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God reveals Himself in the Word....

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In My love and mercy I draw near to you in My Word so that you will learn to recognise and love Me. The connection between Me and you can only be proven to you if you listen to My speech which is intended to convince you of a Being Which you indeed are unable to behold but Which nevertheless can be present to you if you yourselves allow It to be present. If I Myself address you, you will no longer be able to deny Me.... But if you don't want to hear My Words then it will not be proof of Me either even if you hear them anyway. Yet first of all I consider those who listen to Me voluntarily and who let My Words penetrate their hearts.... Hence I want to draw close to them in order to win their love, and therefore I must also inform them of My nature, My will and My love.... I must reveal Myself to them, for this revelation can also kindle the love in them, which is the purpose and goal of conveying My Word to earth when I Myself speak through the mouth of a person. Every person who considers that such communication is possible, who opens his ears and heart when he hears My Word, can already be counted among My Own, for by listening to Me he proves that he has relinquished his opposition to Me. In My Word I Myself come to people on this earth, I instruct them, I admonish and warn them, I explain to them the consequences of their way of life and I bring them the good news of the salvation from sin and death.... This, however, can only be conveyed to you by the One Who is the eternal Word Himself, Whose knowledge, light and truth is supreme and Who alone can also enlighten you about His nature. The 'Word of God' is the greatest gift of love, for it must have come forth from Me directly, it must give evidence of Me Myself.... And once I have addressed you, you will no longer be able to deny Me.... And yet, innumerable people walk past the most delectable offer they will receive in earthly life because they don't **want** to be addressed by a God.

I cannot reveal Myself to someone who does not recognise anything above himself, who does not **want** to know anything about Me, who rejects all knowledge because his nature rebels against the thought of having to be subject to a Power Which has created him. He is still so filled by the satanic spirit that it is impossible to reveal Myself to him.... He will never believe that a 'God' will manifest Himself to people.... And yet the Word sounds from above and enters the human hearts which open themselves.... For only through My Word can I influence those who shall take their test of free will.... My Word does not compel, it does, however, impart great strength to a willing person, My Word can turn the will in the right direction without compulsion, and My Word can kindle love for Me.... because it is My direct emanation of love. Since I Myself Am therefore the Word of eternity I can also descend to people, talk to them and time and again try to turn their thoughts to Me.... I can constantly nourish those who have recognised Me, who love Me, with My Word, which is the right food for the soul with the most obvious effect of strength.... And thus I will talk to people time and again for as long as the earth exists, and over and over they will hear the same Word.... time after time the Gospel will be proclaimed to them which I preached to people when I lived on earth. People will repeatedly be offered this Gospel in its purest form, so that My Word will come to pass: Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my Words shall not pass away.... For I Myself will never ever change, the truth will always and forever remain unchanged, and My Word is the outpouring of Myself and therefore always and forever has to be the same. And in order to remain pure it must come forth from Me Myself, and that also necessitates that I continue to speak to people on earth directly, that I Myself must come to people in the Word and bring to them what they need in order to find their path back to Me.... I must reveal Myself in order to be recognised and loved by My living creations....

And the Word was made flesh.... '

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

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

'And the Word was made flesh and lived amongst us....' Only few people understand the meaning of these words; the eternal Word came to earth Itself because humanity was in greatest difficulty, it was not aware of its wretched condition, of its lack of light, of the spiritual darkness in which it lived.... It was completely separate from Me and did nothing to reduce its vast distance from Me. The only way to help people was by means of instructions which corresponded to the truth.... They had to be informed of their God and Creator's will, and this will had to be conveyed to them by Myself.... I had to speak to them Myself and could only do so through a human being.... Thus I embodied Myself in this human being, and only in this manner was it possible to instruct people truthfully, to draw their attention to their wrong way of life, to inform them of My will and exemplify the kind of life they should lead themselves in order to escape their spiritual darkness, in order to walk the path I showed them first so that they could attain eternal life again. For they were influenced by My adversary who continuously provoked them into leading a life without love which subsequently made and kept them weak and they were not able to contribute anything towards their ascent.

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

themselves by voluntarily distancing themselves from Me and thus could not hear My Word any longer, because this Word was a direct emanation of love on My part which they then rejected.

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

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

„I stand at the door and knock.“

Communion.... "Behold, I stand at the door...."

B.D. No. 5206

September 6th 1951

Come often to the lord's table so that I may feed you, all you who are hungry and thirsty. Food and drink are always ready for you, I am always willing to hand it out to you in order to fill you with strength, which you need for the maturing of your souls. Take supper with Me and satisfy yourselves with the bread of life, with My word, which is full of nourishing strength and therefore irreplaceable for your souls. I want to be your host, for I alone can offer you what you need to become perfect. I alone can give you the right bread and the right wine which is true strength for your soul. Therefore accept My invitation, do not pass by My table which is always set for you and only awaits guests to give the host the honour.... Anyone who is fed at My table will never need to go hungry again, for it is heavenly nourishment, it is My body and My blood, which I offer to you Myself because I love you. You must eat and drink My flesh and My blood if you want to become blessed, but you must also correctly understand what is meant when I speak of My flesh and My blood. My word was always to be understood spiritually, and anyone whose spirit is awakened will also know the spiritual meaning of My words.... That which secures the life of the body is the blood which flows alive through the body, and thus flesh and blood is a sign of the life of the body.... But I want your soul to live. And thus it also has to eat food which sustains its soul body and makes it alive, it has to take in flesh and blood, food which ensures its life, and this food can never be earthly material food but the soul needs spiritual nourishment which, like flesh and blood, also signifies life for the soul.... And this spiritual nourishment is My word, which enlivens the soul with its strength, thus it is felt by it like flesh and blood, like true life. It has a healing power of greatest effect, it revives everything dead and makes the soul a gathering place of strength from Me, and thus I refresh people with My bread and My wine who take supper with Me; I let them partake of My strength and glory, for what I distribute is My own and can only have a divine effect. It is the emanation of My strength of love, which consequently is My flesh and My blood, the expression of My fundamental nature, thus I Myself communicate Myself to those who partake of the Lord's Supper with Me and am therefore also present in them as soon as they accept My invitation. And the form in which they receive Me Myself, the visible or perceptible expression of Myself, is My word which is sent to you as evidence of My love for you, as food and drink, as true nourishment for your soul. You can never understand My word in any other way: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; whoever opens to Me, I will come in to him and take supper with him, and he with Me...." An intimate spiritual union must precede, which only love can establish, and then you will be aware of My presence, and what you lack I will give you.... the bread of heaven, My word, which shall give life to your soul, which shall fashion you into My likeness.... My flesh and My blood you shall eat and drink, that you may live forever....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Opening the door of the heart.... communion....

B.D. No. 6947

October 17th 1957

Anyone who closes his door and denies Me entrance will have to live in want, for only I can provide him with what his soul needs. You humans believe that you can provide yourselves with food and drink everywhere, with nourishment for your soul, and you don't think about the fact that only I can give the soul the right nourishment and that you.... wherever you may go.... always have to approach Me Myself for it, thus you have to open the door of your heart so that I Myself can enter to

feed you.... And if you approach Me Myself for this, it doesn't matter where you address this request to Me, for I will always hear you and come to you wherever you call Me. It is not the case that I have stored food and drink somewhere so that you can now provide for yourselves **without** making contact with Me.... You will only be able to receive the right food and the right drink from My hand, which will enable your soul to recover and strengthen itself for your pilgrimage to the homeland. And therefore I Myself must be able to enter you, you must willingly open the door for Me and now also take supper together with Me, because I Myself want to feed you, because I Myself offer each individual **this** nourishment he needs for the recovery of his soul.... I only knock at the door of your heart, but you yourselves have to open it and let Me into your heart. So what use is it to you if you fill yourselves with food which I Myself have not prepared for you? Then you will indeed fill yourselves but you will not be able to take the substances from the food which your soul needs to build itself up.... it will remain dead or weakened, it will feel hunger and thirst and no help will be brought to it in its need.... And this is the lot of the souls of those who are eager to penetrate 'God's word', who constantly occupy themselves with the word of God and only burden their minds with it, who seek to fathom the meaning of the divine word by way of study and whose souls come up empty in the process. Thus they believe to nourish their souls and yet only their intellect receives what they call 'bread of heaven', which they now want to distribute again to their fellow human beings. They themselves will go empty-handed, i.e., their souls will go hungry, and their fellow human beings will not be able to receive anything for their souls either if the intimate bond with Me is not established first and I am approached to feed them, if the door has not been opened first that I can enter them in order to pass the supper to them.... All My words had a **spiritual** meaning but people no longer pay attention to it. And when I said to My disciples: "Take and eat, take and drink.... do this in remembrance of Me...." so also the spiritual meaning of these words was always only the direct connection with Me.... that they should remember **Me** as well as receive food and drink which serves as nourishment for their soul. The presentation of bread and wine alone is just as little use to the soul as the reading and listening to the divine word if I am not first sincerely remembered and thus, as it were, the feeding of the soul by Myself takes place.... Nor are mere empty words sufficient to call upon Me Myself.... It must be a call in spirit and in truth.... The door of the heart must be opened to Me and I must be asked to come in.... And I will truly distribute food and drink what every soul needs. Thus the opening of the door is equal to the voluntary turning to Me, the desire for union with Me and the request for the bestowal of gifts of grace, it is the soul's admission of weakness and neediness which wants to be nourished by Me Myself, and through such an opened door I will truly enter the heart, I will administer food and drink to the soul and it will recover, it will mature, it will come to life which it now can no longer lose eternally....

Amen

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Guests dining at the table of the Lord

'The table of the Lord'.... Divine Host....

B.D. No. 6862

July 1st 1957

Let yourselves be guided to the table of the Lord where He Himself distributes the nourishment and refreshment He has prepared for you. You are all invited to be His guests and the Host wants to make everyone happy, He wants to offer you something you will not be able to receive anywhere else.... He wants to satisfy everyone with His flesh and blood, with His Word of eternity, which is of vital importance for the soul, providing it with the strength and light that can only be offered by Him directly. All your souls are still weak, you must constantly receive the sustenance which gives you strength for your task on earth; all of you are still spiritually blind as well, you must receive light and regain your sight in order to recognise and subsequently take the right path.... All of you are needy and must be given food and drink.... The heavenly Host realises that, He is aware of your soul's adversity, and thus His love has prepared sustaining nourishment and a refreshing and revitalizing drink.... Therefore He calls everyone to His table to enjoy what His love has in store for them. He gives Himself to those who want to take Supper with Him, for He bestows His Word upon them.... And He Himself is the Word of eternity. Hence His Words 'Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life....' And furthermore He said 'Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man.... opens the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me...'. He brought Himself to people, for He is the Manna That comes from Heaven, Which people shall take pleasure in so that they may enjoy eternal life. However, He Himself must offer it, that is, you must enter into direct communication with Him and receive from His hand that which shall grant you life.... It is **His** table you should come to, you should be His guests, don't let yourselves be offered nourishment in places where He Himself is not welcome or where you are too distant from the Host Who invited you to come to His table. People everywhere are invited to Supper, no-one is excluded and everyone may dare to come to His table without distinction, all who need it will be fed and refreshed and all who travel the path through earthly life are in need of it. And so, truly, no-one who accepts the constantly offered invitation will need to starve and go short.... For the Host continuously sends His messengers into the world and they speak to all those who cross their path. They show them the way to a hospitable house, the path to enter the heart, which need only open its door in order to let the One in Who wants to distribute delicious food and refreshing beverage. And they may all receive without limit, for alone the will of being allowed to be His guest is enough for the Host to take special care of him and to give him what his soul requires. And once the soul has allowed itself to be fed at the table of the Lord it will no longer be satisfied with other food, time and again it will return to Him and always accept the bread of heaven from His hand. It will receive the Word of God directly from the One Who is the Word of eternity and Who gives Himself away to anyone who desires Him and His Word....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Guests at the table of the Lord....

B.D. No. 5771

September 17th 1953

Come to My table and you will receive food and drink as nourishment for your soul.... What more do you need than what serves to strengthen your soul? What can you be lacking when your soul is provided for.... when you first strive to benefit your soul.... Then you completely fulfil your purpose of earthly life and the body will also have what it needs as long as it is inhabited by the soul. And I

surely know how long your soul needs its cover, how long you have to live on earth as a human being to achieve the necessary maturity for your soul. And for that time the body will be sustained too. Therefore, if you desire something from Me then only for your soul and you will receive plenty, your soul need not starve and the body will have in abundance too because you first make the effort to carry out My will, to receive My Word, to listen to Me, and therefore you are guests at the table of the Lord who are ready to receive. I forever want to give you food for your soul, I want you to feed yourselves with the bread of heaven, to accept My Word which provides strength for your soul to ascend.

And I want you to ask Me often for this, I want that you are always willing to listen to Me when I talk to you.... I constantly invite you to be My guests whom I want to refresh with bread and wine, with My flesh and My blood.... with everything that the soul needs to increase in light and strength.... And that is why I always send forth My servants to call people from the street into My welcoming house.... All are called to come to Me and be My guests if they want.

But My house is away from the broad road and thus they have to leave it if they want to find Me but they will never regret it because on the broad road they will never find the delicious refreshment they are offered at My table. And they always long for more, the more often they have been My guest. Yet they have to come to Me voluntarily because, although I send them messengers, I will not force anyone to come to My feast; however, those who refuse to follow My call will remain empty-handed since the world cannot offer what My love wants to give to them.... My Word, which is strength and light and life and guides them into blissfulness....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

The table of the Lord – Communion....

B.D. No. 7450

November 8th 1959

Time and again you receive nourishment for your soul, for it should not go hungry during earthly life, it should not need to starve and be thirsty because I incessantly distribute what it requires for its upkeep and maturation. My table is always set, you can always take Supper with Me which I Myself offer you and which will certainly benefit you.... And if I nourish and refresh you, you will truly receive healthy food which will help your soul to recover, since it is still ailing and requires hearty sustenance in order to regain the strength it possessed in the beginning.... It must be offered the bread of heaven which is the pure Word, it flows forth from Me into infinity and touches every soul which opens itself and is willing to replenish itself at My table.... Anyone who enjoyed this nourishment once, will also have felt its effect, and he will never stop fetching food and drink for himself from a place where it is offered with love: from Me directly, and Who, as your Host, will keep inviting you to My table to receive what I present to you from My hands. And your soul will recover, you will receive strength and light, you will change your nature and take on your original nature again, for you digest **My** flesh and **My** blood and therefore correspond to My fundamental nature again.... Flesh and blood are My Word, I Myself Am flesh and blood, I Am the Word of eternity.... Do you now know what it means to take 'Communion' with Me, to step up to My table, to eat My flesh and drink My blood?.... Do you know that I want to revitalise you with healthy food in order to strengthen the substance of your soul so that it will become again what it was in the beginning.... a radiatingly perfect being containing My spirit, the spirit of love.... And your soul shall accept this spirit again, it shall become love again and requires the strength to do so, which it receives from My food.... The strength flowing **forth** from My love shall flow **into** My created beings again, the soul shall receive this strength when it accepts the heavenly bread, My Word, which is blessed with My strength. For this reason I repeatedly invite you to come to the table of the Lord and let yourselves be fed and refreshed by Me, by your Host, Who loves you and truly wants to bestow upon you the best He has to offer: His Word, nourishment and refreshment for the soul, medicine for its recovery and strength, which incessantly flows forth from My source of strength. All of you.... come to My table, gather around the source, accept from My hand what helps you to become fully mature.... Allow yourselves to be

addressed by Me and you will noticeably feel the strength flowing through you, so long as you appeal to Me with all sincerity for food and drink and gratefully accept what you receive. And believe that you are in need of this nourishment, for you are still weak and require strength; you are ailing and need medicine, you can always come to Me and I will give you whatever you need in order to become healthy and mature fully, as long as you live on earth. But do not walk past the source of life I opened up for you.... Listen when I speak to you and think about it.... keep coming back to hear My Word and soon you will no longer want to accept any other food and drink, you will constantly come to My table, you will accept My invitation for Supper and I will offer it to you with all the love a Host can grant to His guest, who will always come to Him in order to replenish themselves....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Jesus took bread and wine

Bread and wine.... Right food, right drink....

B.D. No. **5483**

September 9th 1952

An infinitely beneficial effect emanates from the food which the heavenly Father offers you directly in order to strengthen your souls, to provide healing for sick souls, to make you all strong and resilient in the final battle on this earth. His Sanctified Word strikes your ear and touches your heart, His Sanctified Word resounds in its purity and truthfulness and sets the soul into vibrations which are directed upwards to the Father.... His Sanctified Word lures those who are far away, the despondent and mourners find rest in hope, the sick find healing for their souls, His Word emanates a power that proves its origin. He offers you the bread of heaven and blesses you who believingly receive it.... He breaks the bread for you and distributes it, He gives you the wine, the power of His Word.... You are in truth His guests to whom He offers communion if you receive His living Word from on high, open your hearts and allow it to have an effect on you. This bread from heaven is noble, and therefore it must not be mixed with inferior additions, it must remain pure, just as it came from God. And then it can also be recognised as His Word because its effect is obvious. For it brings about a change, the power of the Word is active, and where a power is active a change of that which is touched by the power is always recognisable. Now where a heart is touched by the divine Word an effect must take place on the human being's soul, if it is ill it must recover, and if it is healthy it must become strong and receptive for the divine light of love, for the wisdom from God.... or also.... an unbelieving person.... whose soul is ill.... must become a believer when the strength of the divine Word touches him, which amounts to a complete transformation, and if the person is a believer.... therefore does not need healing.... the strength of the bread of heaven must work in such a way that he comes to realise that the divine knowledge now fills him, which in turn is to be regarded as an effect of strength.... Such an effect can only be expected from the pure food of heaven, from the bread of life, from the Word which comes from the sanctified mouth of God and is conveyed to earth in its purest form in order to achieve precisely this effect.... God has not arbitrarily labelled His heavenly food with **bread** and **wine**, because only strong food and strong drink help the soul to recover and strengthen. Everything else that the soul receives will not fulfil the purpose that the bread of heaven is supposed to fulfil. It may also appear to be food, but it does not have the slightest restorative effect and therefore only delays the soul's recovery or disguises its state of illness. Much can be offered to the soul and yet it is not the **right** food and the **right** drink, and the soul itself will not feel satiated and strengthened either, it will not have a firm, convinced faith and will also not have the right realisation until it receives the pure, unadulterated Word of God, which can have such an effect on the soul that it recognises it as the right bread from heaven and now only desires this food, which is certainly given to it through messengers but nevertheless by God Himself, so that the ill soul may recover and now live eternally....

Amen

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Communion.... Bread and wine....

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Come the table of the Lord in faithful devotion, gather in My name and receive My bread and My wine.... listen to My Word which I convey to you from above through My servants, the Word which I Myself speak to you who want to hear Me. And your soul will experience strengthening, it will refresh itself at the source of life, I Myself will offer it bread and wine, the nourishment it needs

in order to reach perfection.... It is the manna offered to you from heaven, the right food for you, and nothing on earth can replace this heavenly food, and the soul, which was previously sick and weak, will recover and become strong.... I Myself as physician and Saviour of all sick and weak truly give you the best remedy, for I know what the soul is lacking, I also know what alone can help it.... My Word, which is the direct emanation of Myself, My Word, which is light and strength, and which you humans urgently need if you want to fulfil your task in life on earth, to become what you once were in the beginning. You have lost everything which showed your divine origin, which was your own fault; you have lost everything which is an attribute of a divine being, you have become weak and wretched, of darkened spirit and powerless, you have no realisation and therefore can no longer be active in the way which was your former destiny. But neither can you pass away, you cannot dissolve into nothing but you remain as spiritual beings, only in a degree of imperfection which renders you completely incapable of becoming active according to My will. But I don't want you to remain in this degree of imperfection, I want to help you to become again what you once were, and therefore I want to provide you with **what** can shape you into completely different beings in an already achieved degree of maturity.... I want to impart strength and light to you, I want to provide you with spiritual nourishment which, like bread and wine, can awaken the life of your soul, which lies in a deep slumber and shall awaken again to My and its own joy. Without nourishment, without a supply of strength it will never be able to rise, yet it may constantly refresh itself with the bread of heaven, and a truly refreshing wine will be served to it which will take away its weakness, it will recover from illness and weakness, it will be strengthened to new life as soon as you humans only ever come to My table, which I constantly set with gifts of My love.... My servants will give you bread and wine from heaven, and thus you will take communion with Me and I with you if only you let Me enter when I knock, as soon as you open your ears and heart to accept My gifts of love, for I want, that you heal in your souls, I want all weakness to fall away from you, that there will be a bright light in you, which can only happen if you let yourselves be fed and watered by Me Myself, if you listen to My Word which is offered to you from above, and if you also obey this Word of Mine.... if you let the power of bread and wine have an effect on you.... if you live a life of love for Me and your neighbour according to My Word.... Then you are in truth My guests with whom I take communion, then you receive bread and wine and you will no longer be dead in spirit, you will live for eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Sven Immecke

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

B.D. No. 7089

April 11th 1958

Don't be satisfied by merely feeding yourselves in an earthly way, by providing the body with the bread you require in order to live, rather desire the bread of heaven instead, which is nourishment for your soul.... And believe Me, in an emergency the latter will also be able to maintain the body, but the former will never serve the soul in its higher development.... This is why I have said 'I Am the bread of life, the manna which comes down from Heaven....' For if you digest Me Myself.... My Word.... you will live in eternity. Yet your body will cease to exist even if you constantly feed it with earthly food. It is given its time, and when this is over no earthly nourishment will help in order to keep it alive. For this reason you should be more concerned with bestowing life to your soul, you should incessantly feed it with the bread of Heaven, you should make the nourishment available to it, which can only be offered to it from Me. Therefore, you should approach Me directly and appeal to Me for true nourishment and true refreshment. And always remember My Words 'Therefore take no thought, saying, what shall we eat or what shall we drink....but seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....' If only people believed this promise.... However, all their thoughts and intentions are purely earthly-inclined and yet, no person can extend his body's life for even an hour if My will has decided otherwise. But neither can a person give life to his soul if he lets it go hungry, if it remains without food and drink for the sake of the body. But since you humans know that the body needs food in order to live, you become guilty if you don't

provide for the soul as well, which cannot cease to exist; you become guilty because I approach you time and again offering food for your soul.... because you are repeatedly addressed by My messengers and need only listen to them and live up to their words in order to provide Me with the opportunity to nourish and refresh you spiritually for the benefit of your soul. Time and again My Word is made accessible to you, time and again you are requested to enter into contact with Me, you are invited to a feast and can come to My table at any time and thus accept nourishment from Me for your soul.... For My Word is the heavenly bread, it is the living water, My Word is flesh and blood.... Only My Word is the right food for your soul which will help it attain the life it will never lose again.... And because you so scarcely satisfy your soul's needs, you will also have to suffer physical adversity, the time will come when you, too, will lack in that which you require for your earthly life, if My adversary does not provide enough for you that you will forget about your soul.... But if you have not utterly fallen prey to him as yet, the tangible earthly adversity could still prompt you to turn to Me and appeal to Me to revoke the latter, and then your soul can be nourished at the same time, because every bond with Me will provide strength for the soul, which will thus signify being spiritually fed. The bread of Heaven is indispensable, and from the fact that I described Myself as the 'bread of life' it is evident that you must come close to Me Myself, that I want to give Myself away, because I would like to give life to your soul.... And you truly need not walk far in order to be with Me, you need only enter into silence and turn your thoughts to **Me**, then you will draw Me to yourselves, you oblige Me to offer you My gifts, to offer you nourishment and refreshment, for as soon as you make mental contact with Me during silent prayer you will also open your heart, so that I Myself can enter, and then you will truly not need to go hungry anymore. And I will not only nourish you spiritually but also in an earthly way, for this is the promise I made and I will keep My Word 'But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you....'

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Bread of heaven.... strengthening in time of need....

B.D. No. 3273

September 28th 1944

In expectation of what is coming you all need comfort and strength. You will not be able to do without them if you don't want to lose your faith and also fall spiritually victim to earthly events. God knows about this time of tribulation and about the demands placed upon you, He also knows about the weakness of your will when you are in great distress. And He remembers this time by sending you the bread of heaven which alone can give you the strength to endure every tribulation. He prepares food for you which will strengthen you, which brings you comfort and encouragement, physical and spiritual strength and which will always be your salvation if you eat it. And anyone who eats this bread need not fear that he will become weak, for whatever He Himself supplies to you must also fulfil its purpose, it must truly be refreshment and revitalization for you, it must revive your faith and give you such strength that you will be able to endure everything without becoming fickle. And therefore always ask for His gift and gratefully receive it.... His greater than great love offers it to you, it is nothing earthly but comes to you from above, the heavenly father Himself prepares it for you, it is heavenly manna which is indestructible and never loses its strength.... It is His flesh and His blood, for it is His word Himself, and thus it also has to be of utmost effectiveness, it has to surpass everything earthly, no matter how beneficial it is, for what the heavenly father offers His children cannot be surpassed by any other gift. Divine love provides people on earth abundantly with this gift, for it strengthens the soul, and if the soul loses its weakness every earthly influence, every earthly danger is insignificant or invalid. They are no longer to be feared, for the soul overcomes everything because it is supported by the strength from God which comes to it through the divine word. God's fatherly love constantly cares for His children, yet in the coming time especially, because this time requires much assistance and because this assistance can only be granted to the human being in the form of divine supply of strength. But anyone who is fed by Himself will have his anxiety and weakness removed, and he will be up to every task he is now given.... he will remain faithful to God and be able to serve

Him, and he will also master the world, he will also only derive benefit for his soul from earthly events. For God does not abandon His own, and let this faith be your support when it seems difficult to you and your soul is anxious.... Then take refuge in Him in adversity and His word will comfort you.... Desire His assurance and listen to His voice; in whatever way His word is offered to you.... it will never fail to have an effect because it comes from God Himself. And be grateful for this grace, for His fatherly love, for His constant care for you. For He has long prepared this time and made Himself known through the transmission of His word, so that people can approach this time fully aware and with strong faith in His help. And anyone who has His word is assured of life, even though he will lose it earthly, for his soul lives and need not fear death eternally. Yet his earthly life is also in God's hands and His will alone determines the end....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

„Take this and eat“

'Take this and eat....'

B.D. No. 6135

December 14th 1954

Take this and eat.... these were My Words to My disciples when I gave them the bread as a symbol of the heavenly bread, My Word, which, having become flesh, was in the midst of them on earth.... Take this and drink.... I said when I gave them the wine.... which, like My blood.... the strength of My Word.... was to strengthen them.... Bread and wine were symbols for flesh and blood.... and since I Myself Am the Word that became flesh I was entitled to say: This is My body, which is given for to you.... this is My blood, which is shed **for you**.... For only through My death did I make it possible for you to hear My Word in you.... through My death I burst the chains which kept you in darkness....

Do understand, you must hear **My Word** if you want to become blessed.... And My Word must be hungrily received by you, you must eat it and provide your soul with nourishment so that it can live.... for My Word contains the strength which gives life to the soul.... Flesh and blood belong to life, and I died for **you** so that **you** will have life.... The bread of life is My Word.... I Myself Am the Word.... and the Word became flesh.... Can there be a more understandable explanation for the Supper I took with My disciples.... And each time you receive My Word and hungrily absorb it you will remember Me.... You cannot receive My Word other than in remembrance of Me because the One Who speaks to you cannot be forgotten as long as you listen to Him....

When I broke the bread for My disciples, when I passed the wine to them, I knew that only My Word would establish the connection between Me and people and give evidence of it.... I knew that they would only be able to reach the goal if they constantly allowed Me to speak to them.... Furthermore, I knew that they had to believe in My act of Salvation, I knew what was ahead of Me, that I had to sacrifice My life for humanity in order to redeem it and, in view of this, I said the Words 'which is given for you.... which is shed for you....' The eternal Word Itself spoke to people: Take this and eat.... take this and drink.... You humans must establish heartfelt contact with Me in order to hear My speech, in order to be nourished by Me with the bread of heaven.... in order to take Supper with Me.... And you can only establish this sincere contact with Me again through loving activity.... Only then will you accept Me Myself in you, then you will be permeated by the strength of My love.... My blood guarantees you life.... Then I will give abundantly, your soul will never again suffer hunger and thirst, for I Myself will nourish it and quench its thirst.... I Myself will offer it communion.... I will break the bread and give wine to all those who want to receive, and they will enjoy My flesh and My blood and their souls will live forever....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's revelation.... "Receive and eat...."

B.D. No. 7600

May 15th 1960

My word gives you everything you need on earth.... For as soon as you are addressed by Me you will not lack strength and grace, and you will be well provided for spiritually and earthly.... for My promise is "I will not leave you orphaned...." I will reveal Myself to you and thus make Myself known to you as your father. And a father truly provides for his child spiritually and earthly if only it allows itself to be addressed by Him. For then you will give Me the evidence that you love Me and I will likewise prove My fatherly love to you by speaking to you. And a loving father's heart is always

ready to give. Thus you will not need to do without anything when you hear My address, for then you will know that you are My children who are also subject to My spiritual and physical care. And how happy you may praise yourselves that you hear My word, for thereby you are given the evidence that you belong to My children who have already taken the path to the father and who will also safely reach the aim. And no more anxiety should befall you, for your very will to let Me speak to you also gives you the strength to continue on your earthly path in the certainty that you will cover it until the end.... For it is "My flesh" that you eat and "My blood" that you drink.... It is bread and wine which you may enjoy for the strengthening of your soul. You receive Me Myself within you, for I am the word made flesh.... Just consider the depth of these words.... that I Myself am within you when you hear My word, when I speak to you, when I offer you My greatest gift of love which you can ever receive from Me on earth. I am **in you** or you would not be able to hear Me, and My presence must make you overjoyed. Therefore you can truly consider yourselves blissfully happy when you are in the grace of My direct address, when you receive My word directly conveyed to earth through messengers, when you are honoured by My address which stamps you as My children, for only My own can recognize My pure word and only My own accept it into their hearts. And the fact that you hear or are allowed to read My word will be proof to you that you belong to My own, and you should be happy in this certainty and only desire ever more eagerly to hear My word, you should not let any opportunity pass by where My word sounds to you, for then you will also have the guarantee that I Myself am in you and with you, otherwise you would not be able to hear Me, otherwise you would not recognize the father's voice Who speaks to you Himself. And you shall hungrily enjoy the food I offer you.... you shall eat My flesh and drink My blood and thus receive Me completely into your heart.... You shall receive bread and wine from the heavens and let yourselves be strengthened in a way that no other nourishment your earthly body is able to receive. For I offer My nourishment to the soul, and this nourishment lets the soul mature and helps it to attain eternal life.... Do you now know why I sent the words to you through My disciples: "Receive and eat, receive and drink"? do you know then that I also addressed My disciples, that they heard My word and that they should carry this word out into the world? "Do this in remembrance of Me...." What have you humans made of My words, and what meaning have you given them? That in the end only a few still know that I still give people bread and wine, that I give them My word as proper nourishment for their souls.... and that I am present to them when they can hear My speech, My voice. And My word will endure for all eternity.... Again and again I will address people where they allow My presence, and again and again they will be able to draw strength from My address so that their souls mature, that they fulfil the purpose of earthly life, that they shape themselves into love and now seek and find union with Me because My love constantly addresses them, because My love draws them and thus the soul can no longer resist My illumination of love, My word....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

„This is My flesh, this is My blood“

Word of God flesh and blood.... bread of heaven.... becoming one....

B.D. No. 4079

July 8th 1947

The desire for spiritual food is a sure sign of the impetus to ascend, and this desire will always be fulfilled insofar as that I distribute My gift and satisfy people with the bread of heaven, that I take them to My table and offer them communion, that I let them taste My flesh and My blood so that they feast on it and are saved.... They will certainly reach the aim, a high maturity of soul, which will ensure My nearness on earth and in the spiritual kingdom. For anyone who partakes of My Supper is already intimately united with Me and will feel My nearness, for he hears Me, he accepts My word, he eats My flesh and drinks My blood, and thus he receives Me Myself if, in his desire for Me, he allows himself to be fed with the bread of heaven which My love gives him.... I am the bread of life, and whoever eats Me will never die in eternity.... I spoke these words to people and they did not understand Me, because only he who has love within himself grasps the spiritual meaning.... But they were unloving and therefore took literally what had to be understood spiritually. In the same way, people of the present time have not yet penetrated the depth of My word, they do not understand the spiritual meaning either and therefore have a wrong understanding of the Lord's Supper, of the feeding at the Lord's table. They certainly make an effort to act in accordance with My word and to receive the Lord's Supper, yet they do not know My will, and if I make My will known to them through My awakened servants they do not believe it and hold on to what they have already accepted as erroneous. I offer Myself to them in the word, and anyone who receives Me into his heart with a hungry heart receives the Lord's Supper, he is fed and watered by Me, he eats My flesh and drinks My blood, i.e. he receives Me Myself with the word, Who is the word made flesh from eternity.... My blood is the strength which flows through him if he receives Me Myself into his heart, yet he must desire it or he will only hear the empty sound, otherwise the word will not come alive in him. But anyone who desires Me and desires to hear My word also lives in love, for love and I are one. And no-one will desire and love Me to whom the working of love is alien. But I always speak of the desire of the heart, not of the stammering of the mouth, of empty words which mean the same but are not felt in the heart. And this shall cause people to seriously criticise if and when they desire My word in their heart.... For only then will they receive the Lord's Supper, only then can they say with conviction: I Myself Am with them in the word.... And then they experience the greatest mystery, they unite with Me through love.... The desire for My word expresses the love they feel for Me, and love attracts Me, love expresses itself towards Me and towards their fellow human being.... The loving person will incessantly be active and unselfishly serve his neighbour, and thus he will fulfil My will as it is pleasing to Me. And I will constantly give him the bread of heaven, I will constantly provide him with spiritual food, he will never come away empty-handed at My table, he will constantly unite with Me, thus communicate with every reception of My word, for I Myself am the word and enter into intimate union with him if his heart desires spiritual food and spiritual drink....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

"Flesh and blood" spiritual food....

B.D. No. 8567

July 23rd 1963

The spiritual food you receive is truly suitable to give your soul health, to give you strength in all earthly and spiritual adversities and to make you able to emerge from this earthly life as overcomers.... as overcomers of the world of My adversary, of matter and its fetters. I supply the soul

with the right nourishment, which guarantees it perfection, if it lets itself be fed and watered by Me.... I have promised you My flesh and My blood, and this is to be understood so that I Myself am the word that became flesh.... that I Myself therefore offer Myself to you for food, because I Myself am the word, and My word is life and therefore also gives life to those who receive My word, who move it in their hearts and lead their earth walk according to My word. I promised you My flesh and My blood when I walked on earth.... My word with My strength, which will create a fundamental change in every person who therefore lets himself be fed and watered by Me. And again this is to be understood so that My love illumination hits you, as soon as you are allowed to receive My word, that love is power in itself and therefore also has to bring about a change in you.... that love power will again stimulate to love work and through this already the change of the soul to love takes place, which is meaning and purpose of your earth life. But you can never carry out this change of your nature to love when you are powerless, when you are not helped through supply of power, because you yourselves possess no power at the beginning of your embodiment as man, since you once voluntarily gave yourselves to power and therefore have to receive it again from Me as gift of favour, to now also be able to carry out the purpose of your earth life, exactly this change of your nature to love. And this supply of power secures you My word, My flesh and My blood, which will truly help you to complete recovery of the soul. Your soul needs a supply of strength out of Me, because without this it remains weak and incapable to overcome the world and earthly matter; it remains incapable to connect with Me, because it also cannot muster power for love work, which however alone connects it with Me.... But who lets himself be addressed by Me, who accepts My word with his power, who now also lives according to My word, since My word also announces My will to him, his soul certainly matures and reaches its earth life purpose, the intimate union with Me, which lets it become My child, which once will create and work in all freedom with and beside Me, as it was its purpose in the beginning. And so you can see from it that it is very necessary that the right food must be supplied to you men for your soul and that you cannot receive it everywhere, but you must drink the water of life at the spring, which I Myself open up for you, so that I can offer you My word in purest form, that it has not already been formed through human will and you then can no longer speak of the pure soul food, which helps you to full recovery. And you can see that every man does great services for Me who voluntarily offers to receive soul food from Me and to hand it out or to call the guests to My table, that I Myself can hold communion with them, that I Myself can feed and water them and will also truly give them that what helps them to become blessed, what gives them light and power to resist, to overcome everything what still burdens the soul and from which it is to become free during its earth life. You can indeed also receive My word at places where it is officially offered, and even then it can become the right food and the right drink for you if you earnestly desire to request My word from Me.... Then you will truly receive what serves your soul, and you will be rightly guided yourselves in your thinking that you only receive pure truth and do not let yourselves be impressed by error, which certainly can also flow in through influence of My opponent at those places where My spirit is not directly admitted to work, where the announcers of the word themselves have not yet fulfilled the prerequisites that **My spirit** can work in them. Nevertheless, the listener's **desire** is decisive as to what nourishment is offered to his soul, and he need only ever establish the close bond with Me and appeal to Me for the supply of My word, and he will also receive it.... But if the opportunity is offered to you to receive My word which is directly conveyed to earth, then let yourselves be addressed by it, refresh yourselves with the delicious good which flows from the source and know that you will recover from it and overcome all your weaknesses, for My word is blessed with My strength, it is in truth My flesh and My blood which is offered to your soul for nourishment and which you shall gratefully accept from My hand, for I want your soul to become healthy and will therefore also provide it with everything that helps it to achieve final perfection....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

„The blood that is shed for the forgiveness of sins“

Good Friday....

B.D. No. 8791

March 27th 1964

None of you people can measure the suffering of the path to the cross and the crucifixion, because for human terms they were unbearable, and only the strength of My love for you made it possible for Me, to accomplish this most difficult sacrifice, that should bring again the reconciliation with the Father for the mankind.... And if you also try to imagine My agony and pain, there will always remain only a weak comparison, because they were superhuman, they were so big, that My sacrifice of the cross will truly been unique and will remain, because a „man“ would not have survived this time of torments, because any other man would not have been able to carry it out, because even a small part would have sufficed to take man's life. But I wanted to suffer and die, in order to accomplish the equitable atonement for the sins of mankind, I wanted to take all the guilt of the people on Me and offer the atoning sacrifice therefore, to give back the Father's lost children, who never could have come in His near without this act of salvation.... And I have gone the way.... voluntarily and with love to the Father and to My fallen brothers. I have known about the hard fate, that awaited Me, and therefore suffered twice, because I always saw the picture of the crucifixion, I always saw the way of suffering, that was leading to the cross.... But I fulfilled this mission by free will, and I bought all his souls from the opponent, who were willing, to let themselves redeem by Me. Because I knew the reason of the weakness of men and acquired them all strengthening of their will by My death on the cross, I acquired them countless graces, with their help they could reach the height again, from which they had fallen once in the deepest depths.... I knew, that they never could reach the height alone again, if they would not be helped. And My fallen brothers took pity on Me, because I knew the bliss of nearness to God, I knew, what they had given up and that they were banished forever from the face of the Father, if not the One deleted the great guilt, that they had burdened themselves by their past apostasy from the Father.... But it was a very difficult work, to take upon Himself all the physical and emotional pain in full consciousness of the output, and to go a walk in fear and poverty, to be able to carry out the act of mercy to the end.... Because I was a man with all physical feelings, and My thinking was always **more** human, when it came to the execution of the last mission, when I was captured and mercilessly condemned to the most cruel death, which the people could think up.... Because for the liquidation of the immense guilt, for liquidation of the primal guilt of the former apostasy from God, the ability to suffer of a human was necessary.... because God, Who was probably as love in Me, could not suffer and thus He Himself retired for the final phase of the work of redemption, what in Me an unspeakable fear triggered and I was driven to the words: My God, My God, why have Thou forsaken Me.... The consciousness of the Father **in Me** would have been a alleviation from the pain, but the measure of My pain could not be large enough again, in the face of the guilt of all mankind, of the guilt of all fallen original spirits, who I wanted to save from the deep.... As „just man“ I wanted to lead the work to an end, and that is why I gave Myself up to the will of the Father, who also has been **My** will from the beginning, only in the face of the death I began to sway for a short time, but then I Myself submitted completely to His will, as I cried out: „Father, not My will, but Thy will be done....“ And I have truly brought a hard sacrifice, which neither before nor after a man had accomplished and could accomplish, because it exceeded human strength.... But I received the strength from the love of the Father, because **love** was in Me until the hour of death.... otherwise I would not have said the words: „Father, forgive them, because they do not know, what they do....“ And so I remained connected to the Father, although I did not apply the strength of love, to take Me away from the sacrificial death.... Once you will also be able to experience this My death on the cross, when you live in the kingdom of light, and only then you will know about My enormous love, which

was meant for My brothers, which took everything on itself, to give them back their life, who had chosen death voluntarily. And everyone can also come back to life now, who recognizes Me by free will as his savior and wants, that I have died also for him, that he also belongs to the redeemed, for whom I have shed my blood and who find forgiveness for their guilt of sin by My blood, that kept them separate from the Father, who I therefore absolved by My death on the cross....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Redemption of the guilt of sin through the blood of Jesus....

B.D. No. 8349

December 6th 1962

You humans should all take notice of the work of salvation which the man Jesus accomplished on earth in order to make atonement for the exceeding sinfulness of the created spirits' past apostasy from Me and in order to satisfy My justice.... this is why I sent My disciples out into the world to proclaim Me and My love which manifested itself in the man Jesus, for **love** accomplished this work of mercy, and **love** is **I Myself**.... Thus My disciples had to mention Me time and again when proclaiming My gospel, they had to inform people of My divine commandments of love for the first time and also inform them of Jesus Christ's act of salvation.... they always had to **remember the One** Who sent them into the world with the mission to feed people with My word and, in remembrance of Me, to inform them of the sacrifice on the cross which the man Jesus offered. The knowledge of this sacrifice on the cross shall be given to all people, and this knowledge will not be lost as long as there are still unredeemed spiritual beings which walk the earth as human beings. All people shall know that a human being shed His blood in purest, selfless love in order to redeem their guilt, which required an exceedingly great sacrifice of atonement, in order to be considered a just compensation towards their God and father.... Yet time and again you are told that you, as human beings, are unable to grasp the magnitude of this sacrifice on the cross, yet it should suffice you to know that Jesus Christ has to be acknowledged as God's son and redeemer of the world, in Whom the eternal love embodied Himself in order to redeem people from sin and death. And this knowledge should prompt you to take the path to the cross, i.e. to freely confess your guilt, to hand your guilt over to Him and repentantly ask for forgiveness.... for purification in order to be able to step before the face of God again, Whom you humans can now behold in Jesus Himself.... Know that it is only ever My effort to let you find the path to the cross.... that I do everything to make this problem of My human manifestation in Jesus and My sacrificial death on the cross understandable to you through My messengers, through My disciples, whom I choose Myself, because there is no other salvation for you to be released from the guilt of your past apostasy from God.... because only the divine redeemer Jesus Christ has redeemed this guilt and therefore you must acknowledge His act of salvation and also accept the blessings of His act of salvation, otherwise you will eternally be unable to return to Me as your father.... because I cannot accept a sinful being into My kingdom of light and bliss. But you must be washed clean through His blood, which He shed for you on the cross.... His death was a sacrificial death, for He voluntarily took it upon Himself, He voluntarily walked an unspeakably difficult path of suffering which was then crowned by death on the cross, which brought humanity redemption from sin and death.... But you can also be certain that **every** human being's guilt was redeemed through His act of mercy, that He shed His blood for **all** people past, present and future and that only your free will is necessary to accept this act of mercy; thus you must **want** to belong to those whom His blood has washed clean of all guilt. He gave His life on the cross.... He consciously took the last path when He sacrificed Himself for the sins of humanity, and thus you must also consciously take the path to Him, under His cross.... Redemption cannot be **given** to you **against** your will.... A 'human being' offered this most difficult sacrifice because I, as God, could not have suffered and therefore also withdrew in the end, even though I completely filled Him with My strength of love, yet the man Jesus no longer used this unusual strength in order to liberate Himself from all adversity and torment.... which was indeed possible for Him.... but He suffered **as a mere human being** and died as a mere human being on the cross.... With His blood He ransomed humanity from My adversary, who still has a right to the

souls as long as they do **not** make use of Jesus' act of salvation and the treasure of grace. But My adversary has to release those who **want** to be redeemed, because the great sacrifice was offered on the cross for this. And if I repeatedly convey the knowledge of this to you humans, you should also pass it on, you should proclaim My name in the world, in Whom alone salvation can be found.... You should spread My teaching of love and always mention Him Who Himself gave the commandments of love, Who Himself lived a life of love on earth and finally accomplished the greatest work of love through His death on the cross, because He wanted to redeem you from the sin which had kept you separated from Him for eternities and which you yourselves would not have been able to remove for eternity either.... But your earthly path as a human being will also be in vain if it does not lead to the cross of Golgotha.... For My adversary cannot and will not follow you on this path, he will have to release you, for then he will have lost all right to you, and your former apostasy from Me will have been atoned for through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Salvation from sin and death....

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Anyone who has found the divine redeemer Jesus Christ, who has taken refuge under His cross in order to hand over his burden to Him, can also be certain that he will be accepted by Him, that His hands will grasp him and pull him up to Himself, that He will take away his burden of sin and thus redeem him from sin and death, which is the consequence of sin. Then he has, as it were, solved his task in life, he has made the final decision of will which sets him free from his material cover, for as soon as his earthly life as a human being is over he can enter the kingdom as a free spiritual being, which is his true home.... He is rid of every material cover, and every spiritual bondage has also been burst through his will to belong to Jesus Christ and to flee from His adversary. He is redeemed from sin and death.... he is free from guilt and will now live for eternity. To have taken the way to Jesus Christ is tantamount to having 'risen to life', for before he was in a fettered state of powerlessness and darkness of spirit, in a state of death.... And now he is alive, he can be active in freedom, for he has the strength to do so and is of bright spirit, so that he now also utilizes his 'life' properly, no matter whether on earth or in the kingdom on the other side.... he will be active in the will of God, the father and creator of eternity, Who embodied Himself in Jesus Christ and brings freedom to the human being who is only willing to accept it. Therefore, the recognition of Jesus Christ also means at the same time the recognition of God, which was once denied to Him.... This is why this sin of rejecting God can now be redeemed through the acknowledgement of Jesus Christ after Jesus shed His blood on the cross as a sacrifice of atonement and thus righteousness was satisfied, which man alone was never able to do. God Himself took humanity's guilt upon Himself and, as the human being Jesus, made atonement for the sin of the former turning away from Himself, He died an agonizing death as the human being Jesus on the cross but now also demands the recognition of Himself as God and father from eternity. Anyone who looks at the work of redemption in this way must also recognize God's greater than great love, Who placed Himself in the shell of a human being in order to suffer and die for His creatures.... Who took the sin of the whole of humanity upon His shoulders and thus walked the path to the cross.... And people need only acknowledge His act of salvation and appeal to Him as divine redeemer for forgiveness of guilt.... and they will be free, they will be redeemed from sin and death in truth and be able to enter the spiritual kingdom again as free beings when the hour of departure from this earth has come. It has certainly been made easy for the human being to become free from the bondage of his guilt of sin, for he is only required to consciously acknowledge Jesus Christ.... it is only required that he consciously turns to Him and asks for forgiveness, that he thus takes the path to the cross with his burden of sin, where he will now be released from it according to Jesus' promise: "He who believes in Me shall live forever...", because 'life' is only possible in freedom and righteousness, which means the redemption of the great guilt of sin. And since Jesus Christ has promised people 'eternal life', He must be acknowledged in order to be able to partake of His promise.

But **without** Jesus Christ no human being can become blessed, for he remains afflicted with his original sin, which prevents him from entering the kingdom of light....

Amen

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Forgiveness through Jesus Christ.... Degree of light and love....

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And you will enter eternal peace, for all adversity will have ceased to exist, all worries and anguish will be over, you will be surrounded by an abundance of light and your life will be a blissfully happy one.... Nevertheless, you must have attained maturity of soul, all guilt of sin must have been taken from you, you must have become My Own during your life on earth and have returned to the Father from Whom you once came forth. Hence, you must have found redemption through Jesus Christ, otherwise you would still not be free from the guilt of sin and your entrance to the kingdom of light and bliss would be closed for you. Therefore you should strive to find forgiveness of the guilt of sin while you are still living on earth. Try.... if you still can't believe in Him as yet.... to find clarification about Jesus, the Son of God and Redeemer of the world. And appeal to Me Myself for conveying this clarification to you so that you can believe in Him with a living faith and subsequently step under His cross with your burden of sin and ask Him for forgiveness.... And all guilt will be taken from you. This will ensure your entrance into the kingdom of light, because Jesus Christ had paid for your guilt with His death on the cross. However, the degrees of light after your death can be quite different, for it depends on your soul's state of maturity as to how light-receptive it has become on earth.... It depends on your way of life on earth and to what extent you lived up to My will.... that is, whether the commandments of love for God and your neighbour had become your guideline for your conduct and you had changed your nature into love. Only the degree of love determines your soul's maturity. And no-one can practise love on your behalf, love is the law of eternal order in which you must live in order to adapt to your fundamental nature again, in order to become My image once more according to your purpose. And to become love means to discard all faults and flaws which still adhere to your soul, to fight against all low cravings, to shape your nature into humility, gentleness, peacefulness, mercy, righteousness and patience.... to dispose of all bad habits and to always remain in heartfelt contact with Me, Whom you acknowledge in Jesus Christ as your Father of eternity. You must fight against all faults during your life on earth, then your soul will become as translucent as a diamond and able to receive the rays of light which signify its beatitude in the spiritual kingdom. Then it will live forever, it will not know death anymore, no sin and no blemish.... it will be pure and clear and thus also worthy of My presence, and it will be able to behold Me face to face.... For it will see its Saviour Jesus Christ, in Whom I made Myself visible to My living creations, just as they once desired.... Shaping yourselves into love must be accomplished by you humans on earth yourselves, if you want to be inconceivably happy one day. Yet first take care to dispose of your burden of sin, for this will draw you down, and being burdened by sin prevents you from entering the kingdom of light. If you find it difficult to believe in Jesus Christ then try to pray to your God and Creator Who called you into life and appeal to Him for enlightenment and for His help to believe.... And I will truly grant you this prayer, I will not leave those in ignorance who desire to know, and I will present the truth to him such that he will be able to accept it.... For faith in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world is absolutely essential in order to be accepted into the kingdom of peace and bliss. Only then will you acknowledge Me, Whom you once refused to acknowledge, from Whom you once separated of your own free will and fell into the abyss.... You must want to return to Me voluntarily, and you can make this will known by turning to Jesus Christ and admitting your guilt of sin with an appeal for forgiveness.... Then your sins will be forgiven, I Myself, Who accomplished the act of Salvation in Jesus, the man, will absolve you from them, and I will also help you to attain maturity while you are still on earth, providing you want to unite yourselves with Me, to return to Me voluntarily and to shape yourselves again as you were in the beginning....

Act of forgiveness of sins.... Jesus Christ as redeemer....

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November 14th 1947

The act of forgiveness of sins can also only be regarded as a ceremony if the spiritual prerequisites for the forgiveness of the guilt of sin are lacking. If the human being feels sinful and carries his guilt of sin to God, if he sincerely repents of his sins and asks God for forgiveness, his sin will also be forgiven by God and for the sake of Jesus Christ the guilt will be remitted, because the human being Jesus died on the cross for the purpose, that the guilt of sin of all humanity of the past, present and future was redeemed. And so the first prerequisite for the forgiveness of sin is faith in the redemptive work of Christ and the will to belong to those who have been redeemed from their guilt of sin through the blood of Christ. Sincere repentance towards God and thus the realisation of having transgressed against God through sin, of having violated His commandment of love, is a further prerequisite that justifies the act of forgiveness of sin. A person can indeed express repentance with words, while his heart is not touched, thus he does not suffer under the pressure of his sins and thus does not realise how seriously he has transgressed against God and His commandments. Then the guilt of sin cannot be taken away from him either, then he remains afflicted with his sin (13.11.1947) until he is aware of his guilt and it presses him, so that he appeals to God for forgiveness. However, the human being has no reason to mention his sins to his fellow human beings. (14.11.1947) It is true that this has one thing in itself, that he practices humility by openly confessing his weaknesses and faults, but this open confession to a person has nothing to do with the forgiveness of his sins. "Whose sins you forgive, are forgiven them; and whose sins you retain, are retained.".... You cite these words of Jesus as a reason, but you do not consider that Jesus spoke to His disciples, to those who had attained a spiritual maturity through their way of life, which made them clairvoyant and clear-hearing. Furthermore, Jesus spoke of the sins whose consequences were physically visible and occasioned the sinners to seek help, i.e. averting their suffering, from the disciples whom they recognised as great men of God.... From this arose the act of general forgiveness of sins after the confession of sins to a person, which, however, is again only to be regarded as a transformation of Christ's teaching, as a deception insofar as people mostly believe (make) the forgiveness of their sins dependent on the confession of them, but this confession often becomes a formal matter, whereas deep inner repentance, the confession of guilt against God and detestation of sin and the earnest desire to amend one's life only faintly touch the human heart, but the forgiveness of sins is dependent on this alone. This inner confession of guilt must be made to God. No mediator is necessary for this and thus auricular confession is once again only a commandment added by people to Christ's teaching which, however, is extremely well observed but contradicts God's will, Who wants to have every outwardness replaced by true inner devotion to God, by completely spiritual experience and living out His commandments. For every outwardness is a great danger for people that they observe themselves too little, that they only make the humanly added requirements their concern and thereby become shallow and lukewarm in their work on their souls. For people's spiritual decline proves that the will to detest sin, which is the result of profound repentance, does not exist or has not become an act, which would absolutely be the case if the act of forgiveness of sin had not been given such a form but was always only an inner concern of each individual. Then the human being would educate himself to an improved way of life, if only he were of good will. But in this way even the willing become lukewarm and indifferent through false teachings and presentations of the forgiveness of sins, which is not intended by God as it is presented to people. Only true inwardness is of value before God, and every external form does not please Him and therefore does not meet His approval.

Amen

You must walk all paths together with your lord and saviour Jesus Christ.... Never exclude Him from your thoughts and only ever remember His infinite love, which He demonstrated for you with His death on the cross.... Then you will certainly walk the path upwards, even if it seems arduous to you. For then He will walk beside you and His presence will prevent every misstep and every deviation from the right path. And then you will also always follow His instructions, for you will hear what He tells you or have a feeling for what He asks of you. As soon as you intimately join **Him**, Who has redeemed you from sin and death, as soon as your gaze is constantly directed towards Him, Who has concluded His divine life of love on earth with bitterest suffering and death on the cross, you yourselves belong to those for whom He shed His blood, and this secures you the forgiveness of your sins, the release from all guilt and the entrance into eternal life. You humans on earth are not yet aware of what this act of salvation means, but you participate in what He acquired for you if only you acknowledge Him and completely hand yourselves over to Him, if you believe in Him and thus also keep His commandments.... the signpost to Him and to eternal life. But an earthly life without Jesus Christ is a futile existence, it is a path which you take alone and which eternally does not lead to the aim. And you, who can nevertheless derive infinite blessings from a right earthly way of life, a way of life with Him, should be warned of this.... A human being has walked the earth in Whom God Himself took abode, a human being Who deified Himself through love and became a shell for the eternal deity, Who now accomplished the act of salvation for you in this shell: to make atonement for the immense guilt of sin of the former turning away from God. All of you should take part in this, you should walk with Him on the way to the cross. You should patiently take on suffering and hardship of every kind and bear the cross that has been laid upon you. And all of you should let yourselves be washed clean by His blood, which was shed for you.... so willingly place yourselves under the cross of Christ and prove before all the world that you cling to Him, that nothing is able to detach you from Him.... You should pronounce His holy name in all intimacy and lay all your sins, your hardships and sufferings at His feet, that He may take them from you, that He may redeem your guilt and you may become free from it. And Jesus Christ will reward you for your devotion, He will never leave you, He will take the burden of the cross from you or help you carry it, He will lay His healing hand on your wounds and His flow of grace will be transferred to your weakened souls and bodies. He will heal you spiritually and earthly, for He has taken all infirmities upon Himself and atoned for them for the one who believes. And His promise will truly come true that you will not taste death when He calls you to Himself into His kingdom. But He will also prove His power and glory to you as long as you still live on earth, for He wants to reveal Himself to you, but He can only do so if your faith is strong and unshakeable.... Walk your earthly path with Jesus Christ and know that you will then walk the right way and that you need no longer fear any danger, whether spiritual or earthly, for this path is bounded by beings of light who will not tolerate you being endangered.... all of whom will help you in the will of God, of the saviour Jesus Christ.... and can also help you because you have given yourselves to Him and also stand up for Him and His name before the world. Jesus Christ is the saviour and redeemer of humanity, He accomplished the work of redemption for all of you.... But only those who acknowledge Him can enter into the blessing of the act of salvation. And therefore you should hand yourselves over to Him in faith and love, you should commend yourselves to Him and His grace, and He will safely guide you to the aim....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

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

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June 12th 1957

The gate into a life of light and glory is open to all of you who have found Jesus Christ; however, it remains closed to those who are still distant from Him and His act of Salvation. Therefore you all should seriously ask yourselves whether you have already taken the path to Him, to the cross; for His

path on earth ended with His death on the cross, hence you will have to seek and find Him **there**, and that is where you must go if you want to participate in His act of Salvation. The goal of His life on earth was the cross, because the crucifixion was intended to bring redemption to you humans.

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

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

„Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life“

'Whoso eateth My flesh....'

B.D. No. 3728

March 28th 1946

Make contact with Me in spirit and you will be able to draw from the source of life, you will be able to satisfy yourselves with the bread of heaven, you will receive strength and need no longer starve despite your earthly hardship, for body and soul will be fortified if you accept My Word, the bread of heaven.... Body and soul will live.... the former as long as I have determined, but the latter in eternity. You only need to nourish the soul, to provide it with the nourishment which ensures its life, since a lifeless soul in an lively body is your downfall as soon as you have to relinquish your life on earth; because a dead soul is without strength, yet not without feeling, and will suffer inconceivable pain in its dead condition. Therefore, create life for it, don't let it enter eternity in a dead state, instead, take care that it will live and be capable of being active in the afterlife, that it will be full of strength and therefore blissfully happy. The life of the soul requires a constant supply of nourishment, of spiritual food, so that it will become strong and able to work. As the Giver of spiritual sustenance I constantly present it to you and wait for your willingness to receive it, I constantly invite you to take communion with Me in order to offer you My Word, My flesh and My blood, in order to nourish you with food that will assure eternal life for your soul.... And you should follow this call, you should come with a hungry heart and let yourselves be fed and refreshed by Me, you shall be My guests who will receive from Me everything your soul needs to live.... You should not slight My Supper, don't bypass it and leave the food, which is offered by My love, untouched.... you should always look for contact with Me and let Me shower you with gifts, that is, you should desire My gift and gratefully receive it.... For I cannot give you anything if you don't want anything, because My nourishment, the bread from heaven, is delectable indeed and cannot be conveyed to those who don't desire it. Thus your heart must impel you to Me, you must seek contact with Me and appeal to Me for nourishment for your soul, you must come to Me completely consciously and want to receive communion, My Word, which I offer to you with love and is spiritual food and spiritual refreshment which I have blessed with My strength and is therefore life-giving for everyone who enjoys it with a longing for Me and My love.... His desire will be satisfied and yet it will impel him to Me time and again, for anyone who has once tasted My bread from heaven, anyone who has refreshed himself once at the source of My love, will repeatedly return to it, he can no longer live without food for his soul, he will be a constant guest at My table and I will always and forever be able to offer Communion to him.... And his soul will live, it will have overcome death and can never again descend into the state of death, for My nourishment assures its eternal life, as I have promised with the Words 'Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life....'

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

God's word most personal expression of Himself.... no death - eternal life....

B.D. No. 3954

January 9th 1947

They are words of eternal life which are given to you, for they come from the mouth of God Who wants to reveal Himself to you, His living creations. But God Himself is the life of eternity, therefore His life energy also flows continuously into infinity and takes shape in His creations and as the most personal expression of Himself in the word, He Himself speaks a language to you humans which you can all understand if your heart listens to His voice. And if you hear it in your heart or mentally you will live and never ever taste death in eternity. His word is life itself, because it proceeds

from eternal life.... For God is from eternity to eternity the ceaselessly creating spirit, the ceaselessly working creator of heaven and earth.... i.e. spiritual and earthly works of creation, which bear His life within themselves and testify to His never-ending power. And thus His word is also strength and must also work as strength in the one who receives it into his heart.... And he has to escape death, he has to get into a state himself where he can be constantly active, where he can create and enliven because he is permeated by God's strength. And thus you humans have a source of strength, a fountain of life, from which you can always and constantly draw, and every powerless state must be alien to you if you refresh yourselves with the divine word, and you need not fear any weakness, neither earthly nor spiritually, for God Himself speaks to you through His word, and this signifies an increased supply of strength if you are worthy of this grace, if you desire this grace and listen for His voice which sounds subtly and softly within you. You will live and never ever have to fear death, and life means to possess fullness of strength and to be able to cope with every spiritual and earthly demand placed upon you. In order to live physically you have to take food and drink, but your spiritual life demands the same.... food and drink for the soul.... With this, remember God through His word.... He gives your soul the nourishment which sustains and matures it, which helps it from the weak, powerless state of death to a free, powerful state of life.... He feeds and waters you so that you may live.... Enjoy often the food that is offered to you from heaven, know that it is the most delicious thing that can be offered to you on earth, eat the bread of heaven and drink of the living water, and give thanks to the father in heaven for His love and grace which He bestows on His children on earth.... For He wants you to live for eternity, so that you will not fall into the state of death where His strength cannot touch you because you close your hearts yourselves. You are destined for eternal life and only His word can introduce you to it, therefore accept it, let the word Itself speak to you and be aware of the immense grace which God Himself bestows upon you, because He loves you from the start and wants to win you for eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Eternal life.... activity.... power from God - love....

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December 10th 1950

The power which awakens life is and remains love, for it alone establishes the connection with the original source of love, which is also the original source of power. Without God there is no life, therefore whoever wants to attain life must receive it from God, which can only happen through activity in love, through which God unites Himself with the human being and this union also results in an overflow of strength which guarantees life. The process of transmitting strength can take place in different forms.... It can manifest itself through the impulse to increased activity of love, it can be expressed as spiritual striving but also be felt as direct transmission of strength, as reception of the divine word, which is strength in itself and has a particularly life-awakening effect. As soon as the soul rises into spiritual spheres through thoughts or desire for God it begins to live; it is born anew and the spirit in it becomes active, and activity is life, thus a spiritual life begins for the soul, it enters a stage of its ascent development which never remains unsuccessful because something living is constantly active and constant activity signifies an increase of wealth which consists of spiritual treasures and is therefore of utmost importance in the spiritual kingdom, after earthly life. Therefore, Jesus Christ promised eternal life to the person who believes in Him and follows Him out of this faith, i.e. who lives a life of love on earth. This person will live eternally.... there will be no more death for him, for once he has become a recipient of strength from God he can no longer remain inactive, because the strength from God stimulates him into spiritual activity, into love and into constant striving upwards. But the connection with God always has to be established by the human being himself, which only love can achieve, but then the reception of strength is guaranteed and there will be no more death for the human being, then he will live eternally as God has promised....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Everyone will have to answer for how he used My word, how he let it affect him, how he adjusted to it when he had the grace to be addressed by Me Myself.... I will not condemn him if he did not recognize it as My word, nevertheless, one day he will bitterly regret having rejected a gift of grace which he could have recognized if he had been serious about doing the right thing and experiencing the truth.... But those who did not leave My word without impression, who felt it that they were addressed by Me and yet disregarded it out of convenience and carelessness, will have to answer, for they still resisted Me otherwise My voice **should have** touched them.... I address every person such that his heart will be touched if he is without inner resistance against Me.... Yet My word demands a change of his nature, and if the human being is not willing to do so he closes his heart and also his ear, and then he renders My word ineffective.... "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood will live for eternity...." I have spoken these words and made clear to you humans the importance of accepting My word.... For I Myself am the word Which became flesh, and I Myself come to you in the word and bring you nourishment for your soul, which you must not underestimate because it alone guarantees you **life** in eternity. You cannot live without this nourishment, you will perish to eternal death if you don't accept food and drink which give life to your soul.... You must accept Me Myself within you, and since I Myself am the word it will now also be understandable to you that you must not reject or disregard My word, that it will not remain without consequences if you pass by My word indifferently when it is offered to you.... You judge yourselves when one day you will recognize **what** you were commanded and how you behaved towards this gift of grace.... when you recognize that I Myself approached you in the word and offered you food and drink for your soul which you thoughtlessly rejected.... My word will testify against you, it will be resurrected on the last day, for a wasting, starving soul will one day stand before Me and testify by its condition how this soul has valued My word in earthly life.... And I cannot consider the soul other than according to its condition.... For it rejected what could help it to live, and what it now urgently needs in order to prepare a miserable life for itself it will have to struggle to acquire, and its remorse will be great for having forfeited on earth through its own fault what was abundantly available to it and would have earned it a glorious fate in the beyond.... I speak to people again and again, but only a few recognize the father's voice, and therefore only a few accept My word.... But these will be blessed, for they constantly receive food and drink for their souls, which now enter into life in glory when they leave the earthly body.... And thus the soul judges itself which disregards My word, for it can only be considered as it shapes itself in free will, and it will enter the kingdom of the beyond in a deformed state, and My word will bear witness against it....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

The significance of Holy Communion....

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How often has the significance of Holy Communion been explained to you already, how often has the offering of My flesh and My blood been described to you as the offering of My Word.... How often have I told you that **I Myself Am the Word** of eternity, that I offer Myself to you, that you eat My flesh and drink My blood when you accept My Word in your heart.... Your soul needs nourishment which will help to heal and strengthen it, since prior to that it is sick and weak.... It must be fed with the bread of heaven and be given the water of life. It needs healthy nourishment which only I Myself can administer, for it must be spiritually fed, it must accept food from the spiritual kingdom. And this is why you must partake of the Supper at My table with your host, Who invites all of you to come to Him and let yourselves be fed by Him. Your soul shall receive bread and wine, My flesh and My blood is the proper nourishment, and thus it accepts Me Myself when it accepts My Word which I Myself convey to the soul from above. For regardless of whether I speak to it directly or whether it accepts My Word through My servants.... I always break the bread Myself, I always give the water of

life Myself, and then it will always partake of My Supper at My table, which is richly laden so that no soul wanting to be My guest will lack nourishment. Yet by this I do not mean an outward practice, I Am not satisfied with the fact that you perform external rituals and acts in the belief that **I Myself** will then be **within** you, that you unite yourselves with Me when you take part in the ceremonies which **you** understand as the Lord's Supper, as Holy Communion.... They will only ever remain mere external acts and rituals if you do not wholeheartedly desire to hear My Word, to be addressed by Me.... if your soul does not hunger and thirst for the bread of heaven and the water of life: for My Word....

For **I Myself Am My Word**, and only when you are seized by great longing for My Word can you say that you intimately unite yourselves with Me and take Supper with Me, for only then will I be able to offer you bread and wine.... My flesh and My blood.... Only then will you have come to My table in order to take Supper with **Me**, then you will receive Me Myself, as I have promised.... **I Am the Word**.... And the **Word** has become **flesh**.... And thus you should understand My Words correctly which I spoke on earth 'Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood, hath eternal life....' Only the person who hears My Word and allows the strength of My Word to affect him can attain eternal life, for his soul will heal, it will mature fully, through My Word it will know My will, and My Word will provide it with the strength to live in accordance with My will.... hence it will not just hear My Word but also live it and gain the true life, which it will never be able to lose again.... And because I know how urgently you humans need nourishment for your soul I send My messengers into the world and invite everyone to come as guests to My table and take Communion with Me.... And no-one will need to leave My table hungry, for it is richly laden for all those who come to Me with the desire to receive food and drink from Me.... I have wholesome food and a health-giving drink waiting for all of you, but you must come to Me yourselves, hunger and thirst must drive you to Me, then your soul will receive refreshment; time and again it will fortify itself anew for its pilgrimage on this earth, it will not exhaustedly fall by the wayside, for time and again it will be offered nourishment as soon as it desires it, as soon as it closely unites with Me and requests to be fed by Me.... I Myself will come to you, I will knock at the door of your heart and with anyone who willingly lets Me in I will indeed take Holy Communion and he with Me.... However, do not believe that you can find Me where only outward formalities are being observed.... where you close your ears to My Word which comes to you from above, for anyone who does not listen to My Word does not listen to Me Myself either; anyone who rejects My Word rejects Me Myself and his soul will remain without nourishment. It will have to starve and enter the spiritual kingdom in an immature and poor state when the hour of death arrives....

Amen

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„Do this in remembrance of Me“

"Take and eat.... Do this in remembrance of Me...."

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The awareness of having the right knowledge also gives a person the right to pass on what he recognizes as truth to his fellow human beings. He must therefore never anxiously ask whether and to what extent this truth is desired. He must try to convey it to his fellow human being, and only stubborn rejection releases him from the duty of passing on what makes him happy. It is a time of struggle, and only those who are not afraid of the struggle will be victorious where it is necessary to fight for God and the truth. Since people have little desire for the truth, the truth cannot come to them directly, but through mediators it is possible to awaken the desire for the truth in them by offering it to them for acceptance. If a person rejects it, then it is his free will, which cannot be forced, but equally his will can also decide to accept it. Thus the attempt must be made without hesitation to guide ignorant people into knowledge. And this is the task of the one who wants to serve God.... As soon as he submits his will to God, he no longer does anything at his own discretion but is guided and directed according to God's will. And so he does not need to be timid about his task, for since he serves, he is relieved of all responsibility.... "Take and eat, this is My flesh.... Take and drink, this is My blood.... Do this in remembrance of Me....", thus says the lord, and His word shall be obeyed for all eternity. His will is that people always remember Him when they eat physical food. He blessed the bread and wine beforehand, and so people should do the same.... They should call down the blessing of God on everything they eat, so that the food may give them physical and spiritual strength.... and He wants them to do the same, because then their own will becomes active, because they then desire the blessing of God when they call it down of their own accord.... So whoever eats the bread and drinks the wine, remembering the lord that He may bless the food, receives spiritual strength at the same time as the bodily food, and now he eats the lord's flesh and drinks His blood.... For if spiritual strength flows into his soul, it will crave spiritual food.... And spiritual food is the word of God.... So whoever eats bodily food in the right way, i.e. in fervent remembrance of the lord, will hunger for the food of heaven, which is strength and spiritual nourishment for his soul. For if man's thoughts are with God, he cannot but desire His divine word, for the intimate connection with God is speech and rejoinder.... it is question and answer.... And the starving child gratefully accepts the food that the father offers him in His love.... His flesh and His blood.... spiritual food that strengthens man and gives him strength for his upward endeavours. The words "Do this in remembrance of Me" therefore apply to the blessing of that which serves man as bodily nourishment. Everything a person eats can only serve the body if it is savoured without remembering the giver.... In addition to the body, however, it can also give strength to the soul, but then every food must be blessed by God, and this blessing must be asked for through heartfelt remembrance.... For he who thinks of God will also desire Him, and his thoughts will be a silent prayer, a longing for His love and the bestowal of His grace.... A heartfelt thought of God includes all these requests, for a heartfelt thought testifies to love and therefore the desire for union, and God only wants this love of man.... He wants them to think of Him always and constantly. That is why He demands an act in His memory.... He demands that the human being allows all bodily food to become food for the soul at the same time by asking the lord for His blessing. If he eats bodily food without remembering the lord, he eats bread and wine.... But if he asks for His blessing in fervent remembrance of Him, he eats His flesh and drinks His blood, for spiritual nourishment now flows to him.... These words have also been misunderstood and a correct explanation is not accepted. Human wisdom and human will allowed earthly actions to emerge from these words, and they did not recognize the true meaning. Consequently, the desire for the truth is also weak because spiritual nourishment can only be offered where the truth is desired. People are starving, and only because they

think too little of the lord and because they only give all nourishment to the body, but the soul in man goes out empty.... therefore the soul also does not feel spiritual hunger in order to request spiritual food. When you eat and drink, you should always remember that the lord blessed every meal before He gave it to the disciples and said the words: "Do this in remembrance of Me...."

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Do this in remembrance of Me....' Last Supper...

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Strength, wisdom and life originate from Me.... And thus I have to be recognised as the source of strength and light, and the connection with Me has to be sought in order to attain life through the receipt of strength and light. Hence I must be able to find Myself again in you, that is, light and strength or the knowledge of eternal truth and its subsequent abundant strength have to be in you.... My spirit must take effect in you.... and thus I Myself must be able to work in you, only then will you be alive, but you will never ever loose this life again. Then you will be united with Me, and this union is the true Communion.... The union with Me is indispensable or you could neither receive strength nor light, since the unification with the eternal primary source has to take place first if the flow of My love is to be transmitted across into the human being's heart.

But in order to establish this unification the will to receive something from Me is required first. The will, in turn, necessitates mental activity, thus I have to be recognised by the person's heart and intellect as the source and therefore the provider of what he desires, and he has to mentally endeavour to reach Me.... Only this activates the will and fulfils the conditions which lead to unification with Me. The activated will is equal to an act of love.... But this is essential, and thus My commandment of love can never be bypassed by those who truly want to communicate with Me, who want to unite with Me....

Distribute gifts, offer food and drink to your neighbour, help him in his spiritual and earthly hardship, give to him as I have given to you, refresh your fellow human being's body and soul, have mercy on the weak and sick, comfort the sad, lift up the discouraged, always and ever alleviate hardship, and always do so with regard to Me Who exemplified the earthly path to you.... Share everything you own with the poor.... Then you will fulfil My commandment of love and thereby the first condition of unification with Me, for **only** when you have shaped your heart to love will I be able to unite with you, otherwise a union with Me will be impossible, regardless of how many external formalities you observe which have no effect on the state of your heart (your soul).

I want to give you life, give you strength and light in abundance, yet this will never be possible as long as you don't activate your will, as long as you don't practise love.... But I instructed you Myself on how you should practise this love and constantly admonished you to follow Me.... Remember Me and My teaching, then you will conduct yourselves accordingly, and you will truly become vessels for My spirit, thus you will enable the part of Myself to take effect in you.... You will draw Me to yourselves through your actions of love, and thus you will unite yourselves with Me, the primary source of strength and eternal light, and therefore you can also receive unlimited light and strength.... knowledge and might....

The union with Me has to be accomplished first through actions of love, only then can I be present in you Myself.... even in spirit, and only then can I nourish and refresh you with spiritual sustenance, with flesh and blood, with My body in the spiritual sense.... For I Myself Am the Word, thus I offer you the Last Supper when I convey My Word to you, which is spiritual nourishment for your soul. You can indeed also accept this nourishment without prior activity of love, but then it is not a Communion, not a union with Me, for then it is not yet the Last Supper, but it can lead you to it if you don't just accept the Word with your ears but also with your hearts and live accordingly.... Only the activity of your will, the action of love, establishes the spiritual union with Me. However, these activities of love consist of giving, of constantly passing on and sharing what you own, of what makes

you happy yourselves in order to also please your fellow human being who is in need of it. And if you don't practise this, if you don't try to follow Me in this, you cannot be nourished at My table either, you will not be able to take the Last Supper with Me, because you exclude yourselves as My guests, because then I will remain inaccessible to you until you have changed yourselves to love, which is and eternally will be My fundamental substance.

If you accept the Last Supper in the form chosen by you humans it will always just remain an external act which only has a profound spiritual meaning when your heart is filled by deep love which, however, should not just move you emotionally but has to find its expression in works of unselfish neighbourly love. For whoever remains in love remains in Me and I in him.... This Word of Mine is also the foundation of the Last Supper set up by Me.... You should always bear My way of life on earth in mind and follow My every example.... And as you give you shall receive, spiritually and earthly; you will, providing you are in close unity with Me through love, be nourished and strengthened at all times.

Constantly carrying out works of love in remembrance of Me.... and thereby establishing the certain union with Me, which guarantees you the receipt of My Word, of My flesh and blood.... that is the profound spiritual meaning of the words 'Do this in remembrance of Me....' which all of you will certainly understand if you have the sincere determination to ascertain the spiritual meaning of My Words....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Instituted Words....

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It will always be beneficial for you when you are touched by My flow of grace, for nothing flowing forth from Me remains ineffective if it is willingly accepted. And a willing acceptance is guaranteed when you turn to Me in prayer, when you desire to be blessed by Me.... when you desire My Words. And thus it is My will that you learn how I want you to understand My Word, 'Do this in remembrance of Me....' For you derived from this a practice in which you literally hand out bread and wine and by eating this bread and drinking the wine you are convinced of having accepted Me Myself in you.... But the **correct** meaning of My Words has not been understood by you. Yet precisely the acceptance of 'bread and wine' is very important, but I want **My Word** with its **strength** to be understood by this. You cannot become blessed if you don't listen to My Word, the bread of life, the manna which comes from heaven.... You must let yourselves be addressed by Me, **I Myself Am** the Word Which became **flesh** for you humans.... When I lived on earth I distributed the bread of life open-handedly; I spoke to all people and nourished the souls of those who were of good will.... I gave them bread and wine, My Word which I had blessed with My strength.... I educated My disciples into becoming true proclaimers of My Word because they were intended to spread My Word across the world.... for all people need food for their souls, all people were meant to 'eat My flesh and drink My blood', My Word was to be made accessible to all people in the same way as it had come forth from Me Myself; they should receive purest truth, which only the Eternal Truth Itself was able to provide. However, My life on earth only lasted for a short time. And during this time I prepared My disciples for their teaching ministry.... And when the hour of My leaving approached, when I took Supper with My disciples before My arduous path to Golgotha.... I assigned them to their task.... I pointed out their mission to inform the world about Me, My teaching and also about that which was still ahead of Me and therefore said the Words, 'Go ye into all the world....', I broke the bread and passed it to them as well as the cup with the wine.... and My disciples knew that I termed the bread and the wine as 'flesh and blood, that I spoke to them figuratively and they understood that I expected them to take **My Word** to people, so that they would remember Me and never ever forget Me again. They knew that they were meant to distribute to their fellow human beings in the same way as I had distributed the bread and the

wine to them.... And thus I undoubtedly inaugurated My disciples into the ministry for which I had educated them....

However, at no time ever did I institute **such** a communion service as you humans have assumed from My Words. It had never been My will that you humans should perform an act and in so doing expect a result which, however, requires **other** prerequisites than merely the acceptance of bread and wine.... Understand that it was the instruction for My disciples to go into the world and to spread the Gospel.... To proclaim My Word to people which, in truth, is My flesh and My blood, the bread from the heavens, and which is and will remain indispensable for people who try to find union with Me and who will also have found it when I can speak to them directly, when My strength can pour directly into them and thus result in the unification which is the purpose and goal of life on earth. But the **first** condition is that the human being shapes himself into love, for he cannot accept **Me Myself**.... My Word, My flesh and My blood.... if he lacks love.... I Myself **Am Love**. I can only unite with love again. Hence it is **not possible** for Me to enter the heart of a person who carries out the external act, who digests the bread and wine but whose heart is utterly devoid of love.... For I do not understand 'love' as an emotional response which confronts Me at that instant, instead, I understand it as a quelled selfish love which expresses itself in neighbourly love, and which therefore also testifies to love for Me. This is a true union with Me in which I can speak to him, in which he is offered My flesh and My blood, My Word with its strength. Then the human being will constantly keep Me in mind, he will start and end everything with Me, he will always endeavour to live according to My will and take the path of higher development.... he will reach the goal, he will attain eternal life and beatitude....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Spiritual communion

Spiritual communion....

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There is no more significant process than the spiritual union of the human being with God, and the human being will derive the greatest benefit for his soul from this union; thus this process is, as it were, necessary for the soul's shaping according to divine will. The human being consciously unites with God, i.e. he strives for God's presence and fulfils the conditions which are a prerequisite for God to approach the human being.... Then the union with God must take place and thus the spiritual communion takes place. The eternal deity Himself takes up residence in the heart of the person who longs for this communion.... But what does it mean to fulfil the preconditions that are a prerequisite for intimate union with God?.... Only one thing can bring about union with God.... love in the heart of man. For love is the original substance of the eternal deity, and when a person's heart is filled with love, the same is in him that is the essence of the eternal deity. People who are far from love are also far from God, because love and God are the same thing. But in order for people to become love, i.e., in order for a being distant from God to experience the divine feeling of love, the human being's thoughts must be directed towards an object.... to an object.... that is lovable and thus kindles the feeling of love in him. The eternal deity Itself has to make the human being aware of Itself, It has to initiate him into the mystery of love, It has to make the human being aware of Its strength and power and of Its relationship with creation and the creatures. And this prompts God to reveal Himself to people in the word.... But now it is up to the human being to accept this word, i.e. to heed and obey it or to reject it. But the word is the outwardly recognizable divine activity, it is God's strength which has become form, it is outwardly audible and yet inwardly effective, it is the outwardly perceptible.... the flesh.... the inwardly effective, the blood.... which signifies true life....

God now constantly brings His word close to people and wants to awaken love in people through the word. He wants man to accept the word and endeavour to live accordingly.... But living according to it means: giving love to all creatures that are around him. He wants people to eat His flesh with a hungry heart.... that they eagerly receive the divine word.... and have an ardent desire to fulfil the divine will.... that they drink the blood, the power that flows to them, as they hunger for the word. He wants to give them true life through His flesh and His blood.... For if they obey His word they are active in love, and as soon as they **give** love they also receive love, for now eternal love Itself draws near to them and fills their hearts with Its presence.... And then the union takes place, the communion.... "He who abides in love abides in Me and I in him...." And he who opens his heart when I desire entrance will be able to shelter Me in all fullness.... My spirit, My strength flows through him and he is intimately united with Me, so intimately that he can speak of My presence, that he has received Me completely within himself because he has fulfilled the prerequisites which earn him My presence.... Thus says the lord and wants to enlighten people truthfully....

how He wants His word "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood...." to be understood. He wants to point people to spiritual communion, which alone signifies union with God and which can never be replaced by an outward act. Giving oneself to God in deepest love and proving this love for God to Him through active neighbourly love will inevitably result in God Himself turning towards man full of love, that a blissful union takes place and divine power flows through man. For love seeks to unite.... the love of God and the love of man press together. However, this process does not require any external actions, for these only give rise to misconceptions insofar as the human being makes the personal presence of the supreme being, the eternal deity, dependent on immensely misleading external actions, which, however, can be completely devoid of the inner spirit of love and then

completely exclude the presence of the lord. God only sees the degree of love of the human heart, but not humanly added forms, which only have the consequence that the form is respected more, and are often even carried out completely without love, and the union with God, the communion, can then never take place. Being united with the lord is the most precious thing a person can achieve on earth, and this is truly only striven for very little.... However, people often think they are united with Him and are still very far away from Him because they still lack the love that alone brings about union with God. Yet anyone who offers his heart to God with the most heartfelt love, who is constantly active in love, will inevitably draw the eternal deity to himself and is most intimately united with Him through love, even if he ignores the external form of a spiritual connection.... For God looks at people's hearts and pays no attention to form....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Spiritual communion.... process.... (birth)

B.D. No. 4142

October 13th 1947

Communicating spiritually is a process which guarantees unmeasured gifts of grace, for it is the uniting with Me Myself, Who bestows grace in abundance. Through spiritual communion the human being's soul enters a state of transfiguration, it no longer belongs to earth but is in such intimate contact with the spirit within itself that it is, as it were, spiritualised itself and in this state feels the bliss of the connection with the father-spirit without the human being feeling anything with his physical senses. It is merely the soul which is participating in it, the soul which has detached itself from the earth and to a certain extent also from the body and dwells in spiritual spheres. I Myself seize it full of love and also radiate love into it, I fill it with strength which enables it to feel and think completely spiritually and to only want what corresponds to My will. Spiritual communion is a state of complete surrender of will to Me, for only that soul can be united with Me which has given up all resistance and surrenders itself to Me in deepest love, thus it accepts My fundamental nature and becomes love itself. This transformation of its nature takes place through the human being's activity of love first, which is then followed by a heartfelt desire for Me Myself which is so strong that the soul desires to hear and feel Me. Through this desire the soul draws Me to itself, because love seeks and finds union and because I, as the eternal Love Myself, know no other aim than to be united with My living creations and to make them happy with My love. And therefore I comply with every desire of a loving soul and make it happy by making My presence known to it through My word.... so that it feels My presence, so that it is certain of My nearness and receives undeniable evidence of My love.... My radiance, My word, My flesh and My blood. Spiritual communion is the intimate union with Me which can never remain without consequences. The soul is born anew, it emerges from its shell, it becomes free from imprisonment, it enters into life, for My spirit unites with it and awakens it to life, it becomes spiritually active and receives gifts of grace.... a rich knowledge which encompasses eternal truths. She is no longer in a state of death but lives a new life, in light and strength, in knowledge and love. And I am constantly united with it, for anyone who once communicates spiritually no longer wants to miss the union with Me, he constantly longs for My presence and My love, and his longing will constantly be fulfilled. For a soul born anew constantly returns to its origin again, it feels that it belongs to the kingdom of spirits as a spirit, it feels closely united with the father as a child, it remains in constant love and therefore never parts with Me again for eternity.... And the earth only keeps it bound until it has given away its spiritual wealth, its treasure of grace received through spiritual communion, to its fellow human beings in order to likewise provide them with the unspeakable happiness of spiritual uniting with Me, in order to help them attain the beatitude which it has found itself through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

The spiritual communion, the link of the spiritual spark in yourselves with the eternal Father-Spirit, can only be established through love.... You can certainly associate with Me in thought through heartfelt prayer, in which case you call Me and I draw close to you, but it remains a call from afar as long as you are without love; no heartfelt relationship has yet been established which, however, will instantly happen through actions of love. Then you will be closely connected with Me at the same time and in this state you will be able to take supper with Me, i.e. I Myself can provide the nourishment for your soul.... I can give you the bread of heaven, My Word, which you can only hear when you allow Me to be present in you, thus when you entered into communion with Me. To commune therefore means to accept flesh and blood.... My Word and its strength.... from My hand, for which it is absolutely essential that a human heart is alive with love or My presence is unthinkable.... No human being will ever be able to speak of My presence who does not prove his love to Me through unselfish neighbourly love. No human being will ever be able to unite with his eternal Father who does not regard his fellow human being as his brother, who is without love for him and therefore can never love the Father either, Whose child is the fellow human being....

You should realise that only love unites the child with the Father, that the human being only enters the child relationship through love, and that the child will then receive the gift of food and drink at the Father's table and need never again suffer hardship.... And the most delectable gift a human being can receive is My Word, it is truly refreshing and strengthening, and where My Word is spoken My presence is proven, whereas, alternatively, My presence is unthinkable without an expression of strength. And since I Am strength and light Myself I also reveal Myself to people as light and strength, by being present in anyone whose actions of love allow My presence in him. But light and strength flow from My Word, light and strength are needed by the souls for higher development, thus light and strength are the nourishment I offer to the soul when the human being takes supper with Me, when he is My guest and in closest relationship with Me finds a response to his love....

This alone is to be understood as Communion, only in this way do I want the Last Supper to be understood to which I invite you all, which I instituted with the Words: 'Take and eat, take and drink.... this is my body, this is my blood....' You should take the nourishment for your soul from My hand and this necessitates the close relationship with Me which cannot be established in any other way but through love....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Last Supper – Communion – Love....

B.D. No. 7120

May 14th 1958

There can be no union with Me without love, because love is My fundamental nature and only the same can join Me, hence the person who wants to join Me must also have a loving heart.... Otherwise such a bond is impossible.... Therefore you should also be able to understand the events of the Last Supper, which can only bring about your unity with Me if love has been kindled in you.... for only then will My presence in you be possible. So what use are external practices as long as you ignore what is most important practising love.... 'He who remains in love remains in Me and I in him....' Hence you know the condition for My presence and cannot expect Me to divert from this condition if you merely perform external action which you devised yourselves because you failed to understand the spiritual meaning of My Words 'Do this in remembrance of Me....' A life of love is the prerequisite to receive Me Myself in your heart and My disciples, with whom I took Supper, lived such a life of love.... Consequently, they also understood My Words with which I simultaneously appointed them to their teaching ministry.... For they were meant to distribute the bread of life which they had received from Me when I handed to them the earthly bread.... They were meant to offer the living water to their brothers, just as I passed to them the cup of wine.... And since I Myself was the

'Word that became flesh' I gave Myself to those who partook at the Supper and I will always give Myself to all those who want to receive Me, I will likewise nourish them with the bread of life and give them living water to drink, they will 'eat My flesh and drink My blood', thus I Myself will be present to them, as I have promised. However, without love such Communion is impossible.... I can certainly preach love to all people, I can help them to perform loving actions but I can never take abode in a heart which has not shaped itself into love as yet.... And now consider how many people have a completely wrong idea, who certainly take the path to the 'table of the Lord' in their own opinion, but who lack the right kind of love and whose hearts are therefore incapable of receiving Me.... Consider how many people hold on to this wrong concept because they believe themselves to have done their duty and therefore don't strive spiritually either, even though everyone knows that I Myself Am love and that I only expect you to fulfil the commandments of love in order to be able to delight you with My presence. But 'My Word' is not as much observed as the compliance of external formalities, and My Word alone could already make those people think that I require **more** than mere formal engagements.... The instituted Words which I spoke to My disciples were understood spiritually by them. But people would also be able to understand their spiritual meaning if only they thought about them seriously. But then the understanding would also require them to live **a life of love** and thus their work of improving themselves, which most people are unwilling to do. On the other hand, the many different formalities do not require this self-denial and are therefore eagerly carried out, and yet, they do no benefit the souls, instead, they only make them half-hearted and careless regarding their task in earthly life which consists of educating themselves to live in love, since this is the prerequisite for entering into a close union with Me, which makes My **presence** in the human heart **possible** in the first place. For union with Me is the human being's first and last goal which he should and can attain on earth if only he makes an effort to live a life of love and thus tries to adapt his nature to My fundamental nature which is Love in itself....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Love activity - prerequisite for spiritual communion

Word of God - flesh and blood....

B.D. No. 3999

March 15th 1947

Anyone who wants to receive Me, who wants to eat My flesh and drink My blood, must desire Me, not only according to the word but in his deepest heart, only then can I approach him and offer Him Myself in the form of My word, for I Myself am the word, the word is My flesh and My blood. Union with Me can therefore only take place when the human being feels love for Me and expresses this love through active neighbourly love. If the heart is filled with love, then it must also constantly renounce its love, and it now turns it towards fellow human beings who are in need of it. But through its love it draws Me Myself to itself and I reveal Myself to it, I communicate Myself to it by bringing Myself close to it in the word, so that it unites with Me by receiving it, and this is the spiritual communion.... which you humans should all make your aim, for you will derive inconceivable blessings from the connection with Me which the living word earns you.... For now you receive the knowledge of My will from Me Myself, and depending on the fulfilment of My will your knowledge will be deepened, because I Myself now reveal Myself to you, because I lift all veils which were previously spread over My reign and activity, over My plan of salvation from eternity. I guide you into this knowledge which makes you happy and makes you richly blessed people on earth, which enlightens you about your own destiny and which therefore remains as a spiritual treasure for you if you have to give up earthly life. I reveal Myself to you, I reveal all secrets to you, I come to you Myself and speak to you through My spirit.... And this can only happen through spiritual communion, through unity with Me through love.... Understand that I cannot unite with a human being other than through love, that love is therefore the first condition to receive Me Myself, to be able to enjoy My flesh and My blood, to receive My word so that it resonates in the heart.... For you can certainly read or hear My word, yet I can only dwell with you in the word Myself if you have fulfilled the conditions I set for a union with Me, which only allow the word to become My flesh and My blood.... so that you shape yourselves into love and I Myself can take abode in your hearts. Heartfelt desire for My word also expresses the desire for Me Myself and testifies to love for Me, and then I will truly not hesitate to comply with the desire and reveal Myself. But then the human being will also feel My presence, he will feel that I have united Myself with him, he will be inwardly gratified by the acceptance of My word, My flesh and My blood, he will be able to satisfy himself and draw strength, and he will mature in his soul. The union with Me must bring all this about, because I Myself can now work in the human being, because I can now fill his whole being with My strength, with light and with love.... because I can now constantly reveal Myself to him, because I can now speak to him through My spirit, so that I can guide you into all truth, as I have promised....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

"Be not only hearers, but also doers of My word...."

B.D. No. 3149

June 5th 1944

An essential difference exists between those who are united with Me in living faith and the formal believers, who certainly also belong to My church according to the word but not in their spirit, for they do not know what the connection between their spirit and My spirit is all about. They live in the belief that they are fulfilling their duty when they hear My word, yet they have not yet tried to live out My word in such a way that it results in a spiritual bond with Me. Their will is not strong enough to be active themselves and hearing My word alone does not bring about this connection with Me. The

sign that they have allowed My word to have an effect on their heart must be an act of love, and with this act of love they also draw Me Myself to themselves, and only then is their faith alive.... But people can profess the church and yet their faith is dead if it is not followed by works. And these also only hear My word, which is directly conveyed to earth, with their ears and do not allow themselves to take it to heart. They only want to receive My word where it is offered to them from time immemorial. They do not fully accept it if it is conveyed to them in any other way because they have not yet penetrated the essence of the word, because they do not know that it is only the result of a living faith, of an intimate bond with Me. And they cannot receive this knowledge through external mediation of the word but through life according to the word, which can indeed be offered to them everywhere but which first has to gain life through the will of the person himself. The formal believers lack this knowledge and they will not accept it from the hand of someone who is effectively outside their church either; but they will also never muster the extraordinary strength to stand firm in the forthcoming battle of faith, they will lack the strength which the living word provides them with.... the strength to persevere which only arises from the living bond with Me. And the formal believer will never stand in convinced faith but only call the traditional faith his own, the faith which he has adopted through teachings and which he does not want to give up due to tradition, but without being able to stand up for it deep in his heart, because this is the privilege of those who hear My word within themselves, audibly or mentally through their will to be active accordingly. "Be not only hearers but also doers of My word...." I must repeatedly call out this to everyone, for it depends on it whether your faith is alive or merely a dead form which will not suffice in the days of battle against Me. And therefore let My word have an effect on you, ponder it in your heart and act accordingly so that it will be a blessing for you, so that your spirit will awaken and impel you to ever more eager activity, from which you will then gain the strength to hear Me Myself in you and to persevere until the end....

amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Working charity.... union with God....

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Labouring neighbourly love connects you with Me. That is why you should practice it, otherwise I cannot stay near you, otherwise I am not present to you. But how does it look in the world? How far away are people from Me because they live without love, because they only have their own well-being in mind and don't pay attention to their fellow human beings' hardship. They are far away from Me.... You humans don't know what it means when I cannot be present to you, you don't know how powerless you are, how little you can do for your spiritual development which, after all, is the aim and purpose of your earthly life. You are without light and without strength, even though you are powerful on earth and create earthly great things. If you don't have love then all your striving on earth is futile, for the death of the body puts an end to everything, you have to leave behind everything you created on earth, for only works of love will follow you into eternity. And yet I want to win you for eternity, I want you to warm yourselves in the rays of My sun of love, that you live in light and bliss, that you long for Me and I can always and constantly satisfy your longing. I want to make you aspirants of My kingdom and possess you for ever.... And all this is your share as soon as you are active in love, as soon as you practice active neighbourly love and thus draw Me to you, Who is love Myself. Try it out, muster the will to perform services of neighbourly love, in thought of Me distribute gifts which you have received from Me yourselves and which make yourselves happy, never let your neighbour go hungry if he asks you for gifts of love, put your selfish love aside and you will feel the success by mentally occupying yourselves with Me, by looking for the truth and you will also find it, for then you will live in love by yourselves because My nearness impels you to it. With My nearness I make everyone happy who is active in neighbourly love for the sake of My word. Keep this commandment, and if you are the only one to fulfil it, it will truly be enough to secure My closeness for you. And if you are thus united with Me then you are also won for the spiritual kingdom. You **must** fulfil this commandment if you want to become blessed.... you must help each other in spiritual as well as in

earthly adversity, so that I can then also help you to the same extent. I can only approach you when you prove your love to Me by expressing it to your fellow human being. You are all My creatures, you are My children and I your father from eternity, and thus you should also treat each other well, that you do good to each other, that you alleviate hardship and provide help where it is needed. Then I will be constantly present to you, and in the awareness of My presence you will already find the peace on earth which I have promised you....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Fulfilment of the promise of Jesus....

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June 30th 1956

Whoever keeps My commandments is the one who loves Me.... I will reveal Myself to him.... " Do you know what a great promise I have given you with these words? I Myself will reveal Myself to you, I will communicate with you, I will disclose Myself to you as your most loving Father from eternity.... I want to address you as a sign of My presence in you, who you have, through love, prepared a dwelling place for Me in your heart.... Whoever loves Me is therefore offered something delicious by Me, he can hear Me, he can hear My voice, and he has certain proof of My love for him, for I Myself make Myself known to him.... Thus I have given you a glorious promise and only linked the fulfilment of this promise to the fulfilment of My commandments, that you live a life of love.... For love alone makes My approach to you possible, love alone lets Me be present in you. Every one of My promises requires of you to love Me and your neighbour, because I can only ever give to you according to your faith, which first must come alive through love.... But this promise means the most beautiful goal for you: I Myself want to come to you and make My dwelling in you.... I want to celebrate Communion with you, I want to distribute something delicious to you, I want to be with you in the word and inform you about Myself.... because I want you to learn to love Me, Whom, however, you do not know as long as He has not revealed Himself to you. But you will never be able to partake of My promise if you do not shape yourselves into love.... And therefore I gave you the commandments of love for God and your neighbour. Through these commandments you should know My will, although love also must be practised **freely** out of you if it is to be effective. For even works of love are worthless if they are carried out under pressure. A commandment is certainly a certain compulsion but 'love' cannot be forced, it is something free.... Only the human being should take note of the fact that only a life of love is important if he wants to be saved, and therefore I presented him love in the form of My commandments.... For you humans are still free to observe and fulfil them or to be heedless of them, because the fulfilment of those commandments does not have an earthly effect but predominantly yields spiritual possessions.... But a revelation on My part is the highest spiritual good the human being can acquire on earth.... To have heard My address within oneself is proof of My love which outshines all earthly goods. Then the separation between Me and the human being will be lifted, then I will be close to him again, so close that he will be able to hear My voice, and then he will mature in realisation, because I Myself will remove all veils from his eyes and let him gain insight into My work and activity, into My eternal plan of Salvation and reveal My nature to him, so that his love will increase constantly and he will serve Me already on earth and also in eternity.... Time and again I point out the intimate contact with Me which will result in the highest spiritual advantage for your soul. Yet these promises are seldom heeded because they presuppose a life of love, and yet the fulfilment is.... My presence in you and the evidence of it.... the most delicious thing attainable to you on earth, and you should only ever make an effort to live a life of love in order to now also recognise the truth of My words when everything in you gains light and life, when you experience the fulfilment of My promise yourselves.... when you hear My address and now also no longer doubt My presence....

Amen

Translation handled by Christian Taffertshofer

Spiritual sense – literal sense (errors of the church)

Christ head of His church.... members of the true church....

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The head of the church of Christ remains Jesus Christ Himself.... For this church, which comprises the community of believers, i.e. those who place themselves under the cross of Christ and want to participate in the redemption through His blood, which He shed for sinful humanity, is based on faith in His redemptive work. His church cannot be understood in any other way than on this faith in Him and His redemption, and this is also how Jesus' words are to be understood: "You are Peter, the rock, on you I will build My Church....". Peter was the most faithful among His disciples, and he recognized the mission of the man Jesus, he believed in Him as God's son and redeemer of the world, although in hours of earthly distress he put the world in the foreground, which drove him to his threefold denial. His faith was therefore not weaker, only his flesh failed in the anguish and distress of the events surrounding Jesus. Therefore, whoever wants to belong to His church must acknowledge Jesus Christ, and therefore Jesus Christ will also always have to be confessed as a sign of belonging to His church. And thus His teaching will also have to be proclaimed in it, i.e. the same must be taught as Jesus taught His fellow human beings.... the gospel must be brought to people because the knowledge of it is necessary in order to revive faith in the redemption through Jesus Christ. For only the right faith is the cause for a person to enter into the right relationship with Him, Who acquired eternal bliss for him through His death on the cross....

(23.8.1949) For this reason, followers of every denomination can claim membership of the true church of Christ if they only believe in Jesus Christ and His act of salvation and have penetrated His gospel and live their lives according to His divine teaching of love. These alone are the signs of the church which Jesus Himself founded on earth, that people remain in His spirit and never ever let Him out of their thoughts and strive to follow Him in deeds, words and thoughts.... Faith in Jesus Christ determines a person's right conduct of life, for Jesus' words, His gospel, are sacred to him; he respects them as God's word and seeks to live them out. And through this he awakens the spirit in himself to life, and the working of the spirit is then the most unmistakable sign of being a member of the true church of Christ. But it is not outward bonds, the fulfilment of outward formulas or a forced membership in the traditional way that makes a person belong to the community of believers. For then the awakening of the spirit is not far off, which demands more than outward membership in name only. Anyone who sees Jesus Christ as the head of the church consciously strives towards Him and for him His word is the gospel.... the only path to the aim.... because the word is Jesus Christ's flesh and blood, it is bread and wine from heaven; consequently it must also lead to heaven, it must lead to the closest union with the divine redeemer Himself and thus make him blissfully happy. Hence the word is the core of Christ's church, the word is His teaching of love, and where this is conveyed to people there will always be the true church of Christ. And anyone who receives His word into his heart and lives accordingly is His follower, he is a member of His church, which is only ever to be understood spiritually, thus not bound to earthly organizations. Nevertheless, every earthly ecclesiastical organization can include members of this church as long as they fulfil those conditions, provided they are truly devout followers and confessors of Jesus Christ and His act of salvation....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Everything I have spoken on earth is said for eternity and will therefore never lose the meaning I have given to My words. However, the fact that people themselves give them a different meaning must never lead to the assumption that I recognize this educated interpretation. Every person would have to come to the realization himself that and why certain interpretations of My word are wrong if only they would seriously think about it; yet they only adhere to the human interpretation and less to My word, which also allows for a different interpretation which should be thought through with the desire to recognize what is right and true.

(5.7.1950) It is certainly justified to quote My word unchanged as proof of the truth of a doctrine of faith, but it must always be kept in mind that it is not the word alone but the spirit of the word which gives the meaning in the first place, thus every word can also be applied if one wants to put a different meaning into it. What I have spoken only makes sense in connection with spiritual development and must therefore always be interpreted spiritually. It must be in connection with the whole, one word cannot be picked out at random and interpreted. My teaching is not incomprehensible, however, it also requires enlightened thinking, because My words only appear meaningless to an unenlightened spirit, thus the human being can only grasp the right meaning if his request for enlightened thinking has preceded it. No coherence can be found with merely intellectual interpretation, pure intellectual thinking gives My word a meaning which can sometimes even be contrary to what I want to say to people. For one thing has to be taken into account, that there is always a battle between truth and lies or error and that the representatives of both sides want to win people's souls, thus they try to influence their thoughts. And the forces of darkness will always intervene where the intellect alone is active, because it is not possible for them to take notice where the human being's spirit is enlightened by his will and his call to Me....

(6/7/1950) You humans could all be instructed by the spirit within you and then you would also immediately recognize where My teaching is permeated by error; where the interpretation of My word is given according to the letter but not according to the meaning; you would also be able to correct any error yourselves through bright thinking, for then you would always be assured of My support which I grant to everyone who desires the pure truth. Yet the adversary endeavours to keep you in ignorance and will try to obscure the truth precisely where important doctrines of faith are at stake. One false doctrine entails another, and a wrong interpretation of My word means a false doctrine.

I cannot stay in an earthly-material form in any other way than that the spiritual substance which is bound in this form is a part of Me which, after the former apostasy, shall slowly return to Me again.... But I, as a supremely perfect being, do not occupy a form which is visible to you in order to be present to you in this form. I am always and everywhere present, yet whether you are aware of Me and can feel Me depends solely on your attitude towards Me. Consequently, you cannot unite with Me through a specific process but only through your self-shaping into love, which results in a direct connection with Me. You therefore have a wrong idea of the Last Supper with My disciples.... because you again only read the literal sense out of My words which I spoke to the disciples but not the spiritual sense.... I gave out bread and wine.... food and drink, I gave and the others received.... always I will be the giver and distribute the bread of heaven, the nourishment of the soul, which it finds in My word alone, which gives it the strength to ascend.... Do the same in My memory.... These words were the simplest indication of the fulfilment of the commandment of neighbourly love, which alone earns people the impartation of My word.... which alone secures My presence for them, so that I can therefore take supper with them as I have promised. My words, My actions were only figurative indications of what they should do in remembrance of Me.... And anyone who asks for the enlightenment of spirit will brightly and clearly recognize and understand the meaning of My words, for the awakening of spirit presupposes a way of life in love, thus also already the union with Me, which earns him fullest truth. Yet as long as people do not understand the spiritual meaning of My words, as long as they still believe Me to be bound in an earthly material form, their spirit is not yet awakened, and therefore they cannot distinguish error from truth....

Last Supper.... Spiritual meaning.... Flesh - blood....

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The constant desire for nourishment at the table of the Lord assures you His love.... And thus I repeatedly invite you to take communion with Me, as often as you desire it. My table is always set for all who are hungry and thirsty and want to be refreshed, and they will be able to satisfy themselves with the bread of life, with the manna that comes from heaven. Every nourishment at My table is communion, it is the unification with Me without which the offering of My flesh and My blood.... of My Word and its strength.... cannot take place. Thus you, who receive My Word directly or through My messengers, are communing when you desire to accept My Word in your heart. Then My spirit will unite with the spiritual spark within you, then marriage will take place, the union, the spiritual communion. Then I will give you the bread of heaven Myself, I will give you food and drink, I will take supper with you.... you will experience the same event as My disciples, for whom I broke the bread and offered the wine with the Words: Take and eat, this is my body, take and drink, this is my blood....

Do you now understand the meaning I attached to these Words? How immensely important it is that you take communion at My table, because My flesh and My blood will give you the strength to reach eternal life. You have to be nourished with food for the soul so that it matures, so that it safeguards its eternal life.... it constantly has to receive strength which it can only receive from Me directly and which I will give every time it unites with Me. Then I will break the bread and offer it to the soul, and when it thus eats My flesh.... My Word.... it is permeated by strength.... the blood.... with which I have blessed My Word. No one who longs for food for the soul, who wants to be My guest, need ever starve and go without.... I will come to him Myself and invite him, I will stand before his door and knock and if he opens it for Me I will enter and take supper with him.... I will feed him at My table and he will be truly satisfied and never need to go without....

And thus, everything I said on earth should be understood in a spiritual sense. I taught My disciples and they understood Me and carried My Word into the world. And since people were taught correctly they understood and lived in accordance with My will, in accordance with My Word in complete understanding of it. Consequently, My church, the community of believers, was established entirely in My spirit at first.

But later this was no longer enough for the overzealous representatives of My Word, they wanted to excel before the world. And thus events, which were only intended for the soul, were visually presented to people and associated with external actions, which at first could not be condemned since they were carried by the spirit, since people took My will and its fulfilment seriously. But people changed and with them changed the characteristics of My church.... What was meant to be a profound inner experience became an external action which was placed at the fore and the deeper spiritual meaning became lost.... until the simple process of spiritual communion, of union with Me and the direct acceptance of My Word, was no longer understood by people. So now they no longer believe that a direct transmission of My Word is possible, although I Myself clearly and comprehensively promised them My direct working through My spirit, although I Myself.... the Word that had become flesh.... referred to the sustenance with the bread of life, with the manna from heaven.... People no longer understand the simple meaning of My Word and in their blindness don't want to accept the simple explanation either. But anyone who wants to hear and understand will realise it, and the truth will be plausible to him, he will strive to establish a connection with Me Myself, he will be My guest, and I will take supper with him and he with Me....

Amen

The will for truth guarantees correct thinking and correct understanding.... You, who want truth, will receive the purest truth, you need not fear any error and thus will always be blessed if you want to spread the truth. Let Me know what you cannot understand as yet.... what gives rise to doubt.... and I will teach and enlighten you....

The doctrine of the resurrection of the flesh.... as you humans would dearly like to understand it.... becomes untenable as soon as you have penetrated spiritual knowledge to some extent, as soon as you have come closer to the truth and tried to explain the meaning of My Words in a spiritual sense. What I said is eternal, unchangeable truth.... but the meaning you try to read into it is truly not in My Word.... But every person will be able to grasp the spiritual meaning of My Words if only he sincerely strives for truth. Anyone who prays to Me Myself for understanding, who tries to penetrate the truth, will soon plainly and clearly realise the spiritual meaning of the Word, and he will not get stuck to the letter.... 'Resurrection of the flesh....' These words mean the same to you humans as 'life after death'....

To you, the word 'life' has the same meaning as 'to live in the flesh' as long as your spirit is not yet awakened, as long as the real meaning of 'life' is still unknown to you. People who do not believe in a continuation of life believe that their existence ends with their physical death. Being in their physical body means 'life' to them. However, they know that they will lose this shell through death but they do not believe in a trinity of body, soul and spirit.... Only the body exists for them, the 'flesh', and once this has died the expression 'life' is over for them. Resurrection of the flesh signifies the resurrection of the body to them. They only associate this with their physical body, and it is a difficult doctrine.... the 'resurrection of the flesh', which people are expected to believe....

Nevertheless, it can be a blessing if, due to this teaching, the human being believes in resurrection.... in life after death. As a result of this belief he will also change his nature and this change can result in an awakening, in an illumination by My spirit.... And then he will also understand the Word 'resurrection of the flesh....' Then he will comprehend its spiritual meaning.... Resurrection means: to awaken from death into life.... to arise from a state of sleep.... to step out of darkness into light.... And thus, for the first time, everything that was concealed by the darkness of night will come into light.... It will arise and reveal itself.... it will come alive in order to bear witness.... In the state of death nothing happens that could be declared. However, what happened in life, in the state when you lived on earth in the flesh, now becomes evident, it reveals itself, it arises to give evidence for or against you.... And not, that the physical body of flesh rises again from the dust in order to shroud you once more for a new life. For this body of flesh is just a transient shell for the immortal soul, which cannot die but it can be spiritually dead on its departure from earth. Nevertheless, it can still awaken to life in the spiritual realm.... thus still rise from the dead even there.... if it finds its way to Jesus Christ, Who will then give it 'life'....

Even Jesus became flesh when He came to earth, and even this flesh had to suffer earthly death. Jesus rose from the dead to confirm to you that your life will not end with the death of your body, that your soul, too, can arise to eternal life.... but to confirm the truth of His Words He let His body rise from the dead too.... and yet, it was not a resurrection of the flesh, for His body had spiritualised itself. The soul had donned the garment of the spirit and withdrawn all spiritual substances from the earthly body since, due to His life and death, it had already become completely spiritualised.... Thus the body's physical substances, which are essentially spiritual substances too, had already achieved their final objective on earth and thus could join the soul and.... because it had been Jesus' will.... also become visible to His disciples in order to strengthen their faith. And since a perfect spirit is not earthbound, Jesus could rise into spiritual spheres.... when He ascended to heaven....

You humans, too, will have a body after your resurrection.... a spiritual garment, and this will be in accordance with your flesh, for 'you will reap what you have sown....' If you have sinned in the flesh, the garment of your soul will give it away. If you have done good works out of love, you will be

radiant and thus recognisable too. Yet your soul will never again put on the heavy earthly garment, which was its abode during the short earthly time in order to be able to survive in the material world.... Anyone who knows the meaning and purpose of the material creation, who knows about the fallen spirits' development through this creation for the purpose of ascending to Me, will not need such explanations, but he needs to be able to refute a doctrine which is absurd due to wrong interpretation....

But if you absolutely want to speak about the resurrection of the 'flesh', let the explanation suffice you that My Word will rise again to bear witness for or against you.... I Am the Word that was made flesh.... and I approach every human being in the Word.... And when the last day has come, when every one of you will have to be judged, My Word itself will judge you.... you, who received My Word and considered it in accordance with your will.... The flesh will rise again.... because it was offered to you as nourishment, you were meant to 'eat My flesh' and 'drink My blood', you were meant to accept My Word eagerly and let it strengthen you.... And you will have to justify yourselves before Me how you have used My gift of love. This explanation also corresponds to the truth, and it should encourage you to use your life in the flesh on this earth by accepting His food and drink, Who is the eternal Word that became 'flesh' for your sake....

You will find wisdom shining forth from every explanation, even if you humans have not yet penetrated into spiritual knowledge. And if your spirit is awake, you will readily accept every one of My explanations, for they will satisfy you, whereas the wrong interpretation of My Word will only stir a will of resistance in you and must do so, because this wrong interpretation stems from My adversary whose aim it is to confuse a person's thoughts, to divert him from the truth and to remove any belief in life after death. A wrong interpretation such as this also proves the spiritually low level of people, and also of those who bring My Word to them even though they have not yet penetrated the meaning of My Words themselves.... The letter kills.... only the spirit gives life.... And all of you should ask for this spirit, you should pray for enlightened thinking and strive for pure truth, and your prayer will certainly not go unheeded....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Habitual customs and words....

B.D. No. 7246

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Neither words nor outer forms are sufficient for a change of being if the heart does not give life to the words or is not involved in your actions. You humans have been given many rules and regulations, and you only ever try to comply with these rules and requirements, regardless of whether you are wholeheartedly involved or whether they are really only empty forms which you fulfil through actions that lack any attitude of your own. But such 'fulfilments' of demands will not earn you a blessing, they will not bring you a step further upwards, they will always only remain empty actions or words which are as good as not carried out or not spoken. And you should therefore be more accountable for your thinking, speaking and doing, you should observe yourselves and practice self-criticism so that your whole being does not become a template and your earthly life remains an empty run. Seek above all the truth.... Whatever it is, think about it, and then consciously adjust yourselves to it. Whether you speak or act, it will always correspond to your innermost feelings, the heart will be involved and everything will gain life through it. And then you will certainly recognize what is wrong, what is pushing at you or being pushed at you. And only then will you consciously adjust yourselves, reject the wrong, accept the right and act accordingly. But what use are words or actions that you only speak or carry out at the request of others without being clear about what you are actually saying or doing? You can well imagine that God cannot judge you according to what your heart is not involved in, that He cannot credit you for something you dutifully do without being aware of what you are doing. You may have been brought up to do such things, you may have been brought up to repeat words, and you need not be involved in them with a thought. How should God judge such words or

deeds? Only once you have taken a stand your words and actions will be judged. But you will also have to answer for such deeds or words because you misuse your vitality and carelessly spend the time which is only given to you to mature your souls. And thus you must be aware of the fact that you must subject everything you receive from outside to scrutiny.... that you do not merely keep the customs from your childhood as a template and thus adopt them into your manhood, but that you should think about everything as soon as you are intellectually capable of doing so.... which, however, does not mean that your intellect alone is sufficient to decide on truth or untruth.... But for once you should consider the value of what has settled in you as a habit and only then take a stand on it yourselves. You should not be satisfied with empty words or dead actions that only gain life when the heart participates in them. Only then will you live your life consciously, only then will ever new questions arise from one question, only then will the knowledge come alive, which you **also** absorb mechanically, and only then can you speak of an ascent, as long as you are of good will.... You must help yourselves to life, the heart must participate everywhere, and you must abhor any form or dead words.... Then your life will not be an idle one, then you will have a success to report at the end, you will have matured and your soul will have achieved a gain for eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Wrong interpretation of Jesus' Words....

B.D. No. 8688

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Human thought has an earthly tendency, consequently people also interpret everything in an earthly way that had a profoundly spiritual meaning, that was conveyed to them as spiritual guidance by Me, Who has always spoken to humanity either directly or through messengers. My teachings, however, were always intended for the salvation of the soul and whenever I speak to humanity, be it in ancient or more recent times, My Word has always had a spiritual meaning. This was quite correctly understood at the time, but soon the spiritual meaning was interspersed with worldly ideas and, eventually, interpreted in a purely worldly sense. And thus My Word never remained unspoilt, performances and customs evolved from it which no longer correspond to its spiritual meaning, and My Word has lost its healing power, since it is no longer My pure Word....

That which was demanded of you spiritually.... because I expected its fulfilment to be a blessing for your souls.... has been turned into earthly performances by you humans. For every one of My requirements on your souls you invented and instituted an earthly activity which you called 'sacraments', attaching too much importance to them. As a result many people conscientiously comply with the regulations in their belief that they are accumulating a treasure of grace by fulfilling humanly decreed commandments.... However, it is all a mere matter of formality and appearance and completely unnecessary for the maturing of the souls.... Yet you stick with great tenacity to the formalities you created for yourselves but which I never demanded of you.

Everything I said during My life on earth as a human being had a profound spiritual meaning and can never be substituted by external acts.... But you do not understand the profound meaning and are satisfied with external customs which can never benefit your soul. Just think of the effects you attribute to 'baptism'!.... You perform a simple external act and are then convinced of its spiritual success: be it the deliverance from the 'hereditary sin', or the admission into My church.... the admission into a religious community.... But all this has to be gained by the human being himself during his earthly life, he has to voluntarily let himself be delivered from sin through Jesus Christ. Consequently it requires more than just the act of baptism performed on a child.... And again, he will only be able to join 'My church' voluntarily by consciously living his life as My follower, in order to gain a living faith through love.... the characteristic of the church founded by Me.

Think of the Sacraments of Confession and the Altar.... What you made of them and by what formalities you expect your 'forgiveness of sins'. Think of how I want you to understand the Words, that you should invite Me in so that I may hold communion with you and you with Me.... and how you

turned My Words 'This do in remembrance of Me....' into a process which, again, cannot have any effect on your soul unless you live a life of such profound love that I Myself can be present within you....

All spiritual requirements your soul was meant to cope with by itself were combined with earthly concepts by you humans and thus you created your own structure, so that you eagerly comply with what is demanded of you, what is claimed to be My will.... Time and again you have to be given clarification about this, yet you do not accept such clarification but keep fulfilling the humanly decreed commandments with ever growing zeal whilst My commandments of love for God and your neighbour are being ignored. As a result your spirit is growing consistently darker until, in the end, you will become quite unable to recognise the error of your thoughts and actions. Besides, you have placed yourselves into bondage by submissively accepting everything as truth that is presented to you as 'My Word'....

You ascribe a purely earthly meaning to My Words and ignore their spiritual meaning. And this is why errors have arisen which can only be rectified if you are filled with love, for then you will become enlightened and notice when you are confronted by error.... Then you will know that all humanly decreed commandments and sacramental acts are a deception, which could only have been alleged to be divine will by a dark spirit, and you will endeavour to free yourselves from error in the recognition of pure truth which alone can benefit the soul, and which can only be recognised as truth by someone who dwells in love, and who thus will fulfil My commandment of love first and then, as a result, also think correctly....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Conscious connection with God for the spiritual nourishment of the soul

God's constant addressing and offering of His word....

B.D. No. 6733

January 11th 1957

I want to instruct you all so that your thinking would be free from error. I want to give you all light so that the darkness will leave you, and I want to fill you with strength and thus make you blissful beings already on earth. And thus I am always willing to hand out to you everything you lack, yet I can only offer it to you with love but not induce you to accept My gifts of love. And because you humans are still blind in spirit you pass Me by if I stand in the way and want to impart My gifts to you. Yet I will call upon everyone so that he will hear Me when he is unable to see Me.... and if My call is also overheard, then I touch him.... I will let him go through adversity and misery so that he will now pay attention to the one Who can bring him help. For people who are in an unfortunate state and yet could free themselves from it, endure Me. They endure Me because My adversary often closes their eyes and ears because they are still in his power. The weakness of My living creations takes pity on Me, and therefore My love constantly pursues people and awaits the opportunity to be able to offer them strength and light.... But which human being **feels** himself weak and miserable, which human being knows that he walks in darkness? As long as he still possesses vitality he does not feel the spiritual hardship, the lack of light and strength of his soul, because he does not know the right light which enlightens his soul and only gives man true happiness.... And he is also not instructed in the right way, he is not guided into right thinking, because those who now want to be teachers of their fellow human beings were not instructed right themselves.... But everyone would receive full enlightenment from Me Myself if only they wanted to take the path to Me, if only they wanted to listen to Me with an open heart, Who speaks to people again and again and only requires an open heart which listens to My words. If only people would believe that their God and creator wants to address them because He is also their father Who cares about His children's salvation.... if only they would believe that the father's love applies undividedly to His children and that this love only ever endeavours to change His living creations' wretched state into a blissful one. My adversary, however, does not want to let this belief arise in you, but you yourselves should turn to **Me** and dispute **his** right over you, and you would always receive My support. But one thing is certain, that you humans will be influenced by **Me** to the same extent as My adversary tries to influence you.... but that it is now up to you yourselves whose influence you accept.... Every person will hear My address, be it in the form of My word or also in the form of hardship and suffering, if My silent address is not listened to.... And as long as you live on earth I will appear again and again and knock at the door of your heart.... for you humans have mercy on Me and I will not give you up, even if I have to struggle for you for ages.... But I will not rest until you willingly open your heart and ear to Me, until you let yourselves be gifted with light and strength from My hand.... For My love for you will not diminish, it applies to you for all eternity, and it only wants you to become blessed....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Feeding the soul.... God's care for the earthly....

B.D. No. 4535

January 10th 1949

Do not only nourish yourselves earthly but remember your soul that it also needs food and more urgently than the body. You worry too much about your earthly well-being and don't consider that everything is invalid with the hour of death, but that tomorrow can already bring the end of your body's life and your anxious worry will then be completely useless. But what you have given to the

soul it keeps, and that alone is the foundation of the new life in the kingdom of the beyond, it is the capital with which alone you can work. Again and again I want to point out to you that your earthly life will not last much longer and that you should seriously think about the time afterwards, that you provide for yourselves for this time, that you create an acceptable fate for yourselves for eternity. Live a life of unselfish neighbourly love and remember Me often, consciously unite with Me and appeal to Me for My support, and you will no longer need to worry earthly either, for then I will take care of you. How easy I make earthly life for you if only you want to accept My care and help, if you fulfil the conditions which let Me take care of you. You need not worry about earthly things if only you would care for your soul. It goes hungry and starves, while the body is provided with food and drink and all the pleasures of the world. Give food to the soul and offer it the bread and wine of life.... feed it with My word, for it hungers for it; give it spiritual food so that it will mature during earthly life, so that a weak, poorly nourished soul will not enter the kingdom of the beyond but the soul itself will be strengthened at the hour of death, so that it will easily detach itself from the body and enter the kingdom of light through the gate of eternity full of strength and light. You yourselves must help it to increase in strength and light, you must not pay so much attention to the body and its wishes but only satisfy the soul's desire and give it what it needs, then the body will also be nourished and receive what it needs. But one thing is necessary, that you provide the soul with food and drink so that it does not become incapable of the spiritual kingdom....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Spiritual nourishment at the table of the Lord....

B.D. No. 7427

October 13th 1959

You should accept much spiritual bread, for the time of drought is yet to come, when it will be impossible for you to establish a heartfelt bond with Me for a longer length of time, when you may consider yourselves fortunate if your thoughts can stay with Me briefly, and when, during intimate composure, you will find it difficult to listen to My Words. Then these short thoughts must be enough to permeate you with strength, which I will not deny you.... However, as long as it is still possible you should use your time well and let yourselves be nourished and refreshed as often as possible. I only give you this good advice in order to strengthen you for the forthcoming time, for it will require much strength, which you can only receive with My Word. If your soul is nourished with bread and wine, it will also be resistant to all threatening challenges. I Am at all times ready to provide it with this nourishing food, I Am always ready to speak with My children and to advise them, to admonish and to warn them, for I only want what is best for My Own, and I will always guide them such that they can feed themselves at My table at all times. And you should avail yourselves of this.... You should often lend Me your ear, you should open your hearts to Me, you should open the door of your heart wide so that I can enter My house.... and you should prepare this house for Me, which can only happen if you serve each other with love, if you accept My Word and live up to it, if you therefore enjoy the nourishment and refreshment and become suitable for the work of improving your soul by living according to My will, hence, if you are not just listeners but doers of My Word. Having thus opened up a spring for you from which the water of life flows forth, you should also bend down frequently and drink from this spring, and all of you will feel noticeably strengthened, you will be able to continue your earthly pilgrimage with greater ease, the burden of life will not oppress you so much if you progress in a strong and healthy state and withdraw this strength and health from the nourishment I Myself offer to you time and again.... All of you should come to the spring and take a rest, and collect new strength again, and also distribute this nourishment to those who are in need of it and who, tired and exhausted, sink down to the spring in order to refresh themselves.... Draw the water of life for them and offer it to them, and you will be blessed for it. And attract wayfarers to the spring, invite them to take a break and strengthen themselves before they continue on their way, which will always require new strength until the pilgrimage is over.... None of you need to be weak, you can always ask for new strength, you can always fetch nourishment from My table anew and need not be

afraid that I will be miserly or ever deny you food.... I Am always willing to give plenty, and you should make use of it and also demand an abundance.... You will receive it, and it will always be in your best interest. Eat and drink the bread and wine of life.... I Myself offer you the nourishment and the cup for your soul, but do not bypass it carelessly, trusting that your own strength is enough for your pilgrimage.... The path of ascent is steep and cannot be covered without an influx of strength. Always remember this and therefore take a rest wherever you find a spring which My love made accessible for you. The time will come when you will be hindered by My adversary's deceitfulness, then you shall have enough supply, then divine strength shall permeate you by merely sending a silent thought to Me, for I will not abandon My Own, I will nourish and refresh them in a spiritual and earthly way, even if it seems impossible to you.... For My love for you and My power are boundless....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Blessed effect of the divine word....

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The human being's highest benefit is that his soul receives spiritual nourishment, for only then can it mature on earth, only then will its purpose of earthly life be fulfilled. Therefore, whatever contributes towards making the human being receptive for the word of God also corresponds to God's will.... and whatever contributes towards deepening the bond with God will also always earn the soul spiritual goods, for this nourishment of the soul can only be imparted to it in a direct bond with God. This is what people cannot yet understand, that God can only feed them with the bread of heaven if they willingly come to Him with hunger and thirst, Who has promised them food and drink. But 'coming to Him' does not mean going to places of worship, it does not mean outwardly-recognizable actions or beautiful words.... It only means the deep, inner bond with God, which is like opening the heart to receive His stream of love-power, to receive His word, the bread of heaven from His hand. For His word is flesh and blood, it is the right nourishment for the soul, it is His direct emanation of love into the heart of a person, which the soul feels as right food and right drink. The human being must first be informed of God's will through the word of God.... And through the word of God he must also be given the strength to fulfil His will. But the fulfilment of His will brings spiritual progress to the soul, which is why the word of God absolutely has to be conveyed to the human being so that he will become blissfully happy. However, the 'conveyance of the divine word' is not to be understood as **every sermon** which can indeed touch the human being's ear but which lets the words fall flat if the human being has not first entered into a heartfelt bond with God, so that he hears the sermon as a direct address by God and thus it will not remain without effect on him. For the word can only be spoken letters which lack all spiritual meaning or is also only understood as spoken word but not according to its spiritual meaning. And this spiritual meaning is only made accessible to the human being by God Himself, which is why the bond with Him is indispensable. Only then does the word have an effect as refreshment for the soul, as nourishment which it needs to build itself up, which gives it the strength to develop upwards. And in order to establish the bond with God, one's own will is necessary again, for an intimate bond with God can never be established dutifully or as a form.... A true seriousness must animate the person who is to be blessed by receiving or hearing the divine word. And this true earnestness can fill a person at any hour and in any place, he can always and everywhere intimately unite with God and await the influx of His word, for even a devout thought of Him will secure an influx of strength for him, a gift which will be distributed to him from the lord's table.... And the longer the human being's thoughts dwell on his God and father, the more love-filled his thoughts will be, and God will mentally speak to him and impart to him what his soul needs. Being able to receive God's word is the greatest benefit a person can achieve in earthly life and need never come to an end, for God constantly speaks to those who desire to hear Him and who therefore hear or read His word in heartfelt contact with Him or allow themselves to be mentally addressed by Him.... And their souls will mature, for they will receive abundant nourishment, food and drink will constantly be

offered to them, they will constantly be refreshed and strengthened at the lord's table, as He Himself promised with the words: "Receive and eat, receive and drink.... do this in remembrance of Me...."

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Man's conscious approach to God....

B.D. No. 7940

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And I will be your companion in all your ways.... I will guide you, I will walk beside you, I will instruct you and advise you and make My will known to you.... and if you fulfil this will of Mine you will also successfully complete your earthly path of life.... You will have reached the aim of being eternally united with Me and now be able to work in freedom, light and strength.... Thus I Myself want to be your companion, then I will also always be able to ward off My adversary from you who will not stop harassing you, and this the more the closer the end is. And therefore I inform you again and again through the word that you are in danger as long as you don't let Me Myself walk next to you through your free will to be united with Me. You live your earthly life and don't know that an everlasting battle is being waged around you in the spiritual world which applies to your soul.... And you don't know that there is a continuous struggle for your soul on the part of the world of light and the dark world. Both forces want to win you over, and you yourselves make the final decision as to which forces will gain victory over you.... You yourselves determine in which sphere you want to dwell, and you determine this through your will, which is turned towards or away from Me. And truly, only a brief thought is enough for you to call Me to your side and I will not leave you and protect you from further influence by My adversary and his helpers. Just let Me always walk by your side and your pilgrimage on earth will be blessed.... It is only a matter of your **conscious** approach to Me in earthly life. If you achieve this of your own free will, you will also have passed your test of earthly life, for the purpose of which you were allowed to embody yourselves on earth. Yet I cannot force you to turn to Me either, I can only ever try to draw you to Myself through loving words, I can only ever approach you, force Myself into your thoughts and fatefully intervene in your life.... But I always have to leave the effect to yourselves. You must decide for yourselves in free will.... You must grasp My hand yourselves and want Me to be with you and no longer leave you.... But this will also decide your fate in eternity. But all of you humans don't have much time left.... the end is near and you will all be taken by surprise, and your fate will now also be according to your attitude towards Me, which is why I admonish you again and again to seek the bond with your God and creator of eternity, to draw close to Him like a child draws close to its father, and now also to stand under My protection until the end has come. Precisely the time of the end prompts Me to repeatedly make My will known to you, which will always remain the same: that you live in love, because then you will establish the most secure bond with Me, Who am **love** Myself.... **work** in **love** and remain in **constant prayer**.... And you will draw Me to you and I will never leave you again forever.... For I Myself am love, and he who abides in love abides in Me and I in him.... And intimate prayer likewise unites the child with the father and enables My strength to overflow to always carry out My will.... And if you are united with Me then you no longer need to fear anything.... neither My adversary nor the coming end, for then you belong to My own who will stand firm until the end and whom I will protect in physical and spiritual adversity.... You need only give your will to Me, subordinate it to Mine and let your thoughts wander into spiritual spheres from time to time.... And My love will take hold of you and guide you until the end of your life.... I will walk beside you, you will no longer be lonely and abandoned.... Then you will walk by My hand and return home to the fatherland....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

How bitterly you will regret one day not having listened to My voice, having kept yourselves closed to My address and thus let the great grace pass you by.... For your soul is the one who suffers, it will have to atone for it one day, and that until it has found the divine redeemer Jesus Christ.... But endless times can pass until it calls upon Him for mercy. You humans do not recognize the gift of grace which is intended for you, so that you can already reach perfection on earth. You do not know about My endless love, which tries everything to bring you to your senses that you have received earth life for another purpose than **you** give it. You only always see the world and its pleasures, and you do not think of the hour of death.... but you also do not believe in the survival of the soul, and that is what lets you pass away without a sense of responsibility. You don't see the miracles which should make you clearly aware that you were not created for the sake of physical life alone.... For miracles can be discovered everywhere around you, you just have to **want** to see them.... And likewise you would have to see the address of God as a miracle.... You would have to recognize **Me Myself** in every word if you would only think a little.... Yet spiritual life has become alien to you; you only ever see the world and everything connected with it. But one day you will think of every occasion when the word of God was brought to you, and you will not understand to have passed it by.... And you will be able to consider yourselves lucky if you then still discover a ray of light, if you then can still seek out My born of life.... but also this favour will be granted to you, but it always depends on your free will. You can just as well avoid the ray of light, but once you still recognize what you let pass, and the remorse about it will be bitter. My word is truly the greatest gift of favour, which I can still give to you before the end and which announces My will to you, which always only consists of it that you change to love. And when this love commandment is earnestly recited to you, where you are always only admonished to love God and the neighbour, then you also know that the announcers of this teaching are My messengers; you know it that I Myself speak through those who therefore preach the love commandments to you as urgent, because with the fulfilment of those commandments you will also come into the possession of further gifts of favour, because then the measure of My favours is inexhaustible, which is now supplied to you. Everything only contributes to your perfection, to the perfection of your soul, which is the imperishable in you, which you are never allowed to let starve. Therefore I also only address your soul; I give it the food, which it needs to mature, to become healthy, to escape from its state of weakness, which is its lot at the start of embodiment as man. And when I feed and water the soul myself, then you can truly be convinced that it suffers no lack, that it will enter the kingdom on the other side in most radiant light. But you also have to cover the soul's needs by listening to My word, by giving the soul what it needs in order to become blissfully happy. Give the soul the opportunity to hear the 'word of God' so that it can build itself up on it and desire to live.... And whoever longs to be addressed by Me I will also convey My word to him, for I take every such longing into account, I hear every request and grant it, especially when it concerns providing the soul with the necessary maturity which only My word can bring to it.... the word which is bread and wine for the soul, which it can feast on, which gives it true life, which can no longer be taken away from it.... Every person will once be addressed by Me, in every person the question once arises: What will be hereafter? And if he then earnestly demands clarification about it, then it will also be supplied to him, for I have many ways and means, and no man directs a questioning thought in vain into infinity.... Only then man should pay attention to it and not reject what is offered to him after such an earnest question.... For I satisfy the soul's desire.... But he who carelessly passes by My word will one day bitterly regret it, for the hour of realization will also come for him when he remembers the unused opportunity and can no longer make up for what he missed on earth....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Just turn to Me in all hardships, spiritual or earthly, and I will help you, for I have given you the promise: Ask and it will be given to you.... knock, and it will be opened to you.... And therefore you will not call upon Me in vain if only you fully believe this promise of Mine. I alone can help you and I also want to help you because I love you. But you often don't recognize My help and therefore not My love either, yet no call to Me will go unheard if it is sent up to Me in spirit and in truth.... Entrust Me with what oppresses you, yet also believe that nothing will come upon you but that which can bring your soul salvation. And already the connection through prayer, which is the result of this adversity, is a plus for your soul, for it confesses Me through prayer and can now also be considered by Me according to its faith. Don't let yourselves be depressed by any earthly adversity, for you have one Who can take it away from you at any time and Who has given you this assurance with the words: Ask and it will be given to you.... And if you are in spiritual hardship, if you call upon Me to help your soul, then know that I will listen to you extremely willingly and that no spiritual request will remain unfulfilled. But you are in spiritual distress when your soul is oppressed by darkness, when it lacks light, when it lacks My strength of love, when it feels oppressed by forces of darkness.... And then every call to Me also means immediate help, for I will not leave you in the soul's adversity if only you faithfully call upon My name, which is the epitome of redemption for you from death and sin.... from darkness and weakness.... and you will experience the power that lies in the naming of My name; you will be helped in every adversity if only you devoutly pronounce My name, thereby expressing your faith in Me as redeemer of the world.... I took all the sufferings and all the sins of humanity on My shoulders.... I bore them for you humans.... and thus you may also burden Me with all your sufferings and hardships if you are in danger of collapsing under them. I will not leave you in adversity because I have promised you My help with the words: "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest...." Believe and you will be helped, for My power is unlimited and My love never ends, My love is for all people who call upon Me in their distress....

Amen

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Listening to the word of God

Prerequisite for hearing God's voice: Detachment from the world....

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January 17th 1959

You must listen deeply within yourselves if you want to hear My voice. And that requires you to completely withdraw from the material world and engross yourselves in spiritual thoughts.... it requires you to completely empty your heart from earthly thoughts so that it can then be filled by thought currents of a purely spiritual nature. People will always find it difficult to completely detach themselves from the world, but My voice can be heard more distinctly the less the heart is burdened by mental impressions of worldly origin. Once the heart is completely empty the flow of My spirit can pour into it unimpeded, and then you will experience this as an uninterrupted talking to you, as a flowing-over of My spirit into you, as My direct Word which you can hear as clearly as a spoken word. The more you resist earthly thoughts, the more clearly will you hear My voice. And this requires a constant battle with the external world which, impelled by My adversary, wants to intrude time and again in order to disturb the intimate conversation between Father and child. You can prevent this by not yielding to it, by rejecting all thoughts pertaining to the world.... by instantly addressing Me in thought asking Me to prevent this interference.... And your will shall be taken into account, because it is solely directed towards Me.

Only those who are able to detach themselves from the world are therefore entitled to hear My voice, for whom I have become a Concept Which no longer can be replaced by the world.... who have recognised Me as their eternal Father Who wants to turn you into his children and will not let go of you again until He has accomplished His goal. Once this separation from the world has taken place, the world will no longer succeed in winning the human being back, because My direct Word will have granted enlightenment to him and he will not want to miss this light again. However, he will nevertheless constantly have to struggle with the world, since he still lives in the midst of the world and it will try to influence him in every way, because it is precisely this intimate dialogue which My adversary wants to disturb as and wherever possible. This is why it always requires a strong will to establish such an intimate bond with Me that My voice can come through, drowning out the voice of the world. The human being's will can accomplish that, and then he will only ever sing My praises and give thanks to the One Who speaks to him and thereby bestows an invaluable gift upon him....

For My Word is the visible or audible sign of My infinite love for you, My living creations. It demonstrates that it is in your own hands to establish such close contact with the highest and most perfect Being that you will be able to hear His voice.... and that you have the evidence of this communication when you write His sacred Word down just as you receive it.... This supremely perfect Being speaks to you.... Contemplate the meaning of these Words.... I speak to you from above, you hear My voice, you comprehend what I tell you, and thereby you can recognise your Father's voice Who loves you and wants to possess you forever.... I speak to you because I want you to come to Me of your own free will, so that you will start your return to Me into your Father's house, which I want to achieve by addressing you. But in order to hear My Words your will must be firm and strong, time and again it must look for the heartfelt bond with Me, Who cannot be found on the surface of the world but far away from it.... Consequently, all worldly thoughts must be suppressed and you must listen into the stillness of your heart, and then you will truly hear My Word in all clarity, because My love especially applies to all those who try to reach Me, who desire to hear Me and to whom I therefore reveal Myself according to My promise 'that I will come to My Own in spirit and remain with them until the end of the world....'

Amen

Consciously listening within.... The voice of the spirit....

B.D. No. 3612

November 24th 1945

To consciously listen within oneself furthers spiritual development to a great extent, for this enables the direct acceptance of strength from the spiritual kingdom. It demonstrates the will to make contact with the spiritual sphere, that is, with God, and where this will exists there is also the guarantee that God will draw close to a person, that He will reveal Himself, mentally or through the voice of the spirit which, however, can only be heard by a person who has prepared himself for receiving spiritual gifts. But he will be greatly blessed.... A source will be opened up to him from which he can constantly draw a delectably refreshing drink, God Himself will offer him a gift which is bound to advance his higher development because it originates from God and acts as a means to totally unite the person with God. An incredible wealth of grace will be made accessible to him, everlasting treasures which come from the spiritual kingdom and which the person will be able to take across into the spiritual kingdom in order to work with them there for his own happiness and for the salvation of innumerable souls in need. The spiritual wealth accepted by a person through the inner voice is often so extensive that he is unable to fully understand and use it, nevertheless, he will be inconceivably happy in the spiritual kingdom, for the extent of his wealth also determines his activity and the degree of his bliss. He accepted the divine gift of his own free will, he has voluntarily worked at shaping himself into a receiving terminal for the strength of the spirit, and this will is blessed by God.... He lets His spirit take effect in the person, He imbues him with strength and grace, He grants him unlimited knowledge and guides him into eternal truth.... But He can never ever offer this delectable gift to a human being who does nothing in order to make himself receptive, who neglects to work at improving himself or who refrains from consciously listening within.... For imparting spiritual wealth to him would signify compulsory faith and the soul's maturing against his will, but this would contradict the divine law of order.

To someone who remains in private communication with God, who asks Him and waits for the answer and thus also consciously listens within, He will speak mentally, He will steer the person's train of thought in the right direction, He will instruct him according to his faith and his spiritual maturity. For every connection with God through prayer or thoughts inclined towards Him opens the heart to the influx of strength from the spiritual kingdom, and the person can always be endowed with strength and grace, he becomes a receiving vessel for the divine spirit as soon as he believes in the working of the spirit, in God's working within the human being. This faith is the prerequisite in order to become receptive; otherwise, the human being will not consciously listen to that which the voice of the spirit proclaims. And this faith is only rarely to be found, consequently, the working of the spirit manifests itself only rarely too. This is also the reason for humanity's spiritual hardship, because it ignores the source of life from which it would always be able to refresh and fortify itself. The human being cannot mature without a spiritual flow of strength, he cannot advance but instead remains at the same stage of development. However, spiritual strength can only be conveyed to earth from the spiritual kingdom and therefore requires a connection between the spiritual kingdom and earth, which needs to be voluntarily established. Where this will is absent humanity is weak, the souls suffer spiritual hardship and cannot receive help.... For this reason God avails Himself of a human being who fully consciously makes himself available as a mediator between the spiritual kingdom and Earth.... who, with profound faith in God's working through the spirit, attunes himself as a receiving terminal, who prepares himself as a receiving vessel for the divine spirit due to his will to help his fellow human beings and to be of service to God. And thus divine gifts of grace flow to him without measure.... the spring of divine wisdom pours into this vessel for the benefit of all who drink from it, who do not bypass the source of eternal life but refresh and strengthen themselves on their journey through life. Their path of ascent will be an easy one, they will travel it by holding on to God's hand and thus safely reach the goal, for His gift is delectable and guarantees spiritual success for everyone who accepts it from His hand....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Everyone can hear God's speech.... in form of thoughts....

B.D. No. 5469

August 23rd 1952

Impart to you the Word of love, of comfort and of encouragement, and wherever you lack knowledge I will always enlighten you, but you must establish a connection with Me yourselves otherwise I cannot speak to you.... However, My speech will not always be heard by you, rather, your thoughts will noticeably shape themselves in such a way as I want to speak to you, providing you pay attention to it and wait until My communication has been received by you. For this much I want to say to you: As soon as you merely think of Me, speak to Me in prayer or call upon Me for help My love will already be with you.... You will not speak in vain, but I hear all your thoughts and will also answer you. However, only few people wait for My answer, only few people are so profoundly devout that they are convinced of My reply, therefore I can only seldom make Myself known to a person so that he can recognise My clear answer in his feelings and thoughts.... Not a single word you speak to Me in deep devotion goes astray, and not a single word will be left unanswered by Me....

Even so, your soul very often disregards something which would make it extremely happy. You have not developed your spiritual ear as yet and therefore don't perceive the response of My love.... All those of you who make contact with Me in heartfelt prayer can consider yourselves addressed by Me.... but if you also want to understand My speech, which you all yearn to hear, then you must train your spiritual ear, for you all should strive to achieve this task, because it would make your earthly life considerably easier since it is truly blissful to be able to hear My speech which, without exception, applies to all those of you who enter into heartfelt communication with Me. You would all draw much strength and comfort from My speech, which will only ever be perceived by you in the form of feelings and thoughts, which could provide you with inner serenity and the feeling of security, hence you would truly be comforted and strengthened by My Fatherly love which constantly applies to all of His children. Consequently you should, after you have prayed to Me in spirit and in truth, wait and remain in thought of Me and you will sense My presence, and your soul will receive the gift of My Fatherly love.... For I draw all those towards Me who call upon Me, who enter into heartfelt conversation with Me, and I want to give to them whatever makes them happy....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Teaching in truth requires faith in God....

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January 22nd 1942

Every spiritual question remains unresolved as long as the human being does not affirmatively attune himself to the eternal deity, for it is spiritual forces which have already found union with God that are responsible for answering such questions. Understandably, they will not convey the flow of strength from God to a person who does not recognize the giver of strength. But spiritual knowledge is strength from God, strength from God can therefore only be received by a person who recognizes God, otherwise the whole world would be in knowledge, since the beings imparting light and strength would not deny the flow of strength to anyone on earth. But God sets conditions for the reception of truth, and the first condition is that the human being consciously decides in favour of God, that he believes in God as creator and Controller of all things, Who is supremely wise, kind and almighty. Faith in a God of love, wisdom and omnipotence also allows the human being to find contact with the creator of eternity and thus also establish contact with granted spiritual beings which are allowed to dwell in the vicinity of God in a state of perfection in order to constantly receive and pass on His divine strength. These beings constantly endeavour to help earthly people whose faith is still shallow. They try to make people think so that they send their thoughts upwards questioningly. Only then can they give an answer, i.e. mentally instruct people. But people who do not believe in

God cannot realize how much more difficult it is for them to raise spiritual questions. They do not recognize anything spiritual and therefore do not direct their thoughts in that direction which they reject in their innermost being. But again, no answer can be given to people if they do not ask, for it is only through questions that the beings are able to mentally convey answers to them. Only through the question does the human being open his heart and only then can the flow of strength flow to him, for only then has he established the connection which God makes a condition. Man must recognize God in order to be able to recognize Him.... he must bow to Him in deepest humility in order to be able to receive His grace. But if God conveys the truth to people, if He wants to make them knowledgeable, then it is an immense grace, and this grace has to be consciously requested, thus the human being first has to acknowledge, by mentally asking questions, that there is a creator from Whom he assumes that He **can** answer his question by virtue of His wisdom and also **wants to** answer it by virtue of His love.... And he must humbly ask this now recognized creator for clarification, for knowledge and truth, then he will not open his heart in vain.... He can now be instructed by the knowing powers in the beyond and they will not let him ask in vain.... They joyfully share out what they themselves receive from God, they give because they are in love and giving makes them happy. And what they give is purest truth, since they are only the executors of the divine will, but God offers nothing other than purest truth to the one who expresses the desire for truth through his mental questioning....

Amen

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Audible Word....

B.D. No. 4313

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The most sublime moment in earthly life happens when a person audibly hears the Word, when he hears the expression of My love in his heart like a spoken Word. For then he will perceive My closeness like a flood of light which permeates his heart and is also perceptible by the person's senses. The human being's maturity of soul influences how the inner voice can be heard. He can freely enjoy the blissful sensation if his soul is already far advanced, but in a low degree of maturity he might still have fight against inner obstacles. Nevertheless, he must have attained a certain degree of psychological maturity, otherwise he would never be able to receive the grace of the audible Word.... Hence it is a process of a direct transmission of light and strength, the person is in such intimate contact with Me that I Am able to manifest Myself to him and be understood, which will never be the case with immature souls. But I must always stem My strength of love if the human being is to remain suitable for earthly life and not lose all earthly attachment due to his overwhelming happiness. And therefore I will only ever audibly manifest Myself for short periods of time until the end of the person's course of life who is so close to Me that I will credit him with My speech.

However, during the time of the end I will need servants on Earth who will diligently work for Me, and I will reward their enthusiasm by revealing Myself to them such that they are no longer able to harbour doubts in their hearts because they are faithful to Me, because they believe without being able to see and work for Me in this belief. I want to stimulate them into working ever more diligently for Me but I will only be able to express Myself audibly if their faith has already become so firm that they unconditionally believe in My activity, that they had previously already heard the voice of the spirit and recognised it as My voice, for the audible Word must never compel them into believing since it is the culmination of a strong faith and, in earthly life, the most desirable state to strive for because it makes a person indescribably happy and the thought of it can render him insensitive to suffering and distress of an earthly nature. His happiness and his convinced faith also offer his fellow human being the possibility to gain a stronger faith, so that his activity amongst people is extremely richly blessed and that every work he tackles will be accomplished by him. His fellow human beings can certainly doubt him but anyone who audibly hears My Word within himself will no longer be able to doubt. And thus I reward the love and loyalty of My servant who stands up for Me and grant him the kind of happiness on Earth which the world cannot offer him....

Amen

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God's presence

Faith in God's presence....

B.D. No. 8128

March 18th 1962

I Am present to you as soon as you make contact with Me in spirit and in truth.... But you humans still search for Me in the distance; only a few hand themselves over to Me like a child and thereby establish the right relationship with Me.... The majority of people certainly speaks about a God and Creator, they believe in an exceedingly powerful Being, but they also deem this Being to be infinitely far away; they don't know that I would like to be in contact with them as their God and Creator and that they need only establish this contact, because they distanced themselves from Me and thus they must also strive towards Me again. But neither are they capable of heartfelt prayer, that is, of communicating with Me in spirit and in truth, or even just of sending a sincerely felt call from the heart to Me. They merely use memorised prayers which are of no value to Me, which I do not hear and therefore cannot grant either.... I want to be called upon in spirit and in truth, I want that heartfelt thoughts ascend to Me which will induce Me to lean down to the petitioner, to draw close and be present to him.... Yet blessed are those who have already established this heartfelt bond and through a prayer in spirit and truth motivate Me to be present to them, to whom I therefore can also speak, in thought or audibly, if their state of maturity allows for it. You should only yearn for and allow My presence, for My presence also necessitates a purified heart which love has prepared for Me as an abode in which I Myself can dwell.... But if you humans **believe** in a God with Whom you can make contact, your way of life will also be a life of **love** otherwise you would not have this faith.... For faith will only come alive through love.... Humanity, however, is devoid of all love, love has grown cold amongst people.... This is why a living faith is only rarely to be found, a faith which seeks Me and motivates a person to make contact with Me, for love is already the bond with Me, the human being draws Me close to himself and induces Me to be present.... And thus love alone determines the relationship between the human being and Me. Where love is kindled in the heart, a gentle inner urging to reach Me can already be felt.... Consequently, the loving person will also pray in spirit and in truth, for the love within establishes the connection with the Eternal Love.... with Me, Who can then be present to him. And once I Am present I can also speak to him, I can guide his thoughts, I can grant him a wealth of thoughts which he can only receive from Me directly.... I Myself can work in him, as I have promised.... However, My presence is always essential, only kind-hearted activity will motivate Me to be present to him.

But how far have people distanced themselves from Me as a result of their heartless life.... They cannot recognise Me because they are still spiritually unenlightened and thus make it impossible for Me to take direct effect in them through mental communications, for they cannot hear My Words in their distance to God and even if their fellow human beings informed them they wouldn't understand.... It is also difficult to make them believe in a God Who wants to be their Father, Who wants to give pleasure to them as children if they look for this bond with Him.... They cannot believe because they have no love within themselves which would awaken the faith in the first place. Therefore they will not be capable of praying in spirit and in truth.... unless great adversity overwhelms them and they call upon the powerful Creator of Heaven and Earth, Who also created them.... And if such a call comes from the heart I will hear and grant it.... Nevertheless, only I know the heart of every individual person, and only I know whether earthly help is a blessing for him or whether a premature recall into the kingdom of the beyond is more favourable for the soul which can no longer find Me on earth....

Amen

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

B.D. No. 3596

November 7th 1945

And thus I Am in the midst of you in the Word as I have promised. I won't leave you on your own and you shall also feel My presence, and so I draw near to you in the Word, for I Myself Am the Word and anyone who has My Word can also speak of My presence and feel protected near to Me. I Myself Am a Spirit Which is not bound to any material form but is strength and light to the highest degree and Which, due to Its will and Its thinking ability, has to be addressed as a Being, Which takes effect with love and wisdom and therefore emanates love and wisdom into eternity. And My love expresses the strength and the light in a form which you humans can become aware of, as you are not yet mature enough in order to receive strength and light in its fundamental substance.... And this expression is My Word, which I convey to you so that you shall gain maturity.... A Spirit which is light and strength in itself can in fact only be present in the form of light and strength, and thus My Word, the emanation of Myself, has to incorporate light and strength within itself, and this characterises My closeness. And therefore I gave you the promise that I will stay with you until the end of the world.... by the fact that My spirit is always with you who want to receive light and strength.... by the fact that My directly emanated Word is constantly conveyed to you in order to make My presence known to you. I Am with you.... and even if I don't visibly dwell among you, you nevertheless have the evidence of My presence in your hands if you recognise Me in the Word. For I Myself Am the Word.... and you will constantly receive it as soon as you desire Me and My being close to you.

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

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

you until the end of the world, and every Word of My promise will come true, because My Word is and will remain the truth for all eternity....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

"Where two or three are gathered in My name...."

B.D. No. 5056

February 7th 1951

Where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I in the midst of them.... You draw My presence yourselves if you call upon Me in your heart, if you come together for My sake, if you make Me the subject of your conversations. I am in your midst and intervene in your conversations Myself, for I fill you with strength and guide your thoughts correctly. Therefore you can always be certain of My presence and also that I will dispel everything that would like to oppress you from the dark side, for where My light shines the dark spiritual element which wants to harm you will flee. Then you will be inaccessible to its evil influence and open to the light radiation from the spiritual kingdom. Then you will also hear My word as it emanates from Me and feel its strength and effect. I Myself dwell in your midst and distribute My gifts of grace, considering each one according to need, and your soul shall rejoice because I Myself give it nourishment.... then you all dine at the lord's table.... I distribute and you receive, bread and wine.... My flesh and My blood.... you are My guests whom I have invited to the lord's supper and who have willingly accepted My invitation and are therefore abundantly provided by Me with gifts from heaven, with My word, which is delicious refreshment for your soul. If I am present to you, you will never need to go hungry, for your father truly provides abundantly for His children who love Him and want to be obedient to Him. If you now gather in My name, then you press towards Me, your father, like children, and My heart rejoices in your love and comes to you in order to also announce My love for you. I fulfil every call of a loving heart, every desire for Me,

(7.2.1951) for I want to speak to you and I want you to listen to Me. I am always with you if you grant Me entrance into the circle where you live. Where My name falls, spoken with the mouth or also in the heart, there is the place where I like to stay, even though you are not able to see Me with bodily eyes. Every thought of yours attracts Me, thus you need not doubt My presence. And where people gather to converse about My kingdom there is also the opportunity to express Myself, for their hearts are completely unresisting towards My divine strength and this strength loosens their tongues.... they speak, driven by My spirit.... their thoughts will be rightly directed because they **can** never ever be in error where I Myself am working. My working is certain if a person is devoted to Me with love. My blessing will always rest on spiritual conversations, after all, they are proof to Me that My children desire to know the truth, that they love Me and that their thoughts apply to Me.... Where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I in the midst of them.... You should take these words of Mine seriously, for they are a promise from Me which can give you comfort and strength at any time.... that you will never stand alone if you remember Me. And then you can confidently expect all kinds of help from Me, for if I am with you I also see and hear your suffering, I know about your heart's every request and fulfil it according to your faith. I dwell in the midst of you.... The stronger this faith in My presence is, the stronger your faith in My help will be when you are in need. But I also want you to ask Me and thus prove your faith in My presence. And therefore I bless those who open themselves and listen for My answer.... who are willing to hear My voice if I want to speak to you. For I always speak through the mouth of your fellow human beings, be it in speech and counter-speech or also in direct address to the one who listens inwardly for My voice. I want to reveal Myself to you humans and am always willing to do so, but I do not always find people who are also willing to listen to Me. I will give them words of love and wisdom in abundance, words of advice and comfort, as I have promised, for if I am in your midst I will not keep Myself hidden, and since you are unable to see Me you shall hear Me. And blessed are those who believe and gather together in My name, for I will bless them and they will feel My blessing as strength which expresses itself in the desire for above, for Me and for eternal life....

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

B.D. No. 8514

May 30th 1963

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

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

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Vineyard work

Word recipient first suitable to teach....

B.D. No. 5251

November 6th 1951

The gift I have bestowed upon you humans to be able to receive My word through My spirit is always the product of your own will to love, thus it belongs to each one of you if he puts this will to love into practice. Each one of you can make contact with Me Myself as soon as you practice love, since I am present in every work of love and truly do not make My presence dependent on the person's nature, for only love determines the person's relationship with Me. And therefore the man as well as the woman can shape themselves through love for My child. And likewise My spirit can work in every person if love makes it possible for him to hear Me within himself. Thus you have, so to speak, an ability which you first have to develop yourselves but which I have not withheld from **anyone**. This is why you humans all have the same task to educate yourselves on earth to become My children, and depending on your will to love and the development of your ability you are chosen for redemptive activity on earth. For you receive if you train yourselves to be the receiving vessel of My spirit, and every recipient shall also distribute again to those who are in need of the bread from heaven. But since only those who possess spiritual possessions themselves can give to their fellow human beings, and possession again depends on My spirit being able to work in a person, it is understandable that not many are able to do proper vineyard work for Me and My kingdom; it is understandable that the proclaimers of My word have not always been instructed by Me Myself and therefore cannot represent My word with the power of persuasion as someone who has received it from Me Myself can. But the power of persuasion also ensures success, which is why a word recipient, a person who has gained extensive knowledge through spiritual activity, is the **first** to be suitable to teach, to proclaim the gospel to his fellow human beings, for he has not only mechanically received the knowledge but at the same time accepted the power of realization with truth, which need not be the case with intellectually acquired knowledge which only becomes realization when its spirit instructs the person. My spirit blows where it wills.... It makes itself known without regard to person, class or gender.... he only requires a heart willing to love which opens itself to him in order to let the flow of grace flow into it. But then he also impels the human being to speak, and it is obvious that it is then not the human being himself who speaks but that the spirit expresses itself in him.... Consequently, he is also chosen to spread the gospel, and he should always give in to the inner urge and speak without inhibition wherever the opportunity presents itself. In the last days the spiritual hardship is so great that I truly do not have enough labourers for My vineyard and therefore keep recruiting and calling for the service of suffering humanity. And I will bless everyone who follows My call, I will place everyone in the place where his work is successful.... I will instruct him Myself and put the words into his mouth if only a person approaches him who desires to hear them. Then he will desire **My** word, and truly, I will send it to everyone who desires it, and through you, My servants on earth, he will likewise be taught by God and come to believe, because My word is blessed with My strength....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

True servants of God.... Instituted words.... Working of the spirit....

B.D. No. 8325

November 10th 1962

You, who believe in Me and the working of My spirit within you, receive extraordinary knowledge from Me.... And this knowledge obliges you to communicate with your fellow human beings, for you don't just receive it for yourselves, you merely act as mediators between Me and

people whom I cannot address directly but who urgently require truthful information in order to be able to fulfil their earthly task. Their will to draw closer to their God and Creator again has to be stimulated, and therefore they must be enlightened about Me and their relationship with their God and Creator.... They know about My will and their task on earth.... Only then can they be held to account as to whether and how they make use of their earthly life. They must also be informed of the process of return they are going through themselves and the reasons on which this is based.... For all this knowledge can help people to reflect about themselves and give their presently purely worldly attitude a spiritual outlook so that their pilgrimage across this earth will not remain unsuccessful but result in their return to Me and to supreme bliss, as was destined for them in the very beginning.

This task of distributing the knowledge conveyed to you from above is your most important work, the implementation of which can lead to tremendous blessings.... I Myself will support any task you undertake on My behalf, for the result could be that I will win back countless saved souls which My adversary has to return to Me if it is their own will. And then these souls will have completed a process of development which has lasted for an infinitely long time already.... but which can be prolonged for an infinitely long time again if the human being fails on earth.... I convey to you, My messengers of light, such extensive knowledge as to enable you to carry much light into the spiritual darkness.... And your fellow human beings need only open their hearts and ears in order to partake in a greater than great treasure of grace which you are permitted to unearth because you want to be of service to Me. You shall only ever distribute the bread of heaven and the water of life, the healing strength of which is true wine for your souls.... Then you will be My true disciples to whom I give this instruction just as I gave it to My first disciples when I took the last Supper with them. Although I handed them food for the body they nevertheless knew that My instruction meant the distribution of spiritual food.... they knew that My Words called them to the teaching ministry, that they should carry My Gospel into the world, that they should nourish their fellow human beings' souls with My Word which they had received from Me and continued to receive through the working of My spirit within them....

Thus I called these disciples and instructed them to go out into the world.... But this instruction first required them to receive from Me the bread of heaven, the water of life, for they were meant to pass on divine gifts and not human ideas which do not benefit the soul. Thus, as long as these proclaimers of My Word and their successors were called to teach through the working of My spirit within them, they were My representatives, My disciples, and therefore the successors of My first disciples who had received the true Gospel from Me.... And everyone can regard himself as My disciple, as successor of the first disciples whom I had called to the teaching ministry.... in whom My spirit works such that he is introduced from within to extensive knowledge which cannot be intellectually acquired.... And even traditionally adopted spiritual knowledge first necessitates My spirit's working in the proclaimer so that he can fully understand this spiritual knowledge and pass it on in a way that it will have a truly beneficial effect on those who are being taught....

Only a spiritually awakened proclaimer of My Word is a true successor to My disciples.... and not those preachers who decided for themselves to make it their career and who believe that they can academically acquire the knowledge with which they then want to work in My vineyard.... These labourers are unsuitable for they have to wait until I call them Myself, prior to this they cannot work properly in My vineyard because I Myself want to work through My spirit in those who are active for Me and My kingdom. And neither can this calling come from fellow human beings, from someone who, in turn, has also taken up his office without an inner calling, who was also made a 'servant of God' by his fellow men.... This teaching ministry carries so much responsibility that it truly also requires the qualifications for it and human will or human action can never suffice to confer such an office.... I descended to earth Myself in order to bring My Word to humanity, the knowledge which corresponds to the truth, which grants complete enlightenment and returns a person into a state of realisation which was his share before his apostasy from God.... I brought this Word to people Myself and.... since I was only able to stay for a limited period of time on earth.... chose suitable vessels for

Myself whom I filled with My flow of spirit, whom I instructed Myself and.... since they lived a life of love.... to whom I also promised the working of My spirit while they carried out My instructions....

And you humans know that due to people's free will the purest truth can be spoilt if the conditions no longer exist which permit the working of My spirit.... Do you really believe that all people who claim to be My 'representatives on earth', who claim to be the successors of My first disciples, displayed the prerequisites which enabled the working of My spirit? And thus the pure truth was no longer guaranteed, for a person who has not shaped himself into a vessel for My spirit can be easily influenced by My adversary, whose sole intention is to always undermine My pure truth.... This is why countless misguided teachings were able to assert themselves without being recognised by them as such.... For wherever My spirit is as yet unable to work darkness still prevails, for only My spirit ignites the light in the human being, for My spiritual spark is love, and love is also light and strength....

As the divine spark of love in the human being.... the spark of God's spirit.... unites with the eternal Father-Spirit a bright light has to shine which no error can endure, because it will be exposed and refuted by the truth from Me, Who will only ever support the pure truth and make it accessible to you humans.... Understand that this was the real meaning of My last Supper with My disciples, that they thus received the instruction to bring the pure truth to people and at the same time mention My act of Salvation and My human manifestation in Jesus, therefore I said: Do this in remembrance of Me.... For only by proclaiming the pure Gospel was it also possible to provide people with the knowledge of My act of Salvation.... And since this knowledge is extremely important I mentioned it with the above Words, for all people who want to become blessed should remember Me.... But as long as precisely these 'instituted' words are misunderstood and associated with a completely senseless action there is still profound spiritual darkness in people.... And this I why I now instruct My last disciples again to carry My Word into the world, the pure truth which I was able to convey to them through My spirit 'which effectually worketh also in you that believe'....

Amen

Translation handled by Heidi Hanna

Communion.... flesh and blood....

B.D. No. 4908

June 3rd 1950

I speak to you and you hear Me and I want you to pass on My word to your fellow human beings who also long for the food of their souls, for My word, for My flesh and My blood. For this reason I have called you to be My guests and to be satisfied at My table and that you now again distribute the bread of life to those who are hungry and want to eat at the table of the lord. For I have laid My table for everyone, I want to distribute to everyone what they need for their souls, and you shall be My servants who administer My gifts to them because they have not yet made direct contact with Me themselves but nevertheless believe in Me and want to place themselves under My care. And thus you have an extensive work to do.... to feed and water the hungry and thirsty who are in danger of succumbing on the path if they don't receive strength which you shall impart to them. Flesh and blood shall be offered to them, bread and wine.... My living word.... For I am the word from eternity, Who became flesh and redeemed humanity with His blood. Whoever receives Me in the word into his heart eats My flesh in truth. And the power of My word is the blood that brings him redemption. Bread and wine, the right nourishment for a weakened body, shall also be received by the soul if it is weak and needs strength for its upward development. Then the bread of life, My living word, shall be its nourishment and the soul will be flooded by strength, it will not need to starve and be able to refresh itself at the source of life, it will be a proper guest at My table which I have laid for all people because I love them. And I send out My servants and also invite those standing outside to make use of the common banquet. Whoever wants to come and be My guest will be accepted and will experience the true strengthening.... Therefore you should eagerly advertize for Me and present My love to them so that they will desire to share the banquet with Me, so that they can convince themselves of My love

which wants to give them everything the soul needs in order to become blissfully happy. My gifts are not meagre, but I give abundantly to those who let themselves be cared for by Me in a fatherly way. I want to knock on everyone's door and invite him to communion, and whoever opens his door to Me will be My guest for eternity. And therefore you should go before Me and announce My coming so that a place will be prepared for Me where I Myself can stay to take supper with those who listen to your voice and want to receive Me. I will offer them bread and wine, My flesh and My blood.... the living word, which they shall hear directly within themselves or through you, My messengers, whom you shall all seek out as mediators of My word, who will open the door of their hearts to you.... Let this be your mission, which I give strength to fulfil to all who want to serve Me....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Outpouring of the spirit.... Spiritual communion....

B.D. No. 7994

September 17th 1961

And thus only ever regard yourselves as vessels, as bowls into which I can pour My spirit for your and humanity's blessing. As long as a connection has been established from earth to the kingdom of light the influx of light is also possible, and every person can enter the realm of My light if only he has the will to escape the darkness. But this will has to be there, for no light will reach you against your will, i.e. you would not feel the rays of light and pass by untouched into the darkness again, from which you don't want to detach yourselves. But people can consider themselves fortunate that a source of light has been made accessible to them, to which they have access at any time.... that they only need to help themselves to the bowls in order to drink from it, to quench their thirst, in order to be able to walk the earthly path strengthened until the end. You humans, who have prepared yourselves as receptacles for My spirit, you can now guide the water of life everywhere, you can lead your fellow human beings as bearers of light on the path upwards; you can impart to them everything you receive from Me, and thereby you will render Me a true service by taking care of the erring human race which still lives in spiritual darkness, where My spirit cannot work as yet and people live without correct knowledge, without realization of their earthly life and therefore live this earthly life in vain.... But you can impart the right knowledge to them, you can enlighten them and try to induce them to change their way of life which only applies to hoarding matter.... you can encourage them to seriously judge themselves and now also lead their lives in accordance with My will.... But in order to achieve this you must bring them the truth, you must convincingly proclaim My word to them as I Myself give it to you from above.... You must therefore make it possible for Me Myself to speak to them through your mouth.... you must let Me speak to them through the scriptures when you convey My pure word to them, when your fellow human beings hear or read it unchanged, which you thus make possible through your work and your will. Then you will be true labourers in My vineyard, and then you will only carry out My will and contribute towards the light increasingly chasing away the darkness which is still spread across the earth. A direct address to your fellow human beings is not yet possible, but through you it will take place indirectly, and the strength of My word will truly not fail to have an effect.... Only the will to listen to Me is necessary first. Your fellow human beings must not reject you, they must be willing to listen to you if you speak to them on My behalf, if you proclaim the gospel to them which you have received from Me.... If you let Me Myself speak through you, if you enter into the closest bond with Me through your will so that My spirit can express itself in you, then brightest light will shine down to earth into whose circle countless souls will now enter who desire light and therefore will also be illuminated by My light of love from eternity.... And this process is spiritual communion.... Everything unites that is of a will turned towards Me and listens to My word.... I can address it, for I only need open hearts for this which accept My ray of love-light within themselves, which want to quench their spiritual hunger and thirst and to whom I can now supply nourishment which is helpful for their soul's salvation. I am always willing to hand it out; again and again I will address you, but I always require suitable vessels into which My spirit can pour itself. And your souls shall receive nourishment, they shall be fed and watered, they shall be allowed to refresh themselves

and again and again experience strengthening, they shall now also be able to effortlessly cover the ascent to the height, because again and again they may refresh themselves at the source which I Myself have tapped and which will not run dry from Me either, for every receptive vessel forces Me to emanate My light of love, for it is permeated by love for Me or it would not have prepared itself for Me and My flow of spirit.... And My abundance of love is exceedingly great, and it truly pours into every human heart which opens itself to Me, which lets Me in in order to take supper with Me. And I will distribute without measure, and anyone who only desires food and drink will be allowed to receive in abundance....

Amen

Translation handled by Doris Boekers

Vineyard work suggestion....

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You shall proclaim My word, and you shall inform every person of My unusual activity towards you, whom I lead into the path. For it is necessary that people learn of My love and grace which I bestow upon My living creations; they should know who they should turn to when they are approached by the great adversity which I constantly announce to you. And again and again you should tell them that My kingdom is not of this world, that it concerns the **spiritual** kingdom which you humans should strive for; you should tell them to remember their actual earthly task which consists of seeking My kingdom which is not of this world. It will always be **your** task to direct your fellow human beings' thoughts towards this kingdom if you want to be of service to Me, for people only ever move in **this** world and only pay attention to what serves their body's well-being; their striving is purely earthly and spiritual thoughts are far away from them.... But again and again you should point them to that kingdom which is **not** of **this** world. And therefore you should also inform them that the father's voice sounds from that kingdom, Who wants to address all people and uses you to pass on His message. People shall know that their God and creator speaks to them from above. They will not want to believe it and yet this unusual event shall be mentioned wherever the opportunity presents itself. And again and again human hearts will open which only need a push to take the path which leads into the spiritual kingdom. Spread My word and I will ensure that it will be accepted and spread again.... For My ways are wonderful, you don't know them, but I know where hungry souls wait for the nourishment which is My pure word for them.... I know where souls are waiting to be addressed by Me, and I arrange it so that the word you spread in My name will also reach them. You should just not be inactive, even though it seems to you as if all opportunities have been exhausted which enable you to spread My word. My word is blessed with My strength, My word is strength in itself, and where it can only touch a person's heart the soul will also come to life, it will feel the strength and receive wholesome nourishment for itself from My word. I still want to address many people through My word, and I will let your thoughts take the path which leads to such human hearts which you can provide with spiritual nourishment, with the bread of life which the soul can feast on. But don't become indifferent, for people are in need who have not yet found My kingdom, which is not of this world. Only My word shall sound to them from this kingdom and touch their hearts, then they will also approach the kingdom themselves.... And you should help them to hear this word, you should be My proclaimers who take their ministry seriously and again and again convey My word from above to them. You should see your task in the spreading of this word alone, and this requires constant vineyard work, which I admonish you to do again and again because it is very important. But you will also never be left without help, I Myself assign the work to you, you will be guided by Me, your thoughts and your will will be directed by Me so that you will always be successfully active for Me and My kingdom, which is not of this world. And if you are willing to work for Me you will also be able to carry out this work and never need to fear being unfit for it.... Just make your will your own and I will guide you to where your work is needed.... I Myself will assign the work to you and it will always be successful, because I bless every activity a helpful person wants

to accomplish for Me and My kingdom, so that many more souls will find salvation, so that they, too, will strive for the kingdom which is not of this world....

Amen

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Preaching the gospel to those who need spiritual consolation and to souls in the hereafter....

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And also proclaim the gospel to the souls in the beyond, for they urgently need it as long as they are not yet in the light and only attain the degree through My word that they can enter the kingdom of light. As long as the souls possess nothing they cannot work in love, thus they cannot hand over anything either.... But if they receive light and strength through you they can now also give light and strength.... And light and strength are only conveyed to them by My word, which is given to all who are of good will on earth as well as in the beyond. You humans can establish the connection with the souls who have not yet established the connection with Me yourselves.... who are not yet able to hear My word, even if it sounds in the spiritual kingdom.... And so carry this word of Mine to them.... Remember those souls as soon as you yourselves are active on earth for Me and My kingdom.... Consider that these souls can also participate in your vineyard work, that they are more inclined to listen to you, with whom they still feel connected through your remembrance, than when they are confronted by a being of light in the beyond which they don't recognize as such and therefore don't easily accept what they want to offer them.... **You** can now build the bridge, you can present the gospel of love to them and instruct them to such an extent that they will first think about themselves and then their **spiritual** friends will also find access to them more easily, because then they will discuss their state with them and also accept advice.... If you recite My word to the souls you will rarely work unsuccessfully, for the pure word of God exerts an inconceivable effect on the souls which willingly listen to it.... For they suddenly understand what was previously incomprehensible to them, and they also grasp the truth more quickly.... they find the context much sooner than they would have found it on earth, for imperfect souls lack light, and this light now shines towards them from My word, so that the word cannot remain without effect unless completely unwilling souls resist, but these are also deprived of the light as soon as they rebel.... Remember all souls which were dear to you on earth.... But also remember the souls in darkness who languish in unspeakable torment and pray for them so that they will become more compliant, so that they will feel the strength of your love and come to you to be taught by you.... Offer much love to these souls and you will thereby loosen their bonds.... Call them all to you and let them participate in the spiritual exchange.... Give them food, for they suffer dreadfully from hunger and thirst and can only quench it with the bread of heaven which I Myself distribute but which they have to receive through **you** because they still turn away from **Me**.... yet without this food they can never attain strength and light.... What I give to you in abundance, distribute to those poor and wretched souls and I will bless you.... For **My** love also wants to redeem the souls from the depths, and **your** love shall help Me in this....

Amen

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God's constant call....

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People have distanced themselves so far from Me that My call barely touches their ears, that they are indeed still able to hear it but they are not aware that they have to pay attention to it and that they therefore allow it to be drowned out because other sounds penetrate them which they willingly comply with.... The voice of the world is heard by everyone and only a few close their ears to it, but My voice is lost, for it does not impose itself, it calls and warns, it lovingly entices and admonishes without, however, exerting compulsion on the human being, for it must be willingly listened to if it is to bring beneficial success.... But the more distant the person is from Me the weaker is the effect of

My voice, and therefore My bearers of light will also have little success with those whose unkind way of life betrays their great distance from Me.... For even if My word is brought to them they don't feel touched by it, for them it is just empty sound which disturbs them far more than influences them beneficially. Nevertheless, again and again I try to be heard.... Again and again I bring My bearers of light together with them, I address them Myself through My servants and yet every now and then I achieve that a person becomes perplexed and takes notice.... This success will only rarely be recorded, and yet nothing shall be omitted if even one soul is saved from ruin. Anyone who has given up on Me will hardly find Me again, and then it will still require quite powerful means which I will also still use before the end comes. My voice will then sound loud and audible and only confirm what was previously proclaimed to them in a quiet speech.... My concern is always for those who are still far away from Me and have no idea what this great distance means for them.... I will not give up on a person until the end, and if only I succeed in making them consciously listen to Me for once My words will be so insistent that they will not remain without success. But often this is not possible, for I do not take away their freedom of will, and it requires free will to listen to Me without resistance. But then My word will have great strength, it will no longer let go of the human being and, if not sooner, he will raise a fearful cry to Me in the hour of the end which, because it comes from the heart, will be heard by Me and will give him the last hope.... and he will be spared the last thing.... the new banishment into matter.... I only want to save people from this, I only want to achieve that they still find their way to Me beforehand, that I can still call them before the end is there.... so that they do not belong to those who have to languish in bondage and darkness for endless times again.... The short time of grace until the end should therefore still be utilized, and you, My servants on earth, should remember that every saved soul means infinite joy for Me, because I don't want the being to suffer and be banished again.... You should do everything to make My word accessible to those who are distant from Me.... You should exhaust all possibilities to be active on My behalf; you should know that My blessing will always be upon you and your start, because you only accomplish My will if you take care of those I would like to address but cannot address them without your cooperation because they distance themselves from Me and don't hear My call. You also have access to those who are denied access to Me, and you can speak to them purely humanly and inform them of My working on and in you. They will not believe you but they will nevertheless temporarily open their ears to you and something can penetrate them which will then come to the surface when the time is there which I announce again and again. And then still a seed can come up, a tiny plant can sprout and strive towards the light.... A person can still recognize in a flash before the end and then take refuge in Me.... And I will accept everyone who then still comes to Me, for I want to save but not eternally condemn....

Amen

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Prepare a dwelling in the heart.... communion.... "Behold, I stand at the door...."

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O enter yourselves and don't let Me knock in vain at the doors of your heart, open them and let Me enter and bring you salvation, and receive Me with a glad heart and prepare a dwelling place for Me within you, make My will your concern and serve Me by serving your neighbour with love for My sake. And happiness and peace will enter your heart with Me, for once you have recognized Me you will no longer desire the world and its goods but sacrifice everything for the sake of My presence, for the sake of My love, which I bestow upon you if you accept Me into your heart. I bring you My word, I bring you nourishment for your soul, and thus you will no longer hunger and starve and also feel this earthly as a benefit. For flooded with strength you will overcome all earthly difficulties because I Myself stand by your side and convey the strength to you. For now you no longer walk alone through the earthly valley, you have Me as your constant companion once I have taken abode in your heart, once you have prepared it to receive Me through your will, through loving activity. If I knock at your heart's door and offer My word, only your will is decisive to let Me enter.... Then this will be

directed towards the right aim because it was meant for Me at the right time. First you accept Me as a stranger, then you recognize Me and establish the right relationship, you let Me be your friend and brother, you see in Me the father of eternity, you feel deeply united with Me as My children, and your relationship with Me will become ever more intimate until you have found unity, until you are united with Me forever through constant activity of love. Let Me into your hearts when I approach to bring you the word.... offer no resistance, receive Me with a joyful heart and a rich blessing will blossom from your willingness.... I will not leave anyone out in order to bring him salvation, yet anyone who keeps his house closed when I speak, who refuses to receive Me Myself, will eternally no longer have to expect a gift of grace, for his will itself closes itself to it and will never ever be forced by Me. Yet don't let My call go unheard, open yourselves to Me for your own sake so that your soul need not hunger and starve, offer the nourishment which I Myself bring to you, be My guests, let Me feed and water you with My word, with the bread of heaven, the strength of which you need in order to become one with Me.... Receive Me Myself into your hearts so that I can give you communion, so that I can satisfy you with My flesh and My blood.... with My word, the strength of which must flow through you in order to become blessed. and therefore open to Me when I approach to desire entrance.... do not fear that a false prophet wants to mislead you, that he might offer you nourishment which does not suit you.... My word is recognizable because it preaches love.... and thus it is commanded by love Itself, by Me, Who comes to people in the word to help them in their great spiritual adversity, Who desires entrance into their hearts in order to be able to work in the hearts Myself for the blessing of all who receive Me and prepare a dwelling for Me.... Do not let the admonition fall on your ears but pay attention to it, and when I come open wide the door of your heart to Me and receive Me.... And you will be unspeakably happy, already on earth and one day in eternity....

Amen

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Urgent invitation to communion....

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Just always come to My table and get the nourishment which your soul needs.... Again and again you must take it to yourselves, it must constantly be able to refresh itself at the source of My love, and therefore you must also constantly let Me speak to you, and you must never believe that you have received enough nourishment, for I constantly speak to you because I know that you always need strength and reinforcement, because I must always speak to you so that your souls can become strong and mature. The well of life will never run dry, My table will always be laid for you, but you must come to Me yourselves and never believe that your soul could do without the bread of heaven if it does not want to harm itself. For what I offer it is My strength of love, without which it cannot become blissfully happy.... But beatitude consists of constantly feeling My illumination of love and yet always having a desire for it.... Thus you will never be full but constantly use nourishment which refreshes and strengthens you, which makes you feel your bond with Me ever more.... Thus you will constantly be allowed to partake of the lord's supper with Me and also have to do so if your bliss is not to be impaired. But My table of gifts is immeasurably richly laid and I want to share everything with you, I want to treat My guests to the best because they are extremely dear to Me. And a good host is happy when his gifts are desired and gratefully accepted. And thus I also want you to come to My table again and again in order to take supper with Me, in order to receive the food which I break and bless for you, which I offer you because I know that you need it and cannot receive enough of it. Love prepares the food for you and love distributes it to you.... Love beckons and calls you, it sends messengers to invite you, and love itself will never close the door but keep all gates open which lead to the source of life.... My messengers will guide you to where My gifts are distributed so that your soul receives good gifts.... This is why you should always find yourselves at My table, again and again you should open your hearts to My address, you should cultivate a constant bond with Me and never let Me go from you.... You should always desire My presence which, however, also proves itself through My address, through the influx of My flow of grace, through the presentation of My word, of

the bread of heaven and living water which strengthens and matures your soul. Why do I tell you this? Why do I exhort you so urgently to receive My word? Because times will come when this approach to My table will be difficult for you, and because you have to be prepared for this time, that your souls have become strong and that you will then feel such a desire for My nourishment within you that you will also overcome these difficulties in order to only be able to partake of the lord's supper.... But for this your soul already needs much strength which it should have gathered beforehand. I truly provide for you abundantly, but you cannot let yourselves be fed and watered by Me abundantly enough.... Believe these words of Mine that you will need a great deal of strength and can only receive this strength through the right food and the right drink. For this reason, however, My love calls upon you again and again to shelter around the source which I have opened up for you.... And you should make use of this grace as long as it is easily accessible to you.... And you will then also be able to overcome resistance in order to come to the lord's table.... And you have to expect such resistance, for the end is approaching where My adversary will try everything to push you away from Me. Therefore you shall be strong and My gifts shall seem so precious to you that you will only desire them, that you will long for communion with Me and that you will always find your way to where I have laid My table for you....

Amen

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