animals, was created for you, that you always use it in the right way.... Every dissolving of the material outer form is a step further for the development of the spiritual bound in form. However, you should not unlawfully dissolve forms whose time is not yet fulfilled, for which you are certainly given the right assessment. You are not to make anything prematurely incapable of serving you, you are to adapt yourselves to the laws of nature, otherwise you yourselves are the sufferers.... Because as soon as spiritual becomes free prematurely, its influence on you men is a harmful one, because the immature spiritual takes revenge on men, who unlawfully interrupted its process of maturation. And this danger exists when man is too much attached to matter and he seeks to draw earthly benefit and he disregards the laws of nature. Everything must always take place in lawful order, then also an ascent development of everything is secured, what is still bound in creation as well as also in man himself and is once to receive its freedom. But divine order is mostly overturned, and that is why also spiritual development remains behind and requires a violent regulation, which also always then takes place when the danger exists that nothing is anymore used according to divine order and that the serving purpose is denied to the spiritual in every form.... Because nothing is in creation what would not have to fulfil a purpose; every work of creation serves the building up and the preservation of earth, and as long as earthly creations arise, the process of development is also not yet finished, which has the final return of the once fallen spiritual as its aim. And eternities will still pass; again and again new creations will arise, because still innumerable many original spirits wait for their change into matter, for their course through this matter

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and for their final return to their start from eternity.... But everything goes on in lawful order, and so also everything has an unfavourable effect what is contrary to this law of eternal order.... But once the aim will be reached, once everything will again be spiritualized, and once also all creations will only be of spiritual kind, which only still arise for endless happiness of the beings, because these now constantly create and work for their own happiness....

Amen

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Thank you father for the embodiment as a human being

Grace of embodiment as a human being....

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I ery few people realize that life on earth is a grace for them and that they must make use of this grace, otherwise they will not respect it and lose many blessings. However, they cannot excuse themselves with ignorance and must therefore answer for disregarding grace. It is presented to every person, and every person can use his intellect and think about what he is told, and with a serious will to do good and right he will also have the right thoughts about the purpose of his earthly life. But his will is free and he can also reject the right thoughts, he just has to answer for this wrong will. The grace of embodiment on earth is the conclusion of an endlessly long period of development of the soul. Life on earth is very short compared to this long period of development before, and yet it is decisive for the whole of eternity. Earthly life is a grace, for in it God gives people the opportunity to cast off every shackle and become completely free, and He gives the weak human being every conceivable means to achieve this goal. And this grace is not recognized and therefore not valued as grace, as a gift which God's love bestows upon His living creations in order to lead them to the light out of the night of the spirit. People pass by the graces indifferently. They live their lives, but in a completely wrong way. They desire what they should overcome and they disregard what they should strive for and therefore cannot mature, instead they stand still in their development, if they do not even develop regressively. And the endlessly long earthly progress before was in vain, and the grace of embodiment as a human being has not earned him any progress, otherwise he would thank God beyond measure that he has received earthly life from Him. Only he who recognizes it as a grace will be able to make use of this grace and achieve success for the soul. Life in eternity cannot yet be presented to the human being, otherwise free will would be in danger of becoming unfree. He is to develop upwards completely unconstrained, and innumerable possibilities, innumerable aids are at his disposal, which are all favours to make his life on earth easier. God bestows all these favours upon people in His greater than great love; yet the greatest grace is that the soul was allowed to embody itself in the human being, that it is offered every opportunity, that it now has the opportunity to join God through this embodiment, that it is constantly looked after by beings of light which can help it to reach the goal. But if it disregards this great grace it will lose other favours again and live its earthly life in vain, that is, it will not pursue the only goal, the union with God. It only lives the earthly life, uses the life power flowing towards it for this and leaves its soul completely unnoticed. And thus it abuses the grace of embodiment and therefore has to answer to God....

Amen

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Earthwalking, act of grace.... return to God....

B.D. No. **6096**

November 2nd 1954

It is an immeasurable act of grace by God that you are allowed to live on this earth as a human being, for you have an **undeserved** opportunity to regain possession of the light and strength you once voluntarily relinquished. Your sin against eternal love was so immense that eternal damnation would have been the just punishment for it, for you rebelled against the highest and most perfect being to Whom you owed your existence, Whose greater than great love called you into being. You rejected this love.... you showed enmity towards Him Who only gave you unlimited love. And thereby you created a gulf between Him and you which could never be bridged by you, and thus your fate would have been eternal separation from God, which is equal to eternal damnation in darkness and torment....

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But God's love did not give up on you.... it found ways and means to reduce the distance between Him and you in order to guide you to Himself again. And this also includes earthly life as a human being, which is therefore a special act of grace by God, because without your own merit you were guided onto a path which leads directly back to God if you live it in accordance with God's will.... if you subordinate your will to God's will for the duration of your earthly life. All memory of your fall is taken from you.... As independent beings you are only confronted with one decision: to want, to think and to act good or bad.... You are sinful because of your former rebellion against God.... but you can make up for this sin, you can become free of it, if you do not **oppose** God during your life on earth but consciously **turn** to Him.... if your will is good.... Then your walk on earth will also be good, it will correspond to God's will, and you will have passed the test of will.... you have confessed **God** to Whom you once stood in enmity.

God's greater than great love created this opportunity for you to return to Him again in order to be able to receive light and strength in abundance and to attain your original state again. It is an act of grace of which you can only make yourselves worthy by making use of it, by allowing His infinite love to take effect on you and reciprocating it through your complete submission.... for you would never accomplish the return to Him of your own strength, and only this undeserved grace of embodiment as a human being can make the return to God possible, which therefore cannot be valued highly enough and which is only properly recognized when the soul is in the state of light and strength again.... Only then does it recognize what it was, what it is and what it is yet to become.... Only then will it also recognize God's infinite love, which it once resisted, and then it will love Him with all intimacy and also find its beatitude in this love....

Amen

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Grace of embodiment as a human being....

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No human being is aware of the unheard-of grace of being allowed to live on earth, for no human being recognizes his actual self.... No human being can appreciate what he was in the beginning and what he can become again through a right earthly life.... He once shone in inexpressible beauty, his abundance of light and strength was unlimited, and therefore his bliss was also unlimited. But no human being on earth can imagine such bliss and abundance of light and strength, and knowledge alone is not enough to grasp the great grace granted to the being that it may embody itself as a human being in order to emerge again from a freely chosen state which it had created for itself but which is completely unworthy of this perfect being.... But the fact that the human being cannot grasp it is well thought out by God, otherwise the earthly course could not result in free development to ascent but would force every being to ascend, which, however, would eliminate the attainment of perfection. And thus the human being stands, as it were, completely blind in an area which he has to walk through in order to reach the aim. And his blindness would always let him go astray if he were not accompanied by a guide who offered him his guidance. This guide will now tell him what he can achieve, he will also present his deficient state to him as self-inflicted and again and again spur him on to change it, but he will also leave him full freedom of will to listen to his ideas and to lead his way of life accordingly or to go his own way. But no human being needs to go through life without spiritual guidance.... And this, too, is again a grace.... therefore a grace, because once the being stood in brightest light and voluntarily gave itself to this light. Thus it spurned something divine, it rejected what God's great love bestowed upon it when He created the being. And this was a sin which justly had to lead to complete darkness.... and justly also meant a wasting away of God's love and mercy.... But the divine love and mercy does not deny itself eternally. But it is and remains an act of grace that God gives these fallen through their own fault the opportunity to work their way up again, even though this happens in such a way that the human being himself is not aware of the significance of his earthly existence. But God also tries to provide him with the knowledge about it, only 'knowledge' and complete 'realization' are still different, but the human being can acquire a degree of realization that he

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is able to **believe** what is presented to him as knowledge. Yet a single glimpse into his original state of light would render the human being incapable of further striving, for he would then perish under the force of his sin.... But he shall reach his former state of light again. For this reason every possibility has been opened up to him through God's love and grace, thus he finds himself in a perpetually flowing flow of grace of divine love which can also lead him to the aim if he completely surrenders himself to it, if he does not 'swim against the current'.... that is, if he does not offer inner resistance to those spiritual guides who are extremely eager to help him progress, but who nevertheless leave him complete freedom. But anyone who willingly allows himself to be steered and guided will come ever closer to his original state, and soon he will also recognize in his spirit the truth of what is presented to him.... he recognizes God's infinite love and grace, and then he humbly submits himself to the God and father he has recognized, and he desires Him with all his senses.... Then he can already be permeated by a small light of realization which, however, is only a faint reflection of the original light which once completely permeated him.... But then the grace of embodiment as a human being bestowed upon him was not ineffective, and then he returned to the father, from Whom he is no longer able to separate even in eternity, for love has now indissolubly united him with the eternal love....

Amen

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The grace of life on earth as a human being....

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August 5th 1961

very human soul is a fallen original spirit which is close to its perfection, i.e., whose path is only a short one left until unification with Me, provided that it is in the last stage of development.... as a human being.... turns his free will towards Me, that he thus professes Me again, Whom he once refused to acknowledge. And every human soul has an infinitely long path of development behind it, because this was necessary in order to emerge from the bottomless abyss, to ascend to the height where it originally dwelled.... In this stage as a human being the soul is also again receptive to a light, i.e., it can again gain a degree of knowledge which it had lost when it fell away from Me.... For the soul is self-aware, it can think and want again as in the beginning, only to a weak degree, but it can increase it during its earthly life.... The degree of realization is also decisive for the soul when it has left its existence as a human being and now enters the spiritual kingdom, for this degree of realization signifies light, without which the soul can never be blissfully happy. The human being himself can acquire a high degree of light during his earthly existence, he can be far advanced in realization if he uses his earthly existence to shape his nature into love, which was his original state and which absolutely has to be attained again in order to be able to dwell in the spiritual kingdom in blissful union with Me. This transformation into love is the work which the human being has to accomplish himself but which he can also do because he is granted help in every way. But at the beginning of his embodiment the human being's nature is still in perverse love as a result of his fall into sin in the spiritual kingdom and also of the renewed fall into sin of the first human beings.... Ego love dominates him, and this is to be changed into unselfish neighbourly love. For this purpose the human being is on earth, or also: The fallen original spirit must accomplish this transformation to love in free will itself, so that it achieves its divinisation and can now create and work in union with Me in freedom, light and strength.... And this transformation into love is the purpose of earthly life and no being can be spared, for it is at the same time the being's passed test of will.... It is the evidence of the being's divinity, which emerged from Me and was created perfect but now has to strive for this perfection in free will itself in order to be able to exist next to Me as a divine being, in order to be able to dwell with Me as

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'My child', from Whom it once originated as a 'creature'.... The **divinisation** of the beings created by Me was and is My aim which I will certainly achieve but the duration of which is determined by the being itself. And once it has reached the stage as a human being it is close to its aim, and the human being should now make every effort to make good use of the last short period of time for its final perfection. He should acquire the knowledge of his purpose of earthly life, of all correlations and of My will, for the fulfilment of My will is working in love, and working in love also brings him light....

knowledge which corresponds to truth, knowledge which gives him full realization and which impels him to only pursue the aim of perfecting himself on earth, to shape his nature into love and thereby always establish the bond with Me, which is then indissoluble and the attainment of the aim is now also assured. The human being should also evaluate his self-awareness, i.e. think about himself, and then I will always be at his side, I will guide his thoughts correctly and I Myself will support him in every way so that he will reach his aim. Yet one day his remorse will be bitter if he lets the time on earth pass by unused and knows about the endless course of development before.... Yet as a human being he must not be given the recollection because then a life of free will would be impossible, because he would then live in fear and thus under a certain compulsion and his will and actions could not be judged as a free decision of will.... You should never forget that earthly life as a human being is a grace which you only need to use correctly in order to become blessed....

Amen

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Transformation to love

Incomprehensible gift of grace.... counter gift: love....

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o you know what it means that you are able to hear Me Myself? That you, as a human being, can develop the ability within yourselves to hear My direct address, to hear My word which My greater than great love speaks to you? Do you know that this proves a connection between Me and you and that this state is already a state of light and strength which can now be unfolded into infinity? The fact that there is a creator will seldom be able to be denied or doubted by a human being.... but that this creator from eternity addresses you, His creations, although they are still in a state of imperfection.... and that it is even given in the will of His creations to hear Him, that will only be believed by few people or even held as a firm conviction, for only very few unfold the ability in themselves and make the test by listening, by asking in thought and now also believingly expecting an answer.... And I will answer them because they themselves give Me the opportunity through their faith, for I cannot address you humans without such faith for the sake of your freedom of faith and will. This knowledge would have to crush you humans, it would have to make you pass away with joy and happiness if you could fully appreciate what it means to be in such intimate contact with the creator of all infinity that you are able to hear His word.... to be addressed as His child, to receive loving father words from Him, to receive comfort and advice, to be guided and admonished by His address and only ever need to open your heart and ear in order to receive His words of love.... It is a gift of grace which will remain incomprehensible to you forever and can only be explained by My greater than great love. But does such a gift not oblige you? Can you accept it without the feeling of gratitude and the will to offer Me a gift as well? Everything comes forth from Me and yet I also demand something from you in return.... your love.... I only ever solicit your love, and if you give it to Me then I will have achieved what I want through My address; for to possess your love is My bliss, the gift you should give Me if you want to offer Me a gift in return. And you will learn to love Me if you listen attentively to My words, if you let Me be present in you through your will, if you become aware of what you actually are and now grasp the significance of My address.... Then love will flare up in you, and you will be powerfully drawn to Me.... Your longing is for Me and the spiritual kingdom and it will come true: you will return home to the father's house, for then I will have regained My children and will never ever lose them again....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

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

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hatever you do to the least of My brothers, you have done to Me. Every day and every hour you are given the opportunity to do good, to say a kind word, to helpfully assist your neighbour with advice and deeds and thus to alleviate his hardship, which need not only consist of earthly needs but also requires spiritual help through comforting encouragement or guidance on the right path which leads out of spiritual and also earthly hardship. You should only not harden your heart and turn away your eyes when you see hardship; you should not become indifferent and believe that you have done enough once you have given help.... You should always and constantly practice love, then you will know within yourselves the blissful feeling of a giver who is blessed by Me.... who receives from Me again in the same measure as he gives out, and truly, gifts which make him far more happy than the earthly possessions he renounces.... For you give to **Me** as you distribute to your neighbour, you give

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Me the love which your neighbour receives from you. You can only prove your love for Me by showing love to your neighbour. You cannot measure the great wealth you accumulate through unselfish love, yet one day you will be happy to recognize the truth of My word and admit that it was truly not difficult to acquire spiritual treasures on earth.... And I want to create this happiness for you and therefore constantly admonish you to work with love.... As soon as you always remember that I Myself come before you as a supplicant when a needy person asks you for a gift, as soon as you remember that I know about every gift which is offered with love and look at you with blessing eyes in return, then your love for your neighbour will grow, because love always awakens reciprocated love and carries strength and blessings within itself. Whatever you do to the least of My brothers you have done to Me.... You are all My children, and if the children love each other they give the father the greatest happiness, because only love can cause true bliss and because love leads you all to perfection, which can never be achieved without love. Be grateful as long as you have the opportunity to help and advise, for you still possess the strength of life to do so but you will lack it if one day you recognize your neglect and want to make up for it.... Use your time on earth to work with love so that you will enter the kingdom of the beyond with strength and be able to work there with the treasures you have acquired through loving activity, so that you will not be weak and helpless and bitterly regret what you neglected to do on earth....

Amen

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Think and act justly....

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demand righteous thinking and righteous action from you, for this arises from a loving heart. If you Ligive to your neighbour what you claim for yourselves, the love of your heart will impel you to do so, and thus you will fulfil My commandment to love your neighbour as yourselves. And you will constantly have the opportunity to do so, although you will also be exposed to temptations, for My adversary will also work on you undauntedly and try to kindle your desires such that you will not want to deny yourselves what you deem desirable. But the more earthly goods seem appealing to you, the more you should remember My commandment of love.... Pray of what you possess and alleviate your neighbour's hardship; think and act justly, i.e., don't let those who have nothing go hungry but put yourselves in their position where you would be grateful for any help. Think and act justly.... You are all brothers, you are all children of one father and should share every gift amongst yourselves, for this is true love which delights the father's heart and which will bless you a thousandfold. And if you give, do not measure anxiously, fearing that your supply will be less.... for as you measure out, so shall it be measured to you.... I, your father from eternity, always give to you according to your will to give, for I want hardship to be alleviated, that people may develop their love, I want to inspire them to loving activity, and I truly do not leave in hardship those who disown themselves in order to help their fellow human beings.... I want My blessing to be evident to you, that you recognize Me Myself as the giver of everything you need; yet I also want you to hand out in the same way as I hand out to you.... that you consider the needy and thereby practice love, that you don't claim for yourselves what My love offers you when the hardship is clearly recognizable around you. Think and act justly.... Seek to alleviate the hardship with love in order to awaken reciprocated love, for only when people realize that your activity of love will earn them My blessing can the earthly hardship improve, because then the purpose of the hardship will have been achieved.... a change in the human being to love which corresponds to My divine order and also results in an orderly earthly life. And thus your thoughts and actions shall always be guided by the love of the heart, then your way of life will correspond to My will, then you yourselves will mature in your soul, then the earthly adversity will be alleviated, for then love will reign, and where love is I Myself am, just as I will always dwell where My commandments are fulfilled, which only require love for Me and for the neighbour....

Amen

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Help to erring souls greatest work of love and mercy....

You will be granted manifold blessings if you endeavour to help erring souls who cannot find the right path because they are blind in spirit. Bringing them light, pointing them to the right path and thus making it possible for them to reach the aim is a work of mercy and neighbourly love which is significant for eternity and which is therefore highly valued by Me, Who loves all My creations and wants to bring them salvation through you. Physically helping your neighbour is certainly also a work of love which will be rewarded to you; however, putting a soul into the state of recognizing its situation and subsequently changing itself, thus entering the right path which leads to My kingdom and is the only aim worth striving for, is far more meritorious, for at the same time it is evidence of profound faith if a person imparts his knowledge to another which has only been acquired spiritually, thus it cannot be proven. Moreover, such a work of love has an effect for the whole of eternity.... If you imagine that your efforts to enlighten an ignorant person can result in a state of light for his soul which it will never lose again, then this awareness must already be the greatest reward for you to have spared this soul unspeakable suffering which, however, would have been its fate in the beyond if it had entered it in darkness. To have brought light to a person is the greatest work of love, for it proves sincere, unselfish neighbourly love. Although the efforts for an erring soul are often seemingly unsuccessful, what a soul has once received will emerge again in it in cases of great earthly adversity, and then it is still possible for the person to confess it, and this will always be and remain your merit, for a saved soul will eternally thank its saviour if it once stands in the light.... if it has recognized the fate it has escaped through His help....

Amen

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Love for "sick souls"....

B.D. No. 7711

September 27th 1960

have given you one commandment: that you love one another.... And this also means that one learns to bear the other's faults patiently, that he bears his weaknesses with full consideration, that he tries to reconcile in love when disputes arise.... that everyone should be a true brother to the other with whom he is naturally united by love, because you are all children of one father. You should not forget that you are all My creatures whom I want to educate into children and that I use all means of education on you.... and this also includes that you have to learn patience towards those whom you are not always able to show the feeling of love.... But you should learn not to condemn, not to get angry with those.... you should learn to be considerate, for their souls are still ill, and you should have compassion for these 'souls', that they themselves are in spiritual hardship and are grateful for every little service of love you thus render to the souls. And love will always awaken love in return.... But if you abandon those people whom you believe you cannot love because of their faults and weaknesses, then it is like denying help to a sick person, for the soul is sick as long as it is still held captive by the one who also influences the person in an unfavourable way. You humans, you all possess My love.... Should you not also be able to love one another if you know that your father loves all His children and wants to win them over for Himself? And should you not also be able to turn your love towards weak, imperfect and often sinful people if you know that they are still strongly bound? Try to free them from their shackles but don't withdraw your love from them.... Exercise patience, as I Myself must also use it again and again towards you, all of you who are still sinful and bound by faults and weaknesses.... For you all do not live out love to the extent that you are perfect. And I also have to be patient with you and your weakness and will not let you fall.... But you shall be My children who fulfil the father's will.... you should therefore first observe the commandment of love and be of one mind among yourselves.... For discord has a bad effect by always giving birth to new discord and the enemy of your souls always successfully finds a target. And you should always bear in mind that I Myself am love and that anyone who wants to belong to Me must also remain in love.... And if unpleasant thoughts fill you, if you take offence at your fellow human beings and get angry with them, your

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degree of love for Me will also decrease, since I am also their father and therefore you should love them. And thus don't misjudge your earthly task: Remain in love and only ever let the spirit of love recognize you, so that you yourselves bear witness that you are united with Me. For you should sow love so that you will also reap love....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Loving help for fellow human beings in distress....

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You shall help and comfort those who suffer earthly or spiritual hardship. Then you will truly exercise neighbourly love and also awaken love in your fellow human being. The last days cannot pass people by without sorrow and adversity for they are the last means used by Me to win them over for Myself. I want to speak to every human heart by way of such adversity, and if they hear Me, if they recognise My voice in their distress and then turn their heart and ear to Me they will have taken a step forward, they will have entered the path which leads to ascent. But there are still untold people who keep their heart and ear closed to Me.... And you should speak to these and direct them in their adversity to Me, where they will find true comfort and help....

You are already helping them by not ignoring their distress, and this help will be gratefully received.... You should believe that only love is the correct remedy, that love heals wounds, that love soothes pain and that no human being is immune to a deed of love. And thus, every deed of love will awaken reciprocated love in another person, and only in this way can souls be won. Souls only mature through love, and if a soul is capable of love, then suffering, too, will result in great blessings, for then the soul will purge itself of all impurities and let every ray of love take effect on it.... Therefore you should talk to all people whom you know to be in difficult situations, who endure much suffering and are without hope and despondent. Comfort them and refer them to Me.... Don't leave them to their pain, so that they won't feel lonely and despair.... Every kind word is soothing to them, and compassion lets them feel their pain less intensely.... Provide them with earthly and spiritual comfort, so that all suffering will have a beneficial effect on their souls.... For you all still have to face much adversity and misery, you will all still experience situations when you will be grateful for comforting advice, for all kinds of assistance.

In the coming time one person will have to depend on the other, and where people don't support each other the hardship will appear almost unbearable unless they turn to Me, Who will never leave a person if he calls to Me. And that is all I want to achieve, that people establish such a heartfelt bond with Me that they will never feel lonely and abandoned but always know that their Guardian and Helper is next to them, and that they then will no longer feel their adversity as harshly and as bitterly as the person who is still distant from Me. Every adversity is endurable for a person who takes refuge with Me, but you, who want to serve Me, can work as mediators between Myself and them.... you can show them the way to eliminate their distress, and if you do it with love you will also be successful.

Don't let your hearts harden, don't ignore your fellow human beings hardship, look around yourselves and you will see much adversity, and your help will always be comforting to others. But you all can help, for the right kind of help consists of kind-hearted thoughts, kind-hearted words and of actions that your love asks you to do.... True, compassionate love for your fellow human being in distress will always let you find ways and means to ease their hardship, and spiritual guidance is frequently of greater value than earthly assistance, for you thereby open the door to their hearts for Me, and once I can enter them Myself they will also be comforted and gladly carry their cross for their soul's sake. And then their adversity will have been a blessing, for then they will have found their way home to the Father, I will have won them for eternity....

Amen

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Purification of the soul through love....

t contributes a lot to your purification if you only keep reminding yourselves of the commandments Lof 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

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Thank you father for the work of redemption of Jesus Christ

The magnitude of the original sin necessitates Salvation through Jesus Christ....

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If the knowledge of the infinitely long path of development, which you had to travel before your last embodiment as a human being, is given to you and you think about it, then you will also become aware of the tremendous guilt you had burdened yourselves with by your former apostasy from Me.... Because My sense of justice would certainly not let you endure an excess of suffering if you had not brought it on yourselves. Yet it is not an act of punishment on My part but once again only an act of My eternal love, because I want you to be joyful; however, I cannot give you a blissful life which conflicts with My law of eternal order while your frame of mind opposes Me.... which is the case due to your past antagonism towards Me. However, as human beings you cannot assess the magnitude of your guilt because your thoughts are only limited. Yet the beings which previously had fallen away had no such limitation of knowledge as you have as human beings.... instead they were perfect living creations who were fully enlightened. For that reason their guilt is so tremendous that it requires an act of atonement which could not even be achieved with the infinitely long path through creation. Rather, the greatest act of love and compassion had to be accomplished first by the man Jesus in order to make a final redemption of guilt possible which, however, also necessitates the acknowledgement of Jesus as Son of God and Saviour of the world....

When you return to the realm of light from where you came you can judge the magnitude of guilt that an opposition to Me had meant. You will also understand that only by following the path through creation can you once again obtain the degree of maturity with which you can also comprehend and accept Jesus' act of Salvation....

As human beings, however, you cannot grasp the extent of the immense significance this act of Salvation has for you.... for each individual soul.... and you therefore have to 'believe' what you are told and accept the divine Saviour Jesus Christ without proof. Then you become free of your former guilt and once again place your trust in Me.... Who was incarnated in Jesus.... and at the same time voluntarily return to Him, Whom you once refused to acknowledge and Whom you resisted.... You humans certainly can be given complete clarification; however, you are not able to understand everything in your as yet imperfect state. Therefore it will always be an act of faith when you follow the path to the cross but it is also your only and certain salvation because Jesus Christ will then accept the guilt on your behalf, because He died on the cross for the sake of people's sins, He took them upon Himself and redeemed them with His blood so that you would become free of sin.... And yet, this greatest and most important doctrine concerning the act of Salvation cannot be proven to you.... You have to believe it of your own free will and without any coercion.... And you are able to do so because I will never ask of you the impossible and because I will always help you to come to the right understanding.

However, one thing you should not omit or exclude: that you live a life of love.... because love is the strength which enables you to do everything, because through love you attain enlightenment, and because through love you unite with Me again and establish the condition prior to your fall into sin, when My light could continuously enlighten you. That way I can illuminate you as human beings, as soon as you practise love and voluntarily turn towards Me, no longer oppose Me and open up to Me so that the flow of My love can pour into you without restriction. But this is only possible after you have taken the way to the cross, so that you become free from the guilt of your sins, otherwise you will still suffer in the bonds of the adversary who will prevent you from doing actions of love and keep you in spiritual darkness because he does not want to lose you. Your guilt has been immense but it is

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redeemed by Jesus Christ Who now has become the visible God for you humans, providing you allow yourselves to be redeemed by Him, because you cannot ever remove your guilt yourselves. I, however, cannot admit you into My kingdom with your guilt because, although I Am in fact a God of love, I Am also a God of justice.... And this justice necessitates complete forgiveness of sins which you can only find in Jesus Christ, in Whom I Myself accomplished the act of Salvation....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The work of redemption through Jesus Christ....

B.D. No. **7885** May 4th 1961

ou cannot occupy your thoughts often enough with Jesus Christ's act of salvation, for it was the most powerful thing that has ever happened and will ever happen on earth.... I Myself, your God and creator, your father from eternity, embodied Myself in this human being Jesus and walked the path across earth as a human being.... You will not be able to grasp this until you stand in the highest abundance of light; yet as a human being it shall be held up to you again and again that this great event took place because of you.... And you truly cannot think often enough about the infinite love which prompted Me to put on flesh in order to be able to come close to you, who otherwise would have passed away in view of My light if I had not veiled Myself to you in order to be able to dwell with you.... I Myself.... the greatest spirit of infinity.... entered this earth and took on the form of a human being because it was necessary to accomplish a work of atonement for you and your immense guilt of sin in order to pave the way for you humans back to Me again, from Whom you had once voluntarily distanced yourselves. And this work of atonement was truly unique, for the most bitter suffering and pain ever endured by a human being, Who was pure and sinless and full of love, was inflicted on him.... He was tormented physically and mentally and patiently took all these torments upon Himself in order to atone for the great guilt of sin of His fallen brothers.... And in this man was I Myself.... I could not suffer as a spirit, therefore I took on the shell of a human being in order to take upon Myself the suffering which meant the redemption of the guilt of sin and which could not be avoided for the sake of justice, which demands at one ment for every offence against My love.... This is why your God and creator, your father of eternity, embodied Himself in this human being Jesus, this is why I Myself lived on this earth as a human being, because I wanted to bring salvation to you, who otherwise would have remained eternally separated from Me due to your guilt of sin and would never have been able to take the path back to the father, because the path to the kingdom of light was closed to you as long as your guilt had not been redeemed.... Yet as long as you humans stay on earth you cannot grasp the full depth of this great work of mercy.... because your thinking is limited and you are still in darkness, i.e. in a state without knowledge.... until you yourselves have found forgiveness through Jesus Christ, until you yourselves have been redeemed by Him through His blood which He shed on the cross for humanity's guilt of sin.... only then will it become bright in you, and only then will you be able to muster understanding for the great work of love of your God and creator of eternity.... only then will you also be able to understand Who walked the earth in the man Jesus, Who redeemed you from sin and death.... And ever brighter light will shine in you the further you progress in your maturity of soul.... if you live in love as the man Jesus exemplified to you.... Then you will also often dwell with Him in your thoughts, you will recognize Me Myself in Him, you will sing praise and thanks to Me in your heart that I Myself descended to earth in order to bring you salvation, which only I Myself could bring to you by sacrificing Myself in Jesus for you and your sins. My death on the cross was a unique act of love which was accomplished for all times, for the past, the present and the future.... And it will never be repeated.... But in the spiritual kingdom it can be experienced at any time by the world of light, by all beings who have entered the kingdom of light and who can also measure the immense love and grace of their father, who caused that great act of love.... And they will praise and glorify Me and My name, for in their abundance of light they recognize the significance of the work of salvation, and full of love and gratitude they participate in it by seeking to lead the

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unredeemed spiritual beings to Jesus Christ and thus to Me Myself, Who was and remained in Him in order to be and remain a visible God to all created beings for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The redemption work of Christ.... The guilt of sin....

B.D. No. **0459** June 10th 1938

The time of suffering of Jesus on earth was the greatest sacrifice ever made by a human being on this earth, because the Lord did not suffer for His own, but for the sin of mankind, whereas all suffering that hit mankind deservedly came through them.... The soul of the Lord was spirit of the Spirit of God.... it was one with the Father.... But the body was earthly and hence suffered the most unspeakable tortures on the cross, fully blameless.... only out of love for humans, in order to erase their sin guilt. So this death on the cross became the work of redemption of Christ....

And if man now asks why the Saviour had to endure such unspeakable torments, Divine Love itself will answer him:.... for the forgiveness of your sins.... That you may be exempt from punishment, if you confess your love for your Savior.... These few words say it all.... Through every sin the earthly child perishes from God, the Creator of heaven and earth.... But no being can measure the greatness of the guilt that lies in rebelling against the purest, highest and most loving God-being....

And yet every sin is rebellion against the Godhead. A debt, which is now so exceedingly large.... how should this ever be paid off by humans in their short time on earth.... and how incredibly heavy would such a debt be in the hereafter.... if any debt would have to be paid off by the earthly child itself.... Whoever does not recognize the eternal Godhead, whoever does not recognize Divine Love, has to atone for his guilt without measure.... But those who have found the Lord, who repentantly confess their sins to the Lord and ask for grace and forgiveness, to them every sin will be forgiven, because the Lord has accomplished the work of redemption for them....

Otherwise it would never have been possible to look upon the face of the Father with the greatness of guilt that makes every being unworthy of such grace and bliss. But the love of the Divine Redeemer towards mankind was so infinite that he carried out the greatest act of mercy with His suffering and death, but which is not recognized in it's greatness, not before the earthly child first receives from the Lord Himself the grace to be able to spiritually understand this greatest sacrifice. Only then will he be able to understand and be grateful to the heavenly Father with all his heart for this greatest gift of grace, through which the Lord has protected mankind from the death of the soul - from it's spiritual destruction....

Because the soul is to live in the light.... it is to see the face of God and is to be able to become a child of God, if it has only the will for it. For for this the Lord died on the cross and willingly took upon Himself the most bitter death of the body, out of great love for sinful mankind. Recognize this, and bow down in deepest humility before the Most Sublime.... and know that He died for you.... to redeem you.... Make yourself worthy of this work of redemption.... so that you may enter into eternal glory....

Amen

Translation handled by Alida Pretorius

Paying off the debt 'in pennies and nickels....'

B.D. No. **6220**

March 27th 1955

y justice demands the removal of all guilt.... for it is the law of divine order that every cause brings its effect. Every guilt is an offence against the eternal order, it is an act which **must** somehow have an effect and which will only ever have a bad effect because it was a violation of My order from eternity. Evil will only ever give birth to evil.... and no bad deed remains without effect.

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Thus you humans, burdened by guilt, would **never** be able to live in freedom and bliss in the spiritual kingdom, because this guilt is therefore a burden for the soul, because the bad effects would constantly admonish the soul to make a just compensation.... because the guilt simply does not allow for the consciousness of 'blissful freedom'.... because the soul has stepped out of divine order and absolutely has to restore this divine order first before it can enjoy its freedom. This is by no means an act of punishment on My part but simply law, because justice and love reign in My kingdom and because neither is compatible with unbalanced guilt. Only a guiltless being can be blissful, a being which has compensated for the smallest lack of love with love, a being which has now completely entered into the eternal order.... a being that has paid all guilt, that has made up for all guilt with love.... And hardly any being is capable of this which lived on earth as a human being and became guilty in many ways.... because it travelled the earthly path in an imperfect state, because the being does not move in divine order due to this imperfect state.... because it has not yet developed love within itself, thus due to unkindness it has accumulated a measure of guilt which earthly life is too short to redeem, even if the being still changes to love in it.... precisely because My justice must demand a compensation which corresponds to its guilt.... I cannot grant bliss in My kingdom before the debt has been paid 'in pennies and nickels'.... But I can accept an atonement which is paid for the guilty soul.... but only if **love** makes this atonement.... because only then will My justice be satisfied. And now you will also understand the work of love and mercy of Jesus, the man, Who recognized the adversity the human being is entangled in and cannot release himself from it during earthly life and also in the spiritual kingdom if he enters it burdened by his guilt.... He knew that My justice could not simply cancel a debt which had not yet been paid, and therefore He offered Himself on the cross as a sacrifice of atonement in order to place people into the state of freedom which only allows for bliss in the spiritual kingdom. He therefore paid the debt in 'pennies and nickels' for the one who accepts His work of redemption, who feels guilty himself and asks Jesus Christ to have paid the debt for him through His shed blood on the cross. There would be no blessed being in My kingdom without this redemptive work of the human being Jesus. Yet only the person who recognizes his guilt as a separation between himself and God, who has gained this realization as a result of his will turned towards Me, in whom the spark of love has ignited, can enter into the blessing of the act of salvation.... otherwise he would never feel guilty.... (27.3.1955) and the awareness of his guilt now drives him to Me in Jesus Christ, and he asks Me for forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ.... And his guilt is compensated, it is completely redeemed, and he can enter the kingdom of light as a free being.... where it is now his task again to participate in the work of redemption. As redeemed itself, the soul can now be active to such an extent that it now also seeks to lead those souls back into divine order which are unhappy because unredeemed.... And this activity is often laborious and requires great patience and perseverance, yet its love gives it strength and it uses this strength to serve Me and My kingdom.... it serves Me and, as it were, pays a debt with its labours of love which I have certainly redeemed, thus cancelled, yet gladly accept such compensation because love offers it to Me.... The souls redeemed by Jesus' blood are restlessly active in the spiritual kingdom in order to bring the still apostate souls to Me, yet they no longer carry out this activity in guilt consciousness but in complete freedom and are therefore not only regarded as My servants but as My co-workers who, without the slightest self-interest, only contribute to the happiness of the inhabitants of the spiritual kingdom.... for love of Me and of all spiritual substances I created. Hence the souls which still languish unredeemed in the abyss are still burdened by their guilt, and therefore they partly atone for it in their agonizing state.... yet they will never be able to redeem themselves **merely** through these torments, they will never be able to deal with their guilt without the redemption through Jesus Christ.... On earth they have missed the opportunity to hand over their guilt to Him who made atonement for them through His death on the cross.... But they have to do it once or they will not be eternally released from their guilt. And I will be satisfied if they only call to Me from the depths in order to write their guilt in the sand, in order to lift them up into lighter spheres where they will indeed have to struggle hard but nevertheless offer themselves for once for the work of redemption and who, for their part, will pay off much guilt again precisely through their work of redemption which, however, they will only ever be able to carry out once they have handed themselves over to Jesus Christ so that He will release them

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from the power of their prisoner. They therefore bear their guilt **voluntarily** and **out of love**, because it has already been redeemed through Jesus redemptive work. But they cannot express their gratitude and happiness about their deliverance in any other way than by participating in the act of salvation, because they themselves know about the hardship of the souls in darkness and in their love now want to help everyone to bliss in freedom.... But without Jesus Christ no being would be able, neither on earth nor in the beyond, to pay off the guilt of sin itself.... Yet for the sake of justice every guilt must be atoned for, and Jesus accomplished this work of atonement, and you humans can become free from every guilt, on earth or in the kingdom of the beyond....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Most important grace of the work of redemption: strengthening of the will....

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V ou always have an inexhaustible source of grace in Jesus Christ, who acquired grace for you without measure through His death on the cross. What you are not able to do because of your own weakness will be easy for you when you draw on the treasure of grace, to which everyone has access, from which everyone can supply himself as needed. So if you lack strength, earthly and also spiritually, the way to Jesus Christ is always open to you, to ask Him to strengthen your strength and to direct your will in such a way that you also utilize this strength according to His will. And His will is that you always remember His death on the cross, which He endured for you and your guilt of sin.... His will is that you follow Him in the guidance of your way of life, that you therefore make use of the graces of His work of redemption in order to be able to lead a life in love.... that you constantly ask Him for strengthening of your will and supply of strength to do justice to His divine will.... He has acquired graces without measure for all people through His death on the cross, but these graces must be requested, and therefore He Himself must be acknowledged as God's Son and redeemer of the world, in Whom the eternal love embodied Himself in order to help you people, to free you from your enemy, which you would not be able to do without the help of Jesus Christ, without His grant of grace. Because you are weak, lightless beings, for the sake of this weakness of yours God accomplished the work of mercy and thereby turned an abundance of grace towards you, which all people can claim. The adversary of God wants to keep you in weakness, and alone you are not able to break away from him.... But if you request the help of Jesus Christ, He can provide you with strength for the sake of His death on the cross, He can give you something; but you must ask for and gratefully accept this delicious gift if it is to become effective for you. For you cannot be redeemed abruptly if the will to become free from the fetters of the adversary does not awaken in you.... But your will will be stimulated again and again by receiving knowledge of Jesus' great work of love and mercy. By becoming aware of your own weakness very often, by being shown a way to master this weakness. This is also an undeserved grace of God, which you should take into account, because you cannot be led to Jesus Christ by force, you have to go the way by your own free will. But you will not regret it once you have been touched by the power of grace and your gaze and your desire turn to Him again and again, Who wants to and can help you as long as you are of the same will. The fountain of grace is inexhaustible, and who has only once addressed the request to Jesus Christ to help him, he will experience His help in so many ways, the currents of grace will touch him again and again, and his will will become stronger and stronger to let Jesus Christ redeem him from death and sin, from the jailer who held his soul captive for endless times. You humans are completely devoid of any power for eternities, but as humans you possess the power of life, which alone would not be enough to set you free from God's adversary. But this life force enables you to direct your thoughts and steps to Jesus Christ, and it also enables you to perform works of love according to His divine will. But you first need a strengthening of your will, which the opponent of God still keeps bound. And this strengthening of will is one of the most important graces of the work of redemption, and if you desire it you will receive it, and you will truly be able to fulfil your purpose of life on earth, but without the help of Jesus Christ you will remain weak and in bondage to God's adversary.... The graces of the

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work of redemption must be claimed, if man wants to become free from his power and return to Him from whom he once took his origin....

Amen

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Confessing the guilt and acknowledging Jesus as savior

"He who believes in Me...." graces of the work of redemption....

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To request the graces of the work of redemption is the order of the day. For now it will be proven how much stronger the will of the person can be who asks for strength and grace for the sake of Jesus Christ's death. Jesus Christ died the most painful death on the cross in order to spare people suffering. He took people's suffering upon His shoulders, He carried the cross for them, and consequently people can be spared suffering if they faithfully place themselves under Christ's cross, if they call upon Jesus Christ for His assistance that He may take their burden from them and carry it in their place. And the human being will be strengthened after this call, for the divine redeemer Himself imparts the strength to him as grace of His act of salvation. And his will will grow stronger, every anxiety will leave him, he will strive upwards with increased strength and earthly suffering will hardly touch him because Jesus Christ will help him to bear it. Yet how few call upon Him for help.... how few have faith in Him and His act of salvation, and how rarely are the blessings of the act of salvation requested and thus consciously received.... They call upon God but do not acknowledge Him in Jesus Christ, and therefore the suffering on earth has reached a level which seems to be overflowing.... And people have to bear it themselves. They have to take it upon themselves because they don't believe in Him.... And this is why the hardship is so great and humanity is weak-willed because it goes its way without Jesus Christ and therefore, as tremendously burdened, has to go through great purification suffering.

God wants to give people the opportunity to recognize Jesus Christ while they are still on earth by letting them take the path to Golgotha Himself, which is to melt their soul shell, which is to ignite the spark of love in them so that they will now also take the path of following Jesus and get to know Him as the redeemer of the world. And if the suffering only helps them to achieve the aim that they will not reject Jesus Christ at the end of their days, then they will have gained much, and one day they will be grateful and also bless the suffering which has brought them this realization. Yet they can only reduce it on earth if they deeply believe in Him and ask Him to help them carry the cross.... His confessors, however, will lose all weakness of will, they will go through the time of suffering undaunted, for they draw strength from Him, they make use of the blessings of the act of salvation, and thus they will no longer lack the strength by means of which they will master everything the world demands of them and will not be depressed by suffering either. For Jesus Christ bears the suffering for them, He died for the sins of humanity, and thus He also took the punishments of sin upon His shoulders.... And the human being can emerge from his earthly life purified if only he asks for forgiveness of sins in profound faith in Him.... He does not need the means of purification, suffering.... whereas unbelieving people can only be saved through suffering if they are not completely hardened in spirit. The graces of the act of salvation are available to the human being without limit and he can always and constantly request them. Yet they remain ineffective on those who reject Jesus Christ, and their earthly fate is truly not easy, since it is the time of the end which has to be utilized if the souls are still to be saved. Anyone who believes in Jesus Christ does not know that he is lost, for he takes refuge on the cross in every adversity.... And he will not ask in vain. His suffering will be bearable, his will will be strengthened and his strength to overcome every spiritual and physical adversity will be increased, and he will pass his battle of life and his earthly path will be successful.... he will mature spiritually and gain eternal life.... For Jesus Christ Himself has given him the promise: "He who believes in Me shall not die but have eternal life...."

Amen

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Don't let the sacrifice on the cross be in vain....

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If y suffering and dying on the cross can also have been unsuccessful for you humans, the sacrifice on the cross can have been in vain for you who do not allow yourselves to be impressed by it, who do not acknowledge the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, who merely take notice of the 'human being Jesus' but do not acknowledge His divinely spiritual mission, and hence you exclude yourselves from those for whom the act of Salvation has been accomplished. You consciously have to turn to Him if you want to participate in the blessings of the act of Salvation. The 'salvation' depends on you, even though I died for all people on the cross.

But you humans do not know that you are constrained, that you can never enjoy freedom in light and strength without deliverance through Jesus Christ but remain in captivity even if an infinitely long time will pass by....You do not know that the state of bondage, the lack of strength and light, can never be changed other than by way of the Calvary cross.... And even if you reject the divine Saviour Jesus Christ, even if you ignore His accomplishment, it depends entirely on Him how long you will be in an unhappy state....

You do not regard your human existence as very unhappy and therefore do not look for the One, Who can provide you with a blissful fate. But your earthly existence as a human being does not last long, and only then will you become aware of the torments of your inhibited state, then the energy of life, which was yours as a human being, is taken from you.... providing you are not bound in hard matter and have to experience the agonies of confinement therein. However, as long as you keep your self-awareness you still have the opportunity to call upon Jesus Christ, your Saviour.... be it on this earth or even in the kingdom of the beyond, if you are not absorbed by utter darkness. And for this reason My love constantly endeavours to direct your thoughts to Him, in Whom I embodied Myself in order to redeem you. Time and again I will try to bring Jesus' achievement home to you. Time and again I will take care that His act of Salvation will be mentioned and that you, who are still completely distant from the cross, who attach little or no significance to anything in relation to Jesus Christ, will be given the information.

Every one of you will be approached and referred to Him sooner or later, every one of you can deliberate on the information about Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation, and everyone can now respond to Him in accordance with his will. But his attitude is decisive for an endlessly long time or even for eternity.... Because he may indeed have to stay in torment and constraint for an infinitely long time, but he can also be eternally free, and in light, strength and blissfulness thank his divine Saviour for the act of merciful love which had bought him his freedom and resulted in his blissful previous state again. No human being is exempt from this decision, and every human being prepares his own future fate.... but My love constantly helps him to make the right choice, My love constantly advises him, so that no human being will be able to say that he was left uninformed of the means for his redemption.

But even My **love** does not **determine** your will.... For you have chosen this wretched state of your own free will, and of your own free will you shall also make an effort to be saved from it again. And for this reason the salvation through Jesus Christ requires your **free will**, otherwise the whole world would have been redeemed already, otherwise no-one would be in bondage and weakness any longer, because the act of Salvation has been accomplished for **all** humankind.

But only your will utilizes the blessings of the act of Salvation, when you freely profess your faith in Him, Who died on your behalf on the cross.... when you acknowledge Me Myself in Jesus Christ and thus want that I would have died for you. Then you will be truly liberated from the state of constraint, you will pass from this earth redeemed and enter the kingdom where you can be infinitely active and happy in light and strength....

Amen

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Acknowledging Jesus Christ and benefiting from the graces....

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f you want your earthly life to be successful for eternity, then you must make use of the blessings ▲ which the divine redeemer Jesus Christ acquired for you on the cross.... If you don't make use of these blessings then it is impossible for you to attain the degree of maturity which guarantees you entry into the kingdom of light after your physical death.... For you lack strength because you have become weak and helpless due to your past apostasy from Me, because you are subject to the power of the one who dragged you down into the abyss.... You are now at the mercy of this power and cannot resist it with your own strength, you also have too weak a will which does not strive for a release from this power.... But you can certainly experience a supply of strength and a strengthening of will if you turn to the one Who died for this on the cross in order to help you break free from your dungeon master. For what you lack He acquired for you because He knew of your weakness and helplessness and because He wanted to break the adversary's power.... because He wanted to pay the ransom for you through His death on the cross and that adversary can no longer hold you if you want to be released from him. Everything has been done for you so that it is now possible for you to ascend again.... you can attain maturity of soul on earth but never without Jesus Christ.... You first have to let yourselves be redeemed by Him, you have to appeal to Him for strength and grace which you may now also receive in abundance because you desire to become free from the enemy of your souls. Thus you have to make use of the blessings of the act of salvation: You must ask for strength and reinforcement of will from the one Who acquired this treasure of grace through His death on the cross. When you enter this earth as a human being My adversary still has power over you.... And in earthly life it is solely a matter of whether you turn your will away from him and towards Me again, which, however, you only prove if you acknowledge Jesus Christ, because I embodied Myself in the human being Jesus in order to use My love for you so that you can return to Me again.... Hence, acknowledging Jesus Christ is synonymous with acknowledging Me Myself, Whom you once rejected, thus you separated yourselves from Me of your own will. This great sin had to invalidate you, for My strength of love could no longer take effect in you due to your resistance.... And if I want you to take the path back to Me, then I first have to impart strength to you.... thus I have to give you something you don't have to claim: I have to impart grace to you, and this, in turn, had to be acquired through an immense sacrifice which love wanted to make for you. And thus the sacrifice must also be acknowledged and thus also the one Who made the sacrifice.... the man Jesus, Whom deepest love motivated to bring help to the bound souls. And in this man Jesus I embodied Myself, because I am 'love' from eternity. Therefore, if you want to return to Me, if you want to successfully cover your earthly path, you can never pass by the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, for only from Him will you receive the strength and reinforcement of your will, whereas otherwise you will remain weak and will never be able to release yourselves from My adversary's power.... Only the call of Jesus Christ is enough to prove that you acknowledge Him, and you will now receive from His inexhaustible fountain of grace what you need in order to attain light again, strength and bliss.... But without Jesus Christ you live your earthly life in vain. You will remain in the abyss, for you will be held fast until you call upon Me yourselves in Jesus Christ, for as long as your will is still turned towards him, who will not release you.... but who **no longer** has control over you as soon as you hand yourselves over to the divine redeemer, which is also recognition of Me and you have now also passed the test of earthly life....

Amen

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'Jesus, my Redeemer lives'

he spiritual world is rejoicing and glad about My act of Salvation, for that which had taken place on earth is repeatedly revealed anew to all beings of light and they praise and glorify Me as their Saviour from sin and death Who opened the gate into the kingdom of light for them They realise the spiritual significance of My suffering and dying, of the crucifixion and the resurrection on the third day They know that a 'resurrection' is assured to the human race as a result of this greatest act of mercy, that it is not doomed to eternal death and that one day the hour of redemption will strike for all people after an infinitely long time of harshest captivity. And so their gratitude, their jubilation and their love for Me is immeasurable and increases as soon as they participate in the act of Salvation, which they may repeatedly experience again as happening now because in the kingdom of light no time limit exists, and thus they also experience all past and future events as happening in the present. And if people on earth would likewise try to associate with the process of the crucifixion and resurrection, they, too, would derive the greatest blessing from it, and joy and profound gratitude would enter their hearts in view of the fact that I Myself in Jesus Christ delivered you humans from sin and death. For this was a unique process, no human being has ever taken such immense suffering upon himself, and no human being has ever travelled in complete innocence the most bitter path to the cross which ended with His death on the cross, even though people very often come into situations in which the cruelty of fellow human beings presents them with a seemingly unbearable fate. Yet the spiritual processes which also played a part in Jesus Christ's act of mercy intensified His physical suffering many times over, because the soul was profoundly enlightened and therefore able to understand everything both the spiritual adversity, which all people had fallen prey to, as well as the spiritual state of those who tormented Him and carried out this abominable work on Him, who abused his pure body for their appalling cravings and evil instincts, and who He experienced as emissaries from hell. However, He persevered until His death And on the third day He arose again in all glory from the grave which was unable to keep Him imprisoned And so His resurrection was the culmination of His act of Salvation, for all those who want to let themselves be redeemed through Jesus Christ can rest assured that they, too, will arise from the dead to eternal life Although prior to this people's lives had not come to an end with their physical death either, because the soul cannot die, it exists forever. But whether the state of the soul will then be a state of life or of death entirely depends on the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ Only He can give life to the soul, and only He is the gate to life in beatitude Therefore, a soul can also enter the kingdom of the beyond in a state of death and will indeed remain in this state until it calls upon Jesus Christ, appealing to Him for life 'And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die ...' The hour of physical death can already be the hour of resurrection for every person, no-one needs to fear his hour of death, because One has conquered death and this One promises life to every person who believes in Him And so, even people on earth would be able to rejoice and be glad were they to grasp the whole significance of Jesus Christ's act of Salvation and take part in it Then death would have lost its sting for all people and all people could join the light beings' song of praise 'He has truly risen Jesus, my Redeemer lives '

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Recognition and admission of guilt....

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It is also of crucial importance for you humans that you recognise and profess your guilt in order to become free from it through Jesus Christ, the divine Redeemer, Who died for it on your behalf on the cross.... For the admission of the fact that you had become guilty must precede the will of allowing yourselves to be redeemed, because then you will consciously strive for returning to your Father's house. Sooner or later you will have to realise that you once sinned against God Himself and then also seriously desire to become released from this immense guilt, which forms the basis of your existence

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as human beings on earth. And if you then consciously carry this guilt under the cross, it will also be forgiven as well as all guilt you accumulated on earth when you were still without knowledge of the divine Redeemer's significance for the human race. However, a mere avowal with your mouth is not enough, mere conventional faith in Him is not sufficient, you must be completely conscious of what Jesus, the human being, had done for you, that He suffered and died on your behalf, on behalf of your guilt of sin, in order to offer the sacrifice of atonement to God, without which you would have been unable to enter the kingdom of light. Only then will it be a living faith and this alone is valued by God, your Father of eternity.... For only then will you also recognise your past guilt, and you will admit to your own fault and appeal for forgiveness.... This alone is the task you ought to fulfil on earth but which you will only accomplish when love has taken possession of you, for an entirely heartless person does not entertain such thoughts. He is unable to believe and thus his life is a standstill, he does not live up to the actual purpose of changing himself again into what he had been in the beginning, for he will enter the kingdom of the beyond burdened by his original sin and cannot be released from it until he finds Jesus Christ, Who will certainly approach Him over there but He will leave it up to his freedom of will as to whether or not he will accept Him....

For this reason you are constantly given a light in regards to this, yet only rarely can open hearts and ears be found which are grateful for this light, the majority of people are unaware of any wrongdoing, they don't investigate the reason for their existence and live their lives indifferently, only desiring that which pleases their earthly body. They neither think deeply nor do they live a life of love of their own accord, otherwise they would gradually come to the right realisation.... And time flies.... It is getting ever shorter, for the end is close at hand.... God Himself can only make a small and disappearing proportion aware of the significance of the act of Salvation, for it is precisely the act of Salvation which is disputed almost everywhere in the world, and even where it is emphasised it is merely a matter of conventional faith which leaves much to be desired, where a redemption through Him is indeed **spoken** of but barely being made use of by consciously realising and confessing guilt, but only this can result in redemption. People don't know that they need to use their own will, they think that they need only profess with their mouth in order to receive forgiveness of sin, but this cannot be valued by God.... instead, the human being must completely consciously and of his own free will hand himself over to the divine Redeemer.... Only then can the act of Salvation take effect on him. However, as long people only accept the information with their ears without involvement of their heart, they cannot count on the redemption of their original sin. Consequently, the work of those who try to exert a living influence on their fellow human beings, by mainly admonishing them to love in order to enable their understanding of the great act of Salvation, will always be blessed. And all those capable of a living faith will be redeemed from their guilt, for love gives light which will shine ever more brightly because they had found redemption from their immense guilt. Yet all people must be clear of the fact that there is no path to God without Jesus Christ, since only One was able to redeem this immense guilt but He also wants to be consciously called upon for forgiveness in order to distribute unlimited bliss, for God and Jesus Christ are one.... The great secret precisely rests in the fact that you acknowledge God again in Jesus Christ, Whom you once denied your acknowledgment and thereby fell into the abyss.... This was your immense sin which made you guilty and which Jesus Christ redeemed for you....

Amen

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Sincerely pursue the thought of redemption through Jesus....

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It is of great importance for you humans to know how very significant your earthly life is for you, and what task is expected of everyone, so that you use the short time well which you still live on earth, for one day you will have to be answerable for it.... Then you will consider the information about untimely things less significant, for you will gain this knowledge in an instant when your degree of love has reached the level which guarantees you true knowledge about everything. And thus you

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should only ever strive to raise your degree of love, so that brightest realisation will embrace you when you enter the kingdom of the beyond. Then you will also be able to understand the process of creation, for then you will no longer be subject to the law of space and time, you will be able to observe everything that has ever taken place for the sake of My living creations' return.... but then you will also know about the meaning and purpose of all My creations and nothing will be hidden from you anymore.

Thus you will also know that it was of utmost significance for you humans that I descended to earth Myself in order to accomplish the act of compassion in the human shell of Jesus, without which all your knowledge would be worthless, for then you would be eternally lost, even if you knew everything.... For only the information of My descent to earth, of My path to the cross and the sacrifice of atonement is needed by you to be delivered from the immense original sin, for the sake of which I let all of creation emerge. And if you then pursue the thought of redemption with all sincerity on earth, if you take your path to Me in Jesus, then this immense original sin will also be remitted to you, and My work of creation will become brightly and clearly visible to you, and what is still mysterious to you as human beings will resolve itself in a most amazing way. I only require your heartfelt bond with Me in order to be able to make you happy with My illumination of love which then, however, will also guarantee you complete insight regarding questions relating to all past occurrences. For nothing in My creation is without meaning and purpose, but you cannot always know the latter, especially if it concerns creations which are incomprehensible to you because you don't know their real function. But the fact that every work of creation has a destined purpose or it would not have been created by Me should be obvious to you as well, you just don't know what task every single work of creation has to accomplish, yet one day it will become plain and obvious to you.

For this reason you should first and foremost acquire the true information about the great act of compassion which I Myself accomplished in the human being Jesus, and try to become a partaker in the treasure of grace which I acquired as the human being Jesus on your behalf.... Then you will surely gain far deeper insight into all the secrets which My creation still conceals from you than you can attain through merely informing yourselves about all My creations.... For you only have to be free from your original sin in order to then also be able to brightly and clearly recognise everything, in order to be able to place yourselves retrospectively into all creations again, which is certainly possible for you in the state of perfection, yet only in order to increase your knowledge about the destined purpose of every external form. And you will blissfully behold these creations which served you to assist your higher development, and one day it will also be clear to you that every work of creation only ever testifies to My never-ending love for the fallen spirits, for only I know which external shape is suitable for the soul to reach full maturity. One day you, too, will be able to understand it, and this is why you should endeavour on earth to acquire a high degree of love and desire less information, for intellectual knowledge is not a substitute for a loving heart. But this, in turn, will reveal to you full knowledge when you have entered the kingdom of light and unresolved problems no longer exist for you....

Amen

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Thank you father for the loving help of the beings of light

Soul care of the otherworldly spirit beings.... freedom of will....

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he soul fulfils its task without contradiction if love dwells in it. And because the area of care for **L** the soul is so infinitely extensive, the spiritual forces take every opportunity to influence the human being's thoughts and make him compliant to follow their whisperings. But every soul has its freedom of will, and this must not be infringed upon. On the contrary, it must be worked towards that it remains so, which is extraordinarily difficult for the spiritual beings in the beyond, since they are in knowledge and the urge is inherent in them to guide every earthly being onto the right path. This would be very easy for them if they did not need to respect the human being's will, but then the earthly purpose would also be missed, for although the human being may be mentally pointed to what is right he must nevertheless do everything else himself to also carry out these thoughts in order to reach the state of perfection as a free being. If love animates the human soul, it is, as it were, the human will that has become active. A heart which has become love will not resist the efforts of the otherworldly forces but follow their whisperings with full will. And this is what the spiritual forces strive for. They look after the earthly beings in everlasting care, and this in manifold ways. They are God's messengers and His willing helpers who intervene wherever the earthly beings threaten to succumb to the battle against darkness. They endeavour without ceasing to win over erring souls and seek to give their thoughts that direction which is successful for time and eternity. They themselves are beings of light who have become love, who are able to assess the hardship of darkness and would like to rescue all souls still on earth from the power of the God-opposing forces, and again and again their love and patience let them take care of the erring ones anew. They establish connections between people which are beneficial in a spiritual sense.... they guide people and draw their attention to things which should make them aware of the working of the eternal deity, they support or favour earthly activity as far as it is beneficial to people for the advancement of the soul, and they intervene helpfully wherever the human being is in danger of losing himself. And love copes with all this.... it seeks to awaken love and thereby reduce resistance and thus make the soul receptive for all influences from above....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Work of the beings of light.... disappointments.... renunciations....

B.D. No. **1484** June 22nd 1940

The forces of heaven and earth unite in order to serve the lord in all devotion, and thus countless connections are established which again signify a counteraction of the evil power. Thus, where love is active, the evil power is weakened, for it can no longer be active to the same extent and exert its influence on the person to whom this redeeming love applies. For this is where the beings of light begin their activity by mentally instructing the human being of all dangers to the soul and thus the human being now pays more attention to his soul life. The activity of the beings of light is not always visible but it is noticeable wherever people's thoughts are occupied with God. The greater the worldly adversity, the more likely it is that the beings of light will succeed in mentally influencing people and the greater the number of those who seek God and thus also find Him. The activity of the beings of light is a diligent one, for it is carried out with utmost love and patience. The being of light will never abandon the human being who is entrusted to its protection and will always express itself in a way that reveals its constant care. The human being will go through many dangers which will always remind him to think of his soul's life.... And all these dangers and hardships are to a certain extent aids for the

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beings of light to direct the thoughts of the human being towards the eternal divine. Once they have succeeded in doing so, their work is easier and more successful, for then there are no obstacles to the mental exchange between beings of light and human beings and the possibilities for success are greater. Divine love gives the being of light great power over the earthly child entrusted to it insofar as that it can assign the events to it in such a way that they promise success, for the being of light's love is so great that it truly only allows the human being to experience earthly adversity and danger for the sake of the soul's advancement, in the realization that such is most likely to contribute towards the soul's progress. And the beings of light are again familiar with the earthly life of the souls entrusted to them, they know every impulse of the soul, every earthly and also every spiritual desire, and try to take everything into account so that the soul draws its advantage from it, which now also causes that man must be denied much of what he longs for, because in the fulfilment lies a great danger for the soul. And now it is also understandable why earthly life brings the human being far more disappointments and renunciations than fulfilment of his earthly wishes. These are the greatest danger for the soul, for they often prevent the spirit from rising to those heights which first bring the soul the success of spiritual maturity. They hinder the soul's mental development through the beings of light, they hold the human being's thoughts back on earth and prevent them from flying upwards, and this is always detrimental to the soul's progress. However, the light beings' love is so great that they cannot leave the earthly child in this danger and therefore remove the obstacle, even though this causes the human being pain and grief. Yet one day the soul will regocnize the love of these beings and thank them for everything that has promoted the state of maturity and brought light and realization to the soul....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Spiritual conversations influence of light beings....

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Il spiritual conversations ensure success, just not always immediately afterwards. Some time A may pass before they are utilised, but they do not remain entirely without impression if there is mutual interest during the conversation. If, on the other hand, one part only listens reluctantly or inwardly rejects it, then success is doubtful, unless fate puts him into life situations where he recalls such conversations. Then there will also be success, and he will be grateful for the instructions he received from the spiritual conversation. And therefore, My servants should use every opportunity to promote My kingdom. They should take every opportunity to inform their fellow human beings of My working, they should teach where teaching is possible and always bear in mind that the spiritual forces are also active and influence the thoughts of those who have spiritual conversations, and that these forces also subsequently still try to exert their influence by repeatedly intervening in people's thoughts and reminding them of the speeches, and thus My servants on earth helped them to direct people's thinking in a spiritual direction. And this spiritual activity is incumbent upon you, for only then is full understanding present for the spiritual knowledge offered by Me when the human being mentally deals with it, and this is only the result of debates of spiritual content, providing the will is present to be told the truth.... (28.7.1947) If people are willing to engage in spiritual conversations then their course of thoughts will be directed as if by itself towards a subject which the beings of light want to explain to them, so that they will progress in realisation and knowledge. They certainly believe to have raised this question themselves but the influence of those beings has preceded, for they are in knowledge of the spiritual state of the people entrusted to them, whom they now try to instruct in accordance with divine will. But it absolutely requires an open heart, thus the human being must have the will to broaden his knowledge, he must desire the truth. Then the beings of light will teach him, they will often intervene in his thoughts.... Anyone who makes the spiritual kingdom the aim of his thoughts will always be guided by his spiritual guardians in such a way that he will be offered the opportunity for spiritual conversations, that he will be able to express his thoughts and thereby will benefit himself from it as well as his partner in the conversation can increase his knowledge according

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to his desire. And thus the beings of light also determine the human being's fate to a certain extent, i.e. they also intervene in earthly experience but with the aim of the spiritual progress of those who are entrusted to them as protégés. But they always guide the human being according to God's will, so that the human being's destiny has been determined by God since eternity but is carried out by the beings of light, just as the human being's will itself is decisive for his destiny. Then they will influence the human being's thoughts in such a way that he will undertake what is advantageous for his spiritual upward development. It is no coercion which is exerted on the human being, only a representing of this or that thought which the human being can now freely take up or let flow, and he will also use his free will if he feels little coercion and yet listens to the spiritual influences, although he believes he shapes his life himself through his free will. The spiritual guardians are full of love for their charges and also guide their life's destiny such that spiritual development can always be furthered, that great spiritual danger can be averted and the connection with God can be established and eagerly cultivated, but always respecting the human being's free will, thus never exerting coercion on his decision. But if the human being is pleasantly touched by spiritual conversations, if he seeks them or does not avoid them, then he will gain inconceivably much, for then the spiritual working of the beings of light can be infered with certainty, and then he will also be certain of his ascent, for where beings of light can work the human being is relieved of all danger.... he will progress in his upward development, he will reach the aim on earth, he will enter into contact with God and never ever be without spiritual protection and help....

Amen

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Blessing of the spiritual exchange of thoughts....

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December 8th 1958

very spiritual exchange of thoughts is a blessing since countless spiritual beings take part in it which, in turn, can benefit from it if the exchange of thoughts is conducted by representatives of Jesus Christ, by people who have a living faith in Him and whose conversations are also about Him. For their thoughts will be guided correctly because I Myself can be where two or three are gathered in My name. And you can be certain that I will intervene in your conversations and that I will ensure that your thoughts are guided and thus your conversations will also correspond to the truth. And then the souls surrounding you will be able to take an active part and benefit themselves. For the sake of the souls in the beyond who need instructions such spiritual meetings are also blessed, and you humans cannot indulge in such conversations often enough; but they are only rarely held because people no longer find the time due to earthly demands. And the souls which surround you are therefore also in spiritual hardship if they can only participate a little, but they surround people where they can repeatedly see spiritual thoughts and wait for the flashing of sparks of light which indicate such to them. And if only you humans could visualize these souls, for they hunger and starve without the supply of spiritual food, and thus they only ever look for it where they could already receive spiritual nourishment. People, however, are mostly silent in the spiritual sphere, yet they can provide blessings if they occupy themselves spiritually, and the souls will also find nourishment with them. Only worldly-minded people have no such spiritual followers and companions who would like to receive from them, whereas many spiritual beings, who in turn try to influence the human being into thinking the opposite, then the human being gains nothing but rather loses far more, for he does not allow himself to be taught by beings of light either.... teachings in which the souls in the beyond also participate. This is likewise a spiritual exchange which is of greatest blessing to the individual person, for the beings of light are constantly ready for mental instructions which always take place when a person of good will asks mental questions and now receives a corresponding mental answer. The human being's will, his attitude, will always be decisive as to what extent his thinking corresponds to the truth, and spiritual beings of the same attitude will always come to receive. But if a spiritual exchange between people takes place conversationally then it means an extremely favourable opportunity for Me or My messengers of light to speak through the mouth of those who want Me to

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dwell where two or three are gathered. For people's will to be united with Me is part of the fact that I am also truly with them and express Myself, i.e. influence the thoughts of My own such that they only speak purest truth, so that the souls surrounding them will also be won over and such conversations are a blessing for all involved. And you should always remember that you are constantly surrounded by knowledge-hungry souls which hope for light from you, and for their sake you should often talk to each other and always let Me Myself become the content of your conversations, and you will be allowed to radiate much light and make countless souls happy, who will be eternally grateful to you that they found illumination from you for the path they have to take in the kingdom of the beyond in order to also still reach ascent....

Amen

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Thank you father for the union with You through thoughts and prayer

Mental answers to spiritual questions....

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very spiritual question is resolved for the person who turns to the eternal deity Himself and asks Him for an answer. Yet the human being must also pay attention to his thoughts, he must dwell on the question for a longer period of time and listen inwards, he must pay attention to which thoughts come to him and to what extent they appear acceptable to him. For the requested answer will force itself into his mind so that he feels it to be right. Asking questions is necessary because it causes the human being to mentally deal with it, and only then can he receive an answer because this is likewise mentally conveyed to him. God withholds knowledge from no-one, but as long as the knowledge is not desired it cannot be given to him. Spiritual knowledge, however, can only be offered spiritually; it cannot be proven either and therefore cannot be handed out as a fixed teaching, spiritual knowledge must be acquired through a God-pleasing way of life, through the right attitude towards God and spiritual endeavour. But then the divine gifts of knowledge are unlimited. Where the human being's will is willing to accept this divine gift, all knowledge will be offered to him, every question which touches upon spiritual problems will be answered, and therefore the human being should not cease to request the divine gift; he should ask and plead, he should listen and give thanks for every answer which is now given to him through God's great love. Receiving divine wisdom is a proof of God's love, because it gives the soul the opportunity to mature while it is on earth. And God offers His gifts in such a way that they stimulate further endeavour. And He wants to stimulate the human being's thirst for knowledge, He wants to prompt him to constantly ask new questions, and thus the knowledge offered to the human being by spiritual beings who carry out God's will by being active as teachers is inexhaustible. To get in contact with God must also inevitably result in increased knowledge, for He Himself hands out the truth, and He gives as long as people desire the truth, His word, which makes the human being knowledgeable who desires to be knowledgeable. Every exchange of thoughts with spiritual beings, i.e., every mentally asked question as well as the mentally received answer is in accordance with God's will, and therefore the human being can constantly increase his knowledge, for those beings in the beyond will always be willing to answer people's questions and impart spiritual knowledge to them, as it is God's will....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Blessing of mental communication with God....

B.D. No. **6859** June 28th 1957

And I speak to him takes the reliable path of ascent.... And I speak to all those who receive My Word, who in turn accept it from those who question Me in thought and who thus also may regard the thoughts they receive as **My Words**. You cannot think wrongly once you have acknowledged Me as the source of truth by directing your thoughts to Me, once you want to know the truth. Nor can you take misguided paths anymore once you appeal to **Me** for guidance.... But you must willingly offer Me the opportunity to speak to you, and that always happens when you mentally occupy yourselves with Me, your God and Creator, for every thought of Me calls Me to you, and I follow this call.

You should often occupy yourselves with Me in thought, because this means that your heart is receptive for My communication and because you can only ever gain by this, for then you will also constantly receive the strength to do what I ask you to do, what My communication conveys to you as

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My will. You have to establish the connection with Me yourselves, because you had once isolated yourselves from Me.... You need not do anything else but think of Me without a will of resistance.... I Am always willing to meet you as soon as I recognise in your thoughts the resolve to make contact with Me.... And then you are truly protected from taking misguided paths, since now that I can speak to you I have also gained influence over you. Thus it is truly not difficult for you to acquire an immeasurable amount of everlasting riches in earthly life, as this is the result of your mental bond with Me.

It is completely impossible to leave Me empty-handedly, it is completely impossible that I will **not** make use of such a bond and remain silent in you, for I Am only waiting for such quiet moments when you make contact with Me, when you enter into conversation with Me or approach your God and Creator with questions, and I will certainly answer you again in the form of thoughts, if I cannot speak to you directly through the inner Word. This is why every person has the opportunity and the right to communicate with Me, and every person will receive as much as he desires. Even if nothing is visibly given to the body, the soul can still receive unlimited riches for itself. I want to speak to you, and I will speak to every one of you who thus is willing to listen to Me, who wants to hear My voice.... You all should avail yourself of this assurance, you should excel yourselves and devote every free minute to Me, and you would truly use your time on earth well. Then the connection would be established ever more frequently, because you would desire Me from the bottom of your heart, Whom you now recognise as your Father and constantly wish to be spoken to by Him. And you will also gladly comply with everything, you will fulfil My will because you have already adopted My will as your own, because the constant bond with Me also results in a constant submission to My will and because you have become enlightened as to Who I Am and what kind of relationship exists between us.... Think of Me daily and hourly, never exclude Me from any undertaking, constantly let Me be present with you by mentally calling Me to you.... And you will truly not take the path through earthly life in vain, you will grow and mature and reach the goal.... You will join Me once more in order to never ever separate from Me again....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The close bond with God....

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December 29th 1956

You only need to place every stress at My feet imploring me to take the burden from you or to help you carry it. But since you lack this total trust you have to carry your burden yourselves and thus often lead a hard earthly existence. Your belief in Me and My help is not very strong or you would not make every effort to dispose of your worries yourselves, instead you would rely far more on the One Who's love and power is so great that He always wants and can help. And again, earthly hardship should make you remember Me.... It should push you towards the Father, it should make you search for your God and Father Who then certainly also would allow Himself to be found.

People walk on earth, every one with his worry, his sorrow.... And I would be willing to help every one of you, but every one of you also has to approach Me for help. Because it would not be right if I would take all his suffering and his worry from him without this conscious appeal to Me for help.... It would not be right because then people would remember Me even less and because a carefree way of life would not result in any kind of spiritual success unless the human being is already so sincerely united with Me that he no longer needs the kind of worries which are intended to lead him to Me. But his course of life can be peaceful and calm when he has established this relationship with Me, when he comes to Me as soon as something disturbs him until he finally no longer undertakes anything without having communicated with Me first, that I Myself shall guide all his thoughts, words and actions....

The earthly life could indeed be easy for you because the close bond with Me also protects you from all attacks by My opponent, who is your enemy and who would like to corrupt you by confusing your

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thoughts, and by means of constant unrest stops you from inner contemplation. Just imagine two extremely powerful Lords whose views and deeds are completely opposing each other.... One only gives love and His gifts bestow peace upon you, He is always willing to help and His power cannot be exceeded.... while the other only wants to hurt you and all his contributions will merely lead to destruction.... Do you still find it difficult to decide which Lord to follow?

I will always accept you, I will not close My ear to any call sent to Me in distress and worry because I Am only waiting for My living creations to turn to Me and by doing so to acknowledge Me as loving power to Whom nothing is impossible. And don't remember Me only during times of hardship but always and constantly and you will be blessed and approach Me more and more trustingly as soon as you feel troubled....

If you walk with Me your earthly life need not be difficult because then you have an ever helpful companion at your side Who carries your burden for you, Who guides you and removes every stone on your path, Who cares for you like a father cares for his children that they will not go astray or fall.... Who is always there for them when they need Him. But this companion must be consciously requested and even though I Am always standing by the wayside and know of everyone's burden and worry.... the person who doesn't remember Me has to continue to carry this burden until he has found Me.... unless he is so distant from Me that My opponent remains his master, who then will take his burden too but also his soul.... And thus you can even be grateful if you experience worries and hardship at times because then you know that you are not lost yet and still guided by My love which wants to achieve that you turn to Me so that I can help you in every need....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

"And lead us not into temptation...." our father....

B.D. No. **1368** April 2nd 1940

nd lead us within {not into} temptation.... You must fear sin at all times, for it is always and constantly lurking around you. And therefore you should be vigilant and not forget to pray, you should call upon God often so that He may protect you from every danger to your soul. The enemy's cunning and deceitfulness is to be feared, he sneaks up on the earthly child in every form in order to exert his influence. And he will always organize sin in such a way that it irritates the person and he forgets all good intentions. And therefore you should watch and pray.... vigilantly so that he does not outwit you and pray for the strength to resist him. And if you take refuge in God Himself He will reward your trust and declare Himself willing to protect you, and He will prevent the adversary from continuing his scheming against you.... And if the human being's will is strong he will lose, and this will cause him to try again under a different flag. And that is why the lord says: "Ask Me for help, I will grant it to you." The very thought you send up in prayer will erect a wall around you which the enemy cannot tear down, for God certainly leaves the adversary free to use his power in order to thereby also incite the human being's will to resist, but if the divine saviour is likewise called upon to save a human child and if you therefore raise your hands in spirit and in truth you can always be assured of His help, for He Himself has told you how you should pray.... He will strengthen you and give you strength to resist, but He will also turn away the enemy's temptations from you, for it is the father's will that you use the prayer which He Himself has taught you. It includes all petitions that are almost exclusively for the salvation of your soul. If you sincerely present these requests to the father in heaven, He will consider you according to your worthiness.... And thus endeavour to become worthy of divine grace so that it may overflow upon you and you may thus receive strength from God. And the lord promises you His help, therefore make use of it and thank the creator of heaven and earth for His infinite love and kindness which cares for every human being. And the adversary's influence will become less and less, he will tire of the constant battle and, if he does not notice any success, will let go of you.... So you will be "delivered from all evil...."

Amen

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Requesting divine blessing....

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hatever you undertake, you must always ask for My blessing, then only everything can earn you the success, which you hope for. And that you especially then work with My blessing when you undertake spiritual work, that will also give you the power for it, because where I Myself am approached for help, there a work cannot be done in vain. And My blessing will rest on every spiritual work, because it is the most important, which you are to do for the sake of the redemption of your fellowmen. And since you fulfil My will with it, that you take care of the neighbour's spiritual trouble, My blessing will also always be certain for you, but you are to request it consciously, because then I can give to you unlimitedly. You thereby prove to Me that you place yourselves completely under My will, that you are only ever prepared to serve Me, that you want to do nothing that does not correspond to My will, and that you love Me as I want to be loved.... Your request for My blessing I also comply with immediately, because this is a spiritual request, which is certainly also to be assessed spiritually, if you ask for earthly things and I will certainly also fulfil these for you, because you then also only ask for something what is not to the harm of the soul for you. Therefore always pray for My blessing, whatever you also want to undertake. Pray that I bless you every conversation, every action and every thought, pray for My blessing in every undertaking you want to carry out, and thus never leave Me out of your thoughts, for you will experience for yourselves how important it is that you submit yourselves to Me in everything, that through this request you always long for My presence and that it is also certain to you.... I always just want that you constantly **think of Me**, because only then I can obviously stand by you, and I will also do that that I give you clear signs of My presence and through this your faith is strengthened more and more. Because this will still be exposed to many onslaughts from the side of My opponent, and only when you are strong in faith, you will be able to resist these onslaughts. And if you now ask Me in every spiritual or bodily trouble to bless your doing, you will also be able to meet all disaster, because it is now always Me, to whom you have entrusted yourselves and who now acts for you, you therefore only carry out what is My will.... You must always be connected to Me, every thought should always be directed towards Me first, then all your actions will also be under My blessing, and then you will mature in love and also in knowledge, for then My strength of love will constantly flow into you, and a quiet peace will be your lot.... Do not leave Me out of your thoughts any longer.... This is My perpetual care for you that I want to be the content of your thoughts, that I can constantly go to your side, but what presupposes your will to request and accept My guidance. But then you can cover your earthly way of life without worry, for I Myself desire you and expect nothing more from you than that you also have this desire in yourselves, that it may also be your most ardent desire never ever to separate and to be united with Me for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Asking for God's blessing.... power and impact....

B.D. No. **5183** August 6th 1951

Again and again you must be told that you are unable to do anything without My strength and that you must therefore constantly appeal for it if you want to be earthly and spiritually blessed, i.e. if you want to achieve success in your endeavour. For you should also appeal to Me for strength for your earthly activity, so that this, too, will be blessed by Me and also bring you advantage for your soul. But spiritually you cannot accomplish anything without My blessing, without My supply of strength which, however, will never be denied to you because it pleases Me if you strive towards Me and I support you in every way. With Me you are able to do everything, without Me nothing.... For as soon as you achieve earthly success without having asked Me for blessing, you may put this success on My adversary's account, who will then provide you with abundant strength if you forget Me, if you turn

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away from Me. Therefore don't let yourselves be deceived into thinking that your strength alone is enough but be warned of his support, for it is your downfall, it is the purchase price for your souls.... Turn to Me that I will bless every beginning, and this blessing will truly be beneficial for you, you will ascend spiritually and also be thought of earthly as it is beneficial for your soul. And understand that your call to Me establishes contact and that My strength can then be transferred to you; but understand that the contact has to be made because the bond with Me is indispensable for your spiritual development. Even if you only ask for earthly success you have nevertheless entered into contact with Me, and thereby you give Me the right to influence you, because I respect your free will and do not impose anything on you which you do not request. Through your call to Me you consciously place yourselves in the circle of My receivers of strength, whom I constantly provide because I love them and want to facilitate their path upwards. Everything will go well for you, for now I Myself can be active, I can provide you with strength which, because it is of divine origin, will have a favourable effect on everything you touch.... be it the work of your hands, be it earthly or spiritual care. Every work will be successful for you if you only do it in remembrance of Me and with the request for My support. But you cannot yet measure what you create spiritually with the help of My strength, yet you will be amazed at the extent of your spiritual work when you look back on your work in the spiritual kingdom one day, which will have a tremendous effect through My blessing for which you will be eternally grateful. Don't start anything without Me and often let your thoughts wander upwards, let Me be your spiritual and earthly co-worker so that everything will go well for you, so that you can demonstrate rich success which will then always have a spiritual effect because My strength has brought it about and My strength will ultimately return to Me again in the form of beings which have reached perfection and become blissfully happy through My strength....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Requirement of grace.... end time....

B.D. No. **3546**

September 12th 1945

lways and constantly request My grace.... and pray to Me without ceasing, i.e., often send your **T** thoughts upwards, to Me, so that you will draw strength from the connection with Me for the coming time. For it is drawing to a close. Know that you need strength more than ever and that you can request it from Me at any time, but that you also have to request it because otherwise My grace, My strength, cannot take effect on you. Therefore pray often and sincerely and unite your thoughts with Me ever more; strive to merge completely with Me through loving activity and never let Me leave you again.... And you will be able to overcome the coming time and all obstacles of life, for I stand by you as soon as you call upon Me.... More than ever the gifts of grace will be at your disposal in the end time, the attention of My grace will be recognizable everywhere, yet you have to walk carefully on the path in order to feel My love and grace and accept it with a grateful heart. Anyone whose senses are spiritually inclined will see and feel My abundant work of grace, and he will be strengthened and comforted in every adversity of body and soul. But anyone who only turns his eyes to the world will be without support and powerless in the face of the resistances which shall awaken him from his state of twilight. And the graces will also approach him, but if he does not recognize them as grace, they will remain ineffective. Only when it is sincerely desired and requested will the human being open himself to the influx of My grace and love, and only then can the grace become effective in him. And therefore direct your senses spiritually, seek Me and call upon Me in adversity, don't try to find earthly salvation but recognize Me as the only helper in every tribulation and turn to Me for help and strength.... And I will help you and never ever let your call go unheard if it rises from your heart to Me. I respect the one who asks but I do not hear the one who demands, and therefore you should come to the father like children and humbly plead your need to Me.... And My grace will flow to you without measure, for My love for you will always be abundant, so that you will not be lost....

Amen

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And you will truly receive whatever you ask for in My name.... You have to call upon Me in Jesus Christ.... Only someone who acknowledges Me, the divine Redeemer Jesus Christ, who recognises his God and Father in Him and thus prays to the 'Father', will find his request granted, for he will be guided by My spirit to the One from Whom he once originated.... Whoever does not acknowledge Jesus, the Son of Man, as the heavenly Father's representative.... whoever does not believe that I embodied Myself in Jesus the human being, will not send a prayer to Me in complete trust either.... even if he doesn't deny a 'God', but instead his belief in a God and Creator was purely acquired and did not come alive in him.... For a living faith is the result of love, but love also acknowledges Jesus Christ as God's Son and Redeemer of the world, Who merged with His Father of eternity.... Thus he will no longer separate the Redeemer Jesus Christ from the Eternal Deity, he will have been enlightened by his spirit that He and I are one.... And his prayer will always be granted, for he will only ever request something I can give to him without damaging his soul....

You humans will only be able to understand the true meaning of My Words if My spirit can work in you.... My spirit, however, can only work in you if you allow it to do so, if you, through a life of love, provide it with the opportunity to express itself to you.... But then you will accept My Word as if it was directly spoken to you, for then I will address My children and with My Word will also simultaneously give them the understanding for it.... And then you will be able to consider yourselves blessed, for your soul will receive light.... it will begin to understand, it will mature, for then you will also do everything I ask of you. You will comply with My will and shape yourselves increasingly more into love, and your soul will perfect itself while it is still on earth....

Call upon Me in Jesus Christ and first of all pray to achieve this perfection on earth.... And truly, you will not make this prayer to Me in vain.... For hearing a spiritual request is most pleasing to Me, a spiritual request will be fulfilled, because the Father won't deny His child anything and because the human being already demonstrates his childship by appealing to Me for help to become perfect.... And always pray that you become and stay aware of My presence.... Then you will constantly walk your earthly path in company with your eternal Father, then you can never go wrong, then you will mentally dwell increasingly more in spiritual spheres and your progress will be assured. You could achieve so much if you remember My Word and conduct yourselves in accordance with My Words.... if you 'ask the Father in My name....'

Earthly and spiritually you cannot make an inappropriate request, I will always grant your wishes, for I made this promise to you and I keep My Word. Call upon the divine Redeemer with Whom the Father united Himself.... Call to God in Jesus Christ.... Then you, too, will belong to the redeemed, then you will have penetrated the mystery of God's human manifestation.... For unredeemed people completely lack the belief that I embodied Myself in the human being Jesus.... But you demonstrate this belief when you ask 'the Father in My name'....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Humble prayer.... pride share of the adversary....

B.D. No. **7116** May 9th 1958

Just present your requests to Me in all humility and you will certainly find an open ear. For humility of heart results in the human being speaking to his father like a child, that his prayer is not a demand but a request which I will only gladly grant. As soon as the human being lives a spiritual life in addition to his earthly life, as soon as his thoughts are not exclusively turned towards the world but when the human being constantly reflects on his heavenly father in the midst of the world, he will soon establish the right relationship with Him. He will recognize Me as his God and creator and therefore approach Me in all humility but nevertheless always come to Me when earthly or spiritual

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worries beset him, because he knows that I alone can provide a remedy. And therefore he asks Me in childlike trust and will truly not make a wrong request. A humble person has already taken the path of return to Me, for what kept his soul separated from Me for endless times was pride as part of My adversary, whom it once followed to the depth of.... Hence, every person who still shows a spark of pride within himself is still under My adversary's control, and until he has discarded this characteristic, until he exalts himself towards Me, he will not be able to be accepted by Me either, for thereby he sets up the barrier himself, and he will hardly establish the right relationship of a child towards the father, because this requires humility of heart. And as long as the human being refuses to enter into humility of heart towards Me he will not be able to pray to Me with childlike trust, his prayer will rather be a request prompted by his own feeling of powerlessness to be able to help himself.... And such a prayer is not the right one, it will not reach My ear because the intimate bond between child and father is missing, the intimate relationship which, as it were, forces Me to consider the child according to its request. The acknowledgement of a God and creator can be the result of intellectual thinking which, however, need not be proof that the human being has already given up his inner arrogant attitude towards this 'God and creator' he has recognized. Whereas I am acknowledged as 'father', pride is also overcome there, the human being feels his lowliness towards Me but nevertheless comes to Me because love also dwells in a humble heart, which has thus recognized Me and pushes towards Me. And therefore I can also shower such a child with My grace which it gratefully accepts from My hands and which helps it to always reduce the distance from Me.... It is something significant when the human being has discarded his arrogance, when he himself feels small and yet can receive special consideration from Me. For he has now become My child in truth, which can also soon reach that degree of light which he once possessed. For his prayers will predominantly be for his spiritual well-being, he will certainly also trustingly turn to Me in earthly adversity, yet his spiritual progress is of greater concern to him and he will never stop asking for help to reach his aim on earth. But only a truly humble person can address such a prayer to Me, because he recognizes his weaknesses and shortcomings.... Yet you must also differentiate between inner humility or outward submissiveness which is of no value to Me and cannot earn you any influx of grace either.... And therefore every person should subject himself to criticism as to how his **inner** thinking and feeling is. And it will only be a blessing for him if he tries to purify himself from every arrogant thought, if he tries to withdraw himself from the power of the one whose arrogance once brought him down....

Amen

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Thank you father for suffering

Blessing of sufferings and hardships for the people....

B.D. No. **8046**

November 23rd 1961

e who created you also knows about all your weaknesses and needs, spiritual and physical.... and ⚠ He will also be able to remedy them at any time.... But do you know what serves you for your perfection? Nothing is futile that I allow, and it only ever requires your right attitude towards Me, and your soul will benefit from everything that happens, from every physical and spiritual weakness, for it will then always turn to Me and entrust itself to Me.... and it then establishes a bond with Me which enables Me to turn strength to it again.... And as soon as the purpose is achieved that you have entered into the close bond with Me I can also remedy your hardship and suffering, and I will also do so in order to prove to you the love of your God and creator Who wants to be your father and also be recognized by you as 'father'. And therefore trustingly hand yourselves over to Me and believe that I will turn everything into the best for you, even if you are sometimes unable to comprehend My working. The time you humans have left until the end is getting shorter and shorter.... Everyone has to reckon with being suddenly called away, and then he will thank Me that I gave him the opportunity beforehand where he could still perfect himself, where his soul could purify itself and he already acquired a degree of light on earth. For no one knows when his hour has come.... But there is not much time left for any of you humans, for the end is near. But I know every person's will and his degree of maturity, and whatever I can still do Myself to increase the latter I will truly not refrain from doing. And if it means suffering and hardship for you I will only try to strengthen your bond with Me, and truly, everything will serve you for the best. But I will also help you earthly, I will strengthen your body and keep it fit as long as you want to serve Me, just as I will always support you with My love and grace, whatever may come. You should only trust Me and come to Me with all your needs, because only the **bond** with Me is your salvation, because this bond with Me signifies the passed test of will for the purpose of which you live on earth. People, however, would think little of Me if their earthly life were always calm and peaceful; their thoughts would only ever be worldly and turned towards pleasure.... But they shall find their way to Me, and therefore I have to bring Myself to their remembrance again and again, namely through suffering and hardship of all kinds which make them remember Him Who is powerful and rules heaven and earth.... Only then will they seek the bond with Me, and only then will they fulfil their purpose of earthly life.... But again and again I tell you that you can also ask Me to turn away what distresses you.... For I want to reveal Myself to you in My love and power.... I want you to recognize a God Who acts towards you as a father, Who also wants to prove His love to you so that you will also show love to Him. And the more trustingly you come to Me the sooner I will hear your prayer, for I will not let a true faith go to waste....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Suffering and tribulation God's resources....

B.D. No. **3145**

June 2nd 1944

Earthly experience has to help you humans achieve spiritual maturity, then the purpose of earthly life will be fulfilled. And this is why life cannot pass by without disappointments and suffering, for only these contribute towards the human being turning his thoughts away from earthly things, whereas a carefree, happy earthly existence only chains the human being more firmly to the world and occupies his every thought, making it difficult for him to turn to God. No event is therefore in vain, whether it brings joy or suffering for the human being, and as soon as he derives the right benefit from

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everything, i.e. advancement for his soul, he will one day look back with gratitude at the means God used to help him achieve eternal bliss. The earthly effect of an event is unimportant with regard to the soul's development, for the human being was only given earthly life for the sake of the soul, because the soul is imperishable, whereas earthly life does not last forever and is therefore not important. But if an earthly experience has an influence on the soul and its development then it is always good, even if it brings suffering and tribulation to the human being, for this too will pass, but the soul constantly progresses upwards and one day gratefully acknowledges that it would not have been able to mature without suffering and tribulation. And so earthly life is a chain of such aids, which are all given to the human being by God's wisdom and love and serve his development if he does not rebel against them and unwillingly and grumblingly takes these burdens upon himself. The human being should always be convinced that nothing comes upon him without God's will or His permission and that every event can bring him blessings, then he will also humbly accept the difficulties, he will regard his earthly existence as a means to an end, as a path to perfection which is not only useful but necessary. He will derive an advantage for his soul from every experience, for he will recognize everything that comes upon him as having been sent by God. He will then also live his life consciously and seriously consider how every trial, every earthly event, can benefit his soul, and he will mature in knowledge, he will educate himself to patience and submission to God's will, he will purify himself through suffering and renunciations of all kinds and thus shape himself according to God's will, as soon as he submits uncomplainingly to everything that is granted to him in earthly life. Then not a day on earth will have been lived in vain, he will make use of his last embodiment on earth and his state of soul must mature, spiritual progress must be certain for him, even if he has to struggle hard on earth. For earthly life is a school which is intended to bring maturity of soul to all people.... earth is a place of purification. And the human being will only be successful if he tests his will and strength against all kinds of opposition and thereby becomes stronger to overcome all temptations that come his way during his earthly life....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Cup of suffering.... God's love....

B.D. No. **3733** April 2nd 1946

The cup of suffering has to be emptied completely if you want your soul to heal, so that it will be able to enter the spiritual kingdom as a recipient of light after your physical death. You don't know the blessing your soul can achieve through suffering, you don't know how it will change within a short time by dissolving the darkest shell, which otherwise would have taken much longer to achieve. Your life span is limited, it will not last much longer, but souls are still far from perfect and yet I want to help them achieve a certain degree of maturity, so that they need not expect a new banishment into matter, for I take pity on the latter and would like to save every single soul from this fate. Your will to achieve maturity of soul is very feeble, and thus you would still need a long time to attain this degree of maturity. But this time is no longer at your disposal, and so I use means of purification which are undeniably very painful but which can be exceedingly beneficial if only you humbly and acceptingly concede to My will, if you do not grumble and complain but allow Me Myself to work on you in ways which promise good results.

I know that you are suffering but I also know how you will rejoice when your earthly time of trial is over and you have passed through it, just as you will thank Me for having used every means to save you from an endless time of new captivity in hard matter. What I spare you now you will have to endure in the kingdom of the beyond, if you have the grace to leave earthly life before the last days. But if you live until the end then you run the danger of descending even lower if you are unable to detach yourselves from earthly possessions beforehand, if you have not yet reached the conclusion that only spiritual life is valuable and that earthly life is merely the means to an end.... the means to achieve maturity of soul.... Abandon everything you own in order to attain maturity of soul, then you can confidently await your end, then you will have reached your objective on earth, you will have

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overcome matter and will be ready for the spiritual kingdom. Part from earthly possessions voluntarily in order to receive spiritual wealth in abundance, because they will make you far happier than any earthly possession could ever do. Finish the cup and know that My love belongs to you or I would not let you suffer so, because the suffering is for you, who acknowledge Me, a fire of purification, since I want your souls to enter My kingdom in a crystal clear state, since I want the light and strength of My love to be able to flow through you without meeting the slightest resistance. And do not lose faith in My love.... A sufferer should know himself loved by Me, because by means of suffering I draw him close to Me where he will truly find peace and happiness one day....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Joy and suffering serve to perfection....

B.D. No. **5137** May 27th 1951

ecognize the father's love in everything, in joy as well as in suffering, and also thank Him for the latter, for it serves you for future joys in the spiritual kingdom. Whatever happens to you in earthly life serves your soul's perfection, and often it is precisely the difficulties of life which promote its maturity, because joys very easily lead to a turning away from spiritual striving. But the father's love also wants to make His children happy, which is why He also provides joy if the soul is not threatened by it. But the spiritual development of the human being is always the cause of joy and suffering. And people's destinies are so different because of their spiritual development, but this should never cast doubt on the father's love, for earthly life is only short compared to eternity, and an earthly life, no matter how difficult, will be amply rewarded in eternity if it has enabled the human being to mature on earth. But the latter is the human being's free will, not inevitably determined by fate. What helps you to mature spiritually first has to be evaluated by your will, and therefore suffering and joy can contribute to beatitude, since both can be endured earthly but have a beneficial effect spiritually. Whatever directs the thoughts to the heavenly father has been successful for the soul and demands thanks from you humans because His love gives to you as your soul requires. But if it draws you away from the spiritual and drives you towards the world again, then God's blessings will be wrongly evaluated, yet always in free will. The father sends you joy and sorrow because His wisdom recognizes what is helpful to you and His love always applies to your eternal fate.... whatever comes upon you.... The father's love prepares it for you, and therefore you should gratefully accept everything from His hand which helped you to attain spiritual maturity, and you will experience His love because it helped you to attain perfection....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Bearing suffering for fellow human beings....

B.D. No. **8508** May 25th 1963

will also give you an explanation as to whether you can bear suffering for your fellow man or whether every person must bear the burden himself which was assigned to him for the salvation of his soul.... You humans must consider that your soul is supposed to mature fully during your earthly life, that all still immature substances should spiritualise themselves, which happens through love or suffering, for this dissolves the layers which still prevent the light of My love from radiating into the soul. And at the same time such substances of the body which are still immature are also a problem for the human being by causing him all kinds of diseases and thus, with patience, love and in submission to My will, they should be calmed and therefore spiritualised which is, after all, your real earthly task, to help your soul towards the greatest possible level of perfection. And this spiritualisation of soul and body must be accomplished by every person himself, this work can never be done by someone else on his behalf, and one day he will be grateful to Me that, by way of suffering and adversity, I helped him gain perfection. Consequently you can understand that you should not really try to avert anything

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which can benefit your fellow human being's soul.... If, however, love is impelling you to offer yourselves to Me asking to bear your fellow human being's suffering then I will not stop you in your love.... It will be temporarily taken from the person and placed upon you, and thus you raise your soul's maturity because you are willing to accept more suffering and are motivated by love to do so.

One has suffered for all of you in order to release you from the immense suffering you would have had to take upon yourselves as penance for your guilt of sin, which was the reason why earthly life is a valley of tears and suffering for you humans.... But now all you humans can turn to this One Who will also take your suffering upon His shoulders and help you carry it.... Whose substituted atonement was accepted by Me and to Whom you should go if your suffering weighs you down, and he will help you carry it or take it from you depending on what is best for you.

However, the love of a fellow human being who is willing to suffer on your behalf is very highly valued, and this love will also guarantee you a flow of strength, for love is strength which will noticeably affect the sufferer.... And if someone offers loving intercession for you who have to suffer, the strength of this love can so permeate you that you will no longer feel the degree of suffering.... that your pain and agonies temporarily disappear, and your souls benefit from the strength of this love.... and thus mature and become less sensitive to pain.... The degree of love always determines the benefit the sufferer derives from such a prayer of love for him. And since the maturing of the soul is the purpose of earthly life and there are many possibilities to achieve this, it should be recognised first and foremost and not be prevented. True love, however, knows why a person has to suffer and will help him endure and make it easy for him to accept God's will.... And then I will take the cross from him and his soul will have moved a step forwards again....

Love and suffering help the soul to reach the goal.... If a person still has a low degree of love then greater suffering often occurs in order to hasten his soul's purification.... But this purification of soul can never be achieved by another person's conscious suffering on behalf of the former. Every soul is responsible for itself, and every soul has to reach its own maturity, which happens through love and suffering.... And the degree of suffering depends on the degree of love. I will certainly answer the prayer of someone who offers himself to bear suffering on behalf of a fellow human being because he loves him.... I will let him partake in the pain which he then has to endure. Yet he endures it for the purification of his own soul.... he indeed relieves the other person of the suffering for the sake of love, yet it serves him for his own perfection, whilst his fellow human being must likewise take care of himself and his psychological state of maturity, even if he is temporarily released from his suffering. No labour of love remains without result, yet where and how it takes effect remains My decision, Who knows every person's state of maturity and whom I will always consider accordingly.... And I give to every person what he is able to bear, and it is enough that he calls upon Jesus, the bearer of the cross, if he deems his burden too heavy for him.... And as long as the human being lives on earth he has the option to reach the goal of perfecting himself through love and suffering.... through following Jesus....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Need and tribulation for the purification of the soul....

B.D. No. **3691**

February 19th 1946

It is truly better for you to spend your days in adversity and hardship until the end than to end your earthly life in the comfort of your body only to have to accept a fate which means eternities of torment and indescribable hardship for you. Those who are afflicted by hardship in the last days will still be taken care of by Me in love and patience and I will try to save them from this hard fate. But those who pass away in carelessness and earthly wealth and do not belong to My own, their souls are incorrigible and they will receive the reward on this earth, if they have such to claim, or else they are in bondage to My adversary to such an extent that he also provides them with worldly goods. Therefore don't grumble and complain, you who have to suffer, but only recognize My love in it, which constantly endeavours to win you, to save you from the downfall of souls, and which

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nevertheless cannot compulsorily change you so as not to endanger your free will. Even in suffering recognize Me and bear in mind that this time will also pass and try to derive the right benefit from it. And you will thank Me eternally if you have found entrance into My kingdom, which is the purpose of all suffering and hardship you have to endure. I have to attack you harshly because you will not let yourselves be pulled by My gentle hand, and if this hurts you, wake up and think about the meaning and purpose of the suffering.... Your lot on earth will only be difficult for a short time, for the time of the end has come. Let it be a blessing for you, let it become a saviour for you so that you will not have to walk the path through creation again, don't just pay attention to the body's hardship but think of your soul which is purified by the adversity, which can withdraw and achieve unity with its spirit if it is no longer prevented from doing so by the body. Don't desire the world but only strive to attain the spiritual kingdom, for earthly life comes to an end but spiritual life lasts forever. And I want to make this accessible to you and shape you through suffering and hardship beforehand so that you can enter the spiritual kingdom after your demise. Humbly accept your fate, accept it from My hand, recognize Me even in adversity and hardship, know that nothing will come upon you without My will and that everything will serve you for the best if you don't oppose Me yourselves, if you humbly and uncomplainingly endure everything I send upon you. For as soon as the soul has taken advantage of it I also relieve the body and make life more bearable for it. Yet the time until the end is short and still has to be utilized in every way, and if your souls are still opposed to Me and My love nevertheless does not want to let you fall, I have to try to change your will through suffering.... Recognize your sinfulness and repent by patiently taking the measure of suffering upon yourselves and thereby also bear part of the guilt which weighs upon you due to your sins.... And be grateful if I still give you the opportunity on earth to atone for them, for only through this can you enter My kingdom purified and cleansed, if you pass the final test and become Mine while still on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Explanation and reason for an arduous destiny....

B.D. No. **5048** January 24th 1951

An arduous destiny on earth will profit the salvation of your souls. For every day brings you closer to the end and the end is near. And do you know whether you will experience the last days? Do you know that you won't be called back before the end and that your earthly life might only last a short time yet? Always consider that tomorrow could be your last day and that you will then be grateful to have reached that particular degree of maturity which entitles you to enter the realm of light. Consider that earthly life is only the means to an end and that it won't last forever. Everything is temporary, joy and sorrow, desire and pain. Only the soul is immortal and its suffering should be reduced. Therefore the body has to suffer as long as the soul lives on earth. Those who are spared suffering on earth cannot expect a painless hour of death because the soul will still have much ballast which it will take across into the spiritual realm. Yet the agonies in the beyond are considerably greater and can often last an endless time if a soul is hardened and thus will find little help.

People still have to endure much adversity because time is passing swiftly and rapidly bringing the end. Only the soul which has been purified by grief and suffering will have the strength to resist during the last days.... because such a soul can receive My strength, while a soul within a dense cover cannot be touched by My emanation. For this reason the human being should look at each day as a gift of grace and be grateful, he should use his time well since he does not know when it ends, because one day he will regret every day which has not brought him spiritual progress. Suffering and love mature the soul and therefore you human beings must patiently endure what is given to you as this is in your best interest; everything My will inflicts on you can lead you to perfection....

Amen

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Matter.... Loss of earthly possessions.... Free will....

verything you call your own on earth can be taken away from you if it is My will, and you cannot protect yourselves from it but have to accept it. But I constantly draw your attention to the fact that you should not grow too fond of earthly possessions because they do not last long. However, you can secure for yourselves spiritual riches which cannot be taken away from you and which you can constantly increase, particularly at the time of great adversity which will come upon you. Then you will be able to hand them out and those who allow themselves to be given treasures from the spiritual kingdom will receive many blessings. For they will help you attain eternal life.... Earthly goods cannot stop you from dying, but spiritual goods can indeed prevent your spiritual death. All worldly things will be ruined and you humans are likewise at risk of having to relinquish your physical life; then all your possessions will be worthless. If, however, you keep your life then you will be differently minded, for then you will realise the truth of My Word which constantly alerted you to this adversity. I know who will be affected by it through My will. Nevertheless, My intention is not to harm you but only to benefit your soul. I know where every person is still vulnerable and I have to inflict painful wounds on him which kill his desire for matter, which cure him from the blight of this world. Many will indeed regard it as a cruel and harsh fate, yet one day they, too, will know better and thank Me for forcefully intervening in their lives which otherwise would have continued without achievement for the soul.

I see how humanity becomes increasingly more immersed in matter, how it only works and creates in order to add to it, oblivious to the near end. It is a completely pointless waste of strength, for very shortly everything will disappear before your eyes which you humans so greedily desire.... And you let day after day go by without acquiring goods for your soul, day after day you turn your eyes to the world and don't consider your soul's fate after death, which is so close to all of you, from an earthly as well as a spiritual point of view. Yet I can only ever warn and admonish you again, but I cannot force you nor can I give you such obvious evidence of the truth I reveal to you that you would change because of fear in order to escape the calamity. You must want to become blessed of your own accord, you must spontaneously desire to be united with Me, your Creator and Father of eternity, then you will also voluntarily fulfil My will.... you will turn selfish love, the love for the world, into unselfish neighbourly love; then you will strive for spiritual values and need not fear the end or the loss of earthly goods, which the coming time of adversity will entail. I know full well what I want to preserve or leave to the individual person, but you don't know it and shall prepare yourselves so that everything will be taken away from you and yet you will keep the everlasting wealth which can never be taken away from you.... Only attend to these possessions and you will at all times receive My kindness and mercy, My faithful care and Fatherly love, which always gives you what you need; which never leaves you, who want to belong to Me, in adversity.... This is why you never again have to dread the coming events, for you cannot lose anything anymore because you have gained everything....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Strokes of fate.... Remedies....

B.D. No. **6290** June 21st 1955

The wounds I have to inflict on you if I don't want you to fall into everlasting death are truly not an expression of wrath, of lack of love, nor are they indications of just punishments for your transgressions.... They are merely remedies to remove ailments which you have caused yourselves and which are needed in order to restore the health of your soul.... It was your own fault that you left the eternal order or your fate would be one of pure happiness and beatitude. Believe Me, I would much rather grant you blissful happiness but you yourselves make it impossible for Me as soon as you leave My order.... however, I will use everything to lead you back into divine order again so that I can make

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you abundantly happy once more. The more hardship and sorrow, misery and illness are evident on earth the greater are the offences against My order, and by looking at this adversity you humans can see how low you have fallen, for I would truly rather make humanity happy than let unfounded tribulations befall them in order to restore My eternal order again.... And although the individual person believes himself to be a lesser sinner than the misfortune he has encountered.... you humans don't know the correlations or the extent of a misfortune's effect.... nor do you know who will be helped to mature in turn as a result of the individual person's fate.... You also don't know what you have voluntarily offered to endure **before** your incarnation as a human being.... I, however, know everything, and I truly will not impose upon you a greater burden than you are able to bear....

Furthermore, I offer Myself as a cross bearer if your cross seems too heavy for you.... Unfortunately you don't very often take advantage of My help, and thus you complain about your burden and frequently protest its weight.... You were motivated by **love** to offer yourselves to bear a burden of the cross.... But in earthly life you don't know **why** you, who believe to belong to Me due to your will, have to suffer.... Yet I want you to travel your path silently and without complaining even without knowing the cause, I want you to humbly accept your cross, I want that you always submit to My will in the recognition that the One to Whom you submit yourselves is a God of love and that **everything** you receive from Him will be a blessing for you....

Therefore, don't object to your destiny whatever comes your way.... don't complain and grumble if you want to belong to Me but always rest assured that it is only for your benefit.... that it always signifies help and a restoration of My eternal order.... rest assured that one day you will realise it and be grateful to Me that I allowed you to take this arduous earthly path with its misfortunes but also with My love, which is the reason for everything that affects you, because it only ever wants you to become blessed....

Amen

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Accepting suffering

Patiently bearing the cross.... 'Lord, Your will be done...'

B.D. No. **0648** October 31th 1938

ook within yourself and recognise your failings and appeal to the Lord for His help, then you will grow in strength and succeed in enduring all tests of life gently and with patience. After all, the Lord's will only sends these to you for your own advancement.... A person will rarely submit to the suffering imposed on him without grumbling, and yet precisely this is a willing submission to God's will, when the human being gladly and gratefully accepts all suffering from the Father's hand and so only ever acknowledges that whatever happens will be right for his soul's salvation. When the pain increases, the Saviour is placing a small cross upon you which, for His sake, you should carry patiently. Such days will make the soul infinitely happy, for whatever is tolerantly carried by the body is removed from the soul and it will enter an increasingly more liberated state. The body's suffering is the soul's greatest help, and if the human being bears it gladly, the soul will be grateful for it and, in turn, will use every opportunity to help the body through inner suggestions which benefit the human being's earthly work. All suffering will only have an ennobling effect if it does not cause bitterness in the person against the One Who inflicts this suffering upon him, and thus it will only ever benefit the person's soul. And if the temptation is great to revolt against God's will, then remember the Lord's suffering on the cross.... How unspeakably painful was His death, and how humbly did the Saviour accept all suffering upon His shoulders out of love for the sinful human race. If you bear this in mind, then you will also gladly carry you small cross, for the Lord will not impose anything upon you that you are incapable of carrying. And the right love for the Saviour will sweeten your every suffering.... One day the significance of suffering will dawn on you and your soul will rejoice, if you were willing on earth and gained many merits through the bearing of suffering, which has an extraordinary effect in the spiritual world. Your lifetime on earth certainly burdens you with much which seems insurmountable to you at first, and thus you quarrel with God and want to object to His most sacred will; nevertheless, God's love will soon teach you otherwise.... it will let you realise that it is only in your best interest when He allows you to suffer, and your earthly existence will be richly rewarded if you have realised it. Therefore, always pray from the bottom of your heart 'Lord, Your will be done....' and your suffering will turn into joy.... and you will gratefully accept the reward which, one day in eternity, will compensate you for all the suffering on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Cross.... "My yoke is easy and My burden is light...."

B.D. No. **4127**

September 21st 1947

Take up your cross and follow Me.... And I will walk beside you and help you carry it, for My love will not let you suffer where it can take away your suffering without harming your soul. But if the cross weighs you down, then know that this is necessary for your soul's maturity.... And bear in mind that I know about your spiritual adversity and try to remedy it first, for the soul is in greater danger than the body when the hour of death has come. Consider that all adversity will end with the end of this earth and that this end is not far away. And therefore try to shape yourselves such that your stay in spheres of light will be assured, that you will gladly give up your earthly body and exchange it for a life in the beyond in complete freedom, if you have passed the test of will on earth. And this life will compensate you for everything you have suffered on earth and you will never desire this earth again. And the more suffering weighs you down the sooner you will have to (be allowed to?) give up earthly

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life and yet be purified for the spiritual kingdom. And you will thank Me eternally that I let you suffer for your own sake. Nevertheless, I give you comfort that your suffering can be averted through heartfelt prayer to Me, that I will take it away from you if you trustingly come to the father like children. Then I will lovingly take care of you and carry the cross for you, i.e. I will find a solution which is equal to a reduction of the hardship.... I lighten your cross so that it no longer weighs so heavily on you, and you will be able to carry it because you draw the strength for it from Me. "My yoke is easy and My burden is light..." I Myself gave you this word. Do you want to doubt its truth? Therefore always believe that every cross is bearable for you if only you carry every burden with your eyes turned towards Me, and if it seems heavy to you, consider it a sign of My love for you, for I want to make My kingdom accessible to those I let suffer without guilt already on earth, because I know about their direction of will, about their activity of love on earth and about their state of soul, which I want to elevate. And therefore patiently accept all suffering, it is only imposed on you for your own good, and you will never reach your aim in the same time if you are spared suffering, if you are not burdened with a cross, if earthly life gives you fulfilment of all your wishes and much more. And if you know of My word that it is a sign of My great love for you, if you get into earthly adversity which almost makes you despair of life, then do not complain and grumble but surrender to your fate and think that your father in heaven truly does not burden His children with suffering if it would not bear far greater blessings for your soul, the maturing of which is the aim of every human being on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

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

B.D. No. **7054** March 3rd 1958

t 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

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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

Severe suffering can result in childship to God....

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You have been told several times already that you can only attain childship to God if you surrender to Me with love and also humbly bear the sorrow which you have to experience in order to purge the soul from all impurities, so that, on entering the kingdom of the beyond, you can be completely permeated by My light of love, for every ailment, every suffering the human soul still has to endure on earth dissolves the layers, and then the full light ray of My love can touch the soul, because it has relinquished all resistance....

Therefore, don't be discouraged by a difficult earthly life but believe that it will be a blessing for you which fully offsets all suffering, and be patient, for the reward will be greater than great and the time of the human being's suffering on earth is but short compared to the glorious fate awaiting the soul throughout all eternity. This is why you should gladly accept a life of suffering; you should know that such an earthly life is imposed on you by My immense love so that you soon will be able to reach the goal set by Me since eternity. For what follows your earthly life cannot be explained to you, it is the most magnificent fate which is only destined for My 'children', who will be invested into all the rights of the Father, able to work like Him.... without difference, because they have attained the highest goal.

Yet even for these very children I Am unfathomable, that is, they incessantly strive towards Me.... they long for Me and their longing will always be fulfilled.... And the essence of their bliss rests in the fact that they will never cease yearning for Me, that they thus can never be entirely satisfied because I Am and remain eternally unfathomable. For this reason you have to take the most difficult conditions in earthly life upon yourselves, you will be tested time and again, and you have to remain steadfast even in utmost suffering and always know that only your great love for Me and your neighbour can alleviate your suffering, but that you are incapable of such love which could entirely eliminate suffering.... and thus you should be grateful that you are allowed to bear sorrow as it only serves to

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perfect you. I did not say to you without reason 'Take up your cross and follow Me....' For I knew that only a path of utmost suffering will result in your childship to God, because as human beings you are incapable of the love that also leads to childship of God, and also because earthly life is too short unless you accept suffering at the same time.

Therefore, do not ask why I let a human being suffer.... Rather, think of the benefit of suffering, bear in mind that it dissolves all layers which prevent the soul from receiving the full illumination of love.... and that it is always just a temporary state which is then replaced by eternal happiness, for which you would have accepted even more suffering if only your physical strength would allow for it. Thus you who have to suffer so much should remember that it is the longing for 'children' which motivates Me to put you into this state.... and that you yourselves will be grateful to Me one day for all the adversity you had to endure in earthly life.

Yet this always presumes firm faith in Me, faith in life after death and faith in My infinite love, then you regard every happening as a return of the once fallen spirit to Me.... with the goal of childship to God, which I cannot achieve in any other way but by means of the path across earth. And if you have this faith then you will also patiently endure every suffering, you will only ever see one purpose in it and accept everything that you, as a human being, cannot change anyway, but you will humbly bear it as imposed on you by My wisdom and love in order to guide you to the highest goal.

But only few will reach this goal, yet they can nevertheless be happy if they don't (even **those** people can be happy who don't) enter the kingdom of the beyond entirely without light, for they will still be able to enhance their degree of light there. They will also be able to rise ever higher and experience infinite beatitude but they will no longer be able to achieve the 'childship to God' which necessitates a life on earth.... Nevertheless, they will be able to repeat this life in order to fulfil a mission, and even then they will not be spared all kinds of suffering in order to achieve utmost maturity.... in order to enter the spiritual realm as the Father's true child, in order to then be able to eternally create and work at His side, in accordance with His will and yet in all freedom, as it was His intention from the start....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Hard struggle and suffering before the end.... safest help God's word....

B.D. No. **4459** October 13th 1948

You children of My love still have to hold out for a short time until you are released from the I form. It is a difficult battle you still have to endure, yet it will not be too difficult for you because I am constantly close to you and grant you support at all times. Yet for your own sake you still have to go through suffering so that you will be purified and no longer need to fear the last judgment. Yet again and again I give you the assurance that you will only stay on this earth for a short time, that every day is still a gift in which you can gain much if you surrender to everything difficult that comes upon you. It will pass by.... and one day you will look up to Me full of gratitude, Who, through suffering, has placed you in the degree of being allowed to look at Me, Who, through suffering, helps your soul to mature more quickly, because time is only short until the end. You are all My children, I certainly see your suffering but I also know about the necessity of it, and thus the suffering is only love for you again, and you should always gratefully accept it from My hand, for nothing comes upon you which I don't know or deem good and beneficial for you. Yet you are never abandoned by Me, even if it seems as if I don't hear your prayer.... Every call from the heart reaches My ear, and I am always ready to help, only it is not always immediately recognizable to you.... The gift of grace from above.... My word.... will always be a safe aid for you if you think you are weak or completely despondent.... Turn to Me in prayer and then accept the answer by receiving My word, and peace will come over you and My strength will flow over you so that you will be able to bear everything I send upon you. You don't need to suffer, for My word is full compensation for everything you lack, which makes you miserable. Every suffering and every worry disappears if you read My word and let it penetrate your hearts. For I Myself am My word, and can you really feel suffering when I am near

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you? Prove your faith and heed My advice, let Me speak to you and nothing will touch you, no suffering will oppress you as soon as you make contact with Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The right soul doctor....

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very sick person needs healing medicine if he wants to recover and let his body become fresh and strong again in order to be able to fulfil his duties on earth.... And thus the sick soul also requires healing medicine which helps it to gain strength in order to likewise be able to fulfil the task it has been given for earthly life. It is sick and weak when it begins life as a human being, and it has an ascent ahead of it for which it needs strength. (8.3.1957) Therefore healing must be brought to it, it must entrust itself to a doctor and helper who knows its illnesses, who now administers the right medicine through which it can recover. It must enjoy strong nourishment in order to also gain strength and now also be able to cover the ascent to the heights. And there is only one doctor who can truly help it, who knows all its sufferings and weaknesses and who has the right medicine ready for all: It is Jesus Christ, the saviour and redeemer from sin and death.... And there is only one healing nourishment which He administers to the sick soul: His word, which alone puts the soul into the state that it can now powerfully walk the path upwards, which lets it reach the aim for the purpose of which it was allowed to embody itself on earth. For this word is the bread which comes from heaven, which divine love distributes with a hand of blessing, which truly lets every sick soul recover when it is gratefully received from the hand of Jesus Christ.... the creator and father of eternity.... when the soul refreshes itself with it, when it truly enjoys flesh and blood, the word, which flows constantly as God's flow of grace and is accessible to everyone who feels hunger and thirst, who is sick and weak and needs bread and wine in order to regain strength.... His word is the right medicine for the sick soul, and it is the source of strength for the healthy but still weak soul, for just as the human soul on earth is made up.... it constantly needs food and drink, it will never be able to do without nourishment because it shall mature in earthly life and for this it always requires strength which alone can flow to it through the word of God. And if a person is aware of his weakness, if he recognizes that his soul is still sick and in need of a doctor, then he will also turn to the one Who offers him a certain guarantee that he will be helped.... He will entrust himself to Jesus Christ and appeal for recovery, he will admit his weakness and inadequacy to Him and lean on Him, for he knows that he will find support with Him, that Jesus Christ as a physician of the soul is also willing to give him what his soul needs.... He knows that His healing hand only needs to stretch out so that he will become healthy and that He will continue to administer the right nourishment to it. And he will accept His word, he will draw strength from His word again and again and soon also experience the effect of the divine word on himself.... For a divine gift does not remain ineffective. But anyone who does not recognize his soul's illnesses will not supply it with the right medicine either, and it will remain weak and miserable, it will not be able to manage the ascent upwards, and furthermore it will also be without nourishment, for the right nourishment for the soul is only the word of God. And thus it can be that a soul, at the end of its earthly life, is still just as meagre and weak as it entered earth.... For it can indeed be meagre and completely powerless but it cannot pass away.... And in this state it must now also enter the spiritual kingdom where it will bitterly feel its inadequacy. But again and again the saviour of the sick and weak approaches people, again and again He offers Himself to help them recover, again and again He lets the flow of strength to earth from which all sick souls could draw strength.... And truly, the sickness and weakness will be taken away from every soul which entrusts itself to the saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ. And the remorse of those will be bitter who passed Him by and never made use of His medical help, for they will remain sick and weak and thus also enter the kingdom of the beyond in this way....

Amen

Thank you father for the loving help of the souls in the hereafter

Needy souls.... Remorse.... Loving help....

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When you humans have concluded your earthly life and entered the spiritual realm, the time of your earthly life will appear like a mere moment as soon as the memory of the infinitely long time before your embodiment as a human being is returned to you. And then you will also understand that the last stage of your soul's development has been an great mercy, and anyone who has used it and achieved admission into the spiritual realm, anyone who need not reproach himself for having allowed the graces of earthly life pass him by, is blessed. The remorse in the beyond is all the more painful when the soul realises that it is no longer able to put right what it had avoided or neglected on earth, when the soul becomes aware of the inconceivable suffering of the infinitely long earthly path and how easy the short life as a human being had been in comparison, which it did not value correctly.... The soul's regret of a wrongly lived earthly life is so agonising and depressing that this in itself causes the soul to do penance and worsens its painful situation; yet physical life with its many opportunities to mature is over now and the soul has to accept the consequences of its earthly way of life. It has to continue its process of development in the beyond but with far more difficulties than on earth as long as it is not allowed to enter the realm of light.

You humans do not know the distress of such a soul in darkness and the merciful love it requires to receive help. You all should have compassion on such souls, you should think of them with love or they can never be redeemed because they are too weak without help, because only love will give them strength and the souls hope and ask for this love from people... since the spirits of light can only help these souls when they are willing to help other souls. But in order to awaken this willingness to help their will has to be strengthened, and only the strength given to them by people's love on earth can achieve that. Lost souls, i.e. those who have not used their earthly life correctly or who lived entirely without spiritual aspiration on earth are in greatest need because they have no strength whatsoever and entirely depleted willpower. To help these souls is one of the greatest works of love which the human being can perform. He should constantly pray for such souls, he should mentally inform them that they ought to act with kindness even in the beyond, time and again he should urge them to love, he should mentally communicate with them and with his love give them strength, which is comforting to the soul as it alleviates its state of suffering. And the souls will be eternally grateful to people whose loving help will release them from their agonising situation as soon as they can take part in the redemption work themselves, as soon as they can reduce the suffering of other souls by bringing them spiritual knowledge which, however, they first have to acquire themselves.

Due to their will to help their greatest need is remedied and their remorse will lessen at the same rate as their willingness to help grows. For then the soul understands that it is needed in the spiritual realm and in its enthusiasm forgets its own suffering.... It strives to gather spiritual values in order to share them again; it has created for itself a new sphere of activity and tries to make up for what it had neglected to do on earth.... to give love.... And now it can continue its process of development in the spiritual realm, thanks to the help of people's loving thoughts on earth for which it will be eternally grateful....

Amen

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Recognition in the Hereafter.... Disguise of the light-beings.... Self-reproach....

At all times you are to remember those who have already long since left the earthly valley and had to enter the hereafter in an immature state. They has indeed landed a hard lot; they cannot find their way in the surroundings granted to them..... they quarrel with themselves and are so very unhappy, that Love must meet them to redeem them.... i.e. to help them to find the right way out of their darkness also there.... Where now there the soul fights for light, it is guided rightly and inevitably advances.

But the time until recognition is so unspeakably hard for this soul. Here on earth, God gave them grace upon grace, so that they should find themselves in faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.... There they must still, much more from own strength, strive to reach.... i.e. with own will strive for this recognition, because the strength must as yet be supplied to them by the loving activity of the higher spirit-beings or by commemoration in love in prayer on earth. There is such a great difference between a perfect spirit-being and the soul entrusted to it, that out of such fullness of light it would be impossible to charitably influence the soul around which is still the darkest night.

It would inevitably declare the light, but it has to perish under such sudden fullness of light, and a complete purification of the soul would not take place. So the light-being is commanded to accept a disguise, which makes the interaction easier for the poor soul.... And in this garment, which is only slightly lighter than that of the erring soul, the light-spirit achieves to connect with it and now seeks to bring it into recognition of it's situation.... Many possibilities are offered and described to it, which are useful for the improvement of it's situation. The soul, which has already become so hopeless in it's darkness, embraces everything with the most intimate desire to just free itself from the present situation, and so the aspiration after the light begins....

The condition of such naked souls are often pitiful; they are left to themselves, and remember their failed lives in agony and self-reproach. And an exceedingly great work of love is done on these beings when a little help is brought to them, which people can do so exceedingly easily and abundantly if they remember in prayer these lightless, hard-pressed souls, which on earth, sure out of their own fault rejected all favours offered to them and now exceedingly gratefully accept every smallest help, which makes their situation more bearable for them.

If you want to acquire an extraordinary measure of gratitude, then come to the aid of these souls. They languish in darkness and cannot redeem themselves without it.... and they will also never be admitted to circles of light until they themselves have the firm will to wrestle themselves from darkness with all their strength and striving for bright regions.... And in order to be able to summon up this will from within yourselves, you are to be helpful to these poor beings and, in perpetual concern, remember them in prayer, so that the light may also penetrate there and innumerable beings may be redeemed through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Alida Pretorius

Need of the secluded souls.... love of the people help....

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February 11th 1953

o human being can appreciate the hardship the souls of unbelief or weak faith find themselves in, no human being can imagine the state of misery from which they cannot escape without help because they are completely powerless. No-one knows how much merciful love they need in order to experience relief in their adversity and how little love follows them into eternity, because people are without love themselves and only think little of those who have passed away. If you humans knew how grateful they are when only a loving thought from earthly people touches them, if you knew what a blessing such a thought of love is for this soul, you would truly make an effort to help them as soon as you thought of a soul close to you in this adversity. Yet your faith in survival is weak, and you have

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also been wrongly taught if you assume that you can no longer help them even if you believe that the souls live on in the beyond. You alone can provide them with active help, for your love has a direct effect on the souls as strength, and your love can also awaken love in these souls and suddenly lead them out of spiritual darkness into lighter spheres, from where the ascent can then take place with certainty. You humans have a safe means of help for these souls and don't apply it, and those who would like to bestow love upon them, the beings of light of the spiritual kingdom, don't easily find access to the souls because they have to approach them in the same envelopment which the souls have themselves in order not to compel them to accept the light.... But the souls which have departed without faith also lacked love on earth and therefore also all knowledge.... Therefore they will hardly accept what is offered to them by beings of light, because their will is also completely weakened in their lack of strength. These beings cannot impart strength to them out of their love because this goes against the law of divine order.... Yet the love of people on earth is accepted by God.... And for the sake of this love God's merciful love can now become active.... He supplies the souls with strength from His inexhaustible pool of love, He accepts intercessory love and helps where the being lacks strength. You humans, remember these poor souls and give them what they always ask for, if they enter your thoughts.... Heed these supplications and give them a hearing.... send them loving and good thoughts, point them to Jesus Christ in Whom they did not want to believe on earth, call upon Him at the same time and commend these souls to Him. But don't let your prayer be a prayer of lips, for only love has a redeeming, strength-giving effect, and all souls which have to languish in the beyond appeal to you for this love.... And you yourselves do not know in which state your loved ones have passed away, and therefore you should not omit anyone who wants to make his nearness, his requests known to you through emerging thoughts of him.... Do not forget them, and do not believe that they have passed away.... They live, but in what state.... They need not be lost if you have mercy on them and give them the power to be saved; you can help them.... Therefore have mercy on all unbelievers who no longer dwell on earth and yet still are, because the soul is immortal and therefore cannot perish.... And they will thank you eternally....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Help for poor souls.... Love redeems....

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Everything that helps the souls to ascend will be appreciated in the spiritual kingdom. The love given to the still immature spirit is the only means of redemption as long as it is unable to lift itself up, i.e. as long as it is still unable to be lovingly active itself, since it is without strength. Everything that will strengthen these beings has My blessing because it complies with the principle of love. The love people demonstrate to immature souls somehow or other has to have a redeeming effect, be it on earth or in the beyond, for no spark of love is without strength, and thus all deeds of love always result in a supply of strength. You humans on earth can therefore help greatly if you are motivated by love to consider the poor souls in the beyond who are completely without strength and therefore dependent on help. And everything you do to strengthen them, everything you do to release them, will be pleasing to Me and never be in vain.

So little love can be found amongst people on earth already, and they consider the souls in the beyond even less, since they do not believe in life after death. And this unbelief also has bitter repercussions on the souls in the beyond, who languish unredeemed and without strength in dark surroundings and are unable to help themselves. Every kind thought, every loving wish for their well-being alleviates their torment and will be gratefully felt by them. Yet especially the souls who languish in darkness are rarely thought of kindly and lovingly, and thus they remain in utmost hardship. Thus you can understand that people who want to help them are surrounded by untold souls who all would like to make their presence known in order to be helped. All you humans are surrounded by such souls, yet only few of you will listen to them, only few of you have the willingness to help and the faith that you can help through prayer and loving thoughts.... Yet countless souls cannot find anyone to

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pray for them on earth and therefore also try to approach circles where currents of strength manifest themselves. These souls, too, appeal for your help.... Grant their request, do everything that love inspires you to do and know that My blessing rests upon you as long as you are only motivated by love to help them.

You should only want to help, then you can loosen many chains, then you can free the tormented souls by initially giving them strength, which they will then use themselves by following your example, so that they too will want to help as you have helped them. Never forget that they depend on your help, even if My grace and mercy will not condemn any being forever; but first their hardened hearts have to be touched by a ray of love before they seize My gifts of grace.... And I Myself will guide these souls to you, who just need an incentive to start their path of development in the beyond. Yet without loving help they will continue to languish in the same state for an infinitely long time and cannot find the path of ascent. Pray for them and don't forget them, for their suffering as a result of their unbelief and unkindness is immeasurable; but if you want to help them I will always be willing to lift them with My grace and mercy from the night of death into life, for then I will not be able to resist the love you give to those unhappy souls in the beyond and I will forgive their guilt for the sake of your love....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Presenting the Gospel to the poor souls....

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resent the Gospel to the poor souls in your thoughts.... You do not know how blessedly you can ▲ work on those who have imperfectly entered the kingdom of the beyond, for what they did not accept on earth has to be made accessible to them in the beyond so that they decide to accept it and can then progress in their development. They have to learn to believe, for without faith there is no progress in the beyond.... Yet whether they still know what they refused to believe depends on their degree of love, on the works of love which still ensure them some knowledge and realisation. Then it will also be easier to present the Gospel to them in such a way that they accept it and thereby come to believe in Jesus Christ, the divine Saviour. But it is far more difficult to impart the knowledge of truth to completely ignorant souls, for they have to be introduced to it from the very beginning, as it were, because they lack all fundamental truths, because they cannot remember anything they were told about God on earth. Their loveless way of life has robbed them of all memory of the divine teaching of love, of Christ's act of Salvation and of the human being's task, and therefore it has to be approached with utmost love, it has to be repeatedly emphasised to the souls that they can only become blessed if they believe in God, Who embodied Himself in Jesus Christ, Who died for people in order to redeem them from the bondage which was the result of sin.... They have to be told that only love will help them to believe, that they also have to help the suffering souls in the beyond, that they have to practise mercy and can call upon Jesus Christ for strength to do so, Who alone can liberate them from their wretched situation.... This is a labour of love for the poor souls which will be highly credited to you, for the hardship is great and only love can remedy it.... Therefore often remember your loved ones who have gone before you, help them by sending loving thoughts after them, by talking to them in thought and sharing with them what you know, you who truly believe in Jesus Christ and who thereby stand in the right realisation.... Give them the knowledge you receive from above and don't leave them in their adversity, they will thank you eternally and also help you if you are in earthly trouble.... For only love redeems, only love gives strength to souls which, being utterly powerless, are unable to help themselves and which are therefore dependent on your love, which you can give to them in the form of thoughtful instructions and heartfelt intercession, which will never remain without success....

Amen

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Every soul must find Jesus Christ....

very 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

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Effect of the divine word on otherworldly souls....

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You are in the midst of a multitude of souls when you receive My word or pass it on to your fellow human beings. You cannot see them but you would be overjoyed if you could feel their gratitude which makes them seek ever more contact with you. They feel that nourishment emanates

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from you which satisfies them, which does them good and which gives them the strength they need. Every word which penetrates their hearts is also felt by them as being spoken by Me Myself, and therefore they are particularly happy that I dignify them with an address and they burn with ardent love for Me. You do no spiritual work unnoticed by these souls, for once they have accepted food and drink from you they will not leave you again, and they only ever wait for you to establish the bond with the spiritual world, which they notice as a ray of light and then follow everything with utmost attentiveness and take part in what is offered to you by Me.... You do not know about the great blessing of spiritual bonds through listening to or passing on My word.... You don't know how many people you can make happy with it and what effect My word has on all these souls which need light and strength but which are also willing to accept light and strength. They greedily accept every word and think about it, and once a soul has discovered this source of life it will no longer leave it, for it will always derive more benefit from it the more eagerly it accepts the food and drink. And then it works with it itself because it cannot help but repeatedly mention the grace it is offered by being allowed to participate in the feeding of countless souls. And if you humans remember these souls to whom you can only do good by letting yourselves be taught, by accepting My word directly or indirectly.... if you consider that every spiritual conversation always spreads brighter light around the soul, then you should not miss any opportunity to hear or read My word and again and again hand out nourishment to the souls surrounding you which will help them to mature in a short time. You should remember these souls with compassionate love and know that you can help them to salvation if you proclaim My word, silently or aloud, as the occasion arises. You will never be without a listener, for even if the children of the world don't want to listen to you, but the beings in the kingdom of the beyond are always willing to listen to you, they are waiting for it because a spiritually directed thought already expresses itself as a spark of light which they rush towards so as not to miss anything. These souls truly hunger and thirst for the bread of heaven and the water of life.... You can satisfy them and again and again supply them with strength, and the knowledge of this shall inspire you to let My word resound into infinity quite often, be it through direct receipt, through the transmission of My word from above, be it through passing it on, through proclaiming the pure gospel, which you receive from Me if only you desire it.... You never hear it alone but you are always surrounded by a multitude who receive it extremely gratefully, who fill themselves with it and are happy that they, too, can now work with it for the benefit of the souls to whom they would like to bring light.... Their spiritual poverty will dwindle, they will be able to detach themselves from the darkness, they will feel bliss, for the light will shine upon them and shine through them, which emanates from Me, Who is the light and the truth from eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Prayer for poor souls....

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Do not forget those who have crossed over into the beyond in distress of soul. For they need your help. They are too weak to be able to help themselves and are eternally grateful to you if you assist them and give them strength through your prayer. Love must be the reason for this prayer, love for the weak, the unredeemed, which you do not want to let suffer, for which you want to reduce suffering as far as it is within your power. If you could take a look into the kingdom of the unredeemed souls on earth, deep compassion would fill your heart and your will to help would be stimulated if only a spark of love glows within you. For their fate is an unspeakably sad one which, even if self-inflicted, impels every compassionate soul to help. In frightening darkness they dwell, according to the degree of their imperfection, and their surroundings, if they are dimly able to recognize them, are barren and unfriendly, and yet they themselves are too weak to leave the place where they dwell and create a better state for themselves, and therefore their hardship is excessive because everything causes them agony. And you can reduce their torment by taking care of the poor souls in prayer, by trying to imagine their great hardship with compassion and remembering them in

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heartfelt prayer.... by further reciting the gospel to them in spirit, i.e. by trying to make the blessing of love clear to them and presenting love as the only means of solution. As soon as you succeed in igniting the spark of love in a poor soul it will be saved for eternity, for then it will be able to receive strength directly from the kingdom of light, the inhabitants of which are likewise busy working on those souls but can only take action when a small desire for light and a spark of love can be recognized in the soul and when love is expressed in such a way that it wants to help the suffering souls. Then strength will be supplied to it in increased measure and now the ascent in the spiritual kingdom will begin. But never ever should you leave the souls to their fate, for only love redeems, and only a loving attitude towards them can provide them with relief from their suffering. And therefore your prayer must come from the heart, it must not just be a lip prayer, but love for the weak, helpless must impel you to sincerely appeal to God for mercy and help for these souls, you yourselves must be driven by the feeling to ease their fate and you must often turn your thoughts towards them, who already feel this as a relief and sense every loving prayer as a grant of strength. Do not forget these souls, for they need you and will be eternally grateful to you if you have helped them from the depths to the heights, from the night of their surroundings into the light....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Strength of intercession....

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You should give the strength of intersession to all those who have departed from you, irrespective of the degree of maturity you may think they have, for they all still need strength and are grateful for any help. It is a happy feeling to have helped souls to ascend, which you will only fully realise when you have entered the kingdom of the beyond yourselves and see the hardship of many souls who are not remembered in prayer, because no one on earth will remember them lovingly and provide them with the necessary strength in order to ascend. Once these souls have experienced the strength of love they will work with immense enthusiasm and use this strength, but the first impulse has to be given to them by people's loving intercession, because this is what will affect them first and change the direction of their thoughts.

But this intercession has to be rendered consciously, i.e. with the intention of helping the souls to advance. You humans should know that your prayers are valuable, you should familiarise yourselves with the suffering of departed souls and with a loving heart pray for a gift of strength for these souls. They will surely experience this gift of strength and also gratefully feel the love intended for them which will cause them to love in turn, which will thus affect their environment like a small light that benefits all souls. You humans could do so inexpressibly much to release the souls if you have the will to alleviate hardship and suffering.... For this will motivates you to pray from the bottom of your heart, and only this comprises redeeming strength. You should do everything consciously, external formalities or lip-prayers have no effect, because they exclude the conscious will to help. Only love is liberating.... this has to be said time and again.

You can achieve inconceivably much with love, you can send bright light into the darkness through loving intercession, so that many souls will gather there and be touched by this ray of light, always with the result that their feeling of love will also be awakened and will want to express itself. Loving intercession is a tremendous flow of strength the effect of which will never fail. Include all your loved ones in your prayer, mentally call them to you and tell them that you want to help them and that they should accept your help quietly and without objection; mentally instruct them that they, too, will be able to ascend it they want to use the strength they receive through your intercession. And always point them to Jesus Christ.... Only One can redeem them, and this One can only be reached through love. Therefore inform them that they should use their imparted strength to help other souls in turn who also suffer great hardship, that these deeds of love will bring them ever closer to Jesus Christ

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Who, with utmost mercy, will then draw all souls to Himself and guide them into the kingdom of light....

Once you have helped a soul to use its given strength correctly its progress will be assured, then the weakness of will and lack of strength will disappear and it will eagerly ascend and take untold souls along, for it then will also share its knowledge with them, and thus a single correct intercession will result in unforeseen blessings.... You humans on earth should not underestimate the strength of intercession, but always remember that it should be made with a loving heart in order to truly give strength.... And include all your loved ones, for they all are still in need of strength and will thank you forever if you increase their strength and remember them with love....

Amen

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Intercession for souls in darkness....

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will show mercy to all who entrust your love to Me.... There is great hardship in the kingdom of Lthe beyond, especially for those souls which have no advocate on earth, which are forgotten by people or have acquired so little love that they are only thought of in displeasure. All these souls have a bitter fate, they are in tormenting darkness and completely without strength so that they cannot help themselves alone and are dependent on help. They reap what they have sown, and their fate is not unjust, it is not undeserved, for such souls cannot expect anything other than what they have acquired for themselves in earthly life, where they were completely without love.... Nevertheless, they shall also be helped, and the love they lack must be offered from another side.... but which I also accept and book for the benefit of those souls.... Whatever love you give to these souls is given to them again as strength which they can now use according to their will. But a soul which receives the supply of strength through your love also knows the purpose for which it receives it, and it is so grateful for the help that it eagerly endeavours to increase the strength.... that it then also uses the strength to work with love. It will never reject a person's love, whereas it often resists the same efforts on the part of the world of light because it has no faith in what they tell it, for the beings of light stand before them in the **same** condition and are therefore not listened to. But people on earth, especially those who were close to them, achieve much more, for those unhappy souls look up to them because they see the strength of love emanating from them as a ray which is a blessing to them.... You humans have great power over those souls in darkness if you remember them with love.... if you want to help them.... For they feel this and have confidence in you and also listen to you if you reproach them or proclaim the gospel to them. And no matter how stubborn a soul is, no matter how blind and ignorant it may be.... your love changes this state, it immediately understands you if your thoughts are filled with love, and then it also accepts.... Without love there is no progress, on earth as well as in the spiritual kingdom.... without love there is no redemption from the abyss.... And I give the souls in darkness the great grace that the love which is turned towards them from earth is recognizable as light.... as light which gives them hope and never shines in vain.... Those you remember whose adversity prompts you to call for help are truly not abandoned, for what you give to Me through your love for those souls I also pass on and also commission My messengers in the spiritual kingdom to help in a special way.... And it will not be without success. The souls in the kingdom of the beyond are only little thought of by people.... The belief in a continuation of life is not very strong, and that is why the connections are also severed for most people, the concern for spiritual well-being does not occupy them, and only few thoughts follow them.... It is also dark around people on earth, and the souls do not return there where they find nothing that is good for them.... Also remember those souls who are without intercession, call them to you in the will to help them, let your love also radiate into the depth, for a soul will always cling to this ray of light and ascend, and it will come to you from where the light shone for it.... Pray to it what it lacks.... light and paower.... Bring My word close to it and you have already succeeded in bringing it salvation, because My word has such power that it always desires to hear it and will

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therefore always stay where it is offered food and drink which your love can make accessible to it.... And those redeemed souls will thank you eternally....

Amen

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Gratitude of the souls redeemed by prayer in the hereafter....

B.D. No. 2174

December 4th 1941

he more willing the human being is to help the souls in the beyond, the more intimately these souls join the human being again, after all, they recognize in him the saviour from their plight. They only sever the connection with earth when they no longer need the help of people, when they are more mature, so to speak, than those and now connect with the souls in the beyond who are in the same state of maturity. Then, however, they will assist people again but no longer desire to be close to earth, instead they will try to draw people's thoughts up into the spiritual kingdom, they will try to guide people's spirit away from earth upwards because they are happier in that kingdom and earth has lost all attraction for them. However, they do not forget the people on earth and they are particularly helpful to those who have reduced their state of suffering and redeemed them from their misery and torment through prayer and heartfelt remembrance. Once these souls have been redeemed they themselves will have much strength at their disposal which they can pass on to the human being on earth, and his struggle on earth will become increasingly easier and his spiritual progress will be easily recognizable. For now the redeemed souls draw from an inexhaustible source.... It is their bliss to be able to help, and their love will turn to the people on earth who still have to fight for the salvation of their souls. They now offer their thanks in the same way, they help the unredeemed to become free from their bondage. How easy it is for people to strive upwards if they have acquired the love of the beings in the beyond through their willingness to help and are now rewarded for their love.... People can then enter the beyond in a state of light and be spared the agonizing state of imperfect beings. For this is also spiritual good that a person acquires on earth.... He finds his loved ones again in the beyond, there is no separation of those who were united in love on earth and whose love did not end with the death of the body.... Inward understanding and blissful love now also unites the beings because the same spiritual state of maturity is the effect of mutual loving remembrance. What it means to have contributed to the redemption of a soul will only be understandable to the souls in the beyond when the being realizes both the state of happiness as well as the state of suffering.... And this is why the redeemed being in the beyond is always willing to help the unredeemed, and its love extends to the kingdom of the beyond as well as to earth. And this is why people on earth should make friends in the beyond through their constant willingness to help the souls which are still dependent on their help and love. For what they do out of love will be repaid to them many times over....

Amen

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Thank you father for the loving care in daily life

God is love.... divine care in earthly life....

B.D. No. **1413** May 11th 1940

od is love.... and love often leads you in marvellous ways so that you will reach Him. And one Jday you will regornize His love and His wise guidance, and you will praise Him and thank Him without ceasing, and you will pronounce His name in blissful admiration and remember the time on earth with immense gratitude. And the heavenly hosts will join in the song of praise which will resound to the constant honour of God.... this divine love looks after you and gives to everyone what is beneficial for the salvation of his soul. And now you will understand that you are never without divine care. His will guides you and His care is only for you, who are His creatures. In this certainty you can go through earthly life carefree, for every step is mapped out for you and determined by His infinite love for you. And if only you raise your eyes to Him, every step must also be a blessing for you, it must bring progress to the soul, it must be done, as it were, in order to become that which is your final destiny. For your earthly life is only one phase in eternity.... It is the necessary course that leads from one stage to another.... Earthly life cannot be ignored, just as everything that exists must be.... because the divine creator in His wisdom regocnizes it as a means to an end, as the only path to the heights which signify unimaginable glories. And this walk through the valley of the earth is an act of greatest love and mercy.... by offering the beings, who are immensely far away from God, all possibilities to approach Him until the final unification. No being can arbitrarily reach the highest maturity from the lowest level, i.e. even God's infinite love cannot reduce this distance of His creatures because this would completely contradict divine wisdom, divine laws and divine order and thus could not result in anything perfect.... Every being must develop itself upwards, and God's love gives it every conceivable opportunity to do so. It wants to make supreme happiness accessible to the being and therefore constantly endeavours to educate the being such that it can partake of this happiness. And everything that now serves the being for its higher development is assigned to it by God's love. Only divine love allows the being to suffer, for every suffering reduces the distance from God.... And every approach to God is a state of happiness.... So the being must accept suffering in order to attain happiness. It must go through a limited time of being bound in order to be able to live unlimited times in freedom. It must also have passed through the work of creation in order to have absorbed divine strength and thus to have increased itself.... it must have striven for the union with spiritual power in order to be able to be made happy by the fulfilment one day. The being must have regocnized its origin from God, desire to return to Him and fulfil the conditions which result in the union with the eternal deity.... And thus divine love constantly endeavours to bring redemption to everything that has emerged from it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Complete devotion to God ensures paternal care....

B.D. No. **5545**

November 30th 1952

Consider yourselves My protégés and an inner calm will engulf you. All responsibility is taken from you when you faithfully give yourselves to Me and leave Me to rule your lives. And I will guide you well indeed.... You should call on Me in times of earthly as well as of spiritual need but then faithfully await My decision because you don't know what is good for you; I, however, do know and treat you like a loving Father who only wants the best for His children. Therefore let yourselves be guided by Me and don't be worried, because I will truly guide you well....

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An earthly child's complete surrender to its Heavenly Father is a monumental event since it will achieve everything due to its faith in Him. This faith is not yet present where doubt and anxious worries about the future still depress a human heart, the human being has not yet handed himself over to Me and is therefore still carrying a heavier burden than necessary. I know all your worries, no thought escapes Me, I know your innermost feelings and thus I also know what a person needs.... And that is what I want to give to him.... But I also want to give him the faith which is still absent and thus I will not take his worries away until he has found faith and entrusts all problems to Me. But then they will leave him, then he will have no more doubts and reservations, then he will be fully at peace and certain of My help....

Therefore, as long as the future worries you, as long as you still have anxious thoughts, you are not yet sufficiently united with Me to feel as My protégés because this perception eliminates all fear and worry. You might as well be indifferent about earthly demands as you are unable to master them without My help. Therefore, trust in Me and everything will turn out for the best. And if you cannot see the best in something then trust Me anyway because I can see what is good or bad for you, I rule with love and wisdom and only want the best for you. But only total surrender to Me, complete surrender of your will to Mine, safeguards My paternal care and you can stop worrying. You should always remember that, no matter what happens, nothing can happen without My will or My permission. And whatever happens is good because I watch over every human being, but even more so over those who want to serve Me and who, as My workers, also enjoy the protection of the custodian of the house.... Whoever takes flight into My arms like a child will be accepted as a child and he will enjoy the Father's protection and all His love.... Your earthly lives could be easy if you heeded My Words and handed your problems over to Me, Who loves you and wants to help you achieve inner peace and a living faith, Who is with you whenever you call upon Him....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's love.... Suffering or happiness.... Granting of prayer....

B.D. No. **3382**

December 28th 1944

You humans don't understand with how much tender love I look after you or you would not so anxiously and fearfully look to the future. You are at all times well cared for by Me, I will not leave you on your own, and if you deem yourselves alone and abandoned you are merely unreceptive to My current of strength which flows to you continually. And then you will have to make an effort in order to feel Me.... you must think of Me in your heart and want to accept Me therein; like children you must take refuge in My arms with all your worries and troubles and ask Me to take them from you or help you to carry them, and My love will always gladly do so.... You came forth from My love, and this love can never ever diminish; and were you able to grasp the extent of My love you would live an entirely carefree earthly life because you would know that you are protected by My love, for true love, which is united with might and strength, can and wants to do whatever is good and a blessing for its recipient.

However, My love embraces all My living creations and therefore I only want what benefits them.... I want to make them blissfully happy without end, and I want to enable them to feel My love because this denotes their beatitude. And if you humans believe that I Am love Itself and that I Am unable and unwilling to do anything other than what is good you should let go of all problems, for I watch over you in earthly and spiritual respect, and this increasingly more successfully the more you allow Me to influence you and the less you resist Me. And if your soul is anxious then it is still held captive by the world and has to free itself from it, it must entrust everything to Me and leave it up to Me as to how I direct your earthly life, it has to be willing to make sacrifices if I require a sacrifice, for then it will only be in the interest of its spiritual welfare. And I truly know what the soul needs, I know when it is at risk and I know the right remedy to protect it from danger. And yet, I Am also willing to grant your earthly wishes if you appeal to Me from the bottom of your heart and faithfully wait for the fulfilment

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of your prayers. For My love will not let you go short, it always gives and fulfils as long as you look upon Me as your Father and approach Me with childlike love.... as soon as you believe in My love.... For love does not deny itself but is always willing to give.

And what you occasionally regard as suffering is often merely the bridge to happiness, yet to the kind of happiness which is permanent and can never be destroyed again. In order to reach a major goal you often must take cumbersome paths and not lose heart, for the goal is desirable and compensates for all previous disappointments and complications. But anyone who becomes weak and exhausted on the way will not reach the goal. And he is the one I want to encourage and provide with strength because My love cannot deny him help. Yet you have to believe in My love even if it is impossible for you to understand its entire magnitude.... Believe in it and try to be like Me by becoming love, you, too, should hand out what you own and thereby give Me the right to work in and through you, and you will be strengthened on your path through life, you will overcome all obstacles and gratefully and humbly accept whatever My hand gives you.... suffering and happiness.... For both are sent by Me to advance your soul's development.... If you always remain in contact with Me, if your heart constantly strives towards Me and confides its grief to Me I will comfort and strengthen you and relieve you of your grief. For My love will not leave you in distress if you want to be My Own and belong to Me for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Loving care of God....

B.D. No. **3412**

January 19th 1945

Your creator and sustainer constantly cares for you, and He takes care of each individual full of love. His hand guides you and He shapes your destiny according to His will, certainly always for the salvation of your souls, yet He also considers your body as long as it is the soul's shell and is meant to help it ascend. And if you believe this you will be able to travel your path through life carefree and also need not despair when stormy days come which require all your strength. Then trust in His help and ask Him for strength.... Present your needs to Him and wait for Him, Who created you, Who is your father since eternity.... Call to Him like children and take refuge in His fatherly heart, and His love will give you what you need.... strength and grace, earthly and spiritual help, by virtue of which you will master everything and overcome the most difficult situations in life. But make yourselves worthy of His loving care, remain active in love yourselves and strive towards Him, try to gain His pleasure through a way of life which corresponds to His will. And His fatherly love will cover you to such an extent that you will feel it, that nothing will be too difficult for you, whatever is demanded of you. Be strong in faith, be active in love and make God's will your own, then God will guide you and under His guidance you will walk the right path and reach the aim....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's care for the least - lowest....

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In wo often do people doubt that I take care of the lowest and smallest, that I hold the fate of every human being in My hand, even though he plays a subordinate role on earth, even though he walks along inconspicuously, weak and frail in body and spirit?.... How often do I hear the words: God should take care of every single one?.... You humans do not have a proper idea of Me if you let these thoughts arise in you.... You always apply the same standard as you do to yourselves, where only the great, the mighty, the sublime seem remarkable to you but the small, the lowly are despised by you until you also find something there which seems valuable to you. You judge according to outward appearance, you judge according to human discretion.... But I know how valuable every single soul is.... and when I tell you that the human being is the centre of the whole of creation, that creation arose

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for him alone.... that every soul had its beginning in Me and that the development of this soul to its former height, to perfection, had prompted Me to create the earthly world, because in this world it is offered every opportunity to reach the former height again.... then you will also understand that I will lean down to the tiniest creature in order to help it up from the abyss.... that nothing is too small for Me because it is My share, because it contains sparks of Myself which shall unite again with the fire of eternal love.... Moreover, your capacity is indeed limited but not Mine.... I know no limitation, neither in My strength and power nor in My love and mercy.... I know no limitation of My thoughts and My cognition, I know about everything, I see and hear everything, and the most miserable creature can know itself cared for by Me.... How much more the human being whose soul I want to possess again, who once voluntarily parted from Me.... The fact that these souls are in very diverse and very different situations, that very different paths of destiny are marked out for them, was recognized by My unsurpassable wisdom as bringing success for each individual soul, but it will never characterize the degree of My love for those souls, which is why the thought is erroneous that they are too small for Me to be considered by My love and care.... which is why the grace of prayer is also available to every human being, which establishes the connection between even the most miserable person and Me and also ensures that his requests will be granted. Every person can and should establish this connection with Me, because then the soul, regardless of its external form, its earthly low and wretched situation in life, will develop upwards and also be able to reach its aim far sooner.... the former perfection.... than a person who is great and exalted in the world and does **not** establish the connection with Me because he lacks faith in the meaning and purpose of earthly life and his associated earthly task. I truly know what serves a soul best, and I do not let a single soul out of My sight.... I truly guide and direct them correctly so that every soul can reach its aim if only it is its will.... And this will remains free and is not dependent on the individual person's situation in life.... But all My creatures experience My love and grace without distinction, and I also remember the tiniest creature so that it may find the path to ascent....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The path to the father's house.... God's guidance....

B.D. No. **6418**

December 5th 1955

ll of you are guided who want to walk by My hand, who entrust yourselves to My guidance.... I must always take your own will into account, I cannot push you against your will onto a path which you consciously avoid, which you avoid because it does not seem pleasant to you.... I can only quietly urge you on but immediately yield to your resistance if it is recognizable to Me. But anyone who entrusts himself to My guidance can walk his earthly path without worry.... it leads to the aim.... Therefore you should not look anxiously at the many obstacles and difficulties, you should only ever firmly hold on to My hand and you will be guided past all difficulties with the certainty which only My guidance can offer you.... Therefore, don't look anxiously into the future either, don't worry unnecessarily, leave all earthly concerns and only lift your eyes up to Me. For I am always there for you, I will also keep all adversity away from you if only you trust Me faithfully, if you behave like children towards your father, if you don't leave My side and leave all care for yourselves to Me. Your faith will banish all danger, for I will not disappoint your complete trust in My loving care.... You are indeed still surrounded by deepest darkness because you stand in the midst of a world of sin and unkindness. But the path I lead you is illuminated by a gentle glow, and where I am, where you walk next to Me, there will always be light, and thus you need not fear the darkness, you need only turn your gaze upwards from where bright light will always shine for you.... The deepest darkness surrounds you.... but the fact that you can walk the path of light by My hand should make you gratefully remember the great work of love and mercy which I accomplished for you humans in order to be able to lead you out of darkness into light.... I have prepared the path on earth which you can now take by My hand, in My discipleship, under My guidance. Before there was deepest darkness and no way out of this darkness.... But I prepared a path that leads from the depth to the height, from

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darkness to light.... And this path can only be taken under My guidance, i.e. the human being has to believe in Me in Jesus Christ, he has to acknowledge the act of salvation and Me Myself as the divine redeemer Who embodied Himself in the man Jesus in order to help you rise from darkness into light.... So everyone who wants to walk the path upwards with Me must join Me in Jesus Christ.... Then he walks the same path that the man Jesus walked, which leads to the father, home to the father's house.... The path leading up will always require the company of Jesus Christ, because there is only one path, the path of Jesus' discipleship, and because this path alone is full of light and guarantees the right aim. But I will never let go of anyone who has once entrusted himself to Me, My hand will hold him so that he will not fall, My hand will support him if he is weak, and My hand will pull him back from the abyss which can open up to him if he is not careful, if he turns his eyes back to the world he had already detached himself from.... He who entrusts himself to Me and My guidance can walk his path calmly, he will not go astray.... You should not allow any weakness, any doubt, any worry to arise within you, for if you hand yourselves over to Me you will take refuge in the father's arms, Whose love will truly protect and look after you, Who will safely lead you heavenwards....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's help for the purification of the soul....

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Il earthly experiences should and can contribute towards your perfection, for everything is Tarranged in such a way that you are forced to find the right attitude which will then also have an effect on your soul. You can humbly accept everything and recognize it as My will or My permission, but you can also rebel inwardly and then you will derive little benefit for your souls, and many events can pass you by without the effect they should have on your souls. Believe that nothing affects you 'by chance' but see My guidance and My will or My permission in everything, because I want to create opportunities for you where you can carry out diligent soul work.... where you can practise patience, gentleness and peacefulness, where your mercy shall be stimulated or your humility shall be strengthened.... where you shall practise unselfish neighbourly love and patiently accept all suffering. And this will always bring salvation to the soul which only walks across earth for the purpose that it will be purified, that all dross will fall away from it which restricts or completely prevents My illumination of love.... And the more eagerly you carry out this work on your soul the sooner all oppressions will leave you, for then you will become increasingly more active in love, and love will dissolve all dross in your soul and it will mature in a short time. If you look at all the adversities of life, all daily discomforts from this side, you will also be able to overcome them much more easily.... you will know that you still need them because you are still unfinished, and you will also know that I will help you time and again, whatever it may be.... for every means I use to guide you to higher maturity is help which My love gives to you and which you should therefore also gratefully accept.... And when nothing is able to disturb you anymore, when you calmly let all adversities of daily life pass you by.... if you bear them humbly and patiently, they will also have fulfilled their purpose, and your soul will thank Me that I bestowed this help upon it which helped it to attain perfection. You all still have much to reject during earthly life, for only rarely has a person already attained full virtue, everyone has to work on himself in order to change his vices and bad habits into the state he should attain, so that he is able to receive My ray of light of love, so that My ray of love can shine through him without being prevented by impenetrable coverings. All bad habits and vices are such coverings which hinder My ray of love, which require diligent soul work but which you can accomplish if you are willing to fulfil My will. But since the human being does not carry out this work on himself he has to be stimulated by Me, as it were, by facing many resistances and obstacles in daily life which he should and also can master with My help if only he sends a call to Me to assist him in the battle against everything unspiritual which still oppresses him.... Then he will admit his weakness for once and humility will grow in him, he will make an effort to compensate and ward off everything with love. And love is the soul's best purifier, it dissolves all coverings and My love can now radiate

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through it in all its strength.... Only don't let yourselves be carried away into unkindness through such resistance, for then My adversary will have won over you and you will have to make ever greater efforts in order to achieve the perfection of your soul on earth. Nothing that approaches you is pointless and futile, for My will directs your earthly course and I only want to promote your maturing but not let you fall into the abyss again.... And therefore also recognize My will or My permission in everything that concerns you and submit yourselves to it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Full trust in God and His love....

B.D. No. **8957** April 2nd 1965

nly always commend yourselves to My mercy.... And it will be granted to you in abundance.... I am able to work everything, and so also I can remedy every bodily weakness when you entrust yourselves to Me believingly. Because everything is possible for Me, the most powerful being in infinity, Who gives His love to every one of His creatures. But whose trust is so strong that he has not the slightest doubt about this My power and love? You are well convinced **that** it is possible for Me, but not that I want to and can supply you Myself with proof that My love is also so great and wants to help you in your trouble. And this doubt about My love is what ties My hands, that love cannot work in all its strength and let you recover in an instant.... Believe in My love, which knows no limit, which has followed you to the deep and which is valid for you until all eternity.... (2.4.1965) Because My love never stops, and it wants to make you happy. And this love has also not decreased through your falling away to the deep, because since My original being is pure love, such would be impossible, because it knows no limitation. And once you men imagine this that only love determines My whole being, then also no doubt could be anymore in you that this love is always prepared to help you.... But one thing is a prerequisite that you return love to Me, that you also feel love towards Me, even if not to the same extent, because you are not able to do it, but it must fill your whole being. But then you could also believe, and you would trust Me without hesitation that I fulfil all your requests. But even if you do not experience My love as you wish, you can still be convinced that you possess My love, for I truly know what serves you best, and furthermore, I am willingly prepared to take your cross upon Myself if you want to burden Me with it, if you believe that you cannot bear it on your own.... Therefore bear all suffering patiently and humbly, for earthly time passes quickly. But one day you will also thank Me for it, because you can radiantly enter the kingdom of light and bliss.... because then you will be rid of all dross and you can now enjoy all glories until all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Evaluation of grace.... Address of God....

B.D. No. **7827**

February 16th 1961

blessed through graces.... And again and again you will be allowed to receive graces if only you are willing to make use of them, if only you are willing to accept My help which I grant you in the form of graces. And thus you can also consider everything as grace which helps your soul's ascent development. Every earthly adversity which drives you towards Me is a grace. But you can also remain turned away from Me despite the earthly adversity and then you will have left the grace unused.... Every indication to Me through word and scripture is a grace, and again it depends on your will whether and how you evaluate it.... And thus My direct address from above is a grace of a very special kind, it is an unusual gift of grace because it can also earn the soul an unusual maturity in a short time if the gift of grace is evaluated, if the human being takes My address to heart, if he puts My

ou shall receive the graces with which I shower you abundantly, for you can only become

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will into action.... if he is not just a listener but a doer of My word. This grace is quite significant and an exceedingly effective antidote for satan's activity to which he succumbs because My word is a right

light from Me which he flees. My word is blessed with My strength and therefore, in the last days before the end, it is the most effective means of grace I can offer you humans to help you. For if you accept My word with a sincere heart then you will also join Me Myself, and in unity with Me nothing can truly happen to you anymore. And even the adversary no longer has any power over you who now walk by My side. But My word can only be heard by the one who unites with Me, and he has also turned his will towards Me.... Therefore he will also make use of every grace I bestow upon him as help for the maturing of his soul. For I especially take care of people in the end time because they are hard pressed by My adversary. They alone are too weak to resist him and need help, which I always grant them in the form of grace. The person of good will will also gratefully accept every help, and thus he will also joyfully accept My word, he will feel My nearness and also recognize My address as the father's voice.... he will feel like My child and therefore also comply with what I place into his heart as My will.... And this is the use of the gifts of grace and the safe maturing of the soul, because I will not leave anyone without help who needs and gratefully accepts them. For you can only become blessed by grace, you must receive help because otherwise you are too weak and because My adversary will still try everything in the last days to make you turn away from Me in order to win your souls, even if they have already surrendered to Me. But he will not succeed in the latter, for whose will I possess I also possess completely and will never ever let him sink back into the adversary's hands. I pour out My gifts of grace abundantly and they are truly very effective, providing the human being's will does not oppose them and nullifies the effectiveness of all graces.... But you humans shall experience My love until the end, which wants to help you and protect you from ruin....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

"I will not leave you orphans...." (John 14)

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I will not leave you orphans...." I will be your father, to whom you may come in every need of body and soul.... I will stand by you with advice and help.... I will take over all your worries, for your body and your soul; I will guide all your steps.... I will always be with you so that you will never be alone and feel abandoned.... I will not leave you orphaned.... Consider this word of Mine. Can you have a more comforting assurance for your life's journey? Must not all worries and cares fall away from you if you remember these words, that you are constantly certain of My protection and My love? Whatever may come your way, you need not fear anything in the certainty that no burden lies on you alone but that I will help you carry it or even take it off you completely if it is good for you. My word has to be enough for you, and if you show Me all your childlike love you will also be filled with rock-solid faith, and then you will no longer feel orphaned and abandoned, then you will be aware of My presence and you will be completely without worry. And then you will also be able to hear Me through the voice of the spirit, for once I am present to you and you are aware of it, I will also express Myself and the ear of love will hear Me.... Be blessed if you receive My word, then feel like My children to whom the father lovingly speaks, and know that you will then be free from all worries, for where I am and take care of you as father you can completely leave yourselves to Me and only occupy yourselves with yourselves, i.e. do the work on your soul.... You can use all your strength for active neighbourly love, for spiritual work and be active for Me and My kingdom in My name, then everything earthly will take care of itself for you, because I am the one Who walks invisibly beside you and does for you what is incumbent upon you. Just believe it, don't doubt it and know that every promise by Me will come true if you have first fulfilled the conditions I attach to it. And thus I only require your true childlike love in order to take you into My special care as a father, in order to consider you as My true children in such a way that you can travel your earthly path free from all worries. I demand faith in Me and love for Me, and you will truly feel My fatherly care and constantly be aware of My presence, for I don't want to leave you orphaned, I want to come to you and take abode with you so that you will hear My voice and constantly remain united with Me....

Amen

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Gratitude....

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our love for Me also results in your gratitude for everything I give to you, even if you don't put your feelings of gratitude into words it nevertheless is in your heart, into which I can look at any time. The mouth often voices what the heart is not aware of, and such words mean nothing to Me. But the heart can feel without expressing itself with words, and I only take such feeling into account. A person's heart, having received kindness, will also respond with love and be thankful to the giver. But to accept a gift without gratitude betrays innermost heartlessness, it betrays arrogance towards a fellow human being which makes him feel entitled to have received something. The same also applies to Me, so that the humble person always accepts My gifts of grace with a grateful heart, be they spiritual or earthly offerings I give to Him in My love. Humble childlike love is always evidence of gratitude.... Thus words are not necessary for Me, yet you should not fail to express your thankfulness towards your fellow human being so as not to hurt the giver and repay his love with unkindness. Although someone who only gives for the sake of gratitude certainly lacks the right love for his neighbour every well-intentioned gift should nevertheless be gratefully acknowledged so that the giver shall also learn to know the pleasure of giving, so that the giver's love will be kindled by the pleasure of the recipient, for a warmly felt gratitude can inspire further giving, which will always be a blessing for the giver and the recipient. Gratitude is inseparable from love, because a grateful word without love cannot be called true gratitude. But the life, thoughts and actions of a loving person constitute never-ending gratefulness towards the One Who created him, for his will also belongs to Him, He owns the love of his heart which, bowed down in most profound humbleness, receives every gift from Him with emotion. This gratitude is pleasing to Me, since I also possess the love of My living creations which will then always receive beyond measure, so that they become blissfully happy....

Amen

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Love 'He who remains in love remains in Me....'

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In unity with Me you find your peace of mind. Your longing is satisfied as soon as you know yourselves to be as one with Me, if you have united with Me through love or heartfelt prayer sent to Me in spirit and in truth. Prayer is the will for unity with Me, activity of love, however, is the fulfilment, for 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....' Love is the most important.... and everything that is described as the maturing of the soul, the return into the Father's house and eternal beatitude depends on deeds of love.... And if you always only keep these words in mind 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....', if you always only remember that I Am Love Itself, then you will consider the fulfilment of My commandments of love to be the most important thing, and then you will endeavour to live a life of love in order to be thereby eternally united with Me. Love is everything.... it is redeeming strength, it is light, it is the divine principle, the centre of eternal order.... If a human being exists without love then he has completely left this order, his thoughts and activity are completely in opposition to God, he is spiritually blind, that is, he is ignorant, and he is unredeemed in the hands of the adversary who wants to exclude him from all happiness....

I Am Love Itself, heartlessness is My adversary.... and anyone who therefore desires to be united with Me, who wants to attain Me **must** live a life of love, for then I must also be with him, because love is and has been My fundamental substance for eternity. I certainly bestow unlimited blessings, I certainly grant you what you don't deserve and don't strive for by yourselves, yet all My gifts of grace only intend to achieve one thing, that you shape yourselves into love, for even if I would like to bestow everything upon you.... you would nevertheless remain dead without love, without love you

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would remain judged beings.... you would only ever remain My living creations but never ever be able to become My **children**. Only love can accomplish My living creations' deification, only love can unite us, otherwise you will always just lead a miserable existence as isolated beings outside of Me. And this is why the first and most important commandment is to love God above all else and your neighbour as yourself.... And your spiritual state on earth as well as in eternity one day depends on your fulfilment of this commandment.... This is why I instructed My disciples to go into the world and proclaim My divine teaching of love to humanity.... this is why I Myself exemplified to people on earth a life of love and sealed My teaching of love with the death on the cross, which I suffered on behalf of My fellow human beings because of My greater than great love.... because I recognised their infinite hardship and wanted to help them.

And as long as you humans ignore these commandments of Mine you will be unable to achieve beatitude, no matter how profoundly you humble yourselves in the dust before Me, pleading for My mercy.... My love for you cannot be exceeded any more and I want to win all of you over for Me, yet My bliss only consists of your reciprocated love, and you must grant this to Me voluntarily.... And your appeal for mercy has to be based on your desire for Me because you love Me... and because you realise how far-away you still are from Me. You must try to reach Me, you must want to achieve unity with Me, and therefore you must live a life of love yourselves or unity will never be possible to achieve. Consider the fact that with every deed of love you draw the eternal Love Itself to yourselves.... but that It cannot enter your hearts if they are still completely contradicting God's fundamental nature.... You only unite with Me through love, and that is what you ought to bear in mind and seek to fulfil the commandment of love as the most important.... you ought to know that no human being can become blissfully happy without love.

Amen

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