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Regaining the divine qualities

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God reveals His nature through His speeches....

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ven though you will not be able to fathom Me and My nature for all eternity, you shall still be igiven a clear picture of your God and Creator, and you shall not be left thinking wrongly. You are to know that I am the highest and most perfect Being, Which cannot be eternally attained in Its perfection, but Which you are nevertheless to strive for, because you once emerged from Him in all perfection as His images and are also to become so again. And your bliss consists of the fact that you ceaselessly strive towards Me, and this bliss has no end because the striving towards Me will also never stop, for in the state of perfection everything is unlimited, both for Me as well as for you.... You will also not be able to grasp the term 'perfection', exactly because your thinking is still limited as long as you stay on earth. And the more imperfect you now still are according to your nature, the less you are able to grasp Me Myself and My nature, and then it is also easy that My adversary gives you a distorted image of me, that I am portrayed as a most imperfect being, which has ungodly qualities about it, like judicial mercilessness and unkindness.... which eternally condemns.... and ignoble feelings, like vengefulness and eternal punishments for offences, which I never condemn.... (vindictiveness that retaliates for offenses I never condemn), but in love am always ready to help you.... My adversary seeks to portray Me to you as an imperfect being so that you will deny Me love.... And this distorted image of Me I want to uncover to you again and again as work of lies of My opponent and enlighten you so far that you can recognize in Me a God of love, wisdom and power, that you are able to recognize a perfect being, to whom you can give your love, for which I long, because you are children of My love, who will no longer lose My love eternally, even if they turn away from Me in free will. For a being which is perfect cannot hate and condemn, It will only ever endeavour to help Its creature out of the state of imperfection so that it can unite with It again for eternity.... And therefore I reveal to you a clear picture of Me, of My all-fulfilling strength of love, which became active in wisdom and also created you.... I reveal to you the goal I set Myself when creating all beings and also the plan of salvation which leads to the deification of beings.... I substantiate everything for you so that you can truly recognize My love, wisdom and might, for as soon as all this is presented to you in truth the light of realisation shines for you again, albeit still to a small degree, and you begin to recognize yourselves as My creations called into being by Me.... The truth will also kindle the small spark of love in you, and then you will penetrate ever deeper, you will know that you are on the path of return to Me, from Whom you once voluntarily distanced yourselves and thereby completely reversed your perfect nature and became imperfect.... But what is to unite with Me again must be perfect, and it must voluntarily enter into My will, against which it once violated.... But as soon as it has recognized My nature, which is love, wisdom and power in itself.... it will also voluntarily submit to My will again.... And therefore I reveal My nature to it, which again can only happen through My address, through My word, which I convey to people and which will also give bright light to the one who accepts My address. For I alone can convey pure truth to earth, I alone am the light Which wants to shine into your hearts.... I alone am the love, which does not want to let you get lost.... I am wisdom Who knows all ways and means to guide you to the light, and I also have the power to snatch you from My adversary's hands if you yourselves offer Me no resistance.... However, everything is determined by your free will.... And this will only then be turned towards Me when you

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recognize Me as a supremely perfect being Whom you can love.... And this requires that you live in truth, that you become free from erroneous thoughts, from spiritual knowledge which My adversary had brought to you in order to prevent you from taking the path to Me.... And that is why I speak to you Myself from above, I guide My word down to earth, so that you can become free from erroneous spiritual material, which prevents you to recognize Me right, who loves you as most perfect and wants to draw you to Me eternally....

Amen

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"Perfect you shall become, as your father in...."

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Ou shall become perfect just as your father in heaven is perfect.... This is truly a statement which L could leave you in doubt as to its origin from Me, for no matter what kind of people you are, noone would presume to attain My perfection, and therefore these words seem incomprehensible and unfeasible to you. And yet they are easy to explain: that you should only shape yourselves into love.... Love is My actual self.... and if you have shaped yourselves into love you have also become a divine being, and something divine can also be called perfect. Love is the divine because it is My fundamental being, and therefore whatever is full of love must also be full of God, i.e. it must have all divine characteristics within itself which make it a perfect being. As human beings you are still so imperfectly formed because you once deified yourselves through wrong will and rejection of the strength of love from Me, you renounced love yourselves and thus became imperfect creatures which could no longer be regarded as My children when they fell away from Me. And although you no longer languish in the utmost abyss, although you have already drawn very close to Me, you are still without love and therefore still so imperfect, and therefore you are constantly admonished to change your nature, to strive for perfection, which can only be achieved by shaping yourselves into love, for love is the alignment with Me, Who is the eternal love.... It is certainly very difficult for a person who still lives in perverse love, in self-love, to put it aside and to change perverse love into divine love which works without any self-interest.... And therefore it is also difficult for them to imagine reaching the perfection of the father in heaven.... Yet it can be achieved through the call of Jesus Christ, Who comes to the aid of all the weak who ask Him for help.... What I ask of people is to be fulfilled, only the human being's will can be too weak to seriously comply with My request, and for this weakened will there is strengthening through Jesus Christ. Thus I Myself help everyone who earnestly wants to attain perfection, for I draw him who desires the father.... I help him so that his heart becomes soft and willing to help, so that he himself feels an activity of love as silent happiness, and I always urge him to be active in love without, however, touching his free will.... The human being's will remains free but will become all the stronger the more intimately he attaches himself to the saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ, Whom he is now able to love, and thus he constantly draws closer to Me through love until he deifies his nature and perfects himself ever more and.... if he intimately unites with Me through love.... he is completely filled with My strength of love and thus perfect, just as the father in heaven is perfect.... The human being returns to his original state, for he came forth from Me in all perfection, he was created in My image, by which spiritual perfection is to be understood, and he can very well attain it again by fulfilling My will during his earthly life.... by fulfilling My commandments of love, which only show the human being the way to become perfect in order to eternally return to the father from Whose love he once took his origin....

Amen

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Essence and attributes of God: Love

God's essence is love....

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want to win your love because then I will have won you completely for eternity.... But you will Lonly love a being Which you know and learn to recognize as lovable, Which appears perfect to you and Which inclines Itself towards you in love. And therefore I try to convey a true image of Me to you, I try to awaken your faith in My greater than great love for you, I try to enlighten you about the fact that you once came forth from Me, that I am therefore your creator and father from eternity. I seek to impart knowledge to you in order to stimulate your will to act and strive in accordance with this knowledge, for without certain knowledge you cannot become active yourselves. Only the knowledge of your outcome and your aim determines your will and your thoughts. But I do not only want to be acknowledged as that Which I am, but I want to be loved.... Obedience out of a sense of duty is not enough for Me, because only the union in love triggers beatitude and therefore I always and constantly court your love. If you now recognize Me in My perfection, which signifies love, wisdom, power, mercy, patience, justice in the highest degree, love for Me will also flare up in you, for as once divine beings yourselves all these qualities are within you, albeit still unresolved, since you pushed them back of your own free will due to your former fall into sin. But if knowledge is imparted to you, knowledge which gives you information about your actual relationship with Me, your God and creator of eternity, then you will also learn to recognize Me as God.... But as soon as love flares up in you, you will recognize Me as **father** and come to Me of your own accord with great desire. And I want to gain this love in order to make you eternally happy with My infinite love. For this reason I do not leave out any person on earth and approach everyone.... I want to direct his thoughts to the one to Whom he owes his existence, and then I want to influence his thoughts and will with My love, I want to draw him to Me and yet not touch his free will. And thus I will speak to him and My word shall bring him knowledge if he only listens to Me willingly. My word teaches him love for Me and his neighbour. He often cannot muster love for Me as long as he does not know Me well; but he knows his neighbour and should give his love to him.... I want to encourage him to do so, and if he complies with My suggestion love for Me will come of its own accord, for then he will already feel Me, Whom he has not yet recognized correctly, within himself, his thinking will be clear and in accordance with the truth as a result of love for his neighbour, and through correct thinking he will then also gain a correct image of Me and turn to Me without reluctance, he will mature in knowledge and thus also mature in love.... And I have now won him over for Me, for he who has once recognized Me will not let Me go, just as I will not give up on him who has taken a step towards Me of his own accord.... I long for My children's love and will never cease to woo them, for the father's love wants to give, the father's love wants to constantly make people happy, but it has to be reciprocated in order to be perceived as happiness.

Amen

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God's love....

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othing can replace My love expressed in the word.... When I speak to you I am present to you.... However, I can only stay close to you if you show Me love yourselves, which I then reciprocate in abundance, so that you can always believe yourselves loved by Me if you hear My word, be it directly or also conveyed through My messengers. And then you can consider yourselves fortunate,

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because My love signifies everything, protection and help, strength and grace, comfort and encouragement in distressful adversity and finally the assurance of eternal bliss, because a child which receives My words of love can never sink back into the state of darkness again, because the light has already become too powerful in it for it to go astray. I speak to you.... you cannot grasp the depth of this word, for you will never understand that the highest and most perfect spirit of infinity condescends to His living creations, that He makes Himself known to them and constantly courts their love.... But love in itself is only a partial concept for you, love is so infinitely deep and a holy fire that it wants to take hold of everything and merge with it. And this greater than great love is always turned towards you and seeks to express itself because it wants to be reciprocated. The expression of My love is therefore My word, the address to you which makes Me happy and shall also make you blessed. You are My living creations and shall become My children through love.... As creatures you came forth from Me, as children full of ardent love you shall return to Me again.... For only through love did you awaken to the right life and become beings who carry My will within themselves and therefore have shaped themselves into My image.... Love is the divine principle which must prevail in you so that you become divine yourselves and can draw close to Me.... And My love draws you constantly and will never leave you again, because you have recognized the father and therefore also desire His word, which will always sound to you as soon as you desire it in your heart and listen to what He speaks to you.... I Myself am present to you and convey My love to you in the word in order to make you happy now and for eternity....

Amen

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God's boundless love.... return....

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y love made you come into being.... Boundless love filled Me for you, My created beings.... and boundless love will embrace you for all eternity.... It is not possible for you to grasp these words of Mine in all their depth, for you do not know divine love, you are unable to form an idea of it, and therefore you can only accept My words as true and believe that I will never let you fall into depths from which there will be no return for ever.... As long as you keep yourselves distant from Me by virtue of your free will you will not feel anything of My love for you either.... But the closer you come to Me the more you will be permeated by My love, and then you will also slowly understand that and why you cannot remain separated from Me forever.... you understand that My love follows you and does not cease to woo you, because only reciprocated love can unite you with Me and because I have been longing for this love of yours since your departure from Me. My endless love is the explanation for everything.... for the coming into being of creation, for its constant revival and renewal, for your course on earth and My fateful guidance.... But My love is also the explanation for all adversity, for catastrophes and nature-related destruction.... My love is also the reason for the dissolution and change of the old earth, when the time has come that My love is no longer recognized on the part of My creatures, when they are more distant from Me than ever.... For if I did not love you then I would truly not be interested in your return to Me... but then there would also be no need for creation and also no people who embody the spiritual striving away from Me. Yet I also love you despite your imperfection, despite your self-inflicted weakness and imperfection.... because love never ends and thus cannot let you fall either, even though you resist Me.... And this love also once achieves your return to Me in free will, for it is a strength which nothing could oppose if it wanted to rule over everything.... Yet it wants to work together with you, it wants to inspire, and it wants to be reciprocated with the same intimacy, and therefore it courts you, your counter-love.... And thus you will not be able to detach yourselves from My love for eternity, yet it can only make you happy if you reciprocate it of your own free will.... But then you will be able to experience and behold the unimagined.... Then you will find yourselves in inexpressible bliss and you will realize what My love has done for you and had to do because it does not and cannot give up on you, you who emerged from My love and remain in My love forever....

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Creation of nature proof of God's love....

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'he separation between Me and the beings was brought about by their free will, and this free will must also re-establish the union with Me. But My will will only ever support this union because it signifies your as well as My beatitude. But I will never restrict your free will, I will never bring about the union against your will. And thus it will also be understandable to you that only you can create a change from an unhappy state which always signifies separation from Me into a state of unlimited bliss.... into a state of unlimited bliss which can be found in union with Me. Thus you yourselves determine your fate, but I will not leave you to your self-chosen destiny, even if your will is still opposed to Me.... Whatever can still be done on My part to help only you to beatitude I will truly not refrain from doing.... But free will, the sign of your divine origin, binds My power.... I don't want to defeat you but win your love, which then inevitably pushes you towards Me and which alone can create beatitudes.... But winning your love is only possible if you learn to recognize Me as the eternal love.... But you humans only let yourselves be attracted by what My adversary offers you.... But you don't ask for My gift because you don't value it properly; because your senses are not yet directed towards what I want to give you in order to make you happy. And thus I must also offer you something which touches your senses beneficially but which nevertheless cannot be offered to you by My adversary.... I must address you through creation, through nature, which can likewise make you happy, which can make your hearts beat faster with gratitude and also direct your thoughts towards Me.... so that you remember Him Who created everything around you. Through creation I can address you humans and prove Myself to you as a loving God Whom you can love again precisely for the sake of the glories which surround you and can make your hearts beat high at times.... The creations of nature are such clear evidence of a loving, wise and powerful deity that everyone could feel addressed by it and find the way to It.... And yet, countless people pass by impassively and untouched because their thoughts are turned towards the material world and they cannot muster interest for anything else.... And I may not force their will, I may not steer it in the right direction but can only do everything to remind them of Myself.... which now has to happen through adversity and strokes of fate and visible help.... What My loving influence does not bring about must now be tried by harder means.... Where the evidence of My love and wisdom is not found in creation, there My might must make itself known, to which the power of man is unable to offer any resistance. The human being only has to recognize Me in order to then enter into a relationship with Me from which the loving desire to come close to Me can develop. This is the only thing I want to achieve, that the being voluntarily turns towards Me as it once turned away from Me. But I cannot reveal Myself so obviously that the human being is forced to believe in Me, for this faith would be futile and it would never bring My living creations' love back to Me but only fear and submission or renewed flight downwards to My adversary. Yet how easy it would be for you to return to Me if you walked through the world with open eyes, if you paid more attention to everything in which human will and human activity is uninvolved.... you would think more about yourselves and your physical constitution, which alone could testify to the working of a powerful and wise being with Whom you should seek union. Yet you take all this for granted and yet it is striking proof of My existence, of an exceedingly perfect being to Whom you owe your existence. You could voluntarily start the return to Me, for I truly make it easy for you to recognize Me, Whom you once wanted to deny. But I do not force you.... But when earthly adversity approaches you I approach you Myself and only wait for you to call Me, so that your weakness and helplessness will make you remember Him Who is strong and mighty and Who loves you.... And if I achieve through adversity that you find your way to Me, then this adversity was blessed, for you shall not remain separated from Me forever, you shall return to Me again, you shall attain happiness and bliss which you once voluntarily gave away.... You shall be able to create and work with Me and in My vicinity in light and strength, but this is only possible if you unite with Me again and remain united until all eternity....

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Love has accomplished the act of salvation....

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died for you on the cross. My love for you was boundless and enflamed in the man Jesus to a strenght, which caused the deification of His soul, a condition, which lifted Him above the human earthly sphere and He became one with Me.... Only such a strong love was able to bring a sacrifice on the cross, because otherwise He could not have withstood as a human being, if not the strength of love would have strengthened Him. He died on the cross as a man, and yet I was Myself, Who sacrificed himself on the cross for you people, but the man Jesus remained in love, until He gave up His spirit.... The love made the sacrifice, and the love I was self.... This is also a mystery and will remain, as long as the earth exists and you people judge the act of salvation with earthly directed senses.... The man Jesus died on the cross.... I Myself came to earth, to redeem you.... An apparent contradiction, and yet it is the truth, that is unknowable as long as you humans can not understand, that I Myself am love.... that love is the original substance of the eternal Godhead and that therefore **love** has done this work, which should redeem the humanity from the sin. But love was in the man Jesus, therefore a man died the death on the cross.... but that this man was divine, that proved the excess of His sufferings, which He did not previously succumb.... His love for mankind was so deep, that He desired to suffer, in order to help them.... He has taken a superhuman degree of suffering upon Himself, which alone was enough, to take the viability from a human body, but His strength of love kept this body alive so long, until His enemies had increased Him, until they had nailed Him to the cross, until the highest point of His suffering was reached. He wanted the people let perform the atrocities, to whom My opponent drove them, also to show him, that the power of God's son extended even after the death, that He was Lord over the death....

All mankind should take note of His death, so they wanted to be saved.... Until the end He was connected with Me, the Father, by His love, but His anxious soul did not recognize Me longer, the fearful soul sought Me out beside itself, and Jesus therefore cried out the words: "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" The powerful deity only had withdrawn, but the love was and remained in Him.... Love probably was strength in itself, but Jesus did not use this strength any longer, to prevent His crucifixion, but only to be able to experience it, because He wanted to experience it, to serve Me as a human and to suffer and to atone for the neighbours. That is why He suffered and died consciously too, that is why He begged Me for mercy for His tormentors, and in full consciousness He spoke the words: "Father, into Thy hands I recommend My spirit...." The bond between Him and Me He held upright, for He Himself could not longer come loose by the One, with Whom He had become one through love.... And therefore I was He and He was I, there was no separation between both of us, because the love, the original substance of Myself, also fulfilled Him completely, so I had to be with and in Him, even though I did nothing as strength, until the person Jesus had accomplished His work. He and I, we are one, and whoever sees Him, sees the Father, because the Father is love, and love was in the Son.... But love could not die, and so it rose again the third day, and love also revived the body, who was completely spiritualized by the suffering of Jesus and does not need a further course of development on earth any longer. Thus love has overcome death.... the divine Savior overcame satan.... the light broke through darkness, and the way was free to eternal light....

Amen

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Earth task: working in love

Love epitome of divinity.... reverse love....

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he most sublime feeling is and remains love.... But not everything that you humans understand by L love is to be recognized as love.... For love can also be a perverse one which cannot claim to be sublime. Love is the divine principle, thus it is actually the epitome of divinity, it is something that cannot be defined, it is the essence and characteristic of God, it is the great power which is inexplicable to human beings and which caused everything to come into being because it has a creative and enlivening effect. It is therefore the original being of God, it is something radiating from God, which is found in all His creations and should come to full development in the human being. Right love draws upwards, it seeks union with eternal love, the original source of life and all strength. Again, it is only possible to grasp this in people in whom true love has come to fruition, otherwise this remains an incomprehensible concept because people can certainly feel the feeling of love in their heart but usually give any desire the name 'love', which, however, is only a wrongly directed love, a desire for union with things which appear desirable to the human being. But such a wrongly directed love is not strength-giving, whereas right love is strength in itself at the same time, which again can only be made understandable to a loving person. For only a loving person can recognize this strength because he not only lives an earthly life but also a spiritual life, thus he seeks contact with the kingdom where right love is emanated and the strength of love has a more spiritual effect insofar as it is used for loving activity, thus it certainly stimulates earthly activity but never seeks to achieve earthly success with it but unconsciously strives for spiritual ascent. The strength of love can achieve everything.... Anyone who brings love to its highest development is able to work miracles because he is filled with divine strength for which nothing is impossible. The fact that people cannot prove this to themselves is due to their limited willingness to love. They could provide this proof at any time, yet the most sublime feeling, pure divine love, which is completely selfless and only seeks to please, this love is alien to people, and thus the union with eternal love, which results in the supply of divine strength in abundance, is only rarely established. For it is understandable that everything which conforms to God's original nature, which is love in itself, can also develop divine abilities, because the human being is a part of God which only has an anti-divine relationship with Him through its own will. If it changes its will.... thus it shapes itself into love, which it previously lacked, then it takes on all divine characteristics again which it originally possessed and lost through its own fault. As soon as God's thinking creature, the human being, realizes what it actually is, as soon as it recognizes its belonging to God and tries to make itself worthy of it, it approaches the original source of strength again, for eternal love recognizes its will and draws it towards itself. But then the human being is also active in love, for the supply of strength expresses itself in activity in love, because God and love are one and, where God is present, it cannot be active in any other way than in love. This means as much as approaching God and receiving strength in all fullness. Love is the most sublime feeling which can move a person, for it is divine emanation into the heart of a person who is of good will.... Love which turns to earthly things, which are therefore still to be regarded as matter, is not strength-giving but strength-sapping, and since the human being has no spiritual supply of strength he uses the strength of life to gain what his wrongly directed love desires. Thus he gains nothing but loses, because what he gains is transient and he forfeits imperishable values which he should create for himself with his vitality. Right love makes the human being happy,

(22.6.1949) right love is not a demanding but a giving love, it distributes without wanting to receive and yet constantly receives the more it distributes. For right love is a united working with God and therefore must also be capable of everything, thus it will always be victorious, i.e. stronger than any

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other strength or power, it will conquer evil, it will appease anger, it will achieve everything because it is patient and long-suffering, and thus even God's adversary will not be able to resist the strength of divine love and one day declare himself defeated, because he, too, will long for God's love and surrender to it without resistance, just as all spiritual beings sense God's love and allow themselves to be redeemed by it by no longer resisting it....

Amen

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Recovery of divine qualities through love....

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he spiritual abilities in you shall be awakened, which can only happen through a life of love, for L love awakens the spirit in you to life, and whose spirit is alive enters again into the state which existed in the beginning, even if only to a small degree in the beginning, but which can and will constantly increase if the human being is serious about his perfection.... The human being was originally a spiritual being in all perfection, and thus he also possessed all abilities in highest perfection. He was created in God's 'image' and therefore also had all abilities to create and work like Him out of his own strength. For the strength from God constantly flowed through the being and it felt no lack or restriction of strength from God until it closed itself off from this constant supply of strength, until it rejected the constant supply of strength of love and thereby became powerless itself.... It became arrogant in spirit and believed itself to be superior and powerful.... But it was only so as long as it accepted the strength from God which flowed to it without restriction. And due to the rejection of God's strength of love the being became weak and lightless. It fell down into the abyss and had to remain there in its powerlessness until God's infinite love supported it, which was not dependent on the being's will itself, for it resisted God's strength and help. Therefore God bound it beforehand, i.e., the will was already bound by His adversary, as whose appendage those beings had fallen into the abyss. They would have remained in this abyss forever if they had also been left to God's adversary forever, but God wrestled this hardened spiritual from it, however with the consent that the adversary retained his right to it and could assert it again when the being was allowed to dispose of its freedom of will again in a clearer state and can now decide for itself for its lord. And the being reaches this state with God's help through its walk through material creation, but it is still completely blind in spirit and devoid of all divine attributes when it enters earth as a human being to take its last test of will. Nevertheless, it can achieve much during its earthly course as a human being: It can reappropriate its divine qualities and leave earth as a supremely perfect being in order to reenter the spiritual kingdom from which it had once originated.... But this change back into a perfect being requires a high degree of love and thus also a great strengthening of will in order to constantly work in love, in order to reawaken all those abilities in itself which it had lost through its own fault. For love is divine, it is God's fundamental nature, and if a human being changes his nature into love again then he also takes on God's fundamental nature again, which once adorned him, and then he must also accept or regain the divine characteristics which he once voluntarily relinquished but now receives again through the divine illumination of love, which he now no longer opposes but voluntarily opens himself to receive the emanation from God, which lets him become the most blissful being again, as it was in the beginning.... The time on earth is truly sufficient for this change back to love, and as soon as the human being awakens the spirit within himself through a life of love, it will seek and find unification with the father-spirit, because it will no longer pause until it has reached this aim.... the unification with God, which also guarantees the being's complete radiance of love and thus brings about the change back to the divine being it was in the beginning....

Amen

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always keep telling you the same: take care of your fellow human being in his adversity.... help him, irrespective of whether he suffers spiritual or physical distress; practice unselfish neighbourly love and you will fulfil the purpose of your existence. For you only demonstrate your love for Me when you give love to your neighbour, who is your brother. I Am a Father to all of you; I long for your love which should apply to all My living creations who have emerged from Me. Your fellow human beings very often suffer hardship, and it will mainly concern spiritual difficulties in which you should help them, for earthly difficulties will come to an end but spiritual adversity continues and will always require help, regardless of whether they are on earth or in the kingdom of the beyond.

Spiritual adversity largely consists of unkindness and therefore the soul's imperfect composition which, however, should mature in earthly life through love.... Hence, if you love your neighbour it can awaken reciprocated love and encourage the other person to change his nature if he wants to emulate you, if you are an example to him by living a true life of love.... Giving love is the greatest help.... but you should also make the Gospel known to your neighbour, that is, you should also describe his Creator and Provider as a God of love Who is everyone's Father and therefore wants to be called upon as a Father....

You should only ever try to impart spiritual knowledge to your fellow human being, and you will help his maturation if you offer everything to him with love. Yet you should also support your neighbour in earthly adversity and thereby likewise inspire reciprocated love, for love is strength in itself and will never remain ineffective unless your neighbour still completely belongs to My adversary, then he will reject you and not experience the results of love. And you will only ever mature through actions of love.... consequently every opportunity should be used by you to act with love.... And notice should be taken of every hardship suffered by your fellow human being, you should not pass him by indifferently and leave him in distress, for then you are heartless yourselves and do not fulfil your earthly purpose which solely consists of accepting your fundamental nature again, of becoming the love you were in the beginning.

The commandment of love will always be the first and most important one, and the Gospel which teaches you to love God and your neighbour will always have to be proclaimed to people.... However, you will never show love to Me if you ignore your neighbour, no matter how strongly you are moved by your emotions.... True love for Me can only be expressed in loving activity for the next person. And thereby you also prove your love for Me. But anyone who is half-hearted and indifferent in his love for his neighbour will never feel true love for Me, for how can a person love Me Whom he cannot see, if he **ignores** his brother whom he can see....

Love between people has grown cold in the last days, and therefore they are also very distant from Me Who, as Eternal Love, can only unite with a person through love.... And this is why the spiritual adversity is so great, for to be heartless also means to be without faith, without knowledge and without strength.... Furthermore, it means to still be subject to the power of the one who is devoid of all love and who will always stop people from acting with love.... but who also wants your downfall by keeping you away from Me. And he is the one you have to resist, you have to try to contact Me and you will only ever attain this through loving activity.... For this reason I say 'What you do to the least of My brothers, you have done to Me....' I Myself consider your love for your fellow human being as love for Me....

How else would you be able to demonstrate your love for Me?.... If you believe in Me and that I, as a Father, grant love to all My children, then you also have to return My love as children, and then you also know that all you humans are regarded by Me as children, that you are all the same.... living beings who originated from Me, and you have to love one another and move towards Me together.... But one also has to carry the other, you have to protect the other from suffering harm, you have to help him in all kinds of difficulties, you have to stick together and establish this true relationship between brothers and then strive towards your eternal Father together. Only then will you have the kind of love

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for each other which I require of you humans, because you are the same in your fundamental substance.... because you came forth from the divine strength of love.

And once the relationship between you humans has changed, once all your thoughts and actions are determined by love, you will also become more perfect, you will become again what you had been before: living creations permeated by love which only ever work for each others beatitude.... For where love **exists** there also has to be a receptacle for this emanated love, irrespective of whether I Myself as the primary source, or you as terminals of My strength of love re-emanate this love.... there always has to be a vessel into which you can radiate your love....

And thus on earth this vessel is your fellow human being.... the person next to you to whom you give your love, which you receive from Me.... For you cannot give anything that you wouldn't have **received** from Me first.... I nurture the spark of love in you such that My love enlightens you consistently more and inspires loving actions, and this work will apply to your neighbour again, for you will be inclined to be constantly of assistance once My love is able to enlighten you.

And your activity of love for your neighbour demonstrates to Me that you accept My rays of love, that you open your hearts and grant entrance to Me and My love.... it demonstrates to Me that you are committed to Me in love again or you would keep your hearts closed and I would be unable to work in you. And you will always mature providing you don't lead a one-sided life but always consider your fellow human being and take a personal interest in his physical and psychological circumstances, providing you try to lead him on the path to Me and also support him in earthly adversity if he approaches you and requests your assistance. You are living together for the purpose of mutual maturing. And you will always be given the opportunity to carry out actions of helpful love.... You just have to be of good will and allow yourselves to be guided always in view of Me, your God and Creator, Whom you acknowledge as a Father and to Whom you show the love of a child.... Then you will love each other as brothers and benefit each other.... And then your soul will mature on earth and achieve its goal: through love it will unite with Me, the Eternal Love, and then you will be blissfully happy forever....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Change of character into love.... God's presence....

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can only be present to you if you change yourselves into love.... However, My presence is the Lepitome of bliss for you. And therefore you should do everything in your power to shape yourselves into love again, which was your nature in the beginning.... My presence is the equivalent of being permeated by love, and this permeation of love in turn assures you strength and light, without it you cannot be called blissfully happy. But if you are full of light and strength you will also be able to work in complete freedom of will which, however, will no longer be directed against Me but will be utterly absorbed in My will. You will be happy to be able to create in this freedom and strength, because this had been the purpose of every originally created spirit, it merely disregarded it and thus placed itself into the wretched condition in which the still imperfect human being finds himself on earth.... But he himself can change this situation; he can change the unhappy fate into a blissful one by merely doing everything in his power in order to assure My presence with him.... by changing himself into love again.... And this is truly not so difficult, for he need only use My commandments of love for God and his neighbour as a guiding principle for his life on earth and always live according to these two commandments. And since he claims the right for himself to be respected by his fellow human being, since he feels the benefit himself when the latter helps him with kindness, he knows exactly which path he ought to travel in order to do justice to the commandments of love.... He need only treat his fellow human being as he would like to be treated himself were he in the same situation as the other person. What he considers beneficial he should do to his neighbour, and he will always have the strength and the means for this providing he really wants to do it. And what he initially does

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deliberately will soon become his heartfelt need and he will experience for himself how gladdening it can be to do good deeds for his neighbour, to give and help where it is needed.... Love will fill his whole being and he will come ever closer to Me, for with every act of love he draws Me to himself and ensures My presence....

And then he will fulfil the purpose of his earthly life, he will accomplish the transformation of his nature, he will live up to the reason why earthly life was given to him: He will try to become as perfect as he was in the beginning. With My grace and support He will certainly succeed in doing so but never without Me, because he is too weak for it. He must ensure himself of My presence.... He must appeal to Me and thus through prayer come close to Me one day, he must be eech Me to grant him strength for his change of character into love.... This prayer will be granted to him without fail, for it gives evidence of his sincere will to accomplish this change of character, and once a person has appealed to Me for this he will time and again encounter opportunities where he can practise love, where it is no real effort of will for him because he will clearly receive the strength he appealed for from Me. Just take your change of character into love seriously.... and appeal to Me for help.... And truly, I will remain present to you and inwardly impel you to be lovingly active wherever the opportunity presents itself, for I want to be united with you and this can only take place through love which you voluntarily have to demonstrate, but you will always be supported by Me providing you sincerely ask Me for strength to accomplish your intention. You are incapable of doing anything without My presence, but you can always ensure My presence through activity of love or a prayer in spirit and in truth. I will hear it and answer your prayer, I will be and remain with you, I will draw you until you will no longer want to detach yourselves from Me, until you have so strengthened the bond with Me through your activity of love that I can constantly be present to you and then the retransformation into love will have been accomplished, you will have brought your nature into line with Mine and thereby fulfilled your purpose of earthly life, and you will be able to work again as you were destined to in the very beginning....

Amen

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Fight against ego love....

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nyone who has overcome himself to such an extent that he is willing to make sacrifices for the ****sake of his neighbour has victoriously passed the battle against selfish love, and the neighbourly love strengthened in him will certainly lead him to perfection. Yet the battle against selfish love is difficult, it requires a strong will to overcome oneself if the human being is not driven to love from within by the dormant spiritual spark within him, which is part of divine love which is always willing to give. Then it will also be easy for the human being to carry out works of love, for then his being is already filled with love.... he follows the urging of the spirit within him, his being itself will become love, and he will also fulfil his purpose of earthly life.... Ego love will become ever smaller and the giving, gratifying love will fill him more and more; he will enter his earthly life (his original state) again, which was pure love. But where self-love is still strong and the human being is made aware of the divine commandments of love, the human being's will can strive to do what is right before God in His eyes.... He can therefore consciously fight against self-love, he can carry out planned works of love.... less driven from within than in the will to fulfil God's commandments.... Then it will certainly be a struggle at first, but that good will will let him emerge victorious from this struggle, for he will receive much support from God.... he will experience strengthening of his will, and again and again he will be offered opportunities to be lovingly active.... And he will acquire reciprocal love, and this will touch him inwardly and strengthen his will to love. And now the urge to be lovingly active will also become noticeable in him, he will not resist, and he will have passed the battle and his soul will mature. And thus the will's turning towards God is decisive.... This will will always express itself or prove itself through the fulfilment of **His** will.... Where the spirit in the human being can express itself early on, the human being will also be recognizable through loving activity, through a helpful, friendly

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nature which is always willing to serve. Then the divine little spark of love in the human being's heart can develop into a bright-igniting flame, and that means increased helpfulness and joyful service in love.... But the human being can also feel addressed by the word of God which is conveyed to him and which contains the divine commandments of love. He can believe that God requires love for Him and his neighbour, and then he can intellectually agree and make an effort to live as prescribed by God's commandments.... Yet his will must always already be turned towards God, otherwise even those teachings will not touch him and he will not feel addressed in any way when love for God and his neighbour is preached. It is certainly possible that he changes his mind through great need of his fellow human being and is ready to help. And then the fight against self-love begins, which costs a lot of effort and does not always end in victory. Yet such people with hardened hearts can be greatly helped if they themselves are shown much unselfish love which is capable of awakening love in return.... if they are helped out of hardship in a selfless way, if they are repeatedly offered love which they will feel charitably and which can also change their nature.... For the divine spark glows in every human heart, and as soon as it succeeds in appealing to it, it works itself from within with great strength.... Yet again and again the divine teaching of love should be proclaimed to people, they should know about God's will, and they should also experience the effect of a life of love as well as know about the failure of earthly life, that they can only become blissfully happy through love and that they therefore have to fight against self-love, because this is a wrongly directed love which hinders the human being's perfection, because it is the inheritance of the one who is devoid of all love and who is therefore also wretched until he, too, will change, until his nature has become love again, as it was in the beginning....

Amen

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Neighbourly love....

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hat you do to the least of My brothers, you do unto Me, and thereby you demonstrate your love for Me and for your neighbour. For a deed of neighbourly love also testifies to your love for Me and will enrich you far more than you have given up. And who is your neighbour? Every needy human being who approaches you with a request for help is your neighbour, regardless of whether he voices it or whether it remains unspoken. For you will recognise yourselves when your help is needed and appropriate as soon as the spark of love in you flares up and you are affected by your fellow human being's adversity. Yet you can live in abundance and accomplish a deed of neighbourly love without sacrificing anything, but it will not be regarded as such if you lack love, if you help in order to dispose of an irritating petitioner or to shine before your fellow human beings. So many motives can prompt a person to render help, yet I only value a deed of merciful neighbourly love impelled by your heart. And you will experience the fact that, when love grows cold in people's hearts, help for other people will only occur due to organisation and deeds of love will effectively become routine, which certainly can alleviate people's adversity but which cannot be classed as deeds of neighbourly love, as the fulfilment of My commandment of love, and which therefore cannot have any redeeming effect either. The right hand should not know what the left hand is doing.... it should be a quiet giving; yet material gifts alone cannot be described as deeds of neighbourly love. Every other help, every kind look and every caring word can be valued as a deed of love if it comes from the heart. People's spiritual and psychological adversity is often even greater than their earthly adversity, there you should actively help by giving encouragement and comfort in suffering, by lifting people up spiritually, by conveying My Word and leading them back to faith, where it is necessary. All this is part of the commandment of neighbourly love, and I only expect a soft and compassionate heart for you to be able to fulfil My commandment of love for Me and your neighbour and also awaken love in your neighbour's heart, who thereby can be guided on the right path and you will have acquired a double reward. However, you should not help for the sake of reward but only for love of Me, then all your deeds will be blessed....

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Charity.... following Jesus.... truth....

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take My way of life as an example for all of you and follow Me.... Live a life of love, practice patience and gentleness towards your neighbour, be peaceable and merciful and only ever strive to win your fellow human being's love, for then you will also encourage him to take you as an example and to live a life of love according to My will. Only love can help you to become blissfully happy, and therefore you must change your nature.... You must overcome selfish love, you must merge into love for your neighbour, your whole will and thinking must be borne by love.... you must not think of your neighbour in spitefulness, you must not harm him, you must not make yourselves judges over him, you must also patiently bear his weaknesses and only ever lovingly help him onto the right path so that he also recognizes himself and endeavours to change his nature.... And My blessing will rest on all will and actions, you will now follow Me in truth, Who was full of love and always ready to help. Therefore, whatever you undertake must always be determined by love.... you must always ask yourselves how I would act in your place? And your heart will always give you the answer that you only ever let love rule and don't give room to any ignoble thoughts in your heart. But you should also always remain in truth and not let your neighbour walk in error either, you should help him to recognize his error because it cannot result in blessing. Therefore, what you recognize as error you should lovingly present to your neighbour and leave it up to him whether he comes to Me with it and asks Me Myself for right thinking, for clarification. I Myself have promised you that I will not leave you in error if you seriously desire the truth, and I will also always fulfil My promises and give you light where it is still dark in you. But then also expect the answer in your heart when you ask Me questions from your heart.... Let yourselves be addressed by Me Myself and you will also hear a clear answer within yourselves.... It is My will that you enter into a heartfelt bond with Me yourselves, that you come to Me yourselves, so that you hear My address within yourselves and then also prove yourselves how you relate to Me. And I will always give you the opportunity to do so when you are moved by thoughts which you alone are not able to judge properly.... And then you should come to Me and ask Me.... and I will instruct you correctly so that you will feel clarity within yourselves and no longer question but act according to My will, because I put this will into your heart as an answer. And so you should all act yourselves who want to belong to Me.... you should also try to influence your neighbour if you want to be lovingly active towards him and protect him from error or wrongdoing. You only ever need the father, and just as I worked on earth with love, only ever taught love and gave love, so your earthly path should only ever be determined by love, then you will truly be true followers of Me, then you will work for the benefit of your fellow human beings, then you will truly be redeemingly active on earth....

Amen

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'Only he who remains in love remains in Me, and I in him....'

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Love has to come alight in you if you want to be united with Me. Only he who remains in love remains in Me and I in him. And thus you must feel impelled by your heart to give love to your fellow human being, to make him happy and gain his affection, you have to be in constant harmony with him, you have to be a friend and brother to your neighbour, you have to share joy and suffering with him and always endeavour to ease his fate on earth, and you must always be willing to guide him correctly in spiritual matters, because the most important and most pleasing activity of love is to save or benefit his soul. If you are impelled by love, that is, if you feel urged from deep within yourselves to carry out works of love, I Am closely united with you, for the feeling of love already shows that I

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Am taking possession of you, it is an overflowing of My strength of love to you, which is the result of your will turning towards good, thus an unconscious turning towards Me.

I can certainly draw all of you to My heart, I can instantly kindle love in you and in that case win all of you over for Myself, if I wanted to do so.... however, in that case I would have no living creations as My image but only judged beings without free will as a sign of their divinity. But I want to work and create with perfect beings, I want to give them ultimate happiness because My love for them is infinitely profound, and I can only do so if they have reached a particular degree which people should and can reach on earth. And this is why I must constantly admonish you to be eagerly active in love, because I want to be united with you in order to be able to work in all fullness within you and thus increase the strength of your love, so that you become divine beings yourselves, as was your destiny in the very beginning.

I want to be as one with you yet you must accomplish this merger of your own free will.... And this is why you have to practise love yourselves, you must constantly make an effort to do good works, you must change your feelings if they have not yet come alight as love within you, you must want to be good then you will also be able to become it, for I will bless such a will and give you strength to implement it. You must want to be united with Me and I will come to you and take possession of you with the intention of never letting go of you or allowing you to separate yourselves from Me again. For My love is so profound that it will not rest until total unification has taken place, because this was the original state, because My living creations came forth from Me, because they are strength from Me which inevitably has to return to Me again...

Amen

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God's wisdom

Love, Wisdom, Strength of God recognisable in the Word....

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now the spirit of wisdom which speaks from every Word imparted to you through My love.

Think about it and if it touches you have first the speaks from every word imparted to you through My love. Think about it and, if it touches you beneficially, the strength of My Word shall already have an effect on you, and then you will also recognise My love which conveys the Word to you in order to make you blissfully happy. Love, wisdom and strength must always be recognisable in everything that is of divine origin, for love, wisdom and strength is the epitome of My nature, and whatever emanates from Me must testify to My nature, otherwise it could be denied its divine origin. I Myself Am the Word and come to you.... I Myself offer you something exceedingly precious.... Myself in My fundamental substance.... Love, wisdom and strength.... Consequently, by accepting My gift you must be filled with strength and wisdom, and your heart must feel impelled towards loving activity because love will always trigger reciprocal love, and thus I Myself must be in you in all fullness if you accept My Word in realisation of its divine origin, if you acknowledge Me Myself as the Giver of truth which is conveyed to you through My Word and thus accept with an open heart what My love offers you. Since you yourselves are a part of Me, only in an imperfect state due to your will which turned away from Me, this will, as soon as it is correctly directed, can change this imperfect state into a perfect one if you consciously enter into contact with Me in order to receive the emanation of Myself, of My love and strength.... if you thus desire strength and grace from Me, which is now conveyed to you in the form of My Word. Wisdom, strength and love will then be your share, you will return to the divine state again, which was your original state from the start, because I Myself will then be within you, because you will no longer be on the outside but will merge with Me through the change of your will. Then I Myself Am in you, just as you are in Me.... My Word, which I Myself offer you from above, should put you in this state, you should listen to it, think about it, put it into practice and thus live in love.... Then you will brightly and clearly recognise the origin of the Word, you will recognise Me, My love, wisdom and strength and thus be filled with love, wisdom and strength yourselves, because this is the characteristic of My gift, that your nature will become like Mine as soon as you allow My Word to take effect in you through your will. For I Am My Word Myself, and where I Am there has to be love, light and strength in abundance....

Amen

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God: Love - wisdom - power....

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will make Myself known to you as a God of love, wisdom and power.... And therefore I will do everything to prove Myself to you. I will constantly guide you through earthly life who request My guidance, and you will always recognize help as soon as you get into adversity, because My love will not leave you in adversity.... You will also always be able to recognize My wisdom, for you may only take one look into My creations. Everything that surrounds you will testify to My wisdom as soon as you seriously think about it, as soon as you don't walk blindly through your earthly life. Then you must also remember the creator Who let everything arise around you and Who truly created all things in wisdom which serve you humans as well as the various creations in order to maintain and exist.... For nothing came into being without meaning and purpose which creation contains, except that you humans are not always able to fathom the purpose. And the fact that everything has come into being also proves to you again My might, to which no limits are set.... which radiated everything My love

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and wisdom wanted out of itself, which let its thoughts become form.... You humans could constantly let My works of love speak to you, which always reveal My wisdom and power to you, and you could already conclude from this that there is a God and creator Whose nature is perfect.... You can all think, and you will also always be stimulated on the part of the beings of light which seek to actuate their love on My behalf for you.... You should only not resist such thoughts which point to your God and creator.... The recognition of His perfection, the knowledge of His love, wisdom and power, will always ensure you an easy earthly life, for then you will also consciously turn to Him because you have recognized Him as supremely perfect.... And this alone I seek to achieve, to make Myself known to you as a perfect being, so that you will then also seek contact with Me. For you first have to believe in a being with conviction before you make contact with this being. Love, wisdom and power in highest perfection.... that is My essence.... And you should consciously strive for this being. Then you will not walk the earth unsuccessfully, then your short existence on earth will be the last conclusion of a long period of development, which will have brought you back to your original being again.... For you can only achieve this through the bond with Me in free will.... And whatever I can do to induce you into this bond I will also do, because I am interested in your return to Me, because I want to shorten the state of separation, which is not a blissful one for you. But if you recognize Me as a supremely perfect being then you will try to join Me of your own free will, you will give Me your love, you will no longer turn away from Me when I want to illuminate you with My love, and earthly life will let you reach the aim.... For I Myself can now also influence you because you have given up your resistance against Me. And so that you will now also know about your purpose of earthly life, I will convey this knowledge to you on a path which, in turn, should prove My love, wisdom and power to you.... I speak to you because My love wants to help you.... I instruct you about your beginning and your final aim in a way you cannot be instructed earthly, which shall confirm My great wisdom to you.... and I choose an unusual way to convey this knowledge to you.... because everything is possible for Me, whatever I want. And I want to guide you humans to beatitude and truly know all ways and means, but I leave you free will. And this can also reject all means of help, and then the human being, despite his earthly progress, will remain at the same stage of development where he stood at the beginning of his embodiment.... If he does not sink and strive towards the abyss again, which then means his renewed banishment when the end has come.... For the law of order is observed from My side, and no human being can become blessed who violates the law of order....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Unsurpassable wisdom of God....

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December 2nd 1942

od's wisdom is eternal, His spirit foresaw everything, He knew everything and He brought order into all things, into every event, as it corresponded to His purpose.... And this divine order is so incomparably wise that the slightest disturbance of it must have a damaging effect, i.e., that every will which is directed against the divine order also means a work of destruction for any creation which has emerged from the divine will in His order. God's wisdom can never be equalled and it will therefore never be surpassed, whereas any attempt to change the existing divine order will only result in a destructive disorder that lacks all wisdom. As long as the divine order is observed, i.e. remains untouched, everything is good and beautiful and in utmost harmony, because God's work is unsurpassable.... But where divine wisdom is opposed by inadequate knowledge and seeks to assert itself, divine order is overturned, which is like destroying what God has created, be it a visible or invisible product of His unsurpassable wisdom. Man, likewise a product of His wisdom-filled power, lives in accordance with divine will if he respects divine wisdom and never sets his will against it, i.e. uses it in a way that violates divine order, for this is sin, it is a rebellion against God's will and a disregard for His wisdom. It is an arrogance which cannot have any other than destructive consequences, for if the human being wants to overturn the divine order in his deficient wisdom, chaos must inevitably arise which is like a work of destruction, for something can only continue to

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exist if the creative power is respected through unconditional integration into the existing order, which is based on God's unsurpassable wisdom....

Amen

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Wisdom from God is unlimited.... inexhaustible born....

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he knowledge which can be offered to you through My spirit is inexhaustible. As long as you stay on earth you will be able to constantly increase in wisdom, but this supply will never come to an end, even if you spend eternities in the light of wisdom, for My kingdom is inexhaustible, My nature is unlimited and thus also the wisdom which constantly flows forth from Me. But you humans are still too limited to grasp such a saying.... precisely because the limitation of your knowledge is a sign of imperfection, whereas I, as a supremely perfect being, know no limitation and the same therefore also applies to the outflow of My perfect being. Thus you would be able to be taught for eternities, i.e. I would be able to address you for eternities and impart ever new wisdom to you.... and ever brighter shining light would shine upon you, in whose area of radiation you are. But as long as you stay on earth I must also take your capacity into account, because you still lack a great deal for perfection, because you are still very far away from the perfection of your being.... Nevertheless, My love for you is infinitely deep and wants to make you happy.... For this reason it conveys as much spiritual knowledge as possible to you and only ever demands a joyful acceptance from you, a desire for it, a hunger for the right nourishment for your soul. And the more thirsty you are for knowledge, the more questions you ask Me, the more joyfully and willingly I will answer you, for it is now (only) up to you to what extent you desire.... and you will receive without limitation. You are sitting at the source from which you are constantly allowed to draw, and you should make use of this, you should desire clarification about all questions which move you, because I have given you the assurance that I will also answer your questions. And you can be certain that the spring will never be exhausted, that ever new wisdoms will delight you according to your own desire. But also be satisfied when I offer you light food, because I know exactly what will be beneficial for yourselves and also for those to whom you offer the food again. I consider each individual according to his desire, and each individual shall also feel addressed by Me, which is why I truly also know what food each individual needs. But at the right time My light of wisdom and love also shines particularly brightly because I see which desire awakens in the human heart and I also want to make these hearts happy with it. You will all receive what you desire. But it is My joy if you desire and are also insatiable in this desire, for My table is richly laid and you will truly not need to hunger or starve, and everything your heart desires in terms of spiritual nourishment will be at your disposal. For the fountain of life is inexhaustible, the spring from which the living water flows is inexhaustible, My love is infinitely great and My wisdom unsurpassable.... And thus My love will still present you with many a wisdom, and My gifts of grace will make you happy and again and again stimulate you to ask new questions, and you will never be restricted by Me, because I want you to receive the deepest wisdom, yet I can always consider you according to your degree of maturity, which, however, can constantly increase and constantly reveal deeper wisdom to you if you strive for it yourselves. And you need never fear that I will remain silent if you seriously request clarification.... For My spirit guides you into truth, as I have promised....

Amen

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Divine wisdoms – spiritual working....

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Divine wisdom cannot be fathomed through human wisdom.... Divine wisdom can only be grasped by the human being's intellect if his spirit is active at the same time. And therefore the working of the spirit is absolutely necessary if the human being wants to penetrate knowledge which

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is superior to all human knowledge. However, human intellectual abilities are not necessary where the spirit of God can be active in the human being, for this enlightens the human being's thinking so that the deepest wisdom from God becomes comprehensible to him if the spirit of God Himself imparts it to him. For He offers it to him in such a form that he grows into knowledge which was previously completely unknown to him. At the same time the human being's ability to think is developed so that he himself is able to pass on the knowledge he has received, albeit in a simpler form of expression but in accordance with the meaning of the knowledge imparted to him by the spirit of God. Divine wisdom is unsurpassable, and thus the thought material conveyed by the spirit of God cannot be surpassed by human wisdom either, even though it initially appears insignificant and is sometimes conveyed to the human being's heart in the simplest form imaginable. But it finds its explanation in the fact that the human being should not only be an instrument to mechanically pass on the received knowledge, but he himself should be completely permeated by it in order to now also be able to represent it before fellow human beings. And therefore the human being has to be introduced slowly, it has to be made comprehensible to him in such a way that he really becomes knowledgeable, so that he can then also be made acquainted with the deepest wisdoms and these can also be fully understood, so that heart and intellect have processed it and it can now only be called true knowledge. Only now does the human being penetrate the deepest wisdom, the spirit of God speaks to the spiritual spark in the human being, and what it communicates to him reveals His wisdom, His love and His omnipotence.... It is knowledge which people could never fathom by virtue of their intellect, for it is not so trained as to ever be able to comprehend or truthfully portray God's reign and activity in the universe and in the spiritual kingdom if it never had knowledge of it before. The human being's intellect will always remain within the limits which God Himself has set for it, it will only ever be able to investigate earthly things and will probably also be able to offer evidence for the correctness of its findings. Yet everything divine, all spiritual knowledge, will remain alien to him as long as God's spirit is not at work, for only God's spirit penetrates the deepest depths of divine wisdom and can present it to the human being, i.e. his intellect, so that the latter will then become active, i.e. mentally process what he has heard, and only then will the human being become knowledgeable.... For only spiritual knowledge can be called true knowledge because it touches areas which are unfathomable to the intellect and can only be fathomed with the help of the divine spirit. And what the spirit of God imparts to the heart and the intellect are divine wisdoms which therefore can only be presented to the human being who makes himself worthy through his will to serve God by passing on the truth from God, which far surpasses human understanding.... This will and a conscious striving for perfection are prerequisites in order to receive divine wisdom and also to understand it, because a correct understanding of it is absolutely necessary in order to also convey it to fellow human beings, as it is God's will....

Amen

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Truth emanates from God himself....

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Desire the truth.... and truly, this spiritual request will be granted to you. But don't search for this truth in books which are based on human intellect again, which are purely intellectual thoughts.... assumptions, for which no evidence can be provided. For as soon as you assume that people are capable of ascertaining the truth by themselves, you are mistaken, because pure truth originates from Me alone, as I Myself Am the Eternal Truth. Therefore I say, request the truth from Me, sincerely appeal to Me for it and you shall receive it. The truth, as I want it to be understood and which you should request of Me, is a wealth of knowledge of a spiritual nature.... It is knowledge which extends into spiritual spheres and which can never be substantiated by evidence.... it is the knowledge of your existence, its reason and purpose.... it is the knowledge of the Power Which brought everything into existence and of the relationship between you humans and this Power.... It is the knowledge about the nature, reign and activity of this Power, Which has created everything that exists.... It is impossible for any human being's intellect to provide a truthful explanation of this, such

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an explanation can only be given by the Eternal Truth Itself.... Hence you have to ask It yourselves. It is I Who can and wants to give you an answer because I Am the highest Authority and also the Love, Which wants to please you, My living creations, with this knowledge. But I can only reveal Myself to those who sincerely desire truth.... yet they will not ask Me in vain to impart the truth to them....

However, only a few people have this sincere desire.... Mostly they are indifferent or they unreservedly accept what is given to them by their fellow human beings who also merely use their intellect but cannot guarantee that their reasoning was guided correctly. Not many are interested in the basic questions relating to their existence as human beings, and the belief in a God of love, wisdom and might is not always strong enough to ask Him for enlightenment. The pure truth, however, can only emanate from Me, and their wrong attitude towards Me, their God and Creator, is the reason why people live in error and devoid of all truthful knowledge and thus don't make use of their earthly life which could lead them to perfection.... Their indifference towards truth is a side effect of the human souls' immense immaturity, for they are still dominated by My adversary who tries to prevent everything which could provide people with clarification, because he doesn't want to lose them and can only control them as long as their spirit is dark, far removed from the truth; but only truth leads people to perfection, truth alone is beatitude, it is a light which illuminates the darkness of night that is spread across the earth....

I Myself Am the Truth, and thus anyone who knows the truth is closely united with Me.... As long as you humans are not truthfully instructed you lack the light for your earthly path of life.... Admittedly, you keep walking, but where is the path leading to without truth?.... It can only lead into the abyss, whereas you will irrevocably ascend if you take the path of truth, for this is brightly illuminated and leads you to the goal, to Me Who is Eternal Truth Itself. And I Am truly always willing to guide you into truth, as I promised when I lived on earth.... I will reveal Myself in My love, wisdom and might to every person who simply desires in his heart to hear Me, to be guided into truth by Me.... This is the most important prayer you can send to Me, for this plea demonstrates your serious will to return, it also proves to Me that you acknowledge Me as your God and Father, and it is a spiritual request which will surely be granted.... For as soon as I can convey the pure truth to you, you will also learn to get to know and love Me in My nature.... And I want your love, I yearn for your love which is only deep and pure if you, through the conveyance of pure truth, know about everything, your origin and past relationship with Me and the goal which shall unite you with Me again.... Then love will ignite in you and you will push ever closer to Me and thus can also be guided into ever more profound knowledge which will make you extremely happy.... You will learn about My eternal plan of Salvation, about the Father's love for His children and the great work of return, for which every single person can also offer Me his services.... You will learn to love Me.... And this love will make you blissfully happy, for it will lead to the final union with Me, to eternal life.... Yet only the truth leads to the goal and thus you humans should strive for the truth, you should lovingly hand yourselves over to Me and let yourselves be taught by Me, and then you will indeed be instructed by Me, your God and Father, Who knows everything and Who thus can and wants to teach you everything because He loves you....

Amen

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Man should acquire spiritual knowledge

Wisdom is spiritual knowledge....

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I isdom is spiritual knowledge that fully corresponds to the truth. Wisdom is knowledge which, exhausted in its entire depth, makes people unspeakably happy; it is knowledge which can never ever be refuted because wisdom cannot withstand any counter-knowledge. And that is why wisdom must be of divine origin, because only from God alone can something emanate that is perfect and therefore cannot be criticized. God alone can hand out knowledge which has this claim to perfection because His nature is wisdom itself. Human knowledge, however, will always be and remain an object of dispute, for it will never be inviolable but will change, just as the people who have acquired the knowledge intellectually change. The human being believes himself to be knowledgeable as soon as he has completed his research in one area, but whether it is the right knowledge that corresponds to the truth is not proven. On the earthly side, proof can also be demanded and provided for worldly knowledge, in which case it is not groundless and the person now also rightly believes himself to be knowledgeable.... However, this knowledge is not yet wisdom.... Earthly knowledge can be acquired through research, but spiritual knowledge.... wisdom.... is imparted to man by the spirit of God, by a knowing power that cannot err and also never passes on erroneous thoughts. Wisdom is therefore the truth transmitted by God in its purest form.... Anyone who has received wisdom from God will no longer find earthly knowledge desirable, for the wisdom from God constantly increases his desire for it, and it is now the most precious commodity for the human being which he no longer wants to give away and which he does not want to replace with earthly knowledge either. For the wise person knows that earthly knowledge has no eternal value and that it is not irrefutable either; he knows that the success of earthly knowledge is again only earthly possessions, honor and fame, whereas divine wisdom enables the human being to achieve the ultimate goal.... to become perfect on earth and to enter the spiritual kingdom as a being of light.... For divine wisdom carries power within itself, it enlightens the human being and makes him capable of work on earth, which he carries out in the service of the lord.... it enables him to hand out spiritual knowledge again and to lead countless souls to knowledge and to show them the way to God. Wisdom emanates from God and leads all beings back to Him, Who is wisdom Himself....

amen

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Love is the key to wisdom....

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

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the key to wisdom, and no-one who ignores the commandments of love for God and his neighbour will know the truth. However, the explanation that God is Truth as well as Love Itself is so simple.

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

Amen

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The ability to receive divine wisdom through the heart....

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ivine wisdoms have to be sought deep inside the heart, for mere human intellect will neither be able to explain nor understand them if the heart is not involved in it. For this reason divine wisdom can only be received by people who live a profound inner life, who often withdraw into solitude, that is, who stop thinking about the world, about earthly worries and earthly plans, who enter into contemplation and try to fathom the kingdom which is beyond the earthly world. Such people are rewarded by God by granting them insight into the most concealed things, by allowing them to behold His sphere of activity, by informing them of His plan of eternity and by giving them at the same time the necessary comprehension to understand everything and to grasp the correlations. He tries to reveal to them the greatest mysteries, although the human being's intellectual capacity is insufficient to receive a comprehensive explanation as long as he does not have the degree of maturity that allows him to be permeated by the light of wisdom. Yet with the person's continuing development his intellectual capacity will improve and it is therefore indeed already possible to penetrate profound mysteries on Earth, and thus to take possession of divine wisdom, however, it will only be comprehensible to those who receive it, whereas another person will not know what to make of it because he has no understanding of the correlations between all works of creation with the eternal Creator.

Nevertheless, the more mature person should make an effort to also inform his fellow human being, because the knowledge can encourage another person's spiritual striving and because light shall be brought into the darkness which is spread across humanity, which lives in total ignorance of spiritual truth and no longer recognises its purpose on Earth, just as it is unaware of the individual person's final goal, which should be eagerly aspired to during earthly life. The question 'Why do we humans

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exist?' remains open to most people, they don't even make an effort to answer it or to look for a suitable answer. They often pose this question but they never seriously desire an answer or listen to those who answer them, for they only ever let their intellect speak but never their heart.... that is, they don't take any notice of their feelings which would be a clear answer for them. They drown out the voice of the heart and completely turn towards the world, hence they are incapable of receiving divine wisdom which necessitates a withdrawal from the world. And thus the world will remain dark and without light, since only a few people can receive enlightenment through the inner voice. But these few will be and remain happy, for they will take divine wisdom over into the spiritual kingdom where it originated from, while the others will enter the realm of the beyond in profound spiritual darkness because they failed to look for the light on Earth....

Amen

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World wisdom and dazzling light.... request for truth....

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orldly wisdom will pass away like everything else that belongs to this world. But My word will always and forever remain, and the light which radiates from Me and shines out into the darkness will remain. But you humans have to go through the darkness, and thus you also have to learn to distinguish between dazzling light and the right light which brings you true enlightenment.... And dazzling light is all knowledge which was gained intellectually; dazzling lights are all wisdoms which do not originate from Me. And you must learn to distinguish these from the rays of light which illuminate everything and show you the path which leads to Me. This right light can certainly also be offered to you in a form which appears to have been gained humanly, i.e. intellectually, but then the intellect was also enlightened because it was in intimate contact with Me. And then this person is also a bearer of light, a representative of pure truth.... But then all seemingly intellectual knowledge will also be in harmony with the spiritual knowledge which I Myself convey to humanity in direct form. But as long as this agreement does not exist, that knowledge must be called 'worldly wisdom', which will pass away like everything that belongs to the world. But the world will not allow itself to be convinced, the world holds its children captive and they cannot detach themselves from the world if they don't sincerely appeal for My help to do so. The human being who thinks of reaching the aim without Me is in fact taking a path which leads far away from the right aim.... For in all childlikeness the human being must confess his father of eternity and approach Him for the right guidance.... then he will also be guided correctly.... If only you humans would believe that you can achieve nothing without Me.... and if you would not want to resist when I take hold of your hand to guide you. My love will always supply you with what serves your perfection; but if you don't accept it then delicious streams of grace will have flowed to you in vain, and your earthly progress can also be in vain because your soul did not receive the right nourishment, because you filled yourselves with unsuitable food which neither gave the soul strength nor maturity. But you yourselves must bear the responsibility for your soul's fate, or else you must take upon yourselves the fate you have acquired for yourselves.... But earthly life is given to you to prepare a glorious fate for yourselves, i.e. for your soul, after the death of the body.... Truth alone is the right nourishment for the soul. But only I Myself can distribute it, and if you want to have it conveyed to you by people because this path seems more natural to you, then you must nevertheless first make heartfelt contact with Me and ask Me to convey to you the person who imparts to you that which corresponds to the pure truth.... For I do not have just one way and not just one means to convey the pure truth to you, but it must have its origin in Me if it is to bring about your perfection.... Therefore you only ever have to ask Me for the **truth** in your **desire** for it.... This is the only certainty that you will then also come into possession of the truth. For I truly do not leave this request of an earthly child unheeded, for I long for this request in order to be able to reveal Myself in whatever way.... No person who has addressed this request to Me in spirit and in truth will be left in error by Me; the pure truth will be conveyed to him, and he will also feel it as truth and be blissfully happy.... As long as a human being only regards himself as a created being, as long as he has

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not yet established the relationship as a child with the father, the light of truth will not shine for him either, for this light allows the human being to recognize the connection with his creator and father of eternity.... Only this light shows the human being the short path which a right child only needs to cover in order to reach the father.... But anyone who regards God as unreachable also finds it difficult to establish contact with Me.... And he walks endless long ways and the aim moves further and further away from him. For a **child** achieves everything from the father.... but the creature remains in the separation from Me which it once accomplished itself....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Truth is necessary for perfection....

B.D. No. **6474** February 12th 1956

y spirit guides you into truth.... Can you assume that I, your God and father of eternity, want to withhold the truth from you, Who is full of love and created you out of My love? Can you assume that I want to keep you in a state which cannot be called perfect when, on the other hand, I have given you earthly life as a human being so that you may attain perfection? As you are human beings you are still far from perfection, and then you are also far from the truth; yet this is never My will, instead you yourselves do not want to escape this imperfect state. But since it is My aim to change you into perfect beings, everything must also be done on My part which helps you to achieve this.... And the most important thing to achieve the state of perfection is the transmission of truth, the realization of truth and then living according to this realization.... You cannot become perfect as long as you are in wrong thinking, for then you would never do what is right, which would result in perfection. The truth must first be conveyed to you. Only then will it be possible for you to get to know and love Me as the eternal truth, and only then can you approach perfection. But you determine the degree of your power of knowledge yourselves through the degree of love you kindle within yourselves. And therefore the degree of knowledge can be very different according to the degree of love, but it will always correspond to the truth if only you want to walk in truth. Only your will determines whether you think right or wrong, whether you receive truth or erroneous knowledge. But you can be certain that I will never let you think wrongly if you deeply desire the truth. For as soon as you desire the **truth** you desire **Me Myself**, and I will always comply with this desire. I want you to become perfect because only then can you be blissfully happy.... And I want to prepare bliss for you because you are My children whom I love, because you emerged from My love.... I want you to become perfect.... Do you believe that you can achieve this perfection with wrong thinking? By thinking which My adversary transfers to you in order to keep you away from perfection? Error and lies are darkness.... They are signs of ignorance, consequences of your former apostasy from Me and signs of belonging to My adversary who has turned all light within himself into darkness. You are therefore in his sphere as long as you are far from the truth, in wrong thinking. If I want to guide you back to the light, if I want you to be full of realization again, if I want you to escape from darkness, I must therefore supply you with the most illuminating truth, and you can receive this truth from Me in abundance, I will always hand it out to you as soon as you want to receive it.... Only your will determines the degree of light in which you stand. The basic truths you now receive will teach you how to attain further knowledge.... But the basic truth is the law of eternal order, the love for Me and for your neighbour.... And as you now adjust yourselves to this law, so will be the degree of your realization, which you can now increase unmeasured, thus you can penetrate the deepest knowledge, with My support, because through love you assimilate yourselves to Me, i.e. to My fundamental being, and thus you will always recognize brighter and more brightly what you are, where you come from and what purpose you are to fulfil one day when you are perfected. You can obtain everything that serves you towards perfection from Me if it is your will to become perfect.... And thus you will also receive unlimited truth, for the eternal truth will not withhold anything from you so that you will become again what you have been since the beginning: beings of supreme light who were immeasurably blissful and therefore shall attain beatitude again....

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Spirit working....

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want to be able to work in you through My spirit.... I want your spiritual spark, which is My share, Lto seek contact with Me and that this spiritual spark now gains influence over you, that it determines your thinking, speaking and acting, that I Myself can therefore work in you because this spiritual spark is inseparably connected to Me. Hence you have God Himself in you.... and I will always be able to express Myself from within if you allow Me to do so yourselves through your will to be united with Me and your actions in accordance with this will. For if you seek the bond with Me then you will also irrevocably live according to My will.... you will live in love and thereby awaken the spiritual spark in you to life.... i.e. draw Me Myself to you through loving activity, Who is the eternal love. Thus the voice of My spirit in you, which you desire to hear, is only a sign of My presence in you, and I will always be able to be present to you if you live in love. And thus every working of the spirit always presupposes the human being's love, otherwise he would not be united with Me and then would also not be able to hear My voice within himself.... thus My spirit cannot work in a person who is devoid of all love. The spirit in you, which is My share, stamps you into a divine creature as soon as you only allow it to work. Then you will enter into contact with Me and I will now address you through the voice of the spirit, I will order your thinking and guide it correctly, and I will determine your will and action.... but only ever after your consent, after you yourselves allow the working of the spirit in you through loving activity. And My spirit will guide you into truth.... I have given you this promise, for at the beginning of your embodiment as a human being you are without knowledge, your spiritual state is dark, you know nothing about Me and My plan of salvation from eternity.... But if I want to impart this knowledge to you I have to do it through My spirit.... The spirit can only speak to the spirit, or also: You can only be taught by Me Myself, and therefore My spirit must be able to take effect in you. But then He will impart knowledge to you which encompasses everything.... Then you will be introduced to truth, because the spirit from Me can only impart pure truth to you. And you should all try to achieve that My spirit can become effective in you, because only then can you be guided into realization, because only then will it become light and bright in you and you need no longer complain about spiritual darkness. Since you therefore carry a spark of My spirit of God within you, all truth is also within you, for the spirit from Me knows everything, it is a ray of light of love which can fill your heart and chase all darkness out of it. The spirit from Me will teach you, it will kindle a light in you, it will reveal truthful knowledge to you, for it is in constant contact with Me, its father-spirit from eternity. He is My share and therefore also knows everything you desire to know.... "He guides you into the truth...." And you are awakened to life when you allow the spiritual spark in you to work, when you have prepared yourselves in such a way that I Myself can empty Myself in you.... And I will truly give you everything you desire.... Yet I cannot enter into contact with a person who does not consciously strive for it, who resists Me and lives without love, for I cannot approach him, Who I am love.... And this person will also remain without realization, no matter how sharp his intellect and how long he lives on earth.... He will remain dark in spirit, for the spirit from Me cannot enlighten him because it makes his activity impossible for him. My share, the spiritual spark, certainly also slumbers in him but it is buried and will not be awakened to life, and the human being has rejected a gift of grace from Me which truly could have created beatitudes for him if only he had used it during his earthly life. The bond between the spiritual spark and the eternal father-spirit has to be established by every person himself, but then he will be able to achieve the highest spiritual success, he will increase in light and strength, he will allow Me Myself to work in him through My spirit, and where I Myself can be there will be no more darkness for ever....

Amen

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Gifts of the spirit....

You will have to mention the gifts of the spirit if you want to explain the remarkable abilities which express themselves in a divine sense and which are also recognised as divine by everyone who is spiritually inclined himself. For I Myself promised these gifts to those who aspire after them and fulfil the conditions required by Me for the 'working of the spirit'.

My spirit manifests itself in various ways, always depending on the degree of the soul's maturity and the task given to a person who receives a gift of the spirit. There are many different gifts.... but it is always an unusual activity for which a person is gifted.... an activity he could not perform as a mere human being. He needs My support for this, he has to acquire My strength, which will then take effect in a person as the gift of healing, or the gift of prophesy, or the gift to receive the truth from Me and spread it in My name.... or, the gift of oratory inspired by Me, so that I Myself can speak through the spirit, but using the mouth of a person who received from Me this gift to hear Me.

And when you draw people's attention to the different gifts I mentioned, also through the spirit, they will have to recognise that you not only possess a special 'ability'.... which admittedly could also be given to you as a talent by your Creator.... but that you gained this ability through spiritual means, that it cannot be given arbitrarily to anyone who cannot show that he fulfilled the condition to receive it. And such an ability can even less be gained academically. People are indeed called and could all spiritually shape themselves such that they could receive a gift of the spirit.... but not all are chosen, precisely because they do not recognise their calling and therefore do not strive for spiritual gifts either.... On the other hand, however, only these gifts are the evidence of a spiritually-inclined way of life, of a person's specific degree of maturity and love, because My spirit can only work in him when he has attained this degree of maturity. After all, if people never find out that everyone can gain a gift of the spirit, they will not believe the messages from above to the extent they deserve, for they cannot explain them properly and therefore doubt every unusual manifestation of the spirit.

Indeed, people even go as far as to deny spiritual gifts as divine activity altogether and condemn everything unusual as being associated with Satan.... And yet they thereby only give evidence of their own poverty, for where the working of My spirit can no longer by recognised there is no sign of 'My church' either, of the church which I Myself founded on earth.

'My Church' only exists where the working of My spirit is evident, because My spirit testifies to My presence, and because I will always be present where people sincerely strive to progress spiritually and are thus able to receive or show a gift of the spirit. And therefore it will only ever be of benefit when you mention the gifts of the spirit, when you proclaim My Gospel.... when you remind people of My Words 'I shall pour out My spirit over all flesh, and servants and maidens shall prophesy....' Everyone of My promises will be fulfilled, and thus also this one.... Hence every expression of unbelief should only ever be countered with My promise, and people should know that My working will become particularly evident during the last days, and that then everything will also come to pass as it was announced in Word and Scripture....

Amen

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Perfection of God.... purpose of His will....

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reat and mighty is God, and His love knows no bounds.... His nature radiates profoundest Jwisdom, His abundance of strength is invincible and His will only strives for perfection, and therefore everything is perfect which has emerged from His eternal creative power. It is recognized by His unsurpassable wisdom as good and right for the purpose it is intended to serve. What comes forth from God can never be deficient, otherwise He would not be perfect, otherwise also His power would be limited and His love would not be infinite. God is exceedingly wise, and His wisdom is coupled with a will which can let all His thoughts become form through His power. Thus nothing is impossible to Him, He can do anything He wants but only wants what His wisdom recognizes as purposeful.... And purpose is unlimited beatitude of that which once emerged from His strength in all perfection but became imperfect through its own will. His will will never be active in the opposite direction, He will never carry out or prevent something through His strength which would render the purpose invalid, as far as the human being's free will is not decisive, which He well respects even though He cannot approve of it. But God's will is eternally unchangeable, it is good and only aims at perfection. Yet that which has become imperfect opposes His will with great resistance, for it does not recognize the most perfect being, the being Which is love, wisdom and strength in Itself.... otherwise it would have to submit to Him unconditionally. Its own will is to blame for its lack of knowledge, of its own free will the originally perfect being has deprived itself of all power of knowledge and plunged into a state of ignorance from which only free will can redeem it again. And thus it does not know about the strength and power of the highest being, it does not know about Its love and wisdom, it does not know about the blissful state of perfection. And therefore it also does not recognize its own imperfection and is therefore in a state of deepest adversity if God does not come to its aid. Everything God does is a means to lift the imperfection, to help those who once fell away from Him of their own free will to become perfect again, to find their way back to Him in order to become blessed. And what He does by virtue of His will and His love and wisdom inevitably leads to this aim, even if it takes endless times before this aim is reached, if the will of the imperfect person resists.... Only when the resistance subsides does the beingness begin to recognize that it is imperfect; it begins to suspect that a supremely perfect being is its creator from eternity and that it must strive towards this highest being.... And with this quiet realization its ascent begins, it begins to align the imperfect with the supremely perfect being, it begins to subordinate its will to God's will, and it recognizes everything God does as wise and based in His infinite love.... And as soon as this state is reached, the being can no longer sink into the state of imperfection, it can no longer defect from God for ever, for it merges with the original strength from which it once originated through unceasing striving upwards and is unspeakably blissful for all eternity....

Amen

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

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Only that corresponds to My will which reveals the principle of love.... And thus you have a precise characteristic of My will: Your thoughts, intentions and actions must be based on love for Me and your neighbour.... you must only ever want to help and make people happy and never combine your actions with selfish thoughts. For selfishness is self-love, a perverse love which you may only

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cherish in your heart to a very small extent.... to a degree that ensures the preservation of your body as long as it has the task to fulfil.... to be the carrier of your soul.... What you therefore need to make the body suitable for this task is the measure of love for yourselves granted to you. But you yourselves are free to increase or decrease the degree of self-love, and the latter will always mean a plus for your soul which you will only recognize when you reap the fruits of what you have sown on earth.... For what the body desired on earth for itself it has to give away.... what it denied itself in order to help its neighbour the soul finds again in the kingdom of the beyond as wealth with which it can now work, which makes it blissfully happy.... So I will not force you in earthly life, I will not hinder you in your thinking, wanting or acting.... you can cover your earthly path at your own discretion, but "what you sow you will also reap...." And you will always know about My will which only ever requires loving activity from you which, however, you have to practice voluntarily if it is to serve your soul's perfection. And if the heart is willing to love, if the human being has fought against selfish love as far as possible, then he will do of his own accord what corresponds to My will.... He will no longer do it in order to merely fulfil My commandments, but out of the innermost urge of his heart he will think and act according to My will.... It will inwardly urge him to give and make happy, for then he already carries My spirit of love within himself, he has changed his initially love-poor nature, his heart embraces everything that surrounds him with its love.... And thus he also radiates love to his fellow human beings and can also cause them to change their nature according to his example.... Love is divine, it is My primal element, and it therefore has to deify everything that is seized by it and let it become My image. A heart which now allows itself to be seized by Me Myself, which ignites love within itself and now unites with Me, must irrevocably approach the original state again, for it deifies itself and again assumes all characteristics and abilities it once possessed when it was externalized by Me as an emanation of love in all perfection.... Love alone restores this original state, because love deifies the being and because love causes the union with Me which results in an overflow of light and strength in abundance.... This is why My will can never ever have anything else as its aim than to always cause you humans to do deeds which reveal the love principle in you.... This is why My will can only ever be the fulfilment of My commandments which teach you love for Me and your neighbour, and this is why you must all know about this will of Mine.... For this reason My word is repeatedly brought to you humans which informs you of My will.... And only he who fulfils My commandments of love will be blissfully happy, for he can only return to Me when he has become the love again which he was in the beginning....

Amen

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God's will.... free will.... divine order....

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And above all is My will.... for this sustains the whole universe, the whole spiritual and material kingdom.... My will governs heaven and earth, the spiritual world of light and also the kingdom of darkness, for everything serves Me consciously or unconsciously so that one day gods like Me will create with Me in bliss. My wisdom has foreseen everything since eternity that takes place in the past, in the present and in the future.... And My infinite love was the basis of everything that My might has brought to pass since eternity. And this included the creation of beings of a kind similar to Myself, for on the one hand they signified an immense happiness for Me as well as on the other hand their own happiness which, depending on the beings' will, remained with them or was also prevented by them.... but which, in turn, My wisdom recognized as expedient and was based on the beings' will.... even if it was wrongly directed.... My eternal plan of salvation was built upon. The will was always the decisive factor, the will of the beings I had created was free.... And yet, My will rules by being active throughout the universe based on the will of those beings, by My will governing spiritual and earthly creations, by becoming the basis for My law of order which is irrevocable. The beingness can indeed rebel against this law of order, it can violate it but it can never override this law, instead, it has to bear the consequences itself if it violates it.... if it thinks and acts against My will.... My will remains

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decisive for all eternity. And even if My adversary tries to overrule My will by acting against it himself.... it is only ever to his own disadvantage, and he only ever increases the distance from Me, but he will never be able to overturn the law of eternal order, that is, he himself must also accept My will, he must bow to it, although My love leaves him freedom as long as My wisdom seeks to invalidate his activity.... But as soon as his measure is full he himself will also be invalidated, because My will is above everything, because he, too, emerged from Me and has to bow down under My will. For there is only one source of strength, and It is Me... and since everything that exists draws its strength from this source it must also be subject to My will and eternally bow to this will. But since I endowed the being with free will it can certainly develop its will in every direction but it will only ever be a blissful creature if its will agrees with Mine.... and every opposing will will have a disastrous effect on the being. Then it no longer lives according to the law of eternal order but stands outside of this law, outside of My will and outside of beatitude.... Yet I recognized from eternity that it meant a great spiritual battle to bring that which resisted Me back into the law of order, and My love and wisdom allowed this battle to take place, but My will also brought this battle within the framework of the lawful order, i.e. My adversary was granted a just measure of his activity which corresponded to the will of the being for which I and he were now fighting the battle. But he may not exceed this measure or My will will bind him so that he will be incapable of any further activity. For My will also controls the dark world, he, too, must bow to My will, to whom I once gave fullest freedom which he abused. But My will is always guided by My love and wisdom, and My love and wisdom therefore predominantly accepts the free will of all beings created by Me, so that they submit to Mine, which guarantees highest perfection and highest beatitude. And therefore My love and wisdom will one day achieve that all beings of free will will integrate themselves into the law of eternal order, and then their will will also be the same as Mine and there will no longer be a battle, because **love** will then unite Me Myself with all My created beings.... because there will no longer be any will directed against Me....

Amen

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Nothing happens without God's will or permission....

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verything is subject to God's will and even plans which do **not** correspond to His will, the law of deternal order, can only be carried out if God allows it, if His will thus withdraws in the knowledge that He can also allow such events to take effect at any time for the benefit of the soul. And thus you humans should consider everything that approaches you in earthly life, that touches you joyfully or sorrowfully. If it were not God's will or His permission it would not be able to happen, and therefore everything will also be good for you, i.e. it can promote your spiritual development, if you yourselves do not endanger the latter through conscious rebellion against God. You could indeed pass your earthly life free from suffering, but then your soul would already have reached such a high level of maturity that it would no longer need any opportunity to mature.... But you humans are all still far behind in your spiritual development, and yet you should at least reach a certain degree that you can look forward to the end without danger.... For this is imminent for all of you.... And especially in the end time it will so often be doubted that a 'God' directs every human being's destiny, because satanic activity is so often recognizable which casts doubt on God's love and power. But even then God allows such things for the sake of a purpose, and His eternal plan of salvation is only known to a few people who can explain even the cruellest kind of events. God's will or permission must always be acknowledged because without it **nothing** could happen. But this also requires a very strong faith, which again only few have. The more people's faith is strengthened the brighter the light of realization will shine, for love alone causes the strengthening of faith and love also provides the light so that God's activity becomes recognizable in everything and every event.... just as, on the other hand, unkindness confuses people's thinking, faith completely disappears and people hand themselves over to the one who completely opposes God's will, i.e. His eternal order..... acts contrary to God's eternal

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order. And yet, God also allows such things to happen, for it is the time of the end when all powers of hell are released, when divine order is completely disregarded and therefore a turning point must irrevocably come.... For God's will is above all else, and thus His divine order will also be restored when the time comes; every opposing will will be broken by the one Who alone rules over heaven and earth and to Whose will everything must bow, because He alone is lord in time and eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

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

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

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God's will - voice of the heart.... Inner urging....

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

Amen

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The free will of man

Free will....

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Only the human being's innermost thoughts matter and this is not subject to any force. For this reason the person can only be influenced by ideas, speeches and various events which are thus intended to affect his thoughts (his will). And this is attempted by the divine as well as by the Godopposing aspect. However, it is always the person's own decision as to which influence he submits himself (yields).... The human being's will is free.... Hence one day he also has to be accountable for the direction he gave his will, because he was given his life as a human being for the purpose of testing his will and sooner or later the soul will have to endure the consequences of its will's decision.

The human being is able to turn his will towards God in every situation of life.... And he can equally submit himself to His adversary.... but he will never be able to hold anyone responsible for his decision of will, neither his fellow human being nor a worldly power, neither God Himself nor His adversary, because it is entirely up to his free will as to whether the direction of his thoughts aim towards God or His adversary.... But his destiny is always determined by God such that he can easily find God, as long as he no longer offers Him inner resistance.... which is thus determined by his free will. People are inclined to refute free will because they are not always able to do what they want to do, however, it is not always a question of what they do, but what they want. For they can be prevented from carrying out actions, again due to the effects of spiritual influences.... but the volition itself cannot be prevented. Therefore the human being should be critical of himself with regard to the direction of his will's expression.... because during his life on earth he knows that he is expected to turn towards God, because God Himself constantly conveys this information to him and he does not live his earthly life entirely without knowledge.... But since he is also influenced by God's adversary it will be inevitable that he has to think about it, and therefore he is already urged to make a decision....

And thus this, too, is the battle between light and darkness, which has to be settled by the person himself and which would be inconceivable without the human being's free will, otherwise only the positive and negative powers would fight each other and one power would then emerge as the winner.... But this is not how the battle between light and darkness should be understood, because it concerns the human being's soul which, in free will, makes its own choice regarding itself. The human being's life on earth is therefore an uninterrupted chain of experiences, discoveries and impressions which stimulate his thinking and which can also enable his thoughts to move into the right direction. But since God's adversary was granted the right to fight for the soul as well, his thinking will also be subject to negative influences and then he will have to make his choice. And the intensity of his resistance to God determines the outcome, it determines the soul's fate after the body's death, which can be exceedingly joyful but also intensely painful. However, irrespective how the will decides.... God's love never abandons the soul, and if it does not achieve its goal in this earthly life it will indeed delay its salvation for an infinitely long time, but sooner or later the right decision will be made by the will, since God's love is strength which the soul will not oppose forever....

Amen

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Overcoming matter in free will....

Thether you allow yourselves to be dominated by matter or free yourselves from it is entirely your own free will. Even if matter is taken from you through My will this does not yet signify your detachment from it, it can only lead to it. For you must relinquish all desire of the heart for it, you must remain completely untouched or make an effort to no longer feel the thoughts of matter painfully but to also be able to think of lost possessions with equanimity, only then will you have overcome matter. But you must also not seek to regain what you have lost full of zeal and forget your actual purpose in life. Admittedly, you are not denied to create earthly and to exploit your earthly work, you should be active and utilize matter for useful things, thus help it and the spiritual in it to ascend, yet your striving for this should never put spiritual striving on the back burner or make it completely impossible. For then you will still be under the spell of matter, then it will control you and you will not be able to get away from it in eternity. For it will also pursue you into eternity, even after the death of the body you will still desire it with all your senses and have to live an agonizing life in the beyond, because the desire for matter constantly fills you and you are now dominated by sham goods, which signifies a state of torment for you; you will never see the desire fulfilled and will not lose the state of torment until you yourselves withdraw from the desire to possess earthly goods. Becoming free from matter on earth is so desirable as it allows you to enter the spiritual kingdom completely carefree, for to the same extent as you give up earthly goods, thus detaching yourselves from them in your **heart**, you receive spiritual goods which are far more valuable and make your entry into the kingdom of the beyond a state of bliss.... And I want to help you achieve this by taking from you what you would hardly want to voluntarily relinquish, I want to liberate you from matter, yet it is always your free will, and you can always misuse it and eagerly strive again to increase or regain what you have lost. Then My help will have been in vain and matter will control you. But what you don't achieve on earth will cause you far greater difficulties in the spiritual kingdom, yet one day you will have to overcome them if you want to become blissfully happy, only this can take an infinitely long time, for in the spiritual kingdom you don't have such aids at your disposal as on earth, and it requires a particularly strong will which you will rarely muster in the spiritual kingdom, which is why you don't control matter but matter controls you and makes you incapable of ascent development if you are not granted help through prayer from a loving heart....

Amen

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Test of will on earth.... following Jesus.... connection....

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nly in union with Me will you find your bliss.... You once voluntarily separated yourselves from Me and thereby became blissfully unhappy, you must voluntarily return to Me in order to also be placed into the state of beatitude, which can therefore only be found in the union with Me. Nothing can replace what you find in Me and with Me, and therefore every striving in a different direction is an idle run for your soul which is only held up on the path to perfection, which only prolongs its return to Me as soon as it strives towards a different aim than unification with Me. I alone want to be your aim, because I alone can give you the beatitude which you have lost through your own fault. Therefore, all My care will be to turn your will towards Me, I will always guide you or arrange your destiny such that you will be urged to take refuge in Me.... yet always respecting your free will. But because your will itself is decisive there is also the danger that you will direct it wrongly, that you will strive for something else and thus delay your return to Me. For My adversary likewise tries to determine your will, even though he cannot forcefully influence you. He always presents you with other aims which you should pursue in order to distract you from the only right aim.... But you will hardly reach your aim by detours. Your time on earth as a human being will pass quickly, you are only granted a short period of time during which you can achieve the final unification with Me, and as soon as you don't use this short time wisely it will be lost for you. Through Jesus Christ the path has been

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clearly shown to you humans where you can attain complete unification with Me; you only need to take the path of following Jesus in order to safely reach Me, yet you must consciously travel this path, you must stretch out your hands towards Me so that I can grasp you.... Hence you must mentally enter into contact with Me through heartfelt prayer and receive the strength from Me through a life of love, which now already proves the entered connection with Me. Only in this way can you reach your aim on earth, only in this way will you fulfil your earthly task, only in this way will you consciously turn your will over to Me and be accepted by Me. Your earthly life is only intended to test your will, which once turned away from Me and towards My adversary and which should now detach itself from him and fully surrender to Me again.... You should enter into direct contact with Me.... Do you understand what I ask of you? That I alone want to fill your **heart**, that you should prepare it for Me alone, that I want to be your lord and king, that I cannot tolerate any foreign gods next to Me to whom you turn your thoughts, because then they will always stand in the way of a complete union with Me, for I want to possess your undivided love, your undivided heart and your will. Once you were supposed to decide between Me and My adversary, but you followed him in blind love and left Me. So you should now leave everything on earth and follow Me alone.... then you will pass your test of earthly life, you will direct your will correctly and acquire the right to eternal beatitude again. And because your past apostasy from Me was due to the fact that you were unable to see Me, because I wanted to make the path of return to Me easy for you, I Myself became visible to you in Jesus Christ, so that you should now love Him and strive towards Him and thereby profess Me, Who embodied Myself in Jesus Christ in order to be a visible God for you humans, to Whom you can now give all your love and acquire His love, Who wants to receive you into His kingdom in order to prepare eternal bliss for you, which you can only enjoy in complete union with Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Decision of the will, ability to think.... voice of conscience....

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November 19th 1962

'he stage of ego-consciousness is the last stretch for you on the path to perfection, which you, who L possess free will, can reach.... but you can also ruin it again for a long time if you use your will wrongly again. At this stage of ego-consciousness, when you walk the earth as a human being.... you are gifted with intellect, i.e. your ability to think allows you to deal with everything you experience.... And through your thinking you now enter into contact with spiritual forces which try to determine your souls to want and think in the same direction as they do.... And since negative and positive forces fight for your soul, both kinds of forces will therefore also try their hand at you, they will transfer their will to you, i.e. they will interfere with your thinking and try to win your will. And thus you must know that you bear responsibility for your earthly life, for your existence as a human being was given to you for the purpose of moving your thoughts in God-ordained order, and you are also able to do so, for you are urged from within to think and want correctly by the voice of conscience.... A small admonisher and warner is within you which lets you recognise good and evil and which always tries to determine you towards the good.... The slightest devotion to good also results in the activation of good forces, so that your thoughts are also pushed in the right direction..... And furthermore, God will ensure that His word is made accessible to you, that you become acquainted with the commandments of love for God and your neighbour, that you are given knowledge, even if it is only slight at first, about your God and your neighbour. about your God and creator.... And it is up to you to find the right attitude towards Him, to follow the influence of the positive forces which will always direct your thoughts towards God and the spiritual kingdom.... At the same time God's adversary will also try to gain influence over you by sending negative thoughts, and you yourselves, i.e. your will.... will now decide whom you listen to. But you have been given the ability to think by God because you should decide for yourselves and because you create your own fate for eternity through your decision of will. Your 'I' will one day have to answer for itself, for this 'I' is the soul.... the once fallen original spirit.... which, as a human being, certainly has the ability to make the right decision.... otherwise no

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responsibility could be demanded of it.... But since this soul initially emerged as a divine creature from God's love, it is also of such a nature that it can accomplish the return to God because it is helped in every way.... But it decides for itself whether it wants to do so, and it must also answer for this. For even if the opposing spirit also fights for its will, it cannot force it. But God has equipped the human being in such a way that he can practise love..... And love also guarantees him a right decision of will, and the good forces in the spiritual kingdom constantly contribute to this and convey knowledge to the human being which proves (reveals) the effect of a life of love to him and only the human being's will needs to decide, but it is free and neither God nor His adversary will force it. And therefore the stage as a human being is extremely significant for the soul's fate in the spiritual kingdom, which it will enter after the death of the body.... For the soul will be like the human being's decision on earth: Turning towards God or belonging to His adversary.... And thus it will be considered by God or by His adversary. Time and again earthly life will offer it the opportunity to direct its will in this or that direction. If it listens to the inner voice then its will and thinking will be right, for God makes Himself known to every person through this inner voice, and anyone who pays attention to this voice will also reach his goal, he will soon unite with God Himself and consciously appeal to Him for His guidance, and then he can also be certain of his goal, then the positive forces will always prevail and displace everything that wants to have an unfavourable effect on the soul. The I-conscious, the human being, must conclude of its own accord that it originated from an I-conscious being, which stands in highest perfection, and seek to unite with this being through thoughts and through love-consciousness. Then it is guaranteed to reach its goal, the permanent union with God for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Conscious turning of the will towards God....

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give you what you need for your pilgrimage on this earth, so that you can cover it successfully and Lyour soul can reach maturity. For I alone know what its nature is and what you need for its perfection. Nevertheless, your free will cannot be ignored, and thus it has to accept and make use of My grace. The fact that you humans possess free will is very often doubted because the human being himself is unable to shape his earthly life according to his will and therefore denies the freedom of will. And time and again it has to be explained to you that your will is not forcibly influenced, even if the possibility of execution is not present, yet you will always determine your will and thinking yourselves, and the innermost will and thinking cannot be prescribed to you from any side. And you must answer for this willing and thinking. And if this will is seriously directed towards Me and the attainment of your soul's maturity then you can also be certain that you will achieve it, and then you will also accept My gifts of grace and use them correctly, and your perfection will be assured. How your earthly life will turn out is certainly determined by My will, Who recognizes which situation in life will result in the greatest success for you. And I will always intervene in your earthly life according to your direction of will, in the realization that help must be brought to you if you are inclined to take the wrong path.... But there is a very certain way for you to safely ascend: if you completely subordinate your will to Mine, if you therefore acknowledge Me Myself as the power Which brought you into being and are willing to completely subordinate yourselves to this power, if you completely surrender your own free will to Me and then can no longer think and want differently than it is My will, and then your life's destiny will also move on a calmer course. But then you will also accept My gifts of grace and know that they will only be a blessing for you. You will want Me to feed and water you with the bread of heaven, with the water of life, for you desire the right food and the right drink because you still feel ill and weak as long as you don't receive the right nourishment for your soul from Me. And if your will no longer resists it you will let yourselves be illuminated by Me again as you once were, and a light will ignite in you, you will gain knowledge, your spiritual poverty will disappear, you will gather spiritual possessions and your soul will become strong and healthy,

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because the right physician will give it the right medicine and thus you will have to mature and fulfil the purpose on earth.... You receive My word and will now also become doers of My word and not just remain hearers.... you will endeavour to live a life of love according to My will, for My word announces My will to you, and as soon as you completely hand yourselves over to Me you also completely enter into My will.... You will again insert yourselves into My law of order, you make the principle of love your own, and you now accomplish the change of being.... you become what you were from the beginning and return to Me as My children in free will.... And thus your purpose of existence as a human being truly only consists of giving Me your will, of inwardly professing Me, of distancing yourselves from My adversary who also wants to gain your will for himself during your earthly existence.... But it is entirely up to you who you choose, he cannot force you and I will not force you.... you must choose for yourselves the lord to whom you want to belong.... Time and again I can only try to influence you through life situations or strokes of fate to take the path to the One from Whom you once originated, and I truly help you time and again to learn to think correctly, I send My messengers of light towards you who also try to influence your will without, however, forcing it.... Only the voluntary return to Me will earn you eternal life in eternity, and the purpose of your earthly existence is solely the turning of your will towards Me.... And therefore I will also reveal Myself to you humans time and again in the most diverse ways, for as soon as you recognize a God and creator above you Who called you into being, you will also give up your inner resistance which kept you separated from Me for an infinitely long time.... For then I will already be able to illuminate you with My strength of love so that you will now also recognize Me as father and come to Me like children, because you are inwardly urged to unite with Me in order to stay with Me forever, in order to live in bliss....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Total dedication and complete submission of will....

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ou shoulder great responsibility during your earthly progress, the burden of which, however, you Lean place upon Me if you decide to hand yourselves over to Me with all your strength and soul. In that case you will be free from every responsibility in the knowledge that I will guide you, for I will direct your every step such that you will inevitably end up with Me, that you therefore quite freely subordinate your will to Mine and have thereby passed the test of will, which is the sole purpose and goal of your earthly life. Completely entering into My will relieves you from all responsibility, for then you will only be able to live according to My will, your actions will be good and righteous, you will voluntarily fulfil the commandments of love for Me and your neighbour, the adversary will no longer be able to harm you and your earthly path will proceed entirely according to My will so that there will be no danger that you can travel it unsuccessfully. Just place yourselves totally into My hands and through your dedication you will become My Own completely, then you will no longer have to fear the world, earthly matter will leave you unaffected, you will only use it according to My will by causing it to be of service to you and at the same time providing it with the opportunity of advancement.... You should all take this simple path, the path of devotion to Me, for then I will always be prepared to release the chains, for as soon as you hand yourselves over to Me with complete faith and love Jesus Christ's act of Salvation will be understandable to you and you will take the path to Him, thereby recognising Me Myself as your God and Creator, as the Redeemer from all bondage. You need never fear becoming subject to My adversary again, for his control over you will be broken from the moment of your total dedication to Me, your decision will have been in My favour, you will turn away from him and quite deliberately strive towards Me.

From this time on the adversary will no longer be able to deprive Me of My entitlement to you, all your love will belong to Me, and this and My love will never ever be parted again. If you take this path on earth to Me, if you know that you call upon your God and Father in Jesus, Who sacrificed Himself for you on the cross in order to redeem your past sin.... and if you are subsequently released

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from the adversary, then you have taken the right decision, you have accepted the emanation of love again without which blissful happiness cannot exist. And your fate will be far more glorious than before, when you indeed emerged from Me in supreme perfection but nevertheless were My creations, whereas now you have matured into My children, which I was unable to create, I was merely able to give you all the abilities to achieve this of your own accord.... And I would like to make it easy for you and merely need your total dedication to Me, then I will even out your every step so that you no longer need to bear responsibility, so that you only ever need to think and act as I make you feel in your heart, and then you will be happy because I Myself guide you and direct your thoughts. In that case you certainly act of your own free will but this will very clearly subordinates itself to Me and thus you can only want and act correctly. For the second time you will have come forth from My hand but in a way that you wanted yourselves and your free will helped to become that which could not emerge from Me in the beginning. Bliss on both your part and mine will constantly increase, for you will be offered splendours in My kingdom which you would never have dreamt of, for 'eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which I have prepared for them that love Me....'

Amen

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Lawfulness.... God-ordained order.... perfection....

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hat is visible to man bears witness to a certain regularity, which he takes for granted because he knows no other way. The coming into being and passing away of all things can therefore already be fathomed in its various phases, i.e., the human being knows about every process, about the development and evolution of all things that are visible to him as soon as he pays attention to them. This regularity therefore makes research easier for people, because they can draw conclusions from it and build their knowledge on these again. But men only penetrate into the laws of nature, they only investigate that it is so, but not why it is so. Although they regard the natural consequence as the purpose or goal of the cause, they do not realize that both the cause and the purpose of every lawfulness can only be sought and found spiritually, that spiritual development determines the lawfulness of everything natural. And spiritual life also unfolds in a certain regularity, i.e., there is only one will in the spiritual kingdom, and according to this will the spiritual work takes place in the whole universe, in the earthly and in the spiritual kingdom. And since this will is paired with unsurpassable wisdom, it must also be constant, i.e. it cannot constantly change because that would not be in harmony with God's unsurpassable wisdom. And that is why also in the spiritual kingdom the constant higher development is subject to a certain regularity, and that this is to be understood purely spiritually, that everything takes place in a God-willed order and the spiritual kingdom is therefore the epitome of perfection, as soon as the spiritual subordinates itself to this order, thus has made the will of God its own. Earthly creation is an idea of God that has become a form, which is to introduce the imperfect spiritual into the divine order; it has to go the course through all works of creation, therefore has to fit into the divine order, because it cannot overturn the lawfulness of nature, just as man as such cannot achieve this, even if he accomplishes works of destruction, which are an offence against the divine order, against the will of God. But he is not able to overturn or abolish the laws of nature. In the spiritual kingdom the spiritual can likewise exclude itself from the divine order through its rebelliousness, thus it can also remain apart from God in its own will. But then it will never be perfect, therefore never be able to belong to the spiritual kingdom, which means bliss and fullest harmony, because divine will and divine order govern this spiritual kingdom, but it will separate itself and yet again be forced by divine will to cover a further path of development in a certain regularity until it finally still voluntarily joins the divine order. The creations of nature on earth provide the best proof that everything that rebels against the divine law of nature must perish. The laws of nature are inexorable, and where they are not observed, death and dissolution are usually the result.... And this is because the human being also realizes that nothing is arbitrary but that there is a will above everything which expresses itself in every work of creation, i.e. in its lawfulness, and which must be respected.... And that this lawfulness is founded in the deepest wisdom and love of God, because it is, so to speak, the precondition for perfection....

Amen

(Book 33 ends with proclamation 2576,

Book 34 comprises the proclamations 2733 - 2746,

Book 35/36 comprises the proclamations 2747 - 2776,

Book 37 begins with proclamation 2777.

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You must move completely in divine order, then you are again perfect as in the beginning of your being. As long as you still stand outside of this divine order you are defective and cannot join God, Who Himself is highest perfection, from Whom the law of eternal order starts. Everything what does **not** move in this law will be defective; it will turn into the opposite; it will step out of the state of perfection and therefore also be unhappy. But it remains, because everything that has come forth out of God is imperishable. But what contradicts this eternal law?.... Only unkindness, for the principle of divine order is love.... If the being of love departs, then its nature is reversed.... then all qualities come to light which contradict the once divine being and shape it into a distorted image of God.... which now also loses all qualities inherent in a divine creature.... Then the being becomes similar to him who first opposed the law of divine order, who became the antithesis of God, who has all unpleasant qualities in himself and therefore is also to be addressed as opponent of God. The original element of God is love. All beings have emerged from Him and therefore likewise have love in themselves.... But since eternal love does not force, but leaves freedom to all created beingness, the being itself could also oppose the law of eternal order.... it could think and want in the opposite way, which means as much as that it could step out of the circuit of divine love and changed itself into a being which stood outside of divine order.... It did this, it became loveless, because it no longer accepted the divine love illumination.... It became a completely different being than it had originally emerged from God.... And as long as it therefore moves outside of divine order it is distant from God and unhappy.... But it can change again at any time to the former perfect being, which it originally was. But this always requires a voluntary submission to the divine law.... it requires a completely changed thinking and wanting.... it requires a change of love in free will. Then the being again incorporates itself into the law of divine order and can again approach God and finally merge completely with Him. But the approach to God, the union with Him alone is happiness; what is away from God is unhappy, because love alone gives happiness and bliss. Without love on the other hand the being moves in an unhappy state, exactly because it is **outside** of divine order. But love is free, it cannot be forced from a being, yet every being has a divine spark of love within itself as soon as it walks across earth as a human being for the purpose of final testing.... And this spark of love makes it possible that the human being can completely change into love again if he wants it.... All beingness must voluntarily enter the state of perfection, for this also belongs to the law of divine order, because only that is valued to which man decides in free will.... And love remains supreme law and will remain so until all eternity.... Bliss is guaranteed through love alone, because lack of love is not part of God but belongs to His adversary, who stepped out of the eternal order and will also remain in his loveless state for eternal times, but that is why also all wretchedness starts from him. Everything is done from God to lead His creatures to perfection, what however presupposes the voluntary return to Him, which only love brings about. Again and again men are told.... those beings which once stepped out of order.... love is preached to people and God's will is announced to them so that they can accomplish the change to love of their own free will. But then he also safely reaches highest happiness, because he has entered divine will and now also again dwells in the love-current-circle.... that he is continuously flowed through by lovepower and can create and work in happiness.... But without love this happiness can never be expected because without love the being is property of the opponent of God; without love it is in the defence of the divine love power current; it is darkened and powerless and therefore also unhappy because it is far from God. And its state will remain so, and if it lasts eternities, because God cannot and will not depart from the law of eternal order, because He Himself is most perfect and also all beings must be perfect to be able to unite with Him to eternal happiness....

Amen

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Love in just measure....

January 26th 1961

, too, am bound by the law of eternal order. My being is perfect, and thus all qualities must be in Me in the highest perfection, and this is the law of eternal order. A deviation from it would be equal to a state of deficiency, a reduction of perfection, which is completely unthinkable in My nature. Therefore I have to look at everything from this most perfect being of Mine, and I Myself could never deviate from what applies as the law of eternal order. And this is: Love in just measure.... Hence I cannot, out of 'love', bestow beatitude upon My living creations which have degraded themselves, because then the just measure would be exceeded and I would violate My law of order, which, however, is impossible in view of My perfection. My love is truly so great that it would like to make all My creatures happy without limit. Yet the perfection of My nature also sets limits to My love and restrains its effect, otherwise love could also cause harm, because everything has to take effect according to law. And My law of order will always remain the same, it will never change because it is based on My supremely perfect nature. And thus you humans must regard everything as testifying to supreme wisdom and love, even if you yourselves are unable to recognize it in the events which affect yourselves or your fellow human beings, for everything is based on the law of eternal order.... Nothing wrong can be done on My part, and even permissions only testify to My love and wisdom once their effects are recognized, which have rescinded a violation of the eternal order.... And thus a state of suffering on earth can also be regarded as a proof of love on My part, Who wants to help you but observes the law of eternal order, that love must have a just measure in order to testify to My supremely perfect nature. For I am also bound by the law of order, or also: This law emerged from My perfection which can never change. You humans don't know all correlations and therefore you often only judge purely humanly, whereas wonderful solutions will arise in the spiritual world once you have entered it and then you will look back with gratitude on your earthly life, the course of which has sometimes been incomprehensible to you.... But then you will no longer be able to doubt one thing: My immense love.... and then you will also know yourselves that the law of divine order can only be based on this love. And thus I was never able to redeem the original sin out of My love, but My justice also had to be atoned for, otherwise love would **not** have expressed itself in a just measure.... All qualities are anchored in highest perfection with My nature, and they cannot be arbitrarily switched off if love wants to show itself unusually. This love also has its law within itself, and in order not to violate the law the man Jesus fulfilled the 'law'.... by paying tribute to justice and redeeming the great guilt through His death on the cross. And I accepted this substitutionary atonement because My infinite love was able to participate in it without violating the law.... It was love which now redeemed the guilt, for a being of light offered Himself to walk the earth in a human being and to serve the eternal love as an abode.... And this human being made atonement through immense suffering and torment, and the law was fulfilled, the eternal order was observed. I gave nothing of My perfection, and the souls redeemed through the death of the cross will one day recognize in the spiritual kingdom the immeasurable love I have for My living creations and that this love will never act against the law of divine order because this is impossible....

Amen

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Effectiveness of power according to divine order....

B.D. No. 6964

November 9th 1957

You came forth from My strength, and all strength which emanates from Me flows back to Me again. And thus you cannot remain distant from Me forever, you will irrevocably take the path of return, even if this requires a long time, because it is an irrevocable law that the strength emanating from Me will return to Me again. But in what period of time this happens is not determined, because it depends on how long the strength remains **ineffective**.... which therefore means long distance from Me. And the ineffectiveness is caused by the free will of the beings which originated from Me, but just as free will also has to cancel the ineffectiveness, but then the now again **active** strength will also

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strive towards Me. Now you yourselves are this beingness which emerged from Me, which abused its free will and thus you yourselves.... as radiated power.... as it were, into something dead, which could no longer work, which became incapable of activity. But according to My law of eternal order this strength must one day become active again. And therefore I transformed this frozen strength.... yourselves.... into creations of a different kind.... to creations in which the strength could not work arbitrarily but had to submit to My law of eternal order again.... while I allowed the once emanated essence to work completely freely. Thus the strength which was now bound in the works of creation had to become active again, and at first only very minimally but always increasingly testifying to its effectiveness. This made the return to Me possible. But it is not enough for Me that the strength merely works according to My will, I want the once created being to work according to its own will, but that this will urges the being to unite with Me again in order to now be able to create and work without limitation for its own happiness. And that is why I withdraw My will again at a certain stage, and that is when the once fragmented forces have united again through the course of creation and the being which once came forth from Me can be placed into the state of free will, in which it is now to prove to itself which direction free will now takes. The cycle of strength once emanated by Me is now almost complete, the being can reach Me again in a very short time.... But the cycle can now also be interrupted again, the being can prevent its strength from being effective again if it steps out of My eternal order and re-establishes the state where it is in inner resistance to Me and thereby also causes the effectiveness of the strength from Me to falter again.... because My divine emanation can only work in lawful order, in union with Me, through constant influx from My eternal original source. Any distance from Me reduces the effect of strength and delays the return of strength to Me.... But the fact that every strength will return to Me again one day is likewise a law of divine order, only it is not insignificant how long the strength remains distant from Me.... It is therefore not insignificant because the beingness once emanated by Me is also unhappy as long as it is isolated from Me. And this isolation has to be lifted by the being itself, namely when it has overcome the deepest depths through My love and grace and is in possession of free will again in the stage as a human being. For I do not fetch the beings back for Me by force, I only help them to overcome the greatest distance from Me.... but then it must strive towards the place of origin again in complete free will. The being as a human being must seek unification with Me, its God and father, the once emanated strength must flow back to the original source of strength.... The union must take place, which will then bring unlimited bliss to the being, which will never end again....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Divine order.... disorder - chaos human will....

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And it is divine law that in the course of time of a redemption epoch everything develops upwards until the last stage, which the spiritual embodies as a human being. Consequently, in all preliminary stages there can be no disorder, no chaos and no destruction due to divine will, but everything unfolds in a regularity, both the coming into being and the passing away of the works of creation as such as well as the activity of the living beings on earth, which have not yet reached the last stage where the being can act in free will and therefore also disregard divine law, which, however, always means disorder, chaos and disintegration. But as soon as the divine law is circumvented, as soon as the divine order is overturned, an ascent development is switched off. And that is why the embodiment as a human being is often a standstill or decline of the upward development, because now no longer the will of God but the will of the human being himself is determining. Yet the human being's free will also belongs to divine law, for the lack of freedom of the human will would also be a deficiency at the same time which would overturn divine order.... If there is chaos on earth, if there is decay, then human will has always been active and caused it. Such chaos can never be regarded as God's work, because all destruction interrupts the spiritual's course of development in the previous stages. It is different, however, when the destruction of divine creations is the result of natural

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disasters, i.e. the result of a process which is not set in motion by human beings but which takes place completely independently of human will. Then these destructions are not to be regarded spiritually as destructions but as a transformation and renewal of creations which again serve the spiritual for upward development. Before the eyes of men it is indeed a work of destruction but it also has its reason in the will of man, i.e., that the spiritual standstill of man's decline makes such a process necessary in order to change the will of them. What God does is always based on His love and never contradicts divine order, yet if people too obviously overturn this order God comes up trumps by proving to them the weakness of their own will, which cannot stop what God sends upon people. The purpose of His seeming work of destruction is that the human being adapts to the divine order again, that he learns to recognize that only that which takes place in divine lawfulness and is followed by the human being is good, and that every act of contravention prevents upward development, thus life as a human being remains unsuccessful as a result.... Only that which moves in divine order ascends, and therefore God's law must inevitably be fulfilled, the human being must adapt himself to it, heed it and thus fully and completely insert himself into the law of order, and that of his own free will. Then he will also ascend upwards, and at the end of his life on earth he can leave his form in order to enter the spiritual kingdom as a free powerful spiritual being, because he has fully subordinated himself to divine law and this now signifies an activity in the spiritual kingdom in God-like will.... an activity in love and bliss....

Amen

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Insertion into the divine order

Insertion into the law of divine order....

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

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Life in divine order - ordered life....

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As soon as the divine order is observed, as soon as the human being lives in accordance with divine will, his earthly life will also be an orderly one, and therefore an improvement of living conditions can only occur if people make an effort to observe this divine order, otherwise God will constantly use means to lead them to it and this will mean earthly hardship and tribulation. So people

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themselves are the originators of earthly adversity, even if they seem to be uninvolved in it. They are the originators due to their God-opposing attitude, due to their disregard for the divine commandments and thus their complete disregard for their task in life. And as long as people do not recognize this, the condition on earth will also remain unbearable, despite an apparent improvement of living conditions. For the human being makes every condition more or less bearable for himself through his attitude towards God. And thus people in the midst of greatest disorder and most difficult living conditions cannot feel them so harshly because they work on themselves and strive to enter divine order, just as, on the other hand, people are harshly and sensitively affected by hardship and misery because they live completely outside of divine order, or they also live in the prosperity of the body if they make use of the strength of God's adversary, i.e. completely devote themselves to him, carry out his will and thus are willing servants to him, for which they also receive the reward from below. These are not to be envied, and the person who finds himself in adversity and misery should not wish for their fate but draw the right benefit for his soul from the adversity by working on himself in order to do justice to divine will, then he will also feel relief from the adversity and at the same time mature his soul. And if the coming time brings an apparent improvement, people will recognize by it that they belong to God's adversary, that prosperity is always to be found where people are far from God, thus servants of satan. And therefore they should humbly take the hardship upon themselves, and every person should strive for improvement by working on himself.... Then the reward will not fail to materialize, earthly life will be bearable for the individual, although the whole of humanity will still be affected. Only a life in divine order also results in an orderly earthly life, for God does not leave in adversity and misery those who strive to fulfil His will, and He especially takes care of all those who commend themselves to Him and His grace in times of earthly adversity, who strive to improve the state of their soul and therefore always try to fulfil the commandment of love. For they strive for divine order and can be certain of God's help at all times....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Life in divine order in free will as a human being....

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n ascent development of the spiritual can only take place when it moves in divine order. Therefore, as long as the spiritual is bound in the works of creation it cannot but move in divine order, for it performs all its accomplishments in the law of compulsion according to God's will and thus, as it were, matures until it enters the stage as a human being where it is no longer determined by divine will but is to live in free will in divine order. Maturing therefore now depends on the human being's will, which can just as well be completely unlawful, so that the human being lives outside of divine order. And to live outside of divine order means to walk on earth completely without love.... Then the hitherto attained degree of maturity of the human being's soul.... is endangered, for it can now sink into the depth from which it has worked its way up in endless time through services it had to perform in the bound state.... It can also run the risk of having to take the endlessly long path of development once again if free will fails in the stage as a human being, if it is completely opposed to divine will. The human being has an advantage over the bound spiritual because he can reach the highest stage of development.... Therefore he bears great responsibility for this time, for he alone determines the degree of maturity which earthly life will bring him. But this short test of earthly life has to be passed by him because the previous ascent development is a gift of grace from God, because it is not the spiritual being's own merit to have reached the degree which is the prerequisite for embodiment as a human being.... He must now lawfully acquire this gift of grace by doing the same in free will as he had to do in bound will... by serving in love.... It is only an exceedingly short time that he walks on earth as a human being, and so much grace is at his disposal that he can very well live in divine order.... but freedom of will must be granted to him, he cannot necessarily be determined to think and act on earth. For the price he pays for the **right** use of his will is: complete freedom in light and strength.... He has to give up his resistance against God and thereby prove that he has found his

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way back to God, from Whom he had once voluntarily distanced himself. And God will truly grant him every help, He will shower him with grace so that he can muster the willpower.... Yet it is up to him whether he uses the blessings; it is up to him whether he takes the right path, whether he takes the path of love, whether he thus moves in divine order.... And therefore the human being decides his own destiny in his earthly life.... an eternal life in beatitude or a state of bondage, which will always be agonizing for the spiritual being because it completely contradicts the spiritual being's original nature, which was created in light and strength and freedom and can also only be blissfully happy in light and strength and freedom....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Eternal order is love.... Satan's activity....

B.D. No. **6385** October 25th 1955

nly that which corresponds to the principle of love is pleasing to God, and thus only that person whose thinking and actions are determined by love is living within divine order. Keeping within divine order therefore only ever means kind-hearted activity towards other people, which also expresses love for God. But living within divine order will also always result in an orderly earthly life for the person in question himself, although everything around him might have become disordered because the divine order was revoked by his neighbourhood, which thus lives entirely without love. Such a way of life must result in a chaotic state, peace and harmony will never be able to reign where life is lived in opposition to divine order, where love is completely ignored because it is dominated by God's adversary, who is devoid of all love.... And no matter how well people arrange their luxurious life on earth.... it certainly can temporarily obscure the disorder in such people's hearts.... it will not provide them with inner calm and peace, for the more the human being succumbs to the adversary the more he will stoke him up.... And the person will act increasingly more heartless, he will treat his fellow human being increasingly more harshly and with coldness, he might perhaps conceal himself under a mask but his true face can always be recognised. God's order is love.... someone who lives without love is separated from God, and that signifies his alliance to His adversary. Yet he knows how to conceal everything under a veil, he knows how to camouflage the characteristics of a violation against the eternal order, for that reason nothing is obvious so as not to lose his followers.... Instead, he will give everything to those who devoted themselves to him because of their attitude, their unkindness and coldness of heart.... They receive whatever they want but will only ever be able to obtain earthly goods.... which, however, entirely satisfies them.... This explains why the adversary has so many followers, for by and large people try to find earthly fulfilment and get it through unkind thinking and conduct.

Hence the state on earth cannot be any different than it is now, where the human race no longer observes the divine order, where it no longer attaches importance to God's will.... where it completely ignores His commandments of love and where people allow themselves to be used as tools by the adversary. The chaos on earth is steadily increasing and only a few people live according to divine order, only a few people allow the principle of love to reign and unite with God, the eternal Love. And they need not be worried if things happen according to law which are only ever the result of an unlawful way of life. Their unification with God through loving activity will provide them with protection and strength when the time comes for divine order to be re-established again. Then what it means to be close to God will be demonstrated, for satanic force and satanic activity will remain ineffective in the person who has always lived according to divine order, who cultivates love and always remains in contact with the eternal Love.... He will certainly see everything disappear around himself, but he himself is full of strength and light and fortitude.... He knows that he is united with God and waits for his Creator and Father of eternity.... For living his life in divine order made him knowledgeable and therefore he doesn't fear anything that originates from the adversary's realm.... He himself lives in the sphere of divine peace, because his love within excludes everything that is

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contrary to divine order and because he is now protected against all dark forces which still oppose God and the eternal order....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Violation against the divine order.... sin.... confession - B.D. No. 5181 July 31th 1951

The slightest infringement of divine order has the effect of a loss of strength according to divine law, that what moves completely within God's order is full of strength, and he who does not observe His law of order loses it. For the latter is a negative striving which must also have a corresponding effect. But a violation of the divine order can only be called that which is carried out fully consciously, mentally or through actions, which is thus recognized as being contrary to God. Thus 'sin' can also only be called that which is done in full awareness of a wrong; thus man must know about right and wrong and freely do what he recognizes as wrong in order to have committed a sin. This definition is important because forgiveness of sin requires deep repentance, which can only be felt when a person recognizes his sin and a violation of divine order committed in ignorance of guilt is **not** imputed to him as sin. Therefore, confession of guilt is indispensable if the human being wants to be forgiven, and this confession of guilt must be connected with deepest remorse; it must therefore come from the heart and not only be spoken with the mouth, otherwise forgiveness cannot be obtained. Thus offences which do not contravene divine order but which are stamped as sin by people on the basis of humanly decreed laws can certainly be punished by people but they do not belong to the sins for which forgiveness should be requested from God, because God Himself does not regard them as sin and will never impute them to a person as sin either. For a violation of divine order only ever consists of a human being committing an offence against love for God and his neighbour.... Anything done out of love for God and one's neighbour can never violate divine order, just as, conversely, anything that contravenes the commandment of love cannot be within divine order, because love is the fundamental law and divine order is built upon it. Therefore, if the term 'sin' is unclear to you, always apply the standard to it..... A sin must be atoned for if the person is not forgiven, but therefore it must be recognized as sin and detested in order to find forgiveness, and therefore the human being must also know what is meant by sin, he must know if and when he has transgressed against the love for God, if and when he has sinned against his neighbour. And he must carry these sins to Jesus Christ and sincerely ask Him to forgive him for the sake of His blood.... Then he will find forgiveness, then he will be free from his guilt....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Violation of eternal order.... fulfilment of predictions - last judgement....

B.D. No. **4991** October 31th 1950

The end will come irrevocably and with it the last judgment.... For in My wisdom I recognized people's will from eternity and their behaviour which corresponds to this will but which does not show any upward striving. My law of eternity, however, demands a constant upward development, and all events on earth and in the entire universe are adapted to this law. If a constant infringement of My law of order is recognizable, then this will have the effect of restoring the old order, but in such a way that everything contrary to the law will pass away, thus also material creations which are not used according to the eternal order will dissolve in order to be incorporated into the order again in a different form. Thus people who have stepped out of order are also placed into the state which corresponds to My eternal order again, i.e. the spiritual substance in the human being takes on the external form which corresponds to its degree of maturity; thus it loses its existence as a human being and is banished again into an external form which had long since been overcome.... It is now undoubtedly certain that the human being completely misjudges his purpose of existence, that he only

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pays attention to his earthly life and no longer submits to My primal law of eternity, the law of love. The earth, which is only meant to serve as a maturing station for the spiritual substance, completely fails in its purpose and therefore can no longer continue to exist in its old form, because then it will move entirely contrary to law in the universe, in which all creations have their destiny assigned by Me and also comply with it. For the earth will now only be used to develop backwards, and thus its inhabitants will, so to speak, play into My adversary's hands. Only the will of the latter is still observed on earth, while My will remains unheeded or is totally disregarded. If people would turn, if they would make an effort to learn the truth and then turn to Me with the request for help to ascend, I would truly not destroy the earth but let people experience My greater than great love and mercy, I would neither let an end nor a last judgment come, for a good will and serious striving towards Me could achieve everything, even the lifting of an act which has been intended by Me since eternity. I would do it and only ever help you humans to reach the aim. But this will is no longer to be found with people, and therefore My plan of eternity has to come to pass, My announcements through seers and prophets, who foresaw the end, have to be fulfilled, precisely because they also foresaw where people are heading. And only My overwhelming patience has still saved the earth from this fate, because I still want to give all those the opportunity for a change of will whose hearts I recognize and to whom I want to be merciful. But the number of them will become smaller and smaller, and not long after that only two camps will be clearly recognizable, and the flock of My own will be so small that the end can already be recognized, for if only devils still animate the world it will have completely left its lawful order, just like the people on it, and there can only be an end to that which is visible to people as earthly creation, just as people themselves must be destroyed who misused their last maturing station and thus sinned again against the fundamental law of eternal order, against love.... This announcement will irrevocably come to pass, for people will no longer be of better will, they constantly strive downwards and also try to drag down everything turned towards Me. But I will prevent this, for I will let the earth arise anew again and people on it will live in order again, which is and remains the supreme law from eternity; they will live in love again and be My children in truth....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Stepping out of the eternal order requires the dissolution of creation....

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Ou humans have to introduce a completely new order of life, for you have deviated so far from Let the law of eternal order that not only a small change in your way of life is required but you have to seriously consider yourselves and voluntarily bow down again to the law I have given you.... under the law of love, without which no order can exist. Ask yourselves to what extent you fulfil this law and your answer will not be very satisfactory. But then nothing can last, because without love everything is anti-divine and necessitates a dissolution of the created, which in this anti-divine state has stepped out of the eternal order and has entered a sloping path which inevitably leads to the depth. Only that which moves in My order from eternity can be constant.... But your being is all the more called into question the more obviously you violate the eternal order. And even if the ground you stand on appears to be firm because you feel earthly secure and believe to have power, it will shake, and that very soon.... You must change yourselves completely so that you stand spiritually on solid ground which is unshakeable. Love must permeate you, then, by fulfilling the law, you will also assimilate yourselves to Me as the lawgiver, Who, out of love, has also ordered everything according to law and love therefore necessitates the highest order. How much happier you humans would already live on earth if you wanted to fulfil My law of love.... harmonious, peaceful thinking, constantly helpful actions and happy coexistence with your fellow human beings would already make your life on earth blissful, precisely because you subject yourselves to the eternal law of order which is based on My love. Yet precisely the opposite characterizes your unlawful attitude, and this inevitably leads to ruin. For love builds up, unkindness tears down.... Love is a guarantee for constant existence, unkindness results in transience until entering into the eternal order proves a change which the spirit has to

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accomplish if it wants to live in eternity. Therefore, leaving the eternal order must result in dreadful things because it also means a complete removal from Me and therefore irrevocably the hardening of spiritual substance.... and, because My law of order can never be eliminated, earthly creations must be dissolved in order to banish this hardened spiritual substance into **new** creations again.... Either a complete change of humanity has to take place shortly or a change of creation, so that the eternal order is restored in which you humans absolutely have to live if you want to reach your aim, the union with Me and an eternal life....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's grace to come into divine order....

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n abundance of divine grace flows down to you if you devote yourselves to God; if you want to be united with Him, if you strive to gain God's pleasure.... You can be certain that His grace will take hold of you as soon as you are serious about living on earth according to your purpose.... as soon as you strive to come closer to Him. And His grace is the guarantee for the one who accepts it that he will reach his aim. For what you humans are too weak to do will be easy for you with His grace.... Grace is every aid for spiritual ascent, grace is a divine gift which places you into a state which you did not deserve because you once voluntarily turned away from God.... But whose help you need in order to be able to do that which leads you to Him again... (5.6.1954) in order to live a life in godly order. Without His help, His grace, you are truly too weak to enter this order, for your desire is directed downwards, your nature is such that you prefer to remain outside of divine order, that you are therefore also distant from Him, but Whose nearness would provide you with endless happiness and fill you with bliss.... And you shall come close to Him again, you shall become again what you were in the beginning.... you shall live in divine order again in order to also be free from all weakness and darkness. This is God's will, and therefore He will support you again and again with His grace and love, He will never leave you to your own devices but shower you with blessings.... yet always leave it up to you whether and how you want to use them. But anyone who seriously strives towards Him, who recognizes his task in earthly life and desires to enter divine order again, will truly not remain powerless.... For God's overwhelming love takes hold of him and pulls him up.... God's strength fills him and the ascent becomes easy for him....

Amen

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God restores His order in the end times

End of the world conflagration.... Establishing divine order....

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t is impossible to restore worldly order again as long as people are full of hatred and envy, for these are God-opposing qualities which will have to destroy all order, since anything that is opposed to God is also in opposition to divine order. And this is a state of extreme heartlessness which will never manifest itself constructively but will always have a destructive effect. Understandably, a destructive state like that cannot go on indefinitely, and therefore God Himself will call a halt to it in a way which, admittedly, will also result in enormous disorder, but in which God's wisdom is nevertheless recognised as the only means to restore order again. Humanity itself will make no attempt to end a battle which causes suffering and boundless misery across the whole world. Consequently, it must be ended in a different way; nevertheless, it will not reduce the suffering on earth because it is needed by the human race. People must return to the old order, they must learn again to forego their neighbour's possessions, which they aspire to own and for which they fight with the most appalling weapons. Their addiction to earthly commodities will cause the world conflagration, which will be difficult to extinguish.... Yet people will not achieve any earthly gain, on the contrary, they will incur immense losses, the extent of which humanity has no knowledge of. For every victory will have been bought at the expense of indescribable losses, both in regards to material assets as well as to human life. However, humanity has become insensitive to such losses, it ignores what human will has caused, and thus, divine will itself shall intervene in order to forcibly initiate a change of world events.... because people's thinking can only be turned around when they feel that they are helpless, that a stronger Power than themselves takes the control out of their hands and utterly shatters their will. The spiritual darkness they are in is the cause of their heartless actions, whereas their heartlessness is the cause of darkness again.... They must realise in a flash that their thinking is wrong, that they are chasing after the wrong goals and that they will come to a deadlock if they don't return to divine order and radically change their way of life. The divine intervention is intended to cause this flash of realisation, even though they are still far removed from believing in a higher Power, Which controls their destiny.... Nevertheless, they can only attain faith through deliberation, and their thinking shall be stimulated when they see that everything turns out differently than it was humanly possible to foresee. The spiritual as well as earthly chaos conjured up by human determination would, without God's intervention, increase and lead to final destruction, because humanity no longer respects divine order, apart from a few who are devoted to God and strive to fulfil His will. But they do not arrest the process of development, they are merely the cause for intensified measures against divine order; and the time has come when humanity subjects itself to God's adversary and their thoughts and actions become increasingly uncaring. God's intervention will entail inexpressible suffering and destitution but it is the only option to lead people back to divine order and to change their spiritual state, although this will only be the case with a small amount of people. And therefore the time of the final annihilation of those who are inconvertible is coming ever closer, as is proclaimed in Word and Scripture....

Amen

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n event is in the making which was planned from the very beginning, which is based on God's will and will be caused by human will, but without the knowledge of the consequences of what people have devised. The point in time is coming ever closer when forces, which were set free through human will, will unite and, in unison, accomplish something with God's permission, Who carefully weighs up cause and effect and will support the spiritually immature forces when they come under pressure by human actions. Nothing in the universe happens without God's will or permission. As soon as the higher development of the spirits in the works of creation is prevented, God will give these spirits the right and the strength to defend themselves, and this will happen in a way that inconceivably powerful forces will begin to develop and rage by destroying the most solid matter and create chaos in order to avenge themselves for their interrupted process of development. What will take place inside the Earth as a result of destructions and annihilations through human will, shall very shortly become evident, for the eruptions which are inexorably in the making will break out with such force that people cannot possibly imagine it as yet. Any violation of the divine order is to the detriment of the human race and the earthly creations, because the purpose of God's law is the preservation or orderly development of what He has created. If this law is counteracted, it will result in a dissolution or termination of that which was created, yet to the horror of those who do not respect the divine law to those humans who, being distant from God, no longer value anything that had emerged from the divine order. And people have reached such a low degree of maturity that they abandon themselves to the powers of darkness and comply with whatever these demand of them. They destroy creations in their blind hatred against their neighbour, and even the still banished spiritual substance is outraged, because it does not consider the unlawful liberation from its form a relief and so rages and runs riot in its freedom. Human will penetrates deep into the realm of the spiritual substance which is still at the beginning of its development, and this will take revenge. It is an act of huge spiritual turmoil which only seldom is permitted by God to the extent it will manifest itself. The activity of these forces will only last for a short time, yet it will cause inconceivable damage. God will banish the spiritual substance again which had liberated itself and thus prevent it from further raging and running wild. Nevertheless, He will grant it its freedom for as long as it is necessary to motivate the survivors to change their way of thinking. For it is the purpose of God's permitted work of destruction that they will recognise the sin of their violation against the divine order and try to improve themselves For everything that will happen is merely a means to regain the spiritual beings which strive away from Him, it is an admonition and indicator to God's omnipotence and, although not recognised, a confirmation of divine love, which wants to help those people who have gone astray in the deepest depths of vice and wickedness.

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Establishing divine order....

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And I will purify the world, I will restore order, I will separate people from each other when the last day has come.... I want an earth to arise again where everything is in divine order, so that it may again serve the perfection of the spiritual, as is its destiny.... I want peace to reign one day, that paradise is opened up again to people who live in My will.... I want satan to have no more power over people and therefore I put him in chains, I strip him of all power and strength by also banishing his followers, without whom he is powerless for a long time. Although I was patient for a long time and did not stop him in his activity and rage against Me, one day the hour will come when I will put a stop to it and oppose it with My might and My will.... And then a new time will begin, a time of peace and order, a time of bliss and divine harmony for all people inhabiting the new earth.... and a time of rapid upward development for the spiritual bound in the creations. And during this time I Myself will obviously enter into contact with My own, I Myself will dwell amongst them and release increased

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bliss where the hearts beat towards Me in love.... Peace will dwell in people's hearts, peace will be amongst My own and nothing will be able to oppress them and rob them of their peace.... A new world will arise, full of light and love, where My love, power and glory will be revealed in every way.... The world has to be renewed, it has to be cleansed because in the end only sin and death rule it and thus it has become satan's abode, because all spiritual ascent on it has become impossible, which is against My order of eternity. A school of the spirit must be created again where it is **possible** for My earthly children to successfully complete their path of development. Human will has caused the greatest confusion and distorted everything, human will has disregarded My law of eternity and blindly raged to the detriment of every creature, to the detriment of the spiritual which is still bound.... And all this has to be put right if I want to come to the aid of this spiritual substance which is in a state of compulsion and for which people make further development difficult or completely impossible. A turning point must occur, a judging and reshaping.... The last judgement is inevitable, for it only serves as a blessing for humanity and the unredeemed spirit.... otherwise it could not reach its aim for ever.... otherwise all would be abandoned to the depths without salvation. There must be light where there is darkness, freedom where there are fetters and acts of violence.... Love must be able to rule where until now only hatred was expressed.... happiness and bliss must rejoice all who have hitherto lived under sin and oppression in the midst of a world of satanic beings.... For the time is fulfilled, deliverance from sin and death is coming....

Amen

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God's seriousness

Serious Words from the heavenly Father.... Physician.... Medicine....

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What I administer is a truly beneficial medicine for your soul which enables its recovery and makes it suitable for eternal life in beatitude. Yet what good is it to you if you don't use it, if you indeed know its healing power but don't utilise it.... what is the use of listening to My Word if you don't live accordingly.... if therefore the strength of My Word cannot take effect on you? You have a most effective means of healing but don't put its effectiveness to the test; you seek advice from Me as your soul's physician but don't follow My instructions and thus cannot get better although you are under the care of a good physician.... You don't want to live up to My advice and therefore remain in a miserable state, and your soul's hardship remains undiminished.... it has to suffer because you deny it help. And the soul's suffering results in earthly adversity, for thereby I want you to think about the fact that your way of life is wrong, that it puts your soul at risk and that it ought to beware not it lose its life....

Yet I can only ever offer you what will help your soul.... If it doesn't accept My medicine it will remain sick and in a wretched state and unable to enjoy the spiritual life.... This is why hearing My Word will not benefit you greatly as long as you don't make any effort to live accordingly.... for you will only receive strength when you put My Word into practise by fulfilling My commandments of love. Only when you carry out deeds of love on earth will you be permeated by My strength of love yourselves, and that also signifies your soul's recovery, it signifies a state of life in strength and light.... I would like all of you to attain this and therefore seriously admonish you to take My Words to heart and act accordingly.... I caution you not to treat your soul's life carelessly but to straight away provide it with the strength it needs to get well again.... I exhort you to ask Me for help if you are unable, if you are too weak, to accomplish your will.... I will provide you with the strength if only you turn to Me with complete confidence, if you call upon Me with your heart and confess your weakness.... For I Am always your Physician and Helper Who will never leave you at the mercy of your fate but wants to save those who are ailing in body and soul....

Amen

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Serious exhortation to soul work....

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Abut leaves no impression. You receive information from all sides about an imminent change of life, yet you don't believe it and the time passes which is still to be regarded as the last time of grace. You humans derive no benefit from it, you pay no attention to My voice which touches your ear in various ways. And thus I will let it sound so loudly that you will have to hear it, even though you will still not be forced to pay attention to it, for your will is free. But the time has come which signifies the end because people are no longer willing to change despite their ability to change. They live entirely without faith, they are so distant from Me that they are without any spiritual supply of strength and thus cannot achieve spiritual progress. Their earthly life has become completely pointless, for they don't value it for eternity but it is only an end in itself for them, thus it contradicts My eternal order. And therefore I want to put an end to it so that the earth will arise anew again, so that the spiritual development of the people inhabiting it can continue again and I can dwell amongst My living creations again and let My strength of love flow into them because they love Me and strive for My

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presence. And so the last time has irrevocably come for this earth.... it is an extremely serious time for all people, for it is full of responsibility because it brings life or death.... yet not only for the body but for the soul, which has to suffer eternally or can also become blissfully happy. You humans, listen to My word, take it seriously, prepare yourselves, try to gain faith by seriously thinking about what you hear through My messengers; don't resist if you are urged to work with love, for this alone will bring you salvation, it will bring about an inner change and is life for your soul. Pay attention to the hardship around you and help where possible, put self-love aside and pay more attention to your neighbour who is in the same hardship as you. Help him and you will also be helped, and believe that the end is near. Then you will also make better use of your life, you will deal with the thought of death and the soul's continuation of life, and your earthly life will be steered on the right path by itself, because then your sense of responsibility will grow and you will strive for the salvation of your soul. I only ever want to admonish you for your own sake to think of your soul and let its well-being be more important to you than the well-being of the body, to which I give what it needs if only you strive for light, for truth, for Me.... For the time you still have left is passing quickly, yet you can still achieve an unspeakable amount with good will, because I help everyone who believes in Me and seeks to fulfil My will....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Serious admonition to consider the life after death....

B.D. No. **5180** July 29th 1951

Once again I admonish you humans on earth: Consider your souls and your state after death.... For the forthcoming extremely difficult turn of events in your earthly life is merely intended to make you consider your physical death and what will follow afterwards. I want to draw your attention to it and lovingly inform you of the hard times which will befall you, so that you then will believe it if you are as yet unable to believe, if you still discard as a fantasy what is solemn truth. You are in great danger, for you live earthly life so light-heartedly as if it would last forever and yet, the time left to you is so short that you would be horrified if you knew of it. You gamble your life away, you are moved by trivial worries, and yet it is only important that you consider your soul, so that it will be able to calmly endure every adversity in order to start the true life in light and strength in the spiritual kingdom. Yet it is up to you humans yourselves in which state your soul will enter the spiritual kingdom.

I ever more urgently admonish you to change your attitude, although it doesn't have to be bad it is nevertheless too earthly minded to be suitable for the spiritual kingdom. Like a loving Father I call to My children on earth: Be concerned about your soul, consider your real purpose of life and hurry, for there is not much time left until the end.... Change your attitude before it is too late.... bear in mind what fate will await you when your earthly life is over, and believe that the soul's life will **not** end with the body's death but that it will live on, yet in the state you have created for it in earthly life.

You are responsible for its fate in eternity, that is, you have to accept the consequences of your earthly life yourselves, which will be a fate in darkness if you have used your life wrongly. And you live wrongly if you live without faith and without love.... if you do not acknowledge Me as your God and Father and therefore do not observe My commandments either, if you only live for the world but not for the spiritual kingdom, which is your true home and which you inevitably will have to enter, albeit its spheres are so different that it can mean both supreme happiness as well as most bitter agony for the soul, depending on its state of maturity. And you humans are responsible for this state of maturity....

This is what I call to you from above again, so that you will turn inwards and change, so that you will pay less attention to earthly life in favour of advancing your soul's spiritual life.... Listen to My call from above, take stock of yourselves, turn around before it is too late, for the day will come without fail which I have always and forever announced to you.... You don't have much time left,

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therefore make use of it and take care of your soul, so that it will not have to fear the end which is soon about to happen to you....

Amen

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Serious warning to the world....

B.D. No. **6761** February 14th 1957

y word will always be doubted by those who still have too strong a bond with the world, who cannot keep a proper measure insofar as they only pay tribute to the world and do not think of their earthly task. My word calls for withdrawal from the world, it calls for overcoming the lures and charms that emanate from the world. And there are an endless number of them. And if they now pay attention to My word they will only be left with harmless pleasures which can no longer endanger their soul, and their desire will increase for pleasures of a spiritual kind.... Thus they by no means come off badly, it is just that they are considered by Me and not by My adversary. But the latter still has great power over the majority of people, and what he thus offers them will rather be seized, it fills the human being's senses and is therefore also constantly strived for by them. And then My word will not make an impression, rather it will be unwillingly rejected because it is contrary to their desires. And thus it can also be explained that every bond with Me is loosened when physical desires arise and are not repressed.... when the human being's eye feasts on things which only provide comfort for the body.... or when worldly advantages entice the human being into work which, again, only serves the body and not the soul.... Then My adversary will step between Me and the human being, and then My word will no longer have an effect on him either because My voice will not be heard in him. And you will always be able to notice that people who have already withdrawn from the world will lend an open ear to My word, whereas still worldly-bound people listen to it with complete lack of understanding and are rather unpleasantly affected by it because it demands something from them which they don't want to give: Renunciation of earthly pleasures and enjoyments.... And satan still has these completely under his control. Therefore you humans cannot be warned often enough about the world if you want to gain eternal life in bliss.... Anyone who does not believe in life after death will only laugh at such warnings and try to gain from the world what pleasures it can only offer him.... But I address the people who believe in it and admonish them to use their earthly life for the life after death. They only give away for a short time what seems appealing in order to then be able to possess everything, happiness and bliss, light and strength and freedom.... And the more they listen to My admonitions and warnings the more deeply and happily My word will touch them, for they hear their father's voice which, however, is not accepted by those who are still too devoted to the world.... Nor is it surprising if My word is doubted by those who should recognize it because they consider themselves My representatives on earth.... They too are mostly still under the 'spell of the world'.... They, too, have not yet been able to detach themselves from it, and therefore they are also still attached to My adversary who confuses their thoughts, so that they also lack the ability to judge when My pure word is conveyed to them.... And this not only applies to official representatives of My name but also to those who still combine spiritual interests too much with worldly interest.... who still turn their eyes too much towards the world instead of turning away from it.... Again and again I have to say that the world is not My kingdom but My adversary's kingdom.... that you have to leave it, i.e. overcome it, in order to be able to take possession of My kingdom. But then My word will also touch you deeply, and only then will it shine for you like a light from the heavens.... But you will never voluntarily enter into its light if you still pay too much attention to the glare of the world.... And My word is the light which shines pure and bright in the hearts of those who have overcome the world, who seek with all their senses the kingdom which is not of this world....

Amen

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Release of spiritual substances through destruction....

ust let yourselves be guided by Me and you will take the paths which are successful for you as well J as for your fellow human beings, for the souls which allow relief work to be done on them. And I truly place My servants in the right place, in the place where they can work successfully for Me and My kingdom. But the work I require of them is also very different because My servants' abilities are different and because each one should work where his ability is needed for service to Me. A great work of redemption is underway and the whole universe is affected by it, for all spiritual beings sense the coming change and adjust themselves to it.... The evil spirit rages with increased strength, that is, its evil will intensifies and seeks to cause harm wherever it can, but the good spirit is also constantly active to weaken this work.... And I support what strives to carry out My will, both on earth as well as in the spiritual kingdom.... Mature and immature spiritual substances fight against each other, and the battle is also evident on earth, yet it always ends victoriously where I, as the commander of the army, can assist My own. And this spiritual battle is also felt by people who strive spiritually themselves and tap into the good forces, for the currents find influence everywhere where I Myself am the aim of a person's striving. And the end casts its shadow ahead.... Destructions will take place which no one thought possible before but which are nevertheless spatially limited.... before the total transformation of the earth will take place.... For the enemy of souls seeks to liberate spiritual substances through material destruction in order to gain them for himself, as he believes, and he uses people for this purpose, since any destruction of matter is impossible for him himself.... But the liberated spiritual does not come under his control but is bound again in form. But the destructions will take place and bring much misery upon people.... And this has to happen for the sake of the many bound spirits, which will still experience a change of their outer form before the end and can then already be conceived into lighter forms on the new earth. But people are also to be roused from their sleep of death, which will only ever be brought about by events which are unusual in their nature and extent. People themselves contribute much to destroying works of creation and thereby release countless spiritual substances from their bondage, but they don't consider that these still have to leave their form immaturely and that they don't exert a good influence as long as they are free.... that people will therefore feel oppressed and not recognize the cause of their restlessness.... And they would have to suffer far more under their influence if I did not soon want to bind this spiritual again in new forms.... This destructive work comes from My adversary who knows how to take advantage of people's greed for matter and causes them to carry out such works of destruction in order to release the spiritual substances bound in it.... But he gains nothing in the process but loses far more, because the human being in his urge to build up contributes to the new deformation of this spiritual substance again, albeit in a purely material sense. You who want to serve Me should know about all these processes, and you should do nothing more than try to lead your fellow human beings from the purely material path onto the spiritual path, which requires much effort and work from you but will always be a blessed beginning, no matter in which way you accomplish this task. The work you do for Me and My kingdom will be according to your ability, but the fact that you want to do it already earns you My blessing, and with My strength you will also be able to do it. And all beings of light will support you because they, too, carry out redemptive work in the universe and will always be active where their help is needed....

Amen

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Serious Words of admonition regarding the end....

B.D. No. 7211

November 19th 1958

Prace yourselves for severe strokes of fate which will affect you to a greater or lesser extent because the end is coming ever closer and all people shall still be influenced such that they will seriously consider the end, be it their own end or that which the **whole earth** can expect.... They shall only be seriously reminded to prepare themselves, for you don't have much time left. Hence you

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humans will repeatedly hear from Me Myself about what is in store for you and you would do well to heed My Words, to accept them as pure truth and to adjust your life accordingly. There will always be people again who will try to lessen such admonitions and warnings, who will claim that they are implausible and aim to trivialise what is, after all, hugely important because it can determine the state of your souls for an infinitely long time to come.... Don't listen to them but keep to My Word instead which, time and again, comes to you from above, for I Myself will make sure that you receive the information; and anyone who hears it should take it seriously and regard it as evidence of My love that I Myself want to save his soul and therefore speak to him. I know who receives My Word and I admonish all of them to ponder it in their hearts and to do everything so that they will not suddenly and unexpectedly be met by what is to come and, indeed, must come on account of the many people who live in a deaf and blind state. Then you, who accept and believe My Words, will be able to contribute much towards clarifying the situation by informing your fellow human beings that you have long since known about it already through My Word.... Then you will also be able to announce to them that the final end will just as certainly follow not long afterwards. For in My love and mercy I still want to give all people a last reprieve during which time they can make up for what they had previously failed to do, and therefore they will still provide them with the evidence of the credibility of all proclamations which I send to you humans in such a natural way that you can just as easily be inclined to doubt them.... That which is decided in My plan will irrevocably come true.... But My plan is well thought through in all wisdom and therefore will not be overturned or changed, neither in its form nor its time.... For this reason you can accept My Word as irrevocable and thus live your life accordingly, and you will not need to regret it, for the acquisition of earthly possessions will prove to be utterly pointless, since everything will be taken away from you. However, all of you will be able to acquire spiritual possessions if you seriously want them. Listen to My Word and believe the truthfulness of the One Who conveys it to you.... And then consider how seriously you will still have to work at improving yourselves in order to exist before Me when your hour has come that I will recall you from the world.... And not one of you knows when this hour will come, but for all of you it is closer than you think. This is why My love calls to you time and again: Prepare yourselves and only place importance upon that which serves your spiritual development.... Everything else is unimportant and will continue to become even less important the closer you are to the end.... But the fact that the end will come is certainly true and, therefore, you should not doubt but believe....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Call of Jesus Christ.... serious address of God....

B.D. No. 7472

December 6th 1959

ll of you will return to your father's house and one day be unspeakably blessed.... But you will determine the time of your return yourselves.... And therefore I speak to you again and again, and I try to encourage you to do everything that you shape yourselves so far in this earthly life that you can be accepted into the kingdom of light, because without light there is no beatitude and the return into the father's house is synonymous with utmost beatitude in light and strength and freedom. You can considerably shorten the time of return, but you can also endlessly prolong it again, and I want to prevent that. That is why I speak to you again and again and make you aware of the great misery and torment of your decline, I contrast it with the glories of My kingdom and only thereby want to motivate you to strive for My kingdom with all seriousness and eagerness, for one day you will realize what it means to still have to live endless times in bondage, in adversity and torment, on this earth, but where it is also possible to attain light and freedom with good will. Don't be indifferent and don't live out your days as if you were destined for a never-ending earthly life.... Remember that you only have a short time left which is nevertheless sufficient to free you from bondage, which is fully sufficient to pave your way into the father's house and to rush into the arms of the one in Whom alone you can be blissfully happy.... And use this short time for your salvation.... Do not postpone what you should do soon, for you do not know what time is still granted to you on earth.... This is a

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time of grace of utmost importance, for it can suffice to lead you to beatitude, but your free will has to strive for this. The period of time you are still granted is only very short and yet it can suffice for the complete spiritualization of your soul.... But the time of your renewed battle is immeasurably long when you completely fail and you will be bound again in the creations of the new earth. Again and again I would like to admonish you to remember that it is an unheard-of grace that you are still allowed to live in order to shape and form yourselves into beings which correspond to My image, and that you are also able to do this with My support.... But you must want to be free and direct your steps to the cross, to Jesus Christ, Who will truly help you to reach your aim. This alone determines your return into the father's house, that you call upon Jesus Christ for help, for on your own you are unable to direct your steps towards the right aim. But He will help you, and your earthly life will not be an idle one if only you call upon Him, because then you will recognize Me Myself in Him and thus establish the connection with Me which is necessary in order to reach your aim.... And every day can bring about this change of nature, because you will immediately be provided with strength if you faithfully turn to Jesus Christ, Who only awaits your call in order to lovingly consider you, Who will always convey strength to you if only you sincerely desire it. Remember that you can be rid of your external form in a short time in order to then be eternally blissfully happy in freedom and light.... but that you can also remain eternally in bondage if you use your will wrongly, if you fail in this earthly life and indifferently only pay attention to worldly things but don't think of your soul which is in great need.... For sooner than you think the end is here.... For each of you the hour will come unexpectedly, because no-one knows when it is determined by My will. And therefore everyone should seriously endeavour to live such that the call of life can come for him at any time, everyone should live such that he has established the bond with Jesus Christ and can receive strength from Me for his earthly life and the shaping of his soul, Who will now be acknowledged by Me Myself in Jesus Christ when the human being calls to the one in Whom I embodied Myself, to Jesus, with Whom I united Myself, with Whom I became one, Who was only the shell in which I could shelter Myself in order to redeem you humans.... I was in Him and He was in Me.... and whoever recognizes and acknowledges Him also acknowledges Me, and after his death he will return to Me in his father's house....

Amen

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Seriousness of will of man

Serious desire for truth....

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he pure truth has to be desired in order to be received.... and desiring the truth means being willing to relinquish the existing knowledge, to completely empty oneself and now ask Me to impart the pure truth to the human being, which only I Myself can bestow upon him. For I Myself am the truth.... I am the way and the life.... I Myself alone can distribute the truth and thereby show you the path which leads to eternal life. But for the most part people are unable to detach themselves from the spiritual knowledge they possess.... Yet they should always bear in mind that there are many schools of thought, that different people's spiritual knowledge also differs but that there is only one truth, that not everyone can claim to stand in the truth as long as their thinking still deviates from each other. And therefore they should make every effort to come into possession of the truth, they should not be satisfied with knowledge which was transmitted to them according to tradition, they should first try to fathom the origin of their knowledge and always approach Me Myself for enlightenment of their thinking so that they will find the pure truth.... They must desire the truth.... And they will be able to be convinced that they will also find it, for I Myself take care of those who desire the truth with all their heart.... For I am the eternal truth and I want My living creations to walk in truth, that they think correctly, that they form a truthful picture of Me Myself and My reign and activity.... I don't want them to be ensuared by the error which is presented to people by My adversary so that it is impossible for them to recognize Me Myself correctly and then also to learn to love Me.... and because My living creations' love for Me is the aim which people should achieve, I want them to recognize Me correctly, and therefore I will repeatedly convey the pure truth to people who desire it, I will no longer leave them in error and enlighten their thinking so that they will learn to distinguish truth from error and turn away from the latter. Truth will always make people happy, for truth will spread light in the heart.... Error, however, darkens the path people take, and this never leads upwards, to Me, because it is My adversary's path into which he tries to push people who do not resist him. And every person should seriously ask himself how far he is satisfied with the knowledge he possesses.... he should seriously ask himself whether he desires the pure truth and what he has already done in order to attain this truth.... He need do nothing more than seriously ask Me to instruct him in the truth if his thinking is wrong.... But this will has to arise from the heart, he has to be deeply, holyly serious about moving in truth.... And most people lack this seriousness. They are content with the knowledge they have taken on and hold on to it, they don't think about it, otherwise they would discover contradictions themselves and would have to pay attention. But the will of man cannot be forced.... This is why error is far more widespread in the world than truth, and this is why I again and again try to address people from above in order to convey the pure truth to them, which should encourage them to compare and take a stand on it themselves. And blessed is he who accepts the truth.... Blessed is he who seeks to free himself from previous knowledge if it does not agree with the knowledge conveyed from above.... One day the soul will be able to record as spiritual wealth the knowledge it accepted on earth and will also take with it into the kingdom of the beyond.... It will be able to register a considerable plus compared to the souls which could not free themselves from their wrong teachings on earth, for in the spiritual kingdom the soul will only be able to work with such goods which correspond to the truth. All other knowledge will be of no use to it, no matter how much knowledge it possessed on earth. If it was not the pure truth it will lose it like all earthly possessions and dwell poorly and ignorantly in the kingdom of the beyond, where it will not be allowed to engage in a blissful activity until it has also accepted the pure truth.... which will certainly be offered to it in the spiritual kingdom but which, just as on earth, requires its free will to accept. And this is why it is so necessary for the human being that

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his thinking still becomes clear on earth, that he learns to distinguish error from truth on earth, for only truth is the path which leads to eternal life, only through truth can the human being become blissfully happy and no longer lose eternal life....

Amen

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The right will guarantees the transformation of beings....

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C ecure your right to eternal beatitude through everlasting striving for spiritual perfection.... If you want to reach your aim, if this will is serious, then you are already aspirants of My kingdom, and then I will help you to reach Me. Only the right will secures you the strength to carry out your intention, whereas without this serious will you will never be able to change your nature.... Thus the change of being never takes place against your will but first requires this very will. For the will is the sign of conscious devotion to Me, from Whom you once turned away. But it can never be understood that you only express your will through words.... I look into your heart and take pleasure in it if I see the serious will in you.... And then I will always be ready to give you strength, and you will now also carry out what leads you to perfection.... you will perform works of unselfish neighbourly love. A person who seriously strives for perfection can no longer help but be active in love.... for this activity of love is already the expression of the strength he receives from Me after he is seriously willing to ascend. But the will is free.... No earthly and no spiritual power can force the will into a certain direction, for even if the human being were forced to outwardly manifest a certain will.... if he were also compelled to carry out certain deeds.... his innermost will.... disgust or pleasure in the required action.... cannot be determined; he will be and remain free and yet be evaluated by Me.... And therefore be mindful of your will.... give account to yourselves how you think and want in your innermost being, ask yourselves whether your thinking and wanting corresponds to My will, whether it is such that you can come before My eyes at any time without fearing that I will condemn you. Pay attention to your will and judge it right.... Only ever let Me Myself be your aim and nurture the desire within you to become perfect, just as your father in heaven is perfect.... Strive for spiritual perfection and you will also be assured of a blissful life, for I will not let an earnestly striving person fall back into the hands of the one from whom he tries to escape. As soon as he turns his will towards Me he will be seized by My love and endowed with My strength which will then also enable him to accomplish what he wants and which will surely bring him to perfection. Therefore you should often go into silence and reflect on yourselves, you should always subject your will and thinking to serious criticism if you strive to enter My kingdom and become blissfully happy, if you seriously strive for unification with Me....

Amen

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The earnest will to accomplish....

B.D. No. **7143** June 11th 1958

The fact that you are imperfect does not prevent you from becoming perfect, for you all have the abilities within you to do so. You can all reach an aim if you only strive for it. This imperfection of yours is indeed a state of powerlessness and lightlessness, but this evil can be remedied by virtue of your will to request from Me what you lack.... Nothing is so easy to achieve as precisely this supply of strength and light, because I am constantly willing to give and only require you to approach Me for My gifts. And this only requires your will. But once you seriously consider your imperfect state and at the same time imagine that you could work in abundance of light and strength, that you would be able to accomplish everything, that you could see through everything and thereby experience inconceivable happiness, and now you are given the assurance by Me that you can thus create this state for yourselves, then you should nevertheless summon all your will to turn to Me and request

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support, that is, the supply of strength, from Me. And you will truly not have made this call in vain, for I am only waiting for it in order to be able to provide you abundantly. You should not be content with your earthly existence which often enough makes you aware of your own weakness and ignorance. You should have the desire to come out of that deficient state.... but you remain in your indifference, and if you can detect such a transformation from the state of weakness into the state of light and strength in one of your fellow human beings, you are far more inclined to portray that person as abnormal, and you know and don't believe that he is close to having entered his original state where he was able to create and work with Me and in My will. The distance from the former perfection is too great and therefore it is not believed that it can be reached during earthly life by every person who only seriously wants it. And people also lack the knowledge about the cause of their own imperfect state and therefore also about the significance of Jesus Christ and His mission.... otherwise they would turn to Him in their weakness of will for help, i.e. strengthening of will.... And since I and Jesus Christ are one, it is once again only about the 'call of God'.... which every human being can send up and which will then always result in him becoming ever more enlightened about the correlations, about the cause and purpose of earthly life as a human being.... But every call necessitates the human being's will, and since this is free it is therefore up to you humans yourselves whether and to what extent you rid yourselves of your imperfection; it is up to you yourselves whether you take the path to Me, whether you let yourselves be helped where you are still too weak. Yet help is always assured to you and you should understand what you are offered, you should just seriously think about it for once, and this will alone would earn you the right thoughts which you only need to follow. For I do everything for you, I am ready for any help.... only one thing I cannot do: to lead you to perfection against your will. It is certain that your will is extremely weakened, especially in the last time before the end.... But precisely in these end time I have an unusually gracious effect on humanity, and thus it is not impossible for you to find the path to Me. And you will find ever more unusually gifted people in the end time who have taken the path to Me and now receive light and strength from Me to an unusual extent.... And many more could take their cue from them and take the same path, for you are all destined for perfection, and you can all reach this aim on earth if only you sincerely want it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Warning against appearances and outward appearances....

B.D. No. **6833** May 18th 1957

know all your thoughts, I know your innermost heart's emotions and therefore you can never Leddeceive Me. I want to say this to all those who think differently than their mouths speak, who can indeed throw sand in the eyes of their fellow human beings but who must never believe that I evaluate what the mouth speaks but only ever look at the heart as it feels. And thus you humans will also be able to understand that every outwardly recognizable behaviour is pointless and futile, that it is only ever intended to hide your innermost feelings and emotions from your fellow human being and that it only encourages deceitfulness and dissimulation when people think and feel differently. But nothing remains hidden from Me.... I see into the furthest corner of the heart and I will also evaluate all of the human being's actions accordingly. For this reason I would first like to educate you into truthfulness, I would like to awaken the feeling of responsibility in you so that you will judge yourselves, that you will exercise strict self-criticism of your thoughts and actions and that you will drop all games towards Me, that you will completely expose yourselves and approach Me as you really are.... in order to then also recognize your faults and shortcomings and now work on yourselves with all seriousness. For the little cloaks which you like to put on yourselves in order to hide the real thing underneath are of no use to you. And I ask you: Are you more interested in the judgement of your fellow human beings than in Mine? What you do in a worldly way might well give you cause to cover yourselves, to put on a mask.... But you also play such a game of hide and seek on a spiritual level. Where the salvation of your soul is concerned you should remain truthful or you will only prove that you don't believe in Me as a supremely perfect, all-pervading being. And therefore the person who refrains from everything

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that is to be regarded as soul work and also openly admits this is even better to be called than those who give themselves the appearance of being good and pious and yet do no work at all on their soul. For these **know** what their earthly task is but they don't comply with it but feign it. And every lie is from the adversary, therefore they also voluntarily give themselves into his sphere. Anyone who seriously strives to attain perfection quietly works on himself, and fellow human beings will only notice little of it, only his way of life in love is outwardly recognizable.... Works of love can also be feigned and in truth be certain striving towards a aim, but even these are not valued by Me, for true love awakens in the human being's heart and cannot be replaced by external actions. All people should be told that I demand true sincerity where salvation of soul is striven for.... that I will not be satisfied with externalities if this sincerity of love is lacking, and that no-one can pretend to Me.... You should pray in spirit and in truth, and in the same way you should act in spirit and in truth.... But every outward appearance is pretence and deception, which the heart also recognizes and the human being therefore avoids all outward appearances as soon as there is a deep and sincere desire in his heart to unite with Me.... Then every outward appearance will only disturb his inner gathering, then he will also keep away from traditional customs which are nothing but symbols lacking the actual meaning. Many people lack the right seriousness for a change of nature, and yet this alone will earn them a life of bliss, for a deformed soul cannot be transferred into a sphere where it would have to perish.... It cannot enter the kingdom of light if it has not first shaped itself such that it has become receptive to light.... And for the purpose of this transformation it is on earth.... And therefore this transformation, the change of nature, should be pursued with all seriousness, for the human being only has a short time at his disposal for it which, however, is fully sufficient if he has the will to reach Me. Then I will truly assist him and help him to mature in every way, then he will recognize himself and call to Me from within his heart, and I will hear his call because he was sent to Me in spirit and in truth....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

'The kingdom of heaven suffereth violence....'

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emember, you humans, that you only live for a short time on this earth but that your soul, which Nis your real Self, is everlasting, and then it will also be understandable to you that you must provide for your well-being in eternity and not for the short time of earthly life, which can end even faster than you would naturally assume. For not one of you can be certain that he will live to see the next day and everyone must take into account the thought that they might be suddenly recalled from this earth one day. If you seriously thought about it you would also become conscious of the great responsibility you have taken upon your soul, thus for yourselves, during this short time of your life on earth. And you would ask yourselves how much you have done already for your soul's benefit.... For this is a question you should really seriously asks yourselves for once, it would truly only be a blessing for you if you thought about this for a little while. You can create incomparable riches for your soul if only you are of good will; you need only ever make an effort to live a life of love, to love God above all else and to consider your neighbour like a brother and help him when he is in trouble.... Nothing more is expected of you from God than this love for Him and your neighbour. And if your will is good then you should ask yourselves to what extent you comply with God's will in your daily life and you will still discover a lot that is not according to God's will if you look at your way of life critically and honestly.

For the human being still loves too selfishly, he loves himself **more** than his neighbour and yet he should give the **same** love to him that he grants to himself. And that requires a person's firm will, the will to attain perfection and to submit himself to God's will. But the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and only the violent take it by force.... The will must be strong and assert itself, then the human being uses force in order to attain the kingdom of heaven.... But then again, Jesus gave people the promise 'My yoke is easy, and My burden is light....' And that, too, is right, since a person who is willing to love will find it easy to fulfil God's commandments, he need not use a lot of force, because

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love is in him and love **is** strength, so that he will acquire the kingdom of heaven for certain, because he no longer lacks firmness of will through his life of love.... And just for once you should seriously think about the extent to which you still have to use 'force' or whether it has already become your nature to help your neighbour with love as a matter of fact.... In that case you will also know what you require, for then you will first have to appeal to God for strength in order to be able to comply with his requirements, **because** it is still difficult for you.... However, you will receive it, and what initially is a great effort becomes easy and will no longer be experienced by you as a burden.... You will not be under a yoke which you deem difficult to bear. You will not experience a burden because through love you will constantly receive strength from God and then easily attain maturity of soul, which it needs to live the real life in light and strength and beatitude.... But prior to this you must give account to yourselves so that the hour of death will not take you by surprise and your soul will not have to enter the kingdom of the beyond in a poor and wretched state.... For no-one will know when his hour has come....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Sincere longing for unification with God....

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Take me into your heart, that is to say, sincerely long for unification with Me.... I will take care of anyone who harbours this genuine will and he will unite with Me forever because he has changed his will which once had turned away from Me, he has bonded with Me again just as he once had separated from Me. The greatest evil in the world is that people live with a certain indifference, an indifference towards Me, Whom perhaps they might still accept, but they barely know or grasp the connection with their God and Creator because they do not analyse themselves. By and large they walk their earthly path not without knowledge of Me but nevertheless without meaningful faith.... but mainly due to indifference.... except for people who clearly oppose Me.... But I mean those who are indifferent, who are the majority, who outwardly claim to believe in Me and yet hardly if ever involve themselves with Me.... They have not yet taken Me into their 'hearts', their will is not yet sincerely focussed on the union with Me, although they would deny this to their fellow human beings. But I know the degree of longing for Me and I want to be accepted in your hearts, I want your thoughts to involve themselves with Me so that you feel motivated to develop the close bond with Me.... so that you have that very will to unite with Me again, from Whom you once had voluntarily separated....

It is precisely this honest will which can cause a complete change of your lifestyle and your inner being, but without this honest will you cannot even achieve a minor change of attitude, since your indifference will give My opponent the welcome opportunity to step between Me and you and truly successfully exercise his influence. I cannot walk with you because your heart is not sincerely searching for Me yet and therefore I cannot keep My opponent away either when he attaches himself to you. But without Me you will not have the strength to resist him, you will only too gladly agree to his plans because he will promise you worldly goods in return.... However, if you have the sincere wish of heart that I should be close to you then your will applies to Me, and then I will be able to push him away and thus will be truly close to you.... then you will have accepted Me in your heart and walk the right path to Me. With other words, once I have taken possession of your heart you will never lose Me again in all eternity because you had truthfully desired it.

And you all should give account to yourselves of the direction of your innermost will. You all should ask yourselves what you love most on earth, whether you still prefer worldly things or whether My presence alone is so desirable that you are willing to give up everything for My sake. If you are able to do the latter you are truly on the right path and your sincere will shall be rewarded, because now you will not waste any time which you could spend in My company because your heart will increasingly long to receive Me and such longing shall always be granted. For I too long for My children and want

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that they will return to Me again one day, Whom they had left due to their wrongly directed will.... which they have to change again towards Me, towards their eternal Father....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Return to God necessitates sincerity of will....

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Anyone having made it his goal to travel his earthly path in accordance with God's will, can also always be assured of assistance on the part of God, because God only allowed him to embody himself for the purpose of aligning his will to divine will. And since, during this time on earth, only the human being's will makes the decision, this very will has already passed its test and thus God can now take care of the person in every way without exerting any coercion of will. As long as the human being is still undecided or even still adheres to God's adversary, the human being's will is indeed fought over by God and the beings of light, that is, it will be just as influenced by Him as by the adversary's side, so that it should freely decide....

But once the human being has freely decided to subordinate himself to God's will by living a way of life in divine order, then he will also have entered His sphere and God will no longer let him fall prey to His adversary. But his will has to be **sincere**.... The apparent fulfilment of God's will as a result of a church upbringing is not enough, nor will it suffice to carry out deeds of love which, again, are mere church requirements and are more or less fulfilled as obedience towards these demands.... Wanting to belong to God has to be an innermost endeavour, the inner fully-conscious surrender to Him must **voluntarily** have taken place.... thus he himself must have directed his will towards the One, Whom he has recognised as God and Father of eternity. And from this follows that the return to God is not a mass movement, that every individual person must have set out on the path by himself and therefore he also has to do everything necessary for it himself: to recognise God and to acknowledge Him and to appeal to Him for strength to be able to accomplish the return to Him. But he will not appeal to God in vain, for He knows of his will, of his sincerity and also of his weakness, He knows that it will not be possible for him **alone**, that he will need help.... But it is assured to him. He had lost his strength the moment his will had turned away from God, and he will receive it again when it turns back to Him.

And therefore an external formality alone cannot suffice, words alone cannot guarantee a truly Goddevoted will, and belonging to a religious denomination cannot demonstrate this change of will, rather, it has to be proven by **action**, and this consists of unselfish loving activity without coercion and without law.... God certainly gave people the commandments of love, nevertheless love has to be practiced voluntarily, for even what is done as fulfilment of a commandment can be accomplished **without** the **innermost will**, which then will lessen its value. Therefore the attainment of beatitude, the return to God, has to be every person's very own affair, which he cannot pass on to other people and which no-one else will be able to accomplish on his behalf either. And even the deed itself is not decisive, only the innermost will is important.... which truly is obvious to God but which is also supported in every way. And whatever will then happen to you humans in life is only due to the influence of God or the world of light, which make sure that your will shall aim into the right direction, that it shall voluntarily submit itself to God and that it shall regard its return to God as its only goal.

However, once this act has been accomplished, once the human being's innermost thoughts are turned towards God and he makes an effort to live on earth according to God's will, then his earthly life will not have been lived in vain, and it will, with certainty, also result in freedom for the human being's soul. It will be able to detach itself from its tormentor, it will be able to strip itself of the shackles which kept it imprisoned for an infinitely long time, it is now on its path of ascent and no longer needs to fear God's adversary, who has no further power over the soul because God Himself

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will seize it, and will safely guide it upwards, for the human being's will has turned towards Him, from Whom he once had emerged as a created original spirit....

Amen

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God's patience

Infinite love and patience of God in the development of the spiritual....

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he spiritual's course of development requires infinite love and patience on the part of the heavenly father, regardless of whether the spiritual is in the stage of bound or free will. The return of the spiritual substance to Him is a process which takes an infinitely long time because the individual substances first have to find each other again, which were once banished as the tiniest entities in the works of creation, and this finding and unification takes place in the state of bound will.... As a human being, in the state of free will, this unification of substances has already been accomplished and the spiritual being has its self-awareness again; but now it is to purify itself completely, it is to unite with God, its creator and father from eternity, which it can certainly do.... But it can also fragment again, i.e. strive downwards, it can develop regressively and completely disregard unification with God and yet not be hindered in its will. It can only be won through love and prompted to strive for eternal love. And this reclamation requires infinite love and patience on the part of the father Who does not want to lose His children but cannot force them to belong to Him. But God's love is boundless.... it does not tire, it does not become impatient, it is not angry and it never gives up what it believes to be able to separate itself from Him. And He also inevitably wins it, yet endless times can pass over it, and that to the detriment of the spiritual being itself, which just spends an endless time in an unhappy existence, be it as a human being or also as a still bound spiritual being.... And therefore God's love will constantly come to its aid and support it in every way. He will constantly let new creations arise so that the course of development in the law of compulsion can be covered uninterruptedly, but just as He will also help the spiritual being as a human being with all love to find the path to ascent. What can happen from God to further it happens, but the human being's inevitable free will determines itself how long the spiritual is still in the bound state, i.e., how long time it needs until the union with God and thus the separation from all material form is accomplished. God's love will never stop looking after the spiritual substance, even if it appears as if it turns away from people, for it will never relinquish what has belonged to it since eternity, which should only join it fully consciously in order to be able to feel unlimited bliss, which is otherwise denied to thespiritual substance, because only a creature which has become love can feel God's love and His courtship for this love will never stop....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's infinite love and patience....

B.D. No. **6572** June 14th 1956

Insust have infinite patience towards you humans, for you do not reward My great love for you in such a manner that you live according to My will.... You constantly oppose My eternal order, you violate My commandments of love, you do nothing to earn My pleasure. You live completely wrongly on this earth, you do not make use of the short earthly life in order to change, and you constantly obey the wishes of the one who is My adversary.... And if I wanted to be just then I would have to leave you to your fate, which you have chosen voluntarily.... But My love is infinite and so is My patience with you, who are wretched and would remain so forever if My love and patience did not take pity on you and thus not look at the length of time when you resist Me. Therefore I permit of your activity and do not annihilate you, for you are My share.... My love created you and My love will not let you cease to exist again for ever.... And what I fail to do in a certain redemption period, because your free will is decisive, I will nevertheless succeed to achieve one day, for in My patience I always create new

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opportunities for you to mature, and no matter how depraved you are.... even if you are still devoted to My adversary with all your senses, I am not angry, but you only move Me to pity, I only see your weakness and inability to free yourselves from that one by your own strength, and I come to your aid.... Only I cannot snatch you from him against your will, but I will not slacken to influence this will without using force. And this is an undertaking which requires utmost patience and perseverance.... You often put My love and patience to a hard test, yet I am Love Itself, I cannot condemn you because you are Mine and because the counteracting force still determines you too much to contradictions, for My adversary does not leave you to Me without a fight, and therefore you still succumb to his influence too easily. You certainly did not need to fall into the abyss, for once you possessed strength and also light, i.e. realisation, and you voluntarily turned away from Me.... And this sin weighs upon you, but even this great sin has not diminished My love for you, but it is the cause of your present unhappiness.... it is the cause of your weakness.... And therefore I brought you redemption from this guilt for the first time.... which, however, requires your free will again. You can never return to Me again unredeemed, yet My adversary has lost all power over you as soon as you only want to become free yourselves and call upon the One Who redeemed you: Jesus Christ, Who died for you on the cross.... But as long as you reject Him, you remain under the sway of the adversary.... For this reason his mind is constantly directed towards presenting Jesus Christ's act of Salvation to you humans as implausible, to deny Him Himself, thus to prevent you from taking the path to Him.... And you humans willingly follow His influence, you defy Me through your behaviour, you keep adding more and more sins to the great sin of old, because you live completely contrary to My order from eternity, because you disregard the commandments of love which the man Jesus taught you in order to help you rise from the depth to the height.... As long as you reject Jesus Christ and His act of Salvation there is no will in you to turn back and take the path to Me, and despite greatest love and patience I cannot save you from the abyss.... precisely because you do not call upon Me in Jesus Christ.... nevertheless I do not relinquish you, even if eternal periods of time pass by, for I do not repay evil with evil, I do not strike the fallen with eternal darkness, I do not condemn but seek to redeem.... I want to fill the unhappy with bliss, I want to give light and strength to those who are weak and darkened in spirit, I want to free those who are bound.... But you yourselves decide upon the time when this is possible.... You cannot be forced to love, to return to Me, therefore I solicit your love with untiring patience, and I will never slacken to pursue you with My love until one day you voluntarily turn away from My adversary and take the path to Me, until I can draw you to My heart, until you have given up all resistance and want to be and remain Mine forever....

Amen

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Man should exercise patience

Admonition to exercise self-control.... Gentleness - B.D. No. 1003 Peacefulness.... B.D. No. 1003 July 12th 1939

earn to restrain yourselves and become gentle and peaceful, for your time on earth is given to you as a probationary period during which you should reach full maturity, training and shaping yourselves for the benefit of your soul. You will hardly be able to fulfil your earthly task if you don't strive for this first, for all your soul's difficulties arise from your own lack of self-control. And thus hear what the Lord Himself is proclaiming to you:

You, My children on earth, have to make an effort to treat each other with love.... You have chosen this stay on earth in the knowledge of what you are lacking; you have many opportunities to combat your weaknesses and mistakes, yet you must also have the good will to make use of the possibilities offered and, through constant self-restraint, grow stronger and overcome your mistakes. Bear in mind, My children, with how much patience I have to overlook your weaknesses again and again, and yet My love for you does not diminish.... Consider how much more reason I would have to become impatient, and how I, nevertheless, in utmost patience and mercy, embrace My children again and lovingly forgive them when they have trespassed.... consider that My life on earth demanded an abundance of patience towards sinful humanity, which nevertheless did not recognise My love and repaid all the good I did for people with ingratitude, and finally made Me suffer so indescribably....

How much did they humiliate Me and devised all sorts of torments and, without any blame, handed Me over to be crucified.... And I patiently shouldered even this most bitter injustice and nevertheless did not withdraw My mercy from those who wronged Me.... I implored the Father in heaven to forgive them their sins and did not turn away from humanity but tried to win them over with patience and love and thereby bring them redemption. And therefore you should also practise the virtue of self-denial, one should live for the other and only ever endeavour to ease each other's suffering, so that you will become perfect and will not have lived your earthly life in vain. And sacrifice all your worries and pains to Me, and you will become as gentle as doves and communicate with each other patiently and with love, and inner calm will enter your hearts.... and I will help you if you are in danger of losing yourselves.

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Gentleness and patience.... effect on fellow human beings....

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In order to educate himself to gentleness and patience, the human being should visualize his fellow human being's soul, which is in dire straits due to the human being's wrong will; and he should now be willing to help this soul. You humans should always imagine the soul's imprisonment, then you will face these people full of compassion and try to influence them with all love and patience in order to cause their will to loosen the soul's fetters and thus give it greater freedom. Impatience and vehemence, however, strengthen the wrong will and the soul gets into ever greater trouble. For good and loving endeavours always awaken good impulses in a fellow human being, and only in this way can he be helped in the distress of his soul. And the soul thanks all those who help it to loosen the fetters, for it now becomes increasingly easier for it to determine the will for good, while the shell around the soul thickens if the fellow human being meets it in unkindness, because such only causes obduracy and likewise unkindness. If the soul feels a slight loosening of its fetters, its resistance to

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that which is good also diminishes. For the shackle is the power of the adversary, but it can be weakened by the will to do good. If a person is shown love and patience, his will will also turn towards the good, for everything that has love as its cause is good for him, only he must also recognize love as such. Impatience and vehemence will never suggest love and therefore likewise trigger agitation in the fellow human being. This causes great distress to the soul. But you have the opportunity to remedy such hardship and, through your nature, through love, kindness, patience and gentleness, to trigger soft emotions, thus contributing to the soul's liberation from evil violence....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Trials in old age.... Love and patience....

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November 29th 1958

quite often have to admonish you to persevere with love and patience until the end of your life. These trials cannot be prevented if you want to reach the final pinnacle. And you consciously started your course of life with the resolve to complete it in order to achieve a degree of light which

started your course of life with the resolve to complete it in order to achieve a degree of light which will turn you into blissfully happy beings. And as long as this path has not come to an end the trials will not end either, the triumph over each one signifies time and again yet another step of ascent. But you don't have to be at all afraid of the last stage of your earthly progress, for you have formed a bond with Me and that means that I always walk beside you, even though you occasionally think that you are alone and abandoned by Me, Who is nevertheless even closer to you the more desperate the situation is in which you find yourselves.

And therefore you should always remember that love and patience have to be practiced by you at all times, that deeds of love give you the strength to achieve or overcome even the most difficult situation, that patience will give you inner strength, that it is a solid defence against the adversary who above all wants to unsettle your patience in order to create conflict and agitation in you.... a state in which he can then work more easily and successfully. Remember that you can master everything with patience, then you will be his master, and then you will also very soon sense My presence, although I had never left you.

If, however, your life proceeded completely uneventfully, without any tests, without any upheaval, your development would come to a halt and the remainder of your earthly life would be a waste of time, which you would regret one day in the kingdom of the beyond. For every person will naturally find it more difficult towards the end of life, consequently their spiritual achievements will be far more valued, after all, they require greater will and effort than is the case with more robust people who are still in the midst of their vitality.... And remember that every day that is still granted to you on earth is a blessing, for you can work towards your salvation and will only be able to appreciate its value when you have entered the kingdom of the beyond. I surely know that it is an effort for you, and I will certainly also reimburse you with the just reward.... whereas you could not expect anything special if your earthly life proceeded uneventfully and did not require you to use your will or to demonstrate your faith. And when the last day comes you will thank Me that I granted you the blessing of a long earthly life, for then you can also assess the wealth you had been able to gather, providing you used the time on earth well. No matter what happens to you, I Am close to you.... Always remember this, then love and patience will prevail in you when you are tested by suffering and have to prove yourselves. But do not give your soul's enemy the right to control you by inwardly objecting and losing your patience.... for that is his weapon, to deprive you of your composure and to influence you, frequently with success. But if you stay calm and full of patience and humbly accept your fate then he cannot touch you, but I can be even more effective and truly will not leave you in hardship and distress, providing you always pass such tests and hand yourselves over to Me in complete trust of My help....

Amen

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Following Jesus.... Patiently bearing the cross....

You demonstrate that you follow Me when you patiently accept the suffering which My love places upon you so that your souls will mature. Always are a love to the suffering which My love places upon you so that your souls will mature. Always remember that I requested you to follow Me with the Words '.... let him take up his cross and follow Me....' I certainly want to help you carry your cross but you should not try to throw it away completely, you should always consider that you can remove many impurities from your soul if you patiently carry your cross. I will always give you the strength for it if you ask Me, for I Am always close to you if you live in My discipleship on earth. And you don't have much time left.... Therefore you will have to endure increased suffering because I want to help you attain a degree of light while you are still on earth which will enable you to enter into beatitude when your end has come. But always remain in contact with Me through loving activity, prayer and constant thinking of Me, for then I will always be able to be close to you and you can safely follow your path even if you have to carry a small cross. However, a steady life in carefree tranquillity would not be beneficial for you unless you were so extraordinarily lovingly active that your soul's process of maturing would be successfully accomplished.... But you are all still too halfhearted in your kind-hearted actions and therefore gain too little for your soul, and thus the suffering must contribute towards your purification process. And always remember the terrible suffering I have taken upon Myself on your behalf.... You yourselves would have had to endure this suffering on account of your guilt of sin and you would have been incapable of doing so. This is why I accepted the guilt on your behalf and suffered indescribably because I love you and wanted to endure the suffering on your behalf. Then your cross will seem small to you, you will gladly carry it because you want to follow Me, and you will safely enter through the gate into the kingdom of light because I pave the way and open the gate for you so that you will be blissfully happy. Accept your cross, that is, patiently and for love of Me carry all suffering which burdens you, but which is needed for your maturity of soul, for one day the soul may take pleasure in the light, one day the cross it had to carry will seem an easy one. Let Me walk by your side, then I will help you carry and you will not feel the burden so much. And I Am with every person who calls upon Me in thought, I only wait for this call because I cannot take effect in you against your will despite My love for you. But I will never leave you alone and even the cross placed upon you is proof of My presence, because I thereby gently admonish you to follow Me, Who took all of humanity's suffering upon My shoulders and walked the path to the cross with it. Therefore be patient, no matter what weighs you down, My love will strengthen you, My love will relieve you from the cross when the time is right....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Education for forbearance.... work in the hereafter....

B.D. No. 2498

October 6th 1942

The human being must train himself to be patient, for this virtue is absolutely necessary if the soul wants to participate in the work of redemption in the beyond. The soul is often resisted more than on earth if it wants to persuade the ignorant and suffering souls to accept admonitions and instructions, and only through utmost patience can it win these souls for itself and then start its work on them. The state of suffering of these souls does not contribute to their willingness to accept, but rather they reject the souls who want to help them, for they still lack all patience as they are imperfect. The already more mature soul, however, must not allow itself to be put off, it must try again and again with tireless patience to get in contact with them, it must lovingly stand by their side and try to change their initial aversion, it must repeat every unsuccessful attempt and thus approach these souls again and again and present to them their painful state and at the same time suggest to them what they should do in order to improve their state of soul. Only extreme patience and great love will bring about success. But this success is unspeakably happy for the helpful being and spurs it on to be constantly active in the spiritual kingdom. The soul that has once tasted this happiness, that has seen into the depths of the kingdom beyond, will never cease to work for the redemption of these beings. Its own state of light

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enables it to pass on light, and love for the imperfect beings constantly drives it to do so. Yet the gentlest mind is required if the mature soul wants to achieve success. This is why patience has to be practiced on earth, the human being has to be gentle, peaceable and always willing to help his neighbour, then he will also be able to fulfil his task in the beyond, which consists of winning the spiritual beings which are distant from God and making the possessions accessible to them which alone are valuable for eternity....

Amen

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God's justice

God is a kind, merciful judge....

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You will always be pointed to My infinite love and mercy, and therefore every sinner shall fearlessly come to Me and appeal to Me fearlessly come to Me fearlessly come to Me and appeal to Me fearlessly come to Me fearlessl fearlessly come to Me and appeal to Me for forgiveness of his guilt of sin.... I walked the earth as a human being, I experienced all weaknesses of My fellow human beings as a human being, I had understanding for them because I Myself was human.... I look down with immense love on all people who are at fault and My mercy wants to help them. But they have to come to Me themselves and entrust themselves to Me, and therefore they have to know about My love so that they will have faith in Me, Who does not condemn them but wants to help them to become free from their sins. For the sinner is still under My adversary's control, he is still a slave to him, and therefore he will remain in sin as long as he has not yet escaped from My adversary. But he will only be released from him when he takes refuge in Me to help him.... And he will only take refuge in Me when he has recognized Me as a kind, merciful judge under Whose power he willingly submits.... Therefore you should not speak of a God of wrath, of an unmerciful judge who mercilessly condemns what has become sinful.... My love and mercy know no bounds, and if your sins were as red as blood I would wash you white as snow.... you can believe this, for you are all My creatures who came forth from My love and whom I will love for all eternity. You just have to recognize your guilt, you have to admit yourselves that you have become guilty and come to Me with this admission.... And you must approach Me in Jesus Christ for forgiveness of your guilt. For I died on the cross for this guilt and thus redeemed it. You should always remember that I am a God of love, not a God of wrath. The fact that My justice cannot endow you with beatitude should only ever make you strive to establish a just balance yourselves, which consists of you recognizing and confessing your guilt.... that you appeal to Me for forgiveness in order not to fall prey to My justice, which may not be eliminated despite My greater than great love, because justice belongs to My perfect nature. Yet since I Myself redeemed the guilt on the cross, you need only want Me to have shed My blood for you too, and then you can also avail yourselves of the blessings of My act of salvation.... You can count on full forgiveness of your sins because My love has redeemed them. And I call out to all sinners: Come to Me, under My cross, and cast off your burden of sin.... and you will be set free from it, because My love and mercy wants to prepare a blissful fate for you.... because I want you to return to Me from Whom you once came forth....

Amen

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God's love and justice....

B.D. No. **7482** December 20th 1959

You need never fear Me as a heartless Judge Who mercilessly condemns you even if you deserved it. Although My justice must manifest itself with every judgment, My love will nevertheless have a mitigating say and never pitilessly condemn you because it cannot help itself but to forgive, to rectify and to place a healing hand on wounds a person has inflicted upon himself through his sins. For the soul has caused all calamities, all pain, all hardship and suffering itself, and it is not that I have judged it because of that, but it has condemned itself of its own free will, it has created the state itself it now finds itself in. And My justice prohibits Me from lifting it out of this self-created appalling situation if it does not desire it for the sake of Jesus Christ.... It is certainly condemned but it has chosen its own condemnation It should always be recognised that I Am not a 'punishing' God Who thus imposes such punishments upon the sinner as atonement for his sins, but that this state of

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punishment was voluntarily striven for and entered into by the sinner and that I, on account of My justice, cannot give him a better fate than the one he has chosen for himself of his own free will. I take pity on the hardship such sinful souls find themselves in and My love would truly like to create a better fate for them, yet once again it is a matter of free will, which neither My love nor My justice will infringe upon.... The soul itself must want to escape its hardship and it must.... because it is too weak on its own to accomplish its will.... call upon Jesus Christ for strength and help.... This is the only path the soul can be shown, then My mercy will manifest itself and, for the sake of Jesus Christ, all sins will be forgiven. If, therefore, a last 'Judgment' is spoken of, it should not be understood as an act of punishment by Me, which might question My mercy or make My infinite love appear doubtful.... Rather, it should be understood as establishing the order, as straightening-out the wrongly directed state in which humanity in particular but also all bound spirits find themselves in during the last days, when people, through My adversary's influence, run riot and live in a completely Godopposing way.... Then My merciful love will intervene again and put everything right.... but it cannot provide the soul, which has failed as a human being, with a different fate from the one that it has voluntarily aspired to. This is indeed a judgment but not one based on My wrath, instead I banish the spirits back into a physical shell with profound compassion, because justice prevents Me from providing these spirits with a blissful fate.... Yet one day this fate will be theirs too, one day free will shall also make these spiritual beings inclined towards Me, and then I will be able to seize them and permeate them with My love without it being rejected.... For although My love is infinite.... justice is also part of My Nature, and this will come to the fore when the time is fulfilled....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's justice demands atonement for guilt....

B.D. No. **8504** May 21st 1963

am a good and just God.... My love for My living creations is immeasurable, and I would like to am a good and just God.... My love for My living crowned in the make all of them happy and give them the highest happiness because love urges Me to do so.... But since I am supremely perfect, I Myself must also move in My order from eternity; all signs of My perfection must be recognizable, and therefore also My justice must prove My perfection, which therefore also sets limits to My exceedingly great love, which I would like to prove to all My creatures.... I cannot make a being happy that has become sinful because this would contradict My righteousness.... Therefore My love is bound to My eternal law; it can only make the perfect happy to the extent that I want the being to be indescribably happy.... I can certainly grant mercy for justice by helping the being that has become sinful that it becomes free of its sins.... But the will to do so must come from the being itself, it must be aware of its guilt of sin and desire to become free of it, and it must ask for help to do so.... Thus I cannot release the being from its guilt against its will, nor can I make it happy with My love until My justice has been satisfied, for which the being itself must be willing.... Many of the spiritual beings called into life by Me had transgressed against Me.... They had become sinful, and barriers were imposed on My endless love because My justice did not allow love to work as before, that it therefore immeasurably blessed the beings.... And therefore these beings would have been eternally banished from My flow of love if My justice had not been satisfied, which, however, the beings themselves were unable to do, which they were completely incapable of doing due to their resistance to My strength of love.... in which their great sin consisted.... Nevertheless, the atonement had to be carried out according to the law of divine order if the beings were ever to be able to be permeated by My love again, thus to be made happy.... And this work of atonement was accomplished by the man Jesus out of love for Me and for humanity, whose wretched state He recognized and wanted to remedy by virtue of His love.... My justice was thereby satisfied, and My love was now able to come forth and turn towards the beings which once had gone out from Me and prepare a beatitude for them again which only I Myself as the Eternal Love can bestow upon them, but which also makes every being immeasurably happy.... Due to the former sin of apostasy from Me a restriction of My love was imposed on Me on the part of the one who became sinful.... because I do

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not give love power to it against the will of a being.... And even if it gives up its resistance, it must first have become free of its sin guilt to be allowed to receive My love again, because this requires justice, which belongs to My perfect nature, and because I eternally cannot overturn the law of order.... which is founded in My perfection. The man Jesus fulfilled the law, He lived entirely in divine order, but He also saw the way of life of His fellow human beings, which was completely against the law of divine order, and He took all their guilt of sin upon His shoulders and offered Me such an unheard-of sacrifice to redeem the guilt of sin of all that had once fallen, and I accepted this sacrifice, I was satisfied with it as compensation for the immeasurable guilt, which the beings that had fallen away from Me and then also the human beings had loaded upon themselves.... I accepted the sacrifice of the man Jesus, Who wanted to redeem all people from sin.... For the love in Him brought the sacrifice.... But love was I myself.... Thus love redeemed the guilt, but this would not have been possible without an act of atonement which I could only accomplish in the shell of a human being who was capable and willing to suffer.... Who Himself suffered immeasurably as compensation for the fallen one's guilt of sin. And therefore justice has not been bypassed; it was satisfied, and now My love could again become effective; it could give itself away and make the creatures immeasurably happy, because they were again without guilt, and that is why they can also unite with Me again and be completely radiated through by My love, as it was in the beginning.... And My love will not let up, and it will help everything that once had become sinful to voluntarily carry its guilt under the cross, to hand it over to Jesus and thus My justice will not be circumvented and the being will nevertheless be released from its guilt, because Love sacrificed Itself, because in the man Jesus It declared Its willingness to suffer and to die so that people will not punish the once fallen beings for their immeasurable sin.... did not need to suffer for their immense guilt of sin because they would have been eternally incapable of redeeming their sins and making (the) atonement for Me, which I, as a righteous God, had to demand in order to grant the beings the beatitude again which My immense love wants to provide for them. The compensation for the great guilt must be created first, because My perfection cannot violate the lawful order; every guilt must be redeemed, because this demands My justice....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Justice.... atonement for sins.... judgment....

B.D. No. **4510** December 13th 1948

eople challenge My justice, for they sin incessantly. They are intolerant beyond measure, they have no love in their hearts, they are full of arrogance, full of sensual desires, they have no compassion for their neighbour, they are full of envy and jealousy and, due to their lack of love, capable of the worst actions. And thus they sin against My commandment of neighbourly love and against Me Myself, Who gave them this commandment. But anyone who violates My commandment of love forfeits My love, he distances himself from Me and hardens himself more and more until I take him to court again, i.e. his new banishment into matter takes place. Then My justice has been atoned for, yet the human being has judged himself, only My law of eternity underlies this process, which could rightly be called a punishment if it did not at the same time represent an effective means of education, thus always let My love for the created shine through, thus it is never to be regarded as wrath. Justice never eliminates love, but justice also demands atonement so that sin itself is invalidated. For My creations suffer from sin and can only reduce or cancel this suffering through righteous atonement.... So a sinful person is in judgment, i.e. in a banished state which is sorrowful. He must make satisfaction, he is forced to do what he did not do voluntarily as a human being.... he must serve. Man serves voluntarily if he awakens love in himself. But vices and bad habits displace love and he tries to rule where he should be of service, and his thoughts and actions are sinful. And if a change in the stage as a human being can no longer be expected he will be placed into a state where the spirit is forced to be of service in order to reach the free state again, and it can once again pass the test of will of free service. This course of development is only justice on My part, yet it is not based on

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anger but on love, and it is always determined by the human being's own free will, so that he will plunge himself into judgment as soon as he sins against the commandment of love for God and his neighbour....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Justice of God.... long-suffering - mercy....

B.D. No. **5097** March 31th 1951

am a God of justice and yet exceedingly long-suffering and merciful. I still forgive before I carry Lout the threatened judgment because I still want to give all people the opportunity to recognize their wrongdoing, to repent of it and make amends, so that My justice is satisfied and I can only give My love to My creatures. But once My long-suffering and mercy recedes, and then I irrevocably hold court to settle the good and the evil, and then I give free rein to My justice and reward or punish each one according to merit and deed. One day is the day of retribution, otherwise I would not be Who I am, for no human being on earth can sin with impunity, but just as all goodness is rewarded because I love My living creations. Hence love does not exclude My justice, and the last judgment on this earth is also an act of mercy because a complete sinking into the abyss is stopped, even though the being is considered such that it can one day reach the height for the purpose of which people are on earth. My justice has to triumph, otherwise I would confess to work against what is right and thus approve of evil or would have to leave it without punishment. My justice is so often doubted if My long-suffering and mercy are not immediately imposed on people, but this must and will happen one day. For My justice must be satisfied. And that is why I keep postponing the day that is supposed to bring the balance. My long-suffering and mercy shall be recognized by people who cry out for My justice, they shall know about My love which wants to save the spiritual beings in greatest danger and which is therefore often misjudged. But when the last day has come My love will step back and let justice take precedence. And it will come as I have proclaimed.... Every sin will find its punishment and every good work its reward, and My righteousness will be revealed....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Last Judgment.... Act of love and righteousness....

B.D. No. **6052**

September 15th 1954

t is not just My righteousness alone which demands a recompense and therefore imposes the last Judgment upon the human race.... it is far more determined by My love which foresees its inevitable descent into the abyss and wants to put a stop to it. For even if the earth remained in its old form, even if I delayed the Judgment.... it would only damage people's souls which would not benefit thereby but enter into a darkness that would be impenetrable for an infinitely long time. The last Judgment on this earth is an act of love by Me too.... in My eyes this act is people's only salvation if I don't want to leave them entirely at the mercy of their destiny, i.e., to My adversary. It is, in the true sense of the word, a rescue mission which one day you will certainly understand but at your present low spiritual level do not appreciate. The last Judgment and the disintegration of this earth are, in fact, far more determined by My love than by My righteousness.... although this also will have to emerge so as to establish order again, since this is totally disrespected and has to lead to greatest chaos. The individual person can certainly still restore his own order again; he can still become aware of his task and his purpose and strive to live accordingly.... and the last Judgment will not affect him so much that he would have to dread it; for him, too, the last Judgment will only be a demonstration of love because he will be transferred into another life.... be it on earth or in the spiritual kingdom.... a life which will make him happy. And in order to still achieve this with individual people I make it known time and again what the earth and its inhabitants will have to expect.... and good for him who takes these indications seriously and rearranges his life; good for him who will make the effort to live in divine

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order.... For he will also understand My last rescue operation and regard it as an act of love, since as a result of his life he will also gain the understanding for all events which will take place due to My will and My might.

Only I know the result of an utterly godless way of life, and this is why I must intervene, because My love wants to rescue everyone or provide them with the possibility to free themselves from Satan's control, which can only happen if I bind him Myself.... by putting an end to his activity.... The fact that innumerable people will lose their lives when the last Judgment on earth occurs may well seem cruel to you humans; but it is only an enforced interruption of that which will inevitably lead to death.... so that the souls will at least have the **possibility** to come back to life again one day.... while it is Satan's goal to keep you forever in his possession. My love, therefore, is the reason for the end of this earth and the destruction of all created beings thereon, and My righteousness will then place the spiritual substances into external forms which correspond to their conduct on earth.... I will put everything right again.... in accordance with My eternal order and will give all spiritual beings the external form they deserve. Only when you humans know the meaning and purpose of earthly life and your task will you find My reign and activity comprehensible, for there is more at stake than your physical life, it concerns the whole of eternity, it concerns the life of the soul for which spiritual death is the most appalling state. And I want to protect it from this death and therefore have to use means which make you doubt My love and yet are only based on My love. I cannot force you into another way of life, I can only admonish and warn you through My Word, which comes as a direct address to earth, and thus all people are being addressed by Me through the mouth of a servant devoted to Me.... I can only draw your attention to the consequences of a wrong way of life and with Words of love try to entice you to enter the right path.... If, however, all these reproaches are in vain, My sentencing Fatherly hand will have to intervene in order to protect you from the worst.... For order must be restored again on earth, so that it will become a place of education for the spiritual beings once more, so that the souls can fully mature according to their destination....

Amen

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Just thinking and action of man

Sense of justice.... Judging one's fellow human being....

B.D. No. **1869** March 30th 1941

The human being has to have an inherent sense of justice or he would be unable to pass judgment on apparently heartless conduct. Anyone who deems himself so exalted that he will not tolerate any objection because he believes himself infallible will never think righteously either, for he does not allow others the same rights he claims for himself. A substantial difference has to be made between people. Anyone being strictly critical of himself and his actions will also always make an effort to judge other people fairly. However, anyone who only looks for faults in his fellow human beings and believes himself without error will regard all conduct from a superior point of view, and thus his judgment is wrong.

Every human being can err; every human being can make mistakes.... Yet he has to know himself, then he can fight his faults and improve himself.... But anyone who does not recognise a fault in himself will not strive for perfection either.

When he acts unkindly he will not be aware of it, he will not hold himself to account and is incapable of judging his actions fairly. He lacks a sense of justice; he will always consider his own actions beyond reproach but try to demean his fellow human being for the least mistake. It has to be clear to the human being that he has no right to accuse a fellow human being of a degrading action as long as he does not live up to a high moral standard himself. He should always consider his own shortcomings if he wants to criticise the failings of other people.

But someone with an inherent sense of justice will not hastily judge someone else, for he will try to put himself into the same situation and then also understand the failings and faults of the other person. However, in order to be able to do so he has to be truthful, he has to see things as they are.... he should not rate himself too highly and underrate his fellow human being, for then he will apply a different standard to his own faults than to the other person's faults, and that excludes all righteous thinking and judgment.

It is exceptionally valuable to firmly call oneself to account, then the human being will stay true to himself and not do his fellow human being an injustice out of selfishness by unfairly condemning his conduct and putting himself above the other person. And thus the human being should first look at himself and his behaviour before he criticises his fellow human being and elevates himself as his judge....

Amen

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Justice....

B.D. No. **3224**August 17th 1944

A righteous way of life earns you My love, for the righteous person not only thinks of himself but also grants to his neighbour what appears desirable to himself. Justice always seeks balance in all things, and the justly thinking person will also endeavour to be able to exist before Me in all his actions, he will be aware of his responsibility, he will always give account to Me in his thinking and base all thinking and acting on My commandments. For the righteous person does not switch off love, he always seeks to level and compare where the feeling for the right measure has been lost. For injustice is a lack of feeling for equality, it is one-sided giving or judging, and thus it is contrary to My

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order, for I observe justice in all things. Where there is love, there must also be justice, and thus I, as love Itself, must also be justice Itself. And anyone who therefore wants to follow Me and lives a life of love will never be able to judge unjustly. And therefore he will detest injustice in the world, he will suffer from the fact that people do not have the desire for balance within themselves, that selfish love drives them to think in a way which does not correspond to divine order and divine love teaching.... For unjust thinking shuts love out, unrighteousness cannot awaken love, and consequently it is a hindrance to spiritual progress in a way that people themselves are not aware of. For I cannot send My love to the unjust-thinking person because then I would take action against Me Myself, because I would then have to acknowledge something which contradicts My nature.... Although I don't let the person fall, My strength of love cannot reach him because injustice is a form of self-love which rejects My emanation of love. The unjust person is not receptive to love from Me, he would certainly accept the strength if it were physically perceptible to him, but again he would only be unaware of his neighbour who also needs this strength. He would take but not want to give, and this is unjust thinking, thinking which eliminates all sense of justice as soon as he claims something for himself and denies it to his fellow human being.... And therefore I cannot grant unrighteousness with love, with a gift which requires righteousness as a condition for receiving, for My nature is righteousness and love, and My gift presupposes the same.... that the human being lives a righteous way of life if I am to bestow My love upon him....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

"Watch and pray...."

B.D. No. **2337** May 14th 1942

Righteous in thought, righteous in speech and righteous in action.... this should be the life of anyone who wants to unite with God in spirit. Man should avoid all pitfalls, he should always remember how easily he can fall into the snares of those who seek to corrupt him. And he should be vigilant, because the enemy is always lying in wait and takes advantage of every weak moment. Therefore watch and pray, lest you fall into temptation, for the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak. Do not covet what is the portion of the world, but seek only spiritual good. And make every sacrifice

so that you may become strong in spirit and easily surrender what belongs to the world....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Thinking and acting righteously.... Love your enemy....

B.D. No. **5432**

July 8th 1952

You ought to think and act righteously. This includes meeting all people with love and not excluding anyone, for all people are My children, who should love each other.... thus you should not deny your love to any person while granting it to another, because you should not make judgments if one of your brothers has done wrong but leave the judgment to Me, as I Am truly a righteous Judge. It is certainly difficult for you to feel the same love for all people, but if you consider that you all have only one Father, if you consider that His love created all of you and that His love always and forever belongs to His living creations, even if they don't want to know Him.... if you are aware yourselves of being seized by the Father's love and feel constantly sheltered by His loving care, then you should not curtail your Father's love, but this is what you would be doing if you acted and thought unkindly of your fellow human beings who are, after all, My children too whom I love.... Even those people you think you can't love have a soul, although it is frequently pitiable because it lingers in profound spiritual hardship.... precisely because the human being is bad and thus does not awaken love in you. Were you, however, able to see the hardship of such a soul you would, if you only had one spark of love in you, want to help it with deepest compassion and would not rest until you have reduced this soul's suffering. Then you would only see the soul, the human being as such would no longer seem

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detestable to you but you would support him like a completely blind person and forget whatever he has done to you. And you should always remember a fellow human being's **soul** if he cannot awaken love in you.... The soul's torments are inconceivable, and I have mercy upon every soul and would like to help it.... Nevertheless, I cannot infringe upon its free will, I must allow it to take its own path.... **you**, however, can grant it love and thus so influence a person that he, too, can ignite love in him and thereby reduce his soul's spiritual hardship. Hence, you can help where I Am effectively powerless as not to endanger the person's free will. And you will only think righteously if you help a fellow human being, who is still bound in sin, to attain the level which you have climbed already, for you were helped by My grace when you were still weak and My grace also wants to help those who are still below yet held captive by My adversary.... And you should help to loosen the shackles, you should lovingly bring the children who have gone astray back to Me, the eternal Father, you should help them to find the same that you have found through My love and My grace....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Justice.... Equal rights.... Mutual love....

B.D. No. 4131

September 29th 1947

ven the sense of justice is subject to a law. It can certainly be increased many times over, Inevertheless, in cases relating to equal rights it has to be limited. For it always has to be taken into consideration that both giving as well as taking are first subject to the commandment of love. Giving is determined by love, insofar that love has to be the driving force of giving, and thus every gift has to awaken love in the recipient. For love is the fundamental substance of everything that is visible to the human being, just as it must incessantly flow to all works of creation if they are to continue to exist. Consequently, it requires the strength of love if the offering is to awaken love in return and increase the strength in itself. Giving is the evidence of love, but the receiving can take place without love, in which case it will remain appropriately ineffective unless the recipient is voluntarily partaking of the spiritual gifts from above which lead upwards again. Earthly gifts can only have an earthly effect, that is, the giving part has to take into account that his gift will indeed be accepted yet not valued differently than a matter of fact and therefore awakens little or no love in return, which would be classed as a spiritual failure. In that case, only the giver's will is of importance but not the act itself. The degree of love which urges a person to give is always the decisive factor, this is why giving cannot be generalised, since the degree of love is not always and towards all people the same; rather, the human being has to exercise firm self-criticism, otherwise he will regard actions as deeds of love which are merely the results of education or habits and thus lack the driving force of love for a another person. The latter conduct of people is doubtlessly commendable and therefore should not stop; nevertheless, every act carried out by love has eternal value, because it results in the soul's higher maturity. Actions of love increase humanity's spiritual state on earth, actions of justice can certainly go hand in hand with love yet are generally only driven by the feeling of formal thoughtfulness, which can be automatically carried out without the heart being involved and therefore does not follow the person as a deed of love into eternity.

Just thinking and just conduct is expected of people, for the contrary has detrimental effects on fellow human beings and is therefore unkindness; it is a violation of the commandment of love. Consequently, just thinking and just conduct can be regarded as the fulfilment of the commandment of love.... But justice should not always be understood as equal rights.... because a demand for absolute equality cannot always and by all people be made.... For even here, laws apply which are subject to divine will. The human being should certainly take care not to value himself too highly either way, thus he should not lay claim to more than he is willing to give, he should give to another person what he himself deems desirable, yet this will has to remain free, it must not be forcibly aimed in one direction which, however, is the case when the reason for giving is an acquired formality that a person complies with. Hence you should seriously examine which feeling prompts you to put your will to give into practise. Don't be satisfied with a correct act which lacks all warmth but follow the urging of

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your heart, then you will be governed by love and every thought, intention and action will be good. However, in cases of emergency you should act fairly, when not just one person relies on your help but when it is needed everywhere. Don't deny it to one person while you give it to the other but make an effort to distribute and judge fairly. Give pleasure where you can and don't try to keep an anxious limit, for this stifles love, it does not awaken mutual love, and where love is lacking there is no spiritual progress, even if you have effectively created earthly order, yet divine order must be fulfilled first, and according to divine law love comes first. Where it is observed all other good qualities will follow, and this includes justice as well....

Amen

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God's mercy

Jesus' work of love and mercy....

B.D. No. **7545** March 11th 1960

ou should always look towards the cross, you should always remember the saviour Jesus Christ, Who died for you on the cross.... You should always try to imagine His bitter pain and suffering which He endured for your sins, so that your guilt of sin was redeemed and you could enter the spiritual kingdom again unburdened, the kingdom of light, the gates of which Jesus Christ, the divine redeemer, opened for you. For your sins He suffered, for your sins He died on the cross.... He, Who Himself was without sin, took your guilt of sin upon Himself and went the way to the cross for you. And He did it out of immense love for you humans, whom He knew to be in greatest spiritual need, whom He wanted to release from the fetters of the adversary who had held you captive for eternities. It was a work of love and mercy, such as has only once been accomplished by a human being who was not differently aligned like you, but only harboured so much love in His heart that He wanted to sacrifice Himself for His suffering fellow human beings. And it was this love which gave Him the strength for His act of salvation, it was this love which drove His will, which enabled Him to endure immense suffering and pain and to walk the path of the cross until the end, until His exaltation on the cross, until His agonizing death. But love was God.... It was God Himself Who sacrificed Himself on the cross, it was the eternal love Who suffered and died for humanity. And this love needed a human shell which endured suffering and pain.... a shell in which the greatest work of mercy ever experienced by humanity took place.... This sacrifice on the cross cannot be remembered often enough, because it was unique and yet applied to all of humanity, to the people of the past, the present and the future.... Again and again people must experience that the work of redemption has been accomplished for all of them; again and again they must hear that they themselves also belong to the redeemed if their will is willing to accept the graces of the work of redemption.... Again and again people must remember the divine redeemer, they must turn their gaze to the one Who died on the cross for humanity.... they must imagine their own sinfulness and know that the divine redeemer also died for these sins, providing they are carried to Him, under His cross.... that the human being therefore wants to become free from them and appeals to Jesus Christ for forgiveness of his guilt. The human being must consciously take a stand towards Him and His act of salvation. And therefore he should always remember that he would be lost without Him, the divine redeemer Jesus Christ.... He alone is his saviour from deepest adversity, He alone forgives his guilt, He alone leads him into the kingdom of light and bliss when he has handed over his guilt to Him and asks Him for redemption.... And therefore no man's life is hopeless, no matter how much he has sinned.... One took all guilt upon Himself and redeemed it on the cross out of immense love. And you should acknowledge this one, you should know and believe that Jesus was the son of God, that He was a human being Who harboured a soul of light within Himself which was so full of love that it was able to contain eternal love Itself and that this 'eternal love' walked the earth in order to suffer and die for people.... in order to redeem them. And if you believe and acknowledge God Himself in Jesus you will also become free from all guilt, you will be able to enter eternal life as He has promised you....

Amen

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Ou all experience God's kindness and mercy, for His love is never-ending and applies to all His living creations which suffer hardship but still resist Him and therefore would actually have no right to be loved by Him... on account of which God's mercy remembers them in their distress. He cannot be angry but only be willing to love, forgive and help.... No sin is so great that His love would not want to absolve it and only His righteousness has to maintain a certain order, in view of which God cannot make His creatures blissfully happy as long as they still openly oppose Him.... However, He does whatever it takes to overcome their antagonism, in order to then be able to give Himself in abundance.... Thus God does not condemn, even if the measure of sin is overflowing, but full of compassion He looks upon the sinner and pours endless blessings upon him, so that he will change and voluntarily turn to Him in order to find complete forgiveness with Him. For God Himself is Love, and love cannot be angry as it only ever tries to give happiness. God is a merciful Judge to every soul, i.e., forgiveness can always be expected from His side.... because His love is never-ending. Only if the soul itself objects to it then it will challenge God's righteousness.... because it is the law of eternal order that opposition renders God's love ineffective and also makes every act of compassion futile. And therefore God's greatest care only ever applies to the human being's change of will, which subsequently enables His mercy to intervene when a soul has fallen and is unable to lift itself up again on its own.... Then it will receive help which, admittedly, it does not deserve but which it will not reject either.... Then it can become blessed due to grace.... for the merciful love draws towards all wretched beings. But only He is compassionate Who knows about the endless misery of those who languish in the abyss.... And only the person who knows the fate of the fallen souls can feel compassionate, even if he is emotionally unable to assess it. Yet the knowledge of the fallen beings' wretchedness can also awaken profound compassion in him, and if he thus, in merciful love, supports these souls which are far away from God.... if he appeals to God to help these unhappy souls, then his merciful call for help can overcome the resistance in these souls, because they feel the petitioner's love and become more compliant....

For merciful love is valued very highly on God's part, it is, after all, a sign of the soul's higher maturity, a sign of a human being's true love, which can never remain ineffective. God takes pity on every soul, and everything would truly be redeemed from the abyss already were His merciful love unhesitatingly accepted.... Yet it remains ineffective as soon as it meets with resistance. Hence every state of adversity, every misery has not been imposed on the being by God but was aspired to in free will, against which even God's mercy cannot undertake anything but merely continue influencing the person's will so that he will change and clear the path for the merciful love, so that the being will allow itself to be seized and lifted up by it. Every act of Salvation is an act of compassion, because the being shall be redeemed from self-inflicted adversity.... where righteousness should impose punishment were mercy not to express itself first and make a final attempt to break the opposition.... Nevertheless, in the case of opposition even mercy will be to no avail, and then justice will consider the being according to its resistance.... God's love will never end, and this love tries to save all wretched beings, and His mercy will time and again draw down to earth and gather those who let themselves be seized by it, and no being will be able to resist His greater than great love forever, for it is very strong, and one day even the hardest heart will be melted by this strength of love, and it will voluntarily surrender to Him in free will and be eternally happy....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's mercy is greater than His wrath....

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Od's mercy is greater than His wrath, and His love is endless.... And although the last Judgment is to be regarded as a punitive Judgment, although it imposes a terrible fate on the condemned, it is

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nevertheless the prelude to a new redemptive epoch, it is the absolute necessity for a renewed ascent with the final aim of complete release from the form. And that is why God is not eternally angry, but God's mercy takes the place of wrath, He helps the fallen again to ascend, even if a long time passes over it. God's love and mercy outweigh God's justice, even though this is satisfied by the torment of being banished. He is not eternally angry, while His love remains eternal and is meant for that which has come forth from His power. Consequently, the spiritual is the product of His love and wisdom and can therefore never ever cease to exist, it can indeed be banished from His face by God's wrath for a long time, yet God always turns His face towards it again because love understands everything and forgives everything. (9.8.1947) That which has fallen away from Him is weak, and this weakness moves Him to pity, for God's essence is deepest love, and love can never ever turn away but only finds happiness in the union with that which once parted as a spark with the eternal fire, from God, Who is love Himself. His embers increase and consume everything that approaches Him and turn it into most blissful beings, and where that which once emanated from Him languishes in wretchedness, there love deepens and, full of mercy, inclines towards these unhappy beings.... love does not condemn eternally because this would mean eternal distance from God and this is never possible because God is love Himself. Yet the state of union cannot occur as long as the fallen being resists it, because love never compels but only seeks to make happy. But then the being also remains unhappy, and this state, which at the same time signifies remoteness from God, where the being no longer feels God's love, is, as it were, a judged state, a state of banishment and thus can be described as 'being under God's wrath', where the being must forfeit all emanation of God's love due to its own fault. However, the fact that this state cannot be a permanent one emerges from the fact that again and again new creations come into being and that these testify to God's love again, Whose mercy has destined them to be the abode of the spiritual beings which oppose Him; that God's power of love comes to light in them again and enables the creatural to reduce its state of remoteness from God and to enter into ever closer contact with the original power in order to completely join this original power of its own free will after an infinitely long time. Then God's love will become ever more obvious to the being if it is able to recognise God's love and grace embodied as a human being. And now it can also love God and seek union with Him in free will. And then it will be saved, for what is once seized by God's love, what once no longer has to fear God's wrath, will eternally remain in His grace, it will have kindled itself by the fire of love and become a flame itself, the fusion with the eternal love will irrevocably take place as soon as it surrenders itself without resistance, as soon as it has changed itself into love....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

Early death.... God's mercy.... Old age....

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Od's will determines in which degree of maturity a human being is called from his earthly life into the spiritual realm. This is also an apparent injustice which could further the opinion that God selects certain people to become blessed while others have to suffer being distant from God. And yet this attitude is totally wrong.... because divine love and wisdom always knows the human will and therefore cuts a life short when higher development on earth is doubtful.

During the state of constraint before embodiment as a human being there is only progressive development until the spiritual substance's degree of maturity is ready for this last embodiment. But now the human free will makes its own decisions and development can continue, remain static or even regress; and again it depends on whether the human being as such has already improved his initial degree of maturity and is in danger of coming to a standstill or whether he has remained on the same level as at the beginning of his embodiment and is in danger of regressing. In that case it is always due to God's mercy that the human being is recalled when he has arrived at the highest level of his development on earth, i.e. when God's love protects him

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from regressing or from failing to advance his soul during a longer lifetime.... because his guilt will increase the longer he uses his embodiment's time of grace without making proper use of it.

The human being can advance during his younger years and then stop, his development up till now comes to a halt, and then God will recall him and give him further opportunities to mature in the beyond.... But the human being can also change his will in later years and his yet inadequate development can experience a sudden improvement and thus he can attain a higher degree of maturity even though for a long time he had ignored his soul until then. In that case God will give him a long life, because God knows the human being's will since eternity and shapes his life accordingly.... For every human being's destiny is considered by God's love and wisdom and does not depend on God's arbitrary use of power....

God would not withhold the opportunity to mature on earth from any human being if he is willing to use it. But people pay little attention to His mercy and are unwilling to accept the relevant information. And because God knows since eternity which humans are particularly resentful to Him, because He knows when a person has reached the highest degree of development on earth, the duration of his earthly life has also been established since eternity and varies, depending on what divine wisdom deems best and most successful. God will never cut short an earthly life if the human being could still achieve higher maturity because God's love is forever concerned that the human being should attain highest possible maturity on earth; He would never withhold an opportunity from a human being which would result in complete maturity. But He knows since eternity the human will's every inclination and protects the soul from complete desertion, i.e. from certain regression if He would not end that earthly life.

For that reason anyone who constantly strives will reach old age while, at the same time, old age is proof of steady higher development even if this is not evident to other people. A long earthly life is always a mercy but even a short life is evidence of God's love, which is forever active although it is not always recognised by the human being....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The suffering of world events act of divine mercy....

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he less people understand the nature of the deity, the more incomprehensible it seems to them that L the great suffering they experience and have to bear is not a punishment but must be seen as an act of the greatest mercy. This is only understandable if God's infinite love is taken into consideration.... the love that wants to draw and guide everything to itself and which is not recognized. It does not let the beings fall, and thus it prevents people in their blindness from completely separating themselves from God, it wants to spare the beings the agonizing fate of souls remaining separated from God and therefore uses a means which certainly appears cruel but which is most likely to result in people uniting with God. For now He can provide them with far more marvellous things than just earthly happiness and earthly pleasures.... God has prepared the delights of paradise for the few who love and serve Him. But He can never bestow these delights on beings who keep away from Him. And it pities God that His creatures should live in want, that they should not share in the eternal glory. And because people make no effort to enter the path that leads to Him, He comes to meet them by knocking on their hearts in suffering and seeking admission. How long they are hardened and do not want to hear His voice also determines the degree of suffering of these people. And at the moment people's spiritual state is so low and therefore this requires very special measures on the part of the eternal deity so that the purpose may be achieved. And thus the lord directs world events brought about by human will such that the human being's soul can thereby attain spiritual maturity even though the body has to endure unspeakable hardship. For the body is transient, but the soul passes over into the spiritual kingdom. The suffering of the body ends once, but the suffering of the soul does not end with the death of the body. And what therefore appears to be cruelty is an authorization by

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God, based on His infinite love. For man can attain eternal bliss through suffering; but rarely does he take the path to God as long as his earthly life runs smoothly. In the greatest distress, prayer rises to the father in heaven, in spirit and in truth. And thus the father can also hear the prayer and send His help. And one day the soul will truly sing praises and thanks to God that He has thereby averted greater misery from it in the beyond. But humanity will not realize this until it seeks the explanation in God's great love....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's love and mercy is eternal for His creatures....

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d's love and mercy will not let any being fall, no matter how badly it has transgressed against His love, for it is His product, His creature, which emerged from Him. divine works are indestructible, therefore imperishable, but changeable in themselves insofar as that the will of the being determines its nature, but the will is not prevented by the original freedom to develop upwards or downwards. Consequently, the nature can likewise change from the divine image into the opposite, i.e. it can take on the nature of the one who was once God's most glorious creature and separated himself from Him and thus deprived himself of all perfection. The being is therefore still the same, but deficient in the divine gifts it once possessed.... It is imperfect and has thus become similar to God's adversary. Nevertheless, it remains a divine creature which is never ever expelled from His love but constantly remains in God's care, even if it does not recognize or want to acknowledge it. God's goal is always and forever to lead the imperfect back to perfection, to cause it to change itself, even if eternities pass over it. For since the being created by God can never ever cease to exist, it is always and constantly given the opportunity for this transformation because God's love and mercy does not want to leave it in its imperfect state, which is also a state of poverty and lack of freedom and therefore can never make the being happy. God's love, however, wants to make everything that has emerged from It blissful; It wants it to be able to be creatively and formatively active according to its own will which, however, if the being is perfect, completely joins the divine will; and It wants the being to be placed into a blissful state as a result and to be able to enjoy the delights of the eternal contemplation of God.... Yet in its state of imperfection the being does not acknowledge God's love and does not submit to His will. It resists Him and often remains in its state of imperfection for eternities. And yet it has to give up its resistance in complete freedom of will, it has to change itself and cannot be changed by God's will, i.e. it cannot attain perfection in a state of compulsion. And this is why God, in His love and mercy, tries to influence the being such that it becomes soft and compliant. And He uses means which seem to question His love but which are only determined by His love because they promise success, namely to bring about the human being's gradual transformation. And if the being is particularly stubborn and does not give up its resistance even by such means, His love is always intent on its redemption and His wisdom finds new ways to achieve the being's transformation.... He lets a new earth arise, with more difficult living conditions, and He continues to woo the love of beings who want to refuse Him.... He is only anxious to carry out a continued purification, to achieve an upward development of the beingness and to reduce the gap between Himself and His living creations, for His love belongs to His living creations always and forever. If God apparently withdraws from His living creations then this is only a means to win them over for Himself because He wants to let them recognize their lack of strength and thereby wants to cause them to seek contact with the original source of strength as powerless beings. For this is already an abandonment of resistance, it is already a conscious striving upwards, it is an activation of the will, the beginning of the upward development. And God constantly tries to change this will, i.e. to turn him, who has turned away from Him, towards Himself again. And His love, His mercy and patience will never cease, He will always and constantly woo the love of His living creations, He will use every means which can lead to success, and indeed the more effective the more resistant it is to God. And thus, through its resistance, through its conduct towards God, the being itself determines the means

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and ways God uses in order to break its resistance, yet they are only ever evidence of His love and mercy, for He thereby only aims to finally regain that which once apostatized from Him because He wants to make it eternally happy....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

God's merciful help to the end....

B.D. No. **7041** February 12th 1958

nd there will be many of you who do not partake of the gifts of grace which I so abundantly **1** bestow upon people. And My will will not force them to change their thinking either, but I will have to put them through hard schools if I still want to achieve a small success that they are not completely darkened in spirit at the end of their life, be it their own death or the end of this earth, where no human being will remain alive.... unless he belongs to Me fully.... For even those who experience the end of the earth and for whom a small light still shines at the last will be granted the grace that they will still be accepted by Me, that they will not fall prey to the new banishment, even though they cannot enliven the new earth, because this requires a certain degree of maturity which those souls have not yet reached. But they are no longer in complete darkness and can therefore still be accepted into the spiritual kingdom beforehand, because a relapse into the abyss is then excluded.... And I still try to kindle this small light in many people, and therefore I let them go through great suffering and hardship which, however, can spare them the agony of the new banishment if they thereby turn their gaze to Me, if they make use of this last grace for their souls. Until the last hour people still have the opportunity to call upon Me, and I will accept them as soon as they have recognized Me and approach Me for help. For I cannot and will not use coercion, but I take pity on people who have fallen into darkness and don't want to see the light which shines for them.... However, completely darkened souls can no longer be accepted into the kingdom of the beyond in the end, because this kingdom will then also keep its gates closed, because everything satanic is banished from the spiritual kingdom, because it will be dissolved again for the purpose of a new banishment and has to take the path of development across earth once more. But the souls which already possess a glimmer of light will now also strive upwards and hand themselves over to the beings of light for the purpose of further development, who are extremely happy to take over their care. At present, however, the earth harbours far more people of darkened spirit than those who strive towards the light.... And this is also evident from the fact that they don't accept My word from above because they don't recognize it as the voice of the father Who speaks to them in love and wisdom. Where there is only a little light the illuminating power of My divine light of love will be noticed and felt, but where there is deepest darkness people are blind and cannot see anything. But those people take pity on Me and I use all possible means to open their eyes before the end. Yet these means are painful, they are often such that they are hardly recognized as divine aids unless an awakened spirit knows about My plan of salvation, about what is coming and about the dreadful fate these people are facing. And if only a crack of their eyes can be opened then they will turn of their own accord to where they see a ray of light and the work of salvation will have succeeded. What from a human point of view is the greatest misfortune and the most bitter suffering, from a spiritual point of view can be the occasion for the path to unspeakable bliss.... For the former does not last forever.... But life after death has no end, and one day the soul will be extremely grateful if this life is a blissful one for it, if it has escaped the new banishment and become free of its material bondage.... Yet accepting My gifts of grace, listening to My word and obeying it could save countless people from great suffering, for anyone who makes use of this grace will come to the light, to the knowledge of Me, and he need never fear the darkness again, nor the end, which will only release him from an earthly burden.... regardless of whether I still call him away first or whether he is destined for paradise as a blissful inhabitant of the new earth.... The existence of all of you on earth will only last a short time and a great measure of grace will only flow to you for a short time. But the earth will also still have to endure unspeakable suffering.... All

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people who don't want to accept My word will still be addressed by Me, for I want to win over all people, I don't want to lose any human being to darkness. But every person's will remains free....

Amen

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Man should be merciful

Mercy....

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ou should practice mercy and always be mindful of the fact that without My mercy you would be lost forever.... But mercy is also based on love, which cannot see suffering and wants to help. The human being who feels compassion for his fellow human beings is not without love, otherwise his fate would not touch him. Mercy is another form of love.... for love seeks to please, mercy first seeks to avert suffering, and every sensitive person takes pity on his fellow human being's suffering, he feels for him as it were and can be touched to his innermost being, and therefore he is willing to help.... Love can also be practiced without tangible hardship, and the human being can also give and want to make happy in full unselfishness. Yet even a person with a colder heart can be seized by his fellow human being's adversity.... then mercy will emerge, love will be kindled in the human being, the other person's misery will cause him to work with love, and a work of mercy will also earn the person My mercy if he is in need. I see all your sins and weaknesses, and I take pity on your condition, even though you are to blame for it yourselves.... And so your mercy should also apply to those who have fallen into misery through their own fault.... the mercy should not appear judicially, it should also apply to the unworthy, for your fellow human being's hardship truly compensates for his guilt but is nevertheless agonizing and worthy of mercy. What would your fate be if I had not taken pity on you and not redeemed your great guilt Myself through My love?.... Your fate was indeed justified, for you had chosen it yourselves of your own free will.... But I only see and saw your weakness, your spiritual low and your shackle which My adversary had put on you.... I saw your powerlessness to ever free yourselves from this fetter again.... And now My mercy took the place of justice.... I helped you to become free from this fetter once and for all.... I sent the redeemer Jesus Christ to earth, in Whom I embodied Myself and fought against the one who held you captive.... My mercy could and would no longer leave you in his bondage.... So mercy did not pay attention to your own sin but helped you to become free from it as well.... And so you should also practise mercy, you should help, (8.4.1954) driven by love, to end the misery of your fellow human being, you should have mercy on those who are guilty and therefore have actually forfeited their right to your help.... But you should not remember their guilt, but their misery.... Merciful love is proof that your hearts are not yet hardened, that you are, as it were, compassionate and feel fraternally united with the wretched. Therefore do not avert your eyes if you are confronted by great adversity.... also consider those in the depths with your love and take My mercy as an example, which applies to all sinners and which prompted Me to accomplish the act of salvation.... For you were all guilty, but I took this guilt upon Myself and paid for it with My death on the cross....

Amen

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

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ake 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

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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 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

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

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Ou will be granted manifold blessings if you endeavour to help erring souls who cannot find the I 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....

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Merciful intercession....

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o not demand mercy from Me if you deny the same mercy to your fellow human being who has transgressed against you. For no human being is sinless, every individual is dependent on My mercy that I show it to him despite his sinfulness.... And thus I have to show mercy everywhere, just as you should do the same towards those who need help rather than harsh judgement if they are to recover in their souls. Again and again I have to emphasize that all of you humans are oppressed by My adversary.... Admittedly, every individual can defend himself against it by calling upon Me, Who certainly also has power over this adversary and also uses it when a person faithfully and trustingly appeals to Me for protection and help. But he often approaches people under such a mask that they are unable to recognize him and therefore also get caught in his nets. This is certainly also their own failure because they are of dark spirit and do nothing to kindle a small light in themselves, and they will also bitterly regret this failure one day, for they take the darkness with them into the spiritual kingdom and yet could just as well have reached the light in earthly life. But My grace and mercy will always help them, both on earth as well as in the kingdom of the beyond, I will not condemn them but only ever try to release them from their pitiful state. And you should all be mindful of this, you should act in the same way, and your fellow human beings' weaknesses should trigger a hot compassion in you, you should fear for their souls and want to help them, which is also possible for you through intercessory thoughts or prayers, through the allocation of strength of love which will beneficially touch those souls. You must wrestle with My adversary for such souls.... and you will be stronger than him as soon as love moves you to want to help the soul. And so that love flares up in you for such unhappy souls which the adversary keeps captive, you should imagine that he will not release it for a long time once it has been deprived of its body and entered the dark kingdom of the beyond where it lacks all strength to resist, where it is completely under his control. Even then a person's love can still wrest such souls from him, but as long as the human being still stays on earth the strength of intercession can still result in a change of his thinking, and he can still work on himself and come to the realization of his weaknesses and faults. And this realization alone can save him from the lot of darkness in the kingdom of the beyond. Show mercy to all those who are misguided and try to guide them onto the right path. And if you do not succeed in this, then pray for them, but do not abandon them to the enemy who brings unspeakable torment upon those souls from which you can deliver them through your loving intercession. I hear every merciful call and for the sake of your love I am also ready to help. But if such a soul is left to itself it will become ever more entangled in satan's nets without recognizing it itself, because it is completely blind in spirit and does not accept the light itself which could shine for it on the earthly path. For it is precisely the adversary's weakness of will which he seeks to maintain, and this can only be remedied through an influx of strength which loving intercession will always give to the soul.... Do not underestimate the power of intercession.... What a good orator cannot do, loving intercession can achieve.... And therefore I urge all of you to include these souls walking in darkness in your prayers, to show them mercy, for they are poor and miserable and can only receive the gift of strength through loving remembrance. Always regard the adversary as your greatest enemy and help them to become free from him, and you have truly accomplished a work of love for which those souls will thank you forever....

Amen

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Thatever you want people to do to you, do it to them. Always put yourselves in your fellow human being's position of need and think of how grateful you would be if you were helped out of this adversity, and then act according to your strength and it will be right in My eyes. But if your brother's adversity leaves you cold, then your heart will already be hardened and then it will be difficult for you to enter the kingdom of heaven, for then you will be without love, then you will not fulfil My commandments and your soul will not be able to mature.... the change of nature will not take place, but this is the purpose and aim of your earthly life. Your fellow human being's adversity can certainly also be your fault and yet you should help him, for you yourselves can also fall into sin and thereby become adversity, and you will also make use of My love and mercy because you feel unhappy.... If your heart is hardened, if you pass by a person in distress indifferently, mentally place yourselves in the same predicament.... and the ice will melt, a wave of mercy will flood over you, if you are still able to change at all.... For know that you can all get into the same predicament; know that you do not determine your own fate and that you therefore cannot avert from yourselves what I want to bring upon you for the purpose of your education.... What concerns your neighbour today can already be your **own** fate tomorrow, and if you expect help then also give it to your neighbour and you will do well by it.... Don't think self-righteously, don't feel exalted and don't look down on your fellow human being because you are earthly better off or seem to master fate better.... For then you cause Me to put you in the same position so that you feel what you did not want to understand before.... Do not harden your hearts.... but let yourselves be touched by every adversity and seek help. For you give and receive back abundantly what you have given out. And you win the hearts of those you give to, and that is your greatest gain, that good thoughts follow you, that you are remembered with love, which your soul feels as strength to mature itself. And always remember My words: "Whatever you do to the least of your brothers, you have done to Me." Then it will be easy for you to alleviate hardship.... And as you now love God above all things, you will not fail to love your neighbour either.... and you will fulfil My commandments and mature in your soul....

Amen

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Path to perfection by acquiring the divine virtues

The condition to attain perfection on earth....

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Consider, you humans, that you are weak as long as your soul still lives on earth in the flesh, and that you therefore always have to request strength from Me if your want to reach your goal.... your perfection.... while you are still on earth. For only the strength from Me will strengthen your will, which is weak as long as the adversary can still influence a person because he is not perfect yet. Your determination especially will always be undermined by him, and I died on the cross for the sake of reinforcing your will, hence you must avail yourselves of the graces acquired on your behalf: strength and reinforcement of your will. And your weakness will always manifest itself such that you are not yet able to completely detach yourselves from the world.... Admittedly, you still live in the midst of the world and therefore have to do justice to all demands.... But there is a difference whether you just fulfil your duties or still want to enjoy earthly pleasures yourselves, whether your heart has already freed itself from worldly wishes or still has earthly longings.... For then your will to achieve spiritual perfection is still weak, its aim for Me and desire to unite with Me is not undivided.... You still make concessions and thus have to 'apply force'.... you must seriously try to accomplish detaching yourselves from the world and this requires strength which you have to request time and again, and which you will also always receive....

Hence it is crucial as to which direction your sincere will turns to.... towards Me and My kingdom or towards My adversary.... And again it is your degree of love which determines the choice of your will's direction, for a heart full of love will always find Me and My kingdom more desirable than the earthly world.... Therefore you should first examine yourselves as to how far you have overcome selfish love.... to what extent you are filled by **selfless neighbourly love**, for this is the **same** as love for **Me**, and only this love establishes union with Me.... not the mere longing for Me, which can be selfish love as well in order to gain the highest delights of blissful unison with Me.... However, the right love for Me is only demonstrated by unselfish neighbourly love. And only this raises the degree of love. As long as you still desire small pleasures for yourselves you should also try to give a little pleasure to your neighbour, yet without calculating earthly or spiritual advantages, but urged from within by the desire to give happiness and joy. Such selfless demonstrations of love will refine your nature, you will find your own happiness in giving pleasure because your love will grow increasingly stronger and at the same rate diminish your love for the world. And this is why you should seriously call yourselves to account as to whether you **love your neighbour as yourselves...**

Your perfection depends entirely on the degree of love you attain on earth, and you can only be called 'children of God' if you acknowledge that your fellow human beings likewise originated from the Father and you therefore also love them like one brother loves another and do everything for him that you would like to have done to yourselves. Always subject your neighbourly love to serious criticism and work at improving yourselves.... request the strength from Me and you will reach your goal, yet you won't be able to achieve anything by your own efforts.... But I want you to perfect yourselves on earth, consequently I will also help you in every way as long as you seriously want it.... Yet you will always have to apply force as long as this world still keeps you captivated.... If, however, you can detach yourselves from the world then the attainment of the goal will also become steadily easier, and then you can rightly say 'My yoke is easy, and My burden is light....' Then you will no longer need to use force, then you will be full of strength, and then you will only strive towards Me.... for the love in you is the strength which indeed achieves anything. And you can also understand that a loving human being is full of humility.... which expresses itself in his conduct towards his neighbour

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to whom he gives his love.... Never forget that neighbourly love is the indicator.... and that you will have to prove your love for Me through selfless neighbourly love....'for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?' And thus your will can indeed be inclined towards Me and this also guarantees that I will take hold of you and not let you fall again....Yet the degree of your perfection is determined by yourselves and only ever by the degree of love for your fellow human being.... But you can attain it if you sincerely subordinate your will to Mine, and then you will always think, act and want like I do Myself, and you will surely reach your goal on earth.... to unite with Me in order to be eternally happy....

Amen

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Change of nature only from within....

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Nothing external has a beneficial effect on your inner life, no formalities can help your soul to mature and lead it to perfection.... Your change of nature can only be accomplished from within, this is why you humans must frequently withdraw into solitude in order to take stock of yourselves and remove whatever is spoiling you, whatever imperfections you still harbour within yourselves.... External sources can certainly draw your attention to conducting this psychological work, you can be taught how to achieve it, what you ought to observe.... what you must avoid because it is harmful and what you should do to become perfect.... but you must accomplish it yourselves and only by means of detaching yourselves from everything external even if you are in the midst of the world and forced to fulfil your duties. Yet this psychological work has to be carried out simultaneously because it is entirely independent of your occupation, for it concerns your inner nature, your faults and bad habits, it concerns the human being's inner life, his thinking, volition and conduct which.... even if it is directed in a worldly way.... ought to emanate love, otherwise a transformation of personality cannot be spoken of.

Hence your psychological work has to consist of refining your thinking and inclinations and of directing them towards divine goals; you always have to make an effort to live a life of unselfishness, selflessness, gentleness and patience, of peacefulness.... You have to develop all good qualities within yourselves and expel bad thoughts and attributes.... And all this requires the sincere will to live correctly before God.... It need not become outwardly obvious, that is, it should not be outwardly displayed.... yet a life in accordance with God's will also always affects your fellow human beings, it stimulates imitation and will always be more effective than many speeches or formal customs which do not yet vouch for an inner change of attitude.

A person can only change if he takes serious stock of himself by thinking about his shortcomings and faults and resolves to improve himself. And this inner change has to be undertaken by every person himself if he wants to reach his goal of becoming perfect. The resolve also has to be followed by the deed or the will is not in earnest.... And from this you can realise again that the attainment of beatitude is not determined by the denomination but only ever by the human being's will to kindle love within himself which totally transforms him, which turns all bad attributes into good ones and which therefore is the only means of becoming perfect.... but which can be practised by all people, irrespective of which denomination they belong to.... All denominations, however, teach love.... this is why all of them can lead to perfection, yet no denomination can guarantee this perfection.... only the human being can achieve it by the serious work of improving himself....

Amen

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You too, My loyal servants, have to be admonished by Me to improve your souls more eagerly, for as long as you live on earth you all still carry immature substances within yourselves. You all more or less still have to fight against inclinations, longings and all kinds of weaknesses, and you should always remember that you ought to spiritualise these substances during your earthly life. A constant struggle will have to take place, and you should overcome them, you should try to influence the unspiritual substances with much love to let go of you, to join the desire of the spirit within you, to stop pestering your soul so that it will be able to ascend to the pinnacle with ever greater ease and without being held back. I want to make the path to happiness easier for all of you, but you also have to work on yourselves, you seriously have to examine yourselves as to what weaknesses and faults are still burdening you; you have to question yourselves whether your soul is still constrained by any cravings.... you have to fight against every impure impulse, suppress each irate motion, you must not send out any ignoble thoughts and deny any human being your love.... you have to try to put right every injustice you have inflicted on a fellow human being....

Your thinking shall always be noble and pure, which excludes every thought of hatred and vengeance.... You should avoid every unkind word and always remember that you expect love, compassion and forgiveness from Me, thus you should also grant the same to your fellow human being.... In everything you think or say you should know that I know it too, and you should ask yourselves whether you are behaving correctly in My presence?.... I know that you are all still weak, that the battle which you should wage against yourselves is indeed the most difficult.... But My strength is always at your disposal and you only need to send a pleading thought to Me and, truly, I will give you the strength and you will be victorious.... You will be able to pacify the evil spirits within yourselves. They will leave you progressively more alone, they will become modest and also comply with the soul's desire to calm down and make use of the strength for their own purification....

For they have this possibility to reach maturity themselves within the earthly body and to join the soul, because it will take all fully matured spiritual substances along into the kingdom of the beyond when it has to leave its earthly body. The soul itself still has various instincts within itself from its previous embodiments, which it is supposed to change for the better.... And it is also pestered by the body of flesh, because that is shaped from unspiritual substances.... But the human being also has the possibility to exercise a redeeming influence on these evil spirits.... if he tries to change all negative qualities to the contrary until he has become humble, gentle, peaceful, compassionate and just.... until he has become love himself, which includes all those virtues, and then the human being will also be able to enter the spiritual kingdom fully matured. And therefore you should seriously examine yourselves as to what virtues you are still missing.... investigate, whether you have changed your nature completely already.... check, what you still need and seriously work at improving yourselves....

And you most certainly will be successful if only you have the serious intention and appeal to Me to give you strength because you are too weak on your own. Call upon Me in Jesus so that I will strengthen your will, so that you will lose your weakness of will, so that I will forgive you when you have become sinful, and truly, My help is assured to you, for it is My own will that your souls shall mature, and I Am truly pleased in those who take changing their nature into love seriously.... For as soon as you are full of love all unspiritual substances within you will also become spiritualised, because they cannot resist the strength of love. But wherever these evil spirits are still active, love is not yet profound enough, in other words, I Am as yet not able to work in all fullness within you and you will have to fight to become pure so that I can take abode in you.... And then you will also have been redeemingly active within yourselves....

Amen

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You ought to practise patience and make an effort of cultivating a life of peacefulness and gentleness in mercy and righteousness and humility, in which case you will also always live a life of love, for love alone will shape you such that you will acquire all these virtues, that you will endeavour to treat your neighbour with love and therefore live according to My will. And precisely that which I expect of you will be lacking in you as long as you are still controlled by My adversary. And you can also recognise to whom you belong if you seriously scrutinise yourselves as to what you still need to become perfect. For you possessed these virtues in your perfect state when you still belonged to Me and were blissfully happy.... By turning away from Me you changed yourselves into the opposite, all the bad characteristics awakened in you when you accepted My adversary's nature who lacked all love.... You shall reach perfection again in earthly life and therefore must also cast off all negative attributes and adopt your fundamental nature again; you must live a life of love which will awaken all virtues in you so that you will become divine living creations again. Yet this will always require an inner battle until you discard your initial nature, for time and again you will be provoked by My adversary into impatience, contentiousness and a quick-tempered nature, time and again he will want to harden your hearts, to obscure your sense of justice and prompt you to become arrogant, for he does not want you to become perfect but keep hold of you as beings like himself whom he can dominate. Yet you will have to wage this battle, for every ascent requires force towards the one who keeps you constrained. And you can become victorious if you hand yourselves over to Me in Jesus, if you appeal to Me to help you become again what you were in the beginning.

You must always consciously work on yourselves, you must recognise when you have failed and relapsed into your old mistakes, and you must repeatedly request strength from Me for the transformation of your nature. Then I will recognise that your will is sincere and I will truly help you in reaching your goal. Most of all you must discard all arrogance, overcome all faults, because then you will also recognise them as faults once the arrogance has given way.... And as soon as you live with love this love will also encourage you to change your nature, then you won't be able to help yourselves but think righteously, to let mercy prevail, to also quietly and patiently endure your fellow human beings' failings and you will try to gently influence your neighbour if you want to help him accomplish his change of nature like yourselves.... As soon as all divine qualities break through in you again due to love you will also safely reach your goal of unification with Me, which can only take place with a similar being as Myself, because this is based on My law of eternal order.... Time and again you should exercise self-criticism as to how much control the adversary still has over you and influences you. And you should always resist him when he wants to tempt you into reverting into faults which you endeavour to discard. One thought of Me and he must let go of you and can no longer oppress you.... It is just that you have to muster the serious will of accomplishing this transformation of your soul, for you will be approached by temptations every day, often motivated by your neighbour who is impelled by the adversary to agitate you so that you fall back into you old mistakes. And time and again you will have to prove yourselves, yet as soon as you prevail, as soon as you consciously work at improving yourselves, a glorious reward will also beckon you, for earthly life does not last long but the spiritual kingdom will grant you a blissful life and you will be able to work in light and strength and freedom with Me again, for your nature will have become like My own again which will also signifies an eternal unity, for you then will have become as perfect even as your Father in heaven is perfect....

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Complete devotion to God is return to Him....

nd it is enough for you to know that all things are known to Me, that I know every person's thoughts and that nothing can remain hidden from Me because I permeate everything, because I know everything that happens in you and therefore you cannot deceive Me. And when you have this realization you can only worship Me in spirit and in truth, then your mouth will not just speak empty words, then you will openly and confidently direct your thoughts to Me and present all your needs to Me, you will not try to gloss over anything, you will not want to hide anything from Me, and then you will hand yourselves over to Me and let Me rule according to My wisdom and My love, for then you will have the right concept of God.... I am the most perfect being for you, you no longer apply a human standard to Me and make yourselves My own.... You recognize Me as your God and father of eternity and also consciously acknowledge Me. And because you recognize Me as the most perfect being you will also love Me.... and love has no secrets from each other, you offer your heart to Me completely openly, you don't try to hide anything, for the love within you urges you to completely devote yourselves to Me, it gives you complete trust.... Love now establishes the right relationship with Me: the relationship of a child with its father. Love indissolubly unites the child with the father and the aim is reached, the return to the father, to Me, from Whom the child once came forth as a creature. You humans should all gain this realization during your earthly life that the living God, Whom you certainly acknowledge as creator above you, wants to be your father with Whom you should seek intimate unity.... Who wants to possess your whole heart because He loves you, because you came forth from His love.... And therefore you should also know that I am supremely perfect.... But perfection includes everything: Love, wisdom, power, justice, mercy, long-suffering, patience.... And you shall be allowed to experience all these qualities in yourselves, so that you may learn to know and love Me.... And you should never doubt that the most perfect being loves you and longs for your love, that It longs for your union with It and therefore will also reveal Itself to you again and again as the most perfect being. And you should only open yourselves, thus let yourselves be drawn by Me without inner resistance.... And then you will push towards Me of your own accord, because you will learn to recognize Me as soon as only My love can touch you. Then you will humbly approach Me and entrust yourselves to Me, then you will no longer hold back, then you will understand My nature, that it can only be supremely perfect, and in the awareness of your own weakness and imperfection you will give yourselves to Me.... But devotion to Me is union with Me; complete devotion to Me is the return to Me; then the human being himself has broken down all barriers which still existed between him and Me.... he has become Mine and will remain so for all

Amen

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eternity....

Unification.... Blissfulness of the images of God....

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The final aim of your earthly life is the union with Me.... You should have found unification with Me by the time the hour of your death approaches, you should pass over into the other realm without fear and dread, you should only change your abode and move into your parental home which you had left eternities ago.... You should have found your way home to Me and be happy again, as you were in the beginning. This is the purpose and goal of your earthly life, and to arrive at this goal should be your constant ambition, since it is achievable for you. I Am not demanding the impossible from you. You are My children, you came from Me and it has to be your natural ambition to return to the Father, because your Father's love draws you and because, after all, you were originally created in My image.... The unity with Me, therefore, has to be more in accordance with your whole being than the distance.... For this reason you have never been happy being so far away, and you cannot be happy again until we have been united, because being united with Me also means being enlightened by My

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love again, which is equal to unimaginable bliss. You are My creations and belong irrevocably to Me....

You deserted Me due to your misguided will and misguided thinking.... But as soon as your will and thought are in the right order once more you will also look for unification with Me, you will do everything to decrease the previous distance and indeed succeed during your earthly life because I long for this unification Myself and therefore will help you too.... because My love pulls you and you cannot resist this love when you have accepted the right order again....

And you can expect a truly marvellous fate indeed when you have united with Me.... The realm of light is once again open to you, you can work in strength, light and freedom in accordance with your will which, however, is also My will.... You will be able to enjoy the kind of pleasures you have never dreamt of.... you will see and hear what your eyes and ears have never seen and heard on earth for I have prepared immeasurable happiness for those who are Mine, who love Me and therefore have united with Me forever. Because love embraces Father and child with a heartfelt bond.... love, which should be kindled within you during your earthly life and which then radiates through the human heart, establishes a connection with Me as Eternal love.... the human being can then accept his original essence again and becomes what I Myself have eternally been: love....

And thus the human being who has transformed himself into love once again has to be inseparably joined to Me, he has to be enlightened by My love as he was in the beginning, he has to be so close to Me that we are completely merged by love, and therefore his return to Me must have occurred, which was always the purpose and goal of his earthly life.... And this relationship can no longer lead to a return to the abyss.... The being has passed its test of volition, it has transformed itself from 'God's living creation' into 'God's child', it has achieved perfection on earth, it has regained all qualities and abilities which it once had renounced due to its desertion from Me.... And I have achieved My goal.... My eternal plan of salvation has been successfully completed by that being, i.e. what I could not 'create' has nevertheless been achieved by this plan of salvation: God-like beings.... Children, whose own free will and not My omnipotence, has turned them into perfected beings.... Only now have I proper 'children' who are My images in every way.... who can create and work by My side and within My will and yet use their own will which, however, completely corresponds to Mine because this is intrinsic to perfection.

You humans can achieve this goal because I Myself long for the unification with you and truly will do everything to guide you to the goal if your will submits to mine.... if you willingly accept My guidance, if you fully and consciously strive for unification with Me and live in love on earth.... Then every gesture of love shall bring you closer to Me, then you will allow My presence within you, and then union has to follow because 'whoever lives in love lives in Me and I in him....' Consequently, love is the bond that locks us together and then is eternally inseparable....

Amen

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God's everlasting help to completion....

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know no other aim than to make you happy forever, and even if you have to go through suffering and tribulation on earth, everything serves to reshape you again into what you were in the beginning: perfect beings, but which have now become My 'children' of their own free will, with whom I can create and work in all bliss.... But since it concerns a state which no longer has an end, your earthly life is only a very short moment and therefore also all suffering and all tribulation is limited. And you will thank Me that I used all these means to form you so that you can enjoy eternal happiness, because you can now supply light even to the still imperfect; you can take part in the redemption of innumerable souls, which still cover the course over earth with the same aim to also reach perfection. And these souls all still have to feel great suffering and affliction; they still stand in the midst of the fight against the dark forces; they have not yet decided for Me, and that is why the

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hardship will become more and more violent, because mankind has mercy on Me, because it stands shortly before the end, and I still use all means to make the decision for Me easy for them.... Yet I will only achieve little success with it, and yet I give all people the assurance that they will one day reach the aim, that I will not leave any soul in darkness for eternity, that it will one day return to Me.... Yet the souls themselves determine the length of time until their return.... For they are subject to the law of time and space, and they will remain subject to this law until they have perfected themselves, until time and space are eliminated for them.... until they can dwell where they want, and also past, present and future are no longer separate concepts for them. Then they will also only see the past as a moment; they will certainly be able to put themselves into it, but no longer feel pain; every event will be understandable to them, because they recognize it as means of My love and therefore sing praise and thanks to Me that I helped them to perfection. Then your earth life is truly only like a moment, measured in eternity.... But as man you are still equipped with the concept of time and space, which only stops with your perfection, because also this is the result of your fall to the deep, that you became limited in all sensations, however always only both to your own agony as also to the relief of earth existence, because only that could be imposed on you, what you are able to carry. But nevertheless, during earthly time you also have the opportunity to place all burdens on His shoulders, Who died for you and your guilt of sin on the cross.... if you hand yourselves over to Him, then everything will seem bearable to you, and you will patiently take everything upon yourselves and thus also reach the aim more easily.... to complete union with Me, Who then can also prepare bliss for you without measure. But as long as you yourselves prevent Me from it, by you not acknowledging Me and therefore deny Me as before every acknowledgment, you are also powerless, because My love cannot illuminate you, therefore you will also feel every suffering stronger; you will go through earth life in agony and tribulation or be supported by My opponent, who demands your soul for it. But suffering is a sign that I will not let you fall, that I wrestle for your soul because you do not yet want to accept My love.... which would also avert suffering for you.... Take it upon yourselves patiently, and know that I do everything to turn your looks towards Me, and take earth life only as a temporary test, which you have to pass.... It will pass, just as everything earthly is transient.... But if you emerge from this test purified, you will thank Me eternally for having saved you from a fall into the abyss, which will result in the endless long walk through earth's creation again....

Amen

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Striving for the divine qualities

Awakening the divine abilities possible....

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rorces are slumbering in all of you which you only need to awaken. For you must know that all divine attributes are hidden within you and that all divine abilities lie within you, that they are indeed within you but.... are buried by your past apostasy from Me.... but which you must bring about yourselves.... You had such power and strength that truly nothing was impossible for you because My strength constantly flowed through you and this also meant that you were able to create and shape like Me. But you gave all these abilities away.... you closed yourselves to My illumination of love and thus became powerless, you also lost the light so that you no longer knew about your former state of perfection. But now you can awaken the dormant powers within you at any time, you can open yourselves to My illumination of love at any time and thus also change your wrong nature back to your original nature.... You can acquire all divine qualities and abilities again to a great extent if only you strive for this with a firm will and create the prerequisites for it: if you change your nature into love again and become perfect as you were in the beginning.... Then you are truly My images, you have transformed yourselves into gods through love.... And there is nothing you could not accomplish because love is a power to which nothing is impossible.... You are still imperfect as a human being and therefore you are also unaware of the abilities which are hidden within you. Everything that is imperfect is also limited in its activity, barriers are set for it.... The human being is.... because he is still imperfect.... thus weak and incapable, he is defectively formed, he lacks the divine gifts, he is defective in his knowledge, in his ability and also defective in his love.... For imperfection is lack of love.... But as soon as man has love, his state changes; he becomes knowledgeable, he gains strength, and he recognizes himself and everything that is connected with his existence. And now the forces begin to unfold again, which the imperfect human being.... the human being without love.... does not recognize and therefore does not strive for of his own accord. Through love he has entered into union with Me as the eternal love and can now also be illuminated by Me again in all fullness with My strength of love, so that his whole being deifies itself, so that it aligns itself with My fundamental being and then everything is also possible for him, whatever it may be.... If the being already reaches this state as a human being on earth then he can truly work for the blessing of his fellow human beings, every element will obey him, he will work miracles and be able to heal the sick, he will see through everything and uncover his fellow human beings' most secret thoughts.... But he will only ever work for the benefit of his fellow human beings, he will never misuse the strength awakened in him, for then he will work with Me and in My will, because it is My strength which works through him and because he will then have completely subordinated his will to Mine.... But all this can only be achieved by love which turns the human being into the divine being again which he was in the beginning.... which you should all let flare up in you to the highest fervour so that you will become perfect as your father in heaven is perfect....

Amen

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Divine qualities in man.... Proof through Jesus Christ....

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I idden powers rest within you which you only needed to bring to light in order to be able to create and work in an unusual way. You are of divine origin but you no longer know anything about it, you gave up all your divine attributes when you fell away from Me in time immemorial. But your

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original nature is divine and only needs to emerge again, which alone is given into your power and into your will. Your will remains free, and it can mean both abundance of strength as well as lack of strength for you, for your will determines your attitude towards Me, and thus also towards the love within you. Love releases all bound forces in you; love lets all divine attributes in you emerge again; love is strength and light in itself; and therefore, all lack of strength and all darkness will depart from you humans, and you will be able to work with strength and wisdom. There are limits to the human being's ability as long as he is only what he was at the beginning of his earthly existence.... a being closely connected to matter, which is still completely in the darkness of spirit. His abilities can develop naturally, they can also become particularly prominent in connection with lower forces, if a person obviously surrenders to satanic influence.... But they can also take a striking upswing through connection with the good spiritual world, powers can unfold that far surpass human natural abilities. And yet it is particularly that state which would only be **natural**, because the primal abilities which characterize your own being, the divine origin, come to the fore.... Everything will then be possible for a human being, he can work **beyond** human strength, he can right everything that is wrong.... he can heal the sick, work miracles, speak in wisdom, he can look into the realm of spirits, connect with them in the most natural way, he can place himself wherever he wants at any time, he can see through people, past, present and future are visible to him.... he can do everything that is only possible for a God, for he is My child, he is a divine creature who harbors all abilities within himself.... And all these divine qualities lie buried in the human being. He torments himself and struggles during his earthly life, he is blind in spirit, he does not know what he is capable of with the right attitude towards Me, with a way of life in love.... The man Jesus has certainly shown mankind what a person is capable of, who brings love to its highest development within himself. Yet, how few take Him as an example, how few follow Him.... how few therefore transcend the boundaries of the natural and can work supernaturally in supreme bliss.... These powers lie dormant in all of you and want to be awakened; you can all unearth treasures that make you happy, you could all change the pitiful state of your human existence into a supernatural.... For you all could work and create like gods, if you only wanted to do one thing: to shape your heart into love.... For love is proof of God, love deifies everything, love is the strength which makes everything possible for you, which unites you with Me so that you can make use of My strength, for which nothing is impossible.... But without love you are bound, without love you are blind in spirit; thus, without love, you are without strength and light, and therefore ungodly. Yet you are beings in possession of free will, and therefore you yourselves determine your state, you yourselves decide to whom you turn: to the prince of darkness, who makes you wretched, or to Him from Whom you emerged in light and strength....

Amen

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All divine qualities can break through again....

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You came forth from the power of the Most High.... And therefore this strength must also be present in you, because you are basically the same as He Who created you. But as human beings you are anything but powerful, you are weak, dependent beings who are subject to the laws of nature and cannot overturn these laws by yourselves. And yet you are of divine origin.... You can only believe this, for it can only be proven to you if you make an effort in faith to call upon God's strength in your weak, powerless state.... Only this is necessary in order to then also be able to perceive a constant change in your being itself, for you will then be able to recognize all signs of a divine origin in yourselves again, you will develop abilities which prove that divine origin, and your initially imperfect being will be able to achieve a perfection still on earth which is very clear evidence that you once emerged from the most perfect being. You yourselves have all those divine qualities within you but you had repressed them, they could no longer express themselves, you were deprived of all divine strength through your own fault, you became powerless, imperfect beings.... But you can also transform yourselves again into highest perfection, you can have unlimited strength at your disposal if

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you only strive for one thing: to re-establish the connection with the one Who created you.... With Him you are powerful and full of light, without Him you are weak and surrounded by darkness. And you got into this state due to your former turning away from Him, which is why you have to seek unification with Him again. Your creator is the original source of strength.... Union with Him therefore means being in the midst of the flow of strength which permeates everything and no longer allows any weakness to arise. If you humans are now aware of your state of weakness you should not let yourselves be idly overpowered by it but turn to Him Who has placed you out of His strength but Who also demands your union with Him in order to be able to flow through you with His strength. For your state of weakness is by no means His work but your own fault, and thus you must also long for strength of your own accord and desire to receive it from where it originates.... from your God and creator of eternity. You should not hesitate for a moment, for the emergence of divine attributes will make you immeasurably happy and you will not be able to understand why you held back from conscious contact with Him for so long. You resign yourselves to your weakness where you could be exceedingly powerful; you subordinate yourselves to the laws of nature where you could be master of them yourselves; you are content with your own vitality, but you do not make an effort to acquire back the former divine strength, which only requires your free will. As originally divine creatures you knew no lack, neither of light nor of strength, and you were blissful in abundance.... As human beings, however, you cannot be called blessed, precisely because you have lost strength and light.... And yet you could prepare yourselves for bliss again by only turning in free will back to where your origin was.... to God, Whose nearness irrevocably takes effect in an influx of strength which makes you divine creatures again, which you were in the beginning. But since this change back is a matter of free will you can only be informed of it, a knowledge which you can believe but also reject as unbelievable. But you can provide yourselves with the proof of this, for every human being can establish the connection with the eternal source of strength, and then all divine characteristics will emerge again, every weakness will fall away from the human being and he will be able to achieve seemingly supernatural things, yet in truth only his original nature will emerge again, for he once came forth from the original source of strength and therefore must also be strength in himself and now be able to work with this strength as soon as he has reconnected with the original source of strength.... God Himself....

Amen

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Following Jesus.... A life of love and self-denial....

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Anyone who is not as gentle and patient as Me, who does not practise his discipleship by discarding all attributes which conform to My adversary, who does not persistently strive for virtues that are the hallmark of a divine being, will hardly reach the goal of finding unification with the eternal Father Who is pure love Himself and Who can only unite with living creations which, like Him, have become love. My life on earth should serve you as an example, for as a human being I was subject to the same temptations as you because I had to take the only path which could lead a soul into perfection....

Like you, I had to fight against all longings of the flesh as well as against all attributes of an ungodly being or My life could not have served you as an example if I had been born without all human flaws and able to bypass the test of My will. I had to experience the depths of earthly life, i.e. I had to have the opportunity to voluntarily refrain from the same physical sins and avoid all incentives for them.... I had to fight against carnal longings and thereby strengthen and prepare the soul in Me to unite with the spirit. The sinfulness in My surroundings often sorely tested My love and patience, yet I wanted to remain gentle and whole-heartedly humble without exalting Myself.... And I took pity on My fellow human beings' weakness for not resisting temptations, and My love intensified.... I wanted to help those on the ground unable to get up by themselves.... For being human Myself I knew a person's weakness, and this knowledge increased My kindness and patience.

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Being human Myself I was at all times able to put Myself into the situation of a sinful person's soul even though I Myself was without sin, even though I Myself, by virtue of My will, had remained victorious over all temptations of body and soul. Yet I took the strength to do so from love, and every person practising love will also muster the strength and resolve to fight against his faults and weaknesses, and he will also be victorious, for love itself is strength.... And therefore, every actively loving person will also practise all virtues which denote a divine being: he will be gentle and patient, merciful, peaceable, humble and just.... For if he meets a fellow human being with love his thoughts are loving too, and he fights all weaknesses and faults with ease. Follow Me.... live a life of love and self-denial like Me and you will release yourselves from all sinful longings, you will not become subject to sin yourselves, you will bring yourselves into line with the nature of eternal love and already find union with it on earth, and the attainment of your goal will be certain for you. Hence, like Me, you too have to take the cross upon yourselves at all times, and you should not become impatient, for if you sincerely appeal for My help I will help you carry it, and the more willingly the soul carries the cross imposed on it by the Father's love for the sake of its full maturity, the sooner it will deliver itself from earthly longings.

Follow Me and take My life on earth as an example, and you will never become subject to sin again, you will release yourselves by virtue of your determination and love, you will become free and infinitely happy beings, equipped with all divine characteristics, you will be full of light and strength in the spiritual kingdom and live blissfully happy in eternity....

Amen

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